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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Western Local School District  
State Teachers Retirement System  
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We have examined the Western Local School District, Pike County management's assertion that the census data and pensionable wages reported to the State Teachers Retirement System as of June 30, 2021, and for the year then ended was accurate and complete.

Management asserts that:

- The census data provided to the State Teachers Retirement System as of June 30, 2021 is accurate and complete. Census data includes
  - First and Last Name;
  - Last four digits of the social security number;
  - Contributions remitted to the plan;
  - Pensionable Compensation;
- The census data provided to the State Teachers Retirement System as of June 30, 2021 included all enrolled employees.
- Census data changes occurring during the year ended June 30, 2021 to an enrolled employee's eligible compensation, were properly updated with the State Teachers Retirement System
- All employees required to be enrolled in the State Teachers Retirement System in accordance with statutory requirements were properly enrolled.
- The total pensionable wages and employee contributions information reported to the State Teachers Retirement System for the year ended June 30, 2021 agrees with the payroll records of the employer.

Western Local School District's management is responsible for the assertions. Our responsibility is to opine on management's assertions based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether management's assertions are fairly stated, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about management's assertion. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of management's assertions, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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In our opinion, management's assertions related to the accuracy and completeness of the census data and pensionable wages as described above provided to State Teachers Retirement System as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 are fairly stated in all material respects.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Western Local School District's management, those charged with governance and State Teachers Retirement System, and Crowe LLP to provide assurances that the census data reported to the State Teachers Retirement System is accurate and complete. This report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith Faber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio  
October 1, 2021

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**WESTERN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM CENSUS DATA EXAMINATION**

**PIKE COUNTY**

**AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



**Certified for Release 10/14/2021**

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