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**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY**

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District  
Trumbull County  
2077 Park Road West  
North Bloomfield, Ohio 44450

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the 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 Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and Title 1 Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2009, 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. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

We conducted our audit to opine on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The Federal Awards Expenditures Schedule is required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. We subjected the Federal Awards Expenditures Schedule to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements. In our opinion, this information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



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September 30, 2009

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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The discussion and analysis of the Bloomfield-Mespo 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, 2008. 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 2008 are as follows:

- In total, net assets of governmental activities increased \$79,752 which represents a 6.09% increase from 2007.
- General revenues accounted for \$2,985,824 in revenue or 75.44% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$972,221 or 24.56% of total revenues of \$3,958,045.
- The District had \$3,878,293 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$972,221 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$2,985,824 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The District's major governmental funds are the general fund and the Title I fund. The general fund had \$2,907,834 in revenues and other financing sources and \$2,892,558 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the general fund's fund balance increased \$15,463 from \$521,988 to \$537,451.
- The Title I fund had \$431,940 in revenues and \$423,242 in expenditures. During fiscal 2008, the Title I fund's fund balance increased \$8,698 from \$36,916 to \$45,614.

**Using the Basic Financial Statements (BFS)**

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 assets* 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. In the case of the District, the general fund and Title I fund are by far the most significant funds, and the only governmental funds reported as major funds.

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**Reporting the District as a Whole**

*Statement of Net Assets 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 2008?" The statement of net assets and the statement of activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, 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 assets* and changes in those assets. This change in net assets 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 assets and the statement of activities, the governmental activities include the District's programs and services, including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, central, extracurricular activities, and food service operations.

The District's statement of net assets and statement of activities can be found on pages 13-14 of this report.

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

*Fund Financial Statements*

The analysis of the District's major governmental fund begins on page 9. 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 Title I 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* than 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 assets and the statement of activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the basic financial statements. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 15-20 of this report.

*Reporting the District's Fiduciary Responsibilities*

The District acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in agency funds. The District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statements of fiduciary net assets on page 21. These activities are excluded from the District's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the District to finance its operations.



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***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. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 22-45 of this report.

**The District as a Whole**

Recall that the statement of net assets provides the perspective of the District as a whole.

The table below provides a summary of the District's net assets at June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007.

	<b>Net Assets</b>	
	Governmental Activities <u>2008</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2007</u>
<b><u>Assets</u></b>		
Current and other assets	\$ 2,512,544	\$ 2,448,990
Capital assets, net	<u>735,165</u>	<u>665,945</u>
Total assets	<u>3,247,709</u>	<u>3,114,935</u>
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>		
Current liabilities	1,602,037	1,594,383
Long-term liabilities	<u>256,868</u>	<u>211,500</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,858,905</u>	<u>1,805,883</u>
<b><u>Net Assets</u></b>		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	683,802	658,858
Restricted	169,334	167,060
Unrestricted	<u>535,668</u>	<u>483,134</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 1,388,804</u>	<u>\$ 1,309,052</u>

Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2008, the District's assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,388,804. Of this total, \$535,668 is unrestricted in use.

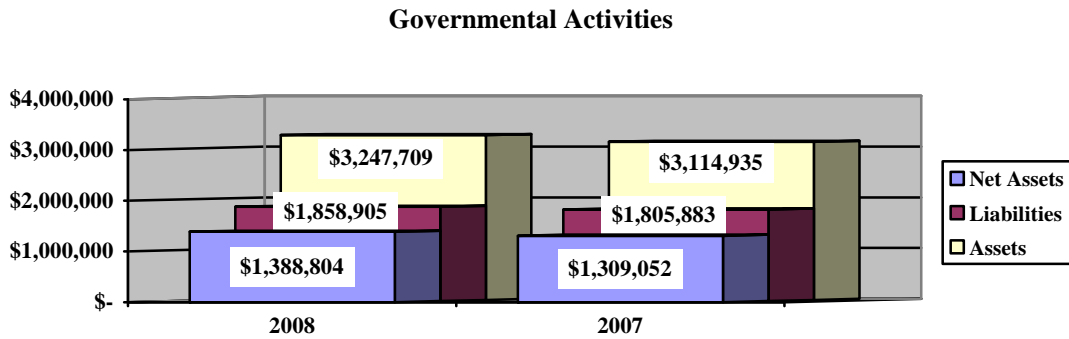
At year-end, capital assets represented 22.64% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation at June 30, 2008, were \$683,802. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending.

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A portion of the District's net assets, \$169,334, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$535,668 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

The graph below shows the District's assets, liabilities and net assets at June 30, 2008 and 2007:



The table below shows the change in net assets for fiscal year 2008 and 2007.

	<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	
	Governmental Activities <u>2008</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2007</u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 248,373	\$ 304,304
Operating grants and contributions	720,896	659,004
Capital grants and contributions	2,952	14,606
General revenues:		
Property taxes	1,289,165	1,294,409
Grants and entitlements	1,645,648	1,596,358
Investment earnings	34,162	38,026
Other	<u>16,849</u>	<u>27,558</u>
Total revenues	<u>3,958,045</u>	<u>3,934,265</u>

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	<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	
	Governmental Activities <u>2008</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2007</u>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Program expenses:		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 1,607,815	\$ 1,578,212
Special	401,996	386,749
Vocational	66,018	61,365
Other	18,471	19,221
Support services:		
Pupil	137,385	120,910
Instructional staff	245,045	191,901
Board of education	20,844	16,667
Administration	387,001	364,037
Fiscal	202,285	195,521
Business	-	600
Operations and maintenance	353,078	319,532
Pupil transportation	207,894	201,100
Central	6,000	6,000
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	127,690	147,544
Other non-instructional services	2,516	89
Extracurricular activities	88,094	103,047
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>6,161</u>	<u>1,153</u>
Total expenses	<u>3,878,293</u>	<u>3,713,648</u>
Change in net assets	79,752	220,617
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>1,309,052</u>	<u>1,088,435</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 1,388,804</u>	<u>\$ 1,309,052</u>

**Governmental Activities**

Net assets of the District's governmental activities increased \$79,752 during fiscal year 2008. Total governmental expenses of \$3,878,293 were offset by program revenues of \$972,221 and general revenues of \$2,985,824. Program revenues supported 25.07% of the total governmental expenses.

The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, and grants and entitlements. These revenue sources represent 74.15% of total governmental revenue.

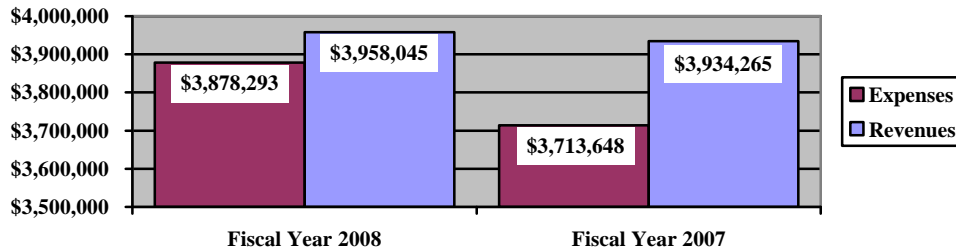
The largest expense of the District is for instructional programs. Instruction expenses totaled \$2,094,300 or 54.00% of total governmental expenses for fiscal year 2008.

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The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue and expenses for fiscal year 2008 and 2007.

**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**

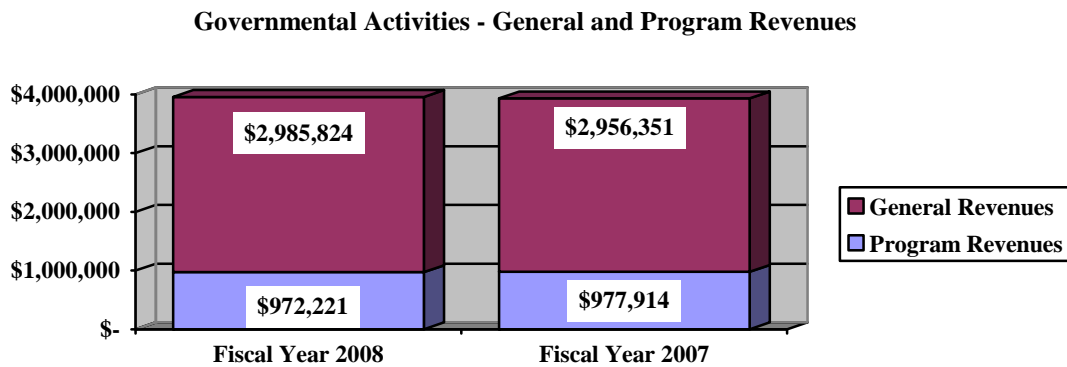
	Total Cost of Services 2008	Net Cost of Services 2008	Total Cost of Services 2007	Net Cost of Services 2007
<b>Program expenses</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 1,607,815	\$ 1,360,314	\$ 1,578,212	\$ 1,286,602
Special	401,996	80,981	386,749	46,809
Vocational	66,018	65,975	61,365	61,243
Other	18,471	1,591	19,221	(1,591)
Support services:				
Pupil	137,385	120,803	120,910	100,319
Instructional staff	245,045	73,984	191,901	85,438
Board of education	20,844	20,844	16,667	16,667
Administration	387,001	370,325	364,037	350,697
Fiscal	202,285	202,285	195,521	195,380
Business	-	-	600	600
Operations and maintenance	353,078	334,468	319,532	316,208
Pupil transportation	207,894	204,033	201,100	181,975
Central	6,000	-	6,000	-
Operations of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	127,690	7,112	147,544	34,269
Other non-instructional services	2,516	2,516	89	89
Extracurricular activities	88,094	54,680	103,047	59,876
Interest and fiscal charges	6,161	6,161	1,153	1,153
<b>Total expenses</b>	<u>\$ 3,878,293</u>	<u>\$ 2,906,072</u>	<u>\$ 3,713,648</u>	<u>\$ 2,735,734</u>

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The dependence upon tax and other general revenues for governmental activities is apparent, 72.05% and 68.10% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues for fiscal years 2008 and 2007, respectively. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 74.93% for fiscal year 2008. The District's taxpayers, as a whole, are by far the primary support for District's students.

The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue for fiscal year 2008 and 2007.



**The District's Funds**

The District's governmental funds (as presented on the balance sheet on page 15) reported a combined fund balance of \$719,452, which is greater than last year's total of \$614,111. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2008.

	Fund Balance <u>June 30, 2008</u>	Fund Balance <u>June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Increase</u>	Percentage <u>Change</u>
General	\$ 537,451	\$ 521,988	\$ 15,463	2.96 %
Title I	45,614	36,916	8,698	23.56 %
Other Governmental	<u>136,387</u>	<u>55,207</u>	<u>81,180</u>	147.05 %
Total	<u>\$ 719,452</u>	<u>\$ 614,111</u>	<u>\$ 105,341</u>	17.15 %

**General Fund**

The District's general fund balance increased \$15,463. The increase in fund balance can be attributed to several items related to decreased revenues still exceeding increasing expenditures.

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The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and fund balance of the general fund.

	2008 <u>Amount</u>	2007 <u>Amount</u>	Increase <u>(Decrease)</u>	Percentage <u>Change</u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
Taxes	\$ 963,486	\$ 965,225	\$ (1,739)	(0.18) %
Tuition	167,641	208,910	(41,269)	(19.75) %
Earnings on investments	34,162	38,026	(3,864)	(10.16) %
Classroom materials and fees	4,845	4,890	(45)	(0.92) %
Intergovernmental	1,647,327	1,641,934	5,393	0.33 %
Other revenues	<u>22,002</u>	<u>29,298</u>	<u>(7,296)</u>	(24.90) %
 Total	 <u>\$ 2,839,463</u>	 <u>\$ 2,888,283</u>	 <u>\$ (48,820)</u>	 (1.69) %
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Instruction	\$ 1,451,549	\$ 1,404,620	\$ 46,929	3.34 %
Support services	1,300,146	1,241,693	58,453	4.71 %
Non-instructional services	2,516	89	2,427	27.27 %
Extracurricular activities	49,736	57,288	(7,552)	(13.18) %
Capital outlay	66,813	-	66,813	100.00 %
Debt service	<u>21,611</u>	<u>14,508</u>	<u>7,103</u>	48.96 %
 Total	 <u>\$ 2,892,371</u>	 <u>\$ 2,718,198</u>	 <u>\$ 174,173</u>	 6.41 %

Tuition revenues decreased \$41,269 or 19.75% due to a decrease in open enrollment. Capital outlay increased \$66,813 and debt service increased \$7,103 or 48.96%. These increases are due to a new capital lease obligation.

***Title I Fund***

The District's Title I fund's fund balance increased by \$8,698. The revenues increased from \$387,826 to \$431,940. This was largely due to grants received during the available period. The expenditures increased from \$378,982 to \$423,242, due to an increase in payments for teacher salaries 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 the course of fiscal 2008, the District amended its general fund budget several times. For the general fund, original budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$2,987,666 and final budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$2,841,847. Actual revenues and other financing sources for fiscal 2008 was \$2,843,728. This represents a \$1,881 increase over final budgeted revenues.

General fund original appropriations of \$3,457,144 remained the same in the final budget. The actual budget basis expenditures for fiscal year 2008 totaled \$2,830,988, which was \$626,156 less than the final budget.

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**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

*Capital Assets*

At the end of fiscal year 2008, the District had \$735,165 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities.

The following table shows June 30, 2008 balances compared to June 30, 2007:

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

	Governmental Activities	
	2008	2007
Land	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Land improvements	23,573	15,521
Building and improvements	464,930	421,735
Furniture and equipment	99,596	50,568
Vehicles	132,066	163,121
Total	\$ 735,165	\$ 665,945

The overall increase in capital assets of \$69,220 is due to capital outlays of \$171,411 exceeding depreciation expense of \$102,191 in the fiscal year.

See Note 7 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the District's capital assets.

*Debt Administration*

At June 30, 2008, the District has \$51,363 in capital lease obligations of which \$12,554 is due in one year and \$38,809 is due in more than one year. The following table shows the District's outstanding debt at June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007:

**Outstanding Debt, at Year End**

	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities
	2008	2007
Capital lease obligations	\$ 51,363	\$ 7,087
Total	\$ 51,363	\$ 7,087

At June 30, 2008, the District's overall legal debt margin was \$4,575,008, and an unvoted debt margin of \$50,833.

See Note 9 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the District's debt administration.

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**Current Financial Related Activities**

The District faces many challenges in the future. The District will be undergoing major septic system upgrades in the future at both buildings. The main roof at Bloomfield High School still needs a major repair and the District has been working with an attorney on the warranty issues. The roof at the Mesopotamia Elementary School modular unit will be replaced in the fall of 2008. The District received cabinets from the Kraft Maid Company for thirteen classrooms this summer at no costs to the District. These were installed over the summer.

The District put a bid in to purchase land from the phone company on the east side of the Bloomfield building. If the District is able to purchase this property, the District could increase our parking.

The District entered into an agreement to share spare buses with Bristol Local Schools starting in fiscal year 2009. The District will share maintenance and repair costs with Bristol. This should be a savings to both districts. At this time the District is not planning on purchasing any new buses.

Some projects the District is considering in the near future:

Mesopotamia Elementary: New door handles, additional parking and turn around in front of the building, wiring the modular unit which has the library in it, septic improvements and modular roof replacement and gutters.

Bloomfield High School: Main roof replacement, wall and ceiling repairs.

**Contacting the District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Mr. Bill Daugherty, Treasurer, 2077 Park Road W, North Bloomfield, Ohio 44450-9730.



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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS  
JUNE 30, 2008

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents. . .	\$ 952,935
Receivables:	
Taxes . . . . .	1,441,257
Accounts . . . . .	10
Intergovernmental . . . . .	112,284
Prepayments . . . . .	4,856
Materials and supplies inventory . . . . .	1,202
Capital assets:	
Land . . . . .	15,000
Depreciable capital assets, net . . . . .	720,165
Capital assets, net. . . . .	735,165
 Total assets. . . . .	 3,247,709
 <b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable. . . . .	8,630
Accrued wages and benefits . . . . .	217,742
Pension obligation payable. . . . .	107,045
Intergovernmental payable . . . . .	21,357
Unearned revenue . . . . .	1,247,263
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year. . . . .	45,989
Due within more than one year . . . . .	210,879
 Total liabilities . . . . .	 1,858,905
 <b>Net Assets:</b>	
Invested in capital assets . . . . .	683,802
Restricted for:	
Capital projects . . . . .	67,464
State funded programs. . . . .	2,476
Federally funded programs . . . . .	54,961
Student activities . . . . .	27,484
Other purposes . . . . .	16,949
Unrestricted. . . . .	535,668
 Total net assets . . . . .	 \$ 1,388,804

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expense)</u>
		<u>Charges for Services and Sales</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Revenue and Changes in Net Assets</u>
					<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>Governmental activities:</b>					
Instruction:					
Regular . . . . .	\$ 1,607,815	\$ 172,544	\$ 74,957	\$ -	\$ (1,360,314)
Special . . . . .	401,996	-	321,015	-	(80,981)
Vocational . . . . .	66,018	-	43	-	(65,975)
Other . . . . .	18,471	-	16,880	-	(1,591)
Support services:					
Pupil . . . . .	137,385	-	16,582	-	(120,803)
Instructional staff . . . . .	245,045	-	171,061	-	(73,984)
Board of education . . . . .	20,844	-	-	-	(20,844)
Administration . . . . .	387,001	-	16,676	-	(370,325)
Fiscal . . . . .	202,285	-	-	-	(202,285)
Operations and maintenance . . . . .	353,078	9,824	8,786	-	(334,468)
Pupil transportation . . . . .	207,894	-	909	2,952	(204,033)
Central . . . . .	6,000	-	6,000	-	-
Operation of non-instructional services:					
Food service operations . . . . .	127,690	34,396	86,182	-	(7,112)
Other non-instructional services . . . . .	2,516	-	-	-	(2,516)
Extracurricular activities . . . . .	88,094	31,609	1,805	-	(54,680)
Interest and fiscal charges . . . . .	6,161	-	-	-	(6,161)
Total governmental activities . . . . .	<u>\$ 3,878,293</u>	<u>\$ 248,373</u>	<u>\$ 720,896</u>	<u>\$ 2,952</u>	<u>(2,906,072)</u>
<b>General Revenues:</b>					
Property taxes levied for:					
General purposes . . . . .					1,005,010
Special revenue . . . . .					150,855
Capital projects . . . . .					133,300
Grants and entitlements not restricted					
to specific programs . . . . .					1,645,648
Investment earnings . . . . .					34,162
Miscellaneous . . . . .					16,849
Total general revenues . . . . .					<u>2,985,824</u>
Change in net assets . . . . .					79,752
<b>Net assets at beginning of year . . . . .</b>					<u>1,309,052</u>
<b>Net assets at end of year . . . . .</b>					<u>\$ 1,388,804</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>General</u>	<u>Title I</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets:</b>				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	\$ 800,659	\$ 7,119	\$ 128,208	\$ 935,986
Receivables:				
Taxes . . . . .	1,114,309	-	326,948	1,441,257
Accounts . . . . .	-	-	10	10
Intergovernmental . . . . .	-	86,000	26,284	112,284
Prepayments . . . . .	4,856	-	-	4,856
Materials and supplies inventory . . . . .	-	-	1,202	1,202
Restricted assets:				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	16,949	-	-	16,949
Total assets . . . . .	<u>\$ 1,936,773</u>	<u>\$ 93,119</u>	<u>\$ 482,652</u>	<u>\$ 2,512,544</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable . . . . .	\$ 8,543	\$ -	\$ 87	\$ 8,630
Accrued wages and benefits . . . . .	170,242	34,567	12,933	217,742
Compensated absences payable . . . . .	8,285	-	-	8,285
Pension obligation payable. . . . .	85,806	12,571	8,668	107,045
Intergovernmental payable. . . . .	20,814	367	176	21,357
Deferred revenue . . . . .	141,309	-	41,461	182,770
Unearned revenue . . . . .	964,323	-	282,940	1,247,263
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>1,399,322</u>	<u>47,505</u>	<u>346,265</u>	<u>1,793,092</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Reserved for encumbrances . . . . .	6,390	742	885	8,017
Reserved for materials and supplies inventory. . . . .	-	-	1,202	1,202
Reserved for prepayments . . . . .	4,856	-	-	4,856
Reserved for property tax unavailable for appropriation . . . . .	8,677	-	2,547	11,224
Reserved for BWC refunds. . . . .	13,233	-	-	13,233
Reserved for school bus purchases. . . . .	3,716	-	-	3,716
Unreserved, undesignated, reported in:				
General fund . . . . .	500,579	-	-	500,579
Special revenue funds. . . . .	-	44,872	65,473	110,345
Capital projects funds. . . . .	-	-	66,280	66,280
Total fund balances . . . . .	<u>537,451</u>	<u>45,614</u>	<u>136,387</u>	<u>719,452</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances . . . . .	<u>\$ 1,936,773</u>	<u>\$ 93,119</u>	<u>\$ 482,652</u>	<u>\$ 2,512,544</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES  
TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
JUNE 30, 2008

<b>Total governmental fund balances</b>		\$	719,452
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities on the statement of net assets are different because:</i>			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.			735,165
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.			182,770
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
Compensated absences	\$	(197,220)	
Capital lease obligation payable		(51,363)	
Total			(248,583)
<b>Net assets of governmental activities</b>		\$	<u>1,388,804</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>General</u>	<u>Title I</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
From local sources:				
Taxes . . . . .	\$ 963,486	\$ -	\$ 285,355	\$ 1,248,841
Tuition . . . . .	167,641	-	-	167,641
Earnings on investments . . . . .	34,162	-	598	34,760
Charges for services. . . . .	-	-	34,396	34,396
Extracurricular . . . . .	-	-	31,609	31,609
Classroom materials and fees . . . . .	4,845	-	-	4,845
Other local revenues . . . . .	22,002	-	4,976	26,978
Intergovernmental - State. . . . .	1,647,327	-	106,772	1,754,099
Intergovernmental - Federal . . . . .	-	431,940	266,604	698,544
Total revenue. . . . .	<u>2,839,463</u>	<u>431,940</u>	<u>730,310</u>	<u>4,001,713</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular . . . . .	1,317,193	-	229,209	1,546,402
Special. . . . .	68,807	262,960	69,825	401,592
Vocational. . . . .	65,549	-	-	65,549
Other. . . . .	-	-	18,471	18,471
Support services:				
Pupil. . . . .	123,378	-	27,600	150,978
Instructional staff . . . . .	65,739	132,654	45,936	244,329
Board of education . . . . .	20,844	-	-	20,844
Administration. . . . .	364,203	17,471	1,856	383,530
Fiscal . . . . .	195,329	-	5,054	200,383
Operations and maintenance. . . . .	354,468	9,205	84,892	448,565
Pupil transportation . . . . .	176,185	952	-	177,137
Central. . . . .	-	-	6,000	6,000
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations . . . . .	-	-	121,809	121,809
Other non-instructional services. . . . .	2,516	-	-	2,516
Extracurricular activities . . . . .	49,736	-	38,358	88,094
Facilities acquisition and construction . . . . .	-	-	120	120
Capital outlay . . . . .	66,813	-	-	66,813
Debt service:				
Principal retirement . . . . .	15,450	-	-	15,450
Interest and fiscal charges . . . . .	6,161	-	-	6,161
Total expenditures . . . . .	<u>2,892,371</u>	<u>423,242</u>	<u>649,130</u>	<u>3,964,743</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures . . . . .	<u>(52,908)</u>	<u>8,698</u>	<u>81,180</u>	<u>36,970</u>
<b>Other financing sources:</b>				
Sale of capital assets. . . . .	1,558	-	-	1,558
Capital lease transaction . . . . .	66,813	-	-	66,813
Total other financing sources . . . . .	<u>68,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,371</u>
Net change in fund balances . . . . .	15,463	8,698	81,180	105,341
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year. . . . .</b>	<u>521,988</u>	<u>36,916</u>	<u>55,207</u>	<u>614,111</u>
<b>Fund balances at end of year . . . . .</b>	<u>\$ 537,451</u>	<u>\$ 45,614</u>	<u>\$ 136,387</u>	<u>\$ 719,452</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL 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, 2008

<b>Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds</b>	\$	105,341
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:</i>		
 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 expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation expense in the current period.		
Capital asset additions	\$ 171,411	
Current year depreciation	(102,191)	
Total		69,220
 Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		
Taxes	40,324	
Intergovernmental	(85,550)	
Total		(45,226)
 Repayment of capital lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net assets.		
		15,450
 Capital lease obligation payable balance forgiven as part of the lease trade-in agreement. This reduces the long-term obligations on the statement of net assets.		
		7,087
 Capital lease transactions are recorded as an other financing source in the funds; however, in the statement of activities, they are not reported as revenues as they increase the liabilities on the statement of net assets.		
		(66,813)
 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.		
		(5,307)
<b>Change in net assets of governmental activities</b>	\$	79,752

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Revenues:</b>				
From local sources:				
Taxes . . . . .	\$ 1,008,409	\$ 959,192	\$ 959,192	\$ -
Tuition . . . . .	176,243	167,641	167,641	-
Earnings on investments . . . . .	34,106	32,441	34,162	1,721
Classroom materials and fees . . . . .	5,094	4,845	4,845	-
Other local revenues . . . . .	17,592	16,733	16,853	120
Intergovernmental - State. . . . .	<u>1,731,853</u>	<u>1,647,327</u>	<u>1,647,327</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenue. . . . .	<u>2,973,297</u>	<u>2,828,179</u>	<u>2,830,020</u>	<u>1,841</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular . . . . .	1,594,155	1,594,155	1,305,423	288,732
Special. . . . .	84,037	84,037	68,816	15,221
Vocational. . . . .	77,036	77,036	63,083	13,953
Support services:				
Pupil. . . . .	171,434	171,434	140,384	31,050
Instructional staff . . . . .	78,367	78,367	64,173	14,194
Board of education . . . . .	23,944	23,944	19,607	4,337
Administration. . . . .	453,810	453,810	371,617	82,193
Fiscal . . . . .	245,346	245,346	200,909	44,437
Operations and maintenance. . . . .	439,986	439,986	360,296	79,690
Pupil transportation . . . . .	225,917	225,917	184,999	40,918
Operation of non-instructional services . . . . .	3,053	3,053	2,500	553
Extracurricular activities. . . . .	<u>60,059</u>	<u>60,059</u>	<u>49,181</u>	<u>10,878</u>
Total expenditures . . . . .	<u>3,457,144</u>	<u>3,457,144</u>	<u>2,830,988</u>	<u>626,156</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures. . . . .	<u>(483,847)</u>	<u>(628,965)</u>	<u>(968)</u>	<u>627,997</u>
<b>Other financing sources:</b>				
Refund of prior year expenditure . . . . .	12,731	12,110	12,150	40
Sale of capital assets . . . . .	<u>1,638</u>	<u>1,558</u>	<u>1,558</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources. . . . .	<u>14,369</u>	<u>13,668</u>	<u>13,708</u>	<u>40</u>
Net change in fund balance . . . . .	(469,478)	(615,297)	12,740	628,037
<b>Fund balance at beginning of year. . . . .</b>	586,567	586,567	586,567	-
<b>Prior year encumbrances appropriated . . . . .</b>	<u>207,144</u>	<u>207,144</u>	<u>207,144</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Fund balance at end of year . . . . .</b>	<u>\$ 324,233</u>	<u>\$ 178,414</u>	<u>\$ 806,451</u>	<u>\$ 628,037</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)  
TITLE I FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<b>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</b>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Intergovernmental - Federal. . . . .	\$ 411,821	\$ 422,253	\$ 383,463	\$ (38,790)
Total revenue . . . . .	<u>411,821</u>	<u>422,253</u>	<u>383,463</u>	<u>(38,790)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Special. . . . .	272,945	272,945	265,970	6,975
Support services:				
Instructional staff . . . . .	133,814	133,814	130,394	3,420
Administration. . . . .	17,733	17,733	17,280	453
Operations and maintenance. . . . .	8,619	8,619	8,399	220
Pupil transportation . . . . .	977	977	952	25
Total expenditures . . . . .	<u>434,088</u>	<u>434,088</u>	<u>422,995</u>	<u>11,093</u>
Net change in fund balance . . . . .	(22,267)	(11,835)	(39,532)	(27,697)
<b>Fund balance at beginning of year. . . . .</b>	41,821	41,821	41,821	-
<b>Prior year encumbrances appropriated . . . . .</b>	4,088	4,088	4,088	-
<b>Fund balance at end of year . . . . .</b>	<u>\$ 23,642</u>	<u>\$ 34,074</u>	<u>\$ 6,377</u>	<u>\$ (27,697)</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>Agency</u>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents . . . . .	\$ <u>6,820</u>
Total assets. . . . .	\$ <u><u>6,820</u></u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Due to students . . . . .	\$ <u>6,820</u>
Total liabilities . . . . .	\$ <u><u>6,820</u></u>

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**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

The Bloomfield - Mespo Local School District (the "District") is organized under Section 2 and 3, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to provide educational services to students and other community members of the District. Under such laws there is no authority for a school district to have a charter or adopt local laws. The legislative power of the school district is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at large for staggered four year terms by the citizens of the District.

The District serves an area of approximately 50 square miles in Trumbull County, including the townships of Bloomfield and Mesopotamia.

The District is the 671<sup>st</sup> largest by enrollment among the 896 public and community school districts in the State. It currently operates one elementary school and one comprehensive middle/high school. The District is staffed by 27 non-certified and 34 certificated personnel to provide services to approximately 315 students and other community members.

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

The basic financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The District also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental activities provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The District's significant accounting policies are described below.

**A. Reporting Entity**

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity", and as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units". The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the basic financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, foods service, preschool 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; (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) 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. Based upon the application of these criteria, the District has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government).

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

The following organizations are described due to their relationship to the District:

*JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS*

Northeast Ohio Management Information Network (NEOMIN)

NEOMIN is a jointly governed organization among thirty school districts in Trumbull and Ashtabula Counties. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to the administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the districts supports NEOMIN based upon a per pupil charge.

Superintendents of the participating school districts are eligible to be voting members of the Governing Board which consists of ten members: the Trumbull and Ashtabula County superintendents (permanent members), three superintendents from Ashtabula County school districts, three superintendents from Trumbull County school districts, and a treasurer from each county who must be employed by a participating school district, the fiscal agent or NEOMIN. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Governing Board. To obtain a copy of NEOMIN's financial statements, write to the Trumbull County Educational Service Center, 6000 Youngstown Warren Road, Niles, Ohio 44446.

Trumbull Career and Technical Center

The Trumbull Career and Technical Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from each of the 15 participating school district's elected boards, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. Financial information may be obtained by contacting the Treasurer of the Trumbull Career and Technical Center, 528 Educational Highway, Warren, Ohio 44483.

*PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOL*

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program

The District participates in the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP was established under Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

Trumbull County Schools Employee Insurance Benefit Consortium Association

The Trumbull County Schools Employee Insurance Benefit Consortium Association (the "Consortium") is a shared risk pool comprised of fifteen Trumbull County school districts. The Consortium is governed by an assembly which consists of one representative from each participating school district (usually the superintendent or designee). The assembly exercises controls over the operations of the Consortium. All Consortium revenues are generated from charges for services and remitted to the fiscal agent Trumbull County Educational Service Center. The fiscal agent will then remit the charges for services to Watson Wyatt Worldwide in Cleveland, Ohio, an agent of Medical Mutual, who acts in the capacity of a third-party administrator (TPA) for claims processing.

**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

**B. Fund Accounting**

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

*GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS*

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

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

*Title I Fund* - The purpose of the Title I fund is to account for financial assistance provided by state and local educational agencies to meet the special needs of educationally deprived children.

Other governmental funds of the District are used to account for (a) financial resources to be used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities; (b) for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose; and (c) for food service operations.

*PROPRIETARY FUNDS*

Proprietary funds are used to account for the District's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The District has no proprietary funds.

*FIDUCIARY FUNDS*

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the District's own programs. The District has no trust funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's agency fund accounts for student activities.

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

*Government-wide Financial Statements* - The statement of net assets 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.

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

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the governmental activities of the District. 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 amounts paid by the recipient of 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 not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the District are included on the statement of net assets.

*Fund Financial Statements* - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column, and all nonmajor funds are aggregated into one column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

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

Agency funds do not report a measurement focus as they do not report operations.

**D. Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

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

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (see Note 5).

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Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the 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 nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

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

Unearned Revenue and Deferred Revenue - Unearned revenue and deferred revenue arise when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2008, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2009 operations, and other revenues received in advance of the fiscal year for which they are intended to finance, have been recorded as unearned revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met and delinquent property taxes due at June 30, 2008 are recorded as deferred revenue.

On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have been reported as deferred revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The entitlement value of donated commodities used during the year is reported in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental revenue.

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

**E. Budgets**

The District is required by State statute to adopt an annual appropriated cash basis budget for all funds. The specific timetable for fiscal year 2008 is as follows:

1. Prior to January 15, the Superintendent and Treasurer submit to the Board of Education a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing for all funds. Public hearings are publicized and conducted to obtain taxpayers' comments. The expressed purpose of this budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.
2. By no later than January 20, the board-adopted budget is filed with the Trumbull County Budget Commission for tax rate determination.

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3. Prior to April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's certificate of estimated resources which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to June 30, the District must revise its budget so that total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as a basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year as reported by the District Treasurer. The certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the District Treasurer. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statements, reflect the amounts set forth in the original and final certificate of estimated resources issued for fiscal year 2008.
4. By July 1, the annual appropriation resolution is legally enacted by the Board of Education by fund level, which is the legal level of budgetary control. State statute permits a temporary appropriation to be effective until no later than October 1 of each year. Resolution appropriations by fund must be within the estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission and the total of expenditures and encumbrances may not exceed the appropriation totals.
5. Any revisions that alter the total of any fund appropriation must be approved by the Board of Education.
6. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds consistent with the general obligation bond indenture and other statutory provisions. All funds completed the year within the amount of their legally authorized cash basis appropriation.
7. Appropriations amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education through the year by supplemental appropriations, which either reallocated or increased the original, appropriated amounts. All supplemental appropriations were legally enacted by the Board prior to June 30, 2008; however, none of these amendments were significant. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statements, reflect the original and final appropriation amounts including all amendments and modifications.
8. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund level.

**F. Cash and Investments**

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements.

During fiscal year 2008, investments were limited to the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio).



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STAR 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 does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's shares price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2008.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. By policy of the Board of Education, investment earnings are assigned to the general fund. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2008 amounted to \$34,162, which includes \$4,749 assigned from other funds.

For presentation on the basic 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 considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

An analysis of the District's investment account at year-end is provided in Note 4.

**G. Inventory**

On government-wide and fund financial statements, purchased inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market and donated commodities are presented at their entitlement value. Inventories are recorded on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventories are accounted for using the consumption method.

Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption and purchased food.

**H. Capital Assets**

Governmental capital assets are those assets generally related to 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 assets, but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and deletions 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 \$1,500. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not. The District does not possess infrastructure.

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

<u>Description</u>	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

**I. Interfund Balances**

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as “interfund receivables/payables.” These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the statement of net assets. The District did not have any interfund loans during fiscal year 2008.

**J. Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences of the District consist of vacation leave and sick leave to the extent that payments to the employee for these absences are attributable to services already rendered and are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the District and the employee.

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, “Accounting for Compensated Absences”, a liability for vacation leave is accrued if a) the employees’ rights to payment are attributable to services already rendered; and b) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or other means, such as cash payment at termination or retirement. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination (severance) payments. A liability for sick leave is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at June 30, 2008, by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination (severance) payments, as well as those employees expected to become eligible in the future. For purposes of establishing a liability for sick leave on employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, all employees age fifty or greater with at least ten years of service and all employees with at least twenty years of service at any age were considered expected to become eligible to retire in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16.

The total liability for vacation and sick leave payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2008, and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute, plus any applicable additional salary related payments.

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

For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts are recorded in the account “compensated absences payable” in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

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

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year.

**L. Fund Balance Reserves**

The District reserves those portions of fund equity which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and therefore are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund equity reserves have been established for encumbrances, materials and supplies inventory, prepayments, property tax revenue unavailable for appropriation, BWC refunds and school bus purchases. The reserve for property taxes unavailable for appropriation represents taxes recognized as revenue under GAAP, but not available for appropriation under State statute.

**M. Net Assets**

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The amount restricted for other purposes represent amounts restricted by State statute for BWC refunds and school bus purchases.

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

**N. Prepayments**

Certain payments to vendors reflect the costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the balance sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

**O. Estimates**

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

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**P. Restricted Assets**

Restricted assets in the general fund represent cash and cash equivalents set-aside to establish a textbook reserve and capital acquisition reserve. These reserves are required by State statute. A schedule of statutory reserves is presented in Note 15.

**Q. Interfund Activity**

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

**R. Extraordinary and Special Items**

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2008.

**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE**

**Change in Accounting Principles**

For fiscal year 2008, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 45, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions", GASB Statement No. 48, "Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues", and GASB Statement No. 50, "Pension Disclosures".

GASB Statement No. 45 establishes uniform standards of financial reporting for other postemployment benefits and increases the usefulness and improves the faithfulness of representations in the financial reports. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 45 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District; however, certain disclosures related to postemployment benefits (see Note 12) have been modified to conform to the new reporting requirements.

GASB Statement No. 48 establishes criteria to ascertain whether certain transactions should be regarded as sales or as collateralized borrowings, as well as disclosure requirements for future revenues that are pledged and sold. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 48 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 50 establishes standards that more closely align the financial reporting requirements for pensions with those of other postemployment benefits. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 50 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

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

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

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

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal 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 provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) above and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and,
8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

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

Protection of 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.

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

**A. Deposits with Financial Institutions**

At June 30, 2008, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$58,082. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2008, the District's entire bank balance of \$88,143 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the District. The District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Although the securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

**B. Investments**

As of June 30, 2008, the District had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	Investment Maturity 6 months or less
STAR Ohio	\$ 901,673	\$ 901,673

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

*Credit Risk:* Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAM money market rating. Ohio law requires STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service.

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

*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 investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's investment policy does not specifically address custodial credit risk beyond the adherence to all relevant sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

*Concentration of Credit Risk:* The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the District at June 30, 2008:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
STAR Ohio	\$ <u>901,673</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

**C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Assets**

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 assets as of June 30, 2008:

<u>Cash and investments per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 58,082
Investments	<u>901,673</u>
Total	<u>\$ 959,755</u>
 <u>Cash and investments per statement of net assets</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 952,935
Agency fund	<u>6,820</u>
Total	<u>\$ 959,755</u>

**NOTE 5 - 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 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, public utility and tangible personal property (used in business) located in the District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2008 represents collections of calendar year 2007 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2008 were levied after April 1, 2007, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2007, the lien date. 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.

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**NOTE 5 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)**

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2008 represents collections of calendar year 2007 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2008 became a lien December 31, 2006, were levied after April 1, 2007 and are collected in 2008 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.

Tangible personal property tax revenue received during calendar year 2008 (other than public utility property) represents the collection of 2008 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2008 were levied after April 1, 2007, on the value as of December 31, 2007. Tangible personal property tax is being phased out. For 2007, tangible personal property is assessed at 12.5% for property including inventory. This percentage was reduced to 6.25% for 2008 and will be reduced to zero for 2009. Payments by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the District prior to June 30.

House Bill No. 66 was signed into law on June 30, 2005. House Bill No. 66 phases out the tax on tangible personal property of general businesses, telephone and telecommunications companies, and railroads. The tax on general business and railroad property will be eliminated by calendar year 2009, and the tax on telephone and telecommunications property will be eliminated by calendar year 2011. The tax is phased out by reducing the assessment rate on the property each year. The bill replaces the revenue lost by the District due to the phasing out of the tax. In calendar years 2008-2010, the District will be fully reimbursed for the lost revenue. In calendar years 2011-2017, the reimbursements will be phased out.

The District receives property taxes from Trumbull 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, 2008, are available to finance fiscal year 2008 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2008 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year-end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to unearned revenue.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2008 was \$8,677 in the general fund, \$1,363 in the emergency levy fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) and \$1,184 in the permanent improvement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund). This amount has been recorded as revenue. The amount that was available as an advance at June 30, 2007 was \$4,383 in the general fund and \$671 in the permanent improvement fund (a nonmajor governmental fund).

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 has been deferred.



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**NOTE 5 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)**

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2008 taxes were collected are:

	2007 Second Half Collections		2008 First Half Collections	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$ 49,216,150	95.38	\$ 49,526,050	96.84
Public utility personal	1,543,610	2.99	1,307,370	2.56
Tangible personal property	<u>838,648</u>	<u>1.63</u>	<u>309,810</u>	<u>0.60</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 51,598,408</u>	 <u>100.00</u>	 <u>\$ 51,143,230</u>	 <u>100.00</u>
 Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	 \$57.40		 \$57.40	

**NOTE 6 - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2008 consisted of taxes, accounts and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. 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. A summary of the principal items of receivables reported on the statement of net assets follows:

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	
Taxes	\$ 1,441,257
Accounts	10
Intergovernmental	<u>112,284</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,553,551</u>

Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected in the subsequent year.

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**NOTE 7 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	<u>06/30/07</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>06/30/08</u>
Governmental Activities				
<i>Capital assets, not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>15,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,000</u>
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Land improvements	54,172	9,299	-	63,471
Buildings and improvements	1,670,982	76,431	-	1,747,413
Furniture and equipment	246,582	85,681	(7,372)	324,891
Vehicles	349,198	-	(50,380)	298,818
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>2,320,934</u>	<u>171,411</u>	<u>(57,752)</u>	<u>2,434,593</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>				
Land improvements	(38,651)	(1,247)	-	(39,898)
Buildings and improvements	(1,249,247)	(33,236)	-	(1,282,483)
Furniture and equipment	(196,014)	(36,653)	7,372	(225,295)
Vehicles	(186,077)	(31,055)	50,380	(166,752)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,669,989)</u>	<u>(102,191)</u>	<u>57,752</u>	<u>(1,714,428)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 665,945</u>	<u>\$ 69,220</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 735,165</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

<u>Instruction:</u>	
Regular	\$ 39,551
Special	1,983
<u>Support Services:</u>	
Pupil	154
Instructional staff	365
Administration	20,799
Operations and maintenance	2,643
Pupil transportation	31,055
Food service operations	<u>5,641</u>
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 102,191</u>

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**NOTE 8 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE**

In prior years and in the current year, the District entered into capitalized leases for copiers. These lease agreements meet the criteria of a capital lease as defined by FASB Statement No. 13, "Accounting for Leases", which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the financial statements for the governmental funds. These expenditures are reported as administration function expenditures on the budgetary statements.

Capital assets consisting of equipment have been capitalized in the amount of \$66,813. Accumulated depreciation on these assets was \$20,043, resulting in a carrying value of \$46,770. This amount represents the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. Principal payments in fiscal year 2008 totaled \$15,450 paid by the general fund. In addition to the amount of principal retired, the District also traded in leases with principal balances of \$7,087.

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, 2008:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2009	\$ 16,209
2010	16,209
2011	16,209
2012	<u>10,806</u>
Total minimum lease payments	<u>59,433</u>
Less: amount representing interest	<u>(8,070)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 51,363</u>

**NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

A. During fiscal year 2008, the following activity occurred in the long-term obligations of governmental activities.

	<u>Balance</u>			<u>Balance</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
	<u>06/30/07</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>06/30/08</u>	<u>Due in</u>
					<u>One Year</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Compensated absences	\$ 204,413	\$ 48,239	\$ (47,147)	\$ 205,505	\$ 33,435
Capital lease obligation	<u>7,087</u>	<u>66,813</u>	<u>(22,537)</u>	<u>51,363</u>	<u>12,554</u>
Total long-term obligations, governmental activities	<u>\$ 211,500</u>	<u>\$ 115,052</u>	<u>\$ (69,684)</u>	<u>\$ 256,868</u>	<u>\$ 45,989</u>

*Compensated Absences:* Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid, which consist of the general fund, food service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund), and Title I fund.

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**NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

**B. 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 code additionally states that unvoted indebtedness related to energy conservation debt shall not exceed 9/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The assessed valuation used in determining the District's legal debt margin has been modified by House Bill 530 which became effective March 30, 2006. In accordance with House Bill 530, the assessed valuation used in the District's legal debt margin calculation excluded tangible personal property used in business, telephone or telegraph property, interexchange telecommunications company property and personal property owned or leased by a railroad company and used in railroad operations. The effects of these debt limitations at June 30, 2008, are a voted debt margin of \$4,575,008 and an unvoted debt margin of \$50,833.

**NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

**A. Comprehensive**

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. The District maintains comprehensive commercial insurance coverage for real property, building contents, vehicles and general liability.

Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. The liability limits are \$1,000,000 for each accident, and uninsured motorist of \$50,000 for each accident.

Real property and contents are fully insured. Real property is 90% co-insured. Limits of insurance on real property and equipment are \$6,855,501 with a deductible of \$1,000.

The District liability policy has a limit of \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$3,000,000 aggregate. The District's errors and omissions policy has a \$1,000,000 limit with deductible of \$5,000.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in amounts of insurance coverage from fiscal 2007.

**B. Health, Vision and Life Insurance**

The District has joined together with other school districts in the state to form the Trumbull County School Insurance Consortium Association, a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for 16 member school districts in Trumbull County. The District pays a monthly premium to Trumbull County School Insurance Consortium Association for its insurance coverage. It is intended that the Trumbull County School Insurance Consortium Association will be self-supporting through member premiums. The monthly premium includes a specific and aggregate stop loss premium paid to General American Insurance. The specific individual stop loss is \$100,000 per year. The aggregate stop loss is 105% of yearly anticipated claims.

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**NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

The District provides health, vision and life insurance coverage for employees. The health insurance coverage is administered by Medical Mutual of Ohio, a third party administrator. Vision Service Plan administers the vision coverage. Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Company provides the life insurance coverage. The District pays the insurance premiums, as a fringe benefit for the employees, employees hired prior to July 1, 2008 pay 5% and employees hired after July 1, 2008 pay 10% of their health insurance premium.

Post employment health care is provided to plan participants or their beneficiaries through the respective retirement systems discussed in Note 12. As such, no funding provisions are required by the District.

**C. Workers' Compensation**

For fiscal year 2008, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. 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 GRP.

Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the state based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "equity pooling fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Gates McDonald & Co. provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

**NOTE 11 - PENSION PLANS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

Plan Description - The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org), under *Forms and Publications*.

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**NOTE 11 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current District rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the District's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2008, 9.16 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$48,787, \$49,499 and \$45,335, respectively; 44.12 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

**B. State Teachers Retirement System**

Plan Description - The District participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site 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 Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. 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 DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy - For fiscal year 2008, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

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**NOTE 11 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

The District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$188,401, \$189,482 and \$188,185, respectively; 81.99 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2008 were \$390 made by the District and \$7,464 made by plan members.

**C. Social Security System**

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by SERS/STRS Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or SERS/STRS Ohio. As of June 30, 2008, three members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The District's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

**NOTE 12 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

Plan Description - The District participates in two cost-sharing, multiple employer postemployment benefit plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries up to a statutory limit. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the System based on authority granted by State statute. The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2008, 4.18 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for 2008, this amount was \$35,800.

Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, the number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$32,339, \$23,445 and \$24,340, respectively; 44.12 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2008, this actuarially required allocation was 0.66 percent of covered payroll. The District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$3,515, \$3,366 and \$3,608, respectively; 44.12 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

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**NOTE 12 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)**

**B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio**

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

Funding Policy - Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2008, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$14,492, \$14,576 and \$14,476, respectively; 81.99 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

**NOTE 13 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

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 and the Title I fund are 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 a reservation of fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable (GAAP basis).



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**NOTE 13 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - (Continued)**

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis for the general fund and Title I fund are as follows:

<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<u>General fund</u>	<u>Title I fund</u>
Budget basis	\$ 12,740	\$ (39,532)
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	9,443	48,477
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(72,540)	(989)
Net adjustment for other sources/uses	54,663	-
Adjustment for encumbrances	<u>11,157</u>	<u>742</u>
GAAP basis	<u>\$ 15,463</u>	<u>\$ 8,698</u>

**NOTE 14 - CONTINGENCIES**

**A. Grants**

The District receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal, State and local agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the District. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on the financial position of the District.

**B. Litigation**

The District is involved in no material litigation as either plaintiff or defendant.

**NOTE 15 - STATUTORY RESERVES**

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

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**NOTE 15 - STATUTORY RESERVES - (Continued)**

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the reserve activity was as follows:

	Textbooks/ Instructional Materials	Capital Acquisition	Budget Reserve
Set-aside balance as of June 30, 2007	\$ (48,302)	\$ -	\$ 13,233
Current year set-aside requirement	51,621	51,621	-
Qualifying disbursements	<u>(57,179)</u>	<u>(130,489)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ (53,860)</u>	<u>\$ (78,868)</u>	<u>\$ 13,233</u>
Balance carried forward to FY 2009	<u>\$ (53,860)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 13,233</u>

Monies representing BWC refunds that were received prior to April 10, 2001, have been shown as a restricted asset and reserved fund balance in the general fund since allowable expenditures are restricted by State statute. The restricted BWC refunds are shown as Budget Reserve above.

The District had offsets and qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the set-aside amounts below zero for the textbook/instructional materials reserve, this extra amount may be used to reduce the set-aside requirement for future years. The negative amount is therefore presented as being carried forward to next fiscal year.

Although the District had offsets and qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the set-aside amounts below zero for the capital acquisition reserve, this extra amount may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirement for future years. The negative amount is therefore not presented as being carried forward to the next fiscal year.

In addition to the above statutory reserves, the District also received monies restricted for school bus purchases.

A schedule of the restricted assets at June 30, 2008 follows:

Amounts restricted for budget reserve	\$ 13,233
Amounts restricted for school bus purchases	<u>3,716</u>
Total restricted assets	<u>\$ 16,949</u>

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**FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE  
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

<b>Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor/ Program Title</b>	<b>Federal CFDA Number</b>	<b>Grant Year</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Non-Cash Receipts</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Non-Cash Expenditures</b>
<b><u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u></b>						
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>						
Food Distribution Program	10.550	2008		\$8,397		\$8,397
<i>Nutrition Cluster:</i>						
National School Breakfast Program	10.553	2007	\$2,665		\$2,665	
		2008	15,811		15,811	
<i>Subtotal - CFDA 10.553</i>			18,476		18,476	
National School Lunch Program	10.555	2007	7,611		7,611	
		2008	57,188		57,188	
<i>Subtotal - CFDA 10.555</i>			64,799		64,799	
<i>Subtotal - Nutrition Cluster</i>			83,275		83,275	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			83,275	8,397	83,275	8,397
<b><u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u></b>						
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>						
Title I, Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	2007	37,523		83,432	
		2008	345,940		338,821	
<i>Subtotal - CFDA 84.010</i>			383,463		422,253	
<i>Special Education Cluster:</i>						
Special Education Grants to States - Title VI-B	84.027	2007			7,663	
		2008	84,596		84,596	
<i>Subtotal - CFDA 84.027 - Special Ed Cluster</i>			84,596		92,259	
Drug Free Schools Grant	84.186	2008	6,470		6,470	
Innovative Educational Program Strategies	84.298	2008	713		713	
Technology Fund - Title II-D	84.318	2008	4,722		4,722	
Improving Teacher Quality - Title II-A	84.367	2007			7,332	
		2008	60,633		54,449	
<i>Subtotal - CFDA 84.367</i>			60,633		61,781	
Total U.S. Department of Education			540,597		588,198	
<b>Totals</b>			<b>\$623,872</b>	<b>\$8,397</b>	<b>\$671,473</b>	<b>\$8,397</b>

*The accompanying notes to the Federal Awards Expenditures Schedule are an integral part of this schedule.*

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**NOTES TO FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

**NOTE A – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying Federal Awards Expenditures Schedule (the Schedule) summarizes activity of the District's federal award programs. The Schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

**NOTE B – CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER**

Cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture are commingled with State grants. It is assumed federal monies are expended first.

**NOTE C – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

Program regulations do not require the District to maintain separate inventory records for purchased food and food received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This non-monetary assistance (expenditures) is reported in the Schedule at the fair value of the commodities received.



# Mary Taylor, CPA

Auditor of State

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

Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District  
Trumbull County  
2077 Park Road West  
North Bloomfield, Ohio 44450

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio, (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2009. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Education, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Taylor".

**Mary Taylor, CPA**  
Auditor of State

September 30, 2009



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### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District  
Trumbull County  
2077 Park Road West  
North Bloomfield, Ohio 44450

To the Board of Education:

#### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District, (the District) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that apply to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2008. The summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings identifies the District's major federal program. The District's management is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each major federal program. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District's compliance with those requirements and performing other procedures we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the District's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Bloomfield-Mespo Local School District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that apply to its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2008.

#### Internal Control Over Compliance

The District's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect more-than-inconsequential noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect material noncompliance with a federal program's compliance requirements.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.



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**BLOOMFIELD-MESPO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .505  
JUNE 30, 2008**

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

<b>(d)(1)(i)</b>	<b>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</b>	Unqualified
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any other 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 internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any other 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>	Unqualified
<b>(d)(1)(vi)</b>	<b>Are there any reportable findings under § .510?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(vii)</b>	<b>Major Programs (list):</b>	Title 1 – Grants to Local Educational Agencies – CFDA Number 84.010
<b>(d)(1)(viii)</b>	<b>Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs</b>	Type A: > \$ 300,000 Type B: all others
<b>(d)(1)(ix)</b>	<b>Low Risk Auditee?</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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**TRUMBULL COUNTY**

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED**  
**NOVEMBER 10, 2009**