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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Bloom-Carroll Local School District  
Fairfield County  
5240 Plum Road  
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To the Board of Education:

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bloom-Carroll Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bloom-Carroll Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

***Required Supplementary Information***

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

***Supplementary information***

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

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

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 5, 2025 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

February 5, 2025

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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

The management's discussion and analysis of the Bloom-Carroll Local School District's (the "District") financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

- In total, net position of governmental activities increased \$7,746,145 which represents a 112.56% increase from June 30, 2023's net position.
- General revenues accounted for \$34,712,361 in revenue or 87.83% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$4,808,361 or 12.17% of total revenues of \$39,520,722.
- The District had \$31,774,577 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$4,808,361 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services and operating grants and contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and entitlements) were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The District's two major funds are the general fund and the bond retirement fund. The general fund had \$29,393,569 in revenues and \$26,036,205 in expenditures and other financing uses. The general fund's fund balance increased \$3,357,364 from a balance of \$7,234,765 to \$10,592,129.
- The bond retirement fund had \$4,550,719 in revenues and other financing sources and \$3,780,615 in expenditures. The bond retirement fund's fund balance increased \$770,104 from a balance of \$3,021,538 to \$3,791,642.

**Using these Basic Financial Statements**

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

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

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**Reporting the District as a Whole**

***Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities***

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the District to provide programs and activities, the view of the District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2024?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the District's *net position* and changes in that net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the *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.

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

**Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds**

***Fund Financial Statements***

Fund financial reports 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 year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed *short-term* view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the basic financial statements

***Proprietary Funds***

The District maintains a proprietary fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the District's various functions. The District's internal service fund accounts for employee benefits self-insurance.

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***Reporting the District's Fiduciary Responsibilities***

The District also acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in custodial funds. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate statements of fiduciary net position and changes in fiduciary net position. These activities are excluded from the District's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the District to finance its operations.

***Notes to the Basic 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.

***Required Supplementary Information***

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the District's general fund budgetary information, net pension liability, and net OPEB liability/asset.

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**The District as a Whole**

The statement of net position provides the perspective of the District as a whole. The table below provides a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023.

	<b>Net Position</b>	
	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b><u>Assets</u></b>		
Current and other assets	\$ 37,201,625	\$ 31,563,912
Net OPEB asset	1,423,108	1,898,844
Capital assets, net	<u>56,657,078</u>	<u>56,863,490</u>
Total assets	<u>95,281,811</u>	<u>90,326,246</u>
<b><u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u></b>		
Pension	4,566,975	5,440,984
OPEB	894,269	548,810
Deferred charges on debt refunding	<u>445,557</u>	<u>477,382</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>5,906,801</u>	<u>6,467,176</u>
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>		
Current liabilities	3,784,701	3,577,453
Long-term liabilities:		
Due within one year	2,012,768	2,151,419
Due in more than one year:		
Net pension liability	20,471,364	20,876,041
Net OPEB liability	1,440,702	1,212,616
Other amounts	<u>41,266,914</u>	<u>43,174,274</u>
Total liabilities	<u>68,976,449</u>	<u>70,991,803</u>
<b><u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u></b>		
Property taxes levied for next year	14,053,397	14,129,385
Pension	1,190,145	1,720,444
OPEB	<u>2,340,487</u>	<u>3,069,801</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>17,584,029</u>	<u>18,919,630</u>
<b><u>Net Position</u></b>		
Net investment in capital assets	14,916,460	13,107,636
Restricted	6,640,736	4,559,662
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(6,929,062)</u>	<u>(10,785,309)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 14,628,134</u>	<u>\$ 6,881,989</u>

The net pension liability is reported pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27." The net other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability/asset is reported pursuant to GASB Statement 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions." For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the District's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability, and the net OPEB liability to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB and the net OPEB asset.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2024, the District's assets plus deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources by \$14,628,134.

Total assets include a net OPEB asset reported by STRS. See Note 13 for more detail.

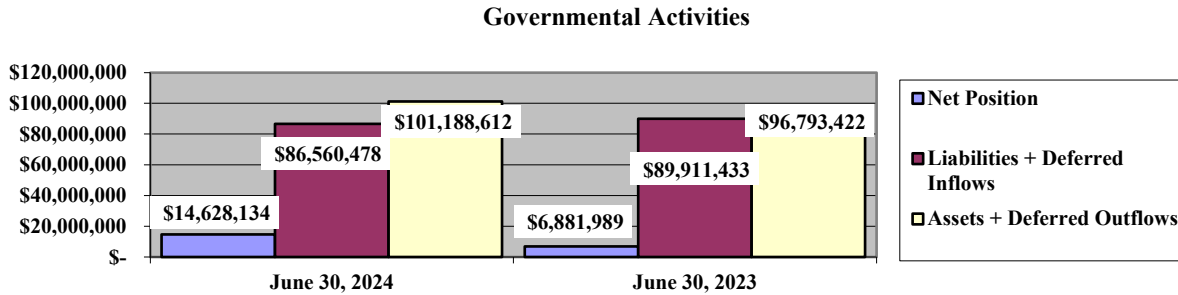
At year-end, capital assets represented 59.46% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and fixtures, vehicles, and intangible right-to-use assets. Net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2024, was \$14,916,460. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

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A portion of the District's net position, \$6,640,736, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position is a deficit of \$6,929,062.

The graph below shows the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position at June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023.



The table below shows the change in net position for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

**Change in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities <u>2024</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2023</u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 1,671,441	\$ 1,792,674
Operating grants and contributions	3,136,920	2,478,621
Capital grants and contributions	-	210,000
General revenues:		
Property taxes	16,613,927	13,217,742
Income taxes	7,802,499	7,918,321
Grants and entitlements - unrestricted	9,576,957	7,919,735
Investment earnings	564,294	289,908
Other	<u>154,684</u>	<u>370,935</u>
Total revenues	<u>39,520,722</u>	<u>34,197,936</u>

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**Change in Net Position (Continued)**

	Governmental Activities <u>2024</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2023</u>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Program expenses:		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 11,243,986	\$ 10,773,094
Special	3,679,514	3,920,090
Vocational	299,086	272,889
Other	323,425	257,773
Support services:		
Pupil	1,561,294	1,472,563
Instructional staff	1,698,069	1,568,125
Board of education	181,231	195,143
Administration	2,596,675	2,624,400
Fiscal	539,195	455,771
Operations and maintenance	2,520,867	2,104,514
Pupil transportation	2,197,698	2,241,406
Central	483,481	374,658
Operations of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	1,158,441	1,185,440
Other non-instructional services	260	1,869
Extracurricular activities	1,361,687	1,219,797
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>1,929,668</u>	<u>2,543,470</u>
Total expenses	<u>31,774,577</u>	<u>31,211,002</u>
Change in net position	7,746,145	2,986,934
Net position at beginning of year	<u>6,881,989</u>	<u>3,895,055</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 14,628,134</u>	<u>\$ 6,881,989</u>

**Governmental Activities**

Net position of the District's governmental activities increased \$7,746,145. Total governmental expenses of \$31,774,577 were offset by program revenues of \$4,808,361 and general revenues of \$34,712,361. Program revenues supported 15.13% of the total governmental expenses.

Overall, expenses of the governmental activities increased \$563,575 or 1.81%. This increase is primarily the result of an increase in support services expense. Support services expense increased \$741,930. This increase was the result of an increase in employee wages and benefits.

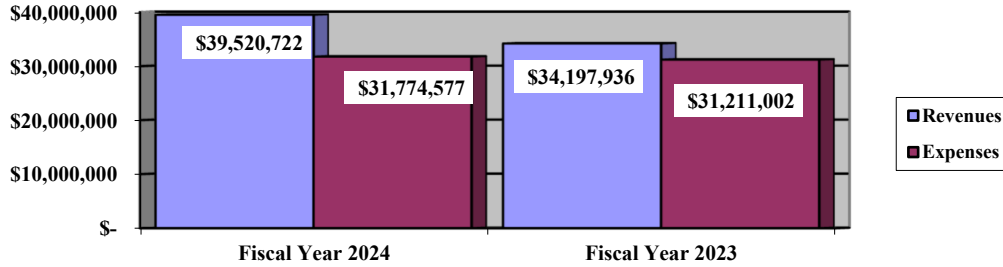
The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, income taxes, operating grants and contributions, and unrestricted grants and entitlements from the State. These revenue sources account for 93.95% of total governmental revenue. The most significant increases were in the areas of operating grants and contributions, property taxes, and unrestricted grants at \$658,299, \$3,396,185 and \$1,657,222, respectively. Operating grants and contributions increased due to an increase in Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding. Property taxes increased due to increased values within the District. Unrestricted grants increased due to an increase in State foundation funding.

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The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue and expenses for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

**Governmental Activities - Revenues and Expenses**



The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting 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 revenue and unrestricted state grants and entitlements.

**Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Services <u>2024</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2024</u>	Total Cost of Services <u>2023</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2023</u>
<b>Program expenses</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 11,243,986	\$ 10,809,827	\$ 10,773,094	\$ 10,371,925
Special	3,679,514	2,649,105	3,920,090	2,912,123
Vocational	299,086	250,628	272,889	214,479
Other	323,425	323,425	257,773	257,773
Support services:				
Pupil	1,561,294	1,209,305	1,472,563	1,186,958
Instructional staff	1,698,069	884,873	1,568,125	1,246,315
Board of education	181,231	181,231	195,143	195,143
Administration	2,596,675	2,596,675	2,624,400	2,624,400
Fiscal	539,195	539,195	455,771	455,771
Operations and maintenance	2,520,867	2,498,698	2,104,514	1,856,210
Pupil transportation	2,197,698	2,090,842	2,241,406	2,157,846
Central	483,481	483,481	374,658	374,658
Operations of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	1,158,441	(185,376)	1,185,440	(171,128)
Other non-instructional services	260	(4,408)	1,869	(3,995)
Extracurricular activities	1,361,687	709,047	1,219,797	507,759
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>1,929,668</u>	<u>1,929,668</u>	<u>2,543,470</u>	<u>2,543,470</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 31,774,577</u>	<u>\$ 26,966,216</u>	<u>\$ 31,211,002</u>	<u>\$ 26,729,707</u>

The dependence upon tax and other general revenues for governmental activities is apparent as 90.27% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 84.87%. The District's taxpayers and unrestricted grants and entitlements are the primary support for District's students.

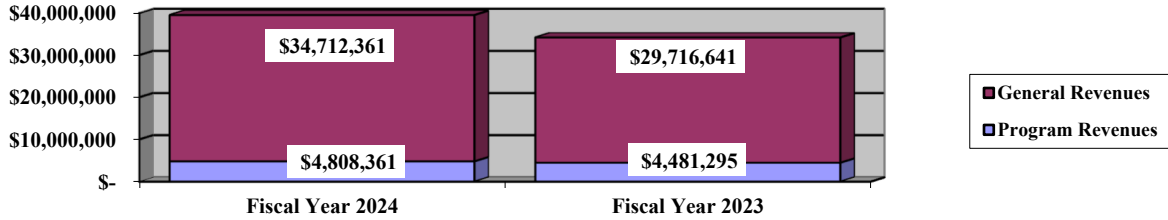


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The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

**Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues**



**The District's Funds**

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$15,692,152, which is greater than last year's total of \$11,501,192. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2024 and 2023.

	Fund Balance June 30, 2024	Fund Balance June 30, 2023	Change	Percentage Change
General fund	\$ 10,592,129	\$ 7,234,765	\$ 3,357,364	46.41 %
Bond retirement fund	3,791,642	3,021,538	770,104	25.49 %
Other governmental funds	<u>1,308,381</u>	<u>1,244,889</u>	<u>63,492</u>	5.10 %
Total	<u>\$ 15,692,152</u>	<u>\$ 11,501,192</u>	<u>\$ 4,190,960</u>	36.44 %

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***General Fund***

During fiscal year 2024, the District's general fund balance increased \$3,357,364. The table below assists in illustrating the financial activities of the general fund:

	<u>2024</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>2023</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Percentage</u> <u>Change</u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
Property taxes	\$ 11,330,169	\$ 9,473,321	\$ 1,856,848	19.60 %
Income taxes	7,802,499	7,918,321	(115,822)	(1.46) %
Tuition	344,171	346,603	(2,432)	(0.70) %
Earnings on investments	453,980	297,428	156,552	52.64 %
Intergovernmental	9,128,366	7,554,511	1,573,855	20.83 %
Other revenues	<u>334,384</u>	<u>262,140</u>	<u>72,244</u>	27.56 %
Total	<u>\$ 29,393,569</u>	<u>\$ 25,852,324</u>	<u>\$ 3,541,245</u>	13.70 %
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Instruction	\$ 14,100,741	\$ 13,436,863	\$ 663,878	4.94 %
Support services	11,038,553	9,909,852	1,128,701	11.39 %
Extracurricular activities	721,146	627,697	93,449	14.89 %
Debt service	<u>38,920</u>	<u>114,448</u>	<u>(75,528)</u>	(65.99) %
Total	<u>\$ 25,899,360</u>	<u>\$ 24,088,860</u>	<u>\$ 1,810,500</u>	7.52 %

Revenues of the general fund increased \$3,541,245 or 13.70%. The most significant changes were in the areas of property taxes and intergovernmental. Property taxes increased due to an increase in assessed valuations. Intergovernmental increased due to an increase in State foundation money.

Expenditures increased \$1,810,500 or 7.52%. The largest changes were in the areas of instruction and support services. Instruction and support services increased \$1,792,579 because of increases in employee wages and benefits.

***General Fund Budgeting Highlights***

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.

During fiscal year 2024, both original budgeted revenues and final budgeted revenues and other financing sources of the general fund were \$27,914,615. Actual revenue and other financing sources of \$28,868,330 were \$953,715 more than the final budgeted amounts.

General fund actual expenditures plus other financing uses of \$25,898,555 were \$724,515 lower than final appropriations (appropriated expenditures plus other financing uses) of \$26,623,070. Original appropriations were \$26,140,651.

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**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

***Capital Assets***

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the District had \$56,657,078 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and fixtures, intangible right-to-use assets, and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The table that follows shows June 30, 2024 balances compared to June 30, 2023.

**Capital Assets at June 30  
(Net of Depreciation/Amortization)**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 806,734	\$ 806,734
Land improvements	5,240,799	5,175,781
Buildings and improvements	44,113,339	44,537,246
Furniture and fixtures	4,684,394	4,661,731
Vehicles	1,463,150	1,400,378
Intangible right-to-use asset	<u>348,662</u>	<u>281,620</u>
Total	<u>\$ 56,657,078</u>	<u>\$ 56,863,490</u>

Capital assets decreased \$206,412. The District had additions of \$1,523,426 and depreciation of \$1,729,838 during fiscal year 2024.

See Note 10 to the basic financial statements for detail on the District's capital assets.

***Debt Administration***

At June 30, 2024, the District had \$42,251,157 outstanding in general obligation bonds, leases payable, and notes payable. Of this total, \$1,845,814 is due within one year and \$40,405,343 is due in more than one year. The table below summarizes the long-term obligations outstanding.

**Outstanding Debt, at Year End**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 39,116,000	\$ 40,818,000
Premiums	2,964,239	3,089,038
Capital appreciation bonds	1,616	2,335
Accreted interest	64,982	66,189
Notes payable - financed purchases	97,566	313,555
Leases payable	<u>6,754</u>	<u>10,308</u>
Total	<u>\$ 42,251,157</u>	<u>\$ 44,299,425</u>

See Note 14 to the basic financial statements for detail on the District's debt administration.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Current Issues**

Bloom-Carroll Local School District is considered a wealthy district according to the State of Ohio's property valuation per pupil formula. The new funding formula contained within the State biennial budget provided an increase of State funds for Bloom-Carroll in fiscal year 2024. This helps the District's financial outlook, however, as indicated in the preceding financial information; the District is heavily dependent on local taxes due to the property valuation per pupil wealth index. Nearly one-quarter of the District's funding is received through the State's foundation program, which along with taxes and other various grants and entitlements makes up approximately 90 percent of the District's revenue. The District relies on state and federal funding to operate at the current level of services. Therefore, in the long-term, the current program and staffing levels will be dependent on increased funding to meet inflation.

Based on these factors, the Board of Education and the administration of the District must maintain careful financial planning and prudent fiscal management in order to preserve the financial stability of the District.

Residential growth has not eluded the District although it has slowed over the past two years. Increasing numbers of housing developments are being approved by the townships. The new developments are attracting young families to the area as evidenced by the residential permits issued in the townships. The District's enrollment has increased by an average of 2.85% per year since the 2012-13 school year. Residential/agricultural property contributes 93%, per calendar year Note 6 of the District's real estate valuation.

The District is currently considering the third and final phase of the Master Plan construction project. The final phase would include a new 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade building and conversion of the current Middle School to a High School. There is no issue on the ballot at this time. The District continues to participate in the Expedited Local Partnership Program (ELPP) through the Ohio Schools Facilities Commission. The District is scheduled to receive an 18% match on the qualifying expenditures from the Elementary and original Middle School construction.

**Contacting the District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Mr. Travis Bigam, Treasurer, Bloom-Carroll Local School District, 5240 Plum Road, Carroll, Ohio, 43112.

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,169,783
Cash with fiscal agent	1,862,545
Receivables:	
Property taxes	16,677,840
Income taxes	3,320,187
Accounts	440
Accrued interest	39,579
Intergovernmental	114,165
Prepayments	17,086
Net OPEB asset	1,423,108
Capital assets:	
Nondepreciable capital assets	806,734
Depreciable capital assets, net	55,850,344
Capital assets, net	56,657,078
Total assets	95,281,811
<b>Deferred outflows of resources:</b>	
Unamortized deferred charges on debt refunding	445,557
Pension	4,566,975
OPEB	894,269
Total deferred outflows of resources	5,906,801
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable	188,256
Accrued wages and benefits payable	2,461,485
Intergovernmental payable	157,107
Pension and postemployment benefits payable	445,401
Accrued interest payable	293,452
Claims payable	239,000
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year	2,012,768
Due in more than one year:	
Net pension liability	20,471,364
Net OPEB liability	1,440,702
Other amounts due in more than one year	41,266,914
Total liabilities	68,976,449
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>	
Property taxes levied for the next fiscal year	14,053,397
Pension	1,190,145
OPEB	2,340,487
Total deferred inflows of resources	17,584,029
<b>Net position:</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	14,916,460
Restricted for:	
Capital projects	132,616
Expendable	25,015
Nonexpendable	10,000
Debt service	3,805,885
State funded programs	8,924
Food service operations	952,611
Student activities	275,757
OPEB and other purposes	1,429,928
Unrestricted (deficit)	(6,929,062)
Total net position	\$ 14,628,134

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Revenue and Changes in Net Position
				Governmental Activities
<b>Governmental activities:</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 11,243,986	\$ 370,942	\$ 63,217	\$ (10,809,827)
Special	3,679,514	30,879	999,530	(2,649,105)
Vocational	299,086	-	48,458	(250,628)
Other	323,425	-	-	(323,425)
Support services:				
Pupil	1,561,294	-	351,989	(1,209,305)
Instructional staff	1,698,069	-	813,196	(884,873)
Board of education	181,231	-	-	(181,231)
Administration	2,596,675	-	-	(2,596,675)
Fiscal	539,195	-	-	(539,195)
Operations and maintenance	2,520,867	-	22,169	(2,498,698)
Pupil transportation	2,197,698	353	106,503	(2,090,842)
Central	483,481	-	-	(483,481)
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	1,158,441	716,736	627,081	185,376
Other non-instructional services	260	-	4,668	4,408
Extracurricular activities	1,361,687	552,531	100,109	(709,047)
Interest and fiscal charges	1,929,668	-	-	(1,929,668)
<b>Totals</b>	<u>\$ 31,774,577</u>	<u>\$ 1,671,441</u>	<u>\$ 3,136,920</u>	<u>(26,966,216)</u>
		<b>General revenues:</b>		
		Property taxes levied for:		
		General purposes		12,328,785
		Debt service		3,772,597
		Capital projects		512,545
		Income taxes levied for:		
		General purposes		7,802,499
		Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs		9,576,957
		Investment earnings		564,294
		Miscellaneous		154,684
		<b>Total general revenues</b>		<u>34,712,361</u>
		Change in net position		7,746,145
		<b>Net position at beginning of year</b>		<u>6,881,989</u>
		<b>Net position at end of year</b>		<u>\$ 14,628,134</u>

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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>General</b>	<b>Bond Retirement</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,116,534	\$ 3,555,615	\$ 1,447,657	\$ 15,119,806
<b>Receivables:</b>				
Property taxes	12,332,783	3,826,575	518,482	16,677,840
Income taxes	3,320,187	-	-	3,320,187
Accounts	440	-	-	440
Accrued interest	39,579	-	-	39,579
Intergovernmental	-	-	82,167	82,167
Prepayments	16,999	-	87	17,086
Total assets	<u>\$ 25,826,522</u>	<u>\$ 7,382,190</u>	<u>\$ 2,048,393</u>	<u>\$ 35,257,105</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 177,620	\$ -	\$ 10,636	\$ 188,256
Accrued wages and benefits payable	2,330,049	-	131,436	2,461,485
Compensated absences payable	4,051	-	-	4,051
Intergovernmental payable	152,555	-	4,552	157,107
Pension and postemployment benefits payable	419,514	-	25,887	445,401
Total liabilities	<u>3,083,789</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>172,511</u>	<u>3,256,300</u>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>				
Property taxes levied for the next fiscal year	10,400,572	3,217,973	434,852	14,053,397
Delinquent property tax revenue not available	1,200,783	372,575	50,482	1,623,840
Income tax revenue not available	544,720	-	-	544,720
Intergovernmental revenue not available	-	-	82,167	82,167
Accrued interest not available	4,529	-	-	4,529
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>12,150,604</u>	<u>3,590,548</u>	<u>567,501</u>	<u>16,308,653</u>
<b>Fund balances:</b>				
<b>Nonspendable:</b>				
Prepays	16,999	-	87	17,086
Endowment	-	-	10,000	10,000
<b>Restricted:</b>				
Debt service	-	3,791,642	-	3,791,642
Capital projects	-	-	51,050	51,050
Food service operations	-	-	981,811	981,811
State funded programs	-	-	8,924	8,924
Extracurricular	-	-	275,757	275,757
Endowment	-	-	25,015	25,015
Other purposes	-	-	6,820	6,820
<b>Assigned:</b>				
Student instruction	16,188	-	-	16,188
Student and staff support	164,091	-	-	164,091
Extracurricular activities	1,763	-	-	1,763
Capital projects	-	-	31,084	31,084
Unassigned (deficit)	10,393,088	-	(82,167)	10,310,921
Total fund balances	<u>10,592,129</u>	<u>3,791,642</u>	<u>1,308,381</u>	<u>15,692,152</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances	<u>\$ 25,826,522</u>	<u>\$ 7,382,190</u>	<u>\$ 2,048,393</u>	<u>\$ 35,257,105</u>

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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO  
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
JUNE 30, 2024

<b>Total governmental fund balances</b>		\$	15,692,152
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities on the statement of net position are different because:</i>			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.			56,657,078
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred inflows in the funds.			
Property taxes receivable	\$	1,623,840	
Income taxes receivable		544,720	
Accrued interest receivable		4,529	
Intergovernmental receivable		82,167	
Total			2,255,256
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities on the statement of net position.			1,705,520
Unamortized premiums on bonds issued are not recognized in the funds.			(2,964,239)
Unamortized amounts on refundings are not recognized in the funds.			445,557
Accrued interest payable is not due and payable in the current period and therefore is not reported in the funds.			(293,452)
The net pension/OPEB assets & liabilities are not due and payable in the current period; therefore, the assets, liabilities and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in governmental funds.			
Deferred outflows - pension		4,566,975	
Deferred inflows - pension		(1,190,145)	
Net pension liability		(20,471,364)	
Deferred outflows - OPEB		894,269	
Deferred inflows - OPEB		(2,340,487)	
Net OPEB asset		1,423,108	
Net OPEB liability		(1,440,702)	
Total			(18,558,346)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
General obligation bonds		(39,182,598)	
Leases payable		(6,754)	
Notes payable - financed purchase		(97,566)	
Compensated absences		(1,024,474)	
Total			(40,311,392)
<b>Net position of governmental activities</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>14,628,134</b>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>General</b>	<b>Bond Retirement</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
From local sources:				
Property taxes	\$ 11,330,169	\$ 3,484,299	\$ 473,572	\$ 15,288,040
Income taxes	7,802,499	-	-	7,802,499
Intergovernmental	9,128,366	1,019,407	2,436,940	12,584,713
Investment earnings	453,980	-	38,159	492,139
Change in fair value of investments	77,835	-	-	77,835
Tuition and fees	344,171	-	-	344,171
Extracurricular	53,269	-	499,262	552,531
Rental income	-	-	9,485	9,485
Charges for services	58,003	-	716,736	774,739
Contributions and donations	6,537	-	84,831	91,368
Miscellaneous	138,740	168	9,773	148,681
Total revenues	<u>29,393,569</u>	<u>4,503,874</u>	<u>4,268,758</u>	<u>38,166,201</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	10,248,951	-	63,217	10,312,168
Special	3,221,290	-	493,656	3,714,946
Vocational	302,327	-	-	302,327
Other	328,173	-	-	328,173
Support services:				
Pupil	1,493,361	-	108,343	1,601,704
Instructional staff	1,053,712	-	872,979	1,926,691
Board of education	180,190	-	-	180,190
Administration	2,564,089	61,574	8,399	2,634,062
Fiscal	538,586	-	-	538,586
Operations and maintenance	2,606,058	-	504,984	3,111,042
Pupil transportation	2,108,319	-	224,323	2,332,642
Central	494,238	-	-	494,238
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	-	-	1,162,016	1,162,016
Other non-instructional services	-	-	198	198
Extracurricular activities	721,146	-	658,262	1,379,408
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-	7,759	7,759
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	35,378	1,702,719	184,165	1,922,262
Interest and fiscal charges	3,542	1,992,041	6,965	2,002,548
Accreted interest on CABs	-	24,281	-	24,281
Total expenditures	<u>25,899,360</u>	<u>3,780,615</u>	<u>4,295,266</u>	<u>33,975,241</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>3,494,209</u>	<u>723,259</u>	<u>(26,508)</u>	<u>4,190,960</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Transfers in	-	46,845	90,000	136,845
Transfers (out)	(136,845)	-	-	(136,845)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(136,845)</u>	<u>46,845</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	3,357,364	770,104	63,492	4,190,960
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year</b>	<u>7,234,765</u>	<u>3,021,538</u>	<u>1,244,889</u>	<u>11,501,192</u>
<b>Fund balances at end of year</b>	<u>\$ 10,592,129</u>	<u>\$ 3,791,642</u>	<u>\$ 1,308,381</u>	<u>\$ 15,692,152</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds** \$ 4,190,960

*Amounts reported for governmental activities in the  
statement of activities are different because:*

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.  
However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those  
assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as  
depreciation/amortization expense.

Capital asset additions	\$	1,523,426	
Current year depreciation/amortization		<u>(1,729,838)</u>	
Total			(206,412)

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide  
current financial resources are not reported as revenues in  
the funds.

Property taxes		1,256,475	
Income taxes		69,411	
Earnings on investments		2,670	
Intergovernmental		<u>(3,845)</u>	
Total			1,324,711

Repayment of long-term obligations are an expenditure in the  
governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term  
liabilities on the statement of net position.

Bond, note and lease principal			1,922,262
Accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds			24,281

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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due. The following items resulted in additional interest being reported in the statement of activities:

Change in accrued interest payable	\$	2,980	
Accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds		(23,074)	
Amortization of bond premiums		124,799	
Amortization of deferred charges		(31,825)	
Total		72,880	72,880

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

Pension		2,093,357	
OPEB		60,290	

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

Pension		(2,032,390)	
OPEB		310,661	

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

(42,950)

An internal service fund used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds is not reported in the district-wide statement of activities. Governmental fund expenditures and the related internal service fund revenues are eliminated. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service fund is allocated among the governmental activities.

28,495

**Change in net position of governmental activities**

\$ 7,746,145

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUND  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<u><b>Governmental Activities - Internal Service Fund</b></u>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Current assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 49,977
Cash with fiscal agent	1,862,545
Receivables:	
Intergovernmental	<u>31,998</u>
Total current assets	<u>1,944,520</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Claims payable	<u>239,000</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>239,000</u>
<b>Net position:</b>	
Unrestricted	<u>1,705,520</u>
Total net position	<u><u>\$ 1,705,520</u></u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND  
CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUND  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>Governmental Activities - Internal Service Fund</b>
<b>Operating revenues:</b>	
Sales/charges for services	\$ 4,019,787
Other	7,855
Total operating revenues	4,027,642
<b>Operating expenses:</b>	
Purchased services	863,735
Claims	3,165,222
Total operating expenses	4,028,957
Operating loss	(1,315)
<b>Nonoperating revenues:</b>	
Interest revenue	29,810
Total nonoperating revenues	29,810
Change in net position	28,495
<b>Net position at beginning of year</b>	<b>1,677,025</b>
<b>Net position at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,705,520</b>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
PROPRIETARY FUND  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>Governmental Activities - Internal Service Fund</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>	
Cash received from sales/charges for services	\$ 4,019,787
Cash payments for purchased services	(863,735)
Cash payments for claims	(3,399,122)
Net cash used in operating activities	(243,070)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>	
Interest received	29,810
Net cash provided by investing activities	29,810
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(213,260)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year</b>	<b>2,125,782</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,912,522</b>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating loss to Net cash used in operating activities</b>	
Operating loss	\$ (1,315)
Intergovernmental receivable	(7,855)
Claims payable	(233,900)
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (243,070)

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<u>Custodial</u>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 29,545,668
Receivables:	
Accrued interest	<u>288,478</u>
Total current assets	<u>29,834,146</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	<u>480</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>480</u>
<b>Net position:</b>	
Restricted for insurance pool participants	<u>29,833,666</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 29,833,666</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>Custodial</b>
<b>Additions:</b>	
Amounts received as fiscal agent	\$ 104,922,385
Earnings on investments	698,071
Change in fair value of investments	1,124,445
Total additions	106,744,901
<b>Deductions:</b>	
Distributions as fiscal agent	105,385,086
Total deductions	105,385,086
Change in net position	1,359,815
<b>Net position at beginning of year</b>	28,473,851
<b>Net position at end of year</b>	\$ 29,833,666

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Bloom-Carroll Local School District, (the District) is a body politic and corporate organized under Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. The District is a local school district as defined by Ohio Revised Code Section 3311.03. The District operates under a locally-elected Board form of government consisting of five members elected at-large for staggered four year terms. The District provides educational services as authorized by state statute and/or federal guidelines.

The District is located in Fairfield County, within portions of Bloom Township and Greenfield Township, and the Village of Carroll and Lithopolis, Ohio. It is staffed by 136 certificated employees, 242 (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees who provide services to 2,245 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups, which ranks it 198 out of approximately 620 public and community school districts in Ohio. The District currently operates 4 instructional buildings.

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

**A. Reporting Entity**

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

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 has no component units.

The District is associated with four organizations, three of which are defined as jointly governed organizations and one as an insurance purchasing pool. These organizations are the Metropolitan Educational Technology Association, the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium, the State Support Team Region 11 and the Sheakley Uniservice, Inc. Worker's Compensation Group Rating Plan.

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

*JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS*

Metropolitan Educational Technology Association (META)

META is a jointly governed organization among school districts in Franklin, Fairfield, Madison, Pickaway and Union counties. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology, with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment, the administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the member districts support META based upon a per pupil charge, dependent upon services utilized. The governing board consists of a representative from each Franklin County district. Districts outside of Franklin County are associate members and each County selects a single district to represent them on the governing board. META is its own fiscal agent. The District paid \$76,891 to META for services provided during fiscal year 2024. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 61, the District does not have any equity interest in META because the residual interest in the net resources of a joint venture upon dissolution is not equivalent to any equity interest.

South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium (SCOIC)

The SCOIC is a regional council of governments organized under Ohio Revised Code Section 167. The SCOIC's primary purpose and objective is establishing and carrying out a cooperative health program for its members consisting of 19 entities within Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Hocking, Perry and Ross Counties. The governing board consists of the superintendent or other designees appointed by each of the members of the SCOIC. The participating members pay an administrative fee to the fiscal agent to cover the costs of administering the Consortium. The District serves as the fiscal agent for the SCOIC. The District joined the SCOIC on January 1, 2002. To obtain financial information, write to the Bloom-Carroll Local School District, Travis Bigam, who serves as Treasurer, at 5240 Plum Road, Carroll Ohio 43112.

State Support Team Region 11(SSRT11)

The State Support Team Region 11 (SSRT11) is a jointly governed organization operated by a Governing Board that is composed of superintendents of member school districts in central Ohio which comprise sixty percent of the Board, two parents of children with disabilities, one representative of a chartered nonpublic school, one representative of a county board of developmental disabilities, representatives of universities and students and persons with disabilities representations. SSRT11 assists the District in complying with mandates of Public Law 99-456 for educating children with disabilities. There is no financial commitment made by the districts involved in SSRT11. SSRT11 is not dependent upon the continued participation of the District and the District does not maintain an equity interest in or financial responsibility for the Council.

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

**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 fall within three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

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

*GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS*

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

The following are the District's major governmental funds:

*General Fund* - This fund is the general operating fund of the District and 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* - This fund is used to account for financial resources accumulated for the payment of general long-time debt principal, interest and related costs.

Other governmental funds of the District are used to account for:

*Nonmajor special revenue funds* – Special revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

*Nonmajor capital projects funds* – Capital projects funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

*PROPRIETARY FUNDS*

The proprietary fund focus is on the determination of operating income, change in net position, financial position and cash flows and is classified as internal service. The internal service fund accounts for the financing of services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the District, or to other governments, on a cost reimbursement basis. The internal service fund of the District accounts for a self-insurance program which provides dental, vision and health benefits to employees.

*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 custodial 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 therefore not available to support the District's own programs. The District's fiduciary fund is used to account for the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium.

**C. Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus**

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

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

*Government-Wide Financial Statements* – The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the full accrual economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows associated with the operation of the District are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position.

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. Internal service fund activity is eliminated to avoid “doubling up” revenues and expenses. The statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities. The District has no business- type activities.

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

*Fund Financial Statements* - During the 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 rather than reporting by type. The major funds are presented in separate columns. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. The internal service fund is presented in a single column on the face of the proprietary fund statements. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

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

Like the government-wide statements, the proprietary fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position presents increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total fund position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activity.

**D. Basis of Accounting**

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

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

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

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

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

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - In addition to assets, the government-wide statement of net position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. See Notes 12 and 13 for deferred outflows of resources related to net pension liability and net OPEB liability/asset, respectively. In addition, deferred outflows of resources include a deferred charge on debt refunding. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.

In addition to liabilities, both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental fund financial statements report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Deferred inflows of resources include property taxes and unavailable revenue. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2024, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2025 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow of resources on both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental fund financial statements. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet, and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period. Unavailable revenue includes, but is not limited to, delinquent property taxes and intergovernmental grants. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available.

See Notes 12 and 13 for deferred inflows of resources related to net pension liability and net OPEB liability/asset, respectively. These deferred inflows of resources are only reported on the government-wide statement of net position.

Expenses/Expenditures - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

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

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

**E. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

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

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

During the fiscal year 2024, investments were limited to negotiable certificates of deposit, commercial paper, STAR Ohio, U.S. Treasury notes, federal agency securities and a U.S. government money market account.

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, 24 hours notice in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$100 million is encouraged. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$250 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$250 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, the District reports investments at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts, such as nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are reported at cost. The District had no nonnegotiable certificates of deposit for fiscal year 2024.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2024 amounted to \$453,980 which includes \$356,978 assigned from other District funds.

Cash and cash equivalents that are held separately with the District’s third party administrator for its self-insurance program, and not included in the District Treasury, are recorded as “Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agent”.

**F. Inventory**

Inventories are presented at cost on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption and purchased and donated food held for resale. As of June 30, 2024, the District reported no inventory.

**G. Capital Assets**

General capital assets are associated with and generally arise from governmental activities. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

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

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$1,000. Improvements are capitalized; the normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset’s life are not capitalized.

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

Description	Governmental Activities <u>Estimated Lives</u>
Land improvements	5 - 20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 50 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20 years
Vehicles	5 - 10 years
Intangible right-to-use assets	5 years

The District is reporting intangible right-to-use assets related to equipment and Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs). The intangible assets are being amortized in a systematic and rational manner of the shorter of the lease/subscription term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

**H. Interfund Balances**

On the fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as “interfund loans receivable/payable” and “due from/to other funds”. These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column of the Statement of Net Position. There were no interfund balances at June 30, 2024.

**I. Compensated Absences**

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employee’s rights to receive compensation are attributed to services already rendered and it is probable that the District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The District records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all employees with more than one year of service.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the District has identified as probable of receiving payments in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees’ wage rates at fiscal year end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the District’s leave policy. The District records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for classified and certified employees and administrators who have at least 20 years of service with the District.

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

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as liabilities and expenditures as payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account “Matured Compensated Absences Payable” in the fund from which the employees will be paid.

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

**J. Prepaid Items**

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

**K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Liabilities**

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

**L. Fund Balance**

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report aggregate amounts for five classifications of fund balances based on the constraints imposed on the use of these resources. Fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

*Nonspendable* – amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in a spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted* – amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because either (a) constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions, charter requirements or enabling legislation; or (b) constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

*Committed* – amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal ordinances or resolutions of the Board of Education – the District's highest level of decision making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Education removes the specified use by taking the same type of action as when imposing the commitment. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

*Assigned* – amounts constrained by the District's "intent" to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The Board of Education, Superintendent and Treasurer have the authority to assign amount to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balances include all remaining amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds, other than the General Fund, that are not classified as nonspendable and are neither restricted nor committed.

*Unassigned* – this is the residual classification for the General Fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditures are incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the Board of Education has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.



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

**M. Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is 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 creditors, grantors or laws, or regulations of other governments.

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

**N. Estimates**

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

**O. Interfund Transactions**

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

**P. Restricted Assets**

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. There is no enabling legislative restrictions on any assets in the General Fund.

**Q. 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.

**R. Operating Revenues and Expenses**

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the District, these revenues are charges for services for the self-insurance program. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the self-insurance service that is the primary activity of that fund.

**S. Extraordinary and Special Items**

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. The District did not have any extraordinary items during fiscal year 2024.

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

Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the District administration and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The District did not have any special items during fiscal year 2024.

**T. Budgetary Process**

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

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the District Treasurer. The amount reported as the original budgeted amounts in the budgetary statement reflects the amounts in the certificate when the appropriations were adopted. The amount reported as the final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statement reflects the amounts in the final amended certificate issued during fiscal year 2024.

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

**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE**

**A. Change in Accounting Principles**

For fiscal year 2024, the District has implemented certain paragraphs from GASB Implementation Guide No. 2021-1, certain paragraphs of GASB Statement No. 99, "*Omnibus 2022*", GASB Statement No. 100, "*Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*" and Implementation Guide No. 2023-1.

GASB Implementation Guide 2021-1 provides clarification on issues related to previously established GASB guidance. The implementation of GASB Implementation Guide 2021-1 did not have an effect on balances previously reported by the District.

GASB Statement No. 99 is to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 99 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 100 is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 100 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

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**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE – (Continued)**

GASB Implementation Guide 2023-1 provides clarification on issues related to previously established GASB guidance. The implementation of GASB Implementation Guide 2023-1 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

**B. Deficit Fund Balances**

Fund balances at June 30, 2024 included the following individual fund deficits:

<u>Nonmajor governmental funds</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
Elementary and Secondary School Relief	\$ 1,368
IDEA Part B	60,420
Title I	20,379

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 resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities.

**NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

State statutes classify monies held by the District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such 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 two year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must be either 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 moneys. Interim moneys are those moneys 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 accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

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

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above;

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4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments, 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) of this section, and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio); and
8. Commercial paper and bankers acceptances 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.

**A. Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agent**

At June 30, 2024, the District had \$1,862,545 on deposit in its self-insurance fiscal agent account. This amount is not part of the District's internal investment pool and has been excluded from the total amount of deposits reported below.

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements" and GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures."

**B. Deposits with Financial Institutions**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District may not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are the possession of an outside party. As of June 30, 2024, all of the District's bank balance of \$9,388,901 was either covered by Federal Deposit Insurance or collateral was held by the pledging banks trust department 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 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 % of the deposits being secured;  
or

Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102% of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

The District's only financial institution is enrolled in the OPCS.

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**NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

**C. Investments**

The District had the following investments at June 30, 2024:

Measurement/ <u>Investment type</u>	Measurement <u>Value</u>	Investment Maturities		
		6 months or <u>less</u>	7 to 12 <u>months</u>	19 to 24 <u>months</u>
<i>Fair Value:</i>				
FHLB	\$ 774,058	\$ 295,359	478,699	-
Negotiable CDs	1,801,094	246,346	1,323,306	231,442
Commercial Paper	248,455	248,455	-	-
U.S. Government Money Market fund	303,024	303,024	-	-
<i>Amortized Cost:</i>				
STAR Ohio	<u>7,768,056</u>	<u>7,768,056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 10,894,687</u>	<u>\$ 8,861,240</u>	<u>\$ 1,802,005</u>	<u>\$ 231,442</u>

The SCOIC had the following investments at June 30, 2024:

Measurement/ <u>Investment type</u>	Measurement <u>Value</u>	Investment Maturities				
		6 months or <u>less</u>	7 to 12 <u>months</u>	13 to 18 <u>months</u>	19 to 24 <u>months</u>	Greater than <u>24 months</u>
<i>Fair Value:</i>						
FHLB	\$ 8,275,238	\$ 987,730	\$ 936,129	\$ 975,480	\$ -	\$ 5,375,899
FFCB	4,959,400	999,810	-	-	-	3,959,590
FHLMC	2,263,141	977,320	-	298,491	-	987,330
FNMA	448,295	-	-	-	-	448,295
Negotiable CDs	4,159,217	486,462	1,209,057	494,931	232,270	1,736,497
Commercial Paper	1,490,731	1,490,731	-	-	-	-
U.S. Government Money Market fund	1,084,193	1,084,193	-	-	-	-
US Treasury notes	<u>1,977,340</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,977,340</u>
Total	<u>\$ 24,657,555</u>	<u>\$ 6,026,246</u>	<u>\$ 2,145,186</u>	<u>\$ 1,768,902</u>	<u>\$ 232,270</u>	<u>\$ 14,484,951</u>

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The above chart identifies the District's recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2024. All of the District's investments are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

*Interest Rate Risk:* Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. In accordance with the investment policy, the District manages its exposure to declines in fair values by keeping the portfolio sufficiently liquid to enable the school to meet all operating requirements.

*Credit Risk:* Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The District limits their investments to obligations of Federal Government Agencies or Instrumentalities as described in Ohio Revised Code Section 135.143A (2). Investments in all federal agency securities and U.S. government money market funds were rated 'Aaa' by Moody's Investor Services. Credit ratings for the negotiable CDs are not readily available.

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*Concentration of Credit Risk:* The District’s investment policy addresses concentration of credit risk by requiring investments to be diversified in order to reduce the risk of loss resulting from the over concentration of assets in a specific type of security, the erosion of market value, or by default. However, the District’s investment policy does not place any limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer.

Measurement/ <u>Investment type</u>	District		SCOIC	
	Measurement		Measurement	
	Value	% of Total	Value	% of Total
<i>Fair Value:</i>				
FNMA	\$ -	-	\$ 448,295	1.82
FFCB	-	-	4,959,400	20.11
FHLMC	-	-	2,263,141	9.18
FHLB	774,058	7.10	8,275,238	33.55
Commercial paper	248,455	2.28	1,490,731	6.05
US Treasury notes	-	-	1,977,340	8.02
Negotiable CDs	1,801,094	16.53	4,159,217	16.87
U.S. Government Money				
Market Funds	303,024	2.78	1,084,193	4.40
<i>Amortized Cost:</i>				
STAR Ohio	<u>7,768,056</u>	<u>71.31</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 10,894,687</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,657,555</u>	<u>100.00</u>

*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.

All of the District’s investments are either insured and registered in the name of the District or at least registered in the name of the District.

The classification of cash and cash equivalents and investments on the basic financial statements is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Non-Expendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting. Cash and cash equivalents are defined to include investments included within the District’s cash management pool and investments with a maturity date of three months or less.

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**NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

**D. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position**

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the note above to cash and investments as reported on the Statement of Net Position as of June 30, 2024:

<u>Cash and investments per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 9,163,209
Investments - District	10,894,687
Investments - SCOIC	24,657,555
Cash and Cash Equivalents with Fiscal Agent	<u>1,862,545</u>
Total	<u>\$ 46,577,996</u>
<u>Cash and investments per statement of net position</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 17,032,328
Custodial funds	<u>29,545,668</u>
Total	<u>\$ 46,577,996</u>

**NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2024, consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Transfer from general fund to:</u>	
Bond retirement fund	\$ 46,845
Nonmajor governmental fund	<u>90,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 136,845</u>

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The \$46,845 transfer from the general fund to the bond retirement fund was to fund debt repayment. The \$90,000 transfer from the general fund to the district managed student activity fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) was to cover a deficit related to athletics.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no transfers are reported in the statement of activities.

All transfers were made in compliance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.14, 5705.15 and 5705.16.

**NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES**

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2024 were levied after April 1, 2023, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2023, the lien date.

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**NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)**

Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2024 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2023 became a lien December 31, 2022, were levied after April 1, 2023 and are collected in 2024 with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Fairfield 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, 2024 are available to finance fiscal year 2024 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable represents the June 2024 delinquent taxes outstanding and real property, and public utility taxes which become measurable as of June 30, 2024. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount available as an advance at June 30 is intended to finance current fiscal year operations. The receivable is therefore offset by a credit to deferred inflows of resources for that portion not intended to finance current year operations. The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2024 and 2023 were:

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
Major governmental funds:		
General fund	\$ 731,428	\$ 541,583
Bond retirement fund	236,027	170,132
Nonmajor governmental funds:		
Permanent improvement fund	33,148	31,900

The amount of second-half real property taxes available for advance at fiscal year-end can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent. On a full accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue while on a modified accrual basis the revenue is deferred.

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

	2023 Second Half Collections		2024 First Half Collections	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$ 535,870,050	92.61	\$ 546,496,370	92.73
Public utility personal	42,787,610	7.39	42,848,080	7.27
Total	\$ 578,657,660	100.00	\$ 589,344,450	100.00
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$49.90		\$49.60	



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**NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2024 consisted of property taxes, income taxes, accounts, accrued interest and intergovernmental. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected in the subsequent year. The intergovernmental receivable at June 30 consisted of federal grants and other receivables.

**Governmental activities:**

Property taxes	\$ 16,677,840
Income taxes	3,320,187
Accounts	440
Accrued interest	39,579
Intergovernmental	<u>114,165</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 20,152,211</u>

**NOTE 8 - TAX ABATEMENTS**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures. A tax abatement is defined as a reduction in tax revenues that result from an agreement between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forego tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled and (b) the individual or entity promises to take a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the District or the citizens of the District. The District has entered into such agreements. A description of the District’s abatement programs where the District has promised to forego taxes follows.

**Enterprise Zone Program**

The Ohio Enterprise Zone Program is an economic development tool administered by municipal and county governments that provides real and personal property tax exemptions to businesses making investments in Ohio. Enterprise zones are designated areas of land in which businesses can receive tax incentives in the form of tax exemptions on eligible new investment. The Enterprise Zone Program can provide tax exemptions for a portion of the value of new real property investment when the investment is made in conjunction with a project that includes job creation. Existing land values and existing building values are not eligible. The zone’s geographic area is identified by the local communities involved in the creation of the zone. Once a zone is defined, the local legislative authority participating in the creation must petition the Director of ODSA. The Director must then certify the area for it to become an active Enterprise Zone. Local communities may offer tax incentives for non-retail projects that are establishing or expanding operations in the State of Ohio. Tax incentives are negotiated at the local level, and an enterprise zone agreement must be in place before the project begins.

There is one Enterprise Zone within the District. Businesses located in an Enterprise Zone may negotiate exemptions on new property tax from investment for up to seventy-five percent (75%) for 10 years. For commercial projects, job retention and/or creation is also required. Taxes are abated as the increase in assessed value resulting from the investment is not included (or included at a lesser amount) in the assessed value used for property tax computation for the taxpayer. Agreements must be in place before the project begins. Pursuant to the terms of such agreements, if the actual number of employee positions created or retained by the business in any three-year period during which the agreement is in effect is not equal to or greater than 75 percent of the number of employee positions estimated to be created or retained under the agreement, the business shall repay the amount of taxes on property that would have been payable had the property not been exempted. In addition, the District may terminate or modify the exemptions from taxation granted under the agreement if the terms of the agreement are not met.

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**NOTE 8 - TAX ABATEMENTS – (Continued)**

A summary of the taxes foregone on the District’s abatement programs for the year ended June 30, 2024 follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Tax Abated</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Enterprise Zone Agreement	Property Tax	\$ 5,818

**NOTE 9 - INCOME TAXES**

The District levies a voted tax of 1.25 percent for general operations on the income of residents. The District had a 0.75 percent tax that was effective on January 1, 1998 and is a continuing tax. In November 2005, the voters of the District passed an additional income tax levy of 0.50 percent that became effective January 1, 2006. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue of \$7,802,499 was credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2024.

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**NOTE 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

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

	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/23</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/24</u>
<b>Governmental activities:</b>				
<i>Capital assets, not being depreciated/amortized:</i>				
Land	\$ 806,734	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 806,734
Total capital assets, not being depreciated/amortized	<u>806,734</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>806,734</u>
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated/amortized:</i>				
Land improvements	7,143,350	65,018	-	7,208,368
Buildings and improvements	51,359,967	596,003	-	51,955,970
Furniture and equipment	9,847,629	423,796	-	10,271,425
Vehicles	2,619,028	223,323	-	2,842,351
Intangible right-to-use assets:				
Equipment	17,061	-	-	17,061
SBITAs	380,922	215,286	(41,504)	554,704
Total capital assets, being depreciated/amortized	<u>71,367,957</u>	<u>1,523,426</u>	<u>(41,504)</u>	<u>72,849,879</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation/amortization:</i>				
Land improvements	(1,967,569)	-	-	(1,967,569)
Buildings and improvements	(6,822,721)	(1,019,910)	-	(7,842,631)
Furniture and equipment	(5,185,898)	(401,133)	-	(5,587,031)
Vehicles	(1,218,650)	(160,551)	-	(1,379,201)
Intangible right-to-use assets:				
Equipment	(7,184)	(3,592)	-	(10,776)
SBITAs	(109,179)	(144,652)	41,504	(212,327)
Total accumulated depreciation/amortization	<u>(15,311,201)</u>	<u>(1,729,838)</u>	<u>41,504</u>	<u>(16,999,535)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 56,863,490</u>	<u>\$ (206,412)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 56,657,078</u>

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**NOTE 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS - (Continued)**

Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to governmental functions as follow:

<u>Instruction:</u>	
Regular	\$ 1,301,399
Special	2,262
Vocational	1,743
<u>Support services:</u>	
Pupil	6,781
Instructional staff	73,352
Board of education	1,199
Administration	5,857
Operations and maintenance	159,776
Pupil transportation	136,984
Central	488
Food service operations	35,822
Extracurricular activities	4,175
Total depreciation/amortization expense	<u>\$ 1,729,838</u>

**NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the District contracted with Liberty Mutual for professional and general liability insurance, fleet insurance, and property insurance.

<u>Types of Coverage</u>	<u>Coverage Amount</u>
Building and Contents (\$2,500 deductible)	\$ 107,069,452
Inland Marine Coverage (\$250 deductible)	50,000
<i>Automobile Liability</i> : (\$1,000 deductible for collision and \$1,000 comprehensive)	
Each Occurrence	1,000,000
Aggregate Limit per Year	3,000,000
<i>Professional General Liability</i> :	
Each Occurrence	1,000,000
Aggregate Limit per Year	2,000,000
Umbrella Liability	2,000,000
<i>Public Officials Bonds</i> :	
Treasurer	100,000
Superintendent	74,000
Board President	74,000
Public Employee Dishonesty	25,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There has been no significant change in coverage from last year.

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**NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

For fiscal year 2024, the District participated with Sheakley Uniservice Inc. (the "Plan"), an insurance purchasing pool. The intent of the Plan is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the Plan. 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. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the Plan. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement ensures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the Plan. Participation in the Plan is limited to school districts that can meet the Plan's selection criteria.

The District provides medical, prescription and dental insurance for its employees. Premiums are paid directly to the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium (SCOIC). SCOIC contracted with Jefferson Health Plan, formerly known as Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Educational Service Agency (OME-RESA), Jefferson Health Plan contracted with Employee Benefits Management Corporation to service the claims of SCOIC members.

The District was self-funded with the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium effective January 1, 2002.

The South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium was established to accumulate balances sufficient to self-insure basic medical and prescription drug coverage and permit excess umbrella coverage for claims over a predetermined level. The Board's share and the employees' share of premium contributions are determined by the negotiated agreement for certificated employees and by Board action for administrators and classified employees.

Premiums are paid to the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium Fund from the Self Insurance Fund of the District. The cash balance with the fiscal agent at June 30, 2024, was \$1,862,545. Claims payments are made on an as-incurred basis by the third party administrator, with the balance of contributions remaining with the Fiscal Agent of the Consortium.

The member districts are self-insured for medical, dental and pharmacy benefits. The risk for medical, dental and pharmacy benefits remains with the member districts. The claims payable will be reported for medical, dental and pharmacy claims as of June 30, 2024, and cash with fiscal agent for the balance of funds held by the Consortium that covers medical, dental and pharmacy claims will be reported.

The claims liability of \$239,000 supported at June 30, 2024 is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrators and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10 which requires that a liability for unpaid claim costs, including estimates of costs related to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by incremental claim adjustment expenses and does not include other allocated or unallocated claim adjustment expenses.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Balance at Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Current Year Claims</u>	<u>Claims Payments</u>	<u>Balance at End of Year</u>
2024	\$ 472,900	\$ 3,165,222	\$ 3,399,122	\$ 239,000
2023	550,500	2,992,650	3,070,250	472,900

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**NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

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

***Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability/Asset***

The net pension liability and the net OPEB liability/asset reported on the statement of net position represents a liability or asset to employees for pensions and OPEB, respectively.

Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions/OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

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

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

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

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 13 for the required OPEB disclosures.

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

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**NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

***Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Plan Description - The District’s 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](http://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 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; or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

\* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017 will be included in this plan.

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

An individual whose benefit effective date is before April 1, 2018, is eligible for a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) on the first anniversary date of the benefit. Beginning April 1, 2018, new benefit recipients must wait until the fourth anniversary of their benefit for COLA eligibility. The COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit. A three-year COLA suspension was in effect for all benefit recipients for the years 2018, 2019, and 2020. Upon resumption of the COLA, it will be indexed to the percentage increase in the CPI-W, not to exceed 2.5% and with a floor of 0%. In 2023, the Board of Trustees approved a 2.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for eligible retirees and beneficiaries in 2024.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10.00% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14.00% 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 10.00% for plan members and 14.00% for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System’s funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.00%. For fiscal year 2024, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The District’s contractually required contribution to SERS was \$551,713 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount, \$106,611 is reported as pension and postemployment benefits payable.

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**NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

***Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description - Licensed teachers participate in STRS, 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](http://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 (CO) Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation is 2.20% of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

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

The DC Plan allows members to place all of their member contributions and 9.53% of the 14% employer contributions into an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices offered by STRS. The remaining 4.47% of the 14% 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 and after termination of employment.

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

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service, who is determined to be disabled, may qualify for a disability benefit. New members, on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.



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Funding Policy - Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. The fiscal year 2024 employer and employee contribution rate of 14% was equal to the statutory maximum rates. For fiscal year 2024, the full employer contribution was allocated to pension.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$1,541,644 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount, \$278,500 is reported as pension and postemployment benefits payable.

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

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

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

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date	0.084565100%	0.073333380%	
Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date	<u>0.085307400%</u>	<u>0.073172680%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.000742300%</u>	<u>-0.000160700%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 4,713,674	\$ 15,757,690	\$ 20,471,364
Pension expense	\$ 531,482	\$ 1,500,908	\$ 2,032,390

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

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 202,605	\$ 574,493	\$ 777,098
Changes of assumptions	33,390	1,297,730	1,331,120
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions/ change in proportionate share	54,562	310,838	365,400
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>551,713</u>	<u>1,541,644</u>	<u>2,093,357</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 842,270</u>	<u>\$ 3,724,705</u>	<u>\$ 4,566,975</u>

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	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 34,968	\$ 34,968
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	66,255	47,225	113,480
Changes of assumptions	-	976,819	976,819
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions/ change in proportionate share	<u>-</u>	<u>64,878</u>	<u>64,878</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 66,255</u>	<u>\$ 1,123,890</u>	<u>\$ 1,190,145</u>

\$2,093,357 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2025	\$ 67,036	\$ 38,263	\$ 105,299
2026	(162,281)	(427,323)	(589,604)
2027	316,032	1,548,952	1,864,984
2028	<u>3,515</u>	<u>(100,721)</u>	<u>(97,206)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 224,302</u>	<u>\$ 1,059,171</u>	<u>\$ 1,283,473</u>

***Actuarial Assumptions - SERS***

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

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations. Future benefits for all current plan members were projected through 2137.

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

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Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, are presented below:

Wage inflation:	
Current measurement date	2.40%
Prior measurement date	2.40%
Future salary increases, including inflation:	
Current measurement date	3.25% to 13.58%
Prior measurement date	3.25% to 13.58%
COLA or ad hoc COLA:	
Current measurement date	2.00%
Prior measurement date	2.00%
Investment rate of return:	
Current measurement date	7.00% net of system expenses
Prior measurement date	7.00% net of system expenses
Discount rate:	
Current measurement date	7.00%
Prior measurement date	7.00%
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal (level percent of payroll)

In 2023, mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

In the prior measurement date, mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weight Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

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

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined by using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' Statement of Investment Policy. Ohio Revised Code Section 3309.15 and the Board-adopted Investment Policy govern investment activity at SERS. 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 average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

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

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

**Discount Rate** - Total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%. The discount rate determination did not use a municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employers would contribute the actuarially determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 21-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The actuarially determined contribution rate of fiscal year 2023 was 14%. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return, 7.00%. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability. The annual money weighted rate of return, calculated as the internal rate of return on pension plan investments, for fiscal year 2023 was 6.90%.

**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 7.00%, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%), or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 6,957,141	\$ 4,713,674	\$ 2,823,979

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**NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions - STRS***

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022, actuarial valuation are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Discount rate of return	7.00%	7.00%
Payroll increases	3.00%	3.00%
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	0.00%	0.00%

For the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

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

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

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

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

\* Final target weights reflected at October 1, 2022.

\*\*10-Year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25% and is net of investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

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**Discount Rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with the rates described previously. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023.

**Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** - The following table represents the net pension liability as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current assumption:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 24,231,841	\$ 15,757,690	\$ 8,590,879

**Assumption and Benefit Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date** - The discount rate remained at 7.00% for June 30, 2023 valuation. Demographic assumptions were changed based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021.

**NOTE 13 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS**

**Net OPEB Liability/Asset**

See Note 12 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

**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 plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at [www.ohsers.org](http://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.

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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% of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, SERS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2024, this amount was \$30,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2% of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5% of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2024, the District's surcharge obligation was \$60,290.

The surcharge added to the allocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$60,290 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount, \$60,290 is reported as pension and postemployment benefits payable.

***Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description - The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://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% of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

***Net OPEB Liabilities/Assets, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB***

The net OPEB liability/asset was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability/asset used to calculate the net OPEB liability/asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset was based on the District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

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

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset prior measurement date	0.086368000%	0.073333380%	
Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset current measurement date	<u>0.087450700%</u>	<u>0.073172680%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.001082700%</u>	<u>-0.000160700%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 1,440,702	\$ -	\$ 1,440,702
Proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ -	\$ (1,423,108)	\$ (1,423,108)
OPEB expense	\$ (119,923)	\$ (190,738)	\$ (310,661)

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

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 3,003	\$ 2,221	\$ 5,224
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	11,170	2,544	13,714
Changes of assumptions	487,145	209,643	696,788
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions/change in proportionate share	106,288	11,965	118,253
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>60,290</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,290</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 667,896</u>	<u>\$ 226,373</u>	<u>\$ 894,269</u>

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 743,025	\$ 217,056	\$ 960,081
Changes of assumptions	409,172	938,944	1,348,116
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions/change in proportionate share	<u>31,260</u>	<u>1,030</u>	<u>32,290</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 1,183,457</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,030</u>	<u>\$ 2,340,487</u>

\$60,290 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability/asset in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.



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Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2025	\$ (194,102)	\$ (408,200)	\$ (602,302)
2026	(177,533)	(190,056)	(367,589)
2027	(102,474)	(72,723)	(175,197)
2028	(63,149)	(99,145)	(162,294)
2029	(49,457)	(90,947)	(140,404)
Thereafter	10,864	(69,586)	(58,722)
Total	\$ (575,851)	\$ (930,657)	\$ (1,506,508)

***Actuarial Assumptions - SERS***

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

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

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

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Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2023 and June 30, 2022 are presented below:

Wage inflation:	
Current measurement date	2.40%
Prior measurement date	2.40%
Future salary increases, including inflation:	
Current measurement date	3.25% to 13.58%
Prior measurement date	3.25% to 13.58%
Investment rate of return:	
Current measurement date	7.00% net of investment expense, including inflation
Prior measurement date	7.00% net of investment expense, including inflation
Municipal bond index rate:	
Current measurement date	3.86%
Prior measurement date	3.69%
Single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:	
Current measurement date	4.27%
Prior measurement date	4.08%
Medical trend assumption:	
Current measurement date	6.75 to 4.40%
Prior measurement date	7.00 to 4.40%

In 2023, the following mortality assumptions were used:

**Healthy Retirees** - PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females

**Disabled Retirees** - PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females.

**Contingent Survivors** - PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5% for males and adjusted 122.5% for females.

**Actives** - PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table.

**Mortality Projection** - Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

In the prior measurement date, mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

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

The long-term expected rate of return is reviewed as part of the regular experience studies prepared every five years for SERS. The most recent five-year experience study was performed for the period covering fiscal years 2016 through 2020, and was adopted by the Board on April 15, 2021. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a long-normal distribution analysis in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.00%, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

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

**Discount Rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2023, was 4.27%. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2023, was 4.08%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the contribution rate of 1.50% of projected covered payroll each year, which includes a 1.50% payroll surcharge and no contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is projected to be depleted in 2048 by SERS' actuaries. The Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the single equivalent interest rate for both the June 30, 2022 and the June 30, 2023 total OPEB liability. The Municipal Bond Index Rate is the single rate that will generate a present value of benefit payments equal to the sum of the present value determined by the long-term expected rate of return, and the present value determined by discounting those benefits after the date of depletion. The Municipal Bond Index Rate was 3.86% at June 30, 2023 and 3.69% at June 30, 2022.

**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, what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.27%) and higher (5.27%) than the current discount rate (4.27%). Also shown is what the net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%) and higher (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%) than the current rate (6.75% decreasing to 4.40%).

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	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 1,841,630	\$ 1,440,702	\$ 1,124,555

	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 1,058,434	\$ 1,440,702	\$ 1,947,259

***Actuarial Assumptions - STRS***

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation, compared with June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation, are presented below:

	June 30, 2023		June 30, 2022	
Inflation	2.50%		2.50%	
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%		Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%	
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation		7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation	
Payroll increases	3.00%		3.00%	
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	0.00%		0.00%	
Discount rate of return	7.00%		7.00%	
Blended discount rate of return	N/A		N/A	
Health care cost trends				
	Initial	Ultimate	Initial	Ultimate
Medical				
Pre-Medicare	7.50%	4.14%	7.50%	3.94%
Medicare	-10.94%	4.14%	-68.78%	3.94%
Prescription Drug				
Pre-Medicare	-11.95%	4.14%	9.00%	3.94%
Medicare	1.33%	4.14%	-5.47%	3.94%

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

For the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation, for healthy retirees the post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020; pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

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

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

**Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date** - The discount rate remained unchanged at 7.00% for the June 30, 2023 valuation.

**Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date** - Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024.

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 Real Rate of Return **</u>
Domestic Equity	26.00 %	6.60 %
International Equity	22.00	6.80
Alternatives	19.00	7.38
Fixed Income	22.00	1.75
Real Estate	10.00	5.75
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	1.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

\* Final target weights reflected at October 1, 2022.

\*\*10-Year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25% and is net of investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

**Discount Rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed STRS continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care fund investments of 7.00% was applied to all periods of projected health care costs to determine the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023.

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*Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate* - The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00%, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 1,204,474	\$ 1,423,108	\$ 1,613,514
	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ 1,622,350	\$ 1,423,108	\$ 1,183,124

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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The changes in the District's long-term liabilities during fiscal year 2024 were as follows:

	<u>Balance</u>			<u>Balance</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Due Within</u>
					<u>One Year</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
<i>General Obligation Bonds:</i>					
School Improvement Bonds, Series 2010	\$ 3,495,000	\$ -	\$ (1,130,000)	\$ 2,365,000	\$ 1,165,000
Energy Conservation Bonds, Series 2012	205,000	-	(40,000)	165,000	40,000
Refunding Bonds, Series 2013					
CABs	2,335	-	(719)	1,616	512
Accreted interest	66,189	23,074	(24,281)	64,982	20,585
Refunding Bonds, Series 2016	8,000,000	-	-	8,000,000	-
School Improvement Bonds, Series 2018A					
Serial	4,965,000	-	(305,000)	4,660,000	315,000
Term	15,390,000	-	-	15,390,000	-
School Improvement Bonds, Series 2018B					
Serial	2,345,000	-	(225,000)	2,120,000	230,000
Term	3,900,000	-	-	3,900,000	-
School Improvement Bonds, Series 2021	<u>2,518,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,000)</u>	<u>2,516,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Total G.O. bonds	<u>40,886,524</u>	<u>23,074</u>	<u>(1,727,000)</u>	<u>39,182,598</u>	<u>1,773,097</u>
<i>Other long-term obligations:</i>					
Leases payable	10,308	-	(3,554)	6,754	3,773
Notes payable - financed purchase	313,555	-	(215,989)	97,566	68,944
Compensated Absences	1,026,268	211,036	(208,779)	1,028,525	166,954
Net pension liability	20,876,041	139,736	(544,413)	20,471,364	-
Net OPEB liability	<u>1,212,616</u>	<u>228,086</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,440,702</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other long-term obligations	<u>23,438,788</u>	<u>578,858</u>	<u>(972,735)</u>	<u>23,044,911</u>	<u>239,671</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 64,325,312</u>	<u>\$ 601,932</u>	<u>\$ (2,699,735)</u>	62,227,509	<u>\$ 2,012,768</u>
				<u>2,964,239</u>	
				<u>\$ 65,191,748</u>	

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*School Improvement Bonds - Buildings and Improvements:* In April 2010, school improvement bonds at 5.80% interest were issued in the amount of \$26,500,000, as a result of the District being approved for school facilities funding through the State Department of Education for the renovation of the High School Building and to construct a new grades 5-8 middle school building. The bonds were issued for a twenty-seven year period with final maturity at December 1, 2037. The District issued the general obligation bonds to provide a partial cash match to the school facilities funding. As a requirement of the school facilities funding program, the District passed a 5.8 mill levy in November 2009. These bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement Fund using these tax revenues.

*Energy Conservation Bonds:* In June 2012, energy conservation bonds at 3.70% interest were issued in the amount of \$515,229. The bonds are to be used for energy conservation measures including installations, modifications or remodeling to reduce energy consumption in buildings owned by the District. The bonds were issued for fifteen year period with final maturity at December 2027. These bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement Fund.

*General Obligation Refunding Bonds:* In June 2013, general obligation refunding bonds were issued in the amount of \$10,761,731 for the purpose of refunding a portion of the 2010 School Improvement Bonds. \$3,505,000 was issued as serial bonds with interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 4.00%. \$6,145,000 was issued as term bonds with interest rates ranging from 3.50% to 4.00%. \$1,085,000 was issued as taxable serial bonds with interest rates ranging from 3.50% to 3.65%. Finally, \$26,732 was issued as capital appreciation bonds with an interest rate of 37.00%. The refunding was undertaken to reduce total future debt service payments. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$568,518 and a reduction of \$859,540 in future debt service payments. The bonds were issued for a twenty-five year period, with final maturity December 1, 2037. The remaining serial bonds of \$2,530,000 were retired during fiscal year 2021 through the Bond Retirement Fund, using the proceeds from the 2021 General Obligation Refunding Bonds issuance.

*General Obligation Refunding Bonds:* In October 2016, general obligation refunding bonds were issued in the amount of \$8,000,000 for the purpose of refunding a portion of the 2013 Serial Bonds, the 2013 Term Bonds and the 2013 Taxable Serial Bonds. The refunding was undertaken to reduce total future debt service payments. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$363,614 and a reduction of \$479,739 in future debt service payments. The bonds were issued for a twenty year period, with final maturity December 1, 2037. The bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement Fund.

*School Improvement Bonds:* In July 2018, school improvement bonds A and B were issued in the amount of \$21,500,000 and \$8,500,000 for the construction of a new elementary school. The \$2,524,423 premium on the issuance of the serial bonds is netted against this debt and is being amortized over the life of the debt. The serial bonds are retired through the Bond Retirement Fund using tax revenues.

*General Obligation Refunding Bonds:* In February 2021, general obligation refunding bonds were issued in the amount of \$2,530,000 for the purpose of refunding the 2013 General Obligation Refunding Bonds. \$2,505,000 was issued as serial bonds with an interest rate of 1.52%. \$25,000 was issued as term bonds with an interest rate of 1.52%. \$1,085,000 was issued as taxable serial bonds with interest rates ranging from 3.50% to 3.65%. The refunding was undertaken to reduce total future debt service payments. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$388,799 and a reduction of \$430,299 in future debt service payments. The bonds were issued for a ten year period, with final maturity on December 1, 2031. The bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement Fund.



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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption: The Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2038 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2036 and each November 1, thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2037	\$ 510,000
2038	530,000
Total	<u>\$ 1,040,000</u>

Unless otherwise called for redemption, the remaining \$545,000 principal amount of the Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2038 is to be paid at stated maturity.

The Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2043 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2039 and each November 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2040	\$ 565,000
2041	585,000
2042	610,000
2043	630,000
Total	<u>\$ 2,390,000</u>

Unless otherwise called for redemption, the remaining \$655,000 principal amount of the Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2043 is to be paid at stated maturity.

The Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2048 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2044 and each November 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2045	\$ 675,000
2046	710,000
2047	745,000
2048	785,000
Total	<u>\$ 2,915,000</u>

Unless otherwise called for redemption, the remaining \$820,000 principal amount of the Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2048 is to be paid at stated maturity.

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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

The Series 2018A Bonds due November 1, 2055 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2049 and each November 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2050	\$ 865,000
2051	905,000
2052	950,000
2053	1,000,000
2054	1,050,000
2055	1,100,000
2056	<u>1,155,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 7,025,000</u>

The Series 2018B Bonds due November 1, 2035 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2032 and each November 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2033	\$ 315,000
2034	335,000
2035	<u>345,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 995,000</u>

Unless otherwise called for redemption, the remaining \$365,000 principal amount of the Series 2018B Bonds due November 1, 2035 is to be paid at stated maturity.

The Series 2018B Bonds due November 1, 2038 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2036 and each November 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2037	\$ 385,000
2038	<u>395,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 780,000</u>

Unless otherwise called for redemption, the remaining \$415,000 principal amount of the Series 2018B Bonds due November 1, 2038 is to be paid at stated maturity.

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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

The Series 2018B Bonds due November 1, 2041 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on November 1, 2039 and each November 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2040	\$ 425,000
2041	450,000
2042	<u>470,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,345,000</u>

The Series 2021 Bonds due December 1, 2031 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. The mandatory sinking fund redemption is to occur on December 1, 2029 and each December 1 thereafter at 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2030	\$ 837,000
2031	<u>850,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,687,000</u>

*Optional Redemption:* The Bonds maturing on or after November 1, 2029 are subject to optional redemption prior, in whole or in part on any date in any order maturity as determined by the Board of Education and by lot within a maturity, at the option of the Board of Education on or after November 1, 2028 at par plus accrued interest thereon.

If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds of a single maturity are called for redemption, the selection of the Bonds to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by lot by the Paying Agent and Registrar in any manner which the Paying Agent and Registrar may determine. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of face value of principal thereof shall be treated as though it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If one or more, but not all, of such \$5,000 units of face value represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered holder of that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Paying Agent and Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price for the \$5,000 unit or units of face value called for redemption (including without limitation, the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium). And (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered holder thereof, of a new Bond or Bonds of the same series, of any authorized denomination or denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmaturing and unredeemed portion of and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as, the Bond surrendered.

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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

The notice of call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (i) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (ii) the redemption price to be paid, (iii) the date fixed for redemption, and (iv) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Paying Agent and Registrar on behalf of the Board of Education by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by regular first class mail, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered holder of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at such registered holder's address shown on the Bond registration records on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mailing or any defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided above, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date and on such redemption date, interest on such Bonds or portions thereof so called shall cease to accrue; and upon presentation and surrender of such Bonds or portions thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, such Bonds or portions thereof shall be paid at the redemption price, including interest accrued to the redemption date.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the general obligation debt outstanding at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 1,752,000	\$ 2,367,400	\$ 4,119,400	\$ 512	\$ 24,488	\$ 25,000
2026	1,807,000	1,910,584	3,717,584	365	24,635	25,000
2027	1,312,000	1,439,848	2,751,848	-	-	-
2028	1,262,000	1,388,969	2,650,969	739	99,261	100,000
2029	1,418,000	1,336,331	2,754,331	-	-	-
2030-2034	7,885,000	5,982,220	13,867,220	-	-	-
2035-2039	8,530,000	4,279,034	12,809,034	-	-	-
2040-2044	4,390,000	3,077,236	7,467,236	-	-	-
2045-2049	3,735,000	2,241,375	5,976,375	-	-	-
2050-2054	4,770,000	1,183,250	5,953,250	-	-	-
2055-2056	2,255,000	114,125	2,369,125	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 39,116,000</u>	<u>\$ 25,320,372</u>	<u>\$ 64,436,372</u>	<u>\$ 1,616</u>	<u>\$ 148,384</u>	<u>\$ 150,000</u>

Notes Payable - Financed Purchases: In the prior fiscal years, the District entered into lease purchase agreements for copiers, computers, and track upgrades. In the current fiscal year, the District entered into a financed purchase agreement for a turf project. Notes payable payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the financial statements for the governmental funds.

Capital assets consisting of equipment have been capitalized in the amount of \$187,675 on the statement of net position. Accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2024 was \$62,558 leaving a current book value of \$125,117. A corresponding liability is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. Principal payments in fiscal year 2024 totaled \$215,989 paid by the general fund and permanent improvement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2024:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 71,785
2026	29,147
Total minimum lease payments	<u>100,932</u>
Less: amount representing interest	<u>(3,366)</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 97,566</u></u>

*Leases Payable* - The District has entered into lease agreements for the intangible right-to-use equipment. Due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, the District will report an intangible capital asset and corresponding liability for the future scheduled payments under the leases. The lease payments will be paid from the general fund.

The District has entered into lease agreements for postage machine equipment at varying years and terms as follows:

<u>Leases</u>	<u>Lease Commencement Date</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Lease End Date</u>	<u>Payment Method</u>
Postage Machine	2021	5	2026	Quarterly

The following is a schedule of future lease payments under the lease agreements:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 3,773	\$ 323	\$ 4,096
2026	<u>2,981</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>3,071</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 6,754</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 413</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,167</u></u>

*Compensated Absences:* Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid. Compensated absences will primarily be paid from the general fund.

*Net Pension Liability and Net OPEB Liability/Asset:* The District pays obligations related to employee compensation from the fund benefiting from their service. See Notes 12 and 13 for details.

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**NOTE 14 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

**Legal Debt Margin**

The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the District shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the District. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The District's voted legal debt margin was \$17,880,027 with an unvoted debt margin of \$589,344 at June 30, 2024. The District was granted permission to exceed the voted debt limit of 9% of their total assessed valuation by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Ohio Department of Taxation before issuing these bonds.

**NOTE 15 - SET-ASIDES**

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. The amount not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the fiscal year must be held in cash at fiscal year end. This amount must be carried forward and used for the same purpose in future years. The following cash basis information identifies the change in the fund balance set aside for capital improvements during fiscal year 2024.

	<u>Capital Improvements</u>
Set-aside balance June 30, 2023	\$ -
Current year set-aside requirement	500,534
Current year offsets	(476,767)
Prior year offset from bond proceeds	<u>(23,767)</u>
Total	<u>\$ -</u>
Balance carried forward to fiscal year 2025	<u>\$ -</u>
Set-aside balance June 30, 2024	<u>\$ -</u>

**NOTE 16 – ENCUMBRANCE COMMITMENTS**

At June 30, 2024, the District had encumbrance commitments in the governmental funds as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Year-End Encumbrances</u>
General	\$ 250,329
Nonmajor governmental	<u>23,518</u>
Total	<u>\$ 273,847</u>

**NOTE 17 - INSURANCE PURCHASING POOL**

Sheakley Uniservice, Inc. Worker's Compensation Group Rating Plan

The District participates in a Worker's Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), and insurance purchasing pool with the Sheakley Uniservice, Inc. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

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**NOTE 18- 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 is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2024, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

**B. Litigation**

The District is involved in no pending litigation that would have a material effect on the financial condition of the District.

**C. Foundation Funding**

Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Traditional 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 and Workforce (ODEW) 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. ODEW has finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2024 Foundation funding for the District, resulting in no material adjustments.

**NOTE 19 - COVID-19**

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

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts Budgetary Basis</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget - over (under) Actual Amounts</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Budgetary revenues and other financing sources	\$ 27,914,615	\$ 27,914,615	\$ 28,868,330	\$ 953,715
Budgetary expenditures and other financing uses	<u>26,140,651</u>	<u>26,623,070</u>	<u>25,898,555</u>	<u>(724,515)</u>
Net change in fund balance	1,773,964	1,291,545	2,969,775	1,678,230
<b>Budgetary fund balance at beginning of year</b>	6,704,117	6,704,117	6,704,117	-
<b>Prior year encumbrances appropriated</b>	<u>123,070</u>	<u>123,070</u>	<u>123,070</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Budgetary fund balance at end of year</b>	<u><u>\$ 8,601,151</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,118,732</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,796,962</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,678,230</u></u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF  
THE NET PENSION LIABILITY AND  
DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS  
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

<b>Fiscal Year (1)</b>	<b>District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>District's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</b>
2024	0.085307400%	\$ 4,713,674	\$ 3,496,393	134.82%	76.06%
2023	0.084565100%	4,573,938	3,566,093	128.26%	75.82%
2022	0.084749700%	3,127,018	3,306,857	94.56%	82.86%
2021	0.081653900%	5,400,761	3,159,943	170.91%	68.55%
2020	0.082113900%	4,913,019	3,021,943	162.58%	70.85%
2019	0.082846800%	4,744,790	2,869,029	165.38%	71.36%
2018	0.076343500%	4,561,355	2,769,771	164.68%	69.50%
2017	0.079909100%	5,848,609	2,876,057	203.36%	62.98%
2016	0.079749100%	4,550,561	3,006,064	151.38%	69.16%
2015	0.080222000%	4,059,990	1,777,785	228.37%	71.70%

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Contractually Required Contributions</b>	<b>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions</b>	<b>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</b>	<b>District's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
2024	\$ 551,713	\$ (551,713)	\$ -	\$ 3,940,807	14.00%
2023	489,495	(489,495)	-	3,496,393	14.00%
2022	499,253	(499,253)	-	3,566,093	14.00%
2021	462,960	(462,960)	-	3,306,857	14.00%
2020	442,392	(442,392)	-	3,159,943	14.00%
2019	407,962	(407,962)	-	3,021,941	13.50%
2018	387,319	(387,319)	-	2,869,030	13.50%
2017	387,768	(387,768)	-	2,769,771	14.00%
2016	402,648	(402,648)	-	2,876,057	14.00%
2015	396,199	(396,199)	-	3,006,062	13.18%

(1) Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the District's measurement date which is the prior year-end.

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF  
THE NET PENSION LIABILITY AND  
DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS  
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

<b>Fiscal Year (1)</b>	<b>District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>District's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</b>
2024	0.073172680%	\$ 15,757,690	\$ 10,006,543	157.47%	80.02%
2023	0.073333380%	16,302,103	9,517,636	171.28%	78.88%
2022	0.071802282%	9,180,567	8,767,114	104.72%	87.78%
2021	0.070051530%	16,949,978	9,214,886	183.94%	75.48%
2020	0.068752830%	15,204,275	7,995,029	190.17%	77.40%
2019	0.068591550%	15,081,742	7,959,429	189.48%	77.31%
2018	0.067363890%	16,002,436	7,448,571	214.84%	75.30%
2017	0.067367270%	22,549,856	7,101,543	317.53%	66.80%
2016	0.065125500%	17,998,783	7,047,821	255.38%	72.10%
2015	0.064418370%	15,668,777	7,180,014	218.23%	74.70%

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Contractually Required Contributions</b>	<b>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions</b>	<b>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</b>	<b>District's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
2024	\$ 1,541,644	\$ (1,541,644)	\$ -	\$ 11,011,743	14.00%
2023	1,400,916	(1,400,916)	-	10,006,543	14.00%
2022	1,332,469	(1,332,469)	-	9,517,636	14.00%
2021	1,227,396	(1,227,396)	-	8,767,114	14.00%
2020	1,290,084	(1,290,084)	-	9,214,886	14.00%
2019	1,119,304	(1,119,304)	-	7,995,029	14.00%
2018	1,114,320	(1,114,320)	-	7,959,429	14.00%
2017	1,042,800	(1,042,800)	-	7,448,571	14.00%
2016	994,216	(994,216)	-	7,101,543	14.00%
2015	986,695	(986,695)	-	7,047,821	14.00%

(1) Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the District's measurement date which is the prior year-end.

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF  
THE NET OPEB LIABILITY AND  
DISTRICT OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS  
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO

LAST EIGHT AND TEN FISCAL YEARS

<u>Fiscal Year (1) (2)</u>	<u>District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability</u>	<u>District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability</u>	<u>District's Covered Payroll</u>	<u>District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability</u>
2024	0.087450700%	\$ 1,440,702	\$ 3,496,393	41.21%	30.02%
2023	0.086368000%	1,212,616	3,566,093	34.00%	30.34%
2022	0.086955500%	1,645,704	3,306,857	49.77%	24.08%
2021	0.083300000%	1,810,382	3,159,943	57.29%	18.17%
2020	0.083602600%	2,102,430	3,021,943	69.57%	15.57%
2019	0.083288800%	2,310,656	2,869,029	80.54%	13.57%
2018	0.077095900%	2,069,051	2,769,771	74.70%	12.46%
2017	0.077095900%	2,197,518	2,876,057	76.41%	11.49%

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Contractually Required Contributions</u>	<u>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions</u>	<u>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</u>	<u>District's Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</u>
2024	\$ 60,290	\$ (60,290)	\$ -	\$ 3,940,807	1.53%
2023	62,143	(62,143)	-	3,496,393	1.78%
2022	55,889	(55,889)	-	3,566,093	1.57%
2021	-	-	-	3,306,857	0.00%
2020	-	-	-	3,159,943	0.00%
2019	15,110	(15,110)	-	3,021,941	0.50%
2018	14,345	(14,345)	-	2,869,030	0.50%
2017	-	-	-	2,769,771	0.00%
2016	-	-	-	2,876,057	0.00%
2015	24,650	(24,650)	-	3,006,062	0.82%

(1) Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the District's measurement date which is the prior year-end.

(2) Information prior to 2017 is not available. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years.

Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

SCHEDULES OF THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF  
THE NET OPEB LIABILITY/(ASSET) AND  
DISTRICT OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS  
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

LAST EIGHT AND TEN FISCAL YEARS

<b>Fiscal Year (1) (2)</b>	<b>District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)</b>	<b>District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)</b>	<b>District's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability/(Asset)</b>
2024	0.073172680%	\$ (1,423,108)	\$ 10,006,543	14.22%	168.52%
2023	0.073333380%	(1,898,844)	9,517,636	19.95%	230.73%
2022	0.071802282%	(1,513,891)	8,767,114	17.27%	174.73%
2021	0.070051530%	(1,231,154)	9,214,886	13.36%	182.10%
2020	0.068752830%	(1,138,712)	7,995,029	14.24%	174.74%
2019	0.068591550%	(1,102,196)	7,959,429	13.85%	176.00%
2018	0.067363890%	2,628,290	7,448,571	35.29%	47.10%
2017	0.067363890%	3,602,638	7,101,543	50.73%	37.30%

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Contractually Required Contributions</b>	<b>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions</b>	<b>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</b>	<b>District's Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
2024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,011,743	0.00%
2023	-	-	-	10,006,543	0.00%
2022	-	-	-	9,517,636	0.00%
2021	-	-	-	8,767,114	0.00%
2020	-	-	-	9,214,886	0.00%
2019	-	-	-	7,995,029	0.00%
2018	-	-	-	7,959,429	0.00%
2017	-	-	-	7,448,571	0.00%
2016	-	-	-	7,101,543	0.00%
2015	-	-	-	7,047,821	0.00%

(1) Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the District's measurement date which is the prior year-end.

(2) Information prior to 2017 is not available. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years.

Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY PROCESS**

While reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements.

The statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (non-GAAP budgetary basis) presented for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- (a) Revenues and other financing sources are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis);
- (b) Expenditures and other financing uses are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis);
- (c) In order to determine compliance with Ohio law, and to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, total outstanding encumbrances (budget basis) are recorded as the equivalent of an expenditure, as opposed to assigned or committed fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable (GAAP basis); and
- (d) Some funds are included in the general fund (GAAP basis), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budget basis).

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis is as follows:

**Net Change in Fund Balance**

	<u>General fund</u>
Budget basis	\$ 2,969,775
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	576,784
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(331,481)
Net adjustment for other sources/uses	(112,583)
Funds budgeted elsewhere	3,315
Adjustments for encumbrances	<u>251,554</u>
GAAP Basis	<u>\$ 3,357,364</u>

As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting", certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund. This includes the public school support fund.

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NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 2 - PENSIONS & OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)**

**PENSION**

*SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO*

*Change in benefit terms:*

- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2015.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2016.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2017.
- For fiscal year 2018, SERS changed from a fixed 3% annual increase to a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) based on the changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI-W), with a cap of 2.5% and a floor of 0%.
- For fiscal year 2019, with the authority granted the Board under Senate Bill 8, the Board has enacted a three year COLA delay for future benefit recipients commencing benefits on or after April 1, 2018.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2020.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2021.
- For fiscal year 2022, SERS changed from a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) of 2.5% to 2.0%.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2023.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2024.

*Change in assumptions:*

- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2015.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2016.
- For fiscal year 2017, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%, (b) payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%, (c) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%, (d) rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females, (f) mortality among service retired members and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates and 110% of female rates, (g) mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement and (h) the discount rate was reduced from 7.75% to 7.50%.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2018.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2019.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2020.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2021.
- For fiscal year 2022, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) wage inflation decreased from 3.00% to 2.40%, (b) future salary increases changed from 3.50%-18.20% to 3.25%-13.58%, (c) investment rate of return decreased from 7.50% to 7.00%, (d) discount rate decreased from 7.50% to 7.00% and (e) mortality tables changed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar mortality table to the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table.



**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 2 - PENSIONS & OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) - (Continued)**

- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2023.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2024.

*STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO*

*Change in benefit terms:*

- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2015.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2016.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2017.
- For fiscal year 2018, STRS decreased the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to zero.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2019.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2020.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2021.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2022.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2023.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2024.

*Changes in assumptions:*

- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2015.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2016.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2017.
- For fiscal year 2018, the following changes of assumption affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the long-term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%, (b) the inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%, (c) the payroll growth assumption was lowered to 3.00%, (d) total salary increases rate was lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, in addition to a decrease of 0.25% due to lower inflation, (e) the healthy and disabled mortality assumptions were updated to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016 and (f) rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2019.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2020.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2021.
- For fiscal year 2022, the following changes of assumption affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the long-term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.45% to 7.00% and (b) the discount rate of return was reduced from 7.45% to 7.00%.
- For fiscal year 2023, the following changes of assumption affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: the projected salary increases went from 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 to varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%.
- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2024.

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 2 - PENSIONS & OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) - (Continued)**

**OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)**

*SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO*

*Change in benefit terms:*

- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2017.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2018.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2019.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2020.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2021.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2022.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2023.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2024.

*Change in assumptions:*

- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2017.
- For fiscal year 2018, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%, (b) payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%, (c) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%, (d) rates of withdrawal, retirement, and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality among active members was updated to the following: RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five-year age set-back for both males and females, (f) mortality among service retired members and beneficiaries was updated to the following: RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates, (g) mortality among disabled members was updated to the following: RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement, (h) the municipal bond index rate increased from 2.92% to 3.56% and (i) the single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation increased from 2.98% to 3.63%.
- For fiscal year 2019, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate increased from 3.63% to 3.70%, (b) the health care cost trend rates for Medicare were changed from a range of 5.50%-5.00% to a range of 5.375%-4.75% and Pre-Medicare were changed from a range of 7.50%-5.00% to a range of 7.25%-4.75%, (c) the municipal bond index rate increased from 3.56% to 3.62% and (d) the single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation increased from 3.63% to 3.70%.
- For fiscal year 2020, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate decreased from 3.70% to 3.22%, (b) the health care cost trend rates for Medicare were changed from a range of 5.375%-4.75% to a range of 5.25%-4.75% and Pre-Medicare were changed from a range of 7.25%-4.75% to a range of 7.00%-4.75%, (c) the municipal bond index rate decreased from 3.62% to 3.13% and (d) the single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation decreased from 3.70% to 3.22%.
- For fiscal year 2021, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate decreased from 3.22% to 2.63% and (b) the municipal bond index rate decreased from 3.13% to 2.45%, and (c) the single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation decreased from 3.22% to 2.63%.

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 2 - PENSIONS & OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) - (Continued)**

- For fiscal year 2022, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) wage inflation decreased from 3.00% to 2.40%, (b) future salary increases changed from 3.50%-18.20% to 3.25%-13.58%, (c) investment rate of return decreased from 7.50% to 7.00%, (d) discount rate decreased from 7.50% to 7.00% and (e) mortality tables changed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar mortality table to the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table.
- For fiscal year 2023, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) municipal bond index rate went from 1.92% to 3.69%, (b) single equivalent interest rate when from 2.27% to 4.08% and (c) medical trend assumptions went from 5.125% to 4.40% Medicare and 6.75% to 4.40% Pre-Medicare to 7.00% to 4.40%.
- For fiscal year 2024, the following changes of assumptions affect the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) municipal bond index rate went from 3.69% to 3.86%, (b) single equivalent interest rate when from 4.08% to 4.27% and (c) medical trend assumptions went from 7.00% to 4.40% to 6.75% to 4.40%.

STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

*Change in benefit terms:*

- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2017.
- For fiscal year 2018, STRS reduced the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients from 2.1% to 1.9% 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.
- For fiscal year 2019, STRS increased the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients from 1.9% to 1.944% per year of service effective January 1, 2019. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased January 1, 2019 and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020.
- For fiscal year 2020, STRS increased the subsidy percentage from 1.944% to 1.984% effective January 1, 2020. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021.
- For fiscal year 2021, the non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984% to 2.055% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.
- For fiscal year 2022, the non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022 from 2.055% to 2.100%. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2022. The Medicare Part D subsidy was updated to reflect it is expected to be negative in CY2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2023.
- There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts previously reported for fiscal year 2024.

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 2 - PENSIONS & OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) - (Continued)**

*Change in assumptions:*

- There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2017.
- For fiscal year 2018, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate was increased from 3.26% to 4.13% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB), (b) the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%, (c) valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified, (d) 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 and (e) the assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.
- For fiscal year 2019, the following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability/asset since the prior measurement date: (a) the discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13% to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB) and (b) decrease in health care cost trend rates from 6.00%-11.00% initial; 4.50% ultimate down to Medical Pre-Medicare 6.00% and Medicare 5.00% initial; 4.00% ultimate and Prescription Drug Pre-Medicare 8.00% and Medicare (5.23%) initial; 4.00% ultimate.
- For fiscal year 2020, health care cost trend rates were changed to the following: medical pre-Medicare from 6.00% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to 5.87% initial - 4.00% ultimate; medical Medicare from 5.00% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to 4.93% initial - 4.00% ultimate; prescription drug pre-Medicare from 8.00% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to 7.73% initial - 4.00% ultimate and (5.23%) initial - 4.00% ultimate up to 9.62% initial - 4.00% ultimate.
- For fiscal year 2021, health care cost trend rates were changed to the following: medical pre-Medicare from 5.87% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to 5.00% initial - 4.00% ultimate; medical Medicare from 4.93% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to -6.69% initial - 4.00% ultimate; prescription drug pre-Medicare from 7.73% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to 6.50% initial - 4.00% ultimate; prescription drug Medicare from 9.62% initial - 4.00% ultimate up to 11.87% initial - 4.00% ultimate.
- For fiscal year 2022, the following changes of assumption affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the long-term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.45% to 7.00%, (b) the discount rate of return was reduced from 7.45% to 7.00% and (c) health care cost trend rates were changed to the following: medical Medicare from -6.69% initial - 4.00% ultimate down to -16.18% initial - 4.00% ultimate; prescription drug Medicare from 11.87% initial - 4.00% ultimate up to 29.98% initial - 4.00% ultimate.
- For fiscal year 2023, the following changes of assumption affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) projected salary increase went from 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 to varies by services from 2.50% to 8.50% and (b) health care cost trend rates were changed to the following: Pre-Medicare from 5.00% initial - 4.00% ultimate to 7.50% initial - 3.94% ultimate; medical Medicare from -16.18% initial - 4.00% ultimate to -68.78% initial - 3.94% ultimate; prescription drug Pre-Medicare from 6.50% initial - 4.00% ultimate to 9.00% initial - 3.94% ultimate; Medicare from 29.98% initial - 4.00% ultimate to -5.47% initial - 3.94% ultimate.
- For fiscal year 2024, the following changes of assumption affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) health care cost trend rates were changed to the following: Pre-Medicare from 7.50% initial - 3.94% ultimate to 7.50% initial - 4.14% ultimate; medical Medicare from -68.78% initial - 3.94% ultimate to -10.94% initial - 4.14% ultimate; prescription drug Pre-Medicare from 9.00% initial - 3.94% ultimate to -11.95% initial - 4.14% ultimate; Medicare from -5.47% initial - 3.94% ultimate to 1.33% initial - 4.14% ultimate.

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY**

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

<b>FEDERAL GRANTOR Pass Through Grantor Program / Cluster Title</b>	<b>Federal AL Number</b>		<b>Pass Through Entity Identifying Number</b>	<b>Total Federal Expenditures</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</b>				
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education and Workforce</i>				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
Cash Assistance				
School Breakfast Program	10.553		N/A	66,450
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	10.555		N/A	69,287
National School Lunch Program	10.555		N/A	365,810
Non-Cash Assistance				
National School Lunch Program	10.555		N/A	59,660
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582		N/A	22,092
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				<u>583,299</u>
COVID-19 Pandemic EBT Administrative Costs	10.649		N/A	<u>1,233</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture				<u><b>584,532</b></u>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY</b>				
<i>Passed Through Ohio Office of Budget and Management</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	21.027		N/A	<u>20,000</u>
Total U.S. Department of Treasury				<u><b>20,000</b></u>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</b>				
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education and Workforce</i>				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	A	N/A	101,676
Special Education Cluster				
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	A	N/A	422,160
COVID-19 Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	X	N/A	17,970
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173	A	N/A	12,416
COVID-19 Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173	X	N/A	7,695
Total Special Education Cluster				<u>460,241</u>
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	A	N/A	33,929
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	A	N/A	10,000
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	F		12,169
Total Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program				<u>22,169</u>
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	U	N/A	890,945
Total U.S. Department of Education				<u><b>1,508,960</b></u>
<b>Total Expenditures of Federal Awards</b>				<u><b>\$2,113,492</b></u>

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.*

**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY**

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

**NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Bloom-Carroll Local School District (the District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the District.

**NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

**NOTE C – INDIRECT COST RATE**

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

**NOTE D - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER**

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

**NOTE E – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

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

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

Bloom-Carroll Local School District  
Fairfield County  
5240 Plum Road  
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To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bloom-Carroll Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 5, 2025.

### ***Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

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

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

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

***Report on Compliance and Other Matters***

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

***Purpose of This Report***

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



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February 5, 2025



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

Bloom-Carroll Local School District  
Fairfield County  
5240 Plum Road  
Carroll, Ohio 43112

To the Board of Education:

### **Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program**

#### ***Opinion on the Major Federal Program***

We have audited Bloom-Carroll Local School District, Fairfield County, (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Bloom-Carroll Local School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024. Bloom-Carroll Local School District's major federal program is identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

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

#### ***Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program***

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

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

### ***Responsibilities of Management for Compliance***

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance***

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

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

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

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

### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

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

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

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

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



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February 5, 2025

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**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY**

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

**1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

<b>(d)(1)(i)</b>	<b>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iii)</b>	<b>Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(v)</b>	<b>Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<b>(d)(1)(vi)</b>	<b>Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(vii)</b>	<b>Major Programs (list):</b>	ALN 84.425U COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund
<b>(d)(1)(viii)</b>	<b>Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs</b>	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
<b>(d)(1)(ix)</b>	<b>Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?</b>	Yes

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

None.

**3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

None.

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# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



**BLOOM-CARROLL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**FAIRFIELD 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 2/25/2025**

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