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**CLOVERLEAF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEDINA COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Cloverleaf Local School District
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To the Board of Education:

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 Cloverleaf Local School District, Medina County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, 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 Cloverleaf Local School District, Medina County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position 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.

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*, 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.

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 issued our report dated March 19, 2025, 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

March 19, 2025

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Cloverleaf Local School District
Management's Discussion and Analysis
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The discussion and analysis of Cloverleaf Local School District's financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's financial performance as a whole. Readers should also review the financial statements and notes to those respective statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

- The ending net position was \$59,874,197, an increase of \$10,549,685 over the prior fiscal year. While total net position increased during the fiscal year, the total net position increased by less than the prior fiscal year. This fact was due primarily to the progress of construction projects and changes in assumptions in pension plans.
- The School District had \$44,793,666 in expenses related to governmental activities. \$6,242,326 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, and operating grants and contributions, while the remaining amount was covered by general revenues totaling \$49,101,025.

Using this Annual Financial Report

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

The statement of net position and the statement of activities provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate and longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements explain 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 Cloverleaf Local School District, the general fund, the building fund, the capital projects, and the capital grants fund are the most significant funds.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 23-70 of this report.

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Reporting the School District as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains all the funds used by the School District to provide programs and activities, the view of the School District as a whole considers all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2024?" 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 except fiduciary funds using the accrual basis of accounting, similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. Accrual accounting takes into account all of the current fiscal 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 that 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 performance, demographic and socioeconomic factors and the willingness of the community to support the School District.

Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the School District's major funds begins on page 11. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the School District's major funds. 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, the building fund, the capital projects fund, and the capital grants fund.

Governmental Funds Most of the School District's activities are reported as governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at fiscal year-end that are 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.

Fiduciary Funds Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the School District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources from these funds are not available to support the School District's programs. These funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

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The School District as a Whole

You may 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 fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

Table 1 Net Position Governmental Activities			
	2024	2023	Change
Assets			
Current and Other Assets	\$97,347,800	\$117,988,440	(\$20,640,640)
Net OPEB Asset	2,164,363	2,848,421	(684,058)
Capital Assets, Net	101,121,971	71,908,674	29,213,297
Total Assets	200,634,134	192,745,535	7,888,599
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Deferred Charges on Refunding	2,003,138	2,146,219	(143,081)
Pension	6,599,767	7,947,594	(1,347,827)
OPEB	1,270,175	775,777	494,398
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	9,873,080	10,869,590	(996,510)
Liabilities			
Current and Other Liabilities	9,442,219	7,762,042	(1,680,177)
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	3,095,845	3,842,746	746,901
Due in More than One Year:			
Net Pension Liability	31,305,284	31,653,267	347,983
Net OPEB Liability	2,254,490	1,915,311	(339,179)
Other Amounts	78,527,144	81,470,628	2,943,484
Total Liabilities	124,624,982	126,643,994	2,019,012
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Property Taxes	20,367,970	20,154,249	(213,721)
Pension	1,926,753	2,901,137	974,384
OPEB	3,713,312	4,591,233	877,921
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	26,008,035	27,646,619	1,638,584
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	30,740,486	22,339,791	8,400,695
Restricted	8,266,644	12,131,229	(3,864,585)
Unrestricted	20,867,067	14,853,492	6,013,575
Total Net Position	\$59,874,197	\$49,324,512	\$10,549,685

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The net pension liability (NPL) is one of the largest single liabilities reported by the School District at June 30, 2024. 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 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.

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 previously, 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.

Total governmental assets increased during fiscal year 2024. There was an increase in capital assets mainly attributed to additions through construction of the new high school and renovations of the middle school. Property taxes receivable increased as well, which was due to an increase in assessed valuations based on the Medina County Auditor's calculations.

Liabilities decreased as a result of continued efforts by the School District to pay down long term debts, including contracts payable related to construction projects, and a decrease of net pension liability. The decrease of the net pension liability was from changes in assumptions and benefit terms of the pension plans.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources both decreased due to changes in assumptions and benefit terms of pension plans.

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In order to further understand what makes up the change in net position for the fiscal year 2024, Table 2 gives further details regarding the results of activities for the current and prior fiscal years.

Table 2
Change in Net Position
Governmental Activities

	2024	2023	Change
Revenues			
Program Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$2,411,654	\$2,348,715	\$62,939
Operating Grants and Contributions	3,830,672	4,553,300	(722,628)
Capital Grants and Contributions	0	18,360	(18,360)
Total Program Revenues	<u>6,242,326</u>	<u>6,920,375</u>	<u>(678,049)</u>
General Revenues:			
Property Taxes	27,434,965	25,611,530	1,823,435
Income Taxes	6,312,850	7,012,101	(699,251)
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	0	4,600	(4,600)
Grants and Entitlements, not Restricted	11,651,383	10,175,895	1,475,488
Grants Restricted for Permanent Improvements	0	1,721,617	(1,721,617)
Investment Earnings and Other Interest	3,318,932	1,799,677	1,519,255
Miscellaneous	382,895	83,160	299,735
Total General Revenues	<u>49,101,025</u>	<u>46,408,580</u>	<u>2,692,445</u>
Total Revenues	<u>55,343,351</u>	<u>53,328,955</u>	<u>2,014,396</u>
Program Expenses			
Instruction:			
Regular	20,604,659	17,920,884	(2,683,775)
Special	5,441,829	4,879,186	(562,643)
Vocational	98,703	160,015	61,312
Student Intervention Services	0	290,217	290,217
Support Services:			
Pupils	2,636,282	2,690,664	54,382
Instructional Staff	879,831	1,074,473	194,642
Board of Education	182,534	127,338	(55,196)
Administration	2,006,662	1,766,133	(240,529)
Fiscal	924,125	899,002	(25,123)
Business	87,229	112,341	25,112
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	3,513,861	2,765,378	(748,483)
Pupil Transportation	2,472,167	1,920,058	(552,109)
Central	187,424	163,490	(23,934)
Food Service Operations	1,329,794	1,077,302	(252,492)
Community Services	512,209	514,034	1,825
Extracurricular Activities	1,221,307	1,149,102	(72,205)
Interest	2,695,050	2,383,575	(311,475)
Total Program Expenses	<u>44,793,666</u>	<u>39,893,192</u>	<u>(4,900,474)</u>
Change in Net Position	10,549,685	13,435,763	(2,886,078)
Net Position Beginning of Year	<u>49,324,512</u>	<u>35,888,749</u>	<u>13,435,763</u>
Net Position End of Year	<u>\$59,874,197</u>	<u>\$49,324,512</u>	<u>\$10,549,685</u>

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The School District carefully tracks its revenues and expenses in order to avoid creating a deficit. Although the School District relies heavily upon local property taxes to support its operations, the School District relies upon and actively solicits and receives additional grant and entitlement funding to help offset some educational and operating costs.

Regardless of the increase in total program expenses, net position increased in fiscal year 2024 with an increase in total revenues. The increase in total revenues was primarily attributable to the increase in property taxes and investment earnings and other interest.

As one can see, the five highest program expenses are for regular instruction, special instruction, pupil support services, operation and maintenance of plant support services, and interest.

The primary component of the increase in program expenses resulted from inflationary instruction costs per pupil and changes in assumptions and benefit terms of pension plans.

The statement of activities shows the total net cost of program services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services for governmental activities and the net cost of those services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State entitlements.

Table 3
Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services 2024	Net Cost of Services 2024	Total Cost of Services 2023	Net Cost of Services 2023
Instruction:				
Regular	\$20,604,659	(\$19,418,586)	\$17,920,884	(\$16,162,076)
Special	5,441,829	(4,521,283)	4,879,186	(3,866,573)
Vocational	98,703	(95,233)	160,015	(159,659)
Student Intervention Services	0	0	290,217	(289,890)
Support Services:				
Pupils	2,636,282	(2,393,648)	2,690,664	(2,392,948)
Instructional Staff	879,831	(679,466)	1,074,473	(527,322)
Board of Education	182,534	(177,083)	127,338	(127,194)
Administration	2,006,662	(1,948,872)	1,766,133	(1,764,163)
Fiscal	924,125	(898,787)	899,002	(898,036)
Business	87,229	(79,780)	112,341	(106,784)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	3,513,861	(3,342,070)	2,765,378	(2,574,934)
Pupil Transportation	2,472,167	(1,033,999)	1,920,058	(732,725)
Central	187,424	(181,766)	163,490	(163,299)
Food Service Operations	1,329,794	29,633	1,077,302	212,849
Community Services	512,209	(266,896)	514,034	(281,029)
Extracurricular Activities	1,221,307	(848,454)	1,149,102	(755,459)
Interest	2,695,050	(2,695,050)	2,383,575	(2,383,575)
Total Expenses	<u>\$44,793,666</u>	<u>(\$38,551,340)</u>	<u>\$39,893,192</u>	<u>(\$32,972,817)</u>

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School District's Funds

Information regarding the School District's major funds can be found beginning on page 16. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Total fund balance saw a decrease from the prior fiscal year's ending balance due to increase in expenditures related to instruction and capital outlay. The increase in instruction related expenditures is due to rising costs. Capital outlay increased over the prior fiscal year primarily due to the construction costs of the new high school and the renovations of the middle school.

The fiscal year-end fund balance for the general fund saw an increase from the prior fiscal year's ending balance due to increases in property taxes and investment earnings and other interest revenues. Overall, expenses increased from the prior fiscal year. With the large margin between revenues and expenditures, the general fund was able to transfer out to other funds, providing a significant transfer of monies to the capital projects fund during fiscal year 2024.

The building fund saw a decrease from the prior fiscal year. The decrease can be primarily attributable to a decrease in investment earnings and other interest followed by an increase in capital outlay expenditures related to the new construction of the high and middle schools.

The capital projects fund decreased during the fiscal year. The general fund continued to be able to transfer a significant amount in order to help with capital improvements and debt obligations.

The capital grants fund was able to cover the increase in debt service payments as a result of the increase in intergovernmental revenue based on sales tax revenues increase in the County. The slight increase in fund balance for the capital grants fund is due to the general fund being able to transfer amounts needed to cover the revenue to expenditure deficit.

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 fund to be budgeted is the main operating fund of the School District, the general fund.

During the course of fiscal year 2024, the School District amended its general fund budget several times. For the general fund, the final budget basis revenues were the same as the original budget basis revenue estimates. Actual revenues were lower than final budgeted revenues mainly due to property and income taxes coming in less than expected. The final budgeted expenditures were lower than the original budgeted expenditures, primarily in regular instruction due to conservative budgeting. Actual expenditures were lower than final budgeted in support services related to pupils, staff, administration, and operation and maintenance.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

All capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are reported net of depreciation/amortization. The increase in capital assets was the result of new asset purchases and projects exceeding annual depreciation/amortization and deletions, which consisted of building and land improvements throughout the School District, a new high school, renovations to the middle school building, classroom equipment, various support service vehicles and equipment, food services equipment, and extracurricular activities equipment. For more information on capital assets, refer to Note 12 of the basic financial statements.

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Debt

During the fiscal year, outstanding debt decreased due to the continuing payments of current debt obligations.

The 2020A refunding certificates of participation were issued to refund the majority of the 2014 refunding certificates of participation and the remaining 2017 refunding certificates of participation. This debt will be fully repaid in fiscal year 2038.

The 2020B certificates of participation were issued to construct, enlarge, furnish, and equip the School District's outdoor athletic facilities. This debt will be fully repaid in fiscal year 2035.

The 2021 certificates of participation were issued to construct, enlarge, furnish, and equip the School District's high school facilities. This debt will be fully repaid in fiscal year 2051.

The 2022 certificates of participation were issued to construct, enlarge, furnish, and equip the School District's middle school facilities. This debt will be fully repaid in fiscal year 2053.

The School District's overall legal debt margin was \$84,019,182 with an unvoted debt margin of \$933,545.

In addition to the long-term debt, the School District's long-term obligations include net pension liability, net OPEB liability, subscriptions payable, and compensated absences. Additional information for long-term obligations can be found in Note 13.

Current Financial Related Activities

The School District has faced a variety of financial challenges in recent years. On the May 6, 2014 ballot, the School District's voters passed an additional 10 year 3.5 mill operating levy and an additional 0.75 percent income tax. The tax issue was also renewed in November of 2023. The School District's financial condition has significantly improved because of voter support.

The School District continues to strive for financial stability while attempting to maximize the impact on educational programs. The School District is currently projecting a positive cash balance within the five-year forecast through 2029. Management will continue to collaborate with staff members and the community to improve the financial condition of the School District for the benefit of students.

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 Mr. James Hudson, Treasurer, at Cloverleaf Local School District, 8525 Friendsville Road, Lodi, Ohio 44254, or email at jim.hudson@cloverleaflocal.org.

Basic Financial Statements

Cloverleaf Local School District*Statement of Net Position**June 30, 2024*

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$52,393,959
Accrued Interest Receivable	228,856
Property Taxes Receivable	40,590,685
Income Taxes Receivables	2,620,252
Accounts Receivable	11,822
Intergovernmental Receivable	1,443,998
Prepaid Items	43,645
Inventory Held for Resale	8,328
Materials and Supplies Inventory	6,255
Net OPEB Asset (See Note 23)	2,164,363
Nondepreciable/Amortized Capital Assets	64,909,437
Depreciable/Amortized Capital Assets, Net	36,212,534
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>200,634,134</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred Charges on Refunding	2,003,138
Pension	6,599,767
OPEB	1,270,175
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<u>9,873,080</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	218,235
Accrued Wages and Benefits	4,743,188
Intergovernmental Payable	846,486
Accrued Interest Payable	366,366
Contracts Payable	2,337,071
Retainage Payable	723,468
Unearned Revenue	207,405
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	3,095,845
Due in More Than One Year:	
Net Pension Liability (See Note 22)	31,305,284
Net OPEB Liability (See Note 23)	2,254,490
Other Amounts Due in More Than One Year	78,527,144
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>124,624,982</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Property Taxes	20,367,970
Pension	1,926,753
OPEB	3,713,312
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>26,008,035</u>
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	30,740,486
Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	5,198,076
Food Service Operations	481,438
Student Activities	108,986
Athletics and Music	270,626
Local Grants	18,287
State Grants	17,657
OPEB Plan	2,164,363
Unclaimed Monies	7,211
Unrestricted	20,867,067
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>\$59,874,197</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$20,604,659	\$691,114	\$494,959	(\$19,418,586)
Special	5,441,829	170,735	749,811	(4,521,283)
Vocational	98,703	2,945	525	(95,233)
Support Services:				
Pupils	2,636,282	73,394	169,240	(2,393,648)
Instructional Staff	879,831	41,957	158,408	(679,466)
Board of Education	182,534	5,451	0	(177,083)
Administration	2,006,662	57,790	0	(1,948,872)
Fiscal	924,125	25,338	0	(898,787)
Business	87,229	7,449	0	(79,780)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	3,513,861	87,946	83,845	(3,342,070)
Pupil Transportation	2,472,167	67,367	1,370,801	(1,033,999)
Central	187,424	5,658	0	(181,766)
Food Service Operations	1,329,794	613,089	746,338	29,633
Community Services	512,209	239,278	6,035	(266,896)
Extracurricular Activities	1,221,307	322,143	50,710	(848,454)
Interest	2,695,050	0	0	(2,695,050)
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$44,793,666</u>	<u>\$2,411,654</u>	<u>\$3,830,672</u>	<u>(38,551,340)</u>
General Revenues				
Property Taxes Levied for:				
General Purposes				22,107,575
Capital Projects				5,327,390
Income Taxes Levied for General Purposes				6,312,850
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted				
to Specific Programs				11,651,383
Investment Earnings/Interest				3,318,932
Miscellaneous				382,895
<i>Total General Revenues</i>				<u>49,101,025</u>
Change in Net Position				10,549,685
<i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>				<u>49,324,512</u>
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>				<u>\$59,874,197</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District

*Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024*

	General	Building	Capital Projects	Capital Grants	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$40,315,509	\$6,181,299	\$2,477,905	\$0	\$3,412,035	\$52,386,748
Restricted Assets:						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	7,211	0	0	0	0	7,211
Accrued Interest Receivable	198,385	8,527	21,944	0	0	228,856
Property Taxes Receivable	39,089,978	0	0	0	1,500,707	40,590,685
Income Taxes Receivables	2,620,252	0	0	0	0	2,620,252
Accounts Receivable	8,842	0	0	0	2,980	11,822
Intergovernmental Receivable	309,480	0	0	944,009	190,509	1,443,998
Interfund Receivable	1,170,459	0	0	0	0	1,170,459
Prepaid Items	42,948	0	0	0	697	43,645
Inventory Held for Resale	0	0	0	0	8,328	8,328
Materials and Supplies Inventory	0	0	0	0	6,255	6,255
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$83,763,064</u>	<u>\$6,189,826</u>	<u>\$2,499,849</u>	<u>\$944,009</u>	<u>\$5,121,511</u>	<u>\$98,518,259</u>
Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$76,218	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$142,017	\$218,235
Accrued Wages and Benefits	4,464,966	0	0	0	278,222	4,743,188
Intergovernmental Payable	798,527	0	0	0	47,959	846,486
Contracts Payable	0	2,337,071	0	0	0	2,337,071
Retainage Payable	0	723,468	0	0	0	723,468
Interfund Payable	0	0	0	0	1,170,459	1,170,459
Unearned Revenue	0	0	0	0	207,405	207,405
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>5,339,711</u>	<u>3,060,539</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,846,062</u>	<u>10,246,312</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Property Taxes	19,527,545	0	0	0	840,425	20,367,970
Unavailable Revenue	18,625,008	0	0	568,000	755,314	19,948,322
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>38,152,553</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>568,000</u>	<u>1,595,739</u>	<u>40,316,292</u>
Fund Balances						
Nonspendable	50,159	0	0	0	6,952	57,111
Restricted	0	3,129,287	2,499,849	376,009	1,967,066	7,972,211
Committed	0	0	0	0	6,992	6,992
Assigned	379,232	0	0	0	0	379,232
Unassigned (Deficit)	39,841,409	0	0	0	(301,300)	39,540,109
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>40,270,800</u>	<u>3,129,287</u>	<u>2,499,849</u>	<u>376,009</u>	<u>1,679,710</u>	<u>47,955,655</u>
<i>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$83,763,064</u>	<u>\$6,189,826</u>	<u>\$2,499,849</u>	<u>\$944,009</u>	<u>\$5,121,511</u>	<u>\$98,518,259</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
*Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to
Net Position of Governmental Activities
June 30, 2024*

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$47,955,655
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*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.	101,121,971
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Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are reported as unavailable revenue in the funds:

Delinquent Property Taxes	\$18,455,925	
Income Taxes	454,749	
Intergovernmental	170,500	
County Levied Sales Tax	568,000	
Tuition and Fees	299,009	
Miscellaneous	139	
Total	19,948,322	

Deferred outflows of resources represent deferred charges on refundings, which are not reported in the funds.	2,003,138
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In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding debt, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due.	(366,366)
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Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:

Certificates of Participation	(78,519,139)	
Subscriptions Payable	(111,302)	
Compensated Absences	(2,992,548)	
Total	(81,622,989)	

The net pension and net OPEB asset/liabilities are not due and payable in the current period; therefore, the asset/liabilities and related deferred outflows/inflows are not reported in governmental funds:

Net OPEB Asset	2,164,363	
Deferred Outflows - Pension	6,599,767	
Deferred Outflows - OPEB	1,270,175	
Net Pension Liability	(31,305,284)	
Net OPEB Liability	(2,254,490)	
Deferred Inflows - Pension	(1,926,753)	
Deferred Inflows - OPEB	(3,713,312)	
Total	(29,165,534)	

<i>Net Position of Governmental Activities</i>	<u>\$59,874,197</u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General	Building	Capital Projects	Capital Grants	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues						
Property Taxes	\$21,102,307	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$909,932	\$22,012,239
Income Taxes	6,313,819	0	0	0	0	6,313,819
Intergovernmental	11,658,076	0	0	1,604,757	2,708,667	15,971,500
Investment Earnings/Interest	1,771,897	1,031,250	515,785	0	0	3,318,932
Tuition and Fees	1,299,446	0	0	0	0	1,299,446
Charges for Services	325,111	0	0	0	532,149	857,260
Extracurricular Activities	23,492	0	0	0	208,265	231,757
Contributions and Donations	6,998	0	0	0	77,797	84,795
Rentals	65,622	0	0	0	2,192	67,814
Miscellaneous	299,308	0	0	0	83,448	382,756
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>42,866,076</u>	<u>1,031,250</u>	<u>515,785</u>	<u>1,604,757</u>	<u>4,522,450</u>	<u>50,540,318</u>
Expenditures						
Current:						
Instruction:						
Regular	19,423,822	0	0	0	675,517	20,099,339
Special	4,807,469	0	0	0	678,211	5,485,680
Vocational	98,125	0	0	0	0	98,125
Support Services:						
Pupils	2,529,285	0	0	0	196,032	2,725,317
Instructional Staff	682,934	0	0	0	240,969	923,903
Board of Education	182,534	0	0	0	0	182,534
Administration	1,948,469	0	0	0	112,529	2,060,998
Fiscal	928,590	0	0	0	20,110	948,700
Business	82,270	0	0	0	4,959	87,229
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,945,340	0	0	0	658,004	3,603,344
Pupil Transportation	2,221,300	0	0	0	272,630	2,493,930
Central	188,356	0	0	0	0	188,356
Food Service Operations	0	0	0	0	1,308,406	1,308,406
Community Services	416,349	0	0	0	0	416,349
Extracurricular Activities	778,752	0	0	0	305,876	1,084,628
Capital Outlay	179,472	25,592,060	4,249,524	2,750	121,019	30,144,825
Debt Service:						
Principal Retirement	81,245	0	2,425,000	1,055,000	4,070	3,565,315
Interest	3,264	0	2,074,794	604,320	493	2,682,871
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>37,497,576</u>	<u>25,592,060</u>	<u>8,749,318</u>	<u>1,662,070</u>	<u>4,598,825</u>	<u>78,099,849</u>
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<u>5,368,500</u>	<u>(24,560,810)</u>	<u>(8,233,533)</u>	<u>(57,313)</u>	<u>(76,375)</u>	<u>(27,559,531)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Sale of Capital Assets	0	0	0	0	24,168	24,168
Inception of Subscriptions	165,160	0	0	0	21,315	186,475
Transfers In	0	0	3,455,316	77,697	162,504	3,695,517
Transfers Out	(3,617,820)	0	0	0	(77,697)	(3,695,517)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(3,452,660)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,455,316</u>	<u>77,697</u>	<u>130,290</u>	<u>210,643</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>1,915,840</u>	<u>(24,560,810)</u>	<u>(4,778,217)</u>	<u>20,384</u>	<u>53,915</u>	<u>(27,348,888)</u>
<i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>	<u>38,354,960</u>	<u>27,690,097</u>	<u>7,278,066</u>	<u>355,625</u>	<u>1,625,795</u>	<u>75,304,543</u>
<i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>	<u>\$40,270,800</u>	<u>\$3,129,287</u>	<u>\$2,499,849</u>	<u>\$376,009</u>	<u>\$1,679,710</u>	<u>\$47,955,655</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
*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, 2024*

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	(\$27,348,888)
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*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 activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation/amortization expense.

This is the amount by which capital asset additions exceeded depreciation/amortization in the current period:

Capital Asset Additions	\$30,856,970	
Current Year Depreciation/Amortization	(1,514,883)	
Total		29,342,087

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.	(128,790)
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:

Delinquent Property Taxes	5,422,726	
Income Taxes	(969)	
Intergovernmental	(440,561)	
County Levied Sales Tax	(133,679)	
Tuition and Fees	(44,623)	
Miscellaneous	139	
Total		4,803,033

Other financing sources in the governmental funds, such as subscriptions, increase long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	(186,475)
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Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position:

Certificates of Participation	3,480,000	
Subscriptions Payable	85,315	
Total		3,565,315

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:

Accrued Interest	11,317	
Amortization of Certificates of Participation Premiums	119,585	
Amortization of Deferred Charges on Refunding	(143,081)	
Total		(12,179)

Compensated absences 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.	191,960
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Contractually required contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows:

Pension	2,917,973	
OPEB	94,080	
Total		3,012,053

Except for amounts reported as deferred outflows/inflows, changes in the net pension/OPEB asset/liabilities are reported as pension/OPEB expense in the statement of activities:

Pension	(2,943,433)	
OPEB	255,002	
Total		(2,688,431)

<i>Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities</i>	<u>\$10,549,685</u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual
General Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
Revenues				
Property Taxes	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$17,287,272	(\$2,712,728)
Income Taxes	6,600,000	6,600,000	6,299,065	(300,935)
Intergovernmental	9,935,022	9,934,022	11,321,163	1,387,141
Interest	350,000	350,000	1,083,986	733,986
Tuition and Fees	950,000	951,000	989,270	38,270
Extracurricular Activities	4,100	4,100	4,642	542
Miscellaneous	377,317	377,317	292,174	(85,143)
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>38,216,439</u>	<u>38,216,439</u>	<u>37,277,572</u>	<u>(938,867)</u>
Expenditures				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	14,626,057	9,953,720	13,762,561	(3,808,841)
Special	4,100,638	5,010,520	4,576,147	434,373
Vocational	201,125	223,500	97,475	126,025
Support Services:				
Pupils	2,826,947	2,971,799	2,512,138	459,661
Instructional Staff	991,986	1,161,790	665,423	496,367
Board of Education	286,250	307,641	194,452	113,189
Administration	1,733,600	2,054,823	1,904,173	150,650
Fiscal	974,400	1,075,930	882,035	193,895
Business	251,800	256,801	83,880	172,921
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	3,465,515	3,980,892	2,935,565	1,045,327
Pupil Transportation	2,467,481	2,651,377	2,174,590	476,787
Central	241,355	240,080	174,364	65,716
Community Services	1,000	6,176	3,452	2,724
Extracurricular Activities	782,337	908,941	745,149	163,792
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	81,245	81,245	81,245	0
Interest	3,264	3,264	3,264	0
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>33,035,000</u>	<u>30,888,499</u>	<u>30,795,913</u>	<u>92,586</u>
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<u>5,181,439</u>	<u>7,327,940</u>	<u>6,481,659</u>	<u>(846,281)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Advances In	650,000	650,000	313,397	(336,603)
Transfers In	0	0	970	970
Advances Out	0	(383,233)	(383,233)	0
Transfers Out	(175,000)	(3,905,180)	(3,905,179)	1
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>475,000</u>	<u>(3,638,413)</u>	<u>(3,974,045)</u>	<u>(335,632)</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	<u>5,656,439</u>	<u>3,689,527</u>	<u>2,507,614</u>	<u>(1,181,913)</u>
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>35,059,265</u>	<u>35,059,265</u>	<u>35,059,265</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated</i>	<u>162,945</u>	<u>162,945</u>	<u>162,945</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$40,878,649</u>	<u>\$38,911,737</u>	<u>\$37,729,824</u>	<u>(\$1,181,913)</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position

Fiduciary Fund

June 30, 2024

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Scholarship and Alumni Programs</u>
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$41,314</u>
Net Position	
Held in Trust for Scholarships:	
Expendable	<u><u>\$41,314</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Fiduciary Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Private Purpose Trust Scholarship and Alumni Programs
Additions	
Contributions and Donations	\$6,980
Miscellaneous	325
<i>Total Additions</i>	7,305
Deductions	
Scholarships Awarded	15,401
<i>Change in Fiduciary Net Position</i>	(8,096)
<i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>	49,410
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>	\$41,314

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Cloverleaf Local School District
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Note 1 – Description of the School District and Reporting Entity

The Cloverleaf Local School District (the “School District”) is a body politic and corporate 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 local district as defined by Section 3311.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. The School District is governed by a five-member Board of Education (the Board) elected by its citizens, which is responsible for the provision of public education to residents of the School District.

The School District is located in Medina County and encompasses the Village of Lodi, Village of Westfield Center, Village of Seville, Village of Chippewa Lake, Village of Gloria Glens, Westfield Township, Harrisville Township, Chatham Township and Lafayette Township. The School District currently operates one elementary school, one middle school and one high school, which are staffed by 15 administrators, 186 certified employees, and 192 non-certified employees, who provide services to 2,396 students and other community members.

Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the 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 Cloverleaf Local School District, this includes the agencies and departments that provide the following services: 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’s resources; the School District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance deficits of, or provide 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 and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. The School District does not have any component units.

The School District participates in three jointly governed organizations and three public entity risk pools. These organizations are the Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology (NEOnet), the Medina County Career Center, the Ohio Schools’ Council, the Stark County Schools Council of Governments, the Comp Management Workers’ Compensation Group Rating Program, and the Ohio School Plan. These organizations are addressed in Notes 17 and 18 to the basic financial statements.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting entity for establishing governmental accounting and financial principles. The more significant of the School District’s accounting policies are described as follows.

Cloverleaf Local School District
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

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. These statements usually distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. The School District, however, has no business-type activities.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal 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 are 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 limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental program or 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 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. The fiduciary funds are reported by type.

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. The funds of the School District are divided into two categories: 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 is the general operating fund of the School District and is used to account for and report all financial resources except those required to be accounted for and reported 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.

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Building Fund To account for and report restricted monies used for the building, restoration or improvement of the School District property.

Capital Projects Fund The capital projects fund is used to account for accumulated money for one or more capital projects.

Capital Grants Fund The capital grants fund is used to account for revenues or grants received from another local government that are restricted to expenditures for permanent improvements.

The other governmental funds of the School District account for and report grants and other resources whose use is restricted, committed, or assigned to a particular purpose.

Fiduciary Funds Types Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into 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's only fiduciary fund is a private purpose trust, which accounts for scholarship and alumni programs.

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 All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and deferred outflows of resources and current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Like the government-wide statements, all fiduciary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of fund net position. In fiduciary funds, a liability to the beneficiaries of fiduciary activity is recognized when an event has occurred that compels the government to disburse fiduciary resources. Fiduciary fund liabilities other than those to beneficiaries are recognized using the economic resources measurement focus.

Fiduciary funds present a statement of changes in fiduciary net position, which reports additions to and deletions from private purpose trust funds.

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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 and the statements presented for fiduciary funds are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, in the recording of deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

Revenues – Exchange and Nonexchange 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 fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, income taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from income taxes is recognized as revenue on the accrual basis in the period in which income is earned (see Note 8). Revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (see Note 9). 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 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 the 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, income taxes, grants, shared sales taxes, interest, and tuition and fees.

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 deferred charges on refunding and for pension and OPEB plans. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are explained in Notes 22 and 23.

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 as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the School District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, pension, OPEB plans and unavailable revenue. Property taxes and payments in lieu of taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2024, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2025 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow on both the government-wide statement of net position

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and the 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. For the School District, unavailable revenue includes delinquent property taxes, income taxes, intergovernmental revenue, shared sales taxes, tuition and fees, and miscellaneous revenues. 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 found on page 17. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are reported on the government-wide statement of net position (see Notes 22 and 23).

Expenditures/Expenses On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The entitlement value of donated commodities used during the year is reported in the fund financial statements as intergovernmental revenue and an expenditure of food service operations. In addition, this amount is reported on the statement of activities as an expense with a like amount reported within the “operating grants and contributions” program revenue account.

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.

Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liabilities (asset), deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/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 plans. 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.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, all cash received by the School District is pooled except for certain investments for the private purpose trust funds. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the School District records. Interest in the pool is presented as “equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents” on the financial statements.

During fiscal year 2024, investments were limited to commercial paper, STAR Ohio, the State Treasurer’s Investment Pool, money market accounts, municipal bonds, federal agricultural mortgage corporation bonds, federal farm credit bank bonds, federal home loan bank bonds, federal home loan mortgage corporation bonds, federal national mortgage association bonds, United States treasury bills, United States treasury notes, and negotiable certificates of deposit. Investments are reported at fair value except for commercial paper and STAR Ohio. The School District’s commercial paper is measured at amortized cost, as it is a highly liquid debt instrument with a remaining maturity at the time of purchase of less than one year.

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STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio), is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The School District measures its investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit participant transactions to \$250 million per day. Transactions in all of a participant's accounts will be combined for this purpose. Twenty-four hours advance notice to STAR Ohio is appreciated for purchases or redemptions of \$100 million or more. For fiscal year 2024, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. Investment earnings and other interest revenue credited to the general fund during 2024 amounted to \$1,771,897, which includes \$139,779 assigned from other School District funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are reported as cash equivalents.

Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change in nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors or laws of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provision. Restricted assets in the general fund are for unclaimed monies.

Prepays

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2024, are reported as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the fiscal year in which services are consumed.

Inventory

Inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market and donated commodities are presented at their entitlement value. Inventories are presented on a first-in, first-out basis and are expended/expensed when used. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption and purchased and donated food held for resale.

Capital Assets

All capital assets of the School District are classified as general capital assets. General capital assets are capital assets which are associated with and generally arise from governmental activities. 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 (except for intangible right to use subscription assets, which are discussed later) are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year.

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The School District was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of capital assets by back trending (i.e., estimating the current replacement cost of the assets to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-level index to deflate the cost to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year). Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of five thousand dollars and useful life that extends beyond a single reporting period (one fiscal year). 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.

All reported capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated/amortized. Improvements are depreciated/amortized over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation/amortization is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives
<i>Tangible Assets</i>	
Land Improvements	5-20 Years
Buildings and Improvements	30-50 Years
Furniture and Equipment	5-20 Years
Vehicles	5-20 Years
<i>Intangible Right to Use Subscription Assets</i>	
Intangible Right to Use - Software	5 Years

The School District is reporting intangible right to use assets related to subscription assets. Subscription assets represent intangible right to use assets related to the use of another party's IT software. These intangible right to use assets are being amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the subscription term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column of the statement of net position.

Internal Activity

Transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements. Internal events are allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the statement of activities. Interfund payments for services provided and used are not eliminated.

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.

Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue represents amounts under the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting for which asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not yet been met because the amounts have not yet been earned. The School District recognizes unearned revenue for grant resources transmitted before eligibility requirements are met.

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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 termination 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 past experience of making termination payments.

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, 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. Certificates of participation and subscriptions payable are recognized as a liability on the governmental fund financial statements when due. Net pension/OPEB liabilities should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plans' fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits.

Subscription Payable

The School District is reporting Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs) for various noncancellable IT software contracts. At the commencement of the subscription term, the School District initially measures the subscription liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the subscription term. Subsequently, the subscription liability is reduced by the principal portion of subscription payments made. The subscription asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the subscription liability, adjusted for subscription payments made at the commencement of the subscription term, plus certain initial implementation costs. Subsequently, the subscription asset is amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the subscription term or the useful life of the underlying IT asset. Subscription assets are reported with other capital assets, and subscription payables are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

Fund Balances

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. 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 are 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.

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.

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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.

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 includes the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. These assigned balances are established by the School District Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the School District Board of Education or by a School District official delegated that authority by State statute. State statute authorizes the Treasurer to assign fund balances for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated. The Board of Education also assigned fund balance for uniform school supplies, and public school support.

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.

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.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between all other elements in a statement of financial position. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Restricted net position for an OPEB plan represents the corresponding restricted asset amounts held in trust by the OPEB plans for future benefits

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

Estimates

The preparation of the 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.

Budgetary Data

All 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.

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The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level for all funds. The Treasurer has been given authority to allocate Board appropriations to the function and object levels within each fund.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the School District's Treasurer. The amounts reported in the budgetary statement as the original and final budgeted amounts reflect the amounts in the amended certificate in effect when the original and final appropriations were passed by the Board of Education.

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

Premiums

On the government-wide financial statements, bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight line method. Bond premiums are presented as an increase of the face amount of the general obligation bonds payable. On fund financial statements, bond premiums are receipted in the year the bonds are issued.

Under Ohio law, premiums on the original issuance of debt are to be deposited to the bond retirement fund to be used for debt retirement and are precluded from being applied to the project fund. Ohio law does allow premiums on refunding debt to be used as part of the payment to the bond escrow agent.

Deferred Charges on Refunding

On the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the reacquisition price (funds required to refund the old debt) and the net carrying amount of the old debt, the gain/loss on the refunding, is being amortized as a component of interest expense. This deferred amount is amortized over the life of the old or new debt, whichever is shorter, using the effective interest method and is presented as deferred outflows of resources on the statement of net position.

Note 3 – Changes in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2024, the School District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, and related guidance from GASB Implementation Guide No. 2023-1, *Implementation Guidance Update — 2023*. The School District also implemented Question 5.1 from GASB Implementation Guide No. 2021-1, *Implementation Guidance Update — 2021*.

GASB 100 will improve the clarity of the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections, which will result in greater consistency in application in practice. In turn, more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information will be provided to financial statement users for making decisions or assessing accountability. In addition, the display and note disclosure requirements will result in more consistent, decision-useful, understandable, and comprehensive information for users about accounting changes and error corrections.

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Question 5.1 from Implementation Guide 2021-1 addresses the collective significance of applying the capitalization threshold to individual items in a group of assets. The School District reviewed its capital asset groupings and determined there were no asset groups where individually the assets were under the capitalization threshold yet were significant collectively.

The implementation of GASB Statement No. 100 and GASB Implementation Guides 2021-1 and 2023-1 did not have any effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

In an effort to promote comparability with other governments, the School District updated its calculation of net position restricted for pension and OPEB plans for fiscal year 2024. This change had no impact on beginning net position, but rather reclassified the amounts presented as net position restricted for OPEB plans and unrestricted net position.

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, disbursement and encumbrances. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance – budget (non-GAAP basis) and actual for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis 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 basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
2. Investments are reported at cost (budget basis) rather than fair value (GAAP basis).
3. Unrecorded cash represents amounts received but not included as revenue on the budget basis operating statement. These amounts are included as revenue on the GAAP basis operating statement.
4. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
5. Advances In and Advances Out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
6. Budgetary revenues and expenditures of the uniform school supply, recreation, food service consultation, emergency levy, public school support, and unclaimed monies funds are reclassified to the general fund for GAAP reporting.
7. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as a restricted, committed, or assigned fund balance (GAAP basis).

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The following tables summarize the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statement to the budgetary basis statement for the general fund:

Net Change in Fund Balance	
	General
GAAP Basis	\$1,915,840
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals	236,333
Beginning Fair Value Adjustment for Investments	(951,537)
Ending Fair Value Adjustment for Investments	420,228
Beginning Unrecorded Cash	25,956
Ending Unrecorded Cash	(100,088)
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals	1,886,934
Advances In	313,397
Advances Out	(383,233)
Perspective Differences:	
Uniform School Supply	(24,253)
Recreation	(38,933)
Food Service Consultation	(85,932)
Emergency Levy	(582,652)
Public School Support	5,148
Unclaimed Monies	440
Adjustment for Encumbrances	(130,034)
Budget Basis	\$2,507,614

Note 5 – Accountability

The following funds had deficit fund balances at June 30, 2024:

Fund	Deficit Fund Balances
<i>Special Revenue Funds:</i>	
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief	\$12,040
Title VI-B	151,906
Title I	60,335
Drug Free Schools	600
Reducing Class Size	49,057
 <i>Capital Projects Fund:</i>	
Replacement	27,362

These deficits are the result of the recognition of payables in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as well as short-term interfund loans from the general fund needed for operations until the receipt of grant monies. The general fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances; however, this is done when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

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Note 6 – Fund Balances

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, 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 the government funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented as follows:

Fund Balances	General	Building	Capital Projects	Capital Grants	Other Governmental Funds	Total
<i>Nonspendable:</i>						
Prepays	\$42,948	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$697	\$43,645
Materials and Supplies Inventory	0	0	0	0	6,255	6,255
Unclaimed Monies	7,211	0	0	0	0	7,211
<i>Total Nonspendable</i>	<u>50,159</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,952</u>	<u>57,111</u>
<i>Restricted for:</i>						
Capital Projects	0	3,129,287	2,499,849	376,009	1,046,438	7,051,583
Debt Service	0	0	0	0	122	122
Food Service Operations	0	0	0	0	504,950	504,950
Student Activities	0	0	0	0	108,986	108,986
Athletics and Music	0	0	0	0	270,626	270,626
Local Grants	0	0	0	0	18,287	18,287
State Grants	0	0	0	0	17,657	17,657
<i>Total Restricted</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,129,287</u>	<u>2,499,849</u>	<u>376,009</u>	<u>1,967,066</u>	<u>7,972,211</u>
<i>Committed to:</i>						
Background Checks	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,992</u>	<u>6,992</u>
<i>Assigned to:</i>						
Purchases on Order	53,779	0	0	0	0	53,779
Uniform School Supplies	225,407	0	0	0	0	225,407
Public School Support	100,046	0	0	0	0	100,046
<i>Total Assigned</i>	<u>379,232</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>379,232</u>
Unassigned (Deficit)	<u>39,841,409</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(301,300)</u>	<u>39,540,109</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$40,270,800</u>	<u>\$3,129,287</u>	<u>\$2,499,849</u>	<u>\$376,009</u>	<u>\$1,679,710</u>	<u>\$47,955,655</u>

Note 7 – Deposits and Investments

Monies held by the School District are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the School District treasury. Active 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.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board 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.

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Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies 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.

Interim monies held by the School District can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security 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, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed previously provided 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 the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio); and
8. Certain bankers' acceptances (for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days) in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met. The investment in commercial paper notes of a single issuer shall not exceed in the aggregate five percent of interim monies available for investment at the time of purchase.

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, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

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Deposits

Custodial Credit Risk Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the School District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. At fiscal year-end, \$352,641 of the School District's total bank balance of \$2,369,853 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and uncollateralized. One of the School District's financial institutions participates in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS) and was approved for a reduced collateral floor of 50 percent resulting in the uninsured and uncollateralized balance.

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 be 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 requires 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

As of June 30, 2024, the School District had the following investments:

Measurement/Investment	Measurement Amount	Maturity	Standard & Poor's Rating	Percent of Total Investments
Amortized Cost:				
Commercial Paper	\$198,196	Less Than One Year	N/A	N/A %
Net Asset Value Per Share:				
STAR Ohio	12,512,418	Less Than One Year	AAAm	24.91
Fair Value - Level 1 Input:				
Money Market Accounts	988,094	Less Than One Year	AAAm	N/A
Fair Value - Level 2 Input:				
Municipal Bonds	1,008,673	Less Than Two Years	AAA / N/A	N/A
Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Bonds	1,069,093	Less Than Five Years	N/A	N/A
Federal Farm Credit Bank Bonds	9,687,455	Less Than Five Years	AA+	19.29
Federal Home Loan Bank Bonds	5,271,666	Less Than Five Years	AA+	10.50
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Bonds	1,059,276	Less Than Two Years	N/A	N/A
Federal National Mortgage Association Bonds	1,279,230	Less Than Two Years	AA+	N/A
United States Treasury Bills	391,280	Less Than Four Years	N/A	N/A
United States Treasury Notes	14,772,417	Less Than Five Years	N/A	29.41
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	1,988,962	Less Than Five Years	N/A	N/A
Total Investments	<u>\$50,226,760</u>			

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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 preceding chart identifies the School District's recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2024. The money market accounts are measured at fair value and are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs). The School District's remaining 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. State statute requires that an investment mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District and that investment must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Repurchase agreements shall not exceed thirty days.

Credit Risk The School District's investment policy requires certain credit ratings for some investments as allowed by State law. The School District's investments are rated as shown in the preceding table. The commercial paper, federal agricultural mortgage corporation bonds, federal home loan mortgage corporation bonds, United States treasury bills, United States treasury notes, negotiable certificates of deposit, and some of the municipal bonds are not rated by Standard and Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization, the money market mutual fund be rated in the highest category at the time of purchase by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and that the commercial paper be rated in the highest category at the time of purchase by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations.

Concentration of Credit Risk The School District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

Note 8 – Income Tax

The School District levies a voted tax of 1.25 percent for general operations of the earned income of residents. The first 0.5 percent tax was effective during fiscal year 2007, and the second 0.75 percent tax was passed on May 6, 2014. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the School District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the general fund.

Note 9 – Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District's 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.

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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 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2024 were levied after April 1, 2023, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2023, 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 semi-annually, 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.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Public utility real property taxes received in calendar year 2024 became a lien December 31, 2022, were levied after April 1, 2023, and are collected in calendar year 2024 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 Medina County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2024, are available to finance fiscal year 2024 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property and public utility property taxes, which are measurable as of June 30, 2024, 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 to deferred inflows of resources – property taxes.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2024, was \$1,691,680 in the general fund and \$75,110 in the permanent improvement fund. The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2023, was \$1,846,180 in the general fund and \$78,380 in the permanent improvement fund. The difference was in the timing and collection by the County Auditor.

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

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2024 taxes were collected are:

	2023 Second Half Collections		2024 First Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Real Estate	\$766,094,730	84.31%	\$793,006,460	84.95%
Public Utility Personal Property	142,588,020	15.69%	140,538,650	15.05%
Total	<u>\$908,682,750</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$933,545,110</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation	\$54.45		\$53.85	

The tax rate decreased due to the emergency levies decreasing to keep collection amounts consistent from the increase in assessed valuation.

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Note 10 – Tax Abatements

For fiscal year 2024, the School District's property taxes were reduced under community reinvestment area (CRA) agreements entered into by the Village of Seville. The amount of fiscal year 2024 taxes abated was \$65,706.

Note 11 – Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2024, consisted of accrued interest, taxes, accounts (miscellaneous), intergovernmental grants and disbursements and interfund. The School District receives a portion of a 0.5 percent sales tax levied by the County. The sales tax is allocated to the public schools based on a student count and is recorded as an intergovernmental revenue. 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 year guarantee of federal funds. All receivables except for delinquent property taxes are expected to be collected within one year. Property taxes, although ultimately collectible, include some portion of delinquencies that will not be collected within one year.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

Intergovernmental Receivable	Amounts
<i>Governmental Funds:</i>	
County Levied Sales Tax	\$944,009
Foundation Settlement	299,607
IDEA-B Grant	87,666
Title I-A Grant	60,335
Title II-A Grant	16,541
Miscellaneous Federal Grants	10,248
Miscellaneous State Grants	10,119
Other Miscellaneous	9,873
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant	5,000
Drug Free Schools Grant	600
Total Governmental Funds	<u><u>\$1,443,998</u></u>

Payments in Lieu of Taxes

The School District is party to Tax Increment Financing (TIF) agreements. Municipalities, townships and counties can enter into TIF agreements, which lock in real property at its unimproved value for up to 30 years in a defined TIF district. Some TIF agreements also require the TIF government to allocate service payments to school districts and other governments to help offset the property taxes these governments would have received had the improvements to real property not been exempted. The service payments that the School District receives as part of the TIF agreements are presented on the financial statements as Payments in Lieu of Taxes.

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Note 12 – Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, was as follows:

	Balance 7/1/23	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/24
Governmental Activities				
<i>Nondepreciable/Amortized Capital Assets</i>				
Land	\$593,900	\$0	\$0	\$593,900
Construction in Progress	34,151,547	30,163,990	0	64,315,537
<i>Total Nondepreciable/Amortized Capital Assets</i>	<u>34,745,447</u>	<u>30,163,990</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>64,909,437</u>
<i>Depreciable/Amortized Capital Assets</i>				
<i>Tangible Assets</i>				
Land Improvements	2,343,829	0	0	2,343,829
Buildings and Improvements	48,464,192	15,515	(82,353)	48,397,354
Furniture and Equipment	4,045,482	218,360	(16,404)	4,247,438
Vehicles	3,575,976	272,630	(440,645)	3,407,961
<i>Total Tangible Assets</i>	<u>58,429,479</u>	<u>506,505</u>	<u>(539,402)</u>	<u>58,396,582</u>
<i>Intangible Right to Use Subscription Assets</i>				
Software	221,072	186,475	0	407,547
<i>Total Depreciable/Amortized Capital Assets</i>	<u>58,650,551</u>	<u>692,980</u>	<u>(539,402)</u>	<u>58,804,129</u>
<i>Less Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization</i>				
<i>Depreciation</i>				
Land Improvements	(1,920,011)	(33,540)	0	(1,953,551)
Buildings and Improvements	(15,489,317)	(915,946)	0	(16,405,263)
Furniture and Equipment	(2,217,084)	(190,949)	14,032	(2,394,001)
Vehicles	(1,813,487)	(247,713)	396,580	(1,664,620)
<i>Total Depreciation</i>	<u>(21,439,899)</u>	<u>(1,388,148)</u>	<u>410,612</u>	<u>(22,417,435)</u>
<i>Amortization</i>				
<i>Intangible Right to Use Subscription Assets</i>				
Software	(47,425)	(126,735)	0	(174,160)
<i>Total Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization</i>	<u>(21,487,324)</u>	<u>(1,514,883) *</u>	<u>410,612</u>	<u>(22,591,595)</u>
<i>Total Depreciable/Amortized Capital Assets, Net</i>	<u>37,163,227</u>	<u>(821,903)</u>	<u>(128,790)</u>	<u>36,212,534</u>
<i>Total Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net</i>	<u><u>\$71,908,674</u></u>	<u><u>\$29,342,087</u></u>	<u><u>(\$128,790)</u></u>	<u><u>\$101,121,971</u></u>

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* Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Function	Depreciation	Amortization	Total
Instruction:			
Regular	\$762,787	\$105,741	\$868,528
Special	1,388	1,098	2,486
Vocational	416	0	416
Support Services:			
Instructional Staff	9,162	15,826	24,988
Administration	2,915	0	2,915
Fiscal	1,111	0	1,111
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	43,449	0	43,449
Pupil Transportation	254,170	0	254,170
Central	416	0	416
Food Service Operations	20,961	4,070	25,031
Community Services	130,625	0	130,625
Extracurricular Activities	160,748	0	160,748
Total Depreciation/Amortization Expense	<u>\$1,388,148</u>	<u>\$126,735</u>	<u>\$1,514,883</u>

Note 13 – Long-Term Obligations

The original issue date, interest rate, original issue amount and date of maturity of each of the School District's long-term obligations is as follows:

Debt Issue	Interest Rate	Original Issue Amount	Date of Maturity
<i>Certificates of Participation:</i>			
2020A Refunding Certificates of Participation	0.739% - 2.943%	\$26,510,000	March 1, 2038
2020B Certificates of Participation	1.10 - 4.00	1,500,000	March 1, 2035
2021 Certificates of Participation	2.375 - 4.00	36,800,000	December 1, 2050
2022 Certificates of Participation	5.125 - 6.00	21,000,000	December 1, 2052

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The changes in the School District's long-term obligations during the year consist of the following:

	Principal Outstanding 7/1/23	Additions	Reductions	Principal Outstanding 6/30/24	Amount Due in One Year
<i>Certificates of Participation:</i>					
2020A Refunding Certificates of Participation:					
Serial Certificates	\$17,330,000	\$0	(\$965,000)	\$16,365,000	\$1,050,000
Term Certificates	7,455,000	0	0	7,455,000	0
2020B Certificates of Participation:					
Serial Certificates	180,000	0	(90,000)	90,000	90,000
Term Certificates	1,045,000	0	0	1,045,000	0
Premium	26,419	0	(1,801)	24,618	0
2021 Certificates of Participation:					
Serial Certificates	19,850,000	0	(2,175,000)	17,675,000	1,430,000
Term Certificates	11,900,000	0	0	11,900,000	0
Premium	2,816,769	0	(100,599)	2,716,170	0
2022 Certificates of Participation:					
Serial Certificates	1,095,000	0	(250,000)	845,000	195,000
Term Certificates	19,905,000	0	0	19,905,000	0
Premium	515,536	0	(17,185)	498,351	0
<i>Total Certificates of Participation</i>	82,118,724	0	(3,599,585)	78,519,139	2,765,000
<i>Other Long-Term Obligations:</i>					
Net Pension Liability:					
SERS	7,198,797	141,077	0	7,339,874	0
STRS	24,454,470	0	(489,060)	23,965,410	0
Total Net Pension Liability	31,653,267	141,077	(489,060)	31,305,284	0
Net OPEB Liability - SERS	1,915,311	339,179	0	2,254,490	0
Subscriptions Payable	10,142	186,475	(85,315)	111,302	86,895
Compensated Absences	3,184,508	165,770	(357,730)	2,992,548	243,950
<i>Total Other Long-Term Obligations</i>	36,763,228	832,501	(932,105)	36,663,624	330,845
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>					
<i>Long-Term Liabilities</i>	\$118,881,952	\$832,501	(\$4,531,690)	\$115,182,763	\$3,095,845

On October 15, 2020, the School District issued \$26,510,000 in refunding certificates of participation (COPs) for the purpose of refunding the majority of the 2014 refunding COPs and the remaining 2017 refunding COPs, which included \$19,055,000 in serial COPs and \$7,455,000 in term COPs. The COPs were issued for an 18-year period with final maturity in fiscal year 2038. The COPs were issued through a series of lease agreements and trust indentures in accordance with Section 3313.375 of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with the lease terms, the project assets are leased to the Ohio School Building Leasing Corporation, and then subleased back to the School District. The COPs were issued through a series of annual leases with an initial lease term of 5 years, which includes the right to renew for 18 successive one-year terms through fiscal year 2038 subject to annual appropriations. To satisfy the trustee agreements, the School District is required to make annual base rent payments, subject to the lease terms and appropriations, semi-annually. The base rent includes an interest component of 0.739 to 2.943 percent. The School District has the option to purchase the renovations on any lease payment date by paying the amount necessary to defease the indenture.

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Optional Redemption The COPs maturing after March 1, 2031, are subject to prior redemption, by and at the sole option of the School District, in whole or in part as selected by the School District, on any date on and after March 1, 2030, at a redemption price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption The term COPs maturing on March 1, 2038, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on March 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

Year	Issue
	\$7,455,000
2036	\$2,280,000
2037	2,485,000
Total mandatory sinking fund payment	4,765,000
Amount due at stated maturity	2,690,000
Total	<u>\$7,455,000</u>
<i>Stated Maturity</i>	3/1/2038

Net proceeds of \$26,055,942 were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt payments on the refunded COPs. As a result, \$24,810,000 of these COPs was considered defeased and the liability for the refunded COPs has been removed from the School District's financial statements. As of June 30, 2024, \$22,825,000 of the defeased COPs remain outstanding.

On October 15, 2020, the School District issued \$1,500,000 in certificates of participation (COPs) for the purpose of constructing, enlarging, furnishing, and equipping the School District's outdoor athletic facilities, which included \$455,000 in serial COPs and \$1,045,000 in term COPs. The COPs were issued for a 15-year period with final maturity in fiscal year 2035. The COPs were issued through a series of lease agreements and trust indentures in accordance with Section 3313.375 of the Ohio Revised Code. The COPs have been designated to be "qualified tax exempt obligations" within the meaning of 265(b)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with the lease terms, the project assets are leased to the Ohio School Building Leasing Corporation, and then subleased back to the School District. The COPs were issued through a series of annual leases with an initial lease term of 5 years, which includes the right to renew for 15 successive one-year terms through fiscal year 2035 subject to annual appropriations. To satisfy the trustee agreements, the School District is required to make annual base rent payments, subject to the lease terms and appropriations, semi-annually. The base rent includes an interest component of 1.10 to 4.00 percent. The School District has the option to purchase the renovations on any lease payment date by paying the amount necessary to defease the indenture.

Optional Redemption The COPs maturing after March 1, 2031, are subject to prior redemption, by and at the sole option of the School District, in whole or in part as selected by the School District, on any date on and after March 1, 2030, at a redemption price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption The term COPs maturing on March 1, 2028, March 1, 2031, and March 1, 2035, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on March 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

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Year	Issue		
	\$300,000	\$305,000	\$440,000
2026	\$100,000	\$0	\$0
2027	100,000	0	0
2029	0	100,000	0
2030	0	100,000	0
2032	0	0	105,000
2033	0	0	110,000
2034	0	0	110,000
Total mandatory sinking fund payment	200,000	200,000	325,000
Amount due at stated maturity	100,000	105,000	115,000
Total	\$300,000	\$305,000	\$440,000
<i>Stated Maturity</i>	3/1/2028	3/1/2031	3/1/2035

On April 13, 2021, the School District issued \$36,800,000 in certificates of participation (COPs) for the purpose of constructing, enlarging, furnishing, and equipping the School District's high school facilities, which included \$24,900,000 in serial COPs and \$11,900,000 in term COPs. The COPs were issued for a 30-year period with final maturity in fiscal year 2051. The COPs were issued through a series of lease agreements and trust indentures in accordance with Section 3313.375 of the Ohio Revised Code. The COPs have been designated to be "qualified tax exempt obligations" within the meaning of 265(b)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with the lease terms, the project assets are leased to the Ohio School Building Leasing Corporation, and then subleased back to the School District. The COPs were issued through a series of annual leases with an initial lease term of 5 years, which includes the right to renew for 30 successive one-year terms through fiscal year 2051 subject to annual appropriations. To satisfy the trustee agreements, the School District is required to make annual base rent payments, subject to the lease terms and appropriations, semi-annually. The base rent includes an interest component of 2.375 to 4.00 percent. The School District has the option to purchase the renovations on any lease payment date by paying the amount necessary to defease the indenture. At June 30, 2024, \$1,980,757 of the COPs proceeds were unspent.

Optional Redemption The COPs maturing on or after December 1, 2031, including by mandatory redemption, are subject to prior redemption, by and at the sole option of the School District, in whole or in part as selected by the School District, on any date on and after December 1, 2030, at a redemption price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date; provided, however, that no subordinate certificates may be redeemed except with the proceeds of a series of additional certificates and/or fund received as a result of State reimbursement in connection with the construction project.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption The term COPs maturing on December 1, 2038, December 1, 2040, December 1, 2045, and December 1, 2050, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on March 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

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Year	Issue			
	\$2,395,000	\$2,200,000	\$4,485,000	\$2,820,000
2037	\$1,220,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
2039	0	1,125,000	0	0
2041	0	0	1,020,000	0
2042	0	0	960,000	0
2043	0	0	900,000	0
2044	0	0	835,000	0
2046	0	0	0	700,000
2047	0	0	0	635,000
2048	0	0	0	565,000
2049	0	0	0	495,000
Total mandatory sinking fund payment	1,220,000	1,125,000	3,715,000	2,395,000
Amount due at stated maturity	1,175,000	1,075,000	770,000	425,000
Total	<u>\$2,395,000</u>	<u>\$2,200,000</u>	<u>\$4,485,000</u>	<u>\$2,820,000</u>
<i>Stated Maturity</i>	12/1/2038	12/1/2040	12/1/2045	12/1/2050

On December 1, 2022, the School District issued \$21,000,000 in certificates of participation (COPs), which included \$1,095,000 in serial COPs and \$19,905,000 in term COPs, for the purpose of constructing, enlarging, furnishing, and equipping the School District's middle school facilities, and may also include improvements to athletic facilities and board offices. The COPs were issued for a 30-year period with final maturity in fiscal year 2053. The COPs were issued through a series of lease agreements and trust indentures in accordance with Section 3313.375 of the Ohio Revised Code. The COPs have been designated to be "qualified tax exempt obligations" within the meaning of 265(b)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with the lease terms, the project assets are leased to the Ohio School Building Leasing Corporation, and then subleased back to the School District. The COPs were issued through a series of annual leases with an initial lease term of 5 years, which includes the right to renew for 30 successive one-year terms through fiscal year 2053 subject to annual appropriations. To satisfy the trustee agreements, the School District is required to make annual base rent payments, subject to the lease terms and appropriations, semi-annually. The base rent includes an interest component of 5.125 to 6.00 percent. The School District has the option to purchase the renovations on any lease payment date by paying the amount necessary to defease the indenture. At June 30, 2024, \$4,086,461 of the COPs proceeds were unspent.

Optional Redemption The COPs maturing on or after December 1, 2029, including by mandatory redemption, are subject to prior redemption, by and at the sole option of the School District, in whole or in part as selected by the School District, on any date on and after December 1, 2028, at a redemption price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date; provided, however, that no subordinate certificates may be redeemed except with the proceeds of a series of additional certificates and/or fund received as a result of State reimbursement in connection with the construction project.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption The term COPs maturing on December 1, 2035, December 1, 2037, December 1, 2039, December 1, 2042, December 1, 2047, and December 1, 2052, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

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Year	Issue					
	\$1,260,000	\$1,750,000	\$1,780,000	\$2,755,000	\$4,890,000	\$7,470,000
2029	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2030	100,000	0	0	0	0	\$0
2031	50,000	0	0	0	0	0
2032	50,000	0	0	0	0	0
2033	50,000	0	0	0	0	0
2034	30,000	0	0	0	0	0
2036	0	865,000	0	0	0	0
2038	0	0	885,000	0	0	0
2040	0	0	0	905,000	0	0
2041	0	0	0	920,000	0	0
2043	0	0	0	0	940,000	0
2044	0	0	0	0	960,000	0
2045	0	0	0	0	975,000	0
2046	0	0	0	0	1,000,000	0
2048	0	0	0	0	0	1,035,000
2049	0	0	0	0	0	1,050,000
2050	0	0	0	0	0	1,060,000
2051	0	0	0	0	0	2,110,000
Total mandatory sinking fund payment	400,000	865,000	885,000	1,825,000	3,875,000	5,255,000
Amount due at stated maturity	860,000	885,000	895,000	930,000	1,015,000	2,215,000
Total	<u>\$1,260,000</u>	<u>\$1,750,000</u>	<u>\$1,780,000</u>	<u>\$2,755,000</u>	<u>\$4,890,000</u>	<u>\$7,470,000</u>
<i>Stated Maturity</i>	12/1/2035	12/1/2037	12/1/2039	12/1/2042	12/1/2047	12/1/2052

The COPs will be paid from the capital projects fund and capital grants fund. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension/OPEB liabilities; however, employer pension/OPEB contributions are made from the general fund and the food service, athletics and music, and elementary and secondary school emergency relief special revenue funds. For additional information related to the net pension and net OPEB liabilities, see Notes 22 and 23. The compensated absences liability will be paid from the general fund and the food service and elementary and secondary school emergency relief special revenue funds.

The School District's overall debt margin was \$84,019,182 with an unvoted debt margin of \$933,545 at June 30, 2024. Principal and interest requirements to retire outstanding long-term obligations at June 30, 2024, are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Certificates of Participation			
	Serial		Term	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2025	\$2,765,000	\$2,597,802	\$0	\$0
2026	2,750,000	2,508,594	100,000	18,750
2027	2,805,000	2,432,105	100,000	17,650
2028	2,740,000	2,347,139	100,000	16,550
2029	2,755,000	2,261,721	100,000	15,450
2030-2034	15,115,000	4,712,232	900,000	5,351,219
2035-2039	6,045,000	1,393,117	13,490,000	5,895,671
2040-2044	0	0	9,670,000	4,542,172
2045-2049	0	0	8,490,000	2,662,600
2050-2053	0	0	7,355,000	798,178
Total	<u>\$34,975,000</u>	<u>\$18,252,710</u>	<u>\$40,305,000</u>	<u>\$19,318,240</u>

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The School District has outstanding contracts to use a SBITA vendor's IT software, including courseware/digital curriculum and other software. The future subscription payments were discounted based on the interest rate implicit in the subscription or using the School District's incremental borrowing rate. This discount is being amortized using the interest method over the life of the subscription. These subscriptions will be paid from the general fund and the food service and elementary and secondary school emergency relief special revenue funds. A summary of the principal and interest amounts for the remaining subscriptions are as follows:

Year	Subscriptions	
	Principal	Interest
2025	\$86,895	\$2,177
2026	15,588	570
2027	4,359	203
2028	4,460	103
Total	<u>\$111,302</u>	<u>\$3,053</u>

Note 14 – Other Employee Benefits

Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Twelve month classified employees can earn up to twenty-five days of vacation per year but cannot accumulate more than forty days. Twelve-month administrators earn twenty days of vacation per year. Only twenty days of vacation can be carried over to the next year. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to twelve month classified employees and administrators upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

Teachers and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated with no maximums for certified staff, classified staff, and administrators. Upon retirement, the School District will issue payment for up to a maximum as identified within the negotiated agreements. Classified employees with the School District receive payment for up to a maximum of eighty-five days computed according to negotiated agreements.

Administrators earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Upon termination, administrators will receive thirty percent of all accumulated sick leave and unused personal days up to three hundred days at the time of retirement. An employee receiving such payment must meet the retirement provisions set by STRS Ohio or SERS.

Employees may earn up to a maximum of three days of personal leave per year. Personal leave may not be accumulated. Unused personal leave becomes sick leave at the conclusion of the contract year.

Health Insurance Benefits

The School District has contracted with Stark County Schools Council of Governments to provide medical/surgical, dental, life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance for its employees and their covered dependents (See Note 18). The Stark County Schools Council of Governments is a shared risk pool composed of over 170 members. The school districts pay monthly contributions that are placed in a common fund from which eligible claims and expenses are paid for employees of participating school districts and their covered dependents. Claims are paid for all participants regardless of claims flow.

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Premium contributions are determined annually based on the claims experience of the individual school district. Premiums can be increased or decreased by up to 20 percent of the prior year's contribution. Member school districts may become liable for additional contributions to fund the liability of the pool. In the event of termination, all participating Districts' claims would be paid without regard to their individual account balances. The Stark County Schools Council of Governments' Board of Directors has authority to return monies to an existing school district subsequent to the settlement of all claims and expenses.

Note 15 – Risk Management

Property and Liability

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the School District contracted with Hylant Administrative Services, LLC through the Ohio School Plan as follows:

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Coverage Amount</u>
Property	\$111,280,168
Accounts Receivable	\$100,000
Business Interruption	250,000
Flood and Earthquake	2,000,000
Extra Expenses	1,000,000
Employee Theft	100,000
Forgery	100,000
Computer Fraud	100,000
Funds Transfer Fraud	100,000
Theft of Monies	50,000
Social Engineering Fraud	25,000
General Liability	6,000,000
Employers Liability	6,000,000
Fiduciary Liability	6,000,000
Educational Legal Liability	6,000,000
Fleet	6,000,000
Violence Coverage	1,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the last three years and there have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from last year.

Workers' Compensation

During fiscal year 2024, the School District was a member of the Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program established in April of 1991 (See Note 18). The program was created by the Ohio School Boards Association as a result of the Workers' Compensation group rating plan as defined in Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The group rating program allows school districts to group together to potentially achieve a lower premium rate than they might otherwise be able to acquire as individual employers.

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Note 16 – Contingencies

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, in the opinion of management, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the School District at June 30, 2024, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

School Foundation

School District foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (DEW) is legislatively required to adjust/reconcile funding as enrollment information is updated by schools throughout the State, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, all DEW adjustments for fiscal year 2024 have been finalized.

Litigation

The Cloverleaf Local School District is not party to legal proceedings.

Note 17 – Jointly Governed Organizations

Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology

The Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology (NEOnet) is the computer service organization or Data Acquisition Site (DAS) used by the School District. NEOnet is a jointly governed organization among twenty-seven school districts. The Summit County Educational Service Center acts as the fiscal agent for the consortium. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts. The Board of Directors consists of member district superintendents and treasurers. The manager/director is a permanent, non-voting member of the board of directors. Each school district's control is limited to its representation on the board. The Board of Directors exercise total control over the operations of the association including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. All association revenues are generated from charges for services and State funding. The School District does not retain an ongoing financial interest or an ongoing financial responsibility in NEOnet. Payments to NEOnet are made from the general fund. In fiscal year 2024, the School District paid \$126,457 to NEOnet. Financial information can be obtained by writing to the NEOnet, 700 Graham Road, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221.

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Medina County Career Center

The Medina County Career Center (Center) is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board, consisting of one representative from each participating School District's elected board, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. The Center's Board exercises total control over the operations of the organization including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. Each participant's degree of control is limited to its representation on the Board. Accordingly, the Center is not part of the School District, and its operations are not included as part of the reporting entity. The Center offers vocational education for several school districts including Cloverleaf Local School District. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer, Aaron Butts, at the Medina County Career Center, 1101 West Liberty Street, Medina, Ohio 44256.

Ohio Schools' Council

The Ohio Schools' Council Association (Council) is a jointly governed organization among 302 members. The jointly governed organization was created by school districts for the purpose of saving money through volume purchases. Each district supports the Council by paying an annual participation fee. Each school district member's superintendent serves as a representative of the Assembly. The Assembly elects five of the Council's Board members and the remaining four are representatives of the Greater Cleveland School Superintendents' Association. The Council operates under a nine-member Board of Directors (the Board). The Board is the policy making authority of the Council. The Board meets monthly from September through June. The Board appoints an Executive Director who is responsible for receiving and disbursing funds, investing available funds, preparing financial reports for the Board and Assembly and carrying out such other responsibilities as designated by the Board. The degree of control exercised by any participant is limited to its representation on the Governing Board. The Board exercises total control over the operations of the Council including budgeting, appropriating, contracting, and designating management. In fiscal year 2024, the School District paid \$4,432 to the Council. Financial information can be obtained by contacting William J. Zelei, the Executive Director of the Ohio Schools' Council at 6393 Oak Tree Boulevard, Suite 377, Independence, Ohio 44131.

Note 18 – Public Entity Risk Pools

Stark County Schools Council of Governments

The Stark County Schools Council of Governments (Council) is governed by an assembly which consists of one representative from each participating school district (usually the superintendent or designee). The assembly elects officers for one-year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the Council. All Council revenues are generated from charges for services. The Council has a Health Benefits Program which is a shared risk pool comprised of over 170 entities, most of which are school districts.

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Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program

The School District participates in the Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three-member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

Ohio School Plan

The Ohio School Plan (Plan) is a shared liability, property and fleet insurance risk pool which is governed by a board of thirteen school superintendents, business managers and treasurers. OSBA, BASA and OASBO executive directors serve as ex-officio members. Approximately 305 educational entities are members of the Plan. The Plan's board elects officers for two-year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the Plan. All Plan revenues are generated from charges for services. For more information write to the Ohio School Plan, Hylant Administrative Services, 811 Madison Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

Note 19 – 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 fiscal year end or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end and carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future years.

The following cash basis information describes the change in the fiscal year end set-aside amounts for capital acquisitions. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

	<u>Capital Improvement</u>
Set-aside Balance as of June 30, 2023	\$0
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	490,370
Offsets	<u>(913,202)</u>
Totals	<u><u>(\$422,832)</u></u>
Set-aside Balance Carried Forward to Future Fiscal Years	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
Set-aside Balance as of June 30, 2024	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

Although the School District had offsets during the fiscal year that reduced the set-aside amount to below zero for the capital acquisition set-aside, this amount may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirement for future years. This negative balance is therefore not presented as being carried forward to future years.

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Note 20 – Interfund Transactions

Interfund Balances

Interfund balances at June 30, 2024, consisted of the following:

Interfund Payable	Interfund Receivable General
<i>Special Revenue Funds:</i>	
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief	\$27,286
Title VI-B	136,306
Drug Free Schools	4,631
Reducing Class Size	15,010
Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>183,233</u>
<i>Capital Projects Funds:</i>	
Permanent Improvement	837,226
Replacement	150,000
Total Capital Projects Funds	<u>987,226</u>
Total	<u><u>\$1,170,459</u></u>

The interfund payables in the special revenue funds and capital projects funds are due to the timing of the receipt of grant monies received and to pay off debt and fund capital replacements, respectively. All balances are expected to be paid next fiscal year.

Interfund Transfers

The School District had the following transfers during fiscal year 2024:

Transfers To	Transfers From		Total
	General	Other Governmental Funds	
Capital Projects	\$3,455,316	\$0	\$3,455,316
Capital Grants	0	77,697	77,697
Other Governmental Funds	162,504	0	162,504
Total	<u>\$3,617,820</u>	<u>\$77,697</u>	<u>\$3,695,517</u>

The transfer from the general fund to the capital projects fund was to help pay for debt obligations. The transfers to other governmental funds were to help operate lunchroom and extracurricular activities. The transfer from other governmental funds to the capital grants fund was to help pay for permanent improvements projects.

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Note 21 – Significant Commitments

Encumbrances

Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At fiscal year end, the amount of encumbrances expected to be honored upon performance by the vendor in the next fiscal year were as follows:

General	\$130,034
Building	6,734,398
Capital Projects	3,314,429
Other Governmental Funds	<u>624,424</u>
Total	<u>\$10,803,285</u>

Contractual Commitments

At June 30, 2024, the various projects within the School District had contractual commitments consisting of the following:

Project	Contract Amount	Amount Paid	Remaining on Contract
High School Building Construction	\$47,264,019	\$43,087,859	\$4,176,160
Middle School Building Construction	<u>20,293,918</u>	<u>15,610,867</u>	<u>4,683,051</u>
Total	<u>\$67,557,937</u>	<u>\$58,698,726</u>	<u>\$8,859,211</u>

The amounts remaining on these contracts were encumbered at year end. The amounts of \$2,337,071 and \$723,468 in contracts payable and retainage payable, respectively, have been capitalized.

Note 22 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

The net pension liability and the net OPEB liability (asset) reported on the statement of net position represent liabilities to employees for pensions and OPEB, respectively. Pensions/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 obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

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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.

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.

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 funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system'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 *net OPEB asset* or long-term *net pension/OPEB liability* 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 23 for the required OPEB disclosures.

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description – School District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, 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 www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 *	Eligible to Retire on or after 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 Benefits	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will 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 thirty 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.

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 CPI-W, 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 the years 2018, 2019, and 2020. The Retirement Board approved a 2.5 percent COLA for calendar year 2023.

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, 2024, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. For fiscal year 2024, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$778,863 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount, \$87,626 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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 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 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at www.strsoh.org.

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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. In April 2017, the Retirement Board made the decision to reduce COLA granted on or after July 1, 2017, to 0 percent upon a determination by its actuary that it was necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the retirement system. Benefit recipients' base benefit and past cost-of living increases are not affected by this change. Effective July 1, 2022, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 3 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2023 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2018. Effective July 1, 2023, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 1 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2024 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2019. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3307.67(E) the STRS Ohio Retirement Board may adjust the COLA upon a determination by the board's actuary that a change will not materially impair the fiscal integrity of the system or is necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the system. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 34 years of service credit at any age.

Eligibility changes for DB Plan members who retire with actuarially reduced benefits will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility will be five years of qualifying service credit and age 60, or 30 years of service credit regardless of age.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 11.09 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices offered by STRS. The remaining 2.91 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a 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 fifty 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.

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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 on or after July 1, 2013, 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 2024 employer and employee contribution rate of 14 percent was equal to the statutory maximum rates. For 2024, the full employer contribution was allocated to pension.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$2,139,110 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$510,510 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability:			
Current Measurement Date	0.13283600%	0.11128618%	
Prior Measurement Date	<u>0.13309470%</u>	<u>0.11000599%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>-0.00025870%</u>	<u>0.00128019%</u>	
Proportionate Share of the Net			
Pension Liability	\$7,339,874	\$23,965,410	\$31,305,284
Pension Expense	\$770,219	\$2,173,214	\$2,943,433

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At June 30, 2024, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$315,485	\$873,729	\$1,189,214
Changes of assumptions	51,993	1,973,681	2,025,674
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	37,655	429,251	466,906
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	778,863	2,139,110	2,917,973
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$1,183,996</u>	<u>\$5,415,771</u>	<u>\$6,599,767</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$53,180	\$53,180
Changes of assumptions	0	1,485,615	1,485,615
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	103,168	71,825	174,993
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	12,205	200,760	212,965
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$115,373</u>	<u>\$1,811,380</u>	<u>\$1,926,753</u>

\$2,917,973 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, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2025	\$91,490	(\$137,580)	(\$46,090)
2026	(280,115)	(721,815)	(1,001,930)
2027	472,917	2,416,809	2,889,726
2028	5,468	(92,133)	(86,665)
Total	<u>\$289,760</u>	<u>\$1,465,281</u>	<u>\$1,755,041</u>

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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 termination). 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 2137.

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, 2023, are presented as follows:

Inflation	2.4 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	2.0 percent, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent net of System expenses
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)

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 2 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 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 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.

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The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan 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. As of June 30, 2023:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00 %	0.75 %
US Equity	24.75	4.82
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50	5.19
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75	5.98
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00	2.24
Private Equity	12.00	7.49
Real Estate/Real Assets	17.00	3.70
Private Debt/Private Credit	5.00	5.64
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate The total pension liability for 2023 was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent. The discount rate determination did 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 21-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The actuarially determined contribution rate for fiscal year 2023 was 14 percent. 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 pension plan 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, for fiscal year 2023 was 6.90 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 net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what each plan'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.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$10,833,278	\$7,339,874	\$4,397,345

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Actuarial Assumptions – STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation are presented as follows:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	From 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent based on service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Discount Rate of Return	7.00 percent
Payroll Increases	3.00 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017

Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021. 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:

Asset Class	Target Allocation *	Long-Term Expected Rate of Return **
Domestic Equity	26.00%	6.60%
International Equity	22.00	6.80
Alternatives	19.00	7.38
Fixed Income	22.00	1.75
Real Estate	10.00	5.75
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	1.00
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

* Final target weights reflected at October 1, 2022.

** 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent, and is net of 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, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. 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, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability 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 rate:

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$36,853,496	\$23,965,410	\$13,065,615

Note 23 – Defined Benefit OPEB Plans

See Note 22 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

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. The following types of credit purchased after January 29, 1981, do not count toward health care coverage eligibility: military, federal, out-of-state, municipal, private school, exempted, and early retirement incentive credit. 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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The Health Care program is financed through a combination of employer contributions, recipient premiums, investment returns, and any funds received on behalf of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. The System's goal is to maintain a health care reserve account with a 20-year solvency period in order to ensure that fluctuations in the cost of health care do not cause an interruption in the program; however, during any period in which the 20-year solvency period is not achieved, the System shall manage the Health Care Fund on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. 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 fiscal year 2024, no allocation was made 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 2024, this amount was \$30,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 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 2024, the School District's surcharge obligation was \$94,080.

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$94,080 for fiscal year 2024, which is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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. Health care premiums were reduced by a Medicare Part B premium credit beginning in 2023. 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. All benefit recipients 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, 2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

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

The net OPEB liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability (asset) was determined by an independent 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. Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset:			
Current Measurement Date	0.13684760%	0.11128618%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.13641710%	0.11000599%	
Change in Proportionate Share	0.00043050%	0.00128019%	
Proportionate Share of the:			
Net OPEB Liability	\$2,254,490	\$0	\$2,254,490
Net OPEB (Asset)	\$0	(\$2,164,363)	(\$2,164,363)
OPEB Expense	(\$158,893)	(\$96,109)	(\$255,002)

At June 30, 2024, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$4,697	\$3,374	\$8,071
Changes of assumptions	762,309	318,842	1,081,151
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	17,473	3,864	21,337
Changes in proportionate Share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	45,767	19,769	65,536
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	94,080	0	94,080
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$924,326	\$345,849	\$1,270,175
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$1,162,723	\$330,118	\$1,492,841
Changes of assumptions	640,297	1,428,014	2,068,311
Changes in Proportionate Share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	145,842	6,318	152,160
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$1,948,862	\$1,764,450	\$3,713,312

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\$94,080 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 or increase to the net OPEB asset in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2025	(\$375,838)	(\$619,856)	(\$995,694)
2026	(331,082)	(289,504)	(620,586)
2027	(189,604)	(111,601)	(301,205)
2028	(113,616)	(151,304)	(264,920)
2029	(83,158)	(138,912)	(222,070)
Thereafter	(25,318)	(107,424)	(132,742)
Total	<u>(\$1,118,616)</u>	<u>(\$1,418,601)</u>	<u>(\$2,537,217)</u>

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.

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Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2023, are presented as follows:

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 investment expense
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Fiduciary Net Position is Projected to be Depleted	2048
Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Measurement Date	3.86 percent
Prior Measurement Date	3.69 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate,	
Measurement Date	4.27 percent
Prior Measurement Date	4.08 percent
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	
Medical Trend Assumption	
Measurement Date	6.75 to 4.40 percent
Prior Measurement Date	7.00 to 4.40 percent

Mortality rates among healthy retirees were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted 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 2 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 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Mortality rates for contingent survivors were based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5 percent for males and adjusted 122.5 percent for females. Mortality rates for actives is based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table. Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

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 long-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 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.

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The SERS health care plan follows the same asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return for each major asset class as the pension plan, see Note 22.

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2023, was 4.27 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2023, was 4.08 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System 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 be depleted in 2048 by SERS' actuaries. The Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the single equivalent interest rate for both the June 30, 2022, and the June 30, 2023, 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 was 3.86 percent at June 30, 2023, and 3.69 percent at 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 of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.27%) and higher (5.27%) than the current discount rate (4.27%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%) and higher (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (3.27%)	Current Discount Rate (4.27%)	1% Increase (5.27%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$2,881,882	\$2,254,490	\$1,759,764
	1% Decrease (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%)	Current Trend Rate (6.75% decreasing to 4.40%)	1% Increase (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$1,656,295	\$2,254,490	\$3,047,177

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Actuarial Assumptions – STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation compared to the prior year are presented as follows:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent	Varies by service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3 percent	3 percent
Discount Rate of Return	7.00 percent	7.00 percent
Health Care Cost Trends		
Medical		
Pre-Medicare	7.50 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	7.50 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate
Medicare	-10.94 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	-68.78 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate
Prescription Drug		
Pre-Medicare	-11.95 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	9.00 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate
Medicare	1.33 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	-5.47 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate

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

Healthy retirees post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020; pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

The STRS health care plan follows the same asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return for each major asset class as the pension plan, see Note 22.

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2023. 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 these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to

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current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected health care costs to determine the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2023, 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 if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$1,831,850)	(\$2,164,363)	(\$2,453,946)

	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$2,467,384)	(\$2,164,363)	(\$1,799,378)

Note 24 – COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June 2021 while the national state of emergency ended in April 2023. During fiscal year 2024, the School District received COVID-19 funding. The School District will continue to spend available COVID-19 funding consistent with the applicable program guidelines.

Note 25 – Subsequent Event

On January 7, 2025, the School District issued \$11,000,000 in certificates of participation (COPs) for the purpose of constructing, improving, furnishing, and equipping lands leased to the School District under a ground lease agreement.

Required Supplementary Information

Cloverleaf Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
*Last Ten Fiscal Years **

	2024	2023	2022
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.13283600%	0.13309470%	0.13098890%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$7,339,874	\$7,198,797	\$4,833,110
School District's Covered Payroll	\$5,261,350	\$4,965,014	\$4,534,471
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	139.51%	144.99%	106.59%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	76.06%	75.82%	82.86%

* Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
0.12804360%	0.13259678%	0.14100880%	0.13029680%	0.13099830%	0.12603560%	0.12526200%
\$8,469,073	\$7,933,499	\$8,075,836	\$7,784,946	\$9,587,867	\$7,191,714	\$6,339,439
\$4,537,329	\$4,610,200	\$4,450,896	\$4,230,441	\$3,978,730	\$3,802,210	\$3,660,519
186.65%	172.09%	181.44%	184.02%	240.98%	189.15%	173.18%
68.55%	70.85%	71.36%	69.50%	62.98%	69.16%	71.70%

Cloverleaf Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
*Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) **

	2024	2023	2022
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.13684760%	0.13641710%	0.13523710%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$2,254,490	\$1,915,311	\$2,559,475
School District's Covered Payroll	\$5,261,350	\$4,965,014	\$4,534,471
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	42.85%	38.58%	56.44%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	30.02%	30.34%	24.08%

(1) Although this schedule is intended to reflect information for ten years, information prior to fiscal year 2017 is not available. An additional column will be added each fiscal year.

* Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
0.13322620%	0.13596920%	0.14257490%	0.13198140%	0.13269730%
\$2,895,443	\$3,419,339	\$3,955,413	\$3,542,034	\$3,782,364
\$4,537,329	\$4,610,200	\$4,450,896	\$4,230,441	\$3,978,730
63.81%	74.17%	88.87%	83.73%	95.06%
18.17%	15.57%	13.57%	12.46%	11.49%

Cloverleaf Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
*Last Ten Fiscal Years **

	2024	2023	2022
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.11128618%	0.11000599%	0.11133900%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$23,965,410	\$24,454,470	\$14,235,690
School District's Covered Payroll	\$15,155,864	\$14,363,171	\$13,714,171
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	158.13%	170.26%	103.80%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	80.00%	78.90%	87.80%

* Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

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2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
0.10768664%	0.10779168%	0.10511662%	0.10300980%	0.10282657%	0.10370300%	0.10366087%
\$26,056,335	\$23,837,482	\$23,112,784	\$24,470,198	\$34,419,152	\$28,660,476	\$25,213,911
\$13,214,457	\$12,761,057	\$11,912,207	\$11,576,511	\$11,506,500	\$10,852,907	\$12,028,185
197.18%	186.80%	194.03%	211.38%	299.13%	264.08%	209.62%
75.50%	77.40%	77.30%	75.30%	66.80%	72.10%	74.70%

Cloverleaf Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
*Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) **

	2024	2023	2022
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset	0.11128618%	0.11000599%	0.11133900%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	(\$2,164,363)	(\$2,848,421)	(\$2,347,492)
School District's Covered Payroll	\$15,155,864	\$14,363,171	\$13,714,171
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	(15.30%)	(21.20%)	(18.20%)
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	168.50%	230.70%	174.70%

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* Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
0.10768664%	0.10779168%	0.10511662%	0.10300980%	0.10282657%
(\$1,892,590)	(\$1,785,289)	(\$1,689,117)	\$4,019,063	\$5,499,192
\$13,214,457	\$12,761,057	\$11,912,207	\$11,576,511	\$11,506,500
(14.32%)	(13.99%)	(14.18%)	34.72%	47.79%
182.10%	174.70%	176.00%	47.10%	37.30%

Cloverleaf Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Contributions
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	2024	2023	2022
Net Pension Liability:			
Contractually Required Contribution	\$778,863	\$736,589	\$695,102
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(778,863)</u>	<u>(736,589)</u>	<u>(695,102)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
School District Covered Payroll (1)	\$5,563,307	\$5,261,350	\$4,965,014
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>
Net OPEB Liability:			
Contractually Required Contribution (2)	\$94,080	\$100,895	\$90,758
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(94,080)</u>	<u>(100,895)</u>	<u>(90,758)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>1.69%</u>	<u>1.92%</u>	<u>1.83%</u>
Total Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (2)	<u>15.69%</u>	<u>15.92%</u>	<u>15.83%</u>

(1) The School District's covered payroll is the same for Pension and OPEB.

(2) Includes Surcharge

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$634,826	\$635,226	\$622,377	\$600,871	\$592,262	\$557,022	\$501,132
(634,826)	(635,226)	(622,377)	(600,871)	(592,262)	(557,022)	(501,132)
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$4,534,471	\$4,537,329	\$4,610,200	\$4,450,896	\$4,230,441	\$3,978,730	\$3,802,210
14.00%	14.00%	13.50%	13.50%	14.00%	14.00%	13.18%
\$87,664	\$87,269	\$106,434	\$97,155	\$70,824	\$66,909	\$97,232
(87,664)	(87,269)	(106,434)	(97,155)	(70,824)	(66,909)	(97,232)
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1.93%	1.92%	2.31%	2.18%	1.67%	1.68%	2.56%
15.93%	15.92%	15.81%	15.68%	15.67%	15.68%	15.74%

Cloverleaf Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Contributions
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	2024	2023	2022
Net Pension Liability:			
Contractually Required Contribution	\$2,139,110	\$2,121,821	\$2,010,844
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(2,139,110)	(2,121,821)	(2,010,844)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
School District Covered Payroll	\$15,279,357	\$15,155,864	\$14,363,171
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>

Net OPEB Liability (Asset) (1):

(1) Although the covered payroll for the net OPEB liability is the same as the net pension liability, there were no OPEB related required contributions for 2015-2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to postemployment health care; therefore, there is no required supplementary information to present related to the statutorily established employer contribution requirements for the net OPEB liability.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$1,919,984	\$1,850,024	\$1,786,548	\$1,667,709	\$1,620,712	\$1,610,910	\$1,519,407
(1,919,984)	(1,850,024)	(1,786,548)	(1,667,709)	(1,620,712)	(1,610,910)	(1,519,407)
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$13,714,171	\$13,214,457	\$12,761,057	\$11,912,207	\$11,576,511	\$11,506,500	\$10,852,907
14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Pension Liability

Changes in Benefit Terms/Assumptions – SERS

Beginning in fiscal year 2018, on each anniversary of the initial retirement, the allowance of all retirees and survivors may be increased by the annual rate of increase in the CPI-W measured as of the June preceding the beginning of the applicable calendar year. The annual rate of increase shall not be less than 0 percent nor greater than 2.5 percent. The COLA was suspended for 2018-2020. Prior to 2018, an assumption of 3 percent was used. For 2021, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced from 2.5 percent to 2 percent. For 2023 and 2024, the cost-of-living adjustment was increased from 2 percent to 2.5 percent.

Amounts reported in 2022 incorporate changes in assumptions used by SERS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These assumptions compared with those used in prior years are presented as follows:

	<u>Fiscal Year 2022</u>	<u>Fiscal Years 2021-2017</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2016 and Prior</u>
Wage Inflation	2.4 percent	3.00 percent	3.25 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent	4.00 percent to 22.00 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.0 percent net of system expenses	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation	7.75 percent net of investments expense, including inflation

Beginning in 2022, amounts reported use mortality rates based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted 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 2 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 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

Amounts reported for 2017 through 2021 use mortality rates that are based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females. Amounts reported for fiscal year 2016 and prior, use mortality assumptions that are based on the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table set back one year for both men and women. Special mortality tables were used for the period after disability retirement.

Changes in Assumptions – STRS

Beginning with fiscal year 2022, amounts reported incorporate changes in assumptions and changes in benefit terms used by STRS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal years 2018-2021 and fiscal year 2017 and prior are presented as follows:

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Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Fiscal Year 2022</u>	<u>Fiscal Years 2021-2018</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2017 and Prior</u>
Inflation	2.50 percent	2.50 percent	2.75 percent
Projected Salary Increases	Varies by Service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent	12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65	12.25 percent at age 20 to 2.75 percent at age 70
Investment Rate of Return	See Below	See Below	See Below
Payroll Increases	3 percent	3 percent	3.5 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year; for members retiring after August 1, 2013, or later, COLA commences on fifth anniversary of retirement date.

Investment Rate of Return:

Fiscal Years 2022 through 2024	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Fiscal Years 2018 through 2021	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Fiscal Year 2017 and prior	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation

Beginning with fiscal year 2022, post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Beginning with fiscal year 2018, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees were 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. 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. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

For fiscal year 2017 and prior actuarial valuation, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022 – Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89, and no set back from age 90 and above.

Cloverleaf Local School District
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Changes in Benefit Terms – STRS

For 2024, demographic assumptions were changed based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021.

For fiscal year 2023, the Board approved a one-time 3 percent COLA effective on the anniversary of a benefit recipient's retirement date for those eligible during fiscal year 2023 and eliminated the age 60 requirement to receive unreduced retirement that was scheduled to go into effect August 1, 2026.

Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

Changes in Assumptions – SERS

Beginning with fiscal year 2022, amounts reported incorporate changes in assumptions and changes in benefit terms used by SERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2021 and prior are presented as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021 and Prior</u>
Inflation	2.40 percent	3.00 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation		
Wage Increases	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent net of investment expense, including inflation	7.50 percent net of investment expense, including inflation

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

Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Fiscal year 2024	3.86 percent
Fiscal year 2023	3.69 percent
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 2024	4.27 percent
Fiscal year 2023	4.08 percent
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

Cloverleaf Local School District
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Changes in Assumptions – STRS

For fiscal year 2018, the discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent based on the methodology defined under GASB *Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB)*, and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75 percent to 7.45 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.

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.

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

For fiscal year 2023, the projected salary increases were changed from age based to service based. Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

Changes in Benefit Terms – STRS

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 were scheduled to be discontinued beginning January 2020.

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 were scheduled to be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020.

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 2021, there was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year ending June 30, 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.

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Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

For fiscal year 2022, there was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, premium based on June 30, 2021, enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022, from 2.055 percent to 2.1 percent per year of service. 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 calendar 2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

For fiscal year 2023, healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

For fiscal year 2024, healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024.

**CLOVERLEAF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEDINA COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Expenditures
<u>U.S. FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION</u>		
<i>Direct Program</i>		
Emergency Connectivity Fund Program	32.009	\$154,775
Total U.S. Federal Communications Commission		154,775
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY</u>		
<i>Passed Through the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission</i>		
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	78,526
Total U.S. Department of Treasury		78,526
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u>		
<i>Passed Through the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce:</i>		
<u>Special Education Cluster:</u>		
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	68,041
		517,090
COVID-19 Special Education - Grants to States	84.027X	42,502
Total Special Education - Grants to States		627,633
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173	14,293
Total Special Education Cluster		641,926
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	65,031
		314,622
Total Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies		379,653
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	10,395
		78,940
Total Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants		89,335
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	22,168
Education Stabilization Fund	84.425D	143,829
	84.425U	339,194
Total Education Stabilization Fund		483,023
Total U.S. Department of Education		1,616,105
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u>		
<i>Passed Through the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce:</i>		
<u>Child Nutrition Cluster:</u>		
School Breakfast Program	10.553	59,700
COVID-19 School Breakfast Program		58,261
Total National School Breakfast Program		117,961
National School Lunch Program	10.555	144,108
		55,034
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program		140,266
Non-Cash Assistance		85,274
Total National School Lunch Program		424,682
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		542,643
State Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Administrative Costs	10.649	97
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		542,740
Totals		\$2,392,146

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

**CLOVERLEAF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEDINA COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Cloverleaf Local School District (the District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. 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.

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 - 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 E – 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.

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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

Cloverleaf Local School District
Medina County
8525 Friendsville Road
Lodi, Ohio 44254

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 Cloverleaf Local School District, Medina County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 19, 2025.

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 purposes of expressing our opinions 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.

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

March 19, 2025

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

Cloverleaf Local School District
Medina County
8525 Friendsville Road
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To the Board of Education:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Cloverleaf School District's, Medina County, Ohio (the 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 each of Cloverleaf Local School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. Cloverleaf Local School District's major federal programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Cloverleaf Local School District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each 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 each of the major federal programs. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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.

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

March 19, 2025

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**CLOVERLEAF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEDINA COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
2 CFR § 200.515
JUNE 30, 2024**

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):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Education Cluster • Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies, AL 84.010
(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?	No

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

None

3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None

OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



CLOVERLEAF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEDINA 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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