

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
HAMILTON COUNTY**



**SINGLE AUDIT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of North College Hill City School District, Hamilton County, prepared by Plattenburg & Associates, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. North College Hill City School District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

February 13, 2025

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HAMILTON COUNTY  
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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Education  
North College Hill City School District

**Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

***Opinions***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the North College Hill City School District, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Basis for Opinions***

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

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

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

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

## ***Required Supplementary Information***

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



### ***Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 20, 2024, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.*

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
November 20, 2024

**North College Hill City School District  
Management’s Discussion and Analysis  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024  
(Unaudited)**

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The management’s discussion and analysis of North College Hill City School District’s (“the District”) financial performance provides an overall review of the District’s financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District’s financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District’s performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2024 are as follows:

- Net position of governmental activities increased \$3,493,126 which represents a 36% increase from 2023.
- General revenues accounted for \$18,757,325 in revenue or 65% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$10,016,370 or 35% of total revenues of \$28,773,695.
- The District had \$25,280,569 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$10,016,370 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$18,757,325 were also used to provide for these programs.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

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

The *Government-wide Financial Statements* provide information about the activities of the whole District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District’s finances and a longer-term view of those finances. *Fund financial statements* provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District’s most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. The General Fund, American Rescue Plan Act, and the Debt Service Fund are the major funds of the District.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

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 2024?” The Government-wide Financial Statements answer this question. These statements include *all assets and deferred outflows*, and *liabilities and deferred inflows* using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year’s revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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These two statements report the District’s net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the financial position has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, both financial and non-financial. 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 Government-wide Financial Statements, the overall financial position of the District is presented as Governmental Activities – All of the District’s programs and services are reported as Governmental Activities including instruction, support services, operation of noninstructional services, extracurricular activities, and interest and fiscal charges.

**Fund Financial Statements**

The analysis of the District’s major funds are presented in the Fund Financial Statements. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the District’s major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the District’s most significant funds.

**Governmental Funds** Most of the District’s activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed *short-term view* of the District’s general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the financial statements.

**The District as a Whole**

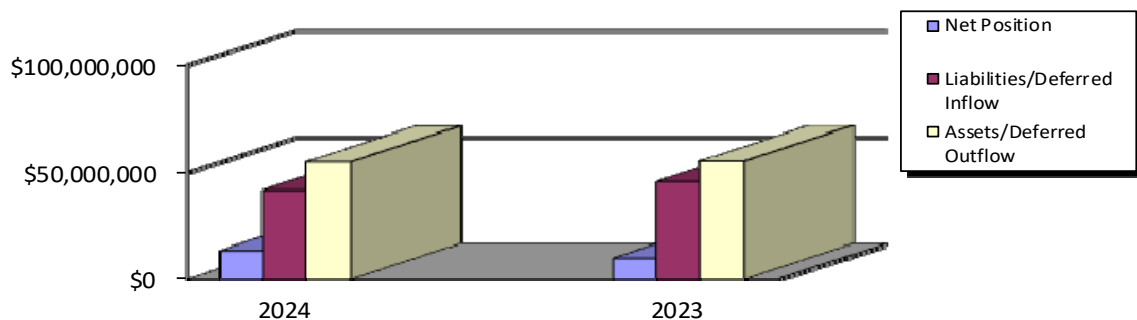
As stated previously, the Statement of Net Position looks at the District as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the District’s net position for 2024 compared to 2023:

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**North College Hill City School District  
Management’s Discussion and Analysis  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024  
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**Table 1  
Net Position**

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
<b>Assets:</b>		
Current and Other Assets	\$15,635,951	\$12,174,841
Net OPEB Asset	1,519,221	2,184,143
Capital Assets	31,408,374	32,761,642
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>48,563,546</b>	<b>47,120,626</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>		
Deferred Charge on Refunding	380,756	412,485
Pension	5,038,885	7,005,770
OPEB	838,467	574,188
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>6,258,108</b>	<b>7,992,443</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Other Liabilities	1,472,413	1,981,048
Long-Term Liabilities	32,592,794	35,149,309
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>34,065,207</b>	<b>37,130,357</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>		
Property Taxes	3,077,646	3,285,702
Pension	2,207,539	1,978,675
OPEB	2,168,028	2,908,227
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>7,453,213</b>	<b>8,172,604</b>
<b>Net Position:</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	22,113,702	22,886,996
Restricted	3,789,556	4,131,621
Unrestricted	(12,600,024)	(17,208,509)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$13,303,234</b>	<b>\$9,810,108</b>



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Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2024, the District's assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$13,303,234.

At year-end, capital assets represented 65% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, vehicles, buildings and improvements, and furniture and equipment. Net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2024, was \$22,113,702. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the District's net position, 3,789,556 represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they must be used. The external restriction will not affect the availability of fund resources for future use.

Total assets increased from the prior year mainly due to an increase in equity in pooled cash and investments from 2023 to 2024. Long-term liabilities decreased mainly due to a decrease in net pension liability.

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

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**Table 2  
Changes in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Revenues:		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$381,775	\$360,462
Operating Grants, Contributions	9,634,595	8,804,521
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	5,905,743	4,905,405
Grants and Entitlements	12,528,664	11,143,015
Investment Earnings	183,651	57,399
Other	139,267	366,444
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>28,773,695</b>	<b>25,637,246</b>
Program Expenses:		
Instruction	14,174,463	14,892,928
Support Services:		
Pupil and Instructional Staff	2,916,779	3,062,314
School Administrative, General Administration, Fiscal and Business	2,962,842	2,589,342
Operations and Maintenance	1,596,578	1,484,408
Pupil Transportation	773,934	495,013
Central	749,365	563,536
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	1,177,912	1,264,312
Extracurricular Activities	578,764	479,135
Interest and Fiscal Charges	349,932	400,830
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<b>25,280,569</b>	<b>25,231,818</b>
Change in Net Position	3,493,126	405,428
Net Position - Beginning of Year	9,810,108	9,404,680
Net Position - End of Year	<b>\$13,303,234</b>	<b>\$9,810,108</b>

The District revenues are mainly from three sources. Property taxes levied for general, debt service and capital projects purposes, grants and entitlements, and operating grants and contributions comprised 98% of the District’s revenues for governmental activities.

The District depends greatly on property taxes as a revenue source. The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for operating funds. The overall revenues generated by a levy will not increase solely as a result of inflation. As an example, a homeowner with a home valued at \$100,000 and taxed at 1.0 mill would pay \$35.00 annually in taxes. If three years later the home were reappraised and increased to \$200,000 (and this inflationary increase in value is comparable to other property owners) the effective tax rate would become .5 mills and the owner would still pay \$35.00.

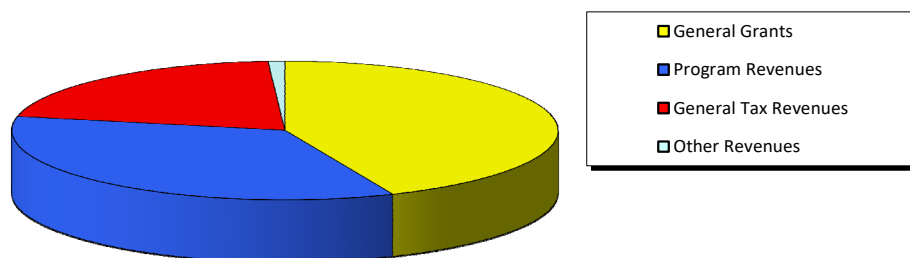
Thus Ohio districts dependent upon property taxes are hampered by a lack of revenue growth and must regularly return to the voters to maintain a constant level of service. Property taxes made up 21% of revenue for governmental activities for the District in fiscal year 2024.

**North College Hill City School District  
Management’s Discussion and Analysis  
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**Governmental Activities**

**Revenue Sources**

	2024	Percentage
General Grants	\$12,528,664	44%
Program Revenues	10,016,370	35%
General Tax Revenues	5,905,743	21%
Other Revenues	322,918	1%
<b>Total Revenue Sources</b>	<b>\$28,773,695</b>	<b>101%</b>



Instruction comprises 56% of governmental program expenses. Support services expenses were 36% of governmental program expenses. All other expenses including interest and fiscal charges were 8%. Interest expense was attributable to the outstanding bond and borrowing for capital projects.

Program revenues increased from the prior year due to an increase in operating grants and contributions (Federal grant monies received). Total expenses increased due to changes related to net pension liability and other post employment benefits liability adjustments.

**Governmental Activities**

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows, for government activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. These services are mainly supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State entitlements.

**Table 3  
Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Instruction	\$14,174,463	\$14,892,928	(\$6,851,509)	(\$9,158,371)
Support Services:				
Pupil and Instructional Staff	2,916,779	3,062,314	(2,237,987)	(2,320,121)
School Administrative, General				
Administration, Fiscal and Business	2,962,842	2,589,342	(2,812,489)	(2,245,204)
Operations and Maintenance	1,596,578	1,484,408	(1,559,448)	(1,414,680)
Pupil Transportation	773,934	495,013	(653,917)	(330,704)
Central	749,365	563,536	(324,473)	207,934
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	1,177,912	1,264,312	39,651	33,367
Extracurricular Activities	578,764	479,135	(514,095)	(438,226)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	349,932	400,830	(349,932)	(400,830)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$25,280,569</b>	<b>\$25,231,818</b>	<b>(\$15,264,199)</b>	<b>(\$16,066,835)</b>

**North College Hill City School District  
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**The District’s Funds**

The District has three major governmental funds: the General Fund, American Rescue Plan Act, and the Debt Service Fund. Assets of these funds comprised \$14,302,894 (90%) of the total \$15,886,971 governmental funds’ assets.

**General Fund:** Fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$8,241,768 including \$8,149,315 of unassigned balance. The District had an increase in fund balance of \$4,121,034. The increase in fund balance was due to an increase in intergovernmental revenues when compared to 2023.

**American Rescue Plan Act:** Fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$399, a decrease in fund balance of \$274,453. The reason for the decrease in fund balance was due to revenues being less than expenditures for the year.

**Debt Service Fund:** Fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$1,163,782, an increase in fund balance of \$153,251. The reason for the increase in fund balance was due to revenues exceeding expenditures for the year.

**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.

The District uses site-based budgeting and the budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management. During the course of the year, the District revised the Budget in an attempt to deal with unexpected changes in revenues and expenditures.

For the General Fund, the final budgeted revenue was \$18,802,554 and the original budgeted revenue was \$16,386,291. The District’s final budgeted revenue was \$589,603 less than actual revenue. This was due to underestimating taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The District’s unobligated cash balance for the General Fund was \$7,168,336.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets**

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the District had \$31,408,374 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. Table 4 shows fiscal year 2024 balances compared to fiscal year 2023:

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**North College Hill City School District  
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**Table 4  
Capital Assets at Year End  
(Net of Depreciation)**

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	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Land	\$84,688	\$84,688
Land Improvements	833,907	972,451
Buildings and Improvements	29,605,213	30,775,504
Furniture and Equipment	812,808	841,611
Vehicles	71,758	87,388
Total Net Capital Assets	<u>\$31,408,374</u>	<u>\$32,761,642</u>

Total Net Capital Assets decreased in 2024 as compared to 2023 because depreciation expense was more than current year additions. See Note 8 to the Basic Financial Statements for further details on the District’s capital assets.

**Debt**

At June 30, 2024, the District had \$9,675,428 in debt outstanding, \$590,000 due within one year. Table 5 summarizes total debt outstanding.

**Table 5  
Outstanding Debt at Year End**

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	2024	2023
2008 Certificate of Participation	2,498,000	2,627,000
2016 Refunding Bonds	6,605,000	7,040,000
Premium on 2016 Refunding Bonds	572,428	620,131
Total Outstanding Debt at Year End	<u>\$9,675,428</u>	<u>\$10,287,131</u>

See Note 9 to the Basic Financial Statements for further details on the District’s obligations.

**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 the Treasurer of North College Hill City School District, 1731 Goodman Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45239.

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North College Hill City School District  
Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$8,487,207
Receivables (Net):	
Taxes	6,374,056
Accounts	1,969
Interest	8,218
Intergovernmental	759,892
Prepays	2,250
Inventory	2,359
Net OPEB Asset	1,519,221
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	84,688
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	<u>31,323,686</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>48,563,546</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources:	
Deferred Charge on Refunding	380,756
Pension	5,038,885
OPEB	<u>838,467</u>
 Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	 <u>6,258,108</u>
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	113,824
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,337,715
Accrued Interest Payable	20,874
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	751,190
Due In More Than One Year	
Net Pension Liability	20,321,182
Net OPEB Liability	1,075,405
Other Amounts	<u>10,445,017</u>
 Total Liabilities	 <u>34,065,207</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Property Taxes	3,077,646
Pension	2,207,539
OPEB	<u>2,168,028</u>
 Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	 <u>7,453,213</u>
Net Position:	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	22,113,702
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	1,244,028
Capital Projects	393,317
Locally Funded Programs	21,065
Classroom Facilities Maintenance	28,152
Student Activities	19,877
State Funded Programs	2
Federally Funded Programs	261
Food Service Operations	558,723
Net OPEB Asset	1,519,221
Other Purposes	4,910
Unrestricted	<u>(12,600,024)</u>
 Total Net Position	 <u>\$13,303,234</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

North College Hill City School District  
Statement of Activities  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue
		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$8,110,996	\$119,721	\$3,149,115	(\$4,842,160)
Special	5,183,770	197,314	3,277,812	(1,708,644)
Vocational	8,817	0	10,981	2,164
Other	870,880	0	568,011	(302,869)
Support Services:				
Pupil	2,001,257	0	261,869	(1,739,388)
Instructional Staff	915,522	0	416,923	(498,599)
General Administration	49,611	0	4,996	(44,615)
School Administration	2,151,196	0	139,509	(2,011,687)
Fiscal	753,622	0	0	(753,622)
Business	8,413	0	5,848	(2,565)
Operations and Maintenance	1,596,578	17	37,113	(1,559,448)
Pupil Transportation	773,934	0	120,017	(653,917)
Central	749,365	1,069	423,823	(324,473)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	1,177,912	7,287	1,210,276	39,651
Extracurricular Activities	578,764	56,367	8,302	(514,095)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	349,932	0	0	(349,932)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$25,280,569</b>	<b>\$381,775</b>	<b>\$9,634,595</b>	<b>(15,264,199)</b>

General Revenues:

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	4,700,657
Debt Service Purposes	760,251
Capital Projects Purposes	444,835
Grants and Entitlements, Not Restricted	12,528,664
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	286
Investment Earnings	183,651
Other Revenues	138,981
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<b>18,757,325</b>
Change in Net Position	3,493,126
Net Position - Beginning of Year	9,810,108
Net Position - End of Year	<b>\$13,303,234</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

North College Hill City School District  
Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2024

	General	American Rescue Plan Act	Debt Service	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets:</b>					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$6,891,258	\$0	\$830,782	\$765,167	\$8,487,207
<b>Receivables (Net):</b>					
Taxes	5,061,182	0	826,899	485,975	6,374,056
Accounts	1,969	0	0	0	1,969
Interest	8,218	0	0	0	8,218
Intergovernmental	34,289	395,356	0	330,247	759,892
Interfund	251,020	0	0	0	251,020
Prepays	1,522	399	0	329	2,250
Inventory	0	0	0	2,359	2,359
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>12,249,458</b>	<b>395,755</b>	<b>1,657,681</b>	<b>1,584,077</b>	<b>15,886,971</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Accounts Payable	84,662	443	0	28,719	113,824
Accrued Wages and Benefits	905,122	237,251	0	195,342	1,337,715
Compensated Absences	26,178	0	0	0	26,178
Interfund Payable	0	157,662	0	93,358	251,020
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,015,962</b>	<b>395,356</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>317,419</b>	<b>1,728,737</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>					
Property Taxes	2,987,182	0	493,899	289,975	3,771,056
Grants and Other Taxes	0	0	0	11,873	11,873
Investment Earnings	4,546	0	0	0	4,546
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>2,991,728</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>493,899</b>	<b>301,848</b>	<b>3,787,475</b>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>					
Nonspendable	1,522	399	0	329	2,250
Restricted	0	0	1,163,782	976,354	2,140,136
Assigned	90,931	0	0	0	90,931
Unassigned	8,149,315	0	0	(11,873)	8,137,442
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>8,241,768</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>1,163,782</b>	<b>964,810</b>	<b>10,370,759</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$12,249,458</b>	<b>\$395,755</b>	<b>\$1,657,681</b>	<b>\$1,584,077</b>	<b>\$15,886,971</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

North College Hill City School District  
 Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balance to  
 Net Position of Governmental Activities  
 June 30, 2024

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Total Governmental Fund Balance		\$10,370,759
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Capital assets used in the operation of Governmental Funds		31,408,374
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.		
Delinquent Property Taxes	693,410	
Interest	4,546	
Intergovernmental	<u>11,873</u>	
		709,829
In the statement of net position interest payable is accrued when incurred; whereas, in the governmental funds interest is reported as a liability only when it will require the use of current financial resources.		
		(20,874)
Some liabilities reported in the statement of net position do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in governmental funds.		
Compensated Absences		(1,494,601)
Deferred charge on refunding associated with long-term liabilities that are not reported in the funds.		
		380,756
Deferred outflows and inflows or resources related to pensions and OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	5,038,885	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	(2,207,539)	
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	838,467	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	<u>(2,168,028)</u>	
		1,501,785
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Net OPEB Asset	1,519,221	
Net Pension Liability	(20,321,182)	
Net OPEB Liability	(1,075,405)	
Other Amounts	<u>(9,675,428)</u>	
		<u>(29,552,794)</u>
Net Position of Governmental Activities		<u>\$13,303,234</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

North College Hill City School District  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance  
Governmental Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General	American Rescue Plan Act	Debt Service	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Property and Other Taxes	\$4,691,197	\$0	\$762,507	\$448,405	\$5,902,109
Tuition and Fees	316,375	0	0	0	316,375
Investment Earnings	183,723	0	0	0	183,723
Intergovernmental	14,719,955	4,229,771	86,164	3,172,921	22,208,811
Extracurricular Activities	5,372	0	0	53,108	58,480
Charges for Services	0	0	0	6,668	6,668
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	220	0	42	24	286
Other Revenues	121,993	0	0	17,240	139,233
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>20,038,835</b>	<b>4,229,771</b>	<b>848,713</b>	<b>3,698,366</b>	<b>28,815,685</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
<b>Current:</b>					
<b>Instruction:</b>					
Regular	3,475,194	3,313,859	0	98,671	6,887,724
Special	4,122,754	22,192	0	1,061,875	5,206,821
Vocational	3,691	0	0	5,013	8,704
Other	305,205	517,127	0	48,707	871,039
<b>Support Services:</b>					
Pupil	1,729,807	539	0	262,583	1,992,929
Instructional Staff	592,740	54,983	0	332,113	979,836
General Administration	44,231	5,380	0	0	49,611
School Administration	1,945,094	130,746	0	0	2,075,840
Fiscal	695,368	0	10,912	6,384	712,664
Business	2,763	0	0	5,650	8,413
Operations and Maintenance	1,395,174	0	0	180,155	1,575,329
Pupil Transportation	763,258	9,541	0	0	772,799
Central	268,602	449,857	0	15,405	733,864
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	0	0	1,155,647	1,155,647
Extracurricular Activities	477,961	0	0	80,519	558,480
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	74,808	74,808
<b>Debt Service:</b>					
Principal Retirement	0	0	435,000	129,000	564,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	0	0	249,550	120,538	370,088
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>15,821,842</b>	<b>4,504,224</b>	<b>695,462</b>	<b>3,577,068</b>	<b>24,598,596</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>4,216,993</b>	<b>(274,453)</b>	<b>153,251</b>	<b>121,298</b>	<b>4,217,089</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Transfers In	0	0	0	95,959	95,959
Transfers (Out)	(95,959)	0	0	0	(95,959)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>(95,959)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>95,959</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>4,121,034</b>	<b>(274,453)</b>	<b>153,251</b>	<b>217,257</b>	<b>4,217,089</b>
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as previously presented	4,395,488	98	1,010,531	747,553	6,153,670
Error Correction	(274,754)	274,754	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as adjusted or restated	4,120,734	274,852	1,010,531	747,553	6,153,670
<b>Fund Balance - End of Year</b>	<b>\$8,241,768</b>	<b>\$399</b>	<b>\$1,163,782</b>	<b>\$964,810</b>	<b>\$10,370,759</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

North College Hill City School District  
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes  
 in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

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Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds \$4,217,089

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

Governmental funds report capital asset additions 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 of the difference between capital asset additions and depreciation in the current period.

Capital assets used in governmental activities	92,800	
Depreciation Expense	<u>(1,446,068)</u>	(1,353,268)

Governmental funds report district pension and OPEB contributions as expenditures. However in the Statement of Activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employer contributions is reported as pension and OPEB expense.

Pension Contributions	1,822,038	
Pension Expense	(2,196,051)	
OPEB Contributions	48,466	
OPEB Expense	<u>107,208</u>	(218,339)

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

Delinquent Property Taxes	3,634	
Interest	(72)	
Intergovernmental	<u>(45,551)</u>	(41,989)

Repayment of bond principal along with accreted interest payments is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

564,000

In the statement of activities interest expense is accrued when incurred; whereas, in governmental funds an interest expenditure is reported when due.

4,182

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

Compensated Absences	305,477	
Amortization of Bond Premium	47,703	
Amortization of Deferred Charge on Refunding	<u>(31,729)</u>	321,451

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		<u><u>\$3,493,126</u></u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**North College Hill City School District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements**  
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**Note 1 - Description Of The School District**

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The North College Hill City School District (the "District") was chartered by the Ohio State Legislature in 1832 by state laws enacted to create local Boards of Education. Today, the District operates under current standards prescribed by the Ohio State Board of Education as provided in division (D) of Section 3301.07 and Section 119.01 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The District operates under a locally elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational services as authorized by its charter or further mandated by state and/or federal agencies. The District employs 63 non-certified and 133 certified (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees to provide services to approximately 1,367 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups. It currently operates one elementary school (grades PK-4), one middle school, (grades 5-8), one high school (grades 9-12), and one alternative school (all grades).

**Note 2 - Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies**

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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's significant accounting policies are described below.

**Reporting Entity**

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading. The District consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. 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, and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the District. 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).

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



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*JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS*

The Hamilton Clermont Cooperative Information Technology Center (HCC):

The District is a participant in the Hamilton Clermont Cooperative Information Technology Center (HCC). HCC is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Hamilton and Clermont Counties. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts. The governing board of HCC consists of the superintendents and/or treasurers of the participating districts. HCC is not accumulating significant financial resources nor is it experiencing fiscal stress that may cause an additional financial benefit to or burden on members in the future. HCC exercises total control over the operations of the coalition including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. Financial information can be obtained from the Executive Director at HCC Information Technology Center, 1007 Cottonwood Drive, Loveland, Ohio 45140.

*PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOL*

Sedgwick Workers' Compensation Group Retro Plan:

The District participates in the Sedgwick Workers' Compensation Group Retro Plan (GRP). 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.

**Fund Accounting**

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

*GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS*

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

Debt Service Fund - The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

American Rescue Plan Act - This fund accounts for grants received through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), a part of the American Rescue Plan. Grants are restricted for various purposes designated by the Department of the Treasury.

The nonmajor governmental funds of the District account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

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*FIDUCIARY FUNDS*

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds and custodial funds. Trust funds are distinguished from custodial funds by the existence of a trust agreement or equivalent arrangements that have certain characteristics. Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in a trust fund. The District doesn't have any Fiduciary Funds.

**Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus**

Government-wide Financial Statements - The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the District are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Activities presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position.

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

The private purpose trust fund is reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus.

**Basis of Accounting**

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

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. "Measurable" means that the amount of the transaction can be determined, and "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 6). Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements

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have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the fiscal year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, or 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, tuition, student fees and grants.

Deferred Outflows of Resources - In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The deferred outflows of resources related to a deferred charge on refunding, OPEB, and pension are reported on the governmental-wide statement of net position. For more pension and OPEB related information, see Notes 11 and 12.

Deferred Inflows of Resources – In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, grants and other taxes, investment earnings, OPEB, and pension. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2024, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2025 operations. These amounts have been recorded as deferred inflows of resources on both the government-wide Statement of Net Position and the governmental fund financial statements. Grants and other taxes and investment earnings have been recorded as deferred inflows on the governmental fund financial statements. Deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. For more pension and OPEB related information, see Notes 11 and 12.

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

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

### **Cash and Investments**

To improve cash management, all cash received by the District is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in the 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.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices.

STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio), is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool

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Participants.” The District measures their investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

There were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, 24 hours advance notice is appreciated for deposits and withdrawals of \$100 million or more. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$250 million per day, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$250 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

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, food service fund, and the private purpose trust 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.

**Inventory**

Inventories are presented at cost on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed/expensed when used. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption and purchased food held for resale.

**Prepaid Items**

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

**Capital Assets**

Governmental capital assets are those assets that are specifically 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 position 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 retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition value as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. Improvements are capitalized; however, 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.

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:

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<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

**Interfund Balances**

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as “interfund receivables/payables.” Interfund balances are eliminated in the statement of net position.

**Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences of the District consist of vacation leave and severance liability 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. A liability for severance is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at June 30, 2024, 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 severance on employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, all employees with years of service were considered expected to become eligible to retire.

The total liability for vacation and severance payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2024, and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute.

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

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

**Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations**

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

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year. Bonds and certificates of participation are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due. Net pension/OPEB liability should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits.

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**Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

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

**Fund Balance**

*Nonspendable* - The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

*Restricted* - Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

*Committed* - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by the highest level of formal action (resolution) of the District. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

*Assigned* - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the District. State statute authorizes the Treasurer to assign fund balance purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

*Unassigned* - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit fund balance.

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

**Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between all of the elements in a statement of financial position.

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The net investment in capital assets component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

**Bond Premiums and Compounded Interest on Capital Appreciation Bonds**

For governmental activities, bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight-line method since the results are not significantly different from the effective interest method. Capital appreciation bonds are accreted each fiscal year for the compounded interest accrued during the fiscal year. Bond premiums and the compounded interest on the capital appreciation bonds are presented as an addition to the face amount of the bonds payable.

On the governmental fund financial statements, bond premiums are recognized in the period in which the bonds were issued. Accretion on the capital appreciation bonds is not reported. Interest on the capital appreciation bonds is recorded as an expenditure when the debt becomes due.

**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.

**Interfund Activity**

Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the statement of activities. Interfund payments for services provided and used are not eliminated.

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

**Note 3 - Accountability**

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**Deficit Fund Balances**

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

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	Deficits
Other Governmental Funds:	
Preschool Grant	\$11,873

These funds complied with Ohio State law, which does not permit a cash basis deficit at year-end. The general fund is liable for any deficits in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. These deficit fund balances are the result of adjustments for accrued liabilities. Negative fund cash balances in these funds resulted from a lag between disbursements and grant funding that was requested but not received by fiscal year-end.

**Note 4 – Deposits And Investments**

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The District maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. Each fund type’s portion of this pool is displayed in the basic financial statements as “Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents.” Statutes require the classification of 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 the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current two-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 accounts, including passbook accounts.

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

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities.
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days.



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4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met.
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions.
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days) in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

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. Except as noted above, 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.

### **Deposits**

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. As of June 30, 2024, \$549,991 of the District's bank balance of \$799,991 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized.

The District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by:

Eligible securities pledged to the District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105% of the deposits being secured; or

Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 50% of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

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*Investments:* As of June 30, 2024, the district had the following investments and maturities:

	Fair Value	Fair Value Hierarchy	Weighted Average Maturity (Years)
Money Market Funds	\$980	N/A	0.00
Federal Home Loan Bank	516,256	Level 2	2.21
Federal Farm Credit Bank	527,169	Level 2	0.17
Commercial Paper	879,835	Level 2	0.31
Negotiable CDs	242,633	Level 2	1.48
US Treasury Bills	133,461	Level 2	0.95
US Treasury Note	90,032	Level 2	4.42
STAR Ohio	5,462,110	N/A	0.13
Total Fair Value	<u>\$7,852,476</u>		
Portfolio Weighted Average Maturity			0.38

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The above table identifies the District’s recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2024. STAR Ohio is reported at its share price (Net Asset value per share), if applicable.

*Interest Rate Risk*

The District’s investment policy follows State statute, which requires that an investment mature within five years of the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and that an investment must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

*Credit Risk*

It is the District’s policy to limit its investments that are not obligations of the U.S. Government or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government to investments which have a credit quality rating of the top 2 ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The District’s investments in Federal Home Loan Bank, and Federal Farm Credit Bank were rated AAA by Standard & Poor’s and Aaa by Moody’s Investors Service. The District’s investments in Commercial Paper were rated A-1+ by Standard & Poor’s and P-1 by Moody’s Investors Service. STAR Ohio were rated AAAM by Standard & Poor’s. The Money Market Funds and Negotiable CDs were not rated.

*Concentration of Credit Risk*

The District’s investment policy requires investments to be diversified to reduce the risk of loss. The District’s policy allows investment in Federal Agencies or Instrumentalities. The District has invested 6.71% Federal Farm Credit Bank, 3.09% in Negotiable CDs, .01% in Money Market Funds, 11.20% Commercial Paper, 1.70% in US Treasury Bills, 1.15% in US Treasury Note, 69.56% in STAR Ohio, and 6.58% in Federal Home Loan Bank.

*Custodial Credit Risk*

Custodial risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

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

**Note 5 - Interfund Transactions**

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Interfund balances at June 30, 2024 as reported on the fund statements, consist of the following individual interfund loans receivable and payable and transfer in and out:

	Interfund		Transfers	
	Receivable	Payable	In	Out
General Fund	\$251,020	\$0	\$0	\$95,959
American Rescue Plan Act	0	157,662	0	0
Other Government Funds	0	93,358	95,959	0
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$251,020</b>	<b>\$251,020</b>	<b>\$95,959</b>	<b>\$95,959</b>

The primary purpose of the interfund balances is to cover costs in specific funds where revenues were not received by June 30. These interfund balances will be repaid once the anticipated revenues are received. All interfund balances are expected to be repaid within one year. Interfund balances between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no internal balances at June 30, 2024 are reported on the Statement of Net Position.

**Note 6 - Property Taxes**

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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 and public utility property located in the District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2024 were levied after April 1, 2023, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2023, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by state law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established. Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2024 became a lien December 31, 2022, were levied after April 1, 2023, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Hamilton County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2024 are available to finance fiscal year 2025 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real and public utility property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2024 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at

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

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

Agricultural/Residential and Other Real Estate	\$195,685,500
Public Utility Property	12,142,050
Total Assessed Value	<u>\$207,827,550</u>

**Note 7 – Receivables**

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Receivables at June 30, 2024 consisted of taxes, accounts, interest, intergovernmental, and interfund. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds. All receivables except for delinquent property taxes are expected to be collected within one year. Property taxes, although ultimately collectible, include some portion of delinquents that will not be collected within one year.

A summary of the principal items of receivables reported on the statement of net position follows:

Governmental Activities:

Property Taxes	\$6,374,056
Accounts	1,969
Interest	8,218
Intergovernmental	<u>759,892</u>
Total	<u>\$7,144,135</u>

**Note 8 - Capital Assets**

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

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	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
<b>Capital Assets, not being depreciated:</b>				
Land	\$84,688	\$0	\$0	\$84,688
<b>Capital Assets, being depreciated:</b>				
Land Improvements	2,733,104	0	0	2,733,104
Buildings and Improvements	45,841,643	0	0	45,841,643
Furniture and Equipment	4,054,295	92,800	0	4,147,095
Vehicles	142,258	0	0	142,258
Totals at Historical Cost	<u>52,855,988</u>	<u>92,800</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>52,948,788</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Land Improvements	1,760,653	138,544	0	1,899,197
Buildings and Improvements	15,066,139	1,170,291	0	16,236,430
Furniture and Equipment	3,212,684	121,603	0	3,334,287
Vehicles	54,870	15,630	0	70,500
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>20,094,346</u>	<u>1,446,068</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21,540,414</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$32,761,642</u>	<u>(\$1,353,268)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$31,408,374</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$1,357,263
Support Services:	
Pupils	645
Instructional Staff	19,961
School Administration	33,072
Fiscal	1,322
Operations & Maintenance	11,662
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	22,143
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$1,446,068</u>

**Note 9 - Long-Term Obligations**

During the fiscal year 2024, the following changes occurred in governmental activities long-term obligations:

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	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due in One Year
Bonds:					
General Obligation Bonds:					
2008 Certificate of Participation Bonds	\$2,627,000	\$0	\$129,000	\$2,498,000	\$135,000
2016 Refunding Bonds	7,040,000	0	435,000	6,605,000	455,000
Premium	620,131	0	47,703	572,428	0
Subtotal Bonds	10,287,131	0	611,703	9,675,428	590,000
Compensated Absences	1,827,737	163,391	470,349	1,520,779	161,190
Subtotal Bonds & Other Amounts	12,114,868	163,391	1,082,052	11,196,207	751,190
Net Pension Liability	22,142,917	0	1,821,735	20,321,182	0
Net OPEB Liability	891,524	183,881	0	1,075,405	0
Total Long-term Obligations	<u>\$35,149,309</u>	<u>\$347,272</u>	<u>\$2,903,787</u>	<u>\$32,592,794</u>	<u>\$751,190</u>

**Advance Refunding**

On March 29, 2017 the District issued \$7,340,000 and \$995,000 in Current Interest Bonds with an interest rate of between 1.09% and 4.0% which was used to advance refund \$7,390,000 of the outstanding 2008 Bonds and \$945,000 of the outstanding 2010 Bonds respectively. The net proceeds of \$9,289,052 (after payment of underwriting fees, insurance, and other issuance costs) were used to purchase U.S. government securities. Those securities were deposited into an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide all future debt service payments on the bonds issues. As a result, \$8,335,000 of the 2008 and 2010 Bonds are considered to be defeased and the related liability for those bonds have been removed from the Statement of Net Position. The bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement Fund using tax revenues.

The certificate of participation obligation relates to the construction of additions and improvements to the high school and middle school. The District is leasing a portion of the project from the Columbus Port Authority. The Columbus Port Authority has assigned US Bank as trustee. US Bank deposited \$3,965,000 in the Districts name with the escrow agent for the construction projects in fiscal year 2008. During 2008, the District requested all of the funds previously held by the escrow agent. The District makes semi-annual payments to US Bank. The payments for this debt will be paid from the Permanent Improvement Fund using tax revenues.

Pursuant to changes that became effective on September 14, 2000, Section 3318.05 of the Ohio Revised Code was amended eliminating the requirement that certain school districts receiving State classroom facilities assistance repay one-half of the required twenty-three year one-half mill levy. From that date forward any school district that had previously been required to make repayment has been directed to cease making the payments to the Ohio School Facilities Commission and to instead deposit one hundred percent of the proceeds in the Classroom Facilities Maintenance Non-major Special Revenue Fund designated by the Auditor of State.

The annual requirements to retire the general obligation debt outstanding at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

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Fiscal Year Ending June 30	General Obligation Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$455,000	\$238,375	\$693,375
2026	465,000	224,575	689,575
2027	485,000	210,325	695,325
2028	495,000	195,625	690,625
2029	510,000	178,000	688,000
2030-2034	2,885,000	560,100	3,445,100
2035-2036	1,310,000	53,000	1,363,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,605,000</b>	<b>\$1,660,000</b>	<b>\$8,265,000</b>

The following table represents the payments required on the Certificate of Participation for the amount outstanding at June 30, 2024:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Certificate of Participation		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$135,000	\$109,472	\$244,472
2026	142,000	103,240	245,240
2027	150,000	96,670	246,670
2028	157,000	89,763	246,763
2029	165,000	82,518	247,518
2030-2034	1,120,000	283,235	1,403,235
2035-2036	629,000	28,792	657,792
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,498,000</b>	<b>\$793,690</b>	<b>\$3,291,690</b>

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid.

There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability and net OPEB liability; however, employer pension and OPEB contributions are made from the fund benefitting from their service.

**Note 10 - Risk Management**

**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. During fiscal year 2024, the District contracted with Utica National Insurance Group for liability, property, and fleet insurance.

Coverages provided by the Utica National Insurance Group are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Building and Contents	\$98,107,451
Deductible	2,500
 Liability	
School Board Errors and Omissions Liability	
Each wrongful act limit	1,000,000
Annual aggregate limit	2,000,000

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Deductible	2,500
General Liability	
Per occurrence combined single limit	1,000,000
Annual aggregate limit	3,000,000
Employee Benefits Liability	
Each wrongful act limit	1,000,000
Annual aggregate limit	3,000,000
Stop Gap	
Each accident	1,000,000
Disease each employee	1,000,000
Disease policy limit	1,000,000
Automotive Liability	
Liability	
Per occurrence combined single limit	1,000,000
Medical payments limit	5,000
Uninsured/underinsured motorists coverage	1,000,000
Auto Physical Damage (actual cash value)	
Comprehensive deductible	500
Collision deductible	1,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

**Workers' Compensation**

The District participates in the Sedgwick Workers' Compensation Group Retro Plan (GRP). 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.

Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the state based on their individual experience rate. The BWC will evaluate the total performance of the group annually for 3 years beginning one year after the end of the program year. If the group performs well, the BWC will issue a refund. If the group has higher claims cost (after the claims and premium are applied to a formula) than the premium paid, the group participants will receive an assessment (for Sheakley groups, that risk is a 10% assessment over the 3 years). The district receives a percentage of that refund relative to the premium contributed to that group. Participation in the GRP is limited to entities that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Sheakley UniService provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP. Each fiscal year, the District pays an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

**Note 11 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

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



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**Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)**

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

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

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

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

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 12 for the required OPEB disclosures.

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

**Plan Description**

District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS’ fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

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Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 *	Eligible to Retire on or after August 1, 2017
Full Benefits	Any age with 30 years of service credit	Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit
Actuarially Reduced Benefits	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

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

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

An individual whose benefit effective date is before April 1, 2018, is eligible for a cost of living adjustment (COLA) on the first anniversary date of the benefit. New benefit recipients must wait until the fourth anniversary of their benefit for COLA eligibility. The COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit. The COLA is indexed to the percentage increase in the CPI-W, not to exceed 2.5 percent and with a floor of 0 percent. A three-year COLA suspension was in effect for all benefit recipients for the years 2018, 2019, and 2020. The Retirement Board approved a 2.5 percent COLA for calendar year 2023.

**Funding Policy**

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. For fiscal year 2024, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$415,614 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$59,473 is reported as accrued wages and benefits.

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

**Plan Description**

District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information, and detailed information about

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STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at [www.strsoh.org](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. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. In April 2017, the Retirement Board made the decision to reduce COLA granted on or after July 1, 2017, to 0 percent upon a determination by its actuary that it was necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the retirement system. Benefit recipients' base benefit and past cost-of living increases are not affected by this change. Effective July 1, 2022, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 3 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2023 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2018. Effective July 1, 2023, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 1 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2024 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2019. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3307.67(E) the STRS Ohio Retirement Board may adjust the COLA upon a determination by the board's actuary that a change will not materially impair the fiscal integrity of the system or is necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the system. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 34 years of service credit at any age.

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

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 11.09 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices offered by STRS. The remaining 2.91 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate is deposited into the member's DC account and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age fifty and after termination of employment.

New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS

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

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

**Funding Policy**

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

The District’s contractually required contribution to STRS was \$1,406,424 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$234,404 is reported as accrued wages and benefits.

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

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

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$3,499,254	\$16,821,928	\$20,321,182
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability:			
Current Measurement Date	0.06332900%	0.07811459%	
Prior Measurement Date	<u>0.06270270%</u>	<u>0.08435160%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	0.00062630%	-0.00623701%	
Pension Expense	\$334,643	\$1,861,408	\$2,196,051

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

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	SERS	STRS	Total
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$150,406	\$613,292	\$763,698
Changes of assumptions	24,787	1,385,377	1,410,164
Changes in employer proportionate share of net pension liability	78,200	964,785	1,042,985
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	415,614	1,406,424	1,822,038
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$669,007</u>	<u>\$4,369,878</u>	<u>\$5,038,885</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$37,328	\$37,328
Changes of assumptions	0	1,042,791	1,042,791
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	49,185	50,416	99,601
Changes in employer proportionate share of net pension liability	0	1,027,818	1,027,818
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$49,185</u>	<u>\$2,158,353</u>	<u>\$2,207,538</u>

\$1,822,038 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year	SERS	STRS	Total
Ending June 30:			
2025	\$90,594	\$234,016	\$324,610
2026	(122,315)	(495,676)	(617,991)
2027	233,322	1,413,926	1,647,248
2028	2,607	(347,165)	(344,558)
Total	<u>\$204,208</u>	<u>\$805,101</u>	<u>\$1,009,309</u>

**Actuarial Assumptions - SERS**

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

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

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

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

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25% to 13.58%	3.25% to 13.58%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	2.00%, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement	2.00%, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of system expenses	7.00% net of system expenses
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)

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

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

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined by using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' Statement of Investment Policy. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating an arithmetic weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. As of June 30, 2023:

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

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**Discount Rate**

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

**Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what each plan’s net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Discount Rate 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$5,164,719	\$3,499,254	\$2,096,416

**Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Report Date**

Governor DeWine signed HB33 in July 2023 authorizing SERS to implement a Contribution Based Benefit Cap beginning August 1, 2024. Any effect on the net pension liability is unknown.

**Actuarial Assumptions - STRS**

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation compared to those used in the June 30, 2022, actuarial valuation are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Projected Salary Increases	From 2.50% to 8.50% based on service	From 2.50% to 8.50% based on age
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of investments expense, including inflation	7.00% net of investments expense, including inflation
Discount Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Payroll Increases	3.00%	3.00%
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.00%	0.00%

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

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retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

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

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

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

\* Final target weights reflected October 1, 2022.

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

**Discount Rate**

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

**Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.00 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate:



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	1% Decrease <u>6.00%</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>7.00%</u>	1% Increase <u>8.00%</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$25,868,403	\$16,821,928	\$9,171,087

**Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Report Date**

In March 2024, the STRS Board made the eligibility rule requiring 34 years of service for an unreduced retirement permanent, effective June 1, 2024. Eligibility for a reduced retirement benefit has been lowered from 30 to 29 years of service. The effect of these changes on the net pension liability is currently unknown.

**Note 12- Defined Benefit OPEB Plans**

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See Note 11 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

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

**Health Care Plan Description**

The District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS’ Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS’ health care coverage. The following types of credit purchased after January 29, 1981, do not count toward health care coverage eligibility: military, federal, out-of-state, municipal, private school, exempted, and early retirement incentive credit. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS’ health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS’ health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS’ website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

The Health Care program is financed through a combination of employer contributions, recipient premiums, investment returns, and any funds received on behalf of SERS’ participation in Medicare programs. The System’s goal is to maintain a health care reserve account with a 20-year solvency period in order to ensure that fluctuations in the cost of health care do not cause an interruption in the program. However, during any period in which the 20-year solvency period is not achieved, the System shall manage the Health Care Fund on a pay-as-you-go basis.

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

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**Funding Policy**

State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2024, no allocation was made to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2024, this amount was \$30,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2024, the District's surcharge obligation was \$48,466.

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14.00% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$48,466 for fiscal year 2024.

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

**Plan Description**

The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Health care premiums were reduced by a Medicare Part B premium credit beginning in 2023. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org) or by calling (888) 227-7877.

**Funding Policy**

Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. All benefit recipients pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

**Net OPEB Liabilities (Assets), OPEB Expense (Income), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

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

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	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$1,075,405	\$0	\$1,075,405
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)	0	(1,519,221)	(1,519,221)
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset:			
Current Measurement Date	0.06527710%	0.07811459%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.06349840%	0.08435160%	
Change in Proportionate Share	0.00177870%	-0.00623701%	
OPEB Expense	(\$87,589)	(\$19,620)	(\$107,209)

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

	SERS	STRS	Total
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$2,241	\$2,368	\$4,609
Changes of assumptions	363,626	223,803	587,429
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	8,335	2,711	11,046
Changes in employer proportionate share of net OPEB liability	107,163	79,754	186,917
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	48,466	0	48,466
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$529,831</u>	<u>\$308,636</u>	<u>\$838,467</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$554,626	\$231,721	\$786,347
Changes of assumptions	305,425	1,002,360	1,307,785
Changes in employer proportionate share of net OPEB liability	70,690	3,206	73,896
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$930,741</u>	<u>\$1,237,287</u>	<u>\$2,168,028</u>

\$48,466 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability (adjustment to net OPEB asset) in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year	SERS	STRS	Total
Ending June 30:			
2025	(\$155,197)	(\$399,819)	(\$555,016)
2026	(148,056)	(195,380)	(343,436)
2027	(95,129)	(72,256)	(167,385)
2028	(51,360)	(101,917)	(153,277)
2029	(25,168)	(93,173)	(118,341)
Thereafter	25,534	(66,106)	(40,572)
Total	<u>(\$449,376)</u>	<u>(\$928,651)</u>	<u>(\$1,378,027)</u>

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**Actuarial Assumptions - SERS**

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

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

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

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

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Future Salary Increases, Including Inflation	3.25% to 13.58%	3.25% to 13.58%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of investment expense	7.00% net of investment expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Fiduciary Net Position is Projected to be Depleted	2048	2044
Municipal Bond Index Rate:		
Measurement Date	3.86%	3.69%
Prior Measurement Date	3.69%	1.92%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR), net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:		
Measurement Date	4.27%	4.08%
Prior Measurement Date	4.08%	2.27%
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	6.75% to 4.40%	7.00% to 4.40%

Mortality rates among healthy retirees were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Mortality rates for contingent survivors were based on PUB-2010

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General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5 percent for males and adjusted 122.5 percent for females. Mortality rates for actives is based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table. Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

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

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

The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. As of June 30, 2023:

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

**Discount Rate**

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

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**Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates**

The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.27%) and higher (5.27%) than the current discount rate (4.27%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%) and higher (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (3.27%)	Current Discount Rate (4.27%)	1% Increase (5.27%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$1,374,674	\$1,075,405	\$839,418
	1% Decrease (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%)	Current Trend Rate (6.75% decreasing to 4.40%)	1% Increase (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$790,062	\$1,075,405	\$1,453,521

**Changes Between Measurement Date and Reporting Date**

In September 2023, the SERS Board changed minimum compensation to \$30,000 from \$25,000 for purposes of the surcharge. Any effect on the net OPEB liability is unknown.

**Actuarial Assumptions - STRS**

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

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3.00%	3.00%
Discount Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Health Care Cost Trends:		
Medical		
Pre-Medicare	7.50% initial, 4.14% ultimate	7.50% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Medicare	-10.94% initial, 4.14% ultimate	-68.78% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Prescription Drug		
Pre-Medicare	-11.95% initial, 4.14% ultimate	9.00% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Medicare	1.33% initial, 4.14% ultimate	-5.47% initial, 3.94% ultimate

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Discount Rate**

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

**Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset) to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate**

The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

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	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$1,285,822)	(\$1,519,221)	(\$1,722,487)

	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
Proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$1,731,919)	(\$1,519,221)	(\$1,263,029)

**Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Reporting date**

In March, 2024, the STRS Board made changes to the eligibility for the maximum health care premium subsidy, going into effect initially with the January 2025 benefit. In May, 2024, the Board aligned the eligibility for the health care premium subsidy with the changes to pension eligibility made in March 2024. The effect on the net OPEB liability (asset) is unknown at this time.

**Note 13 – Contingencies**

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**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.

**Litigation**

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

**Note 14 - Statutory Reserves**

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The District is required by state law to set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statute, into various reserves. These reserves are calculated and presented on a cash basis. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the reserve activity was as follows:

	Capital Acquisition
Set Aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2023	\$0
Current Year Set Aside Requirements	291,002
Qualified Disbursements	(425,374)
Set Aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2024	(\$134,372)
Restricted Cash as of June 30, 2024	\$0



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**Note 15 – Fund Balances**

Fund balance is classified as non spendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Fund Balances	General	American Rescue Plan Act	Debt Service	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Nonspendable:					
Prepays	\$1,522	\$399	\$0	\$329	\$2,250
Total Nonspendable	1,522	399	0	329	2,250
Restricted for:					
District Managed Activity Support	0	0	0	8,787	8,787
Food Service Operation	0	0	0	558,723	558,723
Student Managed Activity	0	0	0	11,090	11,090
Local Grant	0	0	0	21,065	21,065
OSFC Maintenance	0	0	0	28,152	28,152
Special Trust	0	0	0	4,910	4,910
Debt Service	0	0	1,163,782	0	1,163,782
Replacement	0	0	0	9,258	9,258
Permanent Improvements	0	0	0	334,369	334,369
Total Restricted	0	0	1,163,782	976,354	2,140,136
Assigned to:					
Public Schools	6,102	0	0	0	6,102
Encumbrances	84,829	0	0	0	84,829
Total Assigned	90,931	0	0	0	90,931
Unassigned (Deficit)	8,149,315	0	0	(11,873)	8,137,442
Total Fund Balance	\$8,241,768	\$399	\$1,163,782	\$964,810	\$10,370,759

**Note 16 - Changes to or within the Financial Reporting Entity**

**Correction of an Error in Previously Issued Financial Statements**

During fiscal year 2023, the District included capital outlay expenditures of \$274,754 in the American Rescue Plan Act Fund that should have been included in the General Fund instead.

During fiscal year 2024, an error correction was made to restate the beginning fund balances, as follows:

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Reporting Units affected by Restatements of Beginning Balances:

	General Fund	American Rescue Plan Act Fund
6/30/2023, as Previously Reported	\$4,395,488	\$98
Error Correction	(274,754)	274,754
6/30/2023, as Restated	<u>\$4,120,734</u>	<u>\$274,852</u>

**Note 17 – Implementation of New Accounting Principles**

**New Accounting Principles**

For fiscal year 2024, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections; and portions of GASB Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022.

GASB Statement No. 100 enhances accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 100 is presented on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 99 addresses a variety of topics and includes clarification of provisions related to accounting and reporting of leases under GASB Statement No. 87, provides extension of the period which the London Interbank Offered Rate is considered appropriate benchmark interest rate, guidance on disclosure of nonmonetary transaction, accounting for pledges of future revenues when resources are not received by the pledging government under GASB Statement No. 48, and terminology updates related to certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 63 and No. 53. These topics under GASB Statement No. 99 provisions were implemented in a prior year.

Other topics in GASB Statement No. 99 includes classification of other derivative instruments within the scope of GASB Statement No. 53, clarification of provisions related to accounting and reporting of Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships under GASB Statement No. 94, and clarification of provisions to accounting and reporting of subscription-based information technology arrangements under GASB Statement No. 96. These topics under GASB Statement No. 99 provisions were implemented and did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

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# **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**



North College Hill City School District  
 Required Supplementary Information  
 Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability  
 School Employees Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2024	0.06332900%	\$3,499,254	\$2,635,950	132.75%	76.06%
2023	0.06270270%	3,391,450	2,245,193	151.05%	75.82%
2022	0.05977060%	2,205,362	2,142,457	102.94%	82.86%
2021	0.06525710%	4,316,242	2,287,443	188.69%	68.55%
2020	0.06526540%	3,904,943	2,240,770	174.27%	70.85%
2019	0.06335160%	3,628,263	2,043,800	177.53%	71.36%
2018	0.05827170%	3,481,605	1,950,114	178.53%	69.50%
2017	0.05772190%	4,224,710	1,676,057	252.06%	62.98%
2016	0.05923600%	3,380,064	2,138,331	158.07%	69.16%
2015	0.05971700%	3,022,243	1,752,785	172.43%	71.70%

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

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

North College Hill City School District  
 Required Supplementary Information  
 Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net Pension Liability  
 School Employees Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$415,614	(\$415,614)	\$0	\$2,968,671	14.00%
2023	369,033	(369,033)	0	2,635,950	14.00%
2022	314,327	(314,327)	0	2,245,193	14.00%
2021	299,944	(299,944)	0	2,142,457	14.00%
2020	320,242	(320,242)	0	2,287,443	14.00%
2019	302,504	(302,504)	0	2,240,770	13.50%
2018	275,913	(275,913)	0	2,043,800	13.50%
2017	273,016	(273,016)	0	1,950,114	14.00%
2016	234,648	(234,648)	0	1,676,057	14.00%
2015	281,832	(281,832)	0	2,138,331	13.18%

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

North College Hill City School District  
 Required Supplementary Information  
 Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability  
 State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2024	0.07811459%	\$16,821,928	\$10,540,971	159.59%	80.02%
2023	0.08435160%	18,751,467	11,630,914	161.22%	78.88%
2022	0.07958243%	10,175,329	9,345,143	108.88%	87.78%
2021	0.07755527%	18,765,616	10,338,000	181.52%	75.48%
2020	0.06994340%	15,467,563	8,273,743	186.95%	77.40%
2019	0.06623788%	14,564,223	7,515,771	193.78%	77.31%
2018	0.06013791%	14,285,889	6,635,057	215.31%	75.30%
2017	0.05836498%	19,536,518	5,953,114	328.17%	66.80%
2016	0.05674298%	15,682,100	6,058,714	258.84%	72.10%
2015	0.06068466%	14,760,609	6,677,238	221.06%	74.70%

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

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

North College Hill City School District  
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 Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net Pension Liability  
 State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$1,406,424	(\$1,406,424)	\$0	\$10,045,886	14.00%
2023	1,475,736	(1,475,736)	0	10,540,971	14.00%
2022	1,628,328	(1,628,328)	0	11,630,914	14.00%
2021	1,308,320	(1,308,320)	0	9,345,143	14.00%
2020	1,447,320	(1,447,320)	0	10,338,000	14.00%
2019	1,158,324	(1,158,324)	0	8,273,743	14.00%
2018	1,052,208	(1,052,208)	0	7,515,771	14.00%
2017	928,908	(928,908)	0	6,635,057	14.00%
2016	833,436	(833,436)	0	5,953,114	14.00%
2015	848,220	(848,220)	0	6,058,714	14.00%

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North College Hill City School District  
 Required Supplementary Information  
 Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability  
 School Employees Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability
2024	0.06527710%	\$1,075,405	\$2,635,950	40.80%	30.02%
2023	0.06349840%	891,524	2,245,193	39.71%	30.34%
2022	0.06159370%	1,165,711	2,142,457	54.41%	24.08%
2021	0.06566160%	1,427,041	2,287,443	62.39%	18.17%
2020	0.06623870%	1,665,764	2,240,770	74.34%	15.57%
2019	0.06397100%	1,774,728	2,043,800	86.83%	13.57%
2018	0.05908380%	1,585,654	1,950,114	81.31%	12.46%
2017	0.05833892%	1,662,875	1,676,057	99.21%	11.49%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

(2) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.



North College Hill City School District  
 Required Supplementary Information  
 Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net OPEB Liability  
 School Employees Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Nine Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution (2)	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$48,466	(\$48,466)	\$0	\$2,968,671	1.63%
2023	48,320	(48,320)	0	2,635,950	1.83%
2022	38,319	(38,319)	0	2,245,193	1.71%
2021	39,395	(39,395)	0	2,142,457	1.84%
2020	32,460	(32,460)	0	2,287,443	1.42%
2019	48,609	(48,609)	0	2,240,770	2.17%
2018	43,450	(43,450)	0	2,043,800	2.13%
2017	31,978	(31,978)	0	1,950,114	1.64%
2016	28,850	(28,850)	0	1,676,057	1.72%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2016 is not available.

(2) Includes surcharge.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

North College Hill City School District  
 Required Supplementary Information  
 Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability  
 State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB (Asset)/Liability
2024	0.07811459%	(\$1,519,221)	\$10,540,971	(14.41%)	168.52%
2023	0.08435160%	(2,184,143)	11,630,914	(18.78%)	230.73%
2022	0.07958243%	(1,677,930)	9,345,143	(17.96%)	174.73%
2021	0.07755527%	(1,363,033)	10,338,000	(13.18%)	182.13%
2020	0.06994340%	(1,158,430)	8,273,743	(14.00%)	174.74%
2019	0.06623788%	(1,064,375)	7,515,771	(14.16%)	176.00%
2018	0.06013791%	2,346,359	6,635,057	35.36%	47.10%
2017	0.05836498%	3,121,374	5,953,114	52.43%	37.30%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

(2) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

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 Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability  
 State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio  
 Last Nine Fiscal Years (1)

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,045,886	0.00%
2023	0	0	0	10,540,971	0.00%
2022	0	0	0	11,630,914	0.00%
2021	0	0	0	9,345,143	0.00%
2020	0	0	0	10,338,000	0.00%
2019	0	0	0	8,273,743	0.00%
2018	0	0	0	7,515,771	0.00%
2017	0	0	0	6,635,057	0.00%
2016	0	0	0	5,953,114	0.00%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2016 is not available.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

North College Hill City School District  
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance  
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$3,495,914	\$4,011,409	\$4,137,197	\$125,788
Revenue in lieu of taxes	186	213	220	7
Tuition and Fees	262,738	301,480	310,934	9,454
Investment Earnings	116,851	134,082	138,286	4,204
Intergovernmental	12,409,326	14,239,160	14,685,666	446,506
Other Revenues	101,276	116,210	119,854	3,644
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>16,386,291</b>	<b>18,802,554</b>	<b>19,392,157</b>	<b>589,603</b>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	3,980,713	3,853,048	3,777,180	75,868
Special	4,611,172	4,463,287	4,375,404	87,883
Vocational	3,890	3,765	3,691	74
Other	316,759	306,600	300,563	6,037
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,860,759	1,801,083	1,765,619	35,464
Instructional Staff	616,929	597,144	585,386	11,758
General Administration	47,879	46,344	45,431	913
School Administration	2,040,843	1,975,391	1,936,495	38,896
Fiscal	762,279	737,832	723,304	14,528
Business	4,270	4,133	4,052	81
Operations and Maintenance	1,571,026	1,520,642	1,490,700	29,942
Pupil Transportation	812,651	786,588	771,100	15,488
Central	284,430	275,308	269,887	5,421
Extracurricular Activities	505,406	489,197	479,565	9,632
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>17,419,006</b>	<b>16,860,362</b>	<b>16,528,377</b>	<b>331,985</b>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(1,032,715)	1,942,192	2,863,780	921,588
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Advances In	832,978	955,806	985,778	29,972
Transfers (Out)	(101,130)	(97,886)	(95,959)	1,927
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>731,848</b>	<b>857,920</b>	<b>889,819</b>	<b>31,899</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>(300,867)</b>	<b>2,800,112</b>	<b>3,753,599</b>	<b>953,487</b>
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	3,414,737	3,414,737	3,414,737	0
<b>Fund Balance - End of Year</b>	<b>\$3,113,870</b>	<b>\$6,214,849</b>	<b>\$7,168,336</b>	<b>\$953,487</b>

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance  
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	American Rescue Plan Act Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:				
Intergovernmental	\$5,097,830	\$5,097,830	\$4,550,068	(\$547,762)
Total Revenues	<u>5,097,830</u>	<u>5,097,830</u>	<u>4,550,068</u>	<u>(547,762)</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	3,075,684	3,095,503	3,095,503	0
Special	20,721	20,855	20,855	0
Other	519,670	523,019	523,019	0
Support Services:				
Pupil	504	507	507	0
Instructional Staff	63,808	64,219	64,219	0
General Administration	6,533	6,575	6,575	0
School Administration	140,263	141,167	141,167	0
Pupil Transportation	10,545	10,613	10,613	0
Central	420,045	422,752	422,752	0
Total Expenditures	<u>4,257,773</u>	<u>4,285,210</u>	<u>4,285,210</u>	<u>0</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>840,057</u>	<u>812,620</u>	<u>264,858</u>	<u>(547,762)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Advances (Out)	(425,272)	(428,012)	(428,012)	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(425,272)</u>	<u>(428,012)</u>	<u>(428,012)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	414,785	384,608	(163,154)	(547,762)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$414,785</u>	<u>\$384,608</u>	<u>(\$163,154)</u>	<u>(\$547,762)</u>

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

**North College Hill City School District**  
**Notes to the Required Supplementary Information**  
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**Note 1 – Budgetary Process**

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All funds, except custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriations resolution and the certificate of estimated resources which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and set annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board.

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

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

While the District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) and Actual presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are as follows:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures for all funds (budget basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance for governmental fund types (GAAP basis).
4. Advances in and advances out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis to the budgetary basis for the general fund and major special revenue fund.

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	Net Change in Fund Balance	
	General	American Rescue Plan Act
GAAP Basis	\$4,121,034	(\$274,453)
Revenue Accruals	(646,678)	320,297
Expenditure Accruals	(537,184)	224,507
Advances In	985,778	0
Advances (Out)	0	(428,012)
Encumbrances	(169,351)	(5,493)
Budget Basis	<u>\$3,753,599</u>	<u>(\$163,154)</u>

**Note 2 - Net Pension Liability**

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**School Employees Retirement System (SERS)**

**Changes in Benefit Terms:**

2023-2024: There were no changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement period.

2022: Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) increased from 0.50% to 2.50%.

2020-2021: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for this fiscal year.

2019: With the authority granted the Board under Senate Bill 8, the Board has enacted a three year COLA delay for future benefit recipients commencing benefits on or after April 1, 2018.

2018: SERS changed from a fixed 3.00% annual increase to a Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) based on the changed in the Consumer Price Index Index (CPI-W), with a cap of 2.50% and a floor of 0.00%.

2014-2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

**Changes in Assumptions:**

2023-2024: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) was increased from 2.00% to 2.50% for calendar year 2024.

2022: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.00% to 2.40%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 3.50% to 1.75%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was increased from 0.50% to 0.85%,
- (4) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) was reduced from 2.50% to 2.00%,
- (5) The discount rate was reduced from 7.50% to 7.00%,
- (6) Rates of withdrawal, compensation, participation, spouse coverage assumption, retirement, and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, and,
- (7) Mortality among active members, service retirees and beneficiaries, and disabled members were updated.

2018-2021: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial

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**For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

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determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2017: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%,
- (4) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience,
- (5) Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females,
- (6) Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates,
- (7) Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement, and
- (8) The discount rate was reduced from 7.75% to 7.50%.

2014-2016: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

**State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)**

**Changes in Benefit Terms:**

2019-2024: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

2018: STRS decreased the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to zero.

2014-2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

**Changes in Assumptions:**

2024: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2023: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table:
  - a. Adjusted 110.0% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (2) Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table:
  - a. Adjusted 95.0% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (3) Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table:
  - a. Projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (4) Projected salary increases changed from 2.50% to 12.50% to 2.50% to 8.50%

2022: There were changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date, which the discount rate was adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45%.



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2019-2021: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2018: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%,
- (2) The inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%,
- (3) The payroll growth assumption was lowered to 3.00%,
- (4) Total salary increases rate was lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, in addition to a decrease of 0.25% due to lower inflation,
- (5) The healthy and disabled mortality assumptions were updated to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016, and
- (6) Rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience.

2014-2017: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

**Note 3 - Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability**

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**School Employees Retirement System (SERS)**

**Changes in Benefit Terms:**

2024: Effective January 1, 2024, the non-Medicare disability health care subsidy amounts will change to reflect amounts equal to that of service retirees by years of service.

2017-2023: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

**Changes in Assumptions:**

2024: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:

Prior Measurement Date	4.08%
Measurement Date	4.27%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:

Prior Measurement Date	3.69%
Measurement Date	3.86%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:

Prior Measurement Date	4.08%
Measurement Date	4.27%
- (4) The assumption for percent of pre-Medicare eligible retirees who choose the Wraparound plan increased from 10% to 20%.
- (5) The health care trend assumption on retiree premiums was updated to not apply trend to the \$35 surcharge.
- (6) The morbidity factors were updated based on the Society of Actuaries' June 2013 research report Health Care Costs—From Birth to Death by Dale Yamamoto and from the ASOP 6 practice note developed by the American Academy of Actuaries.

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- (7) An assumption was added to assume that 15% of pre-65 retirees who waive will elect coverage upon Medicare eligibility.

2023: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.27% |
| Measurement Date       | 4.08% |
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 1.92% |
| Measurement Date       | 3.69% |
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.27% |
| Measurement Date       | 4.08% |
- (4) Health care trend rates were updated.

2022: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.63% |
| Measurement Date       | 2.27% |
- (2) Investment Rate of Return:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 7.50% |
| Measurement Date       | 7.00% |
- (3) Assumed Rate of Inflation:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.00% |
| Measurement Date       | 2.40% |
- (4) Payroll Growth Assumption:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.50% |
| Measurement Date       | 1.75% |
- (5) Assumed Real Wage Growth:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 0.50% |
| Measurement Date       | 0.85% |
- (6) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.45% |
| Measurement Date       | 1.92% |
- (7) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- |                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.63% |
| Measurement Date       | 2.27% |
- (8) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience.
- (9) Rate of health care participation for future retirees and spouses was updated to reflect recent.
- (10) Mortality among active members was updated to the following:
- a. PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table.
- (11) Mortality among service retired members was updated to the following:
- a. PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females.
- (12) Mortality among beneficiaries was updated to the following:

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- a. PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5% for males and adjusted 122.5% for females.
- (13) Mortality among disabled member was updated to the following:
  - a. PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females.
- (14) Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

2021: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.22%
  - Measurement Date 2.63%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.13%
  - Measurement Date 2.45%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.22%
  - Measurement Date 2.63%

2020: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.70%
  - Measurement Date 3.22%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.62%
  - Measurement Date 3.13%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.70%
  - Measurement Date 3.22%

2019: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.63%
  - Measurement Date 3.70%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.56%
  - Measurement Date 3.62%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
  - Prior Measurement Date 3.63%
  - Measurement Date 3.70%

2018: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:

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Fiscal Year 2018	3.63%
Fiscal Year 2017	2.98%
(2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Fiscal Year 2018	3.56%
Fiscal Year 2017	2.92%
(3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:	
Fiscal Year 2018	3.63%
Fiscal Year 2017	2.98%

2017: The following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%,
- (4) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience,
- (5) Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females,
- (6) Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates, and
- (7) Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

**State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)**

**Changes in Benefit Terms:**

2024: Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024. The change in the subsidy percentage and the base amount for all retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (NME) participants, from 2.2% per year in last year's valuation to 2.5% per year, capped at 75%, as well as the unfreezing of the NME subsidy, the removal of the 6% cap on the year over year subsidy increase for Medicare Eligible (ME) participants, the changes in deductible and office visits copays for Aetna's Medicare Advantage plan, and updates in the medical and PBM vendor contracts. In addition, there were benefit changes related to the change in eligibility for unreduced Pension benefits.

2023: Salary increase rates were updated based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021 and were changed from age based to service based. Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

2022: The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022 from 2.055% to 2.100%. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2022. The Medicare Part D subsidy was updated to reflect it is expected to be negative in CY2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

2021: There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year end 2021 premium based on June 30, 2020 enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy

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percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984% to 2.055% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

2020: There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were trended to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to reflect the current price renewals. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2020 from 1.944% to 1.984% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2020. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021.

2019: The subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was increased from 1.900% to 1.944% per year of service effective January 1, 2019. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2019 and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020. The Board is extending the current Medicare Part B partial reimbursement program for one year. Under this program, benefit recipients currently enrolled in the STRS Ohio Health Care Program and Medicare Part B receive \$29.90 per month to reimburse a portion of the Medicare Part B premium. The reimbursement was set to be reduced to \$0 beginning January 1, 2020. This impacts about 85,000 benefit recipients.

2018: The subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.10% to 1.90% per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2019.

2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for this fiscal year.

**Changes in Assumptions:**

2024: Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024. The change in the subsidy percentage and the base amount for all retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (NME) participants, from 2.2% per year in last year's valuation to 2.5% per year, capped at 75%, as well as the unfreezing of the NME subsidy, the removal of the 6% cap on the year over year subsidy increase for Medicare Eligible (ME) participants, the changes in deductible and office visits copays for Aetna's Medicare Advantage plan, and updates in the medical and PBM vendor contracts. In addition, there were benefit changes related to the change in eligibility for unreduced Pension benefits.

2023: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2022: There were changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date, which the discount rate was adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45%.

2021: There were changes in assumptions during the measurement year, which decreased the total OPEB liability by approximately \$0.26 billion. The assumption changes included changes in healthcare costs and trends.

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2020: There were changes in assumptions during the measurement year, which increased the total OPEB liability by approximately \$0.04 billion. The assumption changes included changes in healthcare costs and trends.

2019: The discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13% to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB). Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated.

2018: The discount rate was increased from 3.26% to 4.13% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB) and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

2017: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for this fiscal year.

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**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
HAMILTON COUNTY  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal Grant/ Pass Through Grantor Program Title	Pass Through Entity Number	Assistance Listing Number	Federal Expenditures
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</b>			
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
School Breakfast Program	3L70	10.553	\$279,147
National School Lunch Program-Non-Cash Assistance	3L60	10.555	72,102
National School Lunch Program	3L60	10.555	598,182
Total National School Lunch Program			<u>670,284</u>
Summer Food Service Program for Children	3GE0	10.559	51,524
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>1,000,955</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>1,000,955</u>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</b>			
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:			
Special Education Cluster:			
Special Education-Grants to States	3M20	84.027	532,378
Special Education-Preschool Grants	3C50	84.173	17,133
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>549,511</u>
COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	3HS0	84.425U	4,272,102
COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund - Homeless Children and Youth	3HZ0	84.425W	7,616
Total Education Stabilization Fund			<u>4,279,718</u>
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	3M00	84.010	1,038,811
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	3Y60	84.367	100,129
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	3HI0	84.424	95,861
Passed Through Hamilton County Educational Service Center:			
English Language Acquisition State Grants	N/A	84.365	2,997
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>6,067,027</u>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY</b>			
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:			
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	5CV1	21.019	18,454
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury			<u>18,454</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u><u>\$7,086,436</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
HAMILTON COUNTY  
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

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

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

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement. The District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**NOTE C - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER**

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

**NOTE D – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

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



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

Board of Education  
North College Hill City School District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the North College Hill City School District (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 20, 2024.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

**Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

## District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

## Purpose of This Report

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

*Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.*

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
November 20, 2024

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

Board of Education  
North College Hill City School District

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

We have audited the North College Hill City School District's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

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

***Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

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

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

***Responsibilities of Management for Compliance***

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

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

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

### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

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

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

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

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

*Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.*

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
November 20, 2024

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results**

**Financial Statements**

Type of auditor’s report issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
- Significant Deficiency(s) identified? Yes

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No

**Federal Awards**

Internal control over major federal programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
- Significant Deficiency(s) identified? None reported

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? No

Identification of major federal programs:

Educational Stabilization Fund ALN 84.425U and 84.425W  
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies ALN 84.010

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes

**Section II – Findings Related to the Financial Statements Required to be reported in Accordance with GAGAS**

**2024-001-Significant Deficiency-Controls Related to Financial Reporting**

The presentation of financial statements and related footnotes that are free of material misstatement is the responsibility of the District’s management. Thus, it is important that management develop control procedures related to preparing financial statements and footnotes that enable management to prevent and detect potential misstatements in the financial statements and footnotes in a timely manner.

During the preparation of the annual GAAP conversion, it was determined that a beginning fund balance adjustment was needed to report cash balances in the correct fund. This was the result of a FY2023 cash adjustment that was made after year end closing but was not reflected on the prior year GAAP financial statements.

**Recommendation:**

Implement additional procedures related to the financial statement preparation and review process that will allow the District to timely identify misstatements.

**Management's Response:**

The District agrees but would like to point out that these adjustments were to the annual GAAP financial statements. The District maintains the daily books and records on the cash basis of accounting which is typical of Ohio school districts. The cash basis books didn't require adjustment as the amounts noted above were properly recorded and budgeted on the day to day records maintained by the Treasurer.

**Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

None

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
JUNE 30, 2024**

**Summary of Prior Audit Findings and Questioned Costs:**

None



**NOTRH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
1731 Goodman Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45239**

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN  
2 CFR 200.511(c)  
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

<u>Finding Number</u>	<u>Planned Corrective Action</u>	<u>Anticipated Completion Date</u>	<u>Responsible Contact Person</u>
2024-001	The District will review the financial statement preparation process and procedures. The process will be updated to avoid future adjustments.	FY2024	Brett Floyd, Treasurer

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# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**HAMILTON COUNTY**

**AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION**

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



**Certified for Release 2/25/2025**

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