

**Gahanna- Jefferson City School District**  
**Franklin County**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**  
**IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED**  
**JUNE 30, 2020, 2021, and 2022 ACTUAL**  
**FORECASTED FISCAL YEARS ENDING**  
**JUNE 30, 2023, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027**



**Forecast Provided By**  
**Gahanna-Jefferson City School District**  
**J. Scott Gooding II, Treasurer/CFO**

*November 17, 2022*

# GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Franklin County

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2020, 2021, 2022

Forecasted Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 through 2027

	Actual				Forecasted				
	Fiscal Year 2020	Fiscal Year 2021	Fiscal Year 2022	Average Change	Fiscal Year 2023	Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026	Fiscal Year 2027
<b>Revenues</b>									
1.010 General Property Tax (Real Estate)	\$60,326,812	\$63,863,918	\$67,749,110	6.0%	\$68,757,144	\$69,559,209	\$70,157,228	\$70,558,943	\$71,070,394
1.020 Public Utility Personal Property Tax	4,811,765	5,485,757	6,125,870	12.8%	6,489,894	6,667,348	6,824,628	6,981,908	7,139,188
1.035 Unrestricted State Grants-in-Aid	14,208,152	15,344,839	13,131,506	-3.2%	12,901,204	12,919,492	12,933,151	12,947,150	12,961,497
1.040 Restricted State Grants-in-Aid	237,457	237,457	650,357	86.9%	979,745	979,745	979,745	979,745	979,745
1.045 Restricted Federal Grants In Aid	-	-	-	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
1.050 Property Tax Allocation	6,574,773	6,542,281	6,644,276	0.5%	6,603,358	6,671,426	6,723,363	6,747,578	6,786,330
1.060 All Other Revenues	10,544,073	15,544,788	15,142,451	22.4%	13,867,078	14,119,691	14,371,897	14,593,788	14,795,457
1.070 <i>Total Revenues</i>	96,703,032	107,019,040	109,443,570	6.5%	109,598,423	110,916,911	111,990,012	112,809,112	113,732,611
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>									
2.040 Operating Transfers-In	999,827	3,000,000	351,102	55.9%	479,921	65,924	53,655	40,955	46,175
2.050 Advances-In	-	536,399	593,810	0.0%	9,556	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
2.060 All Other Financing Sources	9,088	452,099	153,535	999.99%	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
2.070 <i>Total Other Financing Sources</i>	1,008,915	3,988,498	1,098,447	111.4%	514,477	490,924	478,655	465,955	471,175
2.080 <i>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</i>	97,711,947	111,007,538	110,542,017	6.6%	110,112,900	111,407,835	112,468,667	113,275,067	114,203,786
<b>Expenditures</b>									
3.010 Personal Services	\$55,020,808	\$57,301,948	\$61,177,471	5.5%	\$65,652,522	\$70,062,772	\$74,073,514	\$77,917,772	\$81,982,047
3.020 Employees' Retirement/Insurance Benefits	20,125,303	19,781,037	20,838,993	1.8%	21,765,312	23,178,261	25,048,019	26,942,150	28,986,790
3.030 Purchased Services	11,960,188	11,045,610	10,617,577	-5.8%	11,603,640	12,012,758	12,422,100	12,950,454	13,377,718
3.040 Supplies and Materials	1,682,108	1,726,325	2,156,355	13.8%	2,608,262	2,596,314	2,899,703	2,975,294	3,053,153
3.050 Capital Outlay	1,528,173	840,280	542,571	-40.2%	1,144,000	1,144,000	1,144,000	1,144,000	1,144,000
Debt Service:									
4.010 Principal-All (Historical Only)	-	-	-	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
4.020 Principal-Notes	1,458,185	1,518,184	1,553,184	3.2%	0	0	0	0	0
4.050 Principal-HB 264 Loans	-	-	-	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
4.055 Principal-Other	-	-	-	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
4.060 Interest and Fiscal Charges	374,075	321,654	275,494	-14.2%	0	0	0	0	0
4.300 Other Objects	1,285,983	3,266,812	1,432,418	48.9%	1,495,232	1,540,089	1,586,291	1,633,880	1,682,897
4.500 <i>Total Expenditures</i>	93,434,823	95,801,850	98,594,063	2.7%	104,268,967	110,534,194	117,173,627	123,563,551	130,226,605
<b>Other Financing Uses</b>									
5.010 Operating Transfers-Out	1,410,080	3,496,959	1,308,906	42.7%	2,793,425	2,385,088	2,376,274	2,362,887	2,376,446
5.020 Advances-Out	536,399	593,810	9,556	-43.8%	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
5.030 All Other Financing Uses	815	-	-	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
5.040 <i>Total Other Financing Uses</i>	1,947,294	4,090,769	1,318,462	21.2%	3,193,425	2,785,088	2,776,274	2,762,887	2,776,446
5.050 <i>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</i>	95,382,117	99,892,619	99,912,525	2.4%	107,462,392	113,319,282	119,949,901	126,326,438	133,003,051
6.010 <i>Sources over (under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</i>	2,329,830	11,114,919	10,629,492	186.4%	2,650,508	(1,911,447)	(7,481,234)	(13,051,371)	(18,799,265)
7.010 Cash Balance July 1 - Excluding Proposed Renewal/Replacement and New Levies	\$9,733,799	\$12,063,629	\$23,178,548	58.0%	\$33,808,040	\$36,458,548	\$34,547,101	\$27,065,867	\$14,014,496
7.020 <i>Cash Balance June 30</i>	12,063,629	23,178,548	33,808,040	69.0%	36,458,548	34,547,101	27,065,867	14,014,496	(4,784,769)
8.010 <i>Estimated Encumbrances June 30</i>	1,256,171	1,555,948	4,021,249	91.2%	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000
<b>Reservation of Fund Balance</b>									
9.030 Budget Reserve	1,000,303	2,000,000	5,000,000	125.0%	\$5,479,921	\$5,545,846	\$5,599,501	\$5,640,456	\$5,686,631
9.080 <i>Subtotal</i>	1,000,303	2,000,000	5,000,000	125.0%	\$5,479,921	\$5,545,846	\$5,599,501	\$5,640,456	\$5,686,631
<i>Fund Balance June 30 for Certification of Appropriations</i>	9,807,155	19,622,600	24,786,791	63.2%	29,728,627	27,751,256	20,216,367	7,124,040	(11,721,399)
<b>Revenue from Replacement/Renewal Levies</b>									
11.010 Income Tax - Renewal				0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
11.020 Property Tax - Renewal or Replacement				0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
11.300 Cumulative Balance of Levies				0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
12.010 <i>Fund Balance June 30 for Certification of Contracts, Salary Schedules and Other Obligations</i>	9,807,155	19,622,600	24,786,791	63.2%	29,728,627	27,751,256	20,216,367	7,124,040	(11,721,399)
<b>Revenue from New Levies</b>									
13.010 Income Tax - New				0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
13.020 Property Tax - New				0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
13.030 Cumulative Balance of New Levies	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
14.010 Revenue from Future State Advancements					-	-	-	-	-
15.010 <i>Unreserved Fund Balance June 30</i>	\$9,807,155	\$19,622,600	\$24,786,791	63.2%	\$29,728,627	\$27,751,256	\$20,216,367	\$7,124,040	(\$11,721,399)

**Gahanna-Jefferson City School District –Franklin County**  
**Notes to the Five Year Forecast**  
**General Fund Only**  
**November 17, 2022**

**Introduction to the Five-Year Forecast**

A forecast is somewhat like a future painting based on a snapshot of today. That snapshot, however, will be adjusted because the further into the future the forecast extends, the more likely it is that the projections will deviate from experience. A variety of events will ultimately impact the latter years of the forecast, such as state budgets (adopted every two years), tax levies (new/renewal/replacement), salary increases, or businesses moving in or out of the district. The five-year forecast is a crucial management tool and must be updated periodically. The five-year forecast enables district management teams to examine future years' projections and identify when challenges will arise. This then helps district management to be proactive in meeting those challenges. School districts are encouraged to update their forecasts with ODE when events significantly change their forecast or, at a minimum, when required under the statute.

In a financial forecast, the numbers only tell a small part of the story. For the numbers to be meaningful, the reader must review and consider the Assumptions of the Financial Forecast before drawing conclusions or using the data as a basis for other calculations. The assumptions are fundamental to understanding the rationale of the numbers, particularly when a significant increase or decrease is reflected.

Since the preparation of a meaningful five-year forecast is as much an art as it is a science and entails many intricacies, it is recommended that you contact the Treasurer/Chief Fiscal Officer of the school district with any questions you may have. The Treasurer/CFO submits the forecast, but the Board of Education is recognized as the official owner of the forecast.

Here are three essential purposes or objectives of the five-year forecast:

- (1) To engage the local board of education and the community in long-range planning and discussions of financial issues facing the school district
- (2) To serve as a basis for determining the school district's ability to sign the certificate required by O.R.C. §5705.412, commonly known as the "412 certificate"
- (3) To provide a method for the Department of Education and Auditor of State to identify school districts with potential financial problems.

O.R.C. §5705.391 and O.A.C. 3301-92-04 require a Board of Education (BOE) to file a five (5) year financial forecast by November 30, 2022, and May 31, 2023, for the fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023). The five-year forecast includes three years of actual and five years of projected general fund revenues and expenditures. The fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023) is the first year of the five-year forecast and is considered the baseline year. Our forecast is updated to reflect the most current economic data available for the November 2022 filing.

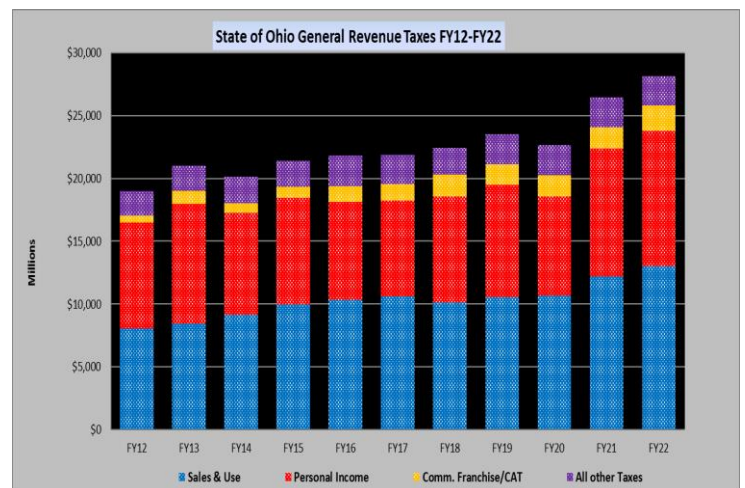
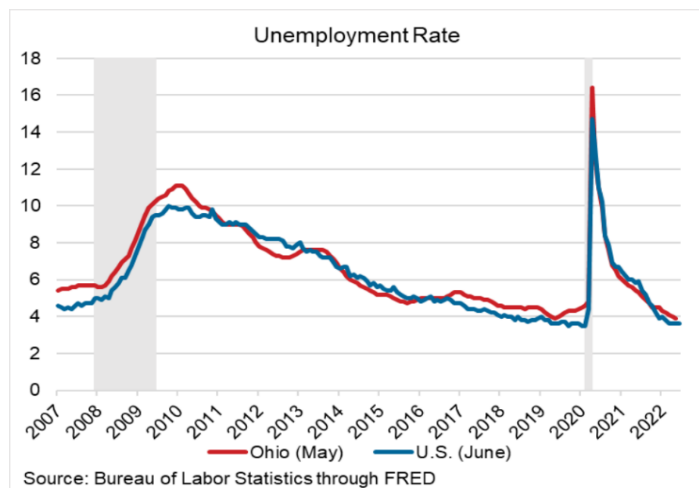
**Economic Outlook**

This five-year forecast is being filed during a two-year economic recovery following the COVID-19 Pandemic, which began in early 2020. The effects of the pandemic have lessened, but several supply chain concerns and high inflation continues to impact our state, country, and broader globalized economy. Inflation in June 2022 hit a 40-year high of 9.1% before falling to 8.3% in August. Costs in FY22 were notably impacted in areas such as diesel fuel for buses, electric and natural gas, and building materials for facility maintenance and repair. Increased inflation affecting district costs is expected to continue in FY23; it remains to be seen if these costs

are transitory or will last over the next few years, which could significantly impact our forecast and adversely affect state and local funding.

The Federal Reserve Bank has made fighting inflation its number one concern. It is expected that interest rate increases before December 2022 will result in increased unemployment, and many economists anticipate an economic recession in the first half of the calendar year 2023. If that occurs, the recession will happen as the state legislature considers the next biennium budget for FY24 and FY25. Despite the solid economic recovery the state of Ohio has enjoyed over the past two years, as noted below in the graphs, a recession may impact funding for primary and secondary education.

As noted in the graphs below, the State of Ohio's economy has steadily recovered over the past two years. School funding cuts made in FY20 have been fully restored, and a new state funding formula is in year two of a projected five-year phase. While increased inflation impacting district costs is expected to continue over the next few years, the state's economy has grown, as indicated in the graphs below. It may enable the state to continue the phase-in of the new funding formula even if a cyclical recession occurs in the first half of the 2023 calendar year.



While all school districts are being aided by three (3) rounds of federal Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER), which began in the fiscal year 2020, the most recent allocation of ESSER funds must be spent or encumbered by September 30, 2024.

Data and assumptions noted in this forecast are based on the best and most reliable data available to us as of the date of this forecast.

### Forecast Risks and Uncertainty:

A five-year financial forecast has risks and uncertainty not only due to economic uncertainties noted above but also due to state legislative changes that will occur in the spring of 2023 and 2025 due to deliberation of the following two (2) state biennium budgets for FY24-25 and FY26-27, both of which affect this five-year forecast. We have estimated revenues and expenses based on the best data available and the laws in effect at this time. The items below give a short description of the current issues and how they may affect our forecast long term:

**I. New Operating Levy** - We appreciate the community's approval of the 4.26 mill levy that was approved November 3, 2020 as a continuing levy. The forecast shows a partial year collection in FY21 and a full year

collection beginning this year in FY22. This levy will help provide financial stability for the district through FY26 based on our revenue and expenditure assumptions.

**II. Property Value Adjustments** - Property tax collections are the largest single revenue source for the school system. The housing market in our district is stable and growing. We project growth in appraised values every three (3) years, and new construction growth with modest increases in local taxes as the pandemic ends and the economy continues its recovery as anticipated. Total local revenues, predominately local taxes, equating to 81.3% of the district's resources. Our tax collections in the March 2022 and August 2022 settlements showed average collection trends. We believe there is a low risk that local collections would fall below projections throughout the forecast.

Franklin County experienced a reappraisal update in the 2020 tax year to be collected in FY21. The 2020 update increased assessed values overall by \$259.28 million or 16.27%, including reappraisal and new construction for all property classes. A reappraisal will occur in the tax year 2023 for collection in FY24. We anticipate value increases for Class I and II property by \$114.63 million for an overall increase of 6.10%. There is, however, always a slight risk that the district could sustain a reduction in values in the next appraisal update, but we do not anticipate that at this time.

**III. State Aid** - The state budget represented 18.7% of district revenues, which means it is a significant area of risk to the revenue. The future risk comes in FY24 and beyond if the state economy stalls due to the record high inflation we are witnessing at this time or the Fair School Funding Plan is not funded in future state budgets due to an economic recession. Two future State Biennium Budgets are covering the period from FY24-25, and FY26-27 in this forecast. Future uncertainty in the state foundation funding formula and the state's economy make this area an elevated risk to district funding long range through FY27. We have projected our state funding to be in line with the FY23 funding levels through FY27 which we feel is conservative and should be close to whatever the state approves for the FY24-FY27 biennium budgets. We will adjust the forecast in future years as we have data to help guide this decision.

HB110, the current state budget, implements what has been referred to as the Fair School Funding Plan (FSFP) for FY22 and FY23. The full release of the new Fair School Funding Plan formula calculations was delayed until March 2022. The FSFP has many significant changes to how foundation revenues are calculated for school districts and how expenses are charged off. State foundation basic aid will be calculated on a base cost methodology with funding paid to the district where a student is enrolled to be educated. Beginning in FY22, a district's open enrollment payments will no longer be paid separately as those payments are included with basic aid. A change in expenditures beginning in FY22 will also occur, in that there will no longer be deductions for students that attend elsewhere for open enrollment, community schools, STEM schools, and scholarship recipients, as these payments will be paid directly to those districts from the state. The initial impact of these changes on the forecast will be noticed in that the actual historical costs for FY20 through FY21 reflect different trends on Lines 1.035, 1.04, 1.06, and 3.03 beginning in FY22. In June 2022, the legislature passed HB583 to resolve issues and possible unintended consequences in the new funding formula. Some of these changes impacted FY22 and future years' funding. Our state aid projections have been based on the best information on the new HB110 formula as amended by HB583 that are available as of this forecast.

**IV. State Rollback Reimbursements** - HB59 eliminated the Rollback exemption on any future new or replacement levy. This means that with our new levy, residential taxpayers no longer receive the 12.5% reduction as they do on current levies. This could make passing any new levy more difficult. This will not affect the total collection for the school district, but will shift the burden from the State of Ohio to local taxpayers.

**V. School Choice** - HB110 directly pays costs associated with open enrollment, community and STEM schools, and all scholarships, including EdChoice Scholarships. These costs will no longer be deducted from our state aid. However, there still are education option programs such as College Credit Plus, which continue to be removed from state aid, increasing costs to the district. Expansion or creation of programs that are not directly paid for by the state of Ohio can expose the district to new expenditures that are not currently in the forecast. We closely monitor any new threats to our state aid and increased costs as new proposed laws are introduced in the legislature.

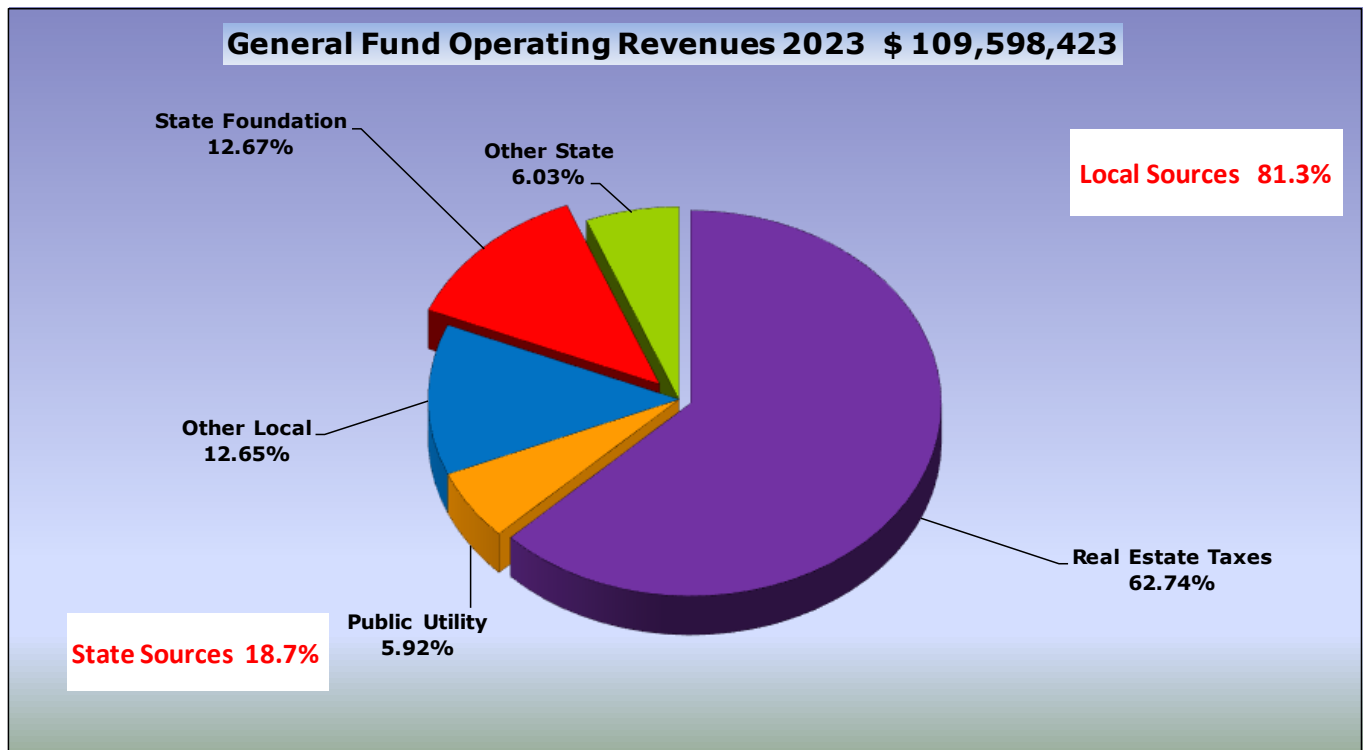
**VI. Health Insurance Premiums** –The insurance fund balance was depleted during FY18 due to underfunding and unusually high claims. The district borrowed \$2 million in a short term note in order to keep the fund solvent and allow time for the increased premiums to correct the fund balance. In order to address a deficit accumulated in the Health Insurance Reserve Fund, the District enacted a 30-month plan to address the deficit. The funding rate was significantly increased in July 2019. Over 30 months this additional funding eliminated the deficit and accompanying \$2 million note issuance, and covered current liabilities. The pandemic had a positive impact on claims due to the limits placed on recurring health and elective procedures. The renewal premium in January 2021 was lower than anticipated at 2.5% leading to lower premiums than estimated. The current forecast assumes an increase of 5% in January 2022 and 0% in January 2023 based on negotiated rate increases. Going forward annual increases of 9% are then projected which we feel are in line.

Data and assumptions noted in this forecast are based on the best and most reliable data available to us as of the date of this forecast.

### **DETAILED FORECAST ASSUMPTIONS**

The following assumptions relate back to the forecast with line numbers as reference. If you would like further information please feel free to contact J. Scott Gooding II, Treasurer/CFO of Gahanna-Jefferson School District at 614-471-7065.

## REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS



### General Property Tax (Real Estate) Assumptions – Line # 1.010

Real estate and personal property taxes make up 68.66% of the district's General Fund revenue. Forecasted future revenue considers the changing value of existing property, potential new property due to construction, and public utility personal property values (PUPP).

### Value Assumptions

Property Values are established each year by the County Auditor. New construction, demolitions, Board of Revision (BOR)/Board of Tax Appeals (BTA) adjustments and complete reappraisal or updates are all components of the values. The residential projects approved for Jefferson Township will increase revenue from property taxes. An estimate of that potential increase is built into this forecast, based on historical percentages. As the timeline of the projects becomes known, the estimates will be revised to more accurately reflect when the increases will occur.

A reappraisal update occurred in tax year 2020 for collection in FY21. Real estate values increased 18.42% for residential and 8.76% for commercial property. Overall, property values rose by \$259.3 million (16.27%). A full reappraisal will occur in 2023 and projections are 6% for residential and 4% for commercial. We anticipate Residential/Agricultural and Commercial/Industrial values to increase \$114.6 million or 6.10% overall. This could impact the anticipated increase on inside millage that the estimated value increases would yield. The table below reflects these assumptions.

**Estimated Assessed Value (AV) by Collection Year**

	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated
	TAX YEAR2022	TAX YEAR2023	TAX YEAR2024	TAX YEAR2025	TAX YEAR2026
Classification	COLLECT 2023	COLLECT 2024	COLLECT 2025	COLLECT 2026	COLLECT 2027
Res./Ag.	\$1,516,168,290	\$1,611,838,387	\$1,616,538,387	\$1,621,238,387	\$1,674,575,539
Comm./Ind.	362,685,410	381,642,826	386,092,826	390,542,826	402,803,683
Public Utility (PUPP)	<u>83,783,170</u>	<u>85,783,170</u>	<u>87,783,170</u>	<u>89,783,170</u>	<u>91,783,170</u>
Total Assessed Value	<u>\$1,962,636,870</u>	<u>\$2,079,264,384</u>	<u>\$2,090,414,384</u>	<u>\$2,101,564,384</u>	<u>\$2,169,162,392</u>

**General Property Real Estate Tax Revenue (Line #1.010)**

Property tax levies are estimated to be collected at 98.01% of the annual amount. This allows a 1.99% delinquency factor. In general, 53.25% of the Res/Ag and Comm/Ind property taxes are expected to be collected in the February tax settlement and 46.75% in the August tax settlement.

Increases in FY22 are noted below due to the increase in collections from the 4.26 mill operating levy passed November 3, 2020.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
General Property Taxes Line #1.010	<u>\$68,757,144</u>	<u>\$69,559,209</u>	<u>\$70,157,228</u>	<u>\$70,558,943</u>	<u>\$71,070,394</u>

**Public Utility Personal Property Tax – Line#1.020**

The phase out of tangible personal property (TPP) taxes began in FY06. HB66 was adopted in June 2005 and resulted in the phase out and elimination of TPP after FY11. The amount remaining on Line 1.020 is the public utility personal property (PUPP) tax revenues from electric, and gas company tangible personal property. These amounts were not affected by HB66 and values for PUPP are collected at our gross tax rates.

Increases in FY21 and FY22 in our forecast history were due to the increase in collections from the 4.26 mill operating levy passed November 3, 2020.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Public Utility Personal Property	<u>\$6,489,894</u>	<u>\$6,667,348</u>	<u>\$6,824,628</u>	<u>\$6,981,908</u>	<u>\$7,139,188</u>

**New Operating Levy – Line #13.20**

There are no new levies modeled in the forecast at this time.

Source and Type of New Revenue	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
New Levy Modeled Line # 13.20	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Line # 13.30	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**State Foundation Revenue Estimates – Lines #1.035, 1.040 and 1.045**  
**Current State Funding Model per HB110 through June 30, 2023**
**A) Unrestricted State Foundation Revenue– Line #1.035****Unrestricted State Grants-in-Aid – Line #1.035**

The full release of the new Fair School Funding Plan formula occurred in March 2022 and was amended in



HB583, passed in June 2022. Complete calculations of the new formula were not available for nearly all of the last fiscal year. We have projected FY23 funding based on the September 2022 foundation settlement and funding factors.

Our district is currently a formula district in FY23 and is expected to continue on the formula in FY24-FY27 on the new Fair School Funding Plan (FSFP). The state foundation funding formula has gone through many changes in recent years. The most recent funding formula began in FY14. It was dropped in FY19 after six (6) years, followed by no foundation formula for two (2) years in FY20 and FY21, and now HB110, as amended by HB583, implements the newest and possibly the most complicated funding formula in recent years for FY22 and FY23. The current formula introduces many changes to how state foundation is calculated and expenses deducted from state funding which will potentially make the actual five-year forecast look different with estimates FY23 through FY27 compared to actual data FY20 through FY21 on Lines 1.035, 1.04, 1.06, and 3.03 of the forecast.

### **Overview of Key Factors that Influence State Basic Aid in the Fair School Funding Plan**

- A. Student Population and Demographics
- B. Property Valuation Per Pupil
- C. Personal Income of District Residents Per Pupil
- D. Historical Funding - CAPS and Guarantees from prior funding formulas “Funding Bases” for guarantees.

#### **Base Cost Approach - Unrestricted Basic Aid Foundation Funding**

The new funding formula uses FY18 statewide average district costs and developed a base cost approach that includes minimum service levels and student-teacher ratios to calculate a unique base cost for each district. Newer, more up-to-date statewide average prices will not update for FY23 and remain frozen at FY18 levels, while other factors impacting a district’s local capacity will update for FY23. Base costs per pupil include funding for five (5) areas:

- 1. Teacher Base Cost (4 subcomponents)
- 2. Student Support (7 subcomponents-including a restricted Student Wellness component)
- 3. District Leadership & Accountability (7 subcomponents)
- 4. Building Leadership & Operations (3 subcomponents)
- 5. Athletic Co-curricular (contingent on participation)

#### **State Share Percentage – Unrestricted Basic Aid Foundation Funding**

Once the base cost is calculated, which is currently at a state-wide average of \$7,351.71 per pupil in FY23, the FSFP calculates a state share percentage (SSP) calculation. The state share percentage, in concept, will be higher for districts with less capacity (lower local wealth) and be a lower state share percentage for districts with more capacity (higher local wealth). The higher the district’s ability to raise taxes based on local wealth, the lower the state share percentage. The state share percentage will be based on 60% property valuation of the district, 20% on federally adjusted gross income, and 20% on federal median income, as follows:

- 1. 60% based on the most recent three (3) year average assessed values or the most recent year, whichever is lower, divided by base students enrolled.
- 2. 20% based on the most recent three (3) year average federal adjusted gross income of district residents or the most recent year, whichever is lower divided by base students enrolled.
- 3. 20% based on the most recent year federal median income of district residents multiplied by the number of returns in that year divided by base students enrolled.

4. When the weighted values are calculated, and items 1 through 3 above are added together, the total is multiplied by a Local Share Multiplier Index from 0% for low-wealth districts to a maximum of 2.5% for wealthy districts.

When the unrestricted base cost is determined and multiplied by the state share percentage, the resulting amount is multiplied by the current year enrolled students (including open enrolled students being educated in each district) and finally multiplied by the local share multiplier index for each district. The result is the local per pupil capacity of the base per pupil funding amount.

### **Categorical State Aid**

In addition to the base state foundation funding calculated above, the FSFP also has unrestricted categorical funding and new restricted funding beginning in FY22, some of which will have the state share percentage applied to these calculations as noted below:

#### **Unrestricted Categorical State Aid**

1. Targeted Assistance/Capacity Aid – Provides additional funding based on a wealth measure using 60% weighted on property value and 40% on income. Uses current year enrolled average daily membership (ADM). It also will provide supplemental targeted assistance to lower wealth districts whose enrolled ADM is less than 88% of their total FY19 ADM.
2. Special Education Additional Aid – Based on six (6) weighted funding categories of disability and moved to a weighted funding amount, not a specific amount. An amount of 10% will be reduced from all districts' calculations to be used toward the state appropriation for Catastrophic Cost reimbursement.
3. Transportation Aid – Funding is based on all resident students who ride, including preschool students and those living within 1 mile of school. Provides supplemental transportation for low-density districts. Increases state minimum share to 29.17% in FY22 and 33.33% in FY23. In general, districts whose state share is less than 33.33% will benefit from the increase to 33.33% funding.

#### **Restricted Categorical State Aid**

1. Disadvantage Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA) - Formerly Economically Disadvantaged Funding is based on the number and concentration of economically disadvantaged students compared to the state average and multiplied by \$422 per pupil. Phase-in increases are limited to 0% for FY22 and 14% in FY23. There is no legislation indicating the percentage increase for FY24 and beyond for DPIA.
2. English Learners – Based on funded categories based on the time student enrolled in schools and multiplied by a weighted amount per pupil.
3. Gifted Funds – Based on average daily membership multiplied by a weighted amount per pupil.
4. Career-Technical Education Funds – Based on career technical average daily membership and five (5) weighted funding categories students enrolled in.
5. Student Wellness and Success Funds- These funds in FY20 and FY21 were accounted for in Fund 467 but are now restricted funds to be accounted for in the General Fund as part of the foundation formula.

### **State Funding Phase-In FY22 and FY23 and Guarantees**

While the FSFP was presented as a six (6) year phase-in plan, the state legislature approved the first two (2) years of the funding plan in HB110, which was amended in HB583 in June 2022. The FSFP does not include caps on funding; instead, it will consist of a general phase-in percentage for most components of 16.67% in FY22 and 33.33% in FY23. DPIA funding will be phased in at 0% in FY22 and 14% in FY23. Transportation categorical funds will not be subject to a phase-in.

HB110 includes three (3) guarantees: 1) “Formula Transition Aid”; 2) Supplemental Targeted Assistance, and

3) Formula Transition Supplement. The three (3) guarantees in both temporary and permanent law ensure that no district will get fewer funds in FY22 and FY23 than they received in FY21. The guarantee level of funding for FY22 is a calculated funding guarantee level based on total state funding cuts from May 2020 restored, net of transfers and deductions, plus Student Wellness and Success funds (based on FY21 SWSF amounts), enrollment growth supplement funds paid in FY21 and special education preschool and special education transportation additional aid items. It is estimated that nearly 420 districts are on one form of guarantee in FY22. In general, the same number will occur in FY23 since state average costs were frozen at FY18 in the Base Cost calculations. In contrast, property values and Federal Adjusted Gross Income will be allowed to update and increase for FY23, pushing districts toward one of the three (3) guarantees.

#### **Student Wellness and Success Funds (SWSF) - (Restricted Fund 467)**

In FY20 and FY21, HB166 provided Student Wellness and Success Funds (SWSF) to be deposited in Special Revenue Fund 467. HB110, the new state budget, essentially eliminated these funds by merging them into state aid and wrapped them into the expanded funding and mission of DPIA funds noted above and on Line 1.04 below, with only a smaller portion devoted to SWSF. Any remaining funds in Special Revenue Fund 467 from FY20 and FY21 will be required to be used for the restricted purposes governing these funds until entirely spent.

#### **Future State Budget Projections beyond FY23**

Our funding status for the FY24-27 will depend on unknown (2) new state budgets. There is no guarantee that the current Fair School Funding Plan in HB110 will be funded or continued beyond FY23. For this reason, funding is held constant in the forecast for FY23 through FY27.

#### **Casino Revenue**

On November 3, 2009, Ohio voters passed the Ohio casino ballot issue. This issue allowed four (4) casinos to open in Cleveland, Toledo, Columbus, and Cincinnati. Thirty-three percent (33%) of the gross casino revenue will be collected as a tax. School districts will receive 34% of the 33% of Gross Casino Revenue that will be paid into a student fund at the state level. These funds will be distributed to school districts on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January and August each year, beginning for the first time on January 31, 2013.

Casino revenue fell slightly in FY21 due to COVID-19 and casinos closing for over two months. We have increased the amount in FY22 back to pre-pandemic FY20 levels as casino revenues appear to have dipped mainly due to their closure and not in response to the economic downturn. Before the COVID-19 closure, casino revenues grew modestly as the economy improved. Original projections for FY23-27 estimated a .4% decline in pupils to 1,778,441 and GCR increasing to \$106.35 million or \$59.80 per pupil; actual payments in FY22 were \$62.87 per pupil. FY23 Casino revenues have resumed their historical growth rate and assume a 2% annual growth rate for the forecast period.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Basic Aid - Unrestricted	\$11,505,845	\$11,510,805	\$11,510,805	\$11,510,805	\$11,510,805
Additional Aid Items	<u>892,232</u>	<u>892,232</u>	<u>892,232</u>	<u>892,232</u>	<u>892,232</u>
Basic Aid - Unrestricted Subtotal	\$12,398,077	\$12,403,037	\$12,403,037	\$12,403,037	\$12,403,037
Ohio Casino Commission (Ohio Department of Taxa	<u>503,127</u>	<u>516,455</u>	<u>530,114</u>	<u>544,113</u>	<u>558,460</u>
Total Unrestricted State Line # 1.035	<u>\$12,901,204</u>	<u>\$12,919,492</u>	<u>\$12,933,151</u>	<u>\$12,947,150</u>	<u>\$12,961,497</u>

#### **B) Restricted State Revenues – Line # 1.040**

HB110 has continued Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (formerly Economic Disadvantaged funding) and Career

Technical funding. In addition, new restricted funds have been added as noted above under “Restricted Categorical Aid” for Gifted, English Learners (ESL), and Student Wellness. The amount of DPIA is limited to a 0% phase in growth for FY22 and 14% in FY23. We have flat-lined funding at FY23 levels for FY24-FY27 due to uncertainty on continued funding of the current funding formula.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA)	\$98,780	\$98,780	\$98,780	\$98,780	\$98,780
Career Tech - Restricted	92,038	92,038	92,038	92,038	92,038
Gifted	244,627	244,627	244,627	244,627	244,627
English Learners	87,237	87,237	87,237	87,237	87,237
Student Wellness & Success Funds	<u>457,063</u>	<u>457,063</u>	<u>457,063</u>	<u>457,063</u>	<u>457,063</u>
Total Restricted State Line #1.040	<u>\$979,745</u>	<u>\$979,745</u>	<u>\$979,745</u>	<u>\$979,745</u>	<u>\$979,745</u>

### C) Restricted Federal Grants in Aid – line #1.045

No federal grants are projected for FY23-27.

### Summary of State Foundation Revenues

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Unrestricted Line # 1.035	\$12,901,204	\$12,919,492	\$12,933,151	\$12,947,150	\$12,961,497
Restricted Line # 1.040	979,745	979,745	979,745	979,745	979,745
Federal Grants Line #1.045	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total State Foundation Revenue	<u>\$13,880,949</u>	<u>\$13,899,237</u>	<u>\$13,912,896</u>	<u>\$13,926,895</u>	<u>\$13,941,242</u>

### State Taxes Reimbursement/Property Tax Allocation

#### Property Tax Allocation Line #1.050

This section relates to property tax payments made by the State of Ohio via legislation relating to tax credits for home ownership and exemptions.

#### A) Rollback and Homestead Reimbursements

Rollback funds are reimbursements paid to the district from the State of Ohio for tax credits given to owner-occupied residences. Credits equal 12.5% of the gross property taxes charged to residential taxpayers on levies passed before September 29, 2013. HB59 eliminated the 10% and 2.5% rollback on new levies approved after September 29, 2013.

Homestead Exemptions are credits paid to the district from the state of Ohio for qualified elderly and disabled. In 2007, HB119 expanded the Homestead Exemption for all seniors 65 years or older or disabled regardless of income. Effective September 29, 2013, HB59 changed the requirement for Homestead Exemptions. Individual taxpayers who do not currently have their Homestead Exemption approved or those who did not get a new application approved for the tax year 2013 and who become eligible after that will only receive a Homestead Exemption if they meet the income qualifications. Taxpayers who had their Homestead Exemption as of September 29, 2013, will not lose it and will not have to meet the new income qualification. This will generally reduce homestead reimbursements to the district over time, and as with the rollback reimbursements above, the state is increasing the tax burden on our local taxpayers.

**Summary of State Tax Reimbursement – Line #1.050**

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Rollback & Homestead	<u>\$6,603,358</u>	<u>\$6,671,426</u>	<u>\$6,723,363</u>	<u>\$6,747,578</u>	<u>\$6,786,330</u>

**All Other Revenues – Line #1.060**

All other local revenue encompasses any type of revenue that does not fit into the above lines. The primary sources of revenue in this area have been open enrollment, interest on investments, tuition for court-placed students, student fees, Payment In Lieu of Taxes, and general rental fees. HB110, the new state budget, will stop paying open enrollment as an increase to other revenue for the district. Open enrolled students will be counted in the enrolled student base at the school district they are being educated, and state aid will follow the students. Open enrolled student revenues will be included in Line 1.035 as basic state aid. In FY21 and FY22, interest income fell due to fed rate reductions due to the pandemic, which will impact our earning capability in this area until rates and our ending cash balance begin to increase. Rentals are expected to return to pre-pandemic levels over time. All other revenues are expected to continue on historical trends.

All other local revenue encompasses any type of revenue that does not fit into the above lines. Revenues from all other sources are projected based on historical patterns and known contractual arrangements. This revenue category largely consists of tuition from other districts, student fees, rentals and tax increment financing and payment in lieu of tax payments for various agreements the district has with the cities of Gahanna and Columbus. In FY21 and FY22 interest income fell sharply due to fed rate reductions due to the pandemic. We are seeing a moderation in that now and rates have begun to rise and we have identified that in our increased projection of interest. We will continue to manage our funds safely but also to push portfolio performance to maximum investments. Rentals are expected to remain somewhat lower due to COVID-19 restrictions and lower participation. All other revenues are expected to continue on historic trends.

In addition, the District participates in the Medicaid in Schools Program. The District is reimbursed by the state for services provided to eligible students. Catastrophic aid is also included which is state reimbursement for special education costs that exceed an unusually large, state determined amount. This category also includes E-Rate funds, which is state reimbursement for specific types of technology equipment. We have added anticipated PILOT payments from non-school district TIF's for the Extended Stay Hotel and Conference Center in Jefferson Township that should begin in FY22 and increase through FY27 as noted below.

New legislation adopted HB126 limiting the district's ability to protect its tax base from undo requests to lower value at the Board of Revision (BOR) will reduce district revenues. The district received \$1.4 million in BOR payments in FY22. That is equivalent to a .72 mill loss in revenues.

In FY21 the district recognized receipts in the General Fund from the premium on the sale of Bonds & COPs in the amount of \$2,081,468. These proceeds were used to pay the issuance costs related to Bonds & COPs issued in March of 2021.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Tuition SF-14, SF-14H, Categorical Cost Reimburse	\$1,427,096	\$1,434,231	\$1,441,403	\$1,448,610	\$1,455,853
Interest	300,100	315,100	325,100	300,100	250,100
Student Fees and Pay to Participate Fees	225,990	225,990	225,990	225,990	225,990
Clark Hall Revenue	132,000	132,000	132,000	132,000	132,000
Rentals, Donations, Misc, Medicaid	516,035	521,195	526,407	531,671	536,988
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) & Easton TIF, B	<u>11,265,857</u>	<u>11,491,174</u>	<u>11,720,998</u>	<u>11,955,418</u>	<u>12,194,526</u>
Total Other Local Revenue Line #1.060	<u>\$13,867,078</u>	<u>\$14,119,691</u>	<u>\$14,371,897</u>	<u>\$14,593,788</u>	<u>\$14,795,457</u>

### **Operating Transfers In / Advances-In – Line #2.040 & Line #2.050**

These are non-operating revenues which are the repayment of short-term loans to other funds over the previous fiscal year and reimbursements for expenses received for a prior fiscal year in the current fiscal year. The advances out in the prior fiscal year are expected to be repaid in the current year, as noted in the table below.

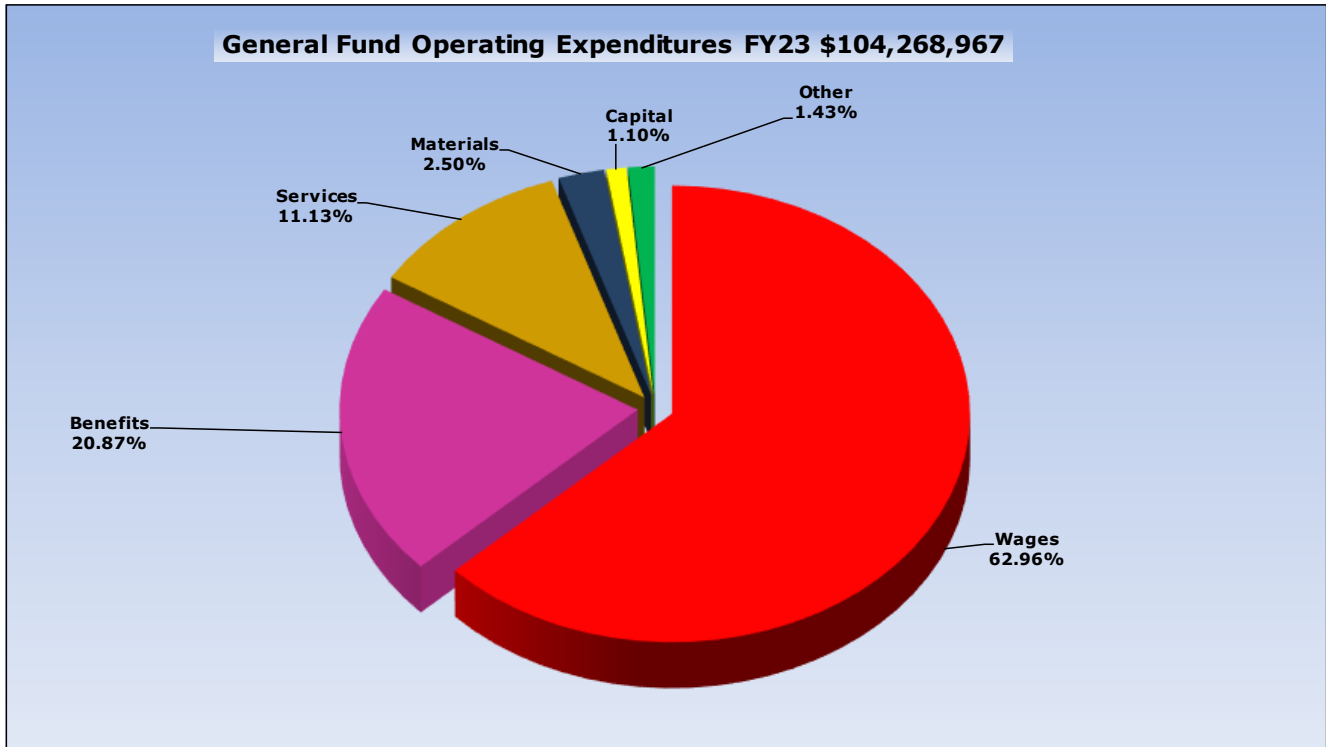
Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Transfers In - Line 2.040	\$479,921	\$65,924	\$53,655	\$40,955	\$46,175
Advance Returns - Line 2.050	<u>9,556</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>
Total Transfer & Advances In	<u>\$489,477</u>	<u>\$465,924</u>	<u>\$453,655</u>	<u>\$440,955</u>	<u>\$446,175</u>

### **All Other Financing Sources – Line #2.060**

This revenue consists of refunds from prior years' expenses and the sale of assets. In FY21 we show the onetime payment from self-insurance runout reserve. These revenues are inconsistent year to year and we will not project that occurring in the remainder of the forecast.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Refunds & Sale of Assets	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>

## EXPENDITURE ASSUMPTIONS



### Personal Services – Line #3.010

The personal services category represents all wages for the employees of the school district paid from the General Fund. Current negotiated agreements with certified and classified unions are factored into the projections. The forecast reflects the settlement agreements reached with the bargaining units for FY21, which were 2.25% for Teachers and 2.0% for other groups. Settlements were reached for FY22-FY24 which are 3% base increases each year and for FY25-FY27 we have assumed 2% for planning purposes. The base increases are in addition to steps and training adjustments.

- Projections from FY23 through FY27 include step increases, degree change increases, supplemental compensations, and other miscellaneous salary increases.
- Projection of additional staff is estimated in FY23 through FY27 to account for projected student growth and new programs.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Base Wages	\$58,403,694	\$62,831,470	\$67,193,027	\$71,170,333	\$74,980,486
Base Increases	1,752,111	1,752,111	1,256,629	1,343,861	1,423,407
Steps & Training	1,314,083	1,314,083	1,413,708	1,511,843	1,601,332
Substitute costs & OT	934,379	934,379	934,379	934,379	934,379
New & Replacement Staff	1,902,616	1,295,363	1,306,969	954,449	1,004,749
Supplemental Costs	1,623,111	1,671,804	1,705,240	1,739,345	1,774,132
ESSER Recoding	(541,035)	-	-	-	-
Other	263,562	263,562	263,562	263,562	263,562
<b>Total Wages Line #3.010</b>	<b><u>\$65,652,522</u></b>	<b><u>\$70,062,772</u></b>	<b><u>\$74,073,514</u></b>	<b><u>\$77,917,772</u></b>	<b><u>\$81,982,047</u></b>

### **Employees' Retirement/Insurance Benefits Line # 3.020**

This area of the forecast captures all costs associated with benefits and retirement costs. Retirement, Medicare and workers compensation expenses are directly related to the wages paid.

#### **STRS/SERS**

As the law requires, the BOE pays 14% of all employee wages to STRS or SERS.

#### **Insurance**

The district converted from being self-insured to a traditional plan on July 1, 2019. Due to not taking a premium increase for 7 years and unusually high claims over the past two years, the self-insurance fund experienced a shortage in funding. The District borrowed \$2M to alleviate this shortage. In order to address the deficit accumulated in the Health Insurance Reserve Fund, the District enacted a 30-month plan to address the deficit. The funding rate was significantly increased in July, 2019. Over 30 months this additional funding eliminated the deficit and accompanying \$2 million note issuance, covered current liabilities and a capped increase of 25.0% in January, 2021 agreed to by the insurance carrier. The actual increase, based on claims experience was a 2.5% composite rate in January 2021. The savings have been incorporated into the forecast. 5.0% increase beginning in January, 2022, and 0% for FY23 are included based on negotiated rate increases, then 4.5% for FY24 and annual increases of 9% are assumed each subsequent year FY25 through FY27.

The Further Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2020 included a full repeal of three taxes initially imposed by the Affordable Care Act (ACA): the 40% Excise Tax on employer-sponsored coverage (a.k.a. "Cadillac Tax"), the Health Insurance Industry Fee (a.k.a. the Health Insurer Tax), and the Medical Device Tax. These added costs are no longer an uncertainty factor for our health care costs in the forecast.

#### **Workers Compensation & Unemployment Compensation**

Workers' Compensation is expected to be approximately .035% of wages FY23– FY27. Unemployment is likely to remain at a shallow level FY23-FY27. The district is a direct reimbursement employer, meaning unemployment costs are only incurred and due if we have eligible employees and draw unemployment.

#### **Medicare**

Medicare will continue to increase at the rate of increases in wages and as new employees are hired. Contributions are 1.45% for all new employees to the district on or after April 1, 1986. These amounts are growing at the general growth rate of wages.

### **Summary of Fringe Benefits – Line #3.020**

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
STRS/SERS	\$9,704,513	\$10,374,273	\$10,975,030	\$11,549,022	\$12,152,311
Insurance's	10,447,379	11,111,816	12,307,924	13,558,804	14,929,808
Workers Comp/Unemployment	244,784	260,220	274,257	287,712	301,937
Medicare	997,974	1,061,290	1,120,146	1,175,950	1,232,072
Other/Tuition	<u>370,662</u>	<u>370,662</u>	<u>370,662</u>	<u>370,662</u>	<u>370,662</u>
Total Fringe Benefits Line #3.020	<u>\$21,765,312</u>	<u>\$23,178,261</u>	<u>\$25,048,019</u>	<u>\$26,942,150</u>	<u>\$28,986,790</u>



**Purchased Services – Line #3.030**

HB110, the new state budget, will impact Purchased Services beginning in FY22 as the Ohio Department of Education will start to direct pay these costs to the education districts for open enrollment, community, and STEM schools and for scholarships granted to students to be educated elsewhere, as opposed to deducting these amounts from our state foundation funding and shown below as expenses. We have continued to offer these amounts below as zeros to help reflect the difference between projected FY23-FY27 Line 3.03 costs and historical FY20 through FY21 costs on the five-year forecast. College Credit Plus, excess fees, and other tuition costs will continue to draw funds away from the district, which will continue in this area and has been adjusted based on historical trends. We reduced costs in purchased services for FY20 and 21 for the Fund 467 recoding for our SROs and then returned these costs to the General Fund in FY23-27.

This category includes payments for contracted staff and services, utilities, property insurance, special education student transportation, and legal fees. The tuition category is comprised of programs for students placed outside of our district as well as College Credit Plus costs. ESC services are for preschool aide services, other special education related services, and services for substitutes teachers. Utilities are expected to remain stable each year due to negotiated contracts through a purchasing consortium with META Solutions. Purchased services include leasing of copiers through Blue Technologies. Expenditures trended lower than anticipated due to the pandemic, since it prevented the return to normal in school operations. Although certain pandemic costs were higher, Corona virus relief funds help offset much of the cost. In FY22, the forecast models the return to normal operations with inflation slightly higher at 3%, net of any drop in costs due to direct payments by the Ohio Department of Education as noted for HB110 and as amended by HB583.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Tuition, Special Ed, Scholarship, Open Enrollment	\$1,539,149	\$1,585,323	\$1,632,883	\$1,681,870	\$1,732,326
Community, STEM School	0	0	0	0	0
Legal/Prof Serv/ Prof Dev Travel	820,710	845,331	870,691	896,812	923,716
Contracted staff, Resource Officers, Instructional Ser	4,290,363	4,419,073	4,551,646	4,688,195	4,828,841
Repairs, Insurance, Printing, Food Service	678,600	698,958	719,927	741,525	763,770
Transportation - Special Education	227,500	234,325	241,355	248,595	256,053
Utilities	1,525,221	1,631,986	1,729,906	1,937,494	2,034,369
Purch Services, Rent, Lease, Postage	<u>1,822,097</u>	<u>1,876,760</u>	<u>1,933,063</u>	<u>1,991,055</u>	<u>2,050,786</u>
Total Purchased Services Line #3.030	<u>\$11,603,640</u>	<u>\$12,012,758</u>	<u>\$12,422,100</u>	<u>\$12,950,454</u>	<u>\$13,377,718</u>

**Supplies and Materials – Line #3.040**

Supplies and materials are expenses for items such as classroom supplies, textbooks, maintenance supplies, custodial supplies, curriculum material, office supplies, bus parts and fuel. College Credit Plus textbooks cost the District approximately \$30,000 each year. Inflation of 3% is included in each year of this forecast due to the current inflationary trends. In FY21 the district offset certain costs via use of Federal CARES Act funding due to the pandemic but those costs came back to the General Fund in FY22.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Supplies	\$2,375,062	\$2,446,314	\$2,519,703	\$2,595,294	\$2,673,153
Curriculum Update (Textbooks)	<u>233,200</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>380,000</u>	<u>380,000</u>	<u>380,000</u>
Total Line 3.040	<u>\$2,608,262</u>	<u>\$2,596,314</u>	<u>\$2,899,703</u>	<u>\$2,975,294</u>	<u>\$3,053,153</u>

### Capital Outlay – Line # 3.050

Computer and network equipment replacements represent the majority of this category. In FY18, the district began implementing a one-to-one initiative with Chromebooks. Building improvement capital outlay is mainly being paid for with Permanent Improvement levy funds, which passed in November 2014. Whenever the PI budget allows, General Fund capital purchases will be shifted to the PI budget.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Capital Outlay/Building Improve	\$174,000	\$174,000	\$174,000	\$174,000	\$174,000
Bus Fleet Replacement/Maintenance Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0
Technology Equipment	<u>970,000</u>	<u>970,000</u>	<u>970,000</u>	<u>970,000</u>	<u>970,000</u>
Total Equipment Line #3.050	<u>\$1,144,000</u>	<u>\$1,144,000</u>	<u>\$1,144,000</u>	<u>\$1,144,000</u>	<u>\$1,144,000</u>

### Debt Service – Line # 4.02 Through #4.060

This section includes all principal and interest payments related to the District's non-voted debt. This includes payments associated with purchase of the land and construction of Clark Hall for expanding the high school's educational facilities, the debt on our energy conservation HB 264 project and the stadium bleacher project.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Principal Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN) Line #4.020	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interest and Fiscal Charges Line #4.060	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Principal Payments	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### Other Objects – Line #4.300

The category of Other Objects consists primarily of the County Auditor & Treasurer fees for local property tax collection service, which will fluctuate with real estate revenue collections, and due to our new operating levy which will increase FY21 and FY22. The Bond & COPs issuance costs are also included in this category in FY21 which caused a spike in costs that year.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
County Auditor Fees	\$1,096,100	\$1,128,983	\$1,162,852	\$1,197,738	\$1,233,670
County ESC	0	0	0	0	0
Audit/Liability Insurance/ESC/Other	<u>399,132</u>	<u>411,106</u>	<u>423,439</u>	<u>436,142</u>	<u>449,226</u>
Total Other Expenses Line #4.300	<u>\$1,495,232</u>	<u>\$1,540,089</u>	<u>\$1,586,291</u>	<u>\$1,633,880</u>	<u>\$1,682,897</u>

### Other Financing Uses – Lines # 5.010, 5.020 & 5.030

This account group covers fund transfers and end of year short-term loans from the General Fund to other funds, until they have received reimbursements and can repay the General Fund. In FY23 we have included a transfer of \$275,000 to the severance fund in order to ensure funds to cover retirements in the future, \$100,000 for

miscellaneous needs, \$58,000 to the bleacher debt service and an additional \$50,000 amount for contingency if additional transfers are needed. Due to the ongoing pandemic, Federal funding being received in the Food Service fund has offset the losses previously experienced, therefore the near term need for transfers to Food Service has been eliminated. Our budget reserve was required by our auditors to be no more than 5% of the prior year's Line 1.07 revenues. The adjustment below will keep our budget reserve at this statutory level.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Operating Transfers Out					
Unvoted Debt Series 2010	\$1,269,127	\$1,282,805	\$388,932	\$0	\$0
Unvoted Debt Series 2017	\$561,355	\$553,337	\$1,450,665	\$1,838,910	\$1,847,249
Budget Reserve	\$479,921	\$65,924	\$53,655	\$40,955	\$46,175
Other transfers out	<u>\$483,022</u>	<u>\$483,022</u>	<u>\$483,022</u>	<u>\$483,022</u>	<u>\$483,022</u>
Operating Transfers Out Line #5.010	\$2,793,425	\$2,385,088	\$2,376,274	\$2,362,887	\$2,376,446
Advances Out Line #5.020	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>400,000</u>
Total Transfer & Advances Out	<u>\$3,193,425</u>	<u>\$2,785,088</u>	<u>\$2,776,274</u>	<u>\$2,762,887</u>	<u>\$2,776,446</u>

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
All Other Financing Uses - Line #5.030	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

#### **Encumbrances –Line#8.010**

These are outstanding purchase orders that could not be fully paid prior to June 30<sup>th</sup>. Typically, these are for ongoing summer work or materials ordered but not yet received. They are expected to remain constant.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Estimated Encumbrances	<u>\$1,250,000</u>	<u>\$1,250,000</u>	<u>\$1,250,000</u>	<u>\$1,250,000</u>	<u>\$1,250,000</u>

#### **Reservation of Fund Balances –Line#9.030 & #9.080**

**Budgetary Reserve** – State law allows school districts to maintain a budget reserve equal to 5% of the prior year's line 1.07 revenues. We anticipate maintaining this budget reserve as noted below which is in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Budget Reserve - Line #9.030	<u>\$5,479,921</u>	<u>\$5,545,846</u>	<u>\$5,599,501</u>	<u>\$5,640,456</u>	<u>\$5,686,631</u>
Total Reservations of Balance- Line #9.080	<u>\$5,479,921</u>	<u>\$5,545,846</u>	<u>\$5,599,501</u>	<u>\$5,640,456</u>	<u>\$5,686,631</u>

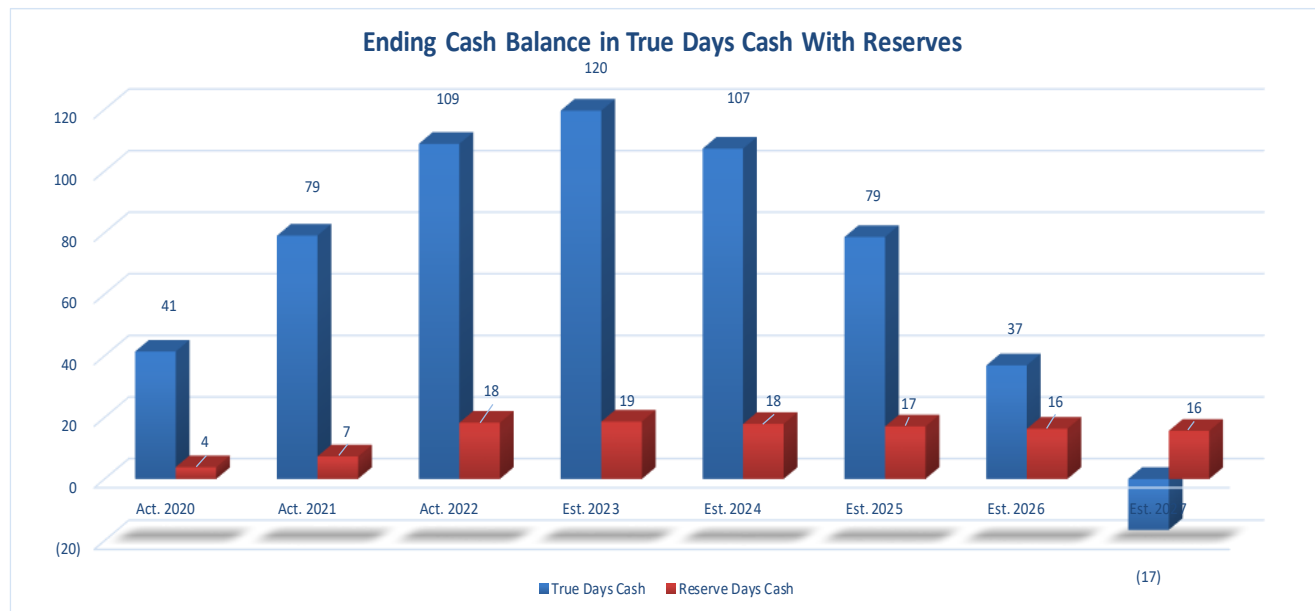
#### **Ending Unencumbered Cash Balance “The Bottom-line” – Line#15.010**

This amount must not go below \$0, or the district General Fund will violate all Ohio Budgetary Laws. Any multi-year contract knowingly signed that results in a negative unencumbered cash balance violate 5705.412, ORC, punishable by the personal liability of \$10,000. It is recommended that a district maintains a minimum of thirty (30) day cash balance, which is about \$8.9 million for our district.

Source	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Ending Unreserved Cash Balance	<u>\$29,728,627</u>	<u>\$27,751,256</u>	<u>\$20,216,367</u>	<u>\$7,124,040</u>	<u>(\$11,721,399)</u>

### True Cash Days Ending Balance – With Reserve Cash Balance Included

Another way to look at ending cash is to state it in ‘True Cash Days’. In other words, how many days could the district operate at year-end if no additional revenues were received? This is the Current Years Ending Cash Balance divided by (Current Years Expenditures/365 days) = the number of days the district could operate without additional resources or a severe resource interruption. The government finance officers association recommends that no less than two (2) months or 60 days of cash is on hand at year-end but could be more depending on each district's complexity and risk factors for revenue collection. This is calculated, including transfers, as this is a predictable funding source for other funds such as capital, athletics, and severance reserves.



As you read through the notes and review the forecast, remember that the forecast is based on the best information available to us when the forecast is prepared.