



#### MINERVA LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STARK COUNTY JUNE 30, 2022

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Minerva Local School District Stark County 604 East Street Minerva, Ohio 44657

To the Governing Body:

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Minerva Local School District, Stark County, Ohio (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Minerva Local School District, Stark County, Ohio as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General fund for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 District, 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 opinions.

#### 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.

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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 District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### 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 opinions. 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 and *Government 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 GAAS and Government 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 the District'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 District'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.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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#### Supplementary information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2023, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

January 31, 2023

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

The discussion and analysis of the Minerva Local School District's (the "School District") financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

#### Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2022 are as follows:

- Net position increased \$2,395,031 from fiscal year 2021.
- Capital assets decreased \$990,341 during fiscal year 2022.

#### Using this Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. The statements are organized so the reader can understand the School District as a whole entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate view of the School District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the School District's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the School District, the general and bond retirement funds are the most significant funds.

#### Reporting the School District as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While the basic financial statements contain the large number of funds used by the School District to provide programs and activities, the view of the School District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2022?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School District as a whole, the financial position of the School District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the School District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio which restrict revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs, and other factors.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

In the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*, Governmental Activities include the School District's programs and services, including instruction, support services, extracurricular activities, and non instructional services, i.e., food service operations.

#### Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been safeguarded for specific activities or objectives. The School District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions; however, these fund financial statements focus on the School District's most significant funds. The School District's major governmental funds are the general fund and bond retirement fund.

Governmental Funds - Most of the School District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

#### The School District as a Whole

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the School District as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's net position for 2022 compared to 2021:

Table 1 Net Position

	Governmental Activities							
	2022	2021	Change					
Assets								
Current & Other Assets	\$ 29,192,463	\$ 27,611,395	\$ 1,581,068					
Net Pension/OPEB Asset	1,491,242	1,210,160	281,082					
Capital Assets	28,361,163	29,351,504	(990,341)					
Total Assets	59,044,868	58,173,059	871,809					
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>								
Pension & OPEB	5,915,850	4,721,639	1,194,211					
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,915,850	4,721,639	1,194,211					
Liabilities								
Current & Other Liabilities	2,692,086	1,950,998	741,088					
Long-Term Liabilities:	_, -, -, -,	-,, -,, -	, , , , , , ,					
Due Within One Year	1,057,258	1,088,028	(30,770)					
Due In More Than One Year:	1,007,200	1,000,020	(30,770)					
Pension & OPEB	12,927,559	22,479,536	(9,551,977)					
Other Amounts	6,919,250	7,657,237	(737,987)					
Total Liabilities	23,596,153	33,175,799	(9,579,646)					
Total Liabilities	23,390,133	33,173,799	(9,379,040)					
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>								
Property Taxes	7,805,575	7,790,039	15,536					
Pension & OPEB	11,766,615	2,531,516	9,235,099					
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	19,572,190	10,321,555	9,250,635					
Net Position								
Net Investment in Capital Assets	21,955,887	22,195,684	(239,797)					
Restricted	3,980,028	3,593,936	386,092					
Unrestricted	(4,143,540)	(6,392,276)	2,248,736					
Total Net Position	\$ 21,792,375	\$ 19,397,344	\$ 2,395,031					

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

The net pension liability (NPL) is the largest single liability reported by the School District at June 30, 2022 and is reported pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27. In a prior period, the School District also adopted GASB Statement 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the School District's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability (NOL) to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB and the net OPEB asset (NOA).

GASB standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Prior accounting for pensions (GASB 27) and postemployment benefits (GASB 45) focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension and OPEB costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability* or *net OPEB liability*. GASB 68 and GASB 75 take an earnings approach to pension and OPEB accounting; however, the nature of Ohio's statewide pension/OPEB plans and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

GASB 68 and GASB 75 require the net pension liability and the net OPEB asset/liability to equal the School District's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

- 1. Present value of estimated future pension/OPEB benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service.
- 2. Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits.

GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the "employment exchange" – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and other postemployment benefits. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee, and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the School District is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of these assets/liabilities. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

The employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the retirement system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded asset/liability of the pension/OPEB plan as against the public employer. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The retirement system is responsible for the administration of the pension and OPEB plans.

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Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability or the net OPEB liability. As explained above, changes in benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of these liabilities, but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

In accordance with GASB 68 and GASB 75, the School District's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense and an annual OPEB expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in net pension liability and net OPEB asset/liability, respectively, not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

Capital assets include land, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. These capital assets are used to provide services to students and are not available for future spending. Although the School District's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the School District's net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The balance of government-wide unrestricted net position is a deficit balance.

Current and other liabilities increased primarily due to an increase in accrued wages and benefits. This increase is related to a premium holiday related to benefit payments that was taken in the previous year, and to the School District changing its pay schedule from twice a month to every two weeks.

There was a significant change in net pension/OPEB liability/asset for the School District. These fluctuations are due to changes in the retirement systems unfunded liabilities that are passed through to the School District's financial statements. All components of pension and OPEB accruals contribute to the fluctuations in deferred outflows/inflows and NPL/NOL/NOA and are described in more detail in their respective notes.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2022 and 2021.

Table 2 Changes in Net Position

	Governmental Activities						
		2022		2021		Change	
Revenues							
Program Revenues							
Charges for Services	\$	711,120	\$	1,732,846	\$	(1,021,726)	
Operating Grants		4,499,386		4,982,735		(483,349)	
Capital Grants		20,000				20,000	
Total Program Revenues		5,230,506		6,715,581		(1,485,075)	
General Revenues							
Property Taxes		8,391,277		8,177,103		214,174	
Grants & Entitlements		13,434,245		10,910,491		2,523,754	
Miscellaneous		(343,813)		417,897		(761,710)	
Total General Revenues		21,481,709		19,505,491		1,976,218	
Total Revenues		26,712,215		26,221,072		491,143	
Program Expenses							
Instruction:							
Regular		10,330,874		11,370,257		(1,039,383)	
Special		4,627,027		4,484,406		142,621	
Vocational		2,276		8,139		(5,863)	
Adult/Continuing		3,740		4,879		(1,139)	
Support Services:							
Pupils		1,074,086		1,179,555		(105,469)	
Instructional Staff		265,508		350,550		(85,042)	
Board of Education		126,300		125,288		1,012	
Administration		1,466,166		1,683,535		(217,369)	
Fiscal		459,989		626,083		(166,094)	
Business		263,066		232,055		31,011	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant		1,835,834		1,609,436		226,398	
Pupil Transportation		1,218,225		1,023,541		194,684	
Central		331,843		229,246		102,597	
Operation of Non-Instructional/Shared Services:							
Food Service Operations		972,574		937,358		35,216	
Community Services		98,244		23,694		74,550	
Extracurricular Activities		1,094,152		956,655		137,497	
Debt Service:							
Interest and Fiscal Charges		147,280		162,454		(15,174)	
Total Expenses		24,317,184		25,007,131		(689,947)	
Change in Net Position		2,395,031		1,213,941		1,181,090	
Net Position Beginning of Year		19,397,344		18,183,403		1,213,941	
Net Position End of Year	\$	21,792,375	\$	19,397,344	\$	2,395,031	

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The changes in charges for services and grants and entitlements are primarily due to the change in the State of Ohio's funding formula. Miscellaneous revenue decreased mostly due to the decrease in value of investments.

The changes in program expenses are partially associated to changes in the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability, net OPEB liability/asset and related accruals. As previously indicated, these items are explained in detail within their respective notes.

The dependence upon general revenues for governmental activities is apparent. The community, as a whole, is by far the primary support for the School District students.

#### Governmental Funds

As noted earlier, the School District's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual method of accounting. The focus of the School District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School District's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for discretionary use as they represent the portion of the fund balance which has not yet been limited to use for a particular purpose by either an external party, the School District itself, or a group or individual that has been delegated authority to assign resources for use for particular purposes by the School District's Board.

Fund Balance	Fund Balance	I	ncrease
12/31/2022	12/31/2021	<u>(</u> [	Decrease)
\$13,443,631	\$13,491,763	\$	(48,132)
647,199	485,147		162,052
3,050,621	2,925,192		125,429
\$17,141,451	\$16,902,102	\$	239,349
	\$13,443,631 647,199 3,050,621	12/31/2022       12/31/2021         \$ 13,443,631       \$ 13,491,763         647,199       485,147         3,050,621       2,925,192	12/31/2022 12/31/2021 (E \$13,443,631 \$13,491,763 \$ 647,199 485,147 3,050,621 2,925,192

The general fund balance decreased due to transfers to support other programs.

The bond retirement fund's net change in fund balance for the fiscal year is due to timing differences in the receipt of revenue and debt payments.

#### General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The School District's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund.

During the course of fiscal year 2022, the School District amended its general fund budget. The School District uses site-based budgeting and budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management.

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#### Original Budget Compared to Final Budget

Final estimated revenue was higher than in the original budget. Income from sources other than property taxes was adjusted to match expectations.

There were no amendments to the general fund appropriations during the fiscal year.

#### Final Budget Compared to Actual Results

There was no significant variance between the actual budget basis revenue and other financing sources to the final budget.

A review of actual expenditures and other financing uses compared to the appropriations in the final budget yields a slight variance. This was primarily the result of cost saving measures throughout the School District.

#### Capital Assets and Debt Administration

#### **Capital Assets**

The decrease in capital assets was attributable to depreciation exceeding asset additions. See Note 8 for more information.

#### **Debt**

During the fiscal year there was no significant activity other than principal payments on maturing capital appreciation bonds. See Note 9 for additional information

#### **Current Issues**

The School District continues to receive strong support from the residents of the School District. As the preceding information shows, the School District relies heavily on its local property taxpayers. The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for operating funds. The overall revenue generated by a levy will not increase solely as a result of inflation due to Ohio House Bill 920 (passed in 1976). As an example, a homeowner with a home valued at \$100,000 and taxed at 1.0 mill would pay \$35.00 annually in taxes. If three years later the home was reappraised and increased in value to \$200,000 (and this inflationary increase in value is comparable to other property owners) the effective tax rate would become 0.5 mills and the owner would still pay \$35.00 in taxes.

Thus, school districts dependent upon property taxes are hampered by a lack of revenue growth and must regularly return to the voters to maintain a constant level of service. Property taxes made up 31 percent of revenues for governmental activities for the School District in fiscal year 2022. The passage of Ohio House Bill 59 and the changes to the rollback provision and homestead exemption eligibility will make passage of new and replacement levies much more difficult.

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The School District has also been affected by changes in the personal property tax structure (utility deregulation) and commercial business/property uncertainties. Management has diligently planned expenses while still striving to continue academic success. This has been made increasingly difficult with rising utility costs and significant increases in health insurance costs.

The College Credit Plus program is mandated by the state legislature but not directly funded by them. This program is beneficial to our high school students but will put added pressure on the general fund. The charges for this program have averaged approximately \$55,000 the last three fiscal years.

The pandemic has affected the way the School District is conducting education. The School District has increased staff to help deal with the learning loss the pandemic has caused. The School District is dealing with many federal and state programs to help with the increased costs but the amount of administrative time spent on these programs is extensive. Once these funds are gone, the School District will need to scale back to pre-pandemic staffing levels.

In addition, the School District's systems of budgeting and internal controls are well regarded. All of the School District's financial abilities will be needed to meet the challenges of the future

### Contacting the School District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Ashley Beaumariage, Treasurer of Minerva Local School District, 406 East Street, Minerva, Ohio 44657 or beaumariagea@minerva.sparcc.org.

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2022

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$ 18,779,311
Accounts Receivable	5,879
Intergovernmental Receivable	835,824
Taxes Receivable	9,556,362
Prepaid Items	15,087
Net OPEB Asset	1,491,242
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	127,797
Depreciable Capital Assets, net	28,233,366
Total Assets	59,044,868
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Pension	5,346,141
OPEB	569,709
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,915,850
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	236,113
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,941,197
Intergovernmental Payable	469,012
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	45,764
Long-Term Liabilities:	,.
Due Within One Year	1,057,258
Due In More Than One Year:	, ,
Net Pension Liability	11,581,708
Net OPEB Liability	1,345,851
Other Amounts Due in More Than One Year	6,919,250
Total Liabilities	23,596,153
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Property Taxes Levied for the Next Year	7,805,575
Pension	9,223,563
OPEB	2,543,052
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	19,572,190
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	21,955,887
Restricted for:	21,733,007
Capital Outlay	1,223
Debt Service	760,228
Classroom Facilities Maintenance	1,245,398
Food Service	932,724
State Programs	439,510
Other Purposes	600,945
Unrestricted	(4,143,540)
Total Net Position	\$ 21,792,375
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Minerva Local School District Stark County, Ohio Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

			Program Revenues	s	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants, Contributions and Interest	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities					
Instruction:					
Regular	\$ 10,330,874	\$ 154,955		\$ -	\$ (8,759,996)
Special	4,627,027	189,927	915,709	-	(3,521,391)
Vocational	2,276	-	-	-	(2,276)
Adult/Continuing	3,740	-	-	-	(3,740)
Support Services:					
Pupils	1,074,086	-	116,440	-	(957,646)
Instructional Staff	265,508	-	6,700	-	(258,808)
Board of Education	126,300	-	· <u>-</u>	-	(126,300)
Administration	1,466,166	45,194	*	-	(1,417,070)
Fiscal	459,989	342	*	-	(449,697)
Business	263,066	-		-	(263,066)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,835,834	1,087		-	(1,332,509)
Pupil Transportation	1,218,225	3,707	35,221	-	(1,179,297)
Central	331,843	-	-	-	(331,843)
Operation of Non-Instructional/Shared Services:	972,574	66,751	1,271,213		365,390
Food Service Operations Community Services	98,244	00,731	83,591	-	
Extracurricular Activities	1,094,152	249,157		20,000	(14,653) (686,496)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	147,280	249,137	130,499	20,000	(147,280)
Total	\$ 24,317,184	\$ 711,120	\$ 4,499,386	\$ 20,000	(19,086,678)
	General Revenues				
	Property Taxes Lev				
	General Purpose				7,374,044
	Debt Services				909,311
	Classroom Facility	es			107,922
	Grants and Entitlen	ents not Restricted	d to Specific Programs	S	13,434,245
	Proceeds on Sale of	Capital Assets			3,052
	Investment Earning	S			(416,870)
	Miscellaneous				70,005
	Total General Rev	enues			21,481,709
	Change in Net Pos	ition			2,395,031
	Net Position Begin	ning of Year			19,397,344
	Net Position End o	f Year			\$ 21,792,375

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2022

	General	Bond General Retirement		Total Governmental Funds		
Assets						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$ 14,952,619	\$ 737,604	\$ 3,089,088	\$ 18,779,311		
Accounts Receivable	5,320	-	559	5,879		
Interfund Receivable	452,401	-	835,824	452,401 835,824		
Intergovernmental Receivable Taxes Receivable	8,519,499	911,896	833,824 124,967	9,556,362		
Prepaid Items	13,836	911,090 -	1,251	15,087		
Total Assets	\$ 23,943,675	\$ 1,649,500	\$ 4,051,689	\$ 29,644,864		
Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$ 73,898	\$ -	\$ 162,215	\$ 236,113		
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,773,733	-	167,464	1,941,197		
Intergovernmental Payable	417,355	130,000	51,657	469,012		
Interfund Payable Matured Compensated Absences Payable	44,203	130,000	322,401 1,561	452,401 45,764		
				-		
Total Liabilities	2,309,189	130,000	705,298	3,144,487		
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>						
Property Taxes Levied for the Next Year	6,943,213	759,272	103,090	7,805,575		
Unavailable Revenue	1,247,642	113,029	192,680	1,553,351		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	8,190,855	872,301	295,770	9,358,926		
Fund Balances						
Nonspendable	19,248	-	1,251	20,499		
Restricted		647,199	3,225,070	3,872,269		
Assigned	1,114,352	-	-	1,114,352		
Unassigned	12,310,031		(175,700)	12,134,331		
Total Fund Balance	13,443,631	647,199	3,050,621	17,141,451		
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of						
Resources and Fund Balances	\$ 23,943,675	\$ 1,649,500	\$ 4,051,689	\$ 29,644,864		

Minerva Local School District Stark County, Ohio Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities June 30, 2022

Total Governmental Fund Balances		\$ 17,141,451
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial		
resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		28,361,163
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds:		
Intergovernmental	\$ 175,751	
Delinquent Property Taxes	1,377,600	1,553,351
The net pension liability and net OPEB liability are not due and payable in the current period, therefore,		
the liability and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in governmental funds.		
Net OPEB Asset	1,491,242	
Deferred Outflows - Pension	5,346,141	
Deferred Outflows - OPEB	569,709	
Net Pension Liability	(11,581,708)	
Net OPEB Liability	(1,345,851)	
Deferred Inflows - Pension	(9,223,563)	
Deferred Inflows - OPEB	(2,543,052)	(17,287,082)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:		
General Obligation Bonds	(4,085,000)	
Unamortized Bond Premium	(190,446)	
Capital Appreciation Bonds	(2,129,830)	
Accretion of Interest - Capital Appreciation Bonds	(129,272)	
Compensated Absences	(1,441,960)	 (7,976,508)
Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 21,792,375

# Minerva Local School District

Stark County, Ohio
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Genera	General		Bond Retirement		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
Revenues									
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 6,892		\$	906,052	\$	101,904	\$	7,899,999	
Intergovernmental	13,243			187,897		4,288,871		17,720,331	
Investment Income		5,870)		-		4,079		(412,791)	
Tuition and Fees		),264		-		240.677		300,264	
Extracurricular Activities	73	3,660		-		249,677		323,337	
Charges for Services	1.0	-		-		68,180		68,180	
Rent Contributions and Donations		9,340 2,785		-		112,618		19,340	
Miscellaneous		,,783 7,413		-		2,592		115,403	
Total Revenues	20,182		1	093,949	-	4,827,921		70,005	
Total Revenues		2,170		,073,747		7,027,721		20,104,000	
Expenditures Instruction:									
Regular	8,847	631		_		1,420,741		10,268,372	
Special	3,912			_		974,800		4,887,680	
Vocational	,	2,276		_		- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		2,276	
Adult/Continuing		3,740		_		_		3,740	
Support Services:	_	,,						-,,	
Pupils	1,000	,056		-		143,330		1,143,386	
Instructional Staff		,079		-		59,259		273,338	
Board of Education	126	,300		-		-		126,300	
Administration	1,630	,393		-		8,221		1,638,614	
Fiscal	533	3,278		18,997		7,550		559,825	
Business	263	3,066		-		-		263,066	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,529	,186		-		453,105		1,982,291	
Pupil Transportation	1,240	,801		-		35,677		1,276,478	
Central	331	,843		-		-		331,843	
Operation of Non-Instructional/Shared Services:									
Food Service Operations		-		-		1,060,903		1,060,903	
Community Services		,403		-		96,841		98,244	
Extracurricular Activities	489	,598		-		501,765		991,363	
Capital Outlay		-		-		49,600		49,600	
Debt Service				705 151				725 151	
Principal Retirement		-		725,151		-		725,151	
Interest and Fiscal Charges  Total Expenditures	20,126	- 520		187,749 931,897		4,811,792		187,749 25,870,219	
Total Expenditures	20,120	5,330	-	931,897		4,011,792		23,670,219	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	55	5,668		162,052		16,129		233,849	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)									
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	5	5,500		-		-		5,500	
Transfers In		-		-		109,300		109,300	
Transfers Out	•	9,300)						(109,300)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(103	3,800)				109,300		5,500	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(48	3,132)		162,052		125,429		239,349	
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	13,491	,763		485,147		2,925,192		16,902,102	
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 13,443	3,631	\$	647,199	\$	3,050,621	\$	17,141,451	

## Minerva Local School District

Stark County, Ohio
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 239,349
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activites, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.  Capital Asset Additions  Current Year Depreciation	\$ 368,358 (1,356,251)	(987,893)
Governmental funds only report the disposal of capital assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the statement of activities, a gain or loss is reported for each disposal.		(2,448)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.  Intergovernmental Property Taxes	 93,817 491,278	585,095
Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.  Capital Appreciation Bonds  Accreted Interest	 725,151 39,849	765,000
Amortization of bond premium on bonds are not reported in the fund but are allocated as an expense over the life of the debt in the statement of activities.		25,393
Contractually required pension/OPEB contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows.  Pension  OPEB	 1,693,594 46,911	1,740,505
Except for amount reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension/OPEB liability are reported as pension/OPEB expense in the statement of activities.  Pension OPEB	 (78,947) 130,613	51,666
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.  Compensated Absences		3,137
Accretion on capital appreciation bonds is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but is allocated as an expense over the life of the bonds in the statement of activities.		 (24,773)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 2,395,031

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

		Budgeted Amounts						
	Original		Final		Actual		Variance with Final Budget	
Revenues and Other Financing Sources	\$	20,570,000	\$	20,860,000	\$	20,817,703	\$	(42,297)
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		21,267,350		21,267,350		20,925,536		341,814
Net Change in Fund Balance		(697,350)		(407,350)		(107,833)		299,517
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		13,463,732		13,463,732		13,463,732		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		1,042,350		1,042,350		1,042,350		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	13,808,732	\$	14,098,732	\$	14,398,249	\$	299,517

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### NOTE 1: NATURE OF BASIC OPERATIONS AND DESCRIPTIONS OF THE ENTITY

The Minerva Local School District (the "School District) was established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The School District is a school district as defined by Section 3311.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. The School District operates under an elected Board of Education, consisting of five members, and is responsible for providing public education to residents of the School District.

The reporting entity is required to be comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the basic financial statements of the School District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For the School District, this includes all general operations, food service, and student related activities of the School District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the School District is financially accountable. The School District is financially accountable for an organization if the School District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the School District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the School District is legally entitled to, or can otherwise access, the organization resources; the School District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provides financial support to, the organization; or the School District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the School District in that the School District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. The School District has no component units.

Management believes the basic financial statements included in the report represent all of the funds of the School District over which the School District has the ability to exercise direct operating control.

The School District is involved in the following jointly governed organizations.

#### Stark Portage Area Computer Consortium

Stark Portage Area Computer Consortium (SPARCC) is a jointly governed organization among 31 school districts, the Stark County Educational Service Center and the Portage County Educational Service Center and the Portage County Education Service Center. The purpose of the organization is to apply modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member districts. The legislative and advisory body is the assembly which is comprised of the superintendents of the participating schools. The degree of control exercised by any participating district is limited to its representation on the assembly, which appoints the five-member executive board.

The executive board exercises total control over the operation of SPARCC including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. The executive board consists of five superintendents. All revenues are generated from State funding and an annual fee charged to participating districts. The Stark County Educational Service Center is the fiscal agent of SPARCC. Financial information can be obtained by writing to the Stark County Educational Service Center, 6057 Strip Avenue NW, North Canton, OH 44720.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### Stark County Joint Vocational School

The Stark County Joint Vocational School is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a seven member board, consisting of one representative from each of the six participating school district's elected boards and one board member that rotates from each participating school district. The Stark County Joint Vocational School possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. To obtain financial information write to the Stark County Joint Vocational School, 6805 Richville Drive, S.W., Massillon, Ohio 44646.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting entity for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The School District's significant accounting policies are described on the next page.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The School District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

*Government-wide Financial Statements* The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the School District at year-end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the School District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the School District, with certain limitations. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School District.

Fund Financial Statements During the year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type. However, the School District has no fiduciary funds.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### B. Fund Accounting

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self balancing set of accounts. There are two categories of funds: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources is reported as fund balance. The following are the School District's major governmental funds:

*General Fund* The general fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the School District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Bond Retirement Fund** The bond retirement debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of property tax revenues for, and the payment of, general obligation bonds used for the construction of buildings within the School District.

The other governmental funds of the School District account for grants and other resources to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources.

Fiduciary Funds Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into the following four classifications: pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and custodial funds. Trust funds are distinguished from custodial funds by the existence of a trust agreement or equivalent arrangements that has certain characteristics. Custodial Funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in a trust fund. The School District has no fiduciary funds.

#### C. Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the School District are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Activities presents increases (i.e. revenues) and decreases (i.e. expenses) in total net position.

Fund Financial Statements During the year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred inflows/outflows of resources, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

**Revenues - Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions** Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the School District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of the fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. Revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 7). Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the School District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: property taxes available as an advance, interest, tuition, grants, student fees, and rentals.

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources** In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the School District, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for pension and OPEB. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are explained in Notes 10 and 11.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized until that time. For the School District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, pension, OPEB and unavailable revenue. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2022, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2023 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow on both the government-wide statement of net position and governmental fund financial statements. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet, and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

For the School District, unavailable revenue may include delinquent property taxes and grants and entitlements. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available. The details of these unavailable revenues are identified on the Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. (See Notes 10 and 11).

**Expenses/Expenditures** On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities used during the year is reported in the operating statement as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental revenue.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

#### E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, all cash received by the School District is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through School District records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and investments" on the Balance Sheet.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements and non-negotiable certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, identified the funds to receive an allocation of interest. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2022 amounted to \$(416,870) with \$(70,260) being assigned from other School District funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an original maturity of more than three months that are not made from the pool are reported as investments.

#### F. Capital Assets

The School District's only capital assets are general capital assets. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide Statement of Net Position but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$2,000. The School District does not possess any infrastructure.

Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

All reported capital assets except land are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives				
Buildings and Improvements	20 - 40 Years				
Furniture and Equipment	5 - 20 Years				
Vehicles	15 - 20 Years				

#### G. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." Repayments from the funds responsible for particular expenditures or expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are reported as "due to/due from other funds." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental columns of the Statement of Net Position.

#### H. Compensated Absences

The School District reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*. Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is an estimate based on the School District's amount of accumulated sick leave that will be paid as a termination benefit.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employee will be paid.

#### I. Pensions and Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB asset/liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension/OPEB, and pension/OPEB expense; information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

### J. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources, are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments, compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current fiscal year. Net pension/OPEB liability should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits.

#### K. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. At June 30, 2022, none of the School District's net position was restricted by enabling legislation.

The School District applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

#### L. Fund Balance

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the School District classifies its fund balance based on the purpose for which the resources were received and the level of constraint placed on the resources. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable – The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable, as well as property acquired for resale, unless the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed or assigned.

Restricted – Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Committed – The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the School District Board of Education. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the School District Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

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Assigned – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the School District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the School District Board of Education. The Board of Education has by resolution authorized the Treasurer to assign fund balance. The Board of Education may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget.

*Unassigned* – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed or assigned.

The School District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

#### M. Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

#### N. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2022.

#### O. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### P. Budgetary Data

All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriation resolution and the Certificate of Estimated Resources, which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The Certificate of Estimated Resources establishes a limit on the amounts that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of budgetary control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level for all funds. The Treasurer has been given the authority to allocate Board appropriations to the function and object levels within each fund.

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The Certificate of Estimated Resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the School District Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the certificate when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the final amended certificate in effect when the final appropriations were passed.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment by the Board throughout the fiscal year with the restriction that appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the final appropriations passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

#### NOTE 3: IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

#### Implementation of New Accounting Principles

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the School District has implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, Leases, certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 93, Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates, certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 97, Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans—an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a supersession of GASB Statement No. 32, GASB Statement No. 98, The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, and certain provisions in GASB Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022.

GASB Statement No. 87 requires recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 87 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

GASB Statement No. 93 addresses accounting and financial reporting effects that result from the replacement of interbank offered rates (IBORs) with other reference rates in order to preserve the reliability, relevance, consistency, and comparability of reported information. The implementation of paragraphs 11b, 13 and 14 of GASB Statement No. 93 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

GASB Statement No. 97 requirements that are related to a) the accounting and financial reporting for Section 457 plans and b) determining whether a primary government is financially accountable for a potential component unit were implemented for fiscal year 2022. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 97 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

GASB Statement No. 99 enhances comparability in the application of accounting and financial reporting requirements and will improve consistency of authoritative literature. The implementation of certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 99 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

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#### NOTE 4: BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the School District is reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual, is presented on the budgetary basis for the general fund to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are that:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).
- 2. Expenditures/expenses are recorded when paid in cash (budget) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP).
- 3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget) rather than as assigned or committed fund balance (GAAP).
- 4. Some funds are included in the general fund, (GAAP basis), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budget basis).

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statement to the budgetary basis statement on a fund type basis for the general fund.

	General			
GAAP Basis	\$	(48,132)		
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals		706,450		
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals		391,513		
Funds Budgeted Elsewhere**		28,752		
Adjustment for Encumbrances		(1,186,416)		
Budget Basis	\$	(107,833)		

<sup>\*\*</sup> As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definition, certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds is considered part of the general fund on a GAAP basis. This includes public school support and unclaimed funds.

#### **NOTE 5: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

State statues classify monies held by the School District into three categories.

Active monies are public deposits necessary to meet the demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the School District Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

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Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Interim monies to be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal or interest by the United States;
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above, provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and any other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- 5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain bankers acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred and eighty days and two hundred and seventy days from the purchase date in any amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and
- 8. Under limited circumstances, corporate note interests rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

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Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

**Deposits** At year-end, the School District's bank balance was \$8,714,312. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 was covered by deposit insurance and the remaining amount was collateralized by the financial institution's participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System.

*Custodial Credit Risk* Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party.

The School District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by:

- Eligible securities pledged to the School District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured; or
- Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS required the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

#### Investments

The following table includes investment, maturity and percentage total of each investment type held by the School District at June 30, 2022:

S & P				Investment Maturities					
Global		Measurement		1	2 Months	12 to 36	More Than		Percent
Rating	Investment Type	Amount		or Less		Months	36 Months		of Total
	Net Asset Value (NAV):							_	
AAAm	First American Government Obligation Fund	\$	38,046	\$	38,046	\$ -	\$	-	0.37%
	Fair Value:								
A-1	Commercial Paper		1,050,115		1,050,115	-		-	10.28%
AA+	Federal National Mortgage Association		619,480		-	332,319		287,161	6.06%
AA+	Federal Home Loan Bank		1,694,613		123,970	511,270		1,059,373	16.58%
AA+	Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation		978,554		_	-		978,554	9.57%
AA+	Federal Farm Credit Bank		2,356,145		-	1,418,819		937,326	23.05%
N/A	Negotiable Certificates of Deposit		2,493,779		1,131,632	1,133,209		228,938	24.40%
N/A	US Treasury Note		990,794		320,392	442,845		227,557	9.69%
	Total	\$	10,221,526	\$	2,664,155	\$3,838,462	\$	3,718,909	100.00%

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The School District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The above table identifies the School District's recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2022. The School District's investments measured at fair value are valued using methodologies that incorporate market inputs such as benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers, and reference data including market research publications. Market indicators and industry and economic events are also monitored which could require the need to acquire further market data (Level 2 inputs).

*Interest Rate Risk* As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to state law, the School District's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Concentration of Credit Risk The School District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer.

Custodial Credit Risk Custodial credit risk for an investment is the risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty, the School District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. These securities, held by the counterparty and not in the School District's name, must be obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The School District's investment in repurchase agreement is collateralized by underlying securities pledged by the investment's counterparty, not in the name of the School District. Ohio law requires the market value of the securities subject to repurchase agreements must exceed the principal value of the securities subject to a repurchase agreement by 2 percent. The School District's policy is to invest money with financial institutions that are able to abide by the laws governing insurance and collateral of public funds.

# **NOTE 6: RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2022 consisted of property taxes, accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees), interfund, and intergovernmental. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of state programs, and the current fiscal year guarantee of federal funds. All receivables are expected to be collected within one year.

# NOTE 7: PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the School District in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the School District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2022 represents collections of calendar year 2021 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2022 were levied after April 1, 2021, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2021, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

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Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2022 represents collections of calendar year 2021 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2022 became a lien December 31, 2020, were levied after April 1, 2021 and are collected in 2022 with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The School District receives property taxes from Columbiana, Carroll, and Stark Counties. The County's Auditors periodically advance to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2022, are available to finance fiscal year 2022 operations. The amount of second-half real property taxes available for advance at fiscal year-end can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and delinquent tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2022, and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year-end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to deferred inflows of resources.

On the accrual basis of accounting, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis of accounting the revenue has been reported as a deferred inflow of resources.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2022 taxes were collected are:

	2021 Second				2022 First			
		Half Collect	tions	Half Collections				
		Amount	Percent	Amount		Percent		
Real Estate	\$	224,906,410	87%	\$	242,861,370	84%		
Public Utility Personal Property	34,463,620		13%	47,152,720		16%		
Total Assessed Value	\$	259,370,030	100%	\$	290,014,090	100%		
Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Val	ue:							
Columbiana County	\$	43.50		\$	41.70			
Carroll County	\$	43.00		\$	43.00			
Stark County	\$	43.50		\$	43.50			

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

# **NOTE 8: CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/2021	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/2022
Governmental Activities				
Capital Assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 127,797	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 127,797
Total Capital Assets, not being depreciated	127,797			127,797
Capital Assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and Improvements	46,818,999	197,274	-	47,016,273
Furniture and Equipment	2,435,763	128,569	-	2,564,332
Vehicles	1,793,299	42,515	(24,477)	1,811,337
Total Capital Assets, being depreciated	51,048,061	368,358	(24,477)	51,391,942
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings and Improvements	(18,972,117)	(1,200,021)	-	(20,172,138)
Furniture and Equipment	(1,792,349)	(110,262)	-	(1,902,611)
Vehicles	(1,059,888)	(45,968)	22,029	(1,083,827)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(21,824,354)	(1,356,251) *	22,029	(23,158,576)
Total Capital Assets being depreciated, net	29,223,707	(987,893)	(2,448)	28,233,366
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 29,351,504	\$ (987,893)	\$ (2,448)	\$ 28,361,163

<sup>\*</sup> Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:		
Regular	\$	979,181
Support Services:		
Pupils		21,658
Instructional Staff		2,768
Administration		19,242
Fiscal		215
Operation and Maintenance of Plant		113,527
Pupil Transportation		46,971
Operation of Non-Instructional Services:		
Food Service Operations		27,160
Extracurricular Activities		145,529
Total Depreciation Expense	\$	1,356,251
1 otal Depresation Expense	<u>Ψ</u>	1,550,251

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

# **NOTE 9: LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The changes in the School District's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2022 were as follows:

	Balance 6/30/2021		Additions		Reductions		Balance 6/30/2022		Due Within One Year	
General Obligation Bonds:										
2016 Refunding Bonds:										
Serial Bonds	\$	4,085,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,085,000	\$	-
Capital Appreciation Bonds		2,854,981		-		(725,151)		2,129,830		713,587
Accretion on Bonds		144,348		24,773		(39,849)		129,272		43,351
Unamortized Premium		215,839				(25,393)		190,446		
Total General Obligation Bonds		7,300,168		24,773		(790,393)		6,534,548		756,938
Net Pension/OPEB Liability:										
Pension		20,999,085		-		(9,417,377)		11,581,708		-
OPEB		1,480,451		-		(134,600)		1,345,851		-
Total Net Pension/OPEB Laibility		22,479,536				(9,551,977)		12,927,559		
Compensated Absences		1,445,097		141,926		(145,063)		1,441,960		300,320
Total Governmental Activities Long-Term Obligations	\$	31,224,801	\$	166,699	\$	(10,487,433)	\$	20,904,067	\$	1,057,258

# 2016 General Obligation Classroom Facilities Refunding Bonds

On April 6, 2016, the School District issued \$8,564,981 of general obligation bonds that were issued to refund the 2006 school improvement advance refunding general obligation bonds. The bonds were issued for a 13 year period with final maturity at December 1, 2029 with a varying interest rate of 2.00-4.00 percent. At the date of refunding, \$8,743,389 (including premium and after underwriting fees, and other issuance costs) was received to pay off old debt. The refunded bonds were called on June 1, 2016.

The serial refunding bonds were issued with a premium of \$347,036 which is reported as an increase to bonds payable. The amount is being amortized to interest expense over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

The refunding resulted in a difference between the net carrying amount of the debt and the acquisition price of \$178,408. The issuance resulted in a difference (savings) between the cash flows required to service the old debt and the cash flows required to service the new debt of \$1,316,137. The issuance resulted in an economic gain of \$1,114,791.

The capital appreciation bonds mature December 1, 2021 through 2024 with a compounded interest rate of 0.95467 percent. These bonds were purchased at a substantial discount at the time of issuance and at maturity all compounded interest is paid and the bond holder collects the face value. As the value of the bond increases, the accretion is reflected as an increase in long-term liability.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Outstanding general obligation bonds consist of school building construction issues. Such bonds are direct obligations of the School District for which the full faith, credit and resources are pledged and are payable from taxes levied on all taxable property of the School District.

The general obligation bonds will be paid from property tax revenues of the bond retirement debt service fund. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability and net OPEB liability; however, employer pension and OPEB contributions are made primarily from the General Fund. For additional information related to the net pension liability and net OPEB liability see Notes 10 and 11.

Principal and interest requirements to retire general obligation debt outstanding at June 30, 2022 are as follows:

Year	General Obli	gation Bonds	Capital Appr	reciation Bonds	Total			
Ending	Principal	Interest	Principal	Accretion	Principal	Interest/Accretion		
2023	\$ -	\$ 147,900	\$ 713,587	\$ 46,413	\$ 713,587	\$ 194,313		
2024	-	147,900	716,123	53,877	716,123	201,777		
2025	-	147,900	700,120	59,880	700,120	207,780		
2026	765,000	136,425	-	-	765,000	136,425		
2027	785,000	113,175	-	-	785,000	113,175		
2028-2030	2,535,000	154,900			2,535,000	154,900		
Total	\$ 4,085,000	\$ 848,200	\$ 2,129,830	\$ 160,170	\$ 6,214,830	\$ 1,008,370		

# NOTE 10: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

# Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions/OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) represents the School District's proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the School District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the School District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities (assets) within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients.

The proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension/OPEB liability* (asset) on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension/OPEB contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *intergovernmental payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 11 for the required OPEB disclosures.

# Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description – School District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a statewide, cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost of living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at <a href="https://www.ohsers.org">www.ohsers.org</a> under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to	Eligible to
	Retire before	Retire on or after
	August 1, 2017 *	August 1, 2017
Full Benefits	Any age with 30 years of service credit	Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or
		Age 57 with 30 years of service credit
Actuarially Reduced	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit; or	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or
Benefits	Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

<sup>\*</sup> Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, may be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service; 2.2 percent for the first 30 years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

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An individual whose benefit effective date is before April 1, 2018, is eligible for a cost of living adjustment (COLA) on the first anniversary date of the benefit. New benefit recipients must wait until the fourth anniversary of their benefit for COLA eligibility. The COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit. The COLA is indexed to the percentage increase in the CPIW, not to exceed 2.5 percent and with a floor of 0 percent. A three-year COLA suspension was in effect for all benefit recipients for calendar years 2018, 2019, and 2020. SERS approved a 0.5 percent COLA for calendar year 2021.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14 percent. SERS did not allocate employer contributions to the Health Care Fund for fiscal year 2022.

The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$370,051 for fiscal year 2022. Of this amount, \$35,547 is reported as an *intergovernmental* payable.

# Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – School District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at <a href="www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a>. New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan, and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

The DB Plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Effective August 1, 2017 – July 1, 2019, any member could retire with reduced benefits who had (1) five years of service credit and age 60; (2) 27 years of service credit and age 55; or (3) 30 years of service credit regardless of age. Effective August 1, 2019 – July 1, 2021, any member may retire with reduced benefits who has (1) five years of service credit and age 60; (2) 28 years of service credit and age 55; or (3) 30 years of service credit regardless of age. Eligibility changes will continue to be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60. Eligibility changes for actuarially reduced benefits will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility will be five years of qualifying service credit and age 60, or 30 years of service credit at any age.

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The DC Plan allows members to place all of their member contributions and 9.53 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.47 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit plan unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a monthly retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate is deposited into the member's DC account and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50 and after termination of employment.

New members who choose the DC Plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. New members must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. If a member of the DC plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. The statutory employer rate is 14 percent and the statutory member rate is 14 percent of covered payroll. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The 2022 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$1,323,543 for fiscal year 2022. Of this amount, \$220,959 is reported as an *intergovernmental* payable.

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an independent actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer's share of employer contributions in the pension plan relative to the total employer contributions of all participating employers. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

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	 SERS	 STRS	 Total
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability:			
Current Measurement Date	0.06880080%	0.07072759%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.06558940%	0.06885667%	
Change in Proportionate Share	 0.00321140%	0.00187092%	
Proportionate Share of the Net			
Pension Liability	\$ 2,538,550	\$ 9,043,158	\$ 11,581,708
Pension Expense	\$ 36,568	\$ 42,379	\$ 78,947

Other than contributions made subsequent to the measurement date and differences between projected and actual earnings on investments; deferred inflows/outflows of resources are recognized in pension expense beginning in the current period, using a straight line method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions, determined as of the beginning of the measurement period. Net deferred inflows/outflows of resources pertaining to the differences between projected and actual investment earnings are similarly recognized over a closed five year period.

At June 30, 2022, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	 SERS	 STRS	 Total
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	_		 _
Differences between Expected and			
Actual Experience	\$ 245	\$ 279,388	\$ 279,633
Changes of Assumptions	53,454	2,508,734	2,562,188
Changes in Proportion and Differences between			
School District Contributions and Proportionate			
Share of Contributions	120,480	690,246	810,726
School District Contributions Subsequent to the			
Measurement Date	 370,051	 1,323,543	 1,693,594
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	\$ 544,230	\$ 4,801,911	\$ 5,346,141
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Differences between Expected and			
Actual Experience	\$ 65,835	\$ 56,682	\$ 122,517
Net Difference between Projected and			
Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	1,307,428	7,793,469	9,100,897
Changes in Proportion and Differences between			
School District Contributions and Proportionate			
Share of Contributions	149	<u> </u>	149
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	\$ 1,373,412	\$ 7,850,151	\$ 9,223,563

\$1,693,594 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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	SERS		STRS	Total	
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	_		_		_
2023	\$ (246,292)	\$	(1,010,422)	\$	(1,256,714)
2024	(240,781)		(851,679)		(1,092,460)
2025	(310,860)		(1,046,373)		(1,357,233)
2026	 (401,300)		(1,463,309)		(1,864,609)
Total	\$ (1,199,233)	\$	(4,371,783)	\$	(5,571,016)

# Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations. Future benefits for all current plan members were projected through 2132.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2021, are presented below:

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal (Level Percentage of Payroll, Closed)

Inflation 2.40 percent

Future Salary Increases, including inflation 3.25 percent to 13.58 percent

Investment Rate of Return 7.00 percent, net of System expenses

COLA or Ad Hoc COLA 2.00 percent, on and after April 1, 2018, COLA's for future

retirees will be delayed for three years following

commencement

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weight Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward two years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward five years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward three years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

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The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term return expectation for the investments has been determined by using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating an arithmetic weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

	Target	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00 %	(0.33) %
US Equity	24.75	5.72
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50	6.55
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75	8.54
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00	1.14
Private Equity	11.00	10.03
Real Estate/Real Assets	16.00	5.41
Multi-Asset Strategies	4.00	3.47
Private Debt/Private Credit	3.00	5.28
Total	100.00 %	

**Discount Rate** Total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent. The discount rate determination does not use a municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employers would contribute the actuarially determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 23-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.00 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability. The annual money-weighted rate of return, calculated as the internal rate of return on pension plan investments was 28.18 percent.

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what the School District's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

				Current		
	1% Decrease		Discount Rate		1% Increase	
School District's Proportionate Share						
of the Net Pension Liability	\$	4,223,524	\$	2,538,550	\$	1,117,538

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# Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2021, actuarial valuation, are presented below:

Inflation 2.50 percent

Acturial Cost Method Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Projected Salary Increases 12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65

Investment Rate of Return 7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation

Payroll Increases 3.00 percent Cost-of-Living Adjustments 0.00 percent

Post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Tables, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation, were based on the results of the latest available actuarial experience study, which is for the period July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2016. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

	Target	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return*
Domestic Equity	28.00 %	7.35 %
International Equity	23.00	7.55
Alternatives	17.00	7.09
Fixed Income	21.00	3.00
Real Estate	10.00	6.00
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	2.25
Total	100.00 %	

<sup>\*</sup>Ten year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

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**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2021. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that employer and member contributions will be made at statutory contribution rates of 14 percent each. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2021. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2021.

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table represents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2021, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current assumption:

				Current		
	1	% Decrease	Di	scount Rate	1	% Increase
School District's Proportionate Share						
of the Net Pension Liability	\$	16,934,451	\$	9,043,158	\$	2,375,033

Assumption and Benefit Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date The discount rate was adjusted to 7.00 percent from 7.45 percent for the June 30, 2021 valuation.

# NOTE 11: DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

See Note 10 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

# Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Health Care Plan Description - The School District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, SERS did not allocate any employer contributions to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2022, this amount was \$25,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2.0 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2022, the School District's surcharge obligation was \$46,911, which is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

# Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B partial premium reimbursements will be continued indefinitely. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

# OPEB Liability (Asset), OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability (asset) used to calculate the net OPEB liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) was based on the School District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

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Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

	SERS	STRS	 Total
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset):			
Current Measurement Date	0.07111200%	0.07072800%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.06811900%	 0.06885700%	
Change in Proportionate Share	0.00299300%	0.00187100%	
Proportionate Share of the Net			
OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$ 1,345,851	\$ (1,491,242)	
OPEB Expense	\$ (11,893)	\$ (118,720)	\$ (130,613)

At June 30, 2022, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

		SERS		STRS		Total
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>						_
Differences between Expected and						
Actual Experience	\$	14,344	\$	53,098	\$	67,442
Changes of Assumptions		211,132		95,253		306,385
Changes in Proportion and Differences between						
School District Contributions and Proportionate						
Share of Contributions		124,872		24,099		148,971
School District Contributions Subsequent to the						
Measurement Date		46,911				46,911
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	\$	397,259	\$	172,450	\$	569,709
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Differences between Expected and						
Actual Experience	\$	670,295	\$	273,226	\$	943,521
Net Difference between Projected and	Ψ	070,273	Ψ	273,220	Ψ	743,321
Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan Investments		29,238		413,347		442,585
Changes of Assumptions		184,301		889,638		1,073,939
Changes in Proportion and Differences between		101,501		007,030		1,073,737
School District Contributions and Proportionate						
Share of Contributions		28,472		54,535		83,007
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	912,306	\$	1,630,746	\$	2,543,052

\$46,911 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

	 SERS		STRS		Total	
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	<u> </u>				_	
2023	\$ (135,409)	\$	(421,885)	\$	(557,294)	
2024	(135,612)		(411,543)		(547,155)	
2025	(126,967)		(389,298)		(516,265)	
2026	(104,188)		(178,745)		(282,933)	
2027	(48,442)		(58,334)		(106,776)	
Thereafter	(11,340)		1,509		(9,831)	
Total	\$ (561,958)	\$	(1,458,296)	\$	(2,020,254)	

# **Actuarial Assumptions - SERS**

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation dated June 30, 2021, are presented below:

Inflation	2.40 percent
Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent net of investment expense, including inflation
Municipal Bond Index Rate	
Measurement Date	1.92 percent
Prior Measurement Date	2.45 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	
Measurement Date	2.27 percent, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation
Prior Measurement Date	2.63 percent, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	
Pre-Medicare	6.750 percent - 4.40 percent
Medicare	5.125 percent - 4.40 percent

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Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weight Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward two years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward five years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward three years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2016 through 2020, and was adopted by the Board on April 15, 2021. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.00 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer time frame. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as used in the June 30, 2020 five-year experience study, are summarized as follows:

	Target	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00 %	(0.33) %
US Equity	24.75	5.72
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50	6.55
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75	8.54
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00	1.14
Private Equity	11.00	10.03
Real Estate/Real Assets	16.00	5.41
Multi-Asset Strategies	4.00	3.47
Private Debt/Private Credit	3.00	5.28
Total	100.00 %	

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2021, was 2.27 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2021 was 2.63 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the plan at the contribution rate of 1.50 percent of projected covered payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and no contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current System members by SERS actuaries. The Municipal Bond Index Rate is used in the determination of the SEIR for both the June 30, 2020 and the June 30, 2021 total OPEB liability. The Municipal Bond Index rate is the single rate that will generate a present value of benefit payments equal to the sum of the present value determined by the long-term expected rate of return, and the present value determined by discounting those benefits after the date of depletion. The Municipal Bond Index Rate is 1.92 percent at June 30, 2021 and 2.45 percent at June 30, 2020.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability and what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (1.27 percent) and higher (3.27 percent) than the current discount rate (2.27 percent). Also shown is what the net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower (5.75 percent decreasing to 3.40 percent) and higher (7.75 percent decreasing to 5.40 percent) than the current rate (6.75 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent).

				Current		
	19	% Decrease	Dis	scount Rate	19	% Increase
School District's Proportionate Share						
of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	1,667,675	\$	1,345,851	\$	1,088,759
				Current		
	19	% Decrease	T	rend Rate	19	% Increase
School District's Proportionate Share				_		
of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	1,036,196	\$	1,345,851	\$	1,759,459

# Actuarial Assumptions – STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2021, actuarial valuation are presented below:

2.50 percent					
12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65					
3.00 percent					
7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation					
7.00 percent					
es					
<u>Initial</u>	<u>Ultimate</u>				
5.00 percent	4.00 percent				
-16.18 percent	4.00 percent				
6.50 percent	4.00 percent				
29.98 percent	4.00 percent				
	12.50 percent at age 20 3.00 percent 7.00 percent, net of inv 7.00 percent  Initial 5.00 percent -16.18 percent 6.50 percent				

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

For healthy retirees the mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were adopted by the board from the results of an actuarial experience study for July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2016.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Rate of Return*
Domestic Equity	28.00 %	7.35 %
International Equity	23.00	7.55
Alternatives	17.00	7.09
Fixed Income	21.00	3.00
Real Estate	10.00	6.00
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	2.25
Total	100.00 %	

<sup>\*</sup>Ten year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB asset was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2021. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed STRS continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB asset as of June 30, 2021.

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate and Health Care Cost Trend Rate The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2021, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2021, calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower and one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

				Current		
	1	% Decrease	D	iscount Rate	1	% Increase
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$	(1,258,378)	\$	(1,491,242)	\$	(1,685,765)
	1	% Decrease		Current Frend Rate	1	% Increase
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$	(1,677,883)	\$	(1,491,242)	\$	(1,260,443)

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date The discount rate was adjusted to 7.00 percent from 7.45 percent for the June 30, 2021 valuation.

**Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date** The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022 from 2.055 percent to 2.100 percent. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2022. The Medicare Part D subsidy was updated to reflect it is expected to be negative in current year 2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

# **NOTE 12: SET-ASIDES**

The School District is required by State statute to annually set aside in the general fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by year-end or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at year-end and carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future years.

The following cash basis information describes the changes in the year-end set-aside amounts. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

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	Capital		
	A	cquisition	
Set-Aside Restricted Balance as of June 30, 2021	\$	-	
Current Year Set-Aside Requirement		341,907	
Current Year Offsets		(156,639)	
Prior Year Offset from Bond Proceeds		(185,268)	
Total	\$		
Set-Aside Balance Carried Forward to 2023	\$	-	
Set-Aside Restricted Balance as of June 30, 2022	\$	_	

The amount presented for prior year offset from bond proceeds is limited to an amount needed to reduce the capital improvements set-aside balance to \$0. The School District is responsible for tracking the amount of bond proceeds that may be used as an offset in future periods, which was \$10,554,892 at June 30, 2022.

# **NOTE 13: INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

# A. Interfund Balances

Interfund balances at June 30, 2022 consist of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

	 nterfund eceivable	 nterfund Payable
General Fund	\$ 452,401	\$ -
Bond Retirement Fund	-	130,000
Other Governmental Funds:		
ESSER Grant	-	223,713
ARP Idea 2022	-	6,458
Title I	-	78,712
Title VI-R	-	492
Miscellaneous, Federal Grants	_	 13,026
Total	\$ 452,401	\$ 452,401

The primary purpose of the interfund loans is to cover costs in specific funds where revenues were not received by June 30. These interfund loans will be repaid once the anticipated revenues are received. All interfund loans are expected to be repaid within one year.

# **B.** Interfund Transfers

During the fiscal year, the general fund transferred \$109,300 to the athletic fund to provide additional resources for current operations.

# **NOTE 14: RISK MANAGEMENT**

### A. General Insurance

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. All board members, administrators, and employees are covered under a school district liability policy. Additionally, the School District carries an umbrella policy. Claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three fiscal years. There has not been a significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

# B. Employee Health Insurance

The School District participates in the Stark County Schools Council of Governments (the "Council") to provide employee medical/surgical benefits. The Council is a risk sharing pool created pursuant to State statute for the purpose of carrying out a cooperative program for the provision and administration of health care benefits. The Assembly is the legislative decision-making body of the Council. The Assembly is comprised of the superintendents or executive officers of the members, who have been appointed by the respective governing body of each member.

The intent of the insurance pool is to achieve a reduced, stable and competitive rate for the School District by grouping with other members of the Health Benefits Program. The experience of all participating districts is calculated as one, and a common premium rate is applied to all member districts.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Rates are set through an annual calculation process. The School District pays a monthly contribution which is placed in a common fund from which claim payments are made for all participating districts. For the fiscal year, the School District's monthly premiums were \$2,007 for family coverage and \$826 for single coverage. Dental insurance is also provided by the School District to qualified employees through the Stark County Schools Council for Governments. For the fiscal year 2022, the School District's cost was \$231 for family coverage and \$93 for single coverage per employee per month. Claims are paid for all participants regardless of claims flow. Upon termination, all School District claims would be paid without regard to the School District's account balance. The Stark County Schools Council of Government Board of Directors has the right to return monies to an existing school district subsequent to the settlement of all expenses and claims.

The School District provided life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance coverage of \$50,000 for classified and certified employees through the Stark County Schools Council of Governments Health Benefits Program.

# C. Fidelity Bond

The Board President, Superintendent, Treasurer and other school employees who are responsible for handling funds are covered under surety bonds.

# D. Workers' Compensation

The School District participates in the Group Retrospective Rating Program administered by Sedgwick. This is an alternative rating program offered by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation. Through a BWC-certified sponsor, employers are grouped together to achieve premium refunds based on the performance of the group. Employers continue to pay their own individual merit-rated premium to the BWC. Depending on the performance, the participating employers can receive either a retrospective premium refund or assessment (up to a maximum assessment selected per group).

# **NOTE 15: PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOLS**

# A. Risk Sharing Pool

The Stark County Schools Council of Governments Health Benefits Program (the Council) is a shared risk pool. The Council is governed by an assembly which consists of one representative from each participant (usually the superintendent or designee). The assembly elects officers for two-year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the consortium. All consortium revenues are generated from charges for services received from the participating school districts, based on the established premiums for the insurance plans. Financial information can be obtained by writing to the Stark County Educational Service Center, 6057 Strip Avenue NW, North Canton, OH 44720.

# B. Insurance Purchasing Pool

The Stark County Schools Council of Governments Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan has created a group insurance pool for the purpose of creating a group rating plan for workers' compensation. The group is comprised of the superintendents of the members who have been appointed by the respective governing body of each member.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

The intent of the pool is to achieve a reduced rate for the School District by the group with other members of the group. The injury claim history of all participating members is used to calculate a common rate for the group. An annual fee is paid to Comp Management, Inc. to administer the group and to manage any injury claims. Premium savings created by the group are prorated to each member annually based on its payroll percent of the group.

# **NOTE 16: FUND BALANCE**

Fund balance can be classified as nonspendable, restricted, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds.

The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented as follows:

				Bond	Go	Other overnmental	
		General	Re	etirement	Funds		Total
Nonspendable for:							
Unclaimed Monies	\$	5,412	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 5,412
Prepaids		13,836				1,251	15,087
Total Nonspendable		19,248				1,251	 20,499
Restricted for:							
Capital Outlay		-		-		1,223	1,223
Debt Service		-		647,199		-	647,199
Food Service		-		-		961,276	961,276
Scholarships		-		-		252,010	252,010
Classroom Facilities Maintenance		-		-		1,228,469	1,228,469
Student Activities		-		-		119,786	119,786
Athletics		-		-		163,091	163,091
State Funded Programs		-		-		439,510	439,510
Other Purposes		-				59,705	 59,705
Total Restricted		-		647,199		3,225,070	 3,872,269
Assigned for:							
Encumbrances:							
Instruction		776,908		-		-	776,908
Support Services		337,444		-		-	337,444
Total Assigned		1,114,352		-		-	1,114,352
Unassigned	1	2,310,031		-		(175,700)	12,134,331
Total Fund Balance		3,443,631	\$	647,199	\$	3,050,621	\$ 17,141,451

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Fund balances at June 30, 2022 included the following individual fund deficits:

	Deficit
Non-Major Governmental Funds	
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER)	\$ 131,851
Title I	43,849
Total	\$ 175,700

These deficits in the non-major funds resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities. The general fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, rather than when accruals occur.

# NOTE 17: CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

# A. Grants

The School District received financial assistance from federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the School District at June 30, 2022, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

# B. Litigation

The School District is not party to any claims or lawsuits that would, in the School District's opinion, have a material effect on the financial statements.

# C. Encumbrance Commitments

Outstanding encumbrances for governmental funds are as follows:

Fund	Amount
General	\$ 1,114,352
Nonmajor Governmental	355,445
Total	\$ 1,469,797

# NOTE 18: COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During fiscal year 2022, the School District received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing recovery measures will impact subsequent periods of the School District. The impact on the School District's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

The School District's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined.

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Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Last Nine Fiscal Years (1)

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018
School Employees Retirement System (SERS)										
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability		0.0688008%		0.6558940%	0	.06541800%	0	0.06327030%	0	.06615180%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	2,538,550	\$	4,338,221	\$	3,914,074	\$	3,623,607	\$	3,952,424
School District's Covered Payroll	\$	2,363,414	\$	2,227,579	\$	2,242,519	\$	2,145,163	\$	2,116,414
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		107.41%		194.75%		174.54%		168.92%		186.75%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		82.86%		68.55%		70.85%		71.36%		69.50%
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)										
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0	.07072759%	0	0.06885667%	0	.06791574%	0	0.06529340%	0	.06405529%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	9,043,158	\$	16,660,864	\$	15,019,158	\$	14,356,553	\$	15,216,471
School District's Covered Payroll	\$	8,802,807	\$	8,409,521	\$	8,106,300	\$	7,373,971	\$	6,892,343
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		102.73%		198.12%		185.28%		194.69%		220.77%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		87.80%		75.48%		77.40%		77.31%		75.30%

<sup>(1)</sup> Information prior to 2014 is not available.

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year.

2017	2016	2015	2014				
0.06838000%	0.06761860%	0.06843800%	0.06843800%				
\$ 5,004,785	\$ 3,858,383	\$ 3,463,608	\$ 4,069,788				
\$ 2,101,950	\$ 2,139,476	\$ 2,195,390	\$ 2,131,915				
238.10%	180.34%	157.77%	190.90%				
62.98%	69.16%	71.70%	65.52%				
0.06613002%	0.06327391%	0.06527171%	0.06527171%				
\$ 22,135,711	\$ 17,487,058	\$ 15,876,339	\$ 18,911,791				
\$ 6,804,950	\$ 6,759,050	\$ 6,431,277	\$ 6,655,077				
325.29%	258.72%	246.86%	284.17%				
66.80%	72.10%	74.70%	0% 69.30%				

# Minerva Local School District

Stark County, Ohio
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Contributions - Pension Last Ten Fiscal Years

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)	 2022	2021	 2020	 2019	2018
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 370,051	\$ 330,878	\$ 311,861	\$ 302,740	\$ 289,597
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(370,051)	(330,878)	(311,861)	(302,740)	(289,597)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
School District's Covered Payroll	\$ 2,643,221	\$ 2,363,414	\$ 2,227,579	\$ 2,242,519	\$ 2,145,163
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	13.50%	13.50%
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)					
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 1,323,543	\$ 1,232,393	\$ 1,177,333	\$ 1,134,882	\$ 1,032,356
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 (1,323,543)	(1,232,393)	 (1,177,333)	 (1,134,882)	 (1,032,356)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ _	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 
School District's Covered Payroll	\$ 9,453,879	\$ 8,802,807	\$ 8,409,521	\$ 8,106,300	\$ 7,373,971
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

 2017	2016	2015		 2014	2013		
\$ 296,298	\$ 294,273	\$	281,983	\$ 304,281	\$	295,057	
 (296,298)	 (294,273)		(281,983)	 (304,281)		(295,057)	
\$ -	\$ _	\$	_	\$ _	\$	_	
\$ 2,116,414	\$ 2,101,950	\$	2,139,476	\$ 2,195,390	\$	2,131,915	
14.00%	14.00%		13.18%	13.86%		13.84%	
\$ 964,928	\$ 952,693	\$	946,267	\$ 836,066	\$	865,160	
 (964,928)	 (952,693)		(946,267)	 (836,066)		(865,160)	
\$ 	\$ 	\$	_	\$ 	\$		
\$ 6,892,343	\$ 6,804,950	\$	6,759,050	\$ 6,431,277	\$	6,655,077	
14.00%	14.00%		14.00%	13.00%		13.00%	

# Minerva Local School District

Stark County, Ohio
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset/Liability
Last Six Fiscal Years (1)

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)		2022	 2021	_	2020	 2019		2018
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability		0.07111200%	0.06811900%		0.06721900%	0.06451220%	(	0.06727240%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	1,345,851	\$ 1,480,451	\$	1,690,409	\$ 1,789,743	\$	1,805,414
School District's Covered Payroll	\$	2,363,414	\$ 2,227,579	\$	2,242,519	\$ 2,145,163	\$	2,116,414
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		56.95%	66.46%		75.38%	83.43%		85.31%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability		24.08%	18.17%		15.57%	13.57%		12.46%
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)								
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	,	0.07072800%	0.06885700%		0.06791600%	0.06529340%	(	0.06405529%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	\$	(1,491,242)	\$ (1,210,160)	\$	(1,124,852)	\$ (1,049,198)	\$	2,499,201
School District's Covered Payroll	\$	8,802,807	\$ 8,409,521	\$	8,106,300	\$ 7,373,971	\$	6,892,343
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		-16.94%	-14.39%		-13.88%	-14.23%		36.26%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability/(Asset)		174.73%	182.13%		174.74%	176.00%		47.10%

<sup>(1)</sup> Information prior to 2017 is not available.

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year.

# 2017 0.06954313% \$ 1,982,236 \$ 2,101,950 94.30% 11.49% 0.06613002% \$ 3,536,651 \$ 6,804,950 51.97% 37.30%

Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the School District's Contributions - OPEB Last Ten Fiscal Years

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)	 2022	 2021	 2020	2019	2018
Contractually Required Contribution (1)	\$ 46,911	\$ 46,465	\$ 35,625	\$ 46,463	\$ 46,561
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 (46,911)	 (46,465)	 (35,625)	 (46,463)	 (46,561)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ _	\$ 	\$ 
School District's Covered Payroll	\$ 2,643,221	\$ 2,363,414	\$ 2,227,579	\$ 2,242,519	\$ 2,145,163
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (1)	1.77%	1.97%	1.60%	2.07%	2.17%
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)					
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 	 	 <u> </u>	 	 
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ _	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 	\$ -
School District's Covered Payroll	\$ 9,453,879	\$ 8,802,807	\$ 8,409,521	\$ 8,106,300	\$ 7,373,971
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes surcharge

2017	2016	2015		2014	2013		
\$ 35,641	\$ 36,251	\$	52,875	\$ 31,124	\$	32,661	
 (35,641)	 (36,251)		(52,875)	 (31,124)		(32,661)	
\$ -	\$ -	\$	_	\$ -	\$		
\$ 2,116,414	\$ 2,101,950	\$	2,139,476	\$ 2,195,390	\$	2,131,915	
1.68%	1.72%		2.47%	1.42%		1.53%	
\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 64,313	\$	66,551	
 	 			 (64,313)		(66,551)	
\$ 	\$ 	\$		\$ 	\$		
\$ 6,892,343	\$ 6,804,950	\$	6,759,050	\$ 6,431,277	\$	6,655,077	
0.00%	0.00%		0.00%	1.00%		1.00%	

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

# **NOTE 1 - NET PENSION LIABILITY**

There were no changes in assumptions or benefit terms for the fiscal years reported unless otherwise stated below:

# Changes in Assumptions - SERS

For fiscal year 2022, the SERS Board adopted the following assumption changes:

- Assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.00 percent to 2.40 percent.
- Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 3.50 percent to 1.75 percent.
- Assumed real wage growth was increased from 0.50 percent to 0.85 percent.
- Discount rate was reduced from 7.50 percent to 7.00 percent.
- Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience.
- Mortality among active members, service retirees and beneficiaries, and disabled members were updated.

For fiscal year 2017, the SERS Board adopted the following assumption changes:

- Assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25 percent to 3.00 percent.
- Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00 percent to 3.50 percent.
- Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75 percent to 0.50 percent.
- Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience.
- Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females.
- Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates, and 110 percent of female rates.
- Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90
  percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates, set back five years is used for the period
  after disability retirement.

# Changes in Benefit Terms - SERS

For fiscal year 2021, cost-of-living adjustments was reduced from 2.50 percent to 2.00 percent.

For fiscal year 2018, the cost-of-living adjustment was changed from a fixed 3.00 percent to a cost-of-living adjustment that is indexed to CPI-W not greater than 2.50 percent with a floor of zero percent beginning January 1, 2018. In addition, with the authority granted the Board under HB 49, the Board has enacted a three-year COLA suspension for benefit recipients in calendar years 2018, 2019 and 2020.

# Changes in Assumptions – STRS

For fiscal year 2022, the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.45 percent to 7.00 percent.

For fiscal year 2018, the Retirement Board approved several changes to the actuarial assumptions in 2017. The long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75 percent to 7.45 percent, the inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75 percent to 2.50 percent, the payroll growth assumption was lowered to

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3.00 percent, and total salary increases rate was lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, in addition to a decrease of 0.25 percent due to lower inflation. The healthy and disabled mortality assumptions were updated to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016. Rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience.

# Changes in Benefit Terms - STRS

For fiscal year 2018, the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) was reduced to zero.

# NOTE 2 - NET OPEB LIABILITY (ASSET)

# Changes in Assumptions – SERS

Amounts reported incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented as follows:

# Municipal Bond Index Rate:

Fiscal year 2022	1.92 percent
Fiscal year 2021	2.45 percent
Fiscal year 2020	3.13 percent
Fiscal year 2019	3.62 percent
Fiscal year 2018	3.56 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.92 percent

Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:

Fiscal year 2022	2.27 percent
Fiscal year 2021	2.63 percent
Fiscal year 2020	3.22 percent
Fiscal year 2019	3.70 percent
Fiscal year 2018	3.63 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.98 percent

# Pre-Medicare Trend Assumption

Fiscal year 2022	6.75 percent initially, decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2021	7.00 percent initially, decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2020	7.00 percent initially, decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2019	7.25 percent initially, decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2018	7.50 percent initially, decreasing to 5.00 percent

# Medicare Trend Assumption

Fiscal year 2022	5.125 percent initially, decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2021	5.25 percent initially, decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2020	5.25 percent initially, decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2019	5.375 percent initially, decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2018	5.50 percent initially, decreasing to 5.00 percent

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# Changes in Benefit Terms – SERS

There have been no changes to the benefit provisions.

# Changes in Assumptions – STRS

For fiscal year 2021, valuation year per capita health care costs were updated. Health care cost trend rates ranged from 4.93 percent to 9.62 percent initially for fiscal year 2020 and changed for fiscal year 2021 to a range of -6.69 percent to 11.87 percent, initially.

For fiscal year 2019, the discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13 percent to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45 percent. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated. Health care cost trend rates ranged from 6.00 percent to 11.00 percent initially and a 4.50 percent ultimate rate for fiscal year 2018 and changed for fiscal year 2019 to a range of -5.23 percent to 8.00 percent, initially and a 4.00 percent ultimate rate.

For fiscal year 2018, the blended discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

# Changes in Benefit Terms – STRS

For fiscal year 2021, there were no changes to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year 2021 premium based on June 30, 2020 enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984 percent to 2.055 percent per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1 percent for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

For fiscal year 2020, there was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were trended to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to reflect the current price renewals. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2020 from 1.944 percent to 1.984 percent per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2020. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1 percent for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021

For fiscal year 2019, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was increased from 1.9 percent to 1.944 percent per year of service effective January 1, 2019. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2019 and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020.

For fiscal year 2018, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 2019. This was subsequently extended, see above paragraph.

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# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

FEDERAL GRANTOR  Pass Through Grantor  Program / Cluster Title	Federal AL Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures	Total Federal Non-Cash Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education					
School Breakfast Program	10.553	049890-3L70-2022		\$300,694	
National School Lunch Program	10.555	049890-3L60-2022		512,224	\$48,786
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	10.555	049890-3L60-2022		33,916	
Summer Food Service Program for Children Total Child Nutrition Cluster	10.559	049890-3GE0-2022		194,387 1,041,221	48,786
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				1,041,221	40,700
COVID-19 State Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Administrative Cost Grants	10.649	049890-3HF0-2022		614	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture				1,041,835	48,786
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY					
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education					
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	049890-5CV1-2021		129	
Total COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund				129	
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury				129	
U.S. DEDADTMENT OF EDUCATION					
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION					
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	049890-3M00-2021		29,088	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	049890-3M00-2022		465,739	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies -		049890-3M00-2022		10,886	
Expanding Opportunities	84.010	049090-31000-2022			
Total Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies				505,713	
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	049890-3M20-2022		438,281	
COVID-19 Special Education Grants to States - ARP	84.027	049890-3IA0-2022		12,408	
Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	049890-3IA0-2022	\$11,743	11,743	
COVID-19 Special Education Preschool Grants - ARP	84.173	049890-3IA0-2022		1,989	
Total Special Education Cluster			11,743	464,421	
Commenting Official Instruction State Counts	04.007	049890-3Y60-2022		CO 00C	
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants Total Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	049090-3100-2022		69,996 69,996	
Total Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants				09,990	<del>-</del>
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	049890-3HI0-2022		9,149	
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program - Rural and Low Income	84.424	049890-3HI0-2022		13,026	
Total Student Support and Academic Enrichment Progra	am			22,175	
COVID 40 Flamentany and Consendant Coheal					
COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	049890-3HS0-2022		1,595,931	
COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School	04.423D				
Emergency Relief Fund - ARP	84.425U	049890-3HS0-2022		5,360	
COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School		049890-3HS0-2023		90,000	
Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	1.0000 0.100 E0E0			
Total COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund				1,691,291	
Total U.S. Department of Education			11,743	2,753,596	
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$11,743	\$3,795,560	\$48,786

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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# NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS 2 CFR 200.510(b)(6) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

# **NOTE A - BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Minerva Local School District (the District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position, of the District.

### NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement.

### NOTE C - INDIRECT COST RATE

The District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

### **NOTE D - SUBRECIPIENTS**

The District passes certain federal awards received from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) to other governments or not-for-profit agencies (subrecipients). As Note B describes, the District reports expenditures of Federal awards to subrecipients when paid in cash.

As a pass-through entity, the District has certain compliance responsibilities, such as monitoring its subrecipients to help assure they use these subawards as authorized by laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and that subrecipients achieve the award's performance goals.

# **NOTE E - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER**

The District commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the District assumes it expends federal monies first.

### NOTE F - FOOD DONATION PROGRAM

The District reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the entitlement value. The District allocated donated food commodities to the respective program that benefitted from the use of those donated food commodities.

# **NOTE G - TRANSFERS BETWEEN PROGRAM YEARS**

Federal regulations require schools to obligate certain federal awards by June 30. However, with ODE's consent, schools can transfer unobligated amounts to the subsequent fiscal year's program. The District transferred the following amounts from 2022 to 2023 programs:

	AL	Amount
Program Title	<u>Number</u>	Transferred
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies - Expanding Opportunities	84.010	\$2,144
COVID-19 Special Education Grants to States - ARP	84.027	\$81,035
COVID-19 Special Education Preschool Grants - ARP	84.173	\$5,045
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	\$31,170
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program - Rural and Low Income	84.424	\$33,516
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	\$3,335,375
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund - ARP	84.425	\$5,536



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Minerva Local School District Stark County 406 East Street Minerva, Ohio 44657

### To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Minerva Local School District, Stark County, (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2023.

# Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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# Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

# **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

January 31, 2023



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Minerva Local School District Stark County Street Address City, Ohio Zip Code

To the Board of Education:

# Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

# Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited Minerva Local School District's, Stark County, (District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on Minerva Local School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2022. Minerva Local School District's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Minerva Local School District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2022.

# Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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# Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

The District's Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. 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, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred
  to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in
  order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report
  on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the
  purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over
  compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

# **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of this testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

January 31, 2023

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# MINERVA LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STARK COUNTY

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS 2 CFR § 200.515 JUNE 30, 2022

# 1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Education Stabilization Fund
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	Yes

# 2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

None

# 3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None

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# MINERVA LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

# STARK COUNTY

# **AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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