

# A NOTE FROM TREASURER RYAN JENKINS

#### **DEAR OLENTANGY COMMUNITY MEMBERS.**

As Treasurer of Olentangy Schools, I am pleased to present the 2023 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) to our community. We have prepared this report to transparently and accountably provide our community with information about how Olentangy Schools has utilized its resources to achieve its mission to facilitate maximum learning for every student.

This PAFR provides a comprehensive overview of the District's General Fund revenues and expenditures, as well as other relevant financial trends, through an easy-to-read, user-friendly format. The purpose is to offer our valued stakeholders another means of gaining a better understanding of the Olentangy school district's financial operations and how the District performed financially during the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

This report is prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and readers can refer to the District's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for a more in-depth look at the District's finances in accordance with GAAP. The 2023 ACFR can be found on the Treasurer's department page of the Olentangy district website at olentangy.k12.oh.us.

Our community values a school system that offers students outstanding educational opportunities. It is through our One Olentangy community's support, paired with our commitment to fiscal responsibility and transparency, that we remain a financially healthy district offering an exceptional value in public education.

Timothy Ryan Jenkins Treasurer, Olentangy Schools

#### **MISSION**

To facilitate maximum learning for every student.

Be the recognized leader for high performance and efficiency in education.

#### **VALUES**

We respect and we care. We make sound decisions. We can always get better. We partner at school and in the community.

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#### **INSTRUCTION**

Activities directly dealing with teaching students or interaction between teachers and students. This includes all aides and classroom assistants who assist in the instructional process. Technology used by students is also included here.

#### **PUPIL SUPPORT**

Activities that assess and improve students' well-being and that supplement the teaching process. This includes guidance services, health services, psychological services, and support services for students with disabilities.

## **INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF SUPPORT**

Activities associated with helping the instructional staff with the content and process of providing learning experiences for students.

## **BOARD/ADMINISTRATION/ FISCAL**

Activities associated with establishing and administrating policy that operates the school district. This includes budgeting, receiving/ disbursing, financial accounting, payroll, inventory control, auditing, and fiscal services rendered by persons in the Treasurer's Office.

#### **PLANT OPERATION**

Activities that keep the facilities open, comfortable, and safe for use and that keep the grounds, buildings, and equipment in an effective working condition and state of repair. This includes activities that maintain safety in buildings, on the grounds, and near the schools.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Activities concerned with getting students to and from school, as provided by state law. It also includes transportation to school activities.

#### **CENTRAL SUPPORT**

Activities, other than general administration, that assist in providing the other instructional and supporting services programs. This includes planning, research, development, evaluation, information, and statistical/ data processing services.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR**

District-sponsored activities that give students opportunities to participate in athletics, musical groups, clubs, and other experiences on an individual basis at school events or public events under the guidance or supervision of qualified adults.

## **FACILITIES ACQUISITION AND** CONSTRUCTION

Activities concerned with acquiring land and buildings, along with remodeling, constructing, or making additions to buildings. This includes initially installing or extending service systems and other built-up equipment, as well as improving sites.

## **NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES**

Activities concerned with providing non-instructional services to students. staff, and the community. This includes providing certain services to other school districts.

## **CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Expenditures to acquire or add to capital assets. This includes expenditures for land or existing buildings; improvement of grounds; construction, addition, or remodeling of buildings; and initial and additional equipment furnishings and vehicles.

#### **DEBT SERVICE**

Transactions primarily to discharge the district's commitment for interest and principal on debt.

#### **BUSINESS SERVICES**

Those activities concerned with purchasing, receiving, transporting, exchanging and maintaining goods and services for the school district.

# **Assets over Liabilities and Deferred Inflows (Balance Sheet)**

The Financial Position Statement, known as the balance sheet in accounting terms, reports **assets** available for the District to provide services over District **liabilities** (amounts the District is obligated to pay in the future) and **deferred inflows** (assets received that are not available to finance services in the current fiscal period). Assets less liabilities and deferred inflows provide the **net position**, or fund balances, of the District. **The amounts reported below (shown in Thousands) represent only the District's General Fund.** 

Assets	<b>FY19</b>	FY20	<b>FY21</b>	FY22	FY23
Cash and Investments	\$93,868	\$97,379	\$109,144	\$160,043	\$187,092
Receivables	\$198,495	\$222,418	\$251,610	\$258,005	\$265,082
Other Assets	\$154	\$175	\$262	\$209	\$3,580
Total Assets*	\$292,517	\$319,972	\$361,016	\$418,257	\$455,754
Liabilities & Deferred Inflows	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Amount Owed to Employees and Vendors	\$30,889	\$30,439	\$32,593	\$35,031	\$35,274
Deferred Inflows	\$134,689	\$202,198	\$173,744	\$179,447	\$179,892
Total Liabilities & Deferred Inflows*	\$165,578	\$232,637	\$206,337	\$214,478	\$215,166
Assets Over Liabilities & Deferred Inflows*	\$126,939	\$87,335	\$154,679	\$203,779	\$240,588

<sup>\*</sup> Totals may differ due to rounding



## Revenues & Resources Over Expenditures & Services

The Financial Activity Statement, known as the income statement in accounting terms, provides a summary of district **revenues** and **resources** received over **expenditures** and **services** provided by the District. Revenues and resources less expenditures and services determine the increase or decrease in district fund balances. **The amounts reported below (shown in Thousands) represent only the District's General Fund.** 

<b>Revenues &amp; Resources</b>	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Property Taxes	\$172,431	\$139,258	\$248,722	\$232,308	\$243,135
State Revenue	\$31,473	\$31,809	\$33,299	\$39,018	\$46,561
Federal Revenue	\$1,320	\$853	\$1,371	\$18,018	\$200
Investment Income	\$4,572	\$3,827	\$343	(\$1,628)	\$7,283
Tuition	\$2,408	\$2,064	\$2,193	\$2,644	\$2,760
Extracurricular	\$608	\$383	\$561	\$611	\$610
Miscellaneous	\$30,570	\$26,896	\$42,982	\$39,129	\$36,981
Total Revenues & Resources	\$243,382	\$205,090	\$329,471	\$330,100	\$337,530
Other Financing Sources	\$88	\$203	\$3	\$0	\$0
<b>Expenditures &amp; Services</b>	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Instruction*	\$162,766	\$170,325	\$185,629	\$199,392	\$213,969
Pupil Support**	\$7,949	\$8,161	\$8,528	\$9,046	\$10,875
Instructional Staff Support**	\$5,621	\$5,843	\$6,020	\$5,669	\$5,463
Board/Administration/Fiscal	\$16,253	\$17,102	\$17,722	\$20,446	\$24,838
Business Support	\$537	\$579	\$592	\$480	\$368
Plant Operation	\$18,503	\$17,411	\$17,726	\$19,711	\$20,977
Transportation	\$11,757	\$11,250	\$10,946	\$12,353	\$12,868
Central Support	\$5,589	\$6,161	\$6,699	\$6,370	\$6,226
Operation of Non-Instructional	\$481	\$479	\$318	\$454	\$568
Extracurricular	\$5,141	\$5,066	\$5,175	\$6,199	\$6,685
Capital Outlay	\$43	\$19	\$117	\$23	\$31
Debt Service	\$293	\$296	\$305	\$0	\$854
Total Expenditures & Services***	\$234,933	\$242,692	\$259,777	\$280,143	\$303,722
Other Financing Uses	<b>\$545</b>	\$2,354	\$2,354	\$854	\$0
Revenues & Resources Over (Under) Expenditures, Services & Financing Uses	\$7,992	(\$39,753)	\$67,343	\$49,103	\$33,808

 $<sup>^* \ \</sup>textit{Includes expenditures for teachers, teaching supplies, teaching equipment, and regular, special, and vocational instruction.}$ 

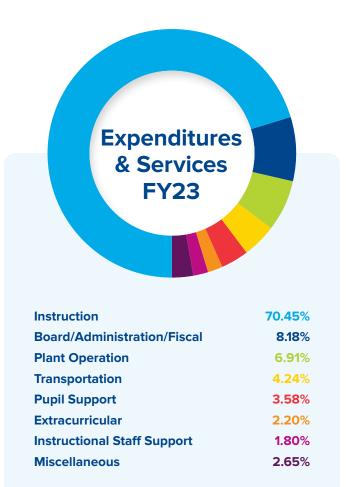
<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes expenditures that help teachers.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> General Fund expenditures increased from FY20 to FY23, due to staffing increases due to growth (from 2,394.50 FTE in FY20 to 2,616.91 in FY23); & due to negotiated staff raises of 2.50% (FY20), 2.50% (FY21), 2.50% (FY22), and 3.00% (FY23).





Property Taxes 72.03%
State Revenue 13.79%
Investment Income 2.16%
Tuition 0.82%
Extracurricular 0.18%
Federal Revenue 0.06%
Miscellaneous 10.96%

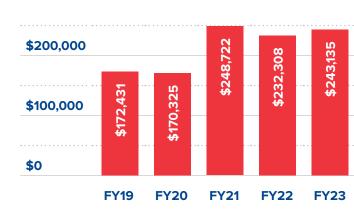


## **Property Taxes**

Property taxes are the single largest source of **revenue** for the District (72.03%). The District receives **property taxes** from residents and businesses located almost entirely within **Delaware County** with a minimal amount from Franklin County.

The chart below shows **property tax collections** over the last five years. For FY2023, **actual cash collections** increased by \$4,527,999. The balance of the increase over FY2022 is due the timing of advances collected and available from Delaware County on the accrual basis. The large increase in collections from FY2020 to FY2022 can be attributed to the 7.4 mill **operating levy** passed in May of 2020.

## \$300,000



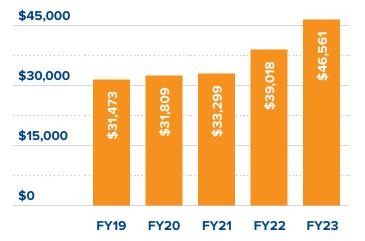
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## **State Funding**

The graph below represents the amount of **state funding** the District has received over the last five fiscal years.

The large increases in FY2022 and FY2023 are due to the implementation of the **Fair School Funding Plan** passed by the state legislators to fund public education in Ohio

The primary funding components of state funding are from 1) State Foundation funding which is a formula-based funding system for public school districts (currently referred to as the Fair School Funding Plan) and 2) state property tax allocations for homestead and rollback credits which represents a portion of the local property tax bill paid for by the state.



All amounts shown in Thousands.

# **Debt Service Millage Rollback**

Delaware County is undergoing a complete property reappraisal in 2023, resulting in the total property values in the District increasing by a substantial amount. While the substantial increase in value will be offset by decreasing the tax rates for all voted levies per House Bill 920, Olentangy Schools also worked collaboratively with the County Auditor to further reduce the millage, or tax rate, that the District assesses for payment of its debt service obligations for school facilities it has constructed over the past 15-20 years. In 2022, that tax rate was 7.50 mills. After passing legislation and having multiple conversations with the County Auditor, the tax rate for 2023 will be reduced to 6.25 mills, a 1¼ mill reduction from 2022. This allows the District to still collect about \$42.4 million to pay its debt service obligations for the year while providing about \$8.5 million in total tax relief to residents. For individual homeowners, a reduction of 1¼ will result in a tax savings per the chart to the right for the 2023 tax year (paid in 2024).

Home Value per Auditor	Total Annual Tax Reduction
\$100,000	\$38
\$200,000	<b>\$77</b>
\$300,000	\$115
\$400,000	\$153
\$500,000	\$191
\$600,000	\$230
\$700,000	\$268
\$800,000	\$306

## March 2024 Ballot Issue

On October 26, Olentangy Schools Board of Education unanimously approved a resolution to place a combined 4.25 mill levy on the March 19, 2024, ballot in accordance with the provisions of section 5705.218 of the Ohio Revised Code. The resolution combines a 3.00 mill operating levy and a 1.25 mill permanent improvement levy to address the operational and facility maintenance needs of the District. This is the lowest operational ask by the district in over 30 years.

The resolution also authorizes the Board to seek the authority to issue up to \$350 million in bonds, which will allow the District to build five school buildings to address enrollment growth. No additional millage is expected to be collected to meet future debt service payments.

## Annual Tax Increase for Homeowners

Assuming passage of the levy, the chart below provides an estimate of the annual tax increase for homeowners that would first apply to the 2024 tax year (collected in 2025).

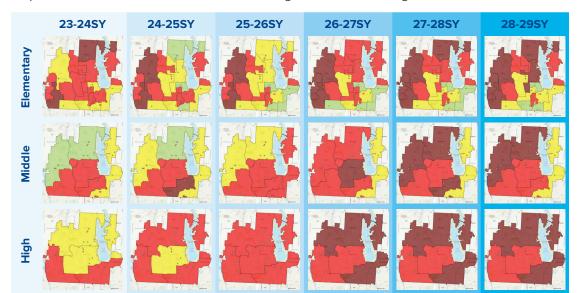
Home Value per Auditor	Annual Cost for 3 Operating Mills	Annual Cost for 1.25 PI Mills	Total Annual Tax Increase
\$100,000	\$105.00	\$43.75	\$148.75
\$200,000	\$210.00	\$87.50	\$297.50
\$300,000	\$315.00	\$131.25	\$446.25
\$400,000	\$420.00	\$175.00	\$595.00
\$500,000	\$525.00	\$218.75	\$743.75
\$600,000	\$630.00	\$262.50	\$892.50
\$700,000	\$735.00	\$306.25	\$1,041.25

## **Keeping Up with Our Community Growth**



## **Building Utilization Map By Attendance Boundaries**

If Olentangy Schools does not add school buildings to accommodate growth, the utilization maps demonstrate the forecasted overcrowding at different building levels.



# Utilization < 80% 80% – 90% 90.1% – 100% 100.1% – 110% > 110%

## **District Statistics**





**86**%

of Ohio's State Tests taken by students were proficient or better in the region of 50 school districts

**4**th

4 Year Graduation Rate 98.2% 3,020 Olentangy Schools staff members

94.48% Staff retention rate

Average ACT Score
Highest possible

composite score: 36

664

Preschool



## **Ohio School Report Card Results**



Only 12% of Ohio school districts received five stars

U.S. News & World Report's

2023 Best High School Rankings

4 of the Top 25
Best High Schools in Ohio









4 of the Top 10

Best High Schools in Central Ohio

## **Treasurer's Awards**



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Standard & Poors Global Ratings AAA/Stable (highest ranking)

## **Current & Projected Enrollment**

**CURRENT ENROLLMENT FOR 2023-2024** 

7,301
Grades 9-12

5,546
Grades 6-8

10,432
Grades K-5

7,301

23,943
PS-12 Total Enrollment

**PROJECTED ENROLLMENT FOR 2033-2034** 

**8,799** Grades 9-12

**6,641** Grades 6-8

**12,639** Grades K-5

730 Preschool 28,809
PS-12 Total Enrollment

## **Five-Year Forecast**

Ohio public school districts are required to complete a five-year forecast on a semi-annual basis which is a **cash-based report** that projects out five years to demonstrate the **expected financial position** of the District. Below is a summary of the District's most recent five-year forecast which shows a **positive cash balance** for the **District General Fund** through the end of FY2028.

	FY24	FY25	FY26	<b>FY27</b>	FY28
Beginning Balance	\$188,004,831	\$189,866,252	\$188,022,646	\$146,792,182	\$86,612,629
Revenue	\$345,509,009	\$362,211,632	\$348,037,475	\$352,861,819	\$359,547,452
Expenditures	(\$343,647,678)	(\$364,055,238)	(\$389,267,939)	(\$413,041,372)	(\$440,117,707)
Revenue Surplus or (Deficit)	\$1,861,421	(\$1,843,606)	(\$41,230,464)	(\$60,179,553)	(\$80,570,255)
Ending Balance	\$189,866,252	\$188,022,646	\$146,792,182	\$86,612,629	\$6,042,374

## **Outstanding Debt**

The chart below presents a summary of the District's outstanding debt obligations as of June 30, 2023. The District issues bonds for the **construction of new buildings** and the **financing of long-term capital improvements** for its buildings. The District also recognizes its obligation for **potential absence payouts** along with the **calculated medical liabilities** for its medical insurance. For further information on each type of debt reported and further detail, please refer to the **Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).** 

	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Energy Conservation Notes	\$6,193	\$5,681	\$4,651	\$3,903	\$3,136
General Obligation Bonds & Accreted Interest and Amortized Bond Premiums	\$389,276	\$422,600	\$473,919	\$477,095	\$447,381
Compensated Absences	\$15,635	\$17,371	\$16,243	\$17,230	\$19,562
Claims Payable	\$5,263	\$5,028	\$5,984	\$6,281	\$3,891
Total Outstanding Debt	\$416,367	\$450,680	\$500,797	\$504,509	\$473,970

All amounts shown in Thousands.



# **Unbundling** the Tax Rate

Tax rates for the District (except inside millage) are reduced as valuations increase. In accordance with House Bill 920, as property values increase during the triennial update and reappraisal periods, the voted millage is reduced. As a result, the District receives the same amount of voted tax revenue as it did when voters initially approved each levy. The District only receives additional tax revenue from new construction or when voters approve new tax issues. The chart below shows the difference between the gross rate and effective rates. The chart to the right shows the tax bill over the last five years for the District.

## Annual School District Tax Rates\* on a \$400,000 Home



\*School District Taxes Include Estimates for Non-Business (10%) and Owner-Occupied (2.50%) Credits on Applicable Levies, and Reflect Millage Reduction Factors Per HB 920

# **School District Tax Rates for Home Owners**

Туре	<b>Gross Rate</b>	<b>Effective Rate</b>	Length Approved
Inside Millage – Operating	5.00	5.00	Permanent
Voted Millage – Operating	78.20	31.79	Permanent
Bond Retirement*	6.25	6.25	Various
Permanent Improvement	1.50	0.94	Permanent
Total Rates	90.95	43.98	

\*2023 rates reflect 1.25 mill reduction

# **Assessed Value of Property: Aggregate District Valuation**

Tax Year	Agricultural/Residential & Other Real Estate	Commercial/ Industrial	Public Utility Personal Property	Total
2023	\$5,813,537,050	\$712,036,170	\$260,164,670	\$6,785,737,890
2022	\$4,218,338,410	\$596,778,920	\$252,282,610	\$5,067,399,940
2021	\$4,082,290,940	\$549,687,440	\$232,041,460	\$4,864,019,840
2020	\$3,962,486,060	\$532,843,110	\$218,071,900	\$4,713,401,070
2019	\$3,537,657,200	\$514,216,990	\$181,618,880	\$4,233,493,070
2018	\$3,430,637,090	\$503,923,400	\$162,567,760	\$4,097,128,250
2017	\$3,327,071,960	\$505,134,730	\$148,868,700	\$3,981,075,390

## **OLENTANGY SCHOOLS**

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