



OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE
KEITH FABER



**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Stryker Local School District
Williams County
400 South Defiance Street
Stryker, Ohio 43557-9491

To the Board of Education:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Stryker Local School District, Williams County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis Note 2 describes. This responsibility includes determining that the cash accounting basis is acceptable for the circumstances. Management is also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Stryker Local School District, Williams County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General fund thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting basis described in Note 2.

Accounting Basis

Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis applied to these statements. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Matters

Other Information

We applied no procedures to management's discussion and analysis, as listed in the table of contents. Accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 18, 2019, 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. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 18, 2019

**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 – UNAUDITED**

The management's discussion and analysis of the Stryker Local School District's (the "District") financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2018. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the cash-basis financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2018 are as follows:

- The total cash-basis net position of the District increased \$1,407,118 or 27.56% from fiscal year 2017.
- General receipts accounted for \$7,486,310 or 86.35% of total governmental activities receipts. Program specific receipts accounted for \$1,183,334 or 13.65% of total governmental activities receipts.
- The District had \$7,262,526 in disbursements related to governmental activities; \$1,183,334 of these disbursements were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General receipts of \$7,486,310 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The District's major funds are the general fund and the bond retirement fund. The general fund, the District's largest major fund, had total receipts and other financing sources of \$6,913,026 in 2018. The disbursements of the general fund totaled \$5,785,295. The general fund's balance increased \$1,127,731 or 27.12% from 2017 to 2018.
- The bond retirement fund had total receipts of \$513,852 in 2018. The disbursements of the bond retirement fund totaled \$356,773 in 2018. The bond retirement fund's balance increased \$157,079 or 24.15% from 2017 to 2018.

Using these Basic Financial Statements

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, as is applicable to the District's cash basis of accounting.

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

Reporting the District as a Whole

Statement of Net Position – Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Cash Basis

The statement of net position – cash basis and the statement of activities – cash basis answer the question, "How did the District perform financially during 2018?" These statements only present the District's net position using the cash basis of accounting, which is a financial reporting framework other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This financial reporting framework takes into account only the current year's receipts and disbursements if the cash is actually received or paid.

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These two statements report the District's net position and changes in net position on a cash basis. The change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the cash basis financial position of the 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 District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and the effects of these items on revenues and expenses are not recorded in these financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

In the statement of net position – cash basis and statement of activities – cash basis, the governmental activities include the District's programs and services, including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, extracurricular activities, and food service operations.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions; however, these fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major governmental funds are the general fund and the bond retirement fund.

Governmental Funds

Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at the year-end available for spending in future periods. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps to determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be readily spent to finance various District programs. The District's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for non-major funds, whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting, is aggregated and presented in a single column.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. The District's only fiduciary funds are agency funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

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The District as a Whole

The table below provides a summary of the District's net position for 2018 and 2017.

	Net Position (Cash Basis)	
	Governmental Activities 2018	Governmental Activities 2017
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>Assets:</u>		
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$ 6,512,772	\$ 5,105,654
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,512,772</u>	<u>\$ 5,105,654</u>
<u>Net Position:</u>		
Restricted	\$ 1,051,912	\$ 727,996
Unrestricted	<u>5,460,860</u>	<u>4,377,658</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 6,512,772</u>	<u>\$ 5,105,654</u>

Total cash basis net position of the District increased \$1,407,118, which represents a 27.56% increase from the District's net position at June 30, 2017. A portion of the District's net position, \$1,051,912, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position of \$5,460,860 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

The table on the following page shows the changes in net position for fiscal years 2018 and 2017.

	Change in Net Position	
	Governmental Activities 2018	Governmental Activities 2017
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>Receipts:</u>		
Program receipts:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 425,422	\$ 412,073
Operating grants and contributions	757,912	800,344
General receipts:		
Property taxes	2,628,240	2,154,665
Income taxes	938,924	876,523
Grants and entitlements	3,502,187	3,432,488
Investment earnings	74,043	25,542
Proceeds of lease-purchase transaction	334,960	93,309
Proceeds from refunding bonds	-	4,565,000
Premium on refunding bonds	-	326,740
Miscellaneous	<u>7,956</u>	<u>28,381</u>
Total receipts	<u>8,669,644</u>	<u>12,715,065</u>

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	Change in Net Position - (Continued)	
	Governmental Activities 2018	Governmental Activities 2017
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>Disbursements:</u>		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 3,010,588	\$ 2,874,774
Special	811,166	708,363
Vocational	132,217	89,582
Adult/continuing	1,000	2,000
Other	18,701	40,832
Support services:		
Pupil	235,827	260,047
Instructional staff	59,332	63,165
Board of education	14,891	24,000
Administration	471,641	463,863
Fiscal	220,800	230,259
Business	16,324	16,097
Operations and maintenance	531,540	550,117
Pupil transportation	217,046	157,285
Central	69,328	68,292
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	198,337	198,608
Other non-instructional services	304	247
Extracurricular activities	413,184	474,142
Facilities acquisition and construction	54,242	-
Capital outlay	334,960	299,160
Debt service:		
Principal retirement	313,381	289,500
Interest and fiscal charges	137,717	130,475
Issuance costs	-	114,640
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	4,749,271
Discount on Bonds	-	3,221
Total disbursements	<u>7,262,526</u>	<u>11,807,940</u>
Change in net position	1,407,118	907,125
Net position at beginning of year	<u>5,105,654</u>	<u>4,198,529</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 6,512,772</u>	<u>\$ 5,105,654</u>

Governmental Activities

Governmental cash assets increased by \$1,407,118 from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018; total governmental disbursements of \$7,265,526 were offset by program receipts of \$1,183,334 and general receipts of \$7,486,310. Program receipts supported 16.29% of the total governmental disbursements.

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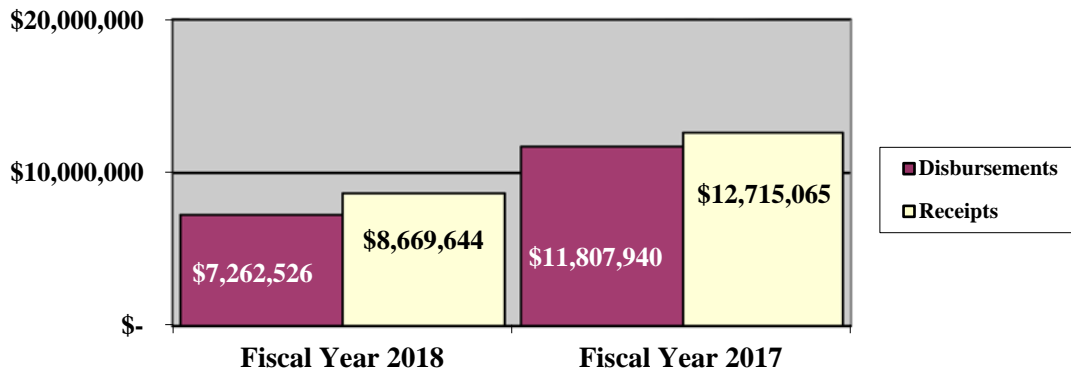
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The primary sources of receipts for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, income taxes, grants and entitlements and proceeds of lease purchase transaction receipts. These receipt sources represent 85.41% of total governmental receipts. Real estate property is reappraised every six years.

The largest disbursement of the District is for instructional programs. Instructional disbursements totaled \$3,973,672 or 54.71% of total governmental disbursements for fiscal year 2018.

The graph below presents the District's governmental activities receipts and disbursements for fiscal years 2018 and 2017.

Governmental Activities - Total Receipts vs. Total Disbursements



The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants off setting those services. The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax receipts and unrestricted state grants and entitlements.

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	Governmental Activities			
	Total Cost of Services 2018	Net Cost of Services 2018	Total Cost of Services 2017	Net Cost of Services 2017
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2017</u>
Disbursements:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 3,010,588	\$ 2,603,372	\$ 2,874,774	\$ 2,609,795
Special	811,166	354,152	708,363	131,798
Vocational	132,217	106,542	89,582	63,543
Adult/continuing	1,000	1,000	2,000	(30)
Other	18,701	17,060	40,832	40,832
Support services:				
Pupil	235,827	235,827	260,047	260,047
Instructional staff	59,332	55,732	63,165	50,549
Board of education	14,891	14,891	24,000	24,000
Administration	471,641	471,641	463,863	463,863
Fiscal	220,800	220,800	230,259	230,259
Business	16,324	16,324	16,097	16,097
Operations and maintenance of plant	531,540	531,540	550,117	520,455
Pupil transportation	217,046	199,681	157,285	157,285
Central	69,328	69,328	68,292	67,252
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	198,337	12,946	198,608	13,650
Other non instructional services	304	(195)	247	-
Extracurricular	413,184	328,251	474,142	359,861
Capital outlay	334,960	334,960	299,160	299,160
Facilities acquisition and construction	54,242	54,242	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	313,381	313,381	289,500	289,500
Interest and fiscal charges	137,717	137,717	130,475	130,475
Insurance costs	-	-	114,640	114,640
Payments to redunded bond escrow agent	-	-	4,749,271	4,749,271
Discount on bonds	-	-	3,221	3,221
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,221</u>	<u>3,221</u>
Total	<u>\$ 7,262,526</u>	<u>\$ 6,079,192</u>	<u>\$ 11,807,940</u>	<u>\$ 10,595,523</u>

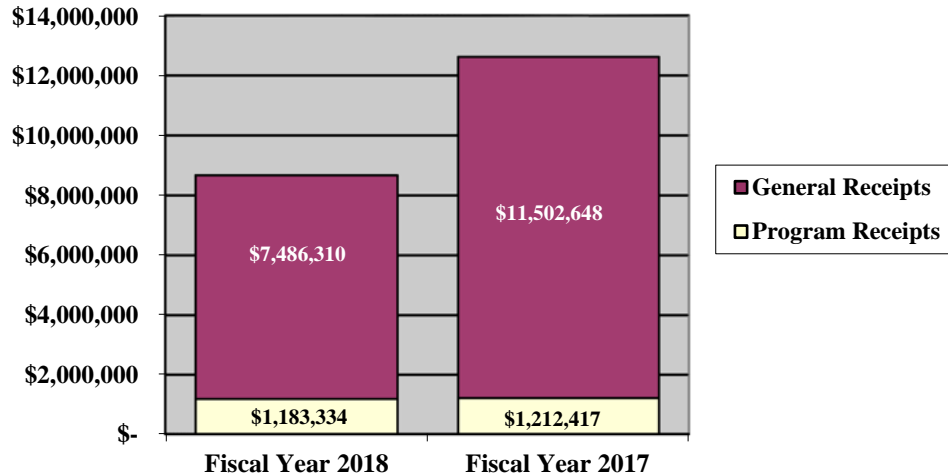
The dependence upon general receipts for instructional activities is apparent, as 77.56% of disbursements were supported through taxes and other general receipts during 2018. For all governmental activities, general receipts support is 83.71%. The District's taxpayers and unrestricted grants and entitlements from the State of Ohio are by far the primary support of the District's students.

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The graph below presents the District's governmental activities receipts for fiscal year 2018 and 2017.

Governmental Activities - General and Program Receipts



The District's Funds

At June 30, 2018, the District's governmental funds reported a combined cash fund balance of \$6,512,772, which is \$1,407,118 more than last year's total of \$5,105,654. The schedule below indicates the fund cash balance and the total change in fund cash balance as of June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017, for all major and nonmajor governmental funds.

	Fund Balance June 30, 2018	Fund Balance June 30, 2017	Increase
Major Funds:			
General	\$ 5,286,509	\$ 4,158,778	\$ 1,127,731
Bond retirement fund	807,463	650,384	157,079
Other governmental funds	418,800	296,492	122,308
Total	\$ 6,512,772	\$ 5,105,654	\$ 1,407,118

General Fund

The general fund, the District's largest major fund, had total receipts and other financing sources of \$6,913,026 in 2018. The disbursements of the general fund totaled \$5,785,295. The general fund's balance increased \$1,127,731 or 27.12% from 2017 to 2018.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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The table that follows assists in illustrating the receipts of the general fund.

	2018 Amount	2017 Amount	Percentage Change
<u>Receipts:</u>			
Taxes	\$ 2,755,482	\$ 2,322,963	18.62 %
Tuition	243,240	233,923	3.98 %
Earnings on investments	74,043	25,542	189.89 %
Other	31,347	30,870	1.55 %
Intergovernmental	<u>3,668,454</u>	<u>3,650,376</u>	0.50 %
Total	<u>\$ 6,772,566</u>	<u>\$ 6,263,674</u>	8.12 %

General fund tax receipts increased \$432,519 or 18.62% during 2018 due to an increase in property taxes. Interest receipts increased \$48,501 or 189.89% due to improved interest rates on the Districts investments. All other receipt classifications remained comparable to 2017.

The table that follows assists in illustrating the disbursements of the general fund.

	2018 Amount	2017 Amount	Percentage Change
<u>Disbursements:</u>			
Instruction	\$ 3,586,370	\$ 3,376,144	6.23 %
Support services	1,784,048	1,719,213	3.77 %
Extracurricular	244,482	188,777	29.51 %
Capital outlay	140,460	-	100.00 %
Debt service	<u>29,935</u>	<u>-</u>	100.00 %
Total	<u>\$ 5,785,295</u>	<u>\$ 5,284,134</u>	9.48 %

Disbursements related to instruction and support services increased due to an increase in wages and benefits. Extracurricular disbursements increased \$55,705 or 29.51% due to an increase in sports-oriented activities. During fiscal year 2018, capital outlay and debt service disbursements increased, because the District signed two new lease purchase agreements and began making payments from the general fund.

Bond Retirement Fund

The bond retirement fund had total receipts of \$513,852 in 2018. The disbursements of the bond retirement fund totaled \$356,773 in 2018. The bond retirement fund's balance increased \$157,079 or 24.15% from 2017 to 2018.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Budgeting Highlights - General Fund

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

For the general fund, actual receipts and other financing sources of \$6,766,377 were higher than original and final budgeted receipts and other financing sources by \$577,742. Final budgeted disbursements and other financing uses of \$6,360,898 were the same as the original budgeted disbursements and other financing uses. Actual disbursements and other financing uses of \$5,657,683 were \$703,215 lower than budgeted disbursements and other financing uses. These variances are due to the District's conservative budgeting.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The District does not capitalize assets on its financial statements or record the amortization of depreciation expense; rather, the District records disbursements when capital assets are purchased.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2018, the District had \$4,595,388 in long-term obligations outstanding; of this amount, \$301,866 is due within one year. A summary of the District's long-term obligations outstanding at June 30, 2018 and 2017 follows:

	Governmental Activities 2018	Governmental Activities 2017
Lease purchase agreements	\$ 305,388	\$ 68,809
General obligation bonds	4,290,000	4,505,000
Total long-term obligations	\$ 4,595,388	\$ 4,573,809

For further information regarding the District's long-term obligations, refer to Note 12 to the basic financial statements.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Current Financial Related Activities

The District is holding its own in the state of a declining economy and uncertainty in State funding. Stryker is a small rural community of 1,327 people in Northwest Ohio. It has a number of small and medium business with agriculture having a major contributing influence on the economy.

The District received approximately 51 percent of District revenue sources from local funds, 41 percent from state funds and the remaining 8 percent is from federal funds. The total expenditure per pupil was calculated at \$9,928.

Over the past several years, the District has remained in a good financial position. In March 2012, the District passed a 5.8 mill emergency levy for operating expenses, which is expected to collect \$335,000 annually. This levy provides a source of funds for the financial operations and stability of the District. However, future finances are not without challenges as our community changes and state funding is revised.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to reflect the District's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Jill Peters, CFO, Stryker Local School District, 400 South Defiance Street, Stryker, Ohio 43557-9491.

**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
JUNE 30, 2018

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents.	\$ 6,512,772
 Net position:	
Restricted for:	
Capital projects	\$ 170,958
Classroom facilities maintenance	12,011
Debt service.	807,463
Student activities	56,708
Food service operations.	4,772
Unrestricted	5,460,860
Total net position.	\$ 6,512,772

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Disbursements	Program Receipts		Net (Disbursements)
		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Receipts and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities
Governmental activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 3,010,588	\$ 257,122	\$ 150,094	\$ (2,603,372)
Special	811,166	6,762	450,252	(354,152)
Vocational	132,217	-	25,675	(106,542)
Adult/continuing.	1,000	-	-	(1,000)
Other	18,701	-	1,641	(17,060)
Support services:				
Pupil.	235,827	-	-	(235,827)
Instructional staff	59,332	-	3,600	(55,732)
Board of education	14,891	-	-	(14,891)
Administration.	471,641	-	-	(471,641)
Fiscal.	220,800	-	-	(220,800)
Business.	16,324	-	-	(16,324)
Operations and maintenance	531,540	-	-	(531,540)
Pupil transportation.	217,046	-	17,365	(199,681)
Central	69,328	-	-	(69,328)
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Other non-instructional services	304	-	499	195
Food service operations	198,337	89,103	96,288	(12,946)
Extracurricular activities.	413,184	72,435	12,498	(328,251)
Facilities acquisition and construction	54,242	-	-	(54,242)
Capital outlay	334,960	-	-	(334,960)
Debt service:				
Principal retirement.	313,381	-	-	(313,381)
Interest and fiscal charges	137,717	-	-	(137,717)
Total governmental activities	\$ 7,262,526	\$ 425,422	\$ 757,912	(6,079,192)

General receipts:

Property taxes levied for:

General purposes	1,975,845
Debt service.	315,979
Capital outlay.	313,528
Special revenue	22,888

Income taxes levied for:

General purposes	779,637
Debt service.	159,287

Grants and entitlements not restricted

to specific programs	3,502,187
Investment earnings	74,043
Proceeds of lease purchase transaction.	334,960
Miscellaneous	7,956

Total general revenues 7,486,310

Change in net position 1,407,118

Net position at beginning of year 5,105,654

Net position at end of year. \$ 6,512,772

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>General</u>	<u>Bond Retirement</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets:				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents.	\$ 5,286,509	\$ 807,463	\$ 418,800	\$ 6,512,772
Fund balances:				
Restricted:				
Debt service	\$ -	\$ 807,463	\$ -	\$ 807,463
Capital improvements	-	-	170,958	170,958
Classroom facilities maintenance	-	-	12,011	12,011
Food service operations	-	-	4,772	4,772
Extracurricular.	-	-	56,708	56,708
Committed:				
Capital improvements	-	-	187,925	187,925
Assigned:				
Student instruction	11,000	-	-	11,000
Student and staff support.	7,457	-	-	7,457
Extracurricular activities	6,948	-	-	6,948
School supplies.	5,362	-	-	5,362
Subsequent year's appropriations	495,167	-	-	495,167
Other purposes.	-	-	1,762	1,762
Unassigned (deficit)	4,760,575	-	(15,336)	4,745,239
Total fund balances	\$ 5,286,509	\$ 807,463	\$ 418,800	\$ 6,512,772

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>General</u>	<u>Bond Retirement</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Receipts:				
From local sources:				
Property taxes	\$ 1,975,845	\$ 315,979	\$ 336,416	\$ 2,628,240
Income taxes	779,637	159,287	-	938,924
Tuition	243,240	-	-	243,240
Earnings on investments	74,043	-	17	74,060
Charges for services	-	-	89,103	89,103
Extracurricular	4,460	-	71,852	76,312
Classroom materials and fees	16,767	-	-	16,767
Contributions and donations	1,638	-	14,355	15,993
Other local receipts	8,482	-	1	8,483
Intergovernmental - state	3,617,010	38,586	61,499	3,717,095
Intergovernmental - federal	51,444	-	475,023	526,467
Total receipts	<u>6,772,566</u>	<u>513,852</u>	<u>1,048,266</u>	<u>8,334,684</u>
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	2,855,282	-	155,306	3,010,588
Special	584,479	-	226,687	811,166
Vocational	127,908	-	4,309	132,217
Adult/continuing	-	-	1,000	1,000
Other	18,701	-	-	18,701
Support services:				
Pupil	235,827	-	-	235,827
Instructional staff	55,732	-	3,600	59,332
Board of education	14,891	-	-	14,891
Administration	471,641	-	-	471,641
Fiscal	205,566	8,548	6,686	220,800
Business	16,324	-	-	16,324
Operations and maintenance	497,693	-	33,847	531,540
Pupil transportation	217,046	-	-	217,046
Central	69,328	-	-	69,328
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Other operation of non-instructional	-	-	304	304
Food service operations	-	-	198,337	198,337
Extracurricular activities	244,482	-	168,702	413,184
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-	54,242	54,242
Capital outlay	140,460	-	194,500	334,960
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	29,572	215,000	68,809	313,381
Interest and fiscal charges	363	133,225	4,129	137,717
Total disbursements	<u>5,785,295</u>	<u>356,773</u>	<u>1,120,458</u>	<u>7,262,526</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	<u>987,271</u>	<u>157,079</u>	<u>(72,192)</u>	<u>1,072,158</u>
Other financing sources:				
Proceeds of lease purchase agreement	140,460	-	194,500	334,960
Net change in fund balances	1,127,731	157,079	122,308	1,407,118
Fund balances at beginning of year	<u>4,158,778</u>	<u>650,384</u>	<u>296,492</u>	<u>5,105,654</u>
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 5,286,509</u>	<u>\$ 807,463</u>	<u>\$ 418,800</u>	<u>\$ 6,512,772</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET BASIS
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Receipts:				
From local sources:				
Property taxes	\$ 1,613,615	\$ 1,613,615	\$ 1,975,845	\$ 362,230
Income taxes	730,000	730,000	779,637	49,637
Tuition	240,900	240,900	243,240	2,340
Earnings on investments	25,000	25,000	74,043	49,043
Classroom materials and fees	11,020	11,020	12,028	1,008
Rental income	1,000	1,000	-	(1,000)
Contributions and donations	1,000	1,000	635	(365)
Other local receipts	18,000	18,000	7,321	(10,679)
Intergovernmental - state	3,496,000	3,496,000	3,617,010	121,010
Intergovernmental - federal	42,000	42,000	51,444	9,444
Total receipts	6,178,535	6,178,535	6,761,203	582,668
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	3,164,947	3,163,175	2,855,337	307,838
Special	568,051	566,920	584,479	(17,559)
Vocational	115,336	138,876	127,908	10,968
Other	73,157	73,301	22,470	50,831
Support services:				
Pupil	288,021	312,549	235,827	76,722
Instructional staff	65,445	64,178	55,732	8,446
Board of education	29,613	29,614	14,891	14,723
Administration	485,953	487,101	471,641	15,460
Fiscal	224,303	230,608	207,866	22,742
Business	16,324	16,324	16,324	-
Operations and maintenance	686,130	584,342	497,693	86,649
Pupil transportation	245,940	246,062	217,046	29,016
Central	87,400	87,400	69,328	18,072
Extracurricular activities	245,574	295,744	246,437	49,307
Facilities acquisition and construction	44,935	44,935	29,935	15,000
Total disbursements	6,341,129	6,341,129	5,652,914	688,215
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	(162,594)	(162,594)	1,108,289	1,270,883
Other financing sources (uses):				
Refund of prior year's expenditures	2,400	2,400	-	(2,400)
Transfers in	7,700	7,700	4,769	(2,931)
Transfers (out)	(19,769)	(19,769)	(4,769)	15,000
Sale of capital assets	-	-	405	405
Total other financing sources (uses)	(9,669)	(9,669)	405	10,074
Net change in fund balance	(172,263)	(172,263)	1,108,694	1,280,957
Fund balance at beginning of year	4,144,975	4,144,975	4,144,975	-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	2,073	2,073	2,073	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 3,974,785	\$ 3,974,785	\$ 5,255,742	\$ 1,280,957

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY, OHIO

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>Agency</u>
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and investments. . . .	\$ 26,525
Net position:	
Held in trust for students	\$ 26,525

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

Stryker Local School District (the 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. Stryker Local School District is a local school district as defined by §3311.22 of the Ohio Revised Code. The District operates under an elected Board of Education (5 members) and is responsible for the provision of public education to residents of the District. The Board oversees the operations of the District's one instructional/support facilities staffed by 21 non-certified and 42 certified full-time teaching personnel who provide services to 358 students and other community members.

The Reporting Entity

A. Primary Government

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

B. Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The District does not have any component units.

C. Jointly Governed Organizations and Purchasing Pools

The District is associated with organizations, which are defined as jointly governed organizations and group purchasing pools. These organizations include the Northwest Ohio Computer Association, the Northern Buckeye Education Council, the Four County Career Center, Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., the Northern Buckeye Health Plan Employee Insurance Benefits Program; the Northern Buckeye Health Plan Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan and the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority. These organizations are presented in Notes 14 and 15 to the basic financial statements.

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District is financially accountable.

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the District's accounting policies.

A. Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net position, a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

1. Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The statement of net position presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the District at fiscal yearend. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the government is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants that are required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a basis or draws from the District's general receipts.

2. Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the District segregates transactions related to certain 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 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. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the District or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, receipts, or disbursements of that individual governmental fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and
- b. Total assets, receipts, or disbursements of that individual governmental fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental funds combined.

B. Fund Accounting

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

1. Governmental Funds:

The District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g., grants), and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The General fund and the Bond Retirement fund are the District's major governmental funds:

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

Bond Retirement Fund - The Bond Retirement fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

The other governmental funds of the District account for grants and other resources, of the District whose uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

2. Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are not available to support the District's own programs. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's Agency funds account for various student managed activities.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

C. Basis of Accounting

Although the Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) requires that the District's financial report to follow generally accepted accounting principles, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes in accordance with the cash basis of accounting. This is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

The District's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the District's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

The budgetary process is prescribed by provision of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within established timetable. All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount 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 budgetary control selected by the Board is at the fund level for all funds. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education. Budgetary allocations below these levels are made by the District's Chief Fiscal Officer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Chief Fiscal Officer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund 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 by the Board during the fiscal year.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The District is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting by virtue of Ohio law. Under this system, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed appropriations.

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the financial statements.

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

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, the purchase of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During fiscal year 2018, investments were limited to the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), federal agency securities, non-negotiable certificates of deposit and negotiable certificates of deposit. With the exception of STAR Ohio, investments are reported at cost.

During fiscal year 2018, the District invested in STAR Ohio. 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 District measures their 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.

There were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$25 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$50 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$50 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2018 amounted to \$74,043 and \$14,120, which were assigned from other District funds.

F. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

G. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

H. Compensated Absences

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the District's cash basis of accounting.

I. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

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

J. Long-Term Obligations

The District's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither other financing source nor capital outlay expenditure is reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

K. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. The District reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. Interfund transfers and advances are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayment from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

L. Net Position

Net position are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, music and athletic programs, and federal and state grants restricted to cash disbursement for specified purposes. The District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

M. Fund Balance

Fund Balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon use of the resources in governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" 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.

Committed - The committed classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Education. The committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the 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 classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds, other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the District Board of Education or a District official delegated by that authority by resolution or by State Statute. State statute authorizes the District's Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

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

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The District first applies restricted resources when an expenditure is 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 can be used.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles/Restatement of Net Position

For fiscal year 2018, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension", GASB Statement No. 81 "Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements" GASB Statement No. 85, "Omnibus 2017" and GASB Statement No. 86, "Certain Debt Extinguishments".

GASB Statement No. 75 improves the accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pension (OPEB). It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 75 effected the District's postemployment benefit plan disclosures, as presented in Note 10 to the basic financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 81 improves the accounting and financial reporting for irrevocable split-interest agreements by providing recognition and measurement guidance for situations in which a government is a beneficiary of the agreement. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 81 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 85 addresses practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. This Statement addresses a variety of topics including issues related to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement and application, and OPEB. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 85 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 86 improves consistency in accounting and financial reporting for in-substance defeasance of debt by providing guidance for transactions in which cash and other monetary assets acquired with only existing resources - resources other than the proceeds of refunding debt - are placed in an irrevocable trust for the sole purpose of extinguishing debt. This Statement also improves accounting and financial reporting for prepaid insurance on debt that is extinguished and notes to financial statements for debt that is defeased in substance. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 86 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE (Continued)

B. Deficit Fund Balances

Fund balances at June 30, 2018 included the following individual fund deficits:

<u>Nonmajor funds</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
Title VI-B, School Improvement	\$ 2,936
Title I	5,735
Miscellaneous Federal Grants	6,665

The general fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances occurred in grant funds for which grant funding is provided on a reimbursement basis.

C. Compliance

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the District prepared its financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determine at this time. The District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

NOTE 4 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budgetary Basis presented for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as restricted, committed, or assigned fund balance (cash basis) and certain funds included in the General fund as part of the GASB 54 requirements are not included in the budgetary statement.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the cash basis statement to the budgetary basis statement for the General fund:

Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>General</u>
Budget basis	\$ 1,108,694
Funds budgeted elsewhere	(1,211)
Adjustment for encumbrances	<u>20,248</u>
Cash basis	<u>\$ 1,127,731</u>

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NOTE 4 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (Continued)

Certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund on a cash basis. This includes the uniform school supplies fund and the public school fund.

NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

Active deposits are public deposits determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the District Treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the 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.

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 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, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;

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NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

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' acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty 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.

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. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation of the 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.

Deposits

At June 30, 2018, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$4,538,846 and the bank balance of all District deposits was \$4,554,656. Of the bank balance, \$100,000 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below and \$4,454,656 was covered by the FDIC.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by (1) eligible securities pledged to the 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 (2) 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. For fiscal year 2018, the District's financial institutions were approved for a reduced collateral rate of 102 percent through the OPCS. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

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Investments

As of June 30, 2018, the District had the following investments and maturities:

Investment type	Measurement Value	Investment Maturities at Fair Value		
		6 months or less	7 to 12 Months	Greater than 24 Months
STAR Ohio	\$ 451	\$ 451		
Negotiable CD's	1,000,000			\$ 1,000,000
Federal Home Loan Bank	1,000,000		\$ 1,000,000	
Total	\$ 2,000,451	\$ 451	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000

The weighted average maturity of investments is 2.33 years.

Interest Rate Risk: The Ohio Revised Code generally limits securities purchases to those that mature within five years of the settlement date. Interest rate risk arises because potential purchases of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. The District's policy indicates that the investments must mature within five years, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District.

Credit Risk: The District's investments in Federal Home Loan Bank Notes were rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively.. STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAAM by Standard and Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The District's negotiable certificates of deposit were not rated. The District's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk beyond requiring the District to only invest in securities authorized by State statute.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the District at June 30, 2018:

Investment Type	Carrying Value	% of Total
STAR Ohio	\$ 451	0.02
Negotiable CD's	1,000,000	49.99
FHLB	1,000,000	49.99
Total	\$ 2,000,451	100.00

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NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Reconciliation of Cash and Investment to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the footnote above to cash and investments as reported on the financial statement as of June 30, 2018:

<u>Cash and Investments per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 4,538,846
Investments	<u>2,000,451</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,539,297</u>

<u>Cash and Investments per Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 6,512,772
Agency funds	<u>26,525</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,539,297</u>

NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the District. Real and public utility property tax revenues received in calendar year 2018 represent the collection of calendar year 2017 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year for 2018 were levied after April 1, 2017, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2017, 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 semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

The District receives property taxes from Williams County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2018, are available to finance fiscal year 2019 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2018 taxes were collected are:

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NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES – (Continued)

	2017 Second Half Collections		2018 First Half Collections	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Commercial/Industrial	\$ 5,504,130	7.00	\$ 5,377,490	7.00
Agricultural/Residential	58,464,360	80.00	58,860,520	75.00
Public Utility	<u>9,393,050</u>	<u>13.00</u>	<u>14,121,910</u>	<u>18.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 73,361,540</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$ 78,359,920</u>	<u>100.00</u>
 Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	 \$45.10		 \$48.80	

NOTE 7 - INCOME TAX

The District levies a voted tax of 1.00 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 1991, and is a continuing tax and is credited to the General Fund. The District levies a voted tax of .25 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2006, and is a continuing tax and is credited to the General Fund. Also, the District levies a .25 percent for the retirement of bonds, on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2006, and is a continuing tax and is credited to the Bond Retirement Fund. 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 school district income tax return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the General Fund and Bond Retirement Fund.

NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

The District maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with the Ohio School Plan for liability, real property, building contents, and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. In addition, real property contents are fully insured.

The District joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Schools of Ohio Risk Authority a public entity insurance purchasing pool (Note 15). Each participant enters into an individual agreement with the Plan for insurance coverage and pays annual premiums to the Plan based on the types and limits of coverage and deductibles selected by the participant.

Settled claims have not exceeded the commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverages from last year.

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NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT – (Continued)

B. Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan (NBHP), Northwest Division of OHI, a self-insurance pool (Note 15), for insurance benefits to employees. The District pays monthly premiums to NBHP for the benefits offered to its employees, which includes health, dental, and life insurance. NBHP is responsible for the management and operations of the program. The agreement with NBHP provides for additional assessment to participants if the premiums are insufficient to pay the program costs for the fiscal year. Upon withdrawal from NBHP, a participant is responsible for any claims not processed and paid and any related administrative costs.

C. Workers' Compensation Group Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northern Division of OHI Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the Plan), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The Plan is intended to reduce premiums for the participants. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate.

Participation in the Plan is limited to educational entities that can meet the Plan's selection criteria. Each participant must apply annually. The Plan provides the participants with a centralized program for the processing, analysis and management of workers' compensation claims and a risk management program to assist in developing safer work environments. Each participant must pay its premiums, enrollment or other fees, and perform its obligations in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Net Pension Liability

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

The net pension liability represents the District's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability 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 this estimate annually.

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

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description - The 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, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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 year 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.

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the 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, 2018, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 13.5 percent. The remaining 0.5 percent of the employer contribution rate was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$76,517 for fiscal year 2018.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description - County licensed teachers participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at www.strsoh.org.

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 will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Effective July 1, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced to zero. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 26 years of service, or 31 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 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% of the 14% member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2% 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 after termination of employment at age 50 or later.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit that apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. 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. For fiscal year 2018, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2018 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$314,503 for fiscal year 2018.

Net Pension Liability

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date	0.01687900%	0.01872319%	
Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date	<u>0.01712830%</u>	<u>0.01922991%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.00024930%</u>	<u>0.00050672%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,023,378	\$ 4,568,106	\$ 5,591,484

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

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.

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, 2017, are presented below:

Wage inflation	3.00 percent
Future salary increases, including inflation	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
COLA or ad hoc COLA	2.50 percent
Investment rate of return	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal (level percent of payroll)

Prior to 2017, an assumption of 3 percent was used for COLA or Ad Hoc COLA.

For 2017, the mortality rates were 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. Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries were based upon the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates, and 110 percent of female rates. Mortality among disable members were based upon the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined 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 a weighted averaged of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

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

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	1.00 %	0.50 %
US Equity	22.50	4.75
International Equity	22.50	7.00
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	8.00
Real Assets	15.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	10.00	3.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate - The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 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.

Sensitivity of the 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 7.50 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 (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (6.50%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.50%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.50%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,420,183	\$ 1,023,378	\$ 690,973

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS Ohio

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2017, actuarial valuation, compared with July 1, 2016 are presented below:

	July 1, 2017	July 1, 2016
Inflation	2.50 percent	2.75 percent
Projected salary increases	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	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll increases	3 percent	3.5 percent
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	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 August 1, 2013, or later, 2 percent COLA commences on fifth anniversary of retirement date.

For the July 1, 2017, actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. 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 the July 1, 2016 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.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1 2017, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016. Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

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NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

STRS Ohio's 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 Real Rate of Return *
Domestic Equity	28.00 %	7.35 %
International Equity	23.00	7.55
Alternatives	17.00	7.09
Fixed Income	21.00	3.00
Real Estate	10.00	6.00
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	2.25
 Total	 <u>100.00 %</u>	

*10-Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25% and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS; investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2017. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2016. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes 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. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not 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, 2017. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.45 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2017.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the 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 (6.45 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.45 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.45%)	Current Discount Rate (7.45%)	1% Increase (8.45%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 6,548,225	\$ 4,568,106	\$ 2,900,153

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NOTE 10 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

Net OPEB Liability

For fiscal year 2018, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions" was effective. This GASB pronouncement had no effect on beginning net position as reported June 30, 2017, as the net OPEB liability is not reported in the accompanying financial statements. The net OPEB liability has been disclosed below.

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

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

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

GASB 75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because they benefit from employee services. OPEB contributions come from these employers and health care plan enrollees which pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. Any change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net OPEB liability. Resulting adjustments to the net OPEB liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Health Care Plan Description - The District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage

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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 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2018, 0.5 percent of covered payroll 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 2018, this amount was \$23,700. 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 2018, the District's surcharge obligation was \$9,532.

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 District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$12,366 for fiscal year 2018.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description - The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued effective January 1, 2020. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy - Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

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Net OPEB Liability

The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the net OPEB liability current measurement date	0.01739260%	0.01922991%	
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 466,772	\$ 750,280	\$ 1,217,052

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, 2017, are presented below:

Wage inflation	3.00 percent
Future salary increases, including inflation	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
Investment rate of return	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Municipal bond index rate:	
Measurement date	3.56 percent
Prior measurement date	2.92 percent
Single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:	
Measurement date	3.63 percent
Prior measurement date	2.98 percent
Medical trend assumption:	
Medicare	5.50 to 5.00 percent
Pre-Medicare	7.50 to 5.00 percent

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates and 110 percent of female rates. RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates set back five years.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2015.

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 2010 through 2015, and was adopted by the Board on April 21, 2016. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.50 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. 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 target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as used in the June 30, 2015 five-year experience study, are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	1.00 %	0.50 %
US Stocks	22.50	4.75
Non-US Stocks	22.50	7.00
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	8.00
Real Assets	15.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	10.00	3.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2017 was 3.63 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2017 was 2.98 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 State statute contribution rate of 2.00 percent of projected covered employee payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and 0.50 percent of contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to present value the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and the Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index rate of 3.56 percent, as of June 30, 2017 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to present value the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The projection of future benefit payments for all current plan members was until the benefit payments ran out.

Sensitivity of the 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 (2.63%) and higher (4.63%) than the current discount rate (3.63%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.5% decreasing to 4.0%) and higher (8.5% decreasing to 6.0%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (2.63%)	Current Discount Rate (3.63%)	1% Increase (4.63%)
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 563,686	\$ 466,772	\$ 389,991

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	1% Decrease (6.5 % decreasing to 4.0 %)	Current Trend Rate (7.5 % decreasing to 5.0 %)	1% Increase (8.5 % decreasing to 6.0 %)
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 378,750	\$ 466,772	\$ 583,270

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2017, actuarial valuation are presented below:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Projected salary increases	12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65
Investment rate of return	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll increases	3 percent
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017
Blended discount rate of return	4.13 percent
Health care cost trends	6 to 11 percent initial, 4.5 percent ultimate

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

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

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

Since the prior measurement date, 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.

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Also, since the prior measurement date, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 2019. Subsequent to the current measurement date, the date for discontinuing remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements was extended to January 2020.

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:

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

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

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 4.13 percent as of June 30, 2017. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was not projected to be sufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. The OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2037. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to determine the present value of the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2036 and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 3.58 percent as of June 30, 2017 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to determine the present value of the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The blended discount rate of 4.13 percent, which represents the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45 percent for the funded benefit payments and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 3.58 percent for the unfunded benefit payments, was used to measure the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017. A blended discount rate of 3.26 percent which represents the long term expected rate of return of 7.75 percent for the funded benefit payments and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 2.85 percent for the unfunded benefit payments was used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2016.

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Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate - The following table represents the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 4.13 percent, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (3.13 percent) or one percentage point higher (5.13 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB liability 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 (3.13%)	Current Discount Rate (4.13%)	1% Increase (5.13%)
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 1,007,239	\$ 750,280	\$ 547,199

	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 521,262	\$ 750,280	\$ 1,051,694

NOTE 11 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

Employees earn vacation at rates specified under State of Ohio law and based on credited service.

Clerical, Technical, and Maintenance and Operation employees with one or more years of service are entitled to vacation ranging from 5 to 25 days upon hiring. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

All employees are entitled to a sick leave credit equal to one and one-quarter days for each month of service (earned on a pro rated basis for less than full-time employees). This sick leave will either be absorbed by time off due to illness or injury or, within certain limitations, be paid to the employee upon retirement. The amount paid to an employee upon retirement is limited to 30 percent of the accumulated sick leave to a maximum of 63 days, except that those employees who elect to retire within twelve months of the earliest permissible retirement date shall be paid 50 percent of the accumulated sick leave to maximum of 40 days.

B. Health Care Benefits

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan (NBHP), Northwest Division of OHI, a self insurance pool, for insurance benefits to employees. The District pays monthly premiums to NBHP for the benefits offered to its employees, which include health, dental, vision, and life insurance. NBHP is responsible for the management and operations of the program. The agreement with NBHP provides for additional assessment to participants if the premiums are insufficient to pay the program costs for the fiscal year. Upon withdrawal from NBHP, a participant is responsible for any claims not processed and paid and any related administrative costs.

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NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

During the year ended June 30, 2018, the following changes occurred in obligations reported in the Government -Wide Financial Statements:

	Restated Balance at 6/30/2017	Additions	Reductions	Balance at 6/30/2018	Amounts Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
UTGO Current Refunding Bonds Series 2016A	\$3,290,000	\$ -	\$(175,000)	\$3,115,000	\$175,000
LTGO Current Refunding Bonds Series 2016B	1,215,000	-	(40,000)	1,175,000	85,000
Lease Purchase Agreements	68,809	334,960	(98,381)	305,388	41,866
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$4,573,809</u>	<u>\$334,960</u>	<u>\$(313,381)</u>	<u>\$4,595,388</u>	<u>\$301,866</u>

Lease-Purchase Agreement

During a prior fiscal year, the District entered into a lease-purchase agreements with Granite Industries, Inc. for the purpose of funding bleacher systems. The final lease amount was repaid September 26, 2017. Principal and interest payments related to this lease-purchase agreement were made from the permanent improvement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

During fiscal year 2018, the District entered into two lease-purchase agreements; (1) with Musco Finance, LLC for the purpose of funding lighting systems and (2) with UniFi Equipment Finance, Inc. for the purpose of funding a security system. The total lease amounts of \$334,960 will be repaid over eleven years with a final maturity of February 5, 2028. Principal and interest payments related to this lease-purchase agreement are made from the general fund and the permanent improvement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

Principal and interest requirements to retire the lease-purchase obligation at June 30, 2018 follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Lease-Purchase Agreement		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	\$ 41,866	\$ 13,336	\$ 55,202
2020	43,478	11,723	55,201
2021	45,157	10,045	55,202
2022	46,902	8,300	55,202
2023	18,786	6,481	25,267
2024 - 2028	<u>109,199</u>	<u>17,135</u>	<u>126,334</u>
Total	<u>\$ 305,388</u>	<u>\$ 67,020</u>	<u>\$ 372,408</u>

The District had outstanding UTGO current refunding bonds of \$3,290,000 (interest rates of 1.5 to 4.0 percent). The bonds were issued in December 2016 and will mature in January 2033.

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The District had outstanding LTGO current refunding bonds of \$1,215,000 (interest rates of 1.5 to 4.0 percent). The bonds were issued in December 2066 and will mature in January 2030.

Unlimited Tax General Obligation (UTGO) Current Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A

Proceeds from the outstanding bonds were used to refund the school improvement bonds series 2016A. These bonds were issued on December 8, 2016. The bonds consisted of \$3,350,000 in current interest bonds (\$1,520,000 issued as serial bonds and \$1,830,000 issued as term bonds).

The 2016A Serial Bonds shall bear interest at the rates per year and will mature in the principal amounts and on the following dates:

<u>Maturity Date (January 15)</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
2019	\$175,000	1.50%
2020	175,000	1.75%
2021	175,000	1.75%
2022	185,000	1.75%
2023	185,000	2.00%
2024	195,000	2.00%
2025	195,000	2.00%

Optional Redemption

The Series 2016A Bonds which are Current Interest Bonds maturing on or after January 15, 2027 are subject to optional redemption prior, in whole or in part on any date in any order maturity determined by the Board of Education and by lot within a maturity, at the option of the Board of Education and by lot within maturity, at the option of the Board of Education on or after January 15, 2025 at par plus accrued interest thereon.

Mandatory Redemption

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2027 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2026 in the principal amount of \$200,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2027 (\$210,000) will be payable on January 15, 2027.

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2029 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2028 in the principal amount of \$215,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2029 (\$225,000) will be payable on January 15, 2029.

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NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2031 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2030 in the principal amount of \$235,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2031 (\$245,000) will be payable on January 15, 2031.

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2033 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2032 in the principal amount of \$255,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2033 (\$245,000) will be payable on January 15, 2033.

Limited Tax General Obligation (LTGO) Current Refunding Bonds, Series 2016B

Proceeds from the outstanding bonds were used to refund the school improvement bonds series 2016B. These bonds were issued on December 8, 2016. The bonds consisted of \$1,215,000 in current interest bonds (\$6,700,000 issued as serial bonds and \$545,000 issued as term bonds).

The 2016B Serial Bonds shall bear interest at the rates per year and will mature in the principal amounts and on the following dates:

Maturity Date (January 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate
2019	\$85,000	1.50%
2020	90,000	1.75%
2021	85,000	1.75%
2022	90,000	1.75%
2023	95,000	2.00%
2024	90,000	2.00%
2025	95,000	2.00%

Optional Redemption

The Series 2016B Bonds which are Current Interest Bonds maturing on or after January 15, 2028 are subject to optional redemption prior, in whole or in part on any date in any order maturity determined by the Board of Education and by lot within a maturity, at the option of the Board of Education and by lot within maturity, at the option of the Board of Education on or after January 15, 2025 at par plus accrued interest thereon.

Mandatory Redemption

The Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2028 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2026 in the following principal amounts as specified below:

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NOTE 12 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

<u>Date of Principal Redemption</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
January 15, 2026	\$100,000
January 15, 2027	105,000

Unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2028 (\$110,000) will be payable on January 15, 2028.

The Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2030 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2029 in the principal amount of \$115,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2030 (\$115,000) will be payable on January 15, 2030.

Total expenditures for interest for the above debt for the period ended June 30, 2018 was \$133,225.

The scheduled payments of principal and interest on the bonds and notes as of June 30, 2018 are as follows:

Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2019	\$ 260,000	\$ 130,000	\$ 390,000
2020	265,000	126,100	391,100
2021	260,000	121,463	381,463
2022	275,000	116,912	391,912
2023	280,000	112,100	392,100
2024 - 2028	1,515,000	455,700	1,970,700
2029 - 2033	1,435,000	160,800	1,595,800
Total	<u>\$ 4,290,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,223,075</u>	<u>\$ 5,513,075</u>

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NOTE 13 - SET-ASIDE CALCULATIONS AND FUND RESERVES

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

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

	Capital Acquisition
Set-aside Cash Balance as of June 30, 2017	
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	\$67,304
Current Year Offsets	(388,316)
Current Year Qualifying Expenditures	(243,840)
Total Restricted Assets	\$(564,852)
Cash Balance Carried Forward to FY 2019	

NOTE 14 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A. Northwest Ohio Computer Association

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Computer Association (NWOCA). NWOCA is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Williams, and Wood Counties. The 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. NWOCA is governed by its participating members, which consists of a representative from each member entity and a representative from the fiscal agent. The District paid \$510 to NWOCA for various services. Financial information can be obtained from Tammy Butler, who serves as Treasurer, 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

B. Northern Buckeye Education Council

The Northern Buckeye Education Council (the Council) was established in 1979 to foster cooperation among school districts located in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Lucas, Williams and Wood Counties. NBEC is organized under Ohio laws as a regional council of governments pursuant to a written agreement entered into by its member entities and bylaws adopted by the representatives of the member educational entities. NBEC is governed by an elected Board consisting of two representatives from each of the counties in which the member educational entities are located. The Board is elected from an assembly consisting of a representative from each participating educational entity. During fiscal year 2018, the District paid \$27,310 to NWOCA for its membership fee. To obtain financial information write to the Northern Buckeye Education Council, Tammy Butler, who serves as Treasurer, at 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 4350243502.

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NOTE 14 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS (Continued)

C. Four County Career Center

The Four County Career Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of five representatives from the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center - one each from the counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams and one additional representative; one representative from each of the city school districts; one representative from each of the exempted village school districts. The Four County Career Center possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. To obtain financial information write to the Four County Career Center, Connie Nicely, who serves as Treasurer, 22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

D. Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc.

The Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc. (NWOERC) is a jointly governed organization formed to bring educational entities into a better understanding of their common educational problems, facilitate and conduct practical educational research, coordinate educational research among members, provide a means for evaluating and disseminating the results of research, serve as a repository for research and legislative materials and provide opportunities for training. The NWOERC serves a twenty-five county area of Northwest Ohio. The Board of Directors consists of superintendents from two educational service centers, two exempted village school districts, five local school districts, and five city school districts, as well as representatives from two private or parochial schools and three institutions of higher education. Each active member is entitled to one vote on all issues addressed by the Board of Directors. During fiscal year 2018, the District paid \$0 to NWOERC for its membership fee. Financial information can be obtained from the Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., P.O. Box 456, Ashland, Ohio 44805.

NOTE 15 - GROUP PURCHASING POOLS

A. Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northwest Division of the Optimal Health Initiative Consortium (OHI) is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of educational entities throughout the state. The Pool is governed by OHI and its participating members. The District contributed a total of \$570,171 to Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northwest Division of OHI for all four plans. Financial information for the period can be obtained from Charlie LeBoeuf, Treasurer, at 201 East 5th Street, Suite 2100, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242.

B. Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The District participates in a group-rating plan for workers' compensation as established under §4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northwest Division of Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (WCGRP) was established through the as a group purchasing pool. The group was formed to create a workers' compensation group rating plan which would allow employers to group together to achieve a potentially lower premium rate than they may otherwise be able to acquire as individual employers. The Optimal Health Initiatives has created a workers' compensation group rating and risk management program which will potentially reduce the workers' compensation premiums for the District.

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NOTE 15 - GROUP PURCHASING POOLS (Continued)

Optimal Health Initiatives has retained Sheakley UniService as the servicing agent to perform administrative, actuarial, cost control, claims, and safety consulting services and unemployment claims services for program participants. During this fiscal year, the District paid an enrollment fee of \$0 to WCGRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

C. Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The District participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), which was established in 2002 pursuant to Articles of Incorporation filed under Chapter 1702 of the Ohio Revised Code – Non-Profit Corporations and functioning under authority granted by § 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. SORSA's purpose is to provide a joint self-insurance pool and to assist member school districts in preventing and reducing losses and injuries to property and persons that might result in claims being made against members of SORSA, their employees or officers.

A nine-person Board of Directors manages the business and affairs of SORSA and is elected annually by the members of the pool. The Board of Directors consists of Superintendents, Treasurers, or Business Managers from the participating school districts. The insurance brokerage firm of Willis Pooling is contracted to provide reinsurance brokerage, underwriting, rating, billing and consulting services. The Frank Gates Service Company provides insurance claims settlement and adjustment services. Financial information can be obtained from SORSA Executive Director at 8050 North High Street, Suite 160, Columbus, Ohio 43235-6483.

NOTE 16 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The 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 are 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, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2018.

B. School Foundation

District foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Traditional school districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the District, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, ODE has finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2018, foundation funding for the District. There is no effect on the financial statements.

C. Litigation

There are currently no matters in litigation with the District as defendant.

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NOTE 17 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Ben Woolace, a Board Member, is owner of Woolace Electric, a local company who performed various repairs to the Districts grounds during fiscal year 2018. The District remitted \$1,646 during fiscal year 2018. The services were approved at arm's length, with full knowledge by District officials, of Mr. Woolace interest, and Mr. Woolace took no part in the deliberation or decision by District officials with respect to the services.

Jason Leupp, a Board Member, is owner of Freedom Sales & Rentals, a company who the District purchased a golf cart from during fiscal year 2018 for \$900. The purchase was approved at arm's length, with full knowledge by District officials, of Mr. Leupp interest, and Mr. Leupp took no part in the deliberation or decision by District officials with respect to the purchase.

NOTE 18 - TAX ABATEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The Village of Stryker entered into Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) agreements with Baltosser Properties and Drewfund, LLC for the abatement of property taxes and to bring jobs and economic development into the Village. The agreement affects the property tax receipts collected and distributed to the District. Under the agreement, the District will forgo future property taxes in the amount of \$2,207 annually based on the effective millage rate in place at the time of the agreement.

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
JUNE 30, 2017**

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>5,105,654</u>
 Net Position:	
Restricted for Debt Service	\$ 650,384
Restricted for Capital Outlay	7,757
Restricted for Other Purposes	69,855
Unrestricted	<u>4,377,658</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>\$ 5,105,654</u>

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**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

		Program Receipts			Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position
	Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions		Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction:					
Regular	\$ 2,874,774	\$ 187,733	\$ 77,246	\$	(2,609,795)
Special	708,363	46,190	530,375		(131,798)
Vocational	89,582		26,039		(63,543)
Adult/Continuing	2,000		2,030		30
Student Intervention Services	1,055				(1,055)
Other	39,584				(39,584)
Support Services:					
Pupils	260,047				(260,047)
Instructional Staff	63,165		12,616		(50,549)
Board of Education	24,000				(24,000)
Administration	463,863				(463,863)
Fiscal	230,259				(230,259)
Business	16,097				(16,097)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	550,117	500	29,162		(520,455)
Pupil Transportation	157,285				(157,285)
Central	68,292		1,040		(67,252)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	198,855	84,679	100,526		(13,650)
Extracurricular Activities	474,142	92,971	21,310		(359,861)
Capital Outlay	299,160				(299,160)
Debt Service:					
Principal	289,500				(289,500)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	130,475				(130,475)
Issuance Costs	114,640				(114,640)
Payments to Refunded Bond Escrow Agent	4,749,271				(4,749,271)
Discount on Bonds	3,221				(3,221)
Refund of Prior Year Receipts	193				(193)
Totals	\$ 11,807,940	\$ 412,073	\$ 800,344	\$	(10,595,523)

General Receipts:

Taxes:	
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes	1,595,219
Property Taxes, Levied for Capital Outlay	264,608
Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service	271,950
Property Taxes, Levied for Classroom Maintenance	22,888
Income Taxes	876,523
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs	3,432,488
Gifts and Donations	2,608
Investment Earnings	25,542
Miscellaneous	25,535
Refunding Bonds Issued	4,565,000
Proceeds of Lease Purchase Agreement	93,309
Premium on Refunding Bonds Issued	326,740
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	238
Total General Revenues	11,502,648
Change in Net Position	907,125
Net Position Beginning of Year	4,198,529
Net Position End of Year	\$ 5,105,654

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Bond Retirement Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>4,158,778</u>	\$ <u>650,384</u>	\$ <u>296,492</u>	\$ <u>5,105,654</u>
Fund Balances				
Restricted		\$ 650,384	\$ 223,264	\$ 873,648
Committed			90,450	90,450
Assigned	\$ 13,803			13,803
Unassigned (deficit)	<u>4,144,975</u>		<u>(17,222)</u>	<u>4,127,753</u>
Total Fund Balances	\$ <u>4,158,778</u>	\$ <u>650,384</u>	\$ <u>296,492</u>	\$ <u>5,105,654</u>

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**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Bond Retirement Fund</u>	<u>All Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Receipts:				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,595,219	\$ 271,950	\$ 287,496	\$ 2,154,665
Income Tax	727,744	148,779		876,523
Intergovernmental	3,650,376	38,787	519,160	4,208,323
Interest	25,542		88	25,630
Tuition and Fees	233,923			233,923
Rent	500			500
Extracurricular Activities	3,227		89,744	92,971
Gifts and Donations	1,608		24,340	25,948
Customer Sales and Services			84,679	84,679
Miscellaneous	25,535		1,081	26,616
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>6,263,674</u>	<u>459,516</u>	<u>1,006,588</u>	<u>7,729,778</u>
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	2,795,062		79,712	2,874,774
Special	460,776		247,587	708,363
Vocational	79,667		9,915	89,582
Adult/Continuing			2,000	2,000
Student Intervention Services	1,055			1,055
Other	39,584			39,584
Support Services:				
Pupils	260,047			260,047
Instructional Staff	53,441		9,724	63,165
Board of Education	24,000			24,000
Administration	463,863			463,863
Fiscal	215,128	8,494	6,637	230,259
Business	16,097			16,097
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	462,100		88,017	550,117
Pupil Transportation	157,285			157,285
Central	67,252		1,040	68,292
Operation of Non-Instructional Services			198,855	198,855
Extracurricular Activities	188,777		285,365	474,142
Capital Outlay			299,160	299,160
Debt Service:				
Principal		265,000	24,500	289,500
Interest		114,640		114,640
Issuance Costs		130,475		130,475
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>5,284,134</u>	<u>518,609</u>	<u>1,252,512</u>	<u>7,055,255</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>979,540</u>	<u>(59,093)</u>	<u>(245,924)</u>	<u>674,523</u>
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):				
Transfers In			30,000	30,000
Proceeds of Lease Purchase Agreement			93,309	93,309
Refunding Bonds Issued		4,565,000		4,565,000
Premium on Refunding Bonds Issued		326,740		326,740
Discount on Bonds and Notes Issued		(3,221)		(3,221)
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	93		145	238
Transfers Out	(30,000)			(30,000)
Payment to Refunded Bond Escrow Agent		(4,749,271)		(4,749,271)
Refund of Prior Year Receipts			(193)	(193)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)</i>	<u>(29,907)</u>	<u>139,248</u>	<u>123,261</u>	<u>232,602</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	949,633	80,155	(122,663)	907,125
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	3,209,145	570,229	419,155	4,198,529
<i>Fund Balances at End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 4,158,778</u>	<u>\$ 650,384</u>	<u>\$ 296,492</u>	<u>\$ 5,105,654</u>

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**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGETARY BASIS
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
Receipts:				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,664,143	\$ 1,664,143	\$ 1,595,219	\$ (68,924)
Income Tax	760,000	760,000	727,744	(32,256)
Intergovernmental	3,348,725	3,348,725	3,650,376	301,651
Interest	6,000	6,000	25,542	19,542
Tuition and Fees	243,415	243,415	230,038	(13,377)
Rent	3,000	3,000	500	(2,500)
Gifts and Donations	500	500	775	275
Miscellaneous	10,000	10,000	16,937	6,937
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>6,035,783</u>	<u>6,035,783</u>	<u>6,247,131</u>	<u>211,348</u>
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	2,853,021	2,859,906	2,786,524	73,382
Special	520,600	527,600	460,776	66,824
Vocational	79,201	79,201	79,667	(466)
Student Intervention Services	23,165	23,165	1,055	22,110
Other	24,600	24,600	54,038	(29,438)
Support Services:				
Pupils	280,544	280,544	260,047	20,497
Instructional Staff	57,753	57,753	54,841	2,912
Board of Education	25,843	25,843	24,000	1,843
Administration	489,584	489,584	464,232	25,352
Fiscal	195,923	221,783	215,128	6,655
Business	32,197	32,197	16,097	16,100
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	419,832	472,332	462,356	9,976
Pupil Transportation	164,799	165,799	157,285	8,514
Central	33,000	33,000	67,252	(34,252)
Extracurricular Activities	145,762	196,162	184,180	11,982
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>5,345,824</u>	<u>5,489,469</u>	<u>5,287,478</u>	<u>201,991</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements</i>	<u>689,959</u>	<u>546,314</u>	<u>959,653</u>	<u>413,339</u>
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):				
Transfers In	7,700	7,700	7,379	(321)
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	2,400	2,400	93	(2,307)
Transfers Out	(15,000)	(30,000)	(30,000)	
Other Financing Uses	(30,000)	(2,640)		2,640
<i>Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)</i>	<u>(34,900)</u>	<u>(22,540)</u>	<u>(22,528)</u>	<u>12</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	655,059	523,774	937,125	413,351
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	3,176,641	3,176,641	3,176,641	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	31,209	31,209	31,209	
<i>Fund Balance at End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 3,862,909</u>	<u>\$ 3,731,624</u>	<u>\$ 4,144,975</u>	<u>\$ 413,351</u>

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STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
CASH BASIS - FIDUCIARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Agency Fund</u>
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>28,731</u>
Net Positon	
Due to Students	\$ <u>28,731</u>

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

Stryker Local School District (the 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. Stryker Local School District is a local school district as defined by §3311.22 of the Ohio Revised Code. The District operates under an elected Board of Education (5 members) and is responsible for the provision of public education to residents of the District. The Board oversees the operations of the District's one instructional/support facilities staffed by 21 non-certified and 40 certified full-time teaching personnel who provide services to 378 students and other community members.

The Reporting Entity

A. Primary Government

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

B. Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The District does not have any component units.

C. Jointly Governed Organizations and Purchasing Pools

The District is associated with organizations, which are defined as jointly governed organizations and group purchasing pools. These organizations include the Northwest Ohio Computer Association, the Northern Buckeye Education Council, the Four County Career Center, Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., the Northern Buckeye Health Plan Employee Insurance Benefits Program; the Northern Buckeye Health Plan Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan and the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority. These organizations are presented in Notes 13 and 14 to the basic financial statements.

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District is financially accountable.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the District's accounting policies.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net position, a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

1. Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The statement of net position presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the District at fiscal yearend. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the government is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants that are required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a basis or draws from the District's general receipts.

2. Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the District segregates transactions related to certain 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 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. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the District or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, receipts, or disbursements of that individual governmental fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and
- b. Total assets, receipts, or disbursements of that individual governmental fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental funds combined.

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B. Fund Accounting

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

1. Governmental Funds:

The District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g., grants), and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The General fund and the Bond Retirement fund are the District's major governmental funds:

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

Bond Retirement Fund - The Bond Retirement fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

The other governmental funds of the District account for grants and other resources, of the District whose uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

2. Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are not available to support the District's own programs. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's Agency funds account for various student managed activities.

C. Basis of Accounting

Although the Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) requires that the District's financial report to follow generally accepted accounting principles, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes in accordance with the cash basis of accounting. This is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

The District's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the District's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

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As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

The budgetary process is prescribed by provision of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within established timetable. All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount 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 budgetary control selected by the Board is at the fund level for all funds. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education. Budgetary allocations below these levels are made by the District's Chief Fiscal Officer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Chief Fiscal Officer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund 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 by the Board during the fiscal year.

The District is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting by virtue of Ohio law. Under this system, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed appropriations

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the financial statements.

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

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, the purchase of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During fiscal year 2017, the District invested in STAR Ohio. 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 District measures their 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.

There were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$25 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$50 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$50 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2017 amounted to \$25,542 and \$7,918, which were assigned from other District funds.

F. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

G. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

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H. Compensated Absences

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the District's cash basis of accounting.

I. Pension

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

J. Long-Term Obligations

The District's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither other financing source nor capital outlay expenditure is reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

K. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. The District reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. Interfund transfers and advances are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayment from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

L. Net Position

Net position are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, music and athletic programs, and federal and state grants restricted to cash disbursement for specified purposes. The District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

M. Fund Balance

Fund Balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon use of the resources in governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" 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.

Committed - The committed classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Education. The committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the 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 classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds, other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the District Board of Education or a District official delegated by that authority by resolution or by State Statute. State statute authorizes the District's Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

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

The District first applies restricted resources when an expenditure is 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 can be used.

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3. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the General fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a restricted, committed, or assigned fund balance (cash basis) and certain funds included in the General Fund as part of the GASB 54 requirements are not included in the budgetary statement.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the cash basis statement to the budget basis statement for the General fund:

<u>Net Change in Fund Balance</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
Cash Basis	\$949,633
Outstanding Encumbrances	(2,073)
Perspective Difference	
Activity of Funds Reclassified for	
Cash Reporting Purposes	(10,435)
Budgetary Basis	<u>\$937,125</u>

4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the District Treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the 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.

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 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;

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio;
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' acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty 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.

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. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation of the 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.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$100,000 of the District's bank balance of \$5,143,848 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the District's name.

The District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the District or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

of the deposits being secured. Effective July 1, 2017, the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS) was implemented by the Office of the Ohio Treasurer of State. Financial institutions can elect to participate in the OPCS and will collateralize at 102 percent or a rate set by the Treasurer of State. Financial institution opting not to participate in OPCS will collateralize utilizing the specific pledge method at 105 percent.

Investments

As of June 30, 2017, the District had the following investments.

	Measurement Value	Investment Maturities 6 months or less
STAR Ohio	\$444	\$444

Credit Risk – Standard & Poor’s has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAM money market rating. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

5. PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the District. Real property tax revenues received in calendar year 2017 represents the collections of calendar year 2016 taxes. Real property taxes for 2017 were levied after April 1, 2016, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2016, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 2017 represents collections of calendar year 2016 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2017 became a lien December 31, 2015, were levied after April 1, 2016 and are collected 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 District receives property taxes from Williams County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2017, are available to finance fiscal year 2017 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

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5. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2017 taxes were collected are:

	2016 Second- Half Collections		2017 First- Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Commercial/Industrial	\$5,280,500	8%	\$5,504,130	7%
Agricultural/Residential	58,388,240	84%	58,464,360	80%
Public Utility	6,175,160	8%	9,393,050	13%
Total Assessed Value	<u>\$69,843,900</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$73,361,540</u>	<u>100%</u>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$45.30		\$45.10	

6. INCOME TAX

The District levies a voted tax of 1.00 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 1991, and is a continuing tax and is credited to the General Fund. The District levies a voted tax of .25 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2006, and is a continuing tax and is credited to the General Fund. Also, the District levies a .25 percent for the retirement of bonds, on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2006, and is a continuing tax and is credited to the Bond Retirement Fund. 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 school district income tax return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the General Fund and Bond Retirement Fund.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

The District maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with the Ohio School Plan for liability, real property, building contents, and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. In addition, real property contents are fully insured.

The District joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Schools of Ohio Risk Authority a public entity insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). Each participant enters into an individual agreement with the Plan for insurance coverage and pays annual premiums to the Plan based on the types and limits of coverage and deductibles selected by the participant.

Settled claims have not exceeded the commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverages from last year.

B. Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan (NBHP), Northwest Division of OHI, a self-insurance pool (Note 14), for insurance benefits to employees. The District pays monthly premiums to NBHP for the benefits offered to its employees, which includes health, dental, and life insurance. NBHP is responsible for the management and operations of the program. The agreement with NBHP provides for additional assessment to participants if the premiums are insufficient to pay the program costs for the fiscal year. Upon withdrawal from NBHP, a participant is responsible for any claims not processed and paid and any related administrative costs.

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7. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

C. Workers' Compensation Group Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northern Division of OHI Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the Plan), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The Plan is intended to reduce premiums for the participants. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate.

Participation in the Plan is limited to educational entities that can meet the Plan's selection criteria. Each participant must apply annually. The Plan provides the participants with a centralized program for the processing, analysis and management of workers' compensation claims and a risk management program to assist in developing safer work environments. Each participant must pay its premiums, enrollment or other fees, and perform its obligations in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS

Net Pension Liability

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

The net pension liability represents the District's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability 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 this estimate annually.

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

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

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8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description – 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, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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 year 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.

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the 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, 2017, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. No allocation was made to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$77,559 for fiscal year 2017.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at www.strsoh.org.

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8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

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 will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. With certain exceptions, the basic benefit is increased each year by two percent of the original base benefit. For members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, the first two percent is paid on the fifth anniversary of the retirement benefit. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five year of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 26 years of service, or 31 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 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% of the 14% member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2% 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 after termination of employment at age 50 or later.

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 Ohio 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 Ohio bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit that apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. 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. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the employer rate was 14 percent and the plan members were also required to contribute 14 percent of covered salary. The statutory member contribution rate was increased one percent to 14 percent on July 1, 2016. The fiscal year 2017 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$295,065 for fiscal year 2017.

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8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

Net Pension Liability

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Prior Measurement Date	0.0409772%	0.01904802%	
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Current Measurement Date	<u>0.0168790%</u>	<u>0.01872319%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>-0.0240982%</u>	<u>-0.0003248%</u>	
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	\$1,235,387	\$6,267,216	\$7,502,603

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.

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, 2016, are presented below:

Wage Inflation	3.25 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.5 percent to 18.2 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	3 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.5 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal

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For post-retirement mortality, the table used in evaluating allowances to be paid is the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females. For 2015, the mortality assumptions were 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.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined 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 averaged 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.

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	1.00 %	0.50 %
US Stocks	22.50	4.75
Non-US Stocks	22.50	7.00
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	8.00
Real Assets	15.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	10.00	3.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.5 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.5 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.

Sensitivity of the 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 7.5 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 (6.5 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.5 percent) than the current rate.

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8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

	1% Decrease (6.5%)	Current Discount Rate (7.5%)	1% Increase (8.5%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$1,635,575	\$1,235,387	\$900,413

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75 percent
Projected salary increases	2.75 percent at age 70 to 12.25 percent at age 20
Investment Rate of Return	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year; for members retiring August 1, or later, 2 percent COLA paid on fifth anniversary of retirement date

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 not set back from age 90 and above.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

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8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

STRS Ohio's investment consultant develops best estimates 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:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return *</u>
Domestic Equity	31.00 %	8.00 %
International Equity	26.00	7.85
Alternatives	14.00	8.00
Fixed Income	18.00	3.75
Real Estate	10.00	6.75
Liquidity Reserves	<u>1.00</u>	3.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

* 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.5 percent, and does not include investment expenses. The total fund long-term expected return reflects diversification among the asset classes and therefore is not a weighted average return of the individual asset classes.

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2016. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes 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. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not 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, 2016. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2016.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.75 percent, as well as what the 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 (6.75 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(6.75%)</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>(7.75%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(8.75%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$8,328,621	\$6,267,216	\$4,528,300

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8. DEFINED PENSION BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

Changes between Measurement Date and Report Date

In March 2017, the STRS Board adopted certain assumption changes which will impact their annual actuarial valuation prepared as of June 30, 2017. The most significant change is a reduction in the discount rate from 7.75 percent to 7.45 percent. In April 2017, the STRS Board voted to suspend cost of living adjustments granted on or after July 1, 2017. Although the exact amount of these changes is not known, the overall decrease to School District's NPL is expected to be significant.

Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Retirement System. As of June 30, 2017, two member of the Board of Education has elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

9. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employee Retirement System

Health Care Plan Description - The District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 45 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS offers several types of health plans from various vendors, including HMO's, PPO's, Medicare Advantage, and traditional indemnity plans. A prescription drug program is also available to those who elect health coverage. SERS employs two third-party administrator and a pharmacy benefit manager to manage the self-insurance and prescription drug plans, respectively. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

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

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2017, no allocation of covered payroll 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 2017, this amount was \$23,500. 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 2017, the District's surcharge obligation was \$8,577.

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9. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$8,577, \$0, and \$8,584, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2017, 2016 and 2015.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The District contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS Ohio 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 Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015, STRS Ohio did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

10. OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

Employees earn vacation at rates specified under State of Ohio law and based on credited service. Clerical, Technical, and Maintenance and Operation employees with one or more years of service are entitled to vacation ranging from 5 to 25 days upon hiring. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

All employees are entitled to a sick leave credit equal to one and one-quarter days for each month of service (earned on a prorated basis for less than full-time employees). This sick leave will either be absorbed by time off due to illness or injury or, within certain limitations, be paid to the employee upon retirement. The amount paid to an employee upon retirement is limited to 30 percent of the accumulated sick leave to a maximum of 63 days, except that those employees who elect to retire within twelve months of the earliest permissible retirement date shall be paid 50 percent of the accumulated sick leave to maximum of 40 days.

B. Health Care Benefits

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan (NBHP), Northwest Division of OHI, a self-insurance pool, for insurance benefits to employees. The District pays monthly premiums to NBHP for the benefits offered to its employees, which include health, dental, vision, and life insurance. NBHP is responsible for the management and operations of the program. The agreement with NBHP provides for additional assessment to participants if the premiums are insufficient to pay the program costs for the fiscal year. Upon withdrawal from NBHP, a participant is responsible for any claims not processed and paid and any related administrative costs.

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11. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the following changes occurred in obligations reported in the Government -Wide Financial Statements:

	<u>Balance at 6/30/2016</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance at 6/30/2017</u>	<u>Amounts Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental Activities:					
UTGO Current Refunding Bonds Series 2016A		\$3,350,000	\$60,000	\$3,290,000	\$175,000
LTGO Current Refunding Bonds Series 2016B		1,215,000		1,215,000	40,000
School Facilities Improvement Bonds, Series 2006A					
Term Bonds	\$3,570,000		3,570,000		
School Facilities Improvement Bonds, Series 2006B					
Term Bonds	1,215,000		1,215,000		
Capital Appreciation Bonds	12,130		12,130		
Accretion on Bonds	62,870		62,870		
Lease Purchase Agreements		93,309	24,500	68,809	22,936
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$4,860,000</u>	<u>\$4,658,309</u>	<u>\$4,944,500</u>	<u>\$4,573,809</u>	<u>\$237,936</u>

During the fiscal year 2017, the District entered into a lease-purchase agreement with Granite Industries, Inc. for the purpose of funding bleacher systems. The total lease amount of \$93,309 will be repaid over 4 years with a final maturity of September 6, 2019. Principal and interest payments related to this lease-purchase agreement are made from the permanent improvement fund (a non-major governmental fund).

Principal and interest requirements to retire the lease-purchase obligation at June 30, 2017 follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Lease-Purchase Agreement</u>		
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 22,936	\$ 4,128	\$ 27,064
2019	22,936	2,753	25,689
2020	22,937	1,376	24,313
Total	<u>\$ 68,809</u>	<u>\$ 8,257</u>	<u>\$ 77,066</u>

Unlimited Tax General Obligation (UTGO) Current Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A

Proceeds from the outstanding bonds were used to refund the school improvement bonds series 2006A. These bonds were issued on December 8, 2016. The bonds consisted of \$3,350,000 in current interest bonds (\$1,520,000 issued as serial bonds and \$1,830,000 issued as term bonds). This refunding issue results in a net savings of \$441,618.

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11. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

The 2016A Serial Bonds shall bear interest at the rates per year and will mature in the principal amounts and on the following dates:

Maturity Date (January 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate
2018	\$175,000	1.50%
2019	175,000	1.50%
2020	175,000	1.75%
2021	175,000	1.75%
2022	185,000	1.75%
2023	185,000	2.00%
2024	195,000	2.00%
2025	195,000	2.00%

Optional Redemption

The Series 2016A Bonds which are Current Interest Bonds maturing on or after January 15, 2027 are subject to optional redemption prior, in whole or in part on any date in any order maturity determined by the Board of Education and by lot within a maturity, at the option of the Board of Education and by lot within maturity, at the option of the Board of Education on or after January 15, 2025 at par plus accrued interest thereon.

Mandatory Redemption

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2027 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2026 in the principal amount of \$200,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2027 (\$210,000) will be payable on January 15, 2027.

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2029 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2028 in the principal amount of \$215,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2029 (\$225,000) will be payable on January 15, 2029.

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2031 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2030 in the principal amount of \$235,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2031 (\$245,000) will be payable on January 15, 2031.

The Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2033 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2032 in the principal amount of \$255,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds maturing on January 15, 2033 (\$245,000) will be payable on January 15, 2033.

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11. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Limited Tax General Obligation (LTGO) Current Refunding Bonds, Series 2016B

Proceeds from the outstanding bonds were used to refund the school improvement bonds series 2006B. These bonds were issued on December 8, 2016. The bonds consisted of \$1,215,000 in current interest bonds (\$6,700,000 issued as serial bonds and \$545,000 issued as term bonds). This refunding issue results in a net savings of \$90,681.

The 2016B Serial Bonds shall bear interest at the rates per year and will mature in the principal amounts and on the following dates:

Maturity Date (January 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate
2018	\$40,000	1.50%
2019	85,000	1.50%
2020	90,000	1.75%
2021	85,000	1.75%
2022	90,000	1.75%
2023	95,000	2.00%
2024	90,000	2.00%
2025	95,000	2.00%

Optional Redemption

The Series 2016B Bonds which are Current Interest Bonds maturing on or after January 15, 2028 are subject to optional redemption prior, in whole or in part on any date in any order maturity determined by the Board of Education and by lot within a maturity, at the option of the Board of Education and by lot within maturity, at the option of the Board of Education on or after January 15, 2025 at par plus accrued interest thereon.

Mandatory Redemption

The Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2028 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2026 in the following principal amounts as specified below:

<u>Date of Principal Redemption</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
January 15, 2026	\$100,000
January 15, 2027	105,000

Unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2028 (\$110,000) will be payable on January 15, 2028.

The Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2030 are subject to mandatory redemption pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus interest accrued to the redemption date, on January 15, 2029 in the principal amount of \$115,000; and unless otherwise retired prior to maturity, the remaining principal amount of Series 2016B Bonds maturing on January 15, 2030 (\$115,000) will be payable on January 15, 2030.

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11. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Total expenditures for interest for the above debt for the period ended June 30, 2017 was \$114,640.

The scheduled payments of principal and interest on the bonds and notes as of June 30, 2017 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$215,000	\$133,225	\$348,225
2019	260,000	130,000	390,000
2020	265,000	126,100	391,100
2021	260,000	121,463	381,463
2022	275,000	116,912	391,912
2023 – 2027	1,470,000	497,400	1,967,400
2028 – 2032	1,515,000	221,400	1,736,400
2033	245,000	9,800	254,800
Total	<u>\$4,505,000</u>	<u>\$1,356,300</u>	<u>\$5,861,300</u>

12. SET-ASIDE CALCULATIONS AND FUND RESERVES

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

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

	Capital Acquisition
Set-aside Cash Balance as of June 30, 2016	
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	\$65,221
Current Year Offsets	
Current Year Qualifying Expenditures	(355,765)
Total Restricted Assets	<u>(\$290,544)</u>
Cash Balance Carried Forward to FY 2017	<u> </u>

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13. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A. Northwest Ohio Computer Association

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Computer Association (NWOCA). NWOCA is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Williams, and Wood Counties. The 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. NWOCA is governed by its participating members, which consists of a representative from each member entity and a representative from the fiscal agent. The District paid \$585 to NWOCA for various services. Financial information can be obtained from Tammy Butler, who serves as Treasurer, at 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

B. Northern Buckeye Education Council

The Northern Buckeye Education Council (the Council) was established in 1979 to foster cooperation among school districts located in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Lucas, Williams and Wood Counties. NBEC is organized under Ohio laws as a regional council of governments pursuant to a written agreement entered into by its member entities and bylaws adopted by the representatives of the member educational entities. NBEC is governed by an elected Board consisting of two representatives from each of the counties in which the member educational entities are located. The Board is elected from an assembly consisting of a representative from each participating educational entity. During fiscal year 2017, the District paid \$69,597 to NWOCA for its membership fee. To obtain financial information write to the Northern Buckeye Education Council, Tammy Butler, who serves as Treasurer, at 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

C. Four County Career Center

The Four County Career Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of five representatives from the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center - one each from the counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams and one additional representative; one representative from each of the city school districts; one representative from each of the exempted village school districts. The Four County Career Center possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. To obtain financial information write to the Four County Career Center, Connie Nicely, who serves as Treasurer, 22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

D. Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc.

The Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc. (NWOERC) is a jointly governed organization formed to bring educational entities into a better understanding of their common educational problems, facilitate and conduct practical educational research, coordinate educational research among members, provide a means for evaluating and disseminating the results of research, serve as a repository for research and legislative materials and provide opportunities for training. The NWOERC serves a twenty-five county area of Northwest Ohio. The Board of Directors consists of superintendents from two educational service centers, two exempted village school districts, five local school districts, and five city school districts, as well as representatives from two private or parochial schools and three institutions of higher education. Each active member is entitled to one vote on all issues addressed by the Board of Directors. During fiscal year 2017, the District paid \$0 to NWOERC for its membership fee. Financial information can be obtained from the Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., P.O. Box 456, Ashland, Ohio 44805.

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14. GROUP PURCHASING POOLS

A. Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northwest Division of the Optimal Health Initiative Consortium (OHI) is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of educational entities throughout the state. The Pool is governed by OHI and its participating members. The District contributed a total of \$542,592 to Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northwest Division of OHI for all four plans. Financial information for the period can be obtained from Charlie LeBoeuf, Treasurer, at 201 East 5th Street, Suite 2100, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

B. Worker's Compensation Group Rating Plan

The District participates in a group-rating plan for workers' compensation as established under §4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Northern Buckeye Health Plan, Northwest Division of Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (WCGRP) was established through the as a group purchasing pool. The group was formed to create a workers' compensation group rating plan which would allow employers to group together to achieve a potentially lower premium rate than they may otherwise be able to acquire as individual employers. The Optimal Health Initiatives has created a workers' compensation group rating and risk management program which will potentially reduce the workers' compensation premiums for the District.

Optimal Health Initiatives has retained Sheakley UniService as the servicing agent to perform administrative, actuarial, cost control, claims, and safety consulting services and unemployment claims services for program participants. During this fiscal year, the District paid an enrollment fee of \$0 to WCGRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

C. Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The District participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), which was established in 2002 pursuant to Articles of Incorporation filed under Chapter 1702 of the Ohio Revised Code – Non-Profit Corporations and functioning under authority granted by § 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. SORSA's purpose is to provide a joint self-insurance pool and to assist member school districts in preventing and reducing losses and injuries to property and persons that might result in claims being made against members of SORSA, their employees or officers.

A nine-person Board of Directors manages the business and affairs of SORSA and is elected annually by the members of the pool. The Board of Directors consists of Superintendents, Treasurers, or Business Managers from the participating school districts. The insurance brokerage firm of Willis Pooling is contracted to provide reinsurance brokerage, underwriting, rating, billing and consulting services. The Frank Gates Service Company provides insurance claims settlement and adjustment services. Financial information can be obtained from SORSA Executive Director at 8050 North High Street, Suite 160, Columbus, Ohio 43235-6483.

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15. CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The 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 are 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, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2017.

B. School Foundation

District foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Effective for the 2015-2016 school year, traditional school districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the District, which can extend past the fiscal year end. ODE has finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2017, foundation funding for the District. There is no effect on the financial statements.

C. Litigation

There are currently no matters in litigation with the District as defendant.

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16. FUND BALANCE

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

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

Fund Balance	General	Bond Retirement	Other Government	Total Governmental Funds
Restricted for:				
Scholarships			\$926	\$926
Athletics			59,865	59,865
Food Service Operations			17,718	17,718
Facilities Maintenance			8,568	8,568
Debt Retirement		\$650,384		650,384
Permanent Improvement			136,187	136,187
Total Restricted		650,384	223,264	873,648
Committed for:				
Permanent Improvement			90,450	90,450
Assigned for:				
Educational Activities	\$11,730			11,730
Unpaid Obligations (encumbrances)	2,073			2,073
Total Assigned	13,803			13,803
Unassigned (deficit)	4,144,975		(17,222)	4,127,753
Total Fund Balance	\$4,158,778	\$650,384	\$296,492	\$5,105,654

17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Ben Woolace, a Board Member, is owner of Woolace Electric, a local company who performed various repairs to the Districts grounds during 2017. The District remitted \$2,847 during 2017. The services were approved at arm's length, with full knowledge by District officials, of Mr. Woolace interest, and Mr. Woolace took no part in the deliberation or decision by District officials with respect to the services.

18. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

During the year ended June 30, 2017, \$30,000 was transferred from the General Fund to the Food Service fund (\$15,000), and the Athletic fund (\$15,000) to support operations.

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19. ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

Accountability

At June 30, 2017, Title VI-B, School Improvement and Title I special revenue funds, had deficit fund balances of \$4,294 and \$12,928, respectively, resulting from the funds being reimbursement grants. The General Fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances when cash is needed.

Compliance

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the District prepared its financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determine at this time. The District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2017, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 77, "*Tax Abatement Disclosures*", GASB Statement No. 78, "*Pensions Provided Through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*", GASB Statement No. 80, "*Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*" and GASB Statement No. 82, "*Pension Issues - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68 and No. 73*".

GASB Statement No. 77 requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreement. GASB Statement No. 77 also requires disclosures related to tax abatement agreements that have been entered into by other governments that reduce the reporting government's tax revenues. These disclosures were incorporated in the District's fiscal year 2017 financial statements (see Note 21); however, there was no effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

GASB Statement No. 78 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for defined benefit pensions provided to the employees of state or local governmental employers through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (cost-sharing pension plan) that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 68 and that (a) is not a state or local governmental pension plan, (b) is used to provide defined benefit pensions both to employees of state or local governmental employers and to employees of employers that are not state or local governmental employers, and (c) has no predominant state or local governmental employer (either individually or collectively with other state or local governmental employers that provide pensions through the pension plan). The implementation of GASB Statement No. 78 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 80 improves the financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. This Statement applies to component units that are organized as not-for-profit corporations in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 80 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 82 addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 82 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

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20. TAX ABATEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The Village of Stryker entered into Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) agreements with Baltosser Properties and Drewfund, LLC for the abatement of property taxes and to bring jobs and economic development into the Village. The agreement affects the property tax receipts collected and distributed to the District. Under the agreement, the District will forgo future property taxes in the amount of \$2,207 annually based on the effective millage rate in place at the time of the agreement.

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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

Stryker Local School District
Williams County
400 South Defiance Street
Stryker, Ohio 43557-9491

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Stryker Local School District, Williams County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, 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 18, 2019, wherein we noted the District uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. 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 internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a material weakness. We consider finding 2018-002 to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement

amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matter we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2018-001.

District's Response to Findings

The District's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not subject the District's responses to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

March 18, 2019

STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

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

FINDING NUMBER 2018-001

Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 provides that each public office shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The Auditor of State may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the Auditor of State has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office.

Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(B), which further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38, requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

As a cost savings measure, the District prepared financial statements that, although formatted similar to financial statements prescribed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, report on the basis of cash receipts and cash disbursements, rather than GAAP. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit certain assets, liabilities, deferred inflows/outflows of resources, fund equities/net position, and disclosures that, while presumably material, cannot be determined at this time.

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 the District may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report. Failure to report on a GAAP basis compromises the District's ability to evaluate and monitor the overall financial condition of the District. To help provide the users with more meaningful financial statements, the District should prepare its annual financial statements according to generally accepted accounting principles.

Officials' Response:

Management believes reporting on a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) is more cost efficient.

FINDING NUMBER 2018-002

Material Weakness – Financial Reporting

In our audit engagement letter, as required by AU-C Section 210, *Terms of Engagement*, paragraph .06, management acknowledged its responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of their financial statements; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error as discussed in AU-C Section 210 paragraphs .A14 & .A16.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the District entered into a Lease Purchase Agreement for athletic complex bleachers in the amount of \$93,309. The lease proceeds and capital outlay expenditures were not posted to the Permanent Improvement Fund in the District's accounting records in accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments" (GASB Cod L20.120).

This error was not identified and corrected prior to the District preparing its financial report due to deficiencies in the District's internal controls over financial report monitoring. An adjustment to correct this error was made to the financial statements. Failing to prepare accurate financial statements could result in management making misinformed decisions.

Additional errors in smaller relative amounts were also noted for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017.

To help ensure the District's financial statements are complete and accurate the Treasurer should include all applicable disclosures in accordance with the guidance established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Furthermore, the District should adopt policies and procedures, including a final review of the statements by the Treasurer, to help identify and correct errors and omissions.

Officials' Response:

The District was not aware of the entry that need to be recorded since they didn't actually receive the proceeds, but will be sure to record this in the future.

Stryker Local School

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MICHAEL DONOVAN
Guidance Counselor

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS June 30, 2018 and 2017

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2016-001	Finding first reported in 2012, Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03 (B) – for not reporting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.	Not Corrected and reissued as finding 2018-001 in this report.	Management believes reporting on a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) is more cost efficient.
2016-002	Significant Deficiency for restricted net position reporting errors on the Statement of Net Position.	Corrective Action Taken and Finding is Fully Corrected.	

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STRYKER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
APRIL 4, 2019**