#### **Audited Financial Statements**

## St. George School District

June 30, 2016



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors St. George School District Shelburne, Vermont

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of St. George School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility 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; this includes 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.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the

reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of St. George School District as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 10 and 28 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise St. George School District's basic financial statements. The combining financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Schedule of Departmental Operations – General Fund and combining financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 Departmental Operations – General Fund and combining financial statements are 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 October 3, 2016 on our consideration of St. George School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 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 St. George School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Buxton, Maine

Vermont Registration No. 092.0000697

RHRSmith & Company

October 3, 2016

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2016

#### (UNAUDITED)

The following management's discussion and analysis of the St. George School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Please read it in conjunction with the School District's financial statements.

#### **Financial Statement Overview**

The School District's basic financial statements include the following components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also includes required supplementary information which consists of the general fund budgetary comparison schedule, and other supplementary information which includes combining and other schedules.

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

The basic financial statements include financial information in two differing views: the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. These basic financial statements also include the notes to financial statements that explain in more detail certain information in the financial statements and also provide the user with the accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements provide a broad view of the School District's operations in a manner that is similar to private businesses. These statements provide both short-term as well as long-term information in regards to the School District's financial position. These financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. This measurement focus takes into account all revenues and expenses associated with the fiscal year regardless of when cash is received or paid. The government–wide financial statements include the following two statements:

The Statement of Net Position – this statement presents *all* of the government's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources with the difference being reported as net position.

The Statement of Activities – this statement presents information that shows how the government's net position changed during the period. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Both of the above mentioned financial statements have one column for the type of School District activities. The type of activity presented for the School District is:

Governmental activities – The activities in this section are mostly supported by intergovernmental revenues (federal and state grants). Most of the School District's basic services are reported in regular instruction, special education, vocational education, early learning partnership, education/enrichment, administrative support services, transportation services, and unclassified services.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School District, like other local governments uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with financial related legal requirements. All of the funds of the School District can be classified into one category: governmental funds.

Governmental funds: All of the basic services provided by the School District are financed through governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported in governmental activities in the government—wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources. They also focus on the balance of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information will be useful in evaluating the government's near-term financing requirements. This approach is known as the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this approach revenues are recorded when cash is received or when susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when liabilities are incurred and due. These statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's finances to assist in determining whether there will be adequate financial resources available to meet the current needs of the School District.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities. These reconciliations are presented on the page immediately following each governmental fund financial statement.

The School District presents one column in the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances. The School District's major fund is the general fund. There are no nonmajor funds.

The general fund is the only fund for which the School District legally adopted a budget. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund provides a comparison of the original and final budget and the actual expenditures for the current year.

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the Government-Wide and the Fund Financial Statements. The Notes to Financial Statements can be found following the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

The basic financial statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information, which includes a Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual – General Fund.

#### **Other Supplementary Information**

Other supplementary information follows the required supplementary information. These combining schedules provide information in regards to other detailed budgetary information for the general fund.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

Our analysis below focuses on the net position, and changes in net position of the School District's governmental activities. The School District's total net position for governmental activities decreased by \$89,349 from \$195,395 to \$106,046.

Unrestricted net position - the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements - decreased for governmental activities to a balance of \$106,046 at the end of this year.

# Table 1 St. George School District Net Position June 30,

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
		2016	2015		
Assets:					
Current Assets	\$	174,347	\$	271,065	
Total Assets	\$	174,347	\$	271,065	
			•		
Liabilities:					
Current Liabilities	\$	17,125	\$	41,300	
Total Liabilities	\$	17,125	\$	41,300	
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Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Deferred Revenue	\$	51,176	\$	34,370	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	51,176	\$	34,370	
Net Position:					
Unrestricted	\$	106,046	\$	195,395	
Total Net Position	\$	106,046	\$	195,395	

#### **Revenues and Expenses**

Revenues for the St. George School District's governmental activities decreased by 0.44%, while total expenses increased by 7.65%. Most of the School District's revenues were consistent with the previous year with minor increases or decreases. The largest increase in revenues was in state aid. The biggest increases in expenses were in regular instruction and related services.

Table 2
St. George School District
Changes in Net Position
For the Years Ended June 30,

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>			
	2016			2015
Revenues Program Revenues:				
Operating grants and contributions	\$	225,675	\$	272,246
General Revenues:				
Act 68 state aid		1,904,585		1,849,748
Interest income		2,879		4,440
Miscellaneous				
Total Revenues		2,133,139		2,126,434
Expenses  Regular instruction and related services Special education and related services Vocational education Early learning partnership Education/enrichment Administrative support services Transportation Interest Other grant programs Total Expenses		1,739,328 336,810 18,783 17,738 23,000 18,378 49,080 1,432 17,939 2,222,488		1,512,010 398,494 14,737 10,448 23,000 17,816 71,425 2,481 14,217 2,064,628
Change in Net Position		(89,349)		61,806
Net Position - July 1		195,395		133,589
Net Position - June 30	\$	106,046	\$	195,395

#### **Financial Analysis of the School District's Fund Statements**

Governmental funds: The financial reporting focus of the School District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information may be useful in assessing the School District's financial requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's financial position at the end of the year, and the net resources available for spending.

# Table 3 St. George School District Fund Balances - Governmental Funds June 30,

		2016		2016 2015		2015
Major Funds:		_				
General Fund:						
Assigned	_\$_	106,046	\$	195,395		
Total Major Funds	\$	106,046	\$	195,395		

The general fund total fund balance decreased by \$89,349 from the prior fiscal year.

#### **Budgetary Highlights**

There was no significant difference between the original and final budget for the general fund.

The general fund actual revenues were below budgeted revenues by \$51,894 primarily due to other intergovernmental revenues and transfers from other funds that were budgeted in excess of actual receipts.

The general fund actual expenditures were excess of the budget by \$37,455. All expenditure categories were within or under budget with the exception of regular instruction and related services, vocational education and early learning partnership.

#### **Capital Asset and Long-Term Debt Activity**

#### **Capital Assets**

The School District did not have any capital assets as of June 30, 2016.

#### Debt

The School District did not have any debt as of June 30, 2016.

#### **Currently Known Facts, Decisions, or Conditions**

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The 2016-2017 budget was prepared using information on enrollment, the state of the economy and the overall impact that budget increases would have on local tax rates.

#### **Contacting the School District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the School District at 5420 Shelburne Road, Suite 300, Shelburne, Vermont 05482.

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2016

		vernmental Activities
ASSETS Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	165,307
Due from other governments Total current assets		9,040 174,347
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	174,347
LIABILITIES Current liabilities: Due to other governments	\$	17,125
Total current liabilities	<u>Ψ</u>	17,125
TOTAL LIABILITIES		17,125
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred revenue TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		51,176 51,176
NET POSITION Unrestricted TOTAL NET POSITION		106,046 106,046
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$	174,347

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

				Pro	gram Revenu	es		Rev	Net (Expense) venue & Changes in Net Position
Functions/Programs	Expenses		Charges for Operating Grants Cap		•	Grants & ibutions		Governmental Activities	
Governmental activities:									
Regular instruction and related	\$	1,739,328	\$ -	\$	17,939	\$	-	\$	(1,721,389)
Special education and related		336,810	-		177,437		-		(159,373)
Vocational education		18,783	-		-		-		(18,783)
Early learning partnership		17,738	-		-		-		(17,738)
Education/enrichment		23,000	-		-		-		(23,000)
Administrative support services		18,378	-		-		-		(18,378)
Transportation		49,080	-		30,299		-		(18,781)
Interest		1,432	-		-		-		(1,432)
Other grant programs		17,939							(17,939)
Total governmental activities	\$	2,222,488	\$ -	\$	225,675	\$	-		(1,996,813)

#### STATEMENT B (CONTINUED)

#### ST. GEORGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Governmental Activities
Changes in net position:	
Net (expense) revenue	(1,996,813)
General revenues: Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs Interest income Total general revenues	1,904,585 2,879 1,907,464
Change in net position	(89,349)
NET POSITION - JULY 1	195,395
NET POSITION - JUNE 30	\$ 106,046

#### BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2016

	 General Fund
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Due from other governments TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 165,307 9,040 174,347
LIABILITIES  Due to other governments  TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 17,125 17,125
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred revenue TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	 51,176 51,176
FUND BALANCES Assigned TOTAL FUND BALANCES	 106,046 106,046
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 174,347

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	General Fund
REVENUES Intergovernmental revenues Interest income TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 2,130,260 2,879 2,133,139
EXPENDITURES Current: Regular instruction and related	1,739,328
Special education and related Vocational education Early learning partnership Education/enrichment	336,810 18,783 17,738 23,000
Administrative support services Transportation Other grant programs Debt service:	18,378 49,080 17,939
Interest TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,432 2,222,488
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(89,349)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers (out) TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	- - -
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(89,349)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	195,395
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 106,046

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Reporting Entity

The School District is organized, according to State law, under the governance of the Board of School Directors to provide public education to the Town of St. George. The School District is governed by a three member elected board.

The School District's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations).

The School District's combined financial statements include all accounts and all operations of the School District. We have determined that the School District has no component units as described in GASB Statement No. 14 and amended by GASB Statements No. 39 and No. 61.

During the year ended June 30, 2016, the following statements of financial accounting standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board became effective:

Statement No. 72, "Fair Value Measurement and Application". The objective of the Statement is to expand comparability of financial statements among governments by requiring measurement of certain assets and liabilities at fair value using a consistent and more detailed definition of fair value and accepted valuation techniques. This Statement also will improve fair value application guidance and related disclosures in order to provide information to financial statement users about the impact of fair value measurements on a government's financial position. Management has determined the impact of this Statement is not material to the financial statements.

Statement No. 73, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68". The objective of the Statement is to improve financial reporting by instituting a single framework for the presentation of information about pensions, thereby expanding the comparability of pension-related information reported by state and local governments. Management has determined that this Statement is not applicable.

Statement No. 76, "The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments". The objective of this Statement is to identify-in the context of the current governmental financial reporting environment-the hierarchy of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The "GAAP hierarchy" consists of the sources of accounting principles used to prepare financial statements of state and local

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

governmental entities in conformity with GAAP and the framework for selecting those principles. This Statement reduces the GAAP hierarchy to two categories of authoritative GAAP and addresses the use of authoritative and nonauthoritative literature in the event that the accounting treatment for a transaction or other event is not specified within a source of authoritative GAAP. Management has determined the impact of this Statement is not material to the financial statements.

Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants". This Statement establishes specific criteria used to determine whether a qualifying external investment pool may elect to use an amortized cost exception to fair value measurement. Those criteria will provide qualifying external investment pools and participants in those pools with consistent application of an amortized cost-based measurement for financial reporting purposes. That measurement approximates fair value and mirrors the operations of external investment pools that transact with participants at a stable net asset value per share.

This Statement also establishes additional note disclosure requirements for qualifying external investment pools that measure all of their investments at amortized cost for financial reporting purposes and for governments that participate in those pools. Those disclosures for both the qualifying external investment pools and their participants include information about any limitations or restrictions on participant withdrawals. Management has determined the impact of this Statement is not material to the financial statements.

#### Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The School District's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the School District as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the School District's major funds).

Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as governmental. All of the School District's activities are categorized as governmental.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, both the governmental and business-type activities columns are (a) presented on a consolidated basis by column, and (b) are reported on a full accrual, economic resources basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The School District's net position is reported in three parts – net investment in capital assets; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position. The School District first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the School District's functions (instruction, administration, etc.). The functions are also supported by general government revenues (state aid, certain other intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, miscellaneous revenues, etc.). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. For the most part, the interfund activity has been eliminated from these government-wide financial statements.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (assessments, certain intergovernmental revenues and interest income, etc.).

The School District does not allocate indirect costs. All costs are charged directly to the corresponding departments.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the School District as an entity and the change in the School District's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

#### Measurement Focus - Basic Financial Statements & Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the School District are reported in the individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the School District:

#### 1. Governmental Funds:

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the School District:

#### Major Funds

a. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the School District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### 1. Accrual

Governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

#### Modified Accrual

The governmental fund financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred.

The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

#### **Budget**

The School District's policy is to adopt an annual budget for operations. The budget is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

The following procedures are followed in establishing budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. The School Board approves a preliminary budget by early January for the following fiscal year beginning July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- 2. The budget is approved at the annual district meeting by the School District voters.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Deposits and Investments**

The School District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

It is the School District's policy to value investments at fair value. None of the School District's investments are reported at amortized cost. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered to be a cash equivalent. The School District Treasurer is authorized by State Statutes to invest all excess funds in the following:

- Obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities.
- Certificates of deposits and other evidences of deposits at banks, savings and loan associations, and credit School Districts.
- Repurchase agreements
- Money market mutual funds

The St. George School District has no formal investment policy but instead follows the State of Vermont Statutes.

#### Interfund Receivables and Payables

Transactions between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "due to/from other funds". While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Any residual balances outstanding between governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the governmental-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

#### **Transactions Between Funds**

Legally authorized transfers are treated as interfund transfers and are included in the results of operations of both Governmental and Proprietary Funds.

#### **Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts**

The allowance for uncollectible accounts is estimated to be \$0 as of June 30, 2016.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between all other elements in a statement of financial position. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through enabling legislations adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Unrestricted net position is the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or restricted net position.

#### Fund Balance

In the fund financial statements, fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported in five components – nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

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

Restricted – This includes amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

Committed – This includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the inhabitants of the School District. The inhabitants of the School District through School Board meetings are the highest level of decision-making authority of the School District. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through a School District meeting vote.

Assigned – This includes amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. The authority for assigning fund balance is expressed by the School Board.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Unassigned – This includes all other spendable amounts. The general fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. Other governmental funds besides the general fund can only report a negative unassigned fund balance amount.

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

The School District has adopted a set of financial policies to guide the financial operation of the School District. Included in the policies will be guidelines for accumulating and maintaining an operating position in certain budgeted governmental funds such that annual expenditures shall not exceed annual resources, including fund balances. Other funds shall be fully self-supporting to the extent that the fund balance or retained earnings of each fund shall be zero or greater.

#### <u>Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources</u>

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and/or balance sheet will at times report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School District currently has no deferred outflows of resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position and or balance sheet will at times report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Deferred revenue qualifies for reporting in this category. This item is reported in both the statements of net position and governmental funds balance sheet. All items in this category are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Program Revenues**

Program revenues include all directly related income items applicable to a particular program (grant income/expenses).

#### **Encumbrance Accounting**

Encumbrances are not liabilities and, therefore, are not recorded as expenditures until receipt of material or service. For budgetary purposes, appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. The School District uses encumbrance accounting for its general fund.

#### **Use of Estimates**

During the preparation of the School District's financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and disclosure of contingent items as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### **Deposits:**

The School District's investment policies, which follow state statutes, authorize the School District to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities, other states and Canada, provided such securities are rated within the three highest grades by an approved rating service of the State of Vermont, corporate stocks and bonds within statutory limits, financial institutions, mutual funds and repurchase agreements. These investment policies apply to all School District funds.

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of a failure of a depository financial institution, the School District will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The School District does not have a policy covering custodial credit risk.

At June 30, 2016, the School District's cash balance of \$165,307 was comprised of bank deposits of \$165,307. Of these bank deposits, \$80,000 was fully insured by federal depository insurance and consequently not exposed to custodial credit and the remaining deposits of \$85,307 were collateralized with securities held by the financial institution in the School District's name.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Account Type	Bank Balance		
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Checking accounts	\$	80,000	
Repurchase agreement		85,307	
	\$	165,307	

#### **Investments:**

Custodial credit risk for investments is that, in the event of failure of the counterparty, the School District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. Currently, the School District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk for investments.

At June 30, 2016, the School District had no investments.

Credit risk – Statutes for the State of Vermont authorize the School District to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities, other states and Canada, provided such securities are rated within the three highest grades by an approved rating service of the State of Vermont, corporate stocks and bonds within statutory limits, financial institutions, mutual funds and repurchase agreements. The School District does not have an investment policy on credit risk. Generally, the School District invests excess funds in savings accounts and various insured certificates of deposit.

Interest rate risk – is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The School District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from fluctuations in interest rates.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 3 - SHORT-TERM DEBT

On July 1, 2015, the School District issued a tax anticipation note through People's United Bank in anticipation of tax revenues to meet its operating obligations during the fiscal year. The note, a line of credit, allowed principal draws up to \$126,000 at an interest rate of 1.14% with a maturity date of June 30, 2016.

Short-term debt activity for the year ended June 30, 2016, was as follows:

	Balance 7/1/15	Balance, 7/1/15 Additions			Reductions	Balance, 6/30/16
Tax anticipation note	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	126,000	\$ (126,000)	\$ -
Totals	\$		\$	126,000	\$ (126,000)	\$ -

On June 10, 2016 the note was paid in full. Interest expense for the note during the fiscal year totaled \$1,432.

On July 1, 2016, the School District issued a tax anticipation note through People's United Bank in anticipation of tax revenues to meet its operating obligations during the fiscal year. The note, a line of credit, allowed principal draws up to \$181,000 at an interest rate of 1.25% with a maturity date of June 27, 2017.

#### NOTE 4 - ASSIGNED FUND BALANCES

At June 30, 2016, the School District had the following assigned fund balances:

General fund:	
Revenue for FY2017 budget	\$ 35,000
Revenue for budgets after FY2017	 71,046
	\$ 106,046

#### NOTE 5 - OVERSPENT APPROPRIATIONS

At June 30, 2016, the School District had the following overspent appropriations:

Regular instruction and related services	\$ 62,148
Vocational education	179
Early learning partnership	 2,229
	\$ 64,556

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2016

#### NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to employees. The School District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the School District. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### **NOTE 7 - CONTINGENCIES**

With regard to pending legal claims or any unasserted claims, it is not feasible at this time to predict or determine their outcome. Management believes, however, that settlement amounts, if any, will not have a material adverse effect on the School District's financial position.

The School District participates in various intergovernmental grant programs which may be subject to future program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. Accordingly, the School District's compliance with applicable grant requirement may be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of any liabilities arising from the disallowance of expenditures or ineligibility of grant revenues cannot be determined at this time.

#### **NOTE 8 - RELATED ORGANIZATION**

The School District has an ongoing financial responsibility to Chittenden South Supervisory Union as defined in GASB 14, paragraph 71. Through Chittenden South Supervisory Union's assessment process, the School District's assessment can be increased to cover a share of any prior year deficits and decreased to share in any prior year surpluses. Separate financial statements on Chittenden South Supervisory Union are available from Chittenden South Supervisory Union.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Required supplementary information includes financial information and disclosures that are required by the Government Accounting Standards Board but are not considered a part of the basic financial statements. Such information includes:

 Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budgetary Basis – Budget and Actual -General Fund

#### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – BUDGETARY BASIS BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	Pudgotod Amounts			Actual		Variance Positive		
	Budgeted Amounts Original Final		Actual		(Negative)			
		Original		I IIIai		Amounts	(14	egalive)
Budgetary Fund Balance, July 1	\$	195,395	\$	195,395	\$	195,395	\$	-
Resources (Inflows): Intergovernmental:								
Act 68 state aid		1,905,208		1,905,208		1,904,585		(623)
Other		240,825		240,825		225,675		(15,150)
Investment income		4,000		4,000		2,879		(1,121)
Transfers from other funds		35,000		35,000				(35,000)
Amounts Available for Appropriation		2,380,428		2,380,428		2,328,534		(51,894)
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows): Current:								
Regular instruction and related services		1,677,180		1,677,180		1,739,328		(62,148)
Special education and related services		356,810		356,810		336,810		20,000
Vocational education		18,604		18,604		18,783		(179)
Early learning partnership		15,509		15,509		17,738		(2,229)
Education/enrichment		23,000		23,000		23,000		-
Administrative support services		22,595		22,595		18,378		4,217
Transportation		50,915		50,915		49,080		1,835
Other grant programs		17,939		17,939		17,939		-
Debt service:								
Interest		2,481		2,481		1,432		1,049
Total Charges to Appropriations		2,185,033		2,185,033		2,222,488		(37,455)
Budgetary Fund Balance, June 30	\$	195,395	\$	195,395	\$	106,046	\$	(89,349)

#### Other Supplementary Information

Other supplementary information includes financial statements and schedules not required by the Government Accounting Standards Board, nor a part of the basic financial statements, but are presented for purposes of additional analysis.

• Schedule of Departmental Operations – General Fund

#### SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

					Variance			
	(	Original	Final				Positive	
		Budget		Budget		Actual	(N	egative)
Regular instruction and related services:								
Instructional tuition - Williston	\$	777,024	\$	777,024	\$	772,798	\$	4,226
Instructional tuition - Williston 7-8		245,376	•	245,376	·	259,008	•	(13,632)
Instructional tuition - CVU 9-12		600,882		600,882		595,083		5,799
Instructional tuition - all other		28,330		28,330		49,510		(21,180)
Early essential education		25,568		25,568		25,568		-
Other outlays - PY tuition				-		37,361		(37,361)
		1,677,180		1,677,180		1,739,328		(62,148)
Special education and related services:								
Ineligible special education costs		336,810		336,810		336,810		-
Contingency		20,000		20,000		-		20,000
,		356,810		356,810		336,810		20,000
Vocational education		18,604		18,604		18,783		(179)
Early learning partership		15,509		15,509		17,738		(2,229)
Education/enrichment		23,000		23,000		23,000		_
Administrative support services:								
Board of Education		7,295		7,295		3,078		4,217
Executive administrative services		10,000		10,000		10,000		-
CSSU assessment		3,300		3,300		3,300		-
Fiscal services		2,000		2,000		2,000		
		22,595		22,595		18,378		4,217
Transportation		50,915		50,915		49,080		1,835
Other grant programs:								
Vocational education block grant		17,939		17,939		17,939		<u>-</u>
		17,939		17,939		17,939		-
Debt service:								
Tax note interest		2,481		2,481		1,432		1,049
		2,481		2,481		1,432		1,049
TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS	\$	2,185,033	\$	2,185,033	\$	2,222,488	\$	(37,455)



#### **Proven Expertise and Integrity**

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of School Directors St. George School District Shelburne, Vermont

We have audited, 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 the financial statements of St. George School District, which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2016, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 3, 2016.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered St. George School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of St. George School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission'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 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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that

we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether St. George School District's financial statements are free of 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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Buxton, Maine

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RHRSmith & Company

October 3, 2016