



**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
MYERSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA**

AUDIT REPORT

JUNE 30, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 3, 2024

Board of School Directors
Eastern Lebanon County School District
Myerstown, Pennsylvania

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Eastern Lebanon County School District ("the District"), Myerstown, Pennsylvania, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Eastern Lebanon County School District, Myerstown, Pennsylvania, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 through 12, and the schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability, schedule of District pension contributions, schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability - PSERS, schedule of District OPEB contributions - PSERS, and schedule of the District's net OPEB liability - single employer plan on pages 58 through 62 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards on pages 68 and 69 is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"), and is not a required part of the financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 3, 2024, on our consideration of the 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion

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on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – UNAUDITED
JUNE 30, 2024**

Management's Discussion and Analysis of the financial performance of the Eastern Lebanon County School District ("the District") provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole. Readers also should review the basic financial statements and the accompanying notes to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2024 are as follows:

- In total, net position increased by \$2,880,152. Net position of governmental activities increased \$2,766,189 while net position of business-type activities increased \$113,963.
- Revenues totaled \$55,530,485. General revenues accounted for \$41,650,707, or 75 percent of total revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$13,879,778 or 25 percent of total revenues.
- The District had \$50,721,832 in expenses related to governmental activities. Of these expenses, \$11,843,923 was offset by program specific charges for services and operating grants and contributions. General revenues (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and subsidies) of \$41,644,098 provided for these programs.
- Among major funds, the general fund had \$52,899,163 in revenues and other financing sources and \$54,292,492 in expenditures and other financing uses. Expenditures and other financing uses exceeded revenues and other financing sources for the year by \$1,393,329, resulting in a fund balance of \$8,758,108. The District has committed \$1,000,000 and assigned \$6,000,000 of the general fund balance for a variety of uses by the District.

Using this Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those financial statements. These financial statements are organized so the reader can understand the District as a financial whole.

The statement of net position and statement of activities provide information about the activities of the entire District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how the services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the District, the general fund is the most significant fund.

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JUNE 30, 2024**

Reporting the District as a Whole

One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is, "Is the District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities report information about the District as a whole and about its overall activities. These statements include all the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources of the District (except for fiduciary funds held in trust for student purposes) using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by private sector corporations. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into consideration regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the District's net position and changes during the fiscal year. The change in net position provides the reader a tool to assist in determining whether the District's financial health is improving or deteriorating. The reader will need to consider other nonfinancial factors such as the District's property tax base, current property tax laws, student enrollment growth, and facility conditions in arriving at a conclusion regarding the overall health of the District.

The entity-wide financial statements of the District are divided into two categories:

- **Governmental Activities** – All the District's basic services are included here, such as instruction, administration, and community services. Property taxes, state, and federal subsidies and grants finance most of these activities.
- **Business-type Activities** – These services are provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all of the expenses of the goods or services provided. The District's food service program is reported as a business-type activity.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements of the District's major funds provide detailed information about the most significant funds - not the District as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by state statute, while many other funds are established by the District to help manage money for particular purposes and compliance with various grant provisions. The District's three types of funds, governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary, use different accounting approaches as described further in the notes to the financial statements.

Governmental Funds – Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year end that are available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the modified accrual accounting method, which measures cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government

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operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources available to spend in the near future to finance the District's programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net position and the statement of activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the basic financial statements.

Proprietary Funds – Proprietary funds use the accrual basis of accounting, the same as the entity-wide statements; therefore, the statements will essentially match the business-type activities portion of the entity-wide statements.

Fiduciary Funds – The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its scholarship program and other items listed as private-purpose trusts. In addition, the District accounts for funds held on behalf of students of the District. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate statements of fiduciary net position and changes in fiduciary net position. The District excludes these activities from its other financial statements because the assets cannot be used by the District to finance its operations.

The District as a Whole

The statement of net position provides the perspective of the District as a whole.

Table 1 provides a summary of the District's net position for 2024 compared to 2023:

**Table 1
Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Assets:						
Current and other assets	\$ 24,210,382	\$ 28,148,487	\$ 651,340	\$ 468,855	\$ 24,861,722	\$ 28,617,342
Capital assets	82,539,683	66,332,116	-	-	82,539,683	66,332,116
Total Assets	<u>106,750,065</u>	<u>94,480,603</u>	<u>651,340</u>	<u>468,855</u>	<u>107,401,405</u>	<u>94,949,458</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	12,757,499	12,816,724	256,721	259,691	13,014,220	13,076,415
Liabilities:						
Current liabilities	11,922,175	12,539,223	119,808	37,088	12,041,983	12,576,311
Noncurrent liabilities	140,981,214	129,871,756	1,195,184	1,188,060	142,176,398	131,059,816
Total Liabilities	<u>152,903,389</u>	<u>142,410,979</u>	<u>1,314,992</u>	<u>1,225,148</u>	<u>154,218,381</u>	<u>143,636,127</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,758,044	5,806,406	174,602	198,894	4,932,646	6,005,300
Net Position (Deficit):						
Net investment in capital assets	13,954,318	9,696,582	-	-	13,954,318	9,696,582
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(52,108,187)</u>	<u>(50,616,640)</u>	<u>(581,533)</u>	<u>(695,496)</u>	<u>(52,689,720)</u>	<u>(51,312,136)</u>
Total Net Deficit	<u><u>\$(38,153,869)</u></u>	<u><u>\$(40,920,058)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (581,533)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (695,496)</u></u>	<u><u>\$(38,735,402)</u></u>	<u><u>\$(41,615,554)</u></u>

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Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2024 compared to 2023:

**Table 2
Changes in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Revenues						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 669,496	\$ 538,876	\$ 607,187	\$ 634,431	\$ 1,276,683	\$ 1,173,307
Operating grants	11,174,427	12,071,352	1,428,668	1,231,087	12,603,095	13,302,439
General Revenues:						
Property taxes	33,184,008	32,048,617	-	-	33,184,008	32,048,617
Unrestricted grants and subsidies	6,754,739	6,408,303	-	-	6,754,739	6,408,303
Other	1,705,351	1,311,958	6,609	2,192	1,711,960	1,314,150
Total Revenues	53,488,021	52,379,106	2,042,464	1,867,710	55,530,485	54,246,816
Expenses						
Program Expenses:						
Instruction	33,024,191	30,064,211	-	-	33,024,191	30,064,211
Support Services:						
Instructional student support	5,098,800	4,776,651	-	-	5,098,800	4,776,651
Administrative and financial support services	4,331,535	4,073,791	-	-	4,331,535	4,073,791
Operation and maintenance of plant services	1,905,810	7,675,413	-	-	1,905,810	7,675,413
Pupil transportation	2,952,422	2,643,979	-	-	2,952,422	2,643,979
Student activities	1,276,275	1,241,359	-	-	1,276,275	1,241,359
Interest on long-term debt	2,132,799	2,627,231	-	-	2,132,799	2,627,231
Food service	-	-	1,928,501	1,878,384	1,928,501	1,878,384
Total Expenses	50,721,832	53,102,635	1,928,501	1,878,384	52,650,333	54,981,019
Change in Net Position	\$ 2,766,189	\$ (723,529)	\$ 113,963	\$ (10,674)	\$ 2,880,152	\$ (734,203)

The changes in net position table show the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. It identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted state entitlements. Table 4 shows, for business-type activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services.

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**Table 3
Governmental Activities**

	2024		2023	
	Total Cost	Net Cost	Total Cost	Net Cost
Instruction	\$ 33,024,191	\$ 24,850,427	\$ 30,064,211	\$ 20,652,701
Support Services:				
Instructional student support	5,098,800	4,643,183	4,776,651	4,409,081
Administrative and financial support services	4,331,535	3,980,994	4,073,791	3,799,762
Operation and maintenance of plant services	1,905,810	1,533,734	7,675,413	7,389,935
Pupil transportation	2,952,422	1,106,174	2,643,979	933,517
Student activities	1,276,275	1,092,683	1,241,359	1,082,571
Interest on long-term debt	2,132,799	1,670,714	2,627,231	2,224,840
Total Expenses	\$ 50,721,832	\$ 38,877,909	\$ 53,102,635	\$ 40,492,407

**Table 4
Business-type Activities**

	2024		2023	
	Total Cost	Net Cost	Total Cost	Net Cost
Food service	\$ 1,928,501	\$ (107,354)	\$ 1,878,384	\$ 12,866

The District depends on a combination of tax revenues and governmental grants for governmental activities. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 75 percent of the total governmental revenues. The community, as a whole, is the primary financial support for the District's students.

Business-type Activities

Business-type activities consist of food service operations. This program had revenues of \$2,042,464 and expenses of \$1,928,501 for fiscal year 2024. Business-type activities receive no support from tax revenues. The Food Service Fund results are equal to the business-type activities results.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – UNAUDITED (CONT'D)
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General Fund Budgeting Highlights and Governmental Fund Results

The District's budget is prepared according to Pennsylvania law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund.

For the general fund, budgeted revenue and other financing sources totaled \$54,294,959, but the District realized actual revenues and other sources of \$52,899,163. The budgeted expenditures and transfers were \$54,143,864 plus a budgetary reserve for unexpected items of \$151,095. The District expended \$54,292,492 (including transfers and refund of prior year receipts). The District budgets expenditures based upon a long-term strategy of sustainability and held the line on the actual expenditures during the year in support of that strategy.

The Capital Reserve Fund's fund balance decreased by \$1,477,838 due to current year capital outlays exceeding debt issuances. For the debt service fund, fund balance decreased \$1,000 due to debt repayments exceeding transfers.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets – At the end of fiscal 2024, the District had \$82.54 million invested in capital assets, all related to governmental activities.

Table 5 shows the fiscal 2024 balance compared to 2023:

**Table 5
Capital Assets at June 30
(Net of Depreciation/Amortization)**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Totals	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Land and land improvements, net	\$ 2,951,376	\$ 2,580,144	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,951,376	\$ 2,580,144
Construction-in-progress	30,388,160	12,598,868	-	-	30,388,160	12,598,868
Buildings and improvements, net	46,416,915	48,246,118	-	-	46,416,915	48,246,118
Furniture and equipment, net	1,129,143	714,442	-	-	1,129,143	714,442
Vehicles, net	207,582	202,340	-	-	207,582	202,340
Right to use assets, net	1,446,507	1,990,204	-	-	1,446,507	1,990,204
Totals	<u>\$82,539,683</u>	<u>\$66,332,116</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$82,539,683</u>	<u>\$66,332,116</u>

Debt Administration – At June 30, 2024, the District had \$75.78 million in bonds outstanding, excluding unamortized premiums and discounts with \$3.19 million due within one year. Table 6 on the following page summarizes bonds outstanding.

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**Table 6
Outstanding Debt at Year End, at Face
(In Thousands)**

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
General Obligation Bonds:		
2014 A Bonds	\$ -	\$ 86
2018 Bonds	7,285	7,925
2018 A Bonds	8,400	8,890
2019 Bonds	7,720	7,800
2019 A Bonds	5,705	6,790
2020 Bonds	710	1,400
2020 A Bonds	4,155	4,160
2021 Bonds	9,740	9,745
2022 Bonds	9,740	9,745
2023 Bonds	8,550	8,555
2024 Bonds	13,775	-
Total	<u>\$ 75,780</u>	<u>\$ 65,096</u>

The District has no special assessment debt. Long-term debt is liquidated from the debt service fund. Additional information regarding capital assets and long-term debt is available in Notes 5 and 7 to the financial statements, respectively.

At June 30, 2024, the District had \$1.50 million in leases outstanding, with \$514 thousand due within one year.

For the Future

The District is financially sound. As the preceding information shows, the District depends heavily on its property taxpayers. With the passage of a 18.0402 mill-operating levy and collection beginning in fiscal 2025, the District will be able to continue its education programs. However, financially, the future is not without challenges.

While the District was successful in increasing its tax revenue millage, additional increases will be needed to maintain programs and to prepare for future renovations to aging buildings. Management must continue to diligently plan expenses, staying carefully within the District's five-year plan.

In conclusion, the District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. All of the District's financial abilities will be needed to meet the challenges of the future.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – UNAUDITED (CONT'D)
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Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money received. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact the Business Manager, Eastern Lebanon County School District, 180 Elco Drive, Myerstown, PA 17067.

EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Totals
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,408,794	\$ 257,357	\$ 20,666,151
Investments	808,778	-	808,778
Taxes receivable	563,762	-	563,762
Internal balances	(31,638)	31,638	-
Due from other governments	2,075,743	345,858	2,421,601
Other receivables	168,146	61	168,207
Prepaid expenses	150,601	-	150,601
Inventories	66,196	16,426	82,622
Construction-in-progress	30,388,160	-	30,388,160
Land	71,150	-	71,150
Land improvements, net	2,880,226	-	2,880,226
Buildings and improvements, net	46,416,915	-	46,416,915
Furniture and equipment, net	1,129,143	-	1,129,143
Vehicles, net	207,582	-	207,582
Right to use lease assets, net	1,446,507	-	1,446,507
TOTAL ASSETS	106,750,065	651,340	107,401,405
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Deferred outflows related to pension	11,118,101	199,184	11,317,285
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	1,639,398	57,537	1,696,935
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	12,757,499	256,721	13,014,220
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$119,507,564	\$ 908,061	\$120,415,625
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION (DEFICIT)			
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable	\$ 5,087,563	\$ 79,537	\$ 5,167,100
Accrued salaries, payroll withholdings, and benefits	2,597,431	-	2,597,431
Accrued interest payable	247,831	-	247,831
Unearned revenues	-	40,271	40,271
Long-term liabilities:			
Portion due or payable within one year:			
Bonds payable, net	3,405,201	-	3,405,201
Lease payable	514,085	-	514,085
Earned income tax settlement payable	61,632	-	61,632
Accumulated compensated absences	8,432	-	8,432
Portion due or payable after one year:			
Bonds payable, net	75,326,195	-	75,326,195
Lease payable	990,074	-	990,074
Earned income tax settlement payable	369,790	-	369,790
Accumulated compensated absences	1,196,100	20,931	1,217,031
Net OPEB liability	4,099,058	117,250	4,216,308
Net pension liability	58,999,997	1,057,003	60,057,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	152,903,389	1,314,992	154,218,381
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Deferred inflows related to pension	807,533	14,467	822,000
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	3,950,511	160,135	4,110,646
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	4,758,044	174,602	4,932,646
NET POSITION (DEFICIT):			
Net investment in capital assets	13,954,318	-	13,954,318
Unrestricted (deficit)	(52,108,187)	(581,533)	(52,689,720)
TOTAL NET DEFICIT	(38,153,869)	(581,533)	(38,735,402)
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET DEFICIT	\$119,507,564	\$ 908,061	\$120,415,625

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Deficit		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Totals
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:							
Instruction	\$33,024,191	\$ 590,644	\$ 7,583,120	\$ -	\$ (24,850,427)	\$ -	\$ (24,850,427)
Instructional student support	5,098,800	-	455,617	-	(4,643,183)	-	(4,643,183)
Administrative and financial support services	4,331,535	-	350,541	-	(3,980,994)	-	(3,980,994)
Operation and maintenance of plant services	1,905,810	-	372,076	-	(1,533,734)	-	(1,533,734)
Pupil transportation	2,952,422	-	1,846,248	-	(1,106,174)	-	(1,106,174)
Student activities	1,276,275	78,852	104,740	-	(1,092,683)	-	(1,092,683)
Interest on long-term debt and issuance cost	2,132,799	-	462,085	-	(1,670,714)	-	(1,670,714)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	<u>50,721,832</u>	<u>669,496</u>	<u>11,174,427</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(38,877,909)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(38,877,909)</u>
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:							
Food service	1,928,501	607,187	1,428,668	-	-	107,354	107,354
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	<u>1,928,501</u>	<u>607,187</u>	<u>1,428,668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>107,354</u>	<u>107,354</u>
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	<u>\$52,650,333</u>	<u>\$ 1,276,683</u>	<u>\$12,603,095</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(38,877,909)</u>	<u>107,354</u>	<u>(38,770,555)</u>
GENERAL REVENUES							
Property taxes levied for general purposes					29,420,251	-	29,420,251
Taxes levied for specific purposes					3,763,757	-	3,763,757
Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs					6,754,739	-	6,754,739
Investment earnings					1,362,175	6,609	1,368,784
Miscellaneous					343,176	-	343,176
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES					<u>41,644,098</u>	<u>6,609</u>	<u>41,650,707</u>
CHANGE IN NET DEFICIT					2,766,189	113,963	2,880,152
NET DEFICIT, BEGINNING OF YEAR					<u>(40,920,058)</u>	<u>(695,496)</u>	<u>(41,615,554)</u>
NET DEFICIT, END OF YEAR					<u>\$ (38,153,869)</u>	<u>\$ (581,533)</u>	<u>\$ (38,735,402)</u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2024**

	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Debt Service Fund	Totals
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,759,604	\$ 11,650,190	\$ -	\$ 20,409,794
Investments	808,778	-	-	808,778
Taxes receivable	563,762	-	-	563,762
Due from other governments	2,075,743	-	-	2,075,743
Other receivables	168,146	-	-	168,146
Inventories	66,196	-	-	66,196
Prepaid expenditures	150,601	-	-	150,601
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 12,592,830</u>	<u>\$ 11,650,190</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 24,243,020</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES:				
Cash overdraft	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Accounts payable	894,198	2,529,790	-	3,423,988
Accrued salaries, payroll withholdings, and benefits	2,597,431	-	-	2,597,431
Due to other funds	31,638	-	-	31,638
Retainage payable	-	1,663,575	-	1,663,575
Compensated absences	8,432	-	-	8,432
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>3,531,699</u>	<u>4,193,365</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>7,726,064</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:				
Unavailable revenues - delinquent taxes	303,023	-	-	303,023
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>303,023</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>303,023</u>
FUND BALANCES:				
Nonspendable	216,797	-	-	216,797
Restricted for capital projects	-	7,456,825	-	7,456,825
Committed for healthcare stabilization	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Assigned for capital projects	6,000,000	-	-	6,000,000
Unassigned (deficit)	1,541,311	-	(1,000)	1,540,311
TOTAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)	<u>8,758,108</u>	<u>7,456,825</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>16,213,933</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 12,592,830</u>	<u>\$ 11,650,190</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 24,243,020</u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2024**

TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 16,213,933
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. These assets consist of:

Land	\$ 71,150	
Land improvements, net	2,880,226	
Construction-in-progress	30,388,160	
Buildings and improvements, net	46,416,915	
Furniture and equipment, net	1,129,143	
Vehicles, net	207,582	
Right to use assets, net	<u>1,446,507</u>	82,539,683

Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Those liabilities consist of:

Bonds payable, net	(78,731,396)	
Lease payable	(1,504,159)	
Accumulated compensated absences	(1,196,100)	
Earned income tax settlement payable	(431,422)	
Accrued interest payable	(247,831)	
Net OPEB liability	(4,099,058)	
Net pension liability	<u>(58,999,997)</u>	(145,209,963)

Deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to the District's pension and OPEB plans and related to amounts deferred on bond refunding do not represent current resources or uses of resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Deferred inflows and outflows of resources consist of the following:

Deferred outflows of resources:		
Deferred outflows related to pensions	11,118,101	
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	1,639,398	
Deferred inflows of resources:		
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(807,533)	
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	<u>(3,950,511)</u>	7,999,455

Some of the District's revenues will be collected after year end but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are unavailable in the funds.

303,023

NET DEFICIT OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	<u><u>\$ (38,153,869)</u></u>
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EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Debt Service Fund	Totals
REVENUES				
Local sources	\$ 34,966,695	\$ 514,127	\$ -	\$ 35,480,822
State sources	15,599,053	-	-	15,599,053
Federal sources	2,330,114	-	-	2,330,114
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>52,895,862</u>	<u>514,127</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,409,989</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Instruction	31,463,076	29,886	-	31,492,962
Support services	15,899,439	85,334	-	15,984,773
Operation of noninstructional services	1,208,762	1,635	-	1,210,397
Capital outlays	-	17,130,015	-	17,130,015
Debt service	-	222,180	5,110,583	5,332,763
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>48,571,277</u>	<u>17,469,050</u>	<u>5,110,583</u>	<u>71,150,910</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>4,324,585</u>	<u>(16,954,923)</u>	<u>(5,110,583)</u>	<u>(17,740,921)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Bond premium	-	1,152,085	-	1,152,085
Refund of prior year receipts	(61,632)	-	-	(61,632)
Transfers in	-	550,000	5,109,583	5,659,583
Transfers out	(5,659,583)	-	-	(5,659,583)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	-	13,775,000	-	13,775,000
Proceeds from sale of assets	3,301	-	-	3,301
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(5,717,914)</u>	<u>15,477,085</u>	<u>5,109,583</u>	<u>14,868,754</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(1,393,329)	(1,477,838)	(1,000)	(2,872,167)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>10,151,437</u>	<u>8,934,663</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,086,100</u>
FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT), END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 8,758,108</u>	<u>\$ 7,456,825</u>	<u>\$ (1,000)</u>	<u>\$ 16,213,933</u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ (2,872,167)

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation/amortization expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays (\$19,230,726) was exceeded by depreciation/amortization (\$3,023,159) in the period. 16,207,567

Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the District's fiscal year ends, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the governmental funds. Unavailable revenues increased by this amount this year. 78,033

Debt proceeds are reported as financing sources in the governmental funds and, thus, contribute to the change in fund balance. In the statement of net position, however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but reduces the liability in the statement of net position. This is the amount by which debt repayments, net of premiums and discounts exceeds proceeds from new debt issuances. (11,615,884)

The incurrence of a lease agreement provides current financial resources to governmental funds while the repayment of the principal of the lease consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. This amount is the net effect of these differences. 412,600

In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses, including compensated absences (vacations and sick leave) are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This is the amount by which current period amounts paid were less than current period compensated absences earned.

Compensated absences	\$ 310,264	
Earned income tax settlement payable	<u>61,632</u>	371,896

Interest on long-term debt in the statement of activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due and, thus, requires the use of current financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. (111,237)

In the statement of activities, pension and OPEB expense reflects the change in net pension and OPEB liability, net of deferrals. In the governmental funds, however, pension and OPEB expenditures reflect payments made to fund the pension and OPEB plans. This is the amount by which the change in net pension and OPEB liabilities and related deferrals exceeds pension and OPEB contributions during the year. 295,381

CHANGE IN NET DEFICIT OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 2,766,189

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGETARY COMPARISON STATEMENT - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Original and Final Budgeted Amounts	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES			
Local sources	\$ 35,972,987	\$ 34,966,695	\$ (1,006,292)
State sources	15,344,286	15,599,053	254,767
Federal sources	2,802,686	2,330,114	(472,572)
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>54,119,959</u>	<u>52,895,862</u>	<u>(1,224,097)</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Instruction:			
Regular programs	21,633,055	22,155,082	(522,027)
Special programs	7,620,116	7,862,264	(242,148)
Vocational programs	1,033,501	1,106,089	(72,588)
Other instructional programs	318,877	339,641	(20,764)
Total Instruction	<u>30,605,549</u>	<u>31,463,076</u>	<u>(857,527)</u>
Support services:			
Pupil personnel services	2,179,428	2,158,952	20,476
Instructional staff services	2,105,234	2,042,633	62,601
Administrative services	2,743,035	2,494,153	248,882
Pupil health	593,761	630,858	(37,097)
Business services	835,711	680,386	155,325
Operation and maintenance of plant services	4,541,021	4,208,664	332,357
Student transportation services	2,647,151	2,812,856	(165,705)
Central support services	854,239	850,738	3,501
Other support services	22,500	20,199	2,301
Total Support Services	<u>16,522,080</u>	<u>15,899,439</u>	<u>622,641</u>
Operation of noninstructional services:			
Student activities	1,354,597	1,208,762	145,835
Total Operation of Noninstructional Services	<u>1,354,597</u>	<u>1,208,762</u>	<u>145,835</u>
Debt service	61,638	-	61,638
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>48,543,864</u>	<u>48,571,277</u>	<u>(27,413)</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>5,576,095</u>	<u>4,324,585</u>	<u>(1,251,510)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Budgetary reserve	(151,095)	-	(151,095)
Refund of prior year receipts	-	(61,632)	61,632
Transfers to other funds	(5,600,000)	(5,659,583)	59,583
Proceeds from sale of assets	175,000	3,301	171,699
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(5,576,095)</u>	<u>(5,717,914)</u>	<u>141,819</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-	(1,393,329)	(1,393,329)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>10,151,437</u>	<u>10,151,437</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 10,151,437</u>	<u>\$ 8,758,108</u>	<u>\$ (1,393,329)</u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Food Service Fund</u>
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 257,357
Due from other funds	31,638
Due from other governments	345,858
Accounts receivable	61
Inventories	16,426
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>651,340</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	199,184
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	57,537
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>256,721</u>
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>\$ 908,061</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET DEFICIT	
LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	\$ 79,537
Unearned revenues	40,271
Long-term liabilities:	
Accrued compensated absences	20,931
Net OPEB liability	117,250
Net pension liability	1,057,003
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>1,314,992</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	14,467
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	160,135
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>174,602</u>
NET DEFICIT:	
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(581,533)</u>
TOTAL NET DEFICIT	<u>(581,533)</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET DEFICIT	<u>\$ 908,061</u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION -
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Food Service Fund
OPERATING REVENUES	
Food service revenues	\$ 607,187
Total Operating Revenues	<u>607,187</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Salaries	370,726
Employee benefits	214,696
Purchased professional and technical services	73,580
Other operating expenses	75,457
Supplies	1,194,042
Total Operating Expenses	<u>1,928,501</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>(1,321,314)</u>
NONOPERATING REVENUES	
Earnings on investments	6,609
State sources	262,648
Federal sources	1,166,020
Total Nonoperating Revenues	<u>1,435,277</u>
CHANGE IN NET DEFICIT	113,963
NET DEFICIT, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>(695,496)</u>
NET DEFICIT, END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ (581,533)</u></u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Food Service Fund
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Cash received from customers	\$ 629,747
Payments to suppliers	(1,258,028)
Payments to employees	(599,620)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>(1,227,901)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
State sources	238,112
Federal sources	862,655
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>1,100,767</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Earnings on investments	6,609
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>6,609</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(120,525)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>377,882</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 257,357</u></u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (1,321,314)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Donated commodities	126,690
Decrease (Increase) in:	
Due from other funds	164,833
Due from other governments	(250,389)
Deferred outflows of resources - pension	(3,105)
Deferred outflows of resources - OPEB	6,075
Increase (Decrease) in:	
Accounts payable	43,917
Unearned revenues	22,560
Compensated absences	(5,716)
Net OPEB liability	432
Net pension liability	12,408
Deferred inflows of resources - pension	(11,329)
Deferred inflows of resources - OPEB	(12,963)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u><u>\$ (1,227,901)</u></u>
<u>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE</u>	
Noncash noncapital financing activity:	
USDA donated commodities	<u><u>\$ 126,690</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Scholarship Fund</u>	<u>Custodial Fund Student Activities Fund</u>
ASSETS:		
Cash	\$ 14,206	\$ 245,358
Investments	<u>91,424</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 105,630</u>	<u>\$ 245,358</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION:		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -
NET POSITION	<u>105,630</u>	<u>245,358</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	<u>\$ 105,630</u>	<u>\$ 245,358</u>

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Private Purpose Trust Scholarship Fund	Custodial Fund Student Activities Fund
ADDITIONS		
Contributions	\$ 1,035	\$ 259,516
Investment gain (loss)	4,725	5,411
Total Additions	<u>5,760</u>	<u>264,927</u>
DEDUCTIONS		
Student activities	-	211,288
Total Deductions	<u>-</u>	<u>211,288</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	5,760	53,639
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>\$ 99,870</u>	<u>\$ 191,719</u>
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 105,630</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 245,358</u></u>

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EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Eastern Lebanon County School District ("the District"), located in Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, provides a full range of educational services appropriate to grade levels kindergarten through 12 to students living in Myerstown and Richland Boroughs and Heidelberg, Jackson, and Millcreek Townships. These include regular, advanced academic, and vocational education programs, and special education programs for gifted and handicapped children. The governing body of the District is a board of nine school directors who are each selected for a four-year term. The daily operation and management of the District is carried out by the administrative staff of the District, headed by the Superintendent of Schools who is appointed by the Board of School Directors. The District is comprised of two elementary schools, one intermediate school, one middle school, and one high school serving approximately 2,400 students. The accounting policies of the District conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the authoritative standard setting body for the establishment of governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the District's significant accounting policies:

Reporting Entity

The GASB *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards* established the criteria for determining the activities, organizations, and functions of government to be included in the financial statements of the reporting entity. In evaluating the District as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units which may or may not fall within the District's financial accountability. The criteria used to evaluate component units for possible inclusion as part of the District's reporting entity are financial accountability and the nature and significance of the relationship. The District is considered to be an independent reporting entity and has no component units.

Joint Ventures

Lebanon County Career and Technology Center

The District is one of six member school districts of the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center ("LCCTC"). The LCCTC provides vocational technical training and education to participating students of the member districts. The LCCTC is controlled and governed by the Career and Technology Center Board for Lebanon County, which is comprised of school board members of all the member districts. No member school district exercises specific control over the fiscal policies or operations of the LCCTC. The LCCTC is not reported as part of the District's reporting entity. The District's share of annual operating costs for the LCCTC fluctuates, based upon the percentage of enrollment of each member school district. General fund expenditures include \$994,999 incurred and paid by the District to the LCCTC.

EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

during the year ended June 30, 2024. At June 30, 2024, there were no amounts receivable from or payable to the LCCTC. Complete financial statements for the LCCTC can be obtained from the Administrative Office at 833 Metro Drive, Lebanon, PA 17042.

Lebanon County Area Career and Technology Center Authority

The District is also a member of the Lebanon County Area Career and Technology Center Authority ("the Authority"). In 1965, the Authority entered into an agreement with the member school districts and the LCCTC to acquire land and construct buildings to provide the facilities for the operation of the LCCTC. Note 8 describes the operating lease that the District has entered into with the Authority. Complete general purpose financial statements for the Authority can be obtained from the Administrative Office at 833 Metro Drive, Lebanon, PA 17042.

Lancaster Lebanon Joint Authority

The District is a member in the Lancaster Lebanon Joint Authority ("the Authority"). The Authority was incorporated on February 14, 1980, under the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, Act of May 2, 1945, P. L. 382, as amended by the Boards of School Directors of the 22 school districts located in Lancaster and Lebanon counties. The school districts established the Authority for the purposes of acquiring, holding, constructing, improving, maintaining, operating, owning, and/or leasing projects for public school purposes and for the purposes of the Lancaster Lebanon Intermediate Unit No. 13. The Authority is not reported as part of the District's reporting entity.

The District did not have any financial transactions with the Authority during the year ended June 30, 2024. Complete general purpose financial statements for the Authority can be obtained from the Administrative Office at 1020 New Holland Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17601.

Basis of Presentation

Entity-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements distinguish between activities that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The entity-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting as further defined under proprietary funds below. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

statements are prepared. Therefore, governmental fund financial statements include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the entity-wide statements and the statements of governmental funds.

The entity-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between expenses and program revenues for each function of the business-type activities of the District and for each governmental program. Expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service or program and are, therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of the goods or services offered by the programs, and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues. The comparison of program revenues and expenses identifies the extent to which each program is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Except for interfund activity and balances between the funds that underlie governmental activities and the funds that underlie business-type activities, which are reported as transfers and internal balances, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

The entity-wide financial statements report net position in one of three components. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization and reduced by the outstanding balances of borrowings attributable to acquiring, constructing, or improving those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Unrestricted net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of "net investment in capital assets" or "restricted."

Fund Financial Statements

During the school year, the District segregates transactions related to certain District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Fiduciary fund financial statements are presented by fund type.

Governmental Funds

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus. Under this basis, revenues are

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

recognized in the accounting period in which they become measurable and available. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable. The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The **General Fund** is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, including the athletic fund, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The **Capital Reserve Fund** is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities, other than those financed by the enterprise fund or renovation fund. The District also uses the capital reserve fund to pay initial functional costs involved in operating a facility; therefore, all expenditures are not recorded as capital outlay. This fund is also used to account for proceeds by transfer of surplus appropriations in the general fund and surplus money in the general fund at year end.

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

Revenue Recognition

In applying the "susceptible to accrual concept" under the modified accrual basis, revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers tax revenue and similar revenue streams to be available if collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal period. Revenue from federal, state, and other grants designated for payment of specific District expenditures is recognized when the related expenditures are incurred; accordingly, when such funds are received, they are reported as unearned revenues until earned.

Other revenues, including certain other charges for services and miscellaneous revenues, are recorded as revenue when received in cash because they generally are not measurable until actually received.

Expenditure Recognition

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Most expenditures are measurable and are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt which has not matured are recognized when paid. Liabilities for compensated absences and special termination benefits are recognized as fund liabilities to the extent they mature each period. Allocations of costs, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. These funds account for operations that are financed primarily by user charges. The economic resources measurement focus concerns determining costs as a means of maintaining the capital investment and management control. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred. Allocations of certain costs, such as depreciation, are recorded in proprietary funds. The District does not attempt to allocate all "building-wide costs" to the proprietary fund. Thus, general fund expenditures which partially benefit the proprietary fund (utilities, janitorial services, insurance, etc.) are not recognized proportionately within the proprietary fund. Similarly, the proprietary fund does not recognize a cost for the building space it occupies.

These funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's proprietary fund are food service charges. Operating expenses for the District's proprietary fund include food production costs, supplies, and administrative costs. All revenues or expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds account for the assets held by the District as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, and/or governmental units and are, therefore, not available to support the District's own programs. The District accounts for these assets as custodial funds and trust funds. These funds account for monies contributed for scholarships and memorials as well as student activities and are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting and economic resources measurement focus.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The 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.

Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value.

In establishing the fair value of investments, the District uses the following hierarchy. The lowest level of valuation available (e.g. Level 1 when available) is used for all investments.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Level 1 – Valuations based on quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Valuations based on quoted prices of similar products in active markets or identical products in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, directly or indirectly.

Level 3 – Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as either “due to/from other funds” (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or “advances to/from other funds” (i.e., the noncurrent portion of interfund loans). Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the entity-wide financial statements as “internal balances.”

The District, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, recognizes delinquent and unpaid taxes receivable. All taxes are determined to be collectible.

Property Taxes

Taxes are levied on July 1 and are payable in the following periods:

July 1 - August 31	-	Discount period, 2% of gross levy
September 1 - October 31	-	Face period
November 1 - collection	-	Penalty period, 10% of gross levy
January 1	-	Lien date

The District's taxes are billed and collected by the District. The tax on real estate for public school purposes for the 2023 - 2024 fiscal year was 17.1811 mills (\$17.1811 for \$1,000 of assessed valuation) for the entire District.

Inventories

All inventories are valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the entity-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$4,000. Management has elected to include certain homogeneous asset categories with individual assets less than \$4,000 but with an aggregate value of \$10,000 or more as composite groups for capitalization purposes. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed, inclusive of ancillary costs.

Property, plant, and equipment of the District are depreciated/amortized using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and building improvements	40 years
Land improvements	20 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 12 years
Vehicles	12 years
Textbooks	5 years
Library books	5 years
Right to use lease assets	Life of lease

Compensated Absences

District policies permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and personal and sick days as stipulated in each bargaining unit's contract. The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as long-term debt in the entity-wide financial statements. The current portion of this debt is estimated based on historical trends. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the compensated absence liability payable from expendable available financial resources.

Long-term Obligations

In the entity-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Bond premiums and discounts are netted against outstanding principal balances and amortized over the life of the bonds.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred. Deferred amounts on refunding are recorded as a deferred inflow or outflow of resources and amortized over the life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter. All amortized amounts are amortized using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received and discounts paid on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources and uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Deferred Inflows and Deferred Outflows of Resources

In addition to assets and liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report separate sections for deferred inflows and deferred outflows of resources. These separate financial statement elements represent acquisition or use of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow or outflow of resources (revenue or expense/expenditure) until that time. The District currently has three types of items that qualify for reporting in this category. Delinquent taxes not collected within 60 days of year end, and therefore are not available under modified accrual reporting, are reflected as deferred inflows of resources on the general fund balance sheet. Pension and OPEB contributions made subsequent to the measurement date, and therefore not reflected in the net pension and OPEB liabilities under full accrual basis reporting, are reported as a deferred outflow of resources on the entity-wide and proprietary fund statements of net position. Certain changes to the net pension and OPEB liabilities are required to be amortized over a period of years; the unamortized portions of these changes are reflected as deferred outflows and inflows of resources on the entity-wide and proprietary fund statements of net position.

Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund balances of the governmental funds are classified, if applicable, as follows:

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

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Restricted – 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 – amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by formal action of the Board of School Directors. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through resolutions approved by the Board of School Directors.

Assigned – 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 Superintendent or the Business Manager may assign amounts for specific purposes.

Unassigned – all other spendable amounts.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information

An annual budget is adopted prior to the beginning of each year for the general fund on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The general fund is the only fund for which a budget is legally required, although project-length financial plans are adopted for all capital projects funds.

The District budgets and expends funds according to procedures mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. An annual operating budget is prepared by District officials on a uniform form furnished by such Department and submitted to the Board of School Directors for approval prior to the beginning of the fiscal year on July 1.

Under the Taxpayer Relief Act, the District must adopt a preliminary budget proposal (which must include estimated revenues and expenditures and proposed tax rates) no later than 90 days prior to the date of the election immediately preceding the fiscal year. The preliminary budget proposal must be printed and made available for public inspection at least 20 days prior to its adoption; the Board of School Directors may hold a public hearing on the budget; and the Board must give at least 10 days' public notice of its intent to adopt such budget.

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NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (cont'd)

If the adopted preliminary budget includes an increase in the rate of any tax levy, the preliminary budget must be submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Education ("PDE") no later than 85 days prior to the date of the election immediately preceding the fiscal year. The PDE is to compare the proposed percentage increase in the rate of any tax with the District's Index and within 10 days, but no later than 75 days, prior to the upcoming election to inform the District whether the proposed percentage increase is less than or equal to the Index. If the PDE determines that a proposed tax increase will exceed the Index, the District must reduce the proposed tax increase, seek voter approval for the tax increase at the upcoming election, or seek approval to utilize one or more of the referendum exceptions authorized by the Taxpayer Relief Act.

With respect to the utilization of any of the Taxpayer Relief Act referendum exceptions for which the PDE approval is required, the District must publish notice of its intent to seek the PDE approval not less than one week before submitting its request for approval to the PDE and, if the PDE determines to schedule a public hearing on the request, a notice of the date, time, and place of such hearing. The PDE is required by the Taxpayer Relief Act to rule on the District's request and inform the school district of its decision no later than 55 days prior to the upcoming election so that, if the PDE denies the school district's request, the school district may submit a referendum question to the local election officials at least 50 days before the upcoming election, if it so chooses.

To use any of the referendum exceptions for which court approval is required under the Taxpayer Relief Act, the District must petition the court of common pleas no later than 75 days prior to the upcoming election, after giving one week's public notice of the intent to file such petition. The court may schedule a hearing on the petition, and the District must prove by clear and convincing evidence that it qualifies for the exception sought. The Taxpayer Relief Act requires that the court rule on the petition and inform the District of its decision no later than 55 days prior to the upcoming election. Such Act provides that the court, in approving the petition, shall determine the dollar amount for which the exception is granted, the tax rate increase required to fund the exception, and the appropriate duration of the tax increase. If the court denies the District's petition, such Act permits the District to submit a referendum question to the local election officials at least 50 days before the upcoming election, if it so chooses.

If the District seeks voter approval to increase taxes at a rate higher than the applicable Index, whether or not it first seeks approval to utilize one or more of the referendum exceptions available under the Taxpayer Relief Act, and the referendum question is not approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question, the Board of School Directors may not approve an increase in the tax rate greater than the applicable Index.

The above budgetary procedures will not apply if the District adopts a resolution no later than 110 days prior to the election immediately preceding the upcoming fiscal year declaring that it will not increase any tax rate that exceeds the Index, and that a tax increase at or below

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NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (cont'd)

the rate of the Index will be sufficient to balance its budget. In that case, the Taxpayer Relief Act requires only that the proposed annual budget be prepared at least 30 days and made available for public inspection at least 20 days prior to its adoption, and that at least 10 days' public notice be given of the Board's intent to adopt the annual budget. No referendum exceptions are available to a school district adopting such a resolution.

Legal budgetary control is maintained at the sub-function/major object level. The Board may make transfers of funds appropriated to any particular item of expenditure by legislative action in accordance with the Pennsylvania School Code. Management may amend the budget at the sub-function/sub-object level without Board approval. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal period. Budgetary information reflected in the financial statements is presented at or below the level of budgetary control and includes the effect of approved budget amendments.

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

General fund instruction - regular programs, instruction - special programs, instruction - vocational programs, instruction - other instructional programs, support services - pupil health, and support services - student transportation services incurred expenditures in excess of appropriations of \$522,027, \$242,148, \$72,588, \$20,764, \$37,097, and \$165,705, respectively, for the year ended June 30, 2024. The excess of expenditures over appropriations was financed by current year expenditures under budget in other areas, and the use of available fund balance.

NOTE 3 CASH, POOLED CASH, AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned. The District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2024, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$20,925,715 and the bank balance was \$23,017,830. Of the bank balance, \$514,206 was covered by federal depository insurance, and \$11,045,230 was exposed to custodial credit risk because, in accordance with Act 72 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, it was uninsured and the collateral held by the depository's agent was not in the District's name. The remaining \$11,458,394 was invested in the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust ("PLGIT"). Although not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and not subject to regulatory oversight, PLGIT acts like a money market mutual fund in that its objective is to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1 per share, is rated by a nationally recognized rating organization, and is subject to an independent annual audit.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 3 CASH, POOLED CASH, AND INVESTMENTS (cont'd)

Credit Risk

The District has an investment policy that limits its investment choices in local government investment pools only to the extent it is rated in the highest rating category by a nationally recognized rating agency. As of June 30, 2024, PLGIT was rated as AAAM by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

Investments

Statutes authorize the District to invest in U.S. Treasury bills, time or share accounts of institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in certificates of deposit when they are secured by proper bond or collateral, repurchase agreements, State Treasurer's investment pools, or mutual funds. The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The District has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2024:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>
Cash reserve investment management	\$ 808,763	\$ -	\$ 808,763
Fixed income securities	62,219	-	62,219
Money market	12,920	12,920	-
Mutual funds	16,300	16,300	-
TOTAL	\$ 900,202	\$ 29,220	\$ 870,982

NOTE 4 UNEARNED REVENUES

The District records unearned revenue for resources that have been received but not yet earned. Unearned revenue in the proprietary funds and the entity-wide financial statements represents resources that have been received but not yet earned.

NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<i>Governmental Activities</i>				
Capital assets not being depreciated/ amortized:				
Land	\$ 71,150	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 71,150
Construction-in-progress	12,598,868	17,789,292	-	30,388,160
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated/Amortized	<u>12,670,018</u>	<u>17,789,292</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,459,310</u>

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NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS (cont'd)

(cont'd)	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized:				
Land improvements	4,682,256	570,064	-	5,252,320
Buildings and improvements	92,314,221	246,446	-	92,560,667
Furniture and equipment	6,479,902	583,549	-	7,063,451
Vehicles	459,277	41,375	-	500,652
Right to use lease assets	3,502,855	-	-	3,502,855
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated/Amortized	107,438,511	1,441,434	-	108,879,945
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization	53,776,413	3,023,159	-	56,799,572
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated/ Amortized, Net	53,662,098	(1,581,725)	-	52,080,373
Governmental Activities Assets, Net	<u>\$66,332,116</u>	<u>\$16,207,567</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$82,539,683</u>
<i>Business-type Activities</i>				
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Furniture and equipment	\$ 352,557	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 352,557
Less accumulated depreciation	352,557	-	-	352,557
Business-type Activities Assets, Net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to functions/programs of the District as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
Instruction	\$ 1,958,317
Instructional student support	300,779
Administrative and financial support services	251,797
Operation and maintenance of plant services	261,954
Pupil transportation	175,077
Student activities	<u>75,235</u>
Total Depreciation/Amortization Expense - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 3,023,159</u>

NOTE 6 INTERNAL RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

Interfund balances between funds represent temporary loans recorded at year end subsequent to a final allocation of expenses. As of June 30, 2024, the General Fund owed \$31,638 to the Food Service Fund. There were two transfers during the year. The general fund transferred \$5,109,583 to the debt service fund to fund current year principal and interest payments on long-term debt. The general fund also transferred \$550,000 to the capital reserve fund to help fund capital projects during the current year.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7 GENERAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The following summarizes the changes in the long-term liabilities of governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2024	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable, net	\$ 67,115,512	\$14,927,085	\$ 3,311,201	\$ 78,731,396	\$ 3,405,201
Leases payable	1,916,759	-	412,600	1,504,159	514,085
Accumulated compensated absences	1,514,796	-	310,264	1,204,532	8,432
EIT settlement payable	493,054	-	61,632	431,422	61,632
Net pension liability	58,307,405	692,592	-	58,999,997	-
Net OPEB liability	4,097,894	1,164	-	4,099,058	-
TOTALS	\$133,445,420	\$ 15,620,841	\$ 4,095,697	\$144,970,564	\$ 3,989,350

The following summarizes the changes in long-term liabilities of business-type activities for the year ended June 30, 2024:

	Balance July 1, 2023	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2024	Due Within One Year
Accumulated compensated absences	\$ 26,647	\$ -	\$ 5,716	\$ 20,931	\$ -
Net pension liability	1,044,595	12,408	-	1,057,003	-
Net OPEB liability	116,818	432	-	117,250	-
TOTALS	\$ 1,188,060	\$ 12,840	\$ 5,716	\$ 1,195,184	\$ -

Long-term liabilities of governmental activities are anticipated to be liquidated by the general and debt service funds. Long-term liabilities of business-type activities are anticipated to be liquidated by the food service fund.

Bonds payable at June 30, 2024 is comprised of the following:

Bonds payable, at face	\$75,780,000
Unamortized discount	(112,592)
Unamortized premium	3,063,988
Bonds payable, net	\$78,731,396

Payments of long-term debt are expected to be funded by the general fund.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7 GENERAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (cont'd)

General Obligation Bonds

Series of 2018, maturing through November 15, 2032, bearing interest at 1.88% - 3.25%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. \$ 7,285,000

Series A of 2018, maturing through May 15, 2038, bearing interest at 2.00% - 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 8,400,000

Series of 2019, maturing through May 15, 2038, bearing interest at 1.75% - 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 7,720,000

Series A of 2019, maturing through November 15, 2033, bearing interest at 2.00% - 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 5,705,000

Series of 2020, maturing through May 15, 2025, bearing interest at 1.18% - 2.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 710,000

Series A of 2020, maturing through May 15, 2035, bearing interest at 1.50% - 2.50%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 4,155,000

Series of 2021, maturing through May 15, 2041, bearing interest at 1.00% - 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 9,740,000

Series of 2022, maturing through May 15, 2042, bearing interest at 3.00% - 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 9,740,000

Series of 2023, maturing through May 15, 2042, bearing interest at 3.00% - 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15. 8,550,000

Series of 2024, maturing through February 15, 2044, bearing interest at 3.00% - 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on February 15 and August 15. 13,775,000

TOTAL \$ 75,780,000

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7 GENERAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (cont'd)

Presented below is a summary of debt requirements to maturity by years:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal Maturities</u>	<u>Interest Maturities</u>	<u>Total Maturities</u>
2025	\$ 3,185,000	\$ 2,751,818	\$ 5,936,818
2026	3,285,000	2,679,593	5,964,593
2027	2,960,000	2,610,874	5,570,874
2028	3,030,000	2,536,211	5,566,211
2029	3,110,000	2,458,044	5,568,044
2030 - 2034	16,965,000	11,001,102	27,966,102
2035 - 2039	20,535,000	7,870,850	28,405,850
2040 - 2044	22,710,000	3,219,050	25,929,050
	<u>\$ 75,780,000</u>	<u>\$ 35,127,542</u>	<u>\$110,907,542</u>

NOTE 8 LEASES

The District is a member of the Lebanon County Area Career and Technology Center Authority ("the Authority"). In 1965, the Authority entered into an agreement with the member school districts and the LCCTC to acquire land and construct buildings to provide the facilities for the operation of the LCCTC. In May 2008, Lease Revenue Bonds, Series of 2008, were issued by the Authority to provide funds for upgrade and modernization of the LCCTC facilities. The LCCTC board and the six member school districts entered into a lease agreement with the Authority, and each school district will pay its proportionate share of the lease rentals in order to fund the Lease Revenue Bonds. In August 2013, the Authority refinanced the 2008 bonds.

The District's lease payment to the Authority for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$86,370, and the District's share of the Lease Revenue Bonds is \$781,527.

Future Authority rental payments are:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	
2025	\$ 87,250
2026	86,648
2027	86,644
2028	87,207
2029	86,916
2030 - 2033	<u>346,862</u>
Total	<u>\$ 781,527</u>

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NOTE 8 LEASES (cont'd)

The District has entered into lease agreements as a lessee for financing the acquisition of technology equipment used throughout the District. These lease agreements have been capitalized (see Note 5).

Presented below is a summary of minimum lease payments to maturity by years for all leases:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 514,805	\$ 4,232	\$ 519,037
2026	567,061	1,976	569,037
2027	422,293	66	422,359
Total	<u>\$ 1,504,159</u>	<u>\$ 6,274</u>	<u>\$ 1,510,433</u>

NOTE 9 PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

The District contributes to the Public School Employees' Retirement System ("PSERS"), a governmental cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to public school employees of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The members eligible to participate in the system include all full-time public school employees, part-time hourly public school employees who render at least 500 hours of service in the school year, and part-time per diem public school employees who render at least 80 days of service in the school year in any of the reporting entities in Pennsylvania. Benefit terms and contributions may be amended by passing bills in the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives and sending them to the Governor for approval. PSERS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. A copy of this report may be obtained by visiting the PSERS website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

Benefits Provided

PSERS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Members are eligible for monthly retirement benefits upon reaching (a) age 62, with at least one year of credited service, (b) age 60 with 30 or more years of credited service, or (c) 35 or more years of service regardless of age. Act 120 of 2010 ("Act 120") preserves the benefits of existing members and introduced benefit reductions for individuals who became new members on or after July 1, 2011. Act 120 created two new membership classes, Membership Class T-E ("Class T-E") and Membership Class T-F ("Class T-F"). To qualify for normal retirement, Class T-E and Class T-F members must work until age 65 with a minimum of three years of service, or attain a total combination of

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NOTE 9 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

age and service that is equal to or greater than 92, with a minimum of 35 years of service. Benefits are generally equal to two percent or two and one-half percent, depending upon the membership class, of the member's final average salary as defined in the Code, multiplied by the number of years of credited service. For members whose membership started prior to July 1, 2011, after completion of five years of service, a member's right to the defined benefits is vested and early retirement may be elected. For Class T-E and Class T-F members, the right to benefits is vested after ten years of service.

Participants are eligible for disability retirement benefits after completion of five years of credited service. Such benefits are generally equal to two percent or two and one-half percent, depending upon the membership class, of the member's final average salary as defined in the Code, multiplied by the number of years of credited service, but not less than one-third of such salary nor greater than the benefit the member would have had at normal retirement age. Members over normal retirement age may apply for disability benefits.

Death benefits are payable upon the death of an active member who has reached age 62 with at least one year of credited service (age 65 with at least three years of credited service for Class T-E and Class T-F members, or who has at least five years of credited service for Class T-E and Class T-F members). Such benefits are actuarially equivalent to the benefit that would have been effective if the member had retired on the day before death.

Member Contributions

Active members who joined the system prior to July 22, 1983 contributed at 5.25 percent (Membership Class T-C), or at 6.50 percent (Membership Class T-D) of the member's qualifying compensation.

Members who joined the system on or after July 22, 1983, and who were active or inactive as of July 1, 2001, contribute at 6.25 percent (Membership Class T-C), or at 7.50 percent (Membership Class T-D) of the member's qualifying compensation.

Members who joined the system after June 30, 2001 and before July 1, 2011 contribute at 7.50 percent (automatic Membership Class T-D). For all new hires and for members who elected Class T-D membership, the higher contribution rates began with service rendered on or after January 1, 2002.

Members who joined the system after June 30, 2011 automatically contribute at the Membership Class T-E rate of 7.50 percent (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. All new hires after June 30, 2011, who elect Class T-F membership, contribute at 10.30 percent (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. Membership Class T-E and T-F are affected by a "shared risk" provision in Act 120 that in future fiscal years could cause the Membership Class T-E contribution rate to fluctuate between 7.50 percent and 9.50

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NOTE 9 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

percent, and Membership Class T-F contribution rate to fluctuate between 10.30 percent and 12.30 percent.

Employer Contributions

The District's contractually required annual contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount that, when combined with the employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the rate of the employer contribution was 34.00 percent of covered payroll, which was comprised of 33.09 percent for pension contributions, 0.64 percent for healthcare contributions, and 0.27 for the PSERS defined contribution plan. The District's pension contribution to PSERS for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$7,031,789.

Pension Liability and Expense, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$60,057,000 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by rolling forward the system's total pension liability as of June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was calculated utilizing the employer's one-year reported covered payroll as it relates to the total one-year reported covered payroll. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.1350 percent, which was an increase of 0.0015 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$6,913,651. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	\$ 1,699,000	\$ -
Difference between expected and actual experience	14,000	822,000
Changes in assumptions	896,000	-
Changes in proportions	1,595,000	-
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of total contributions	81,496	-
Contributions subsequent to the date of measurement	7,031,789	-
	<u>\$ 11,317,285</u>	<u>\$ 822,000</u>

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NOTE 9 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

An amount of \$7,031,789 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. Other amounts will be reported as deferred outflows and resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	
2025	\$ 1,648,653
2026	(736,263)
2027	1,984,106
2028	<u>567,000</u>
	<u>\$ 3,463,496</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of June 30, 2023 was determined by rolling forward the system's total pension liability as of June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- Actuarial cost method – entry age normal, level percentage of pay
- Investment return – 7.00 percent, including inflation of 2.50 percent
- Salary increases – effective average of 4.50 percent, which reflects an allowance for inflation of 2.50 percent, and 2.00 percent for real wage growth and merit or seniority increases
- Mortality rates - Previously based on the RP-2014 Mortality Tables for Males and Females, adjusted to reflect PSERS' experience and projected using a modified version of the MP-2015 Mortality Improvement Scale. Effective with the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation, mortality rates are based on a blend of 50% PubT-2010 and 50% PubG-2010 Retiree Tables for Males and Females, adjusted to reflect PSERS' experience and projected using a modified version of the MP-2020 Improvement Scale.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using the building-block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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NOTE 9 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

The pension plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested plan assets is established and may be amended by the PSERS Board of Directors. Plan assets are managed with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the pension.

A schedule of plan investments by asset class, target allocations, and long-term expected real rate of return is as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Global public entity	30.0%	5.2%
Private equity	12.0%	7.9%
Fixed income	33.0%	3.2%
Commodities	7.5%	2.7%
Infrastructure/MLPs	10.0%	5.4%
Real estate	11.0%	5.7%
Absolute return	4.0%	4.1%
Cash	3.0%	1.2%
Leverage	(10.5%)	1.2%
	<u>100.0%</u>	

The above was the PSERS Board's adopted asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2023.

Discount Rate

The discount used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at contractually required rates which are actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

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NOTE 9 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Discount Rate 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 77,850,000	\$ 60,057,000	\$ 45,044,000

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about PSERS' fiduciary net position is available in PSERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which can be found on the system's website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

NOTE 10 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN

Health Insurance Premium Assistance Program

The system provides premium assistance, which is a governmental cost sharing, multiple-employer other postemployment benefit ("OPEB") plan for all eligible retirees who qualify and elect to participate. Employer contribution rates for premium assistance are established to provide reserves in the health insurance account that are sufficient for the payment of premium assistance benefits for each succeeding year. Effective January 1, 2002 under the provisions of Act 9 of 2001, participating eligible retirees are entitled to receive premium assistance payments equal to the lesser of \$100 per month or their out-of-pocket monthly health insurance premium. To receive premium assistance, eligible retirees must obtain their health insurance through either their school employer or the PSERS' Health Options Program. As of June 30, 2023, there were no assumed future benefit increases to participating eligible retirees.

Premium Assistance Eligibility Criteria

Retirees of the system can participate in the premium assistance program if they satisfy the following criteria:

- Have 24½ or more years of service, or
- Are a disability retiree, or
- Have 15 or more years of service and retired after reaching superannuation age, and
- Participate in the HOP or employer-sponsored health insurance program.

For Class DC members to become eligible for premium assistance, they must satisfy the following criteria:

- Attain Medicare eligibility with 24½ or more eligibility points, or
- Have 15 or more eligibility points and terminated after age 67, and
- Have received all or part of their distributions.

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NOTE 10 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

Pension Plan Description

The District contributes to the Public School Employees' Retirement System ("PSERS"), a governmental cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to public school employees of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The members eligible to participate in the system include all full-time public school employees, part-time hourly public school employees who render at least 500 hours of service in the school year, and part-time per diem public school employees who render at least 80 days of service in the school year in any of the reporting entities in Pennsylvania. Benefit terms and contributions may be amended by passing bills in the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives and sending them to the Governor for approval. PSERS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. A copy of this report may be obtained by visiting the PSERS website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

Benefits Provided

Participating eligible retirees are entitled to receive premium assistance payments equal to the lesser of \$100 per month or their out-of-pocket monthly health insurance premium. To receive premium assistance, eligible retirees must obtain their health insurance through either their school employer or the PSERS' Health Options Program. Benefit terms may be amended by passing bills in the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives and sending them to the Governor for approval.

Employer Contributions

The District's contractually required annual contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount that, when combined with the employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the rate of the employer contribution was 34.00 percent of covered payroll, which was comprised of 33.09 percent for pension contributions, 0.64 percent for healthcare contributions, and 0.27 for the PSERS defined contribution plan. The District's OPEB contribution to PSERS for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$136,003.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$2,441,000 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by rolling forward the system's total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was calculated utilizing the employer's one-year reported covered payroll as if

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NOTE 10 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

relates to the total one-year reported covered payroll. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.1349 percent, which was an increase of 0.0015 from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$76,578. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	\$ 6,000	\$ -
Net difference between expected and actual experience	16,000	24,000
Change in assumptions	211,000	462,000
Changes in proportions	141,000	4,000
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of total contributions	45,676	-
Contributions subsequent to the date of measurement	136,003	-
	<u>\$ 555,679</u>	<u>\$ 490,000</u>

Change in assumptions: The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability increased from 4.09 percent as of June 30, 2022 to 4.13 percent as of June 30, 2023.

An amount of \$136,003 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. Other amounts will be reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	
2025	\$ (1,452)
2026	(8,557)
2027	(22,557)
2028	(37,758)
	<u>\$ (70,324)</u>

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NOTE 10 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023 was determined by rolling forward the system's total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- Actuarial cost method – entry age normal - level percentage of pay
- Investment return – 4.13 percent - S&P 20-year Municipal Bond Rate
- Salary growth – .50 percent cost of living adjustment, 1.50 percent real wage growth, with a merit increase for professional staff and administrators varying from 0.00 percent to 2.75 percent
- Premium assistance reimbursement is capped at \$1,200 per year.
- Assumed healthcare cost trends were applied to retirees with less than \$1,200 in premium assistance per year.
- Mortality rates were based on a blend of 50 percent PubT-2010 and 50 percent PubG-2020 Retiree Tables for Males and Females, adjusted to reflect PSERS' experience and projected using a modified version of the MP-2020 Mortality Improvement Scale.
- Participation rate:
 - Eligible retirees will elect to participate pre-age 65 at 50 percent.
 - Eligible retirees will elect to participate post-age 65 at 70 percent.

The following assumptions were used to determine the contribution rate:

- The results of the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021 determined the employer contribution rate for fiscal year 2023.
- Cost method – Amount necessary to assure solvency of premium assistance through the third fiscal year after the valuation date
- Asset valuation method – Market Value
- Participation rate – 63 percent of eligible retirees are assumed to elect premium assistance.
- Mortality Tables for Males and Females, adjusted to reflect PSERS' experience and projected using a modified version of the MP-2020 Mortality Improvement Scale.

Investments consist primarily of short-term assets designed to protect the principal of the plan assets. The expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using the OPEB asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each asset class.

The OPEB plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested plan assets is established and may be amended by the Board. Under the program, as defined in the retirement code, employer contribution rates for premium assistance are established to provide reserves in the health insurance account that are sufficient for the payment of premium assistance benefits for each succeeding year.

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NOTE 10 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	100.0%	1.2%
	<u>100.0%</u>	

The above was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2023.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 4.13 percent. Under the plan's funding policy, contributions are structured for short-term funding of premium assistance. The funding policy sets contribution rates necessary to assure solvency of premium assistance through the third fiscal year after the actuarial valuation date. The premium assistance account is funded to establish reserves that are sufficient for the payment of premium assistance benefits for each succeeding year. Due to the short-term funding policy, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was not projected to be sufficient to meet projected future benefit payments; therefore, the plan is considered a "pay-as-you-go" plan. A discount rate of 4.13 percent, which represents the S&P 20-year Municipal Bond Rate at June 30, 2023, was applied to all projected benefit payments to measure the total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of the System's Net OPEB Liability to Change in Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

Healthcare cost trends were applied to retirees receiving less than \$1,200 in annual premium assistance. As of June 30, 2023, retirees' premium assistance benefits are not subject to future healthcare cost increases. The annual premium assistance reimbursement for qualifying retirees is capped at a maximum of \$1,200. As of June 30, 2023, 92,667 retirees were receiving the maximum amount allowed of \$1,200 per year. As of June 30, 2023, 552 members were receiving less than the maximum amount allowed of \$1,200 per year. The actual number of retirees receiving less than the \$1,200 per year cap is a small percentage of the total population and has a minimal impact on healthcare cost trends as depicted below.

The following presents the system's net OPEB liability for June 30, 2023, calculated using current healthcare cost trends, as well as what the system's net OPEB liability would be if its healthcare cost trends were one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

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NOTE 10 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Trend Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 2,440,000	\$ 2,441,000	\$ 2,441,000

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the discount rate of 4.09 percent, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (3.09 percent) or one percentage point higher (5.09 percent) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease 3.13%</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate 4.13%</u>	<u>1% Increase 5.13%</u>
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 2,759,000	\$ 2,441,000	\$ 2,174,000

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about PSERS' fiduciary net position is available in PSERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which can be found on the system's website at www.psers.pa.gov.

NOTE 11 SINGLE-EMPLOYER OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN

Plan Description

The District administers a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan ("the Retiree Health Plan") for employees who meet the eligibility requirements upon retirement. The District's retired employees are allowed to continue coverage for themselves and their dependents in the employer's group health plan until the retired employee reaches Medicare age. In order to obtain coverage, retired employees must provide payment equal to the premium determined for the purpose of COBRA. Under GASB Statement No. 75, retiree benefits are viewed as a form of deferred compensation. As such, the benefits are treated as being earned over the working lifetime of the employee so that the cost is fully charged to operations by the earliest date of eligibility under the plan. A plan report is available in the District office.

Funding Policy

The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the Board of School Directors. The District has no assets accumulated in a trust or equivalent

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NOTE 11 SINGLE-EMPLOYER OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

arrangement for the purpose of administering the OPEB plan. The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements, with any additional amount to prefund as determined annually by the Board of School Directors. For fiscal year 2024, the District paid \$59,957 to plan members eligible for receiving benefits.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The total OPEB liability was measured as of July 1, 2023 using the actuarial assumptions noted below.

Discount Rate

The discount used to measure the total OPEB liability was 4.13 percent based on S&P Municipal Bond 20-year High Grade Rate Index at July 1, 2023.

Salary Increases

An assumption for salary increases is used only for spreading contributions over future pay under the entry age normal cost method. For this purpose, salary increases are composed of a 2.5 percent cost of living adjustment.

Withdrawal

Rates of withdrawal vary by age, gender, and years of service. The plan utilizes Actuary's Turnover Table T-3 for establishing withdrawal rates. Sample rates are as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>
25	3.90%
40	1.67%
55	3.66%

Mortality Rates

Pre-retirement mortality rates are established based on the PubT-2010 headcount-weighted mortality tables as published by the Society of Actuaries. Post-retirement mortality rates are established based on the PubG-2010 headcount-weight mortality tables as published by the Society of Actuaries. Mortality improvement utilizes Scale MP-2021 (Male and Female) as published by the Society of Actuaries.

Disability

No disability was assumed.

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NOTE 11 SINGLE-EMPLOYER OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

Retirement

Assumed retirement rates are based on PSERS plan experience and vary by age, service, and gender. All employees are assumed to retire when eligible for unreduced benefits under the PSERS system. For employees hired before July 1, 2011, this is the earlier of 1) age 60 with 30 years of service, 2) at least 35 years of service, or 3) age 62 with at least one year of service. For employees hired after July 1, 2011, this is the earlier of 1) age 65 with at least three years of service or 2) age plus at least 35 years of service equals 92.

Percent of Eligible Retirees Electing Coverage in Plan

Sixty percent of all employees and twenty percent of all spouses are assumed to elect coverage.

Percent Married at Retirement

Eighty percent of employees are assumed to be married and 20 percent of spouses will participate in the retiree medical program. The spouse is assumed to be the opposite sex and the same age as the employee.

Per Capita Claims Cost

The per capita claims cost for medical and prescription drugs is based on the expected portion of the group's overall cost attributed to individuals in the specified age and gender brackets. Dental and vision costs are assumed to not vary with age or gender. The resulting costs are as follows:

Age	Medical and Prescription Drug Combined	
	Males	Females
0 - 49	\$ 6,667	\$ 9,629
50 - 54	\$ 8,830	\$ 10,882
55 - 59	\$ 10,754	\$ 11,387
60 - 64	\$ 14,034	\$ 13,081

Retiree Contributions

Retiree contributions are assumed to increase at the same rate as the healthcare cost trend rate.

Healthcare Cost Trend

The healthcare cost trend was 7.0 percent in 2023 and decreasing in increments to 4.1 percent in 2075 and beyond.

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NOTE 11 SINGLE-EMPLOYER OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

Actuarial Cost Method – Entry Age Normal

Under the entry age normal cost method, the normal cost is the present value of benefits allocated to the year following the valuation date. Benefits are allocated on a level basis over the earnings of an individual between the date of hire and the assumed retirement age. The accrued liability as of the valuation date is the excess of the present value of future benefits over the present value of future normal cost. The unfunded accrued liability is the excess of the accrued liability over the actuarial value of assets. Actuarial gains and losses serve to reduce or increase the unfunded accrued liability.

Participant Data

Participant data is based on census information as of July 2023, at which time the plan consisted of 324 participants, of which 311 were active and 13 were retired and receiving benefits.

Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the valuation discount rate, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 3.13%	Current Discount Rate 4.13%	1% Increase 5.13%
Total OPEB liability	\$ 1,912,925	\$ 1,775,308	\$ 1,645,065
Fiduciary net position	-	-	-
Net OPEB liability	<u>\$ 1,912,925</u>	<u>\$ 1,775,308</u>	<u>\$ 1,645,065</u>

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the valuation healthcare cost trend rate, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a trend rate that is one percentage point lower each year or one percentage point higher each year than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB liability	\$ 1,582,244	\$ 1,775,308	\$ 2,001,820
Fiduciary net position	-	-	-
Net OPEB liability	<u>\$ 1,582,244</u>	<u>\$ 1,775,308</u>	<u>\$ 2,001,820</u>

EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 11 SINGLE-EMPLOYER OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

Changes in Total OPEB Liability

Total OPEB liability - beginning	\$ 1,758,712
Service cost	104,743
Interest	74,338
Differences between expected and actual returns	(127,933)
Changes in assumptions	25,405
Benefit payments	(59,957)
Net change	16,596
Total OPEB liability - ending	<u>\$ 1,775,308</u>

The amount of OPEB expense for the single employer plan recognized by the District was (\$7,225) for the year ended June 30, 2024. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Change in assumptions	\$ 1,060,593	\$ 754,701
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	2,865,945
Benefit payments subsequent to measurement date	80,663	-
	<u>\$ 1,141,256</u>	<u>\$ 3,620,646</u>

Change in assumptions: The discount rate changed from 4.06 percent to 4.13 percent.

An amount of \$80,663 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2025. The remaining amounts will be reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	
2025	\$ (227,718)
2026	(227,718)
2027	(227,718)

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 11 SINGLE-EMPLOYER OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	
(cont'd)	
2028	(227,718)
2029	(227,718)
Thereafter	<u>(1,421,463)</u>
	<u>\$ (2,560,053)</u>

The District's aggregate net OPEB liability and deferred inflows and outflows of resources are as follows:

	<u>Net OPEB Liability</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
District Plan (See Note 11)	\$ 1,775,308	\$ 1,141,256	\$ 3,620,646
PSERS Plan (See Note 10)	<u>2,441,000</u>	<u>555,679</u>	<u>490,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,216,308</u>	<u>\$ 1,696,935</u>	<u>\$ 4,110,646</u>

NOTE 12 CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

Government Grants and Awards

The District participates in both state and federally assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The District is potentially liable for any expenditure which may be disallowed pursuant to the terms of these grant programs. Management is not aware of any material items of noncompliance which would result in the disallowance of program expenditures.

As of June 30, 2024, the District was in the process of several capital projects. Construction commitments completed to date are as follows:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>	<u>Completed 6/30/2024</u>	<u>Commitment</u>
High School Renovations	\$ 37,749,691	\$ 30,388,160	\$ 7,361,531
	<u>\$ 37,749,691</u>	<u>\$ 30,388,160</u>	<u>\$ 7,361,531</u>

EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 13 RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Significant losses are covered by commercial insurance for all major programs except for workers' compensation, for which the District retains risk of loss. For insured programs, there were no significant reductions in insurance coverages during the 2023 - 2024 year. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

NOTE 14 DEFICIT NET POSITION

For governmental activities, business-type activities, and the food service fund, the unrestricted net deficit amounts of \$52,108,187, \$581,533, and \$581,533, respectively, includes the effect of the District's net pension and OPEB liabilities, including the net effects of related deferred inflows and outflows of resources. The debt service fund reflects a deficit fund balance of \$1,000 at June 30, 2024, which will be remedied through future interfund transfers.

NOTE 15 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District has evaluated all subsequent events through December 3, 2024 the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)**

	MEASUREMENT DATE								
	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.1350%	0.1335%	0.1313%	0.1264%	0.1241%	0.1230%	0.1244%	0.1201%	0.1180%
District's proportion of the net pension liability - dollar value	\$ 60,057,000	\$ 59,352,000	\$ 53,907,000	\$ 62,238,000	\$ 58,057,000	\$ 59,046,000	\$ 61,439,000	\$ 59,518,000	\$ 51,111,999
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 20,771,932	\$ 19,707,626	\$ 18,831,283	\$ 17,670,612	\$ 17,264,706	\$ 16,268,907	\$ 16,085,928	\$ 15,606,001	\$ 15,176,841
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	289.13%	301.16%	286.26%	352.21%	336.28%	362.94%	381.94%	381.38%	336.78%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	61.85%	61.34%	63.67%	54.32%	55.66%	54.00%	51.84%	50.14%	54.36%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS
Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)**

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 7,031,789	\$ 7,126,850	\$ 6,698,622	\$ 6,310,363	\$ 5,894,916	\$ 5,628,294	\$ 5,163,751	\$ 4,697,091	\$ 3,914,779
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>7,031,789</u>	<u>7,126,850</u>	<u>6,698,622</u>	<u>6,310,363</u>	<u>5,894,916</u>	<u>5,628,294</u>	<u>5,163,751</u>	<u>4,697,091</u>	<u>3,914,779</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 21,250,469	\$ 20,771,932	\$ 19,707,626	\$ 18,831,283	\$ 17,670,612	\$ 17,264,706	\$ 16,268,907	\$ 16,085,928	\$ 15,606,001
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	33.09%	34.31%	33.99%	33.51%	33.36%	32.60%	31.74%	29.20%	25.09%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY -
Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)**

	MEASUREMENT DATE					
	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.1349%	0.1334%	0.1314%	0.1265%	0.1241%	0.1230%
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability - dollar value	\$ 2,441,000	\$ 2,456,000	\$ 3,114,000	\$ 2,733,000	\$ 2,639,000	\$ 2,564,000
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 20,771,932	\$ 19,707,626	\$ 18,831,283	\$ 17,670,612	\$ 17,264,706	\$ 16,268,907
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	11.75%	12.46%	16.54%	15.47%	15.29%	15.76%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	7.22%	6.86%	5.30%	5.69%	5.56%	5.56%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS -
Pennsylvania Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)**

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 136,003	\$ 155,789	\$ 157,661	\$ 154,417	\$ 148,433	\$ 143,297
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>136,003</u>	<u>155,789</u>	<u>157,661</u>	<u>154,417</u>	<u>148,433</u>	<u>143,297</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 21,250,469	\$ 20,771,932	\$ 19,707,626	\$ 18,831,283	\$ 17,670,612	\$ 17,264,706
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	0.64%	0.75%	0.80%	0.82%	0.84%	0.83%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S NET OPEB LIABILITY -
SINGLE EMPLOYER PLAN**

	MEASUREMENT DATE					
	July 1, 2023	July 1, 2022	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2020	July 1, 2019	July 1, 2018
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY						
Service cost	\$ 104,743	\$ 163,931	\$ 195,435	\$ 202,523	\$ 194,834	\$ 201,380
Interest on total OPEB liability	74,338	52,170	172,870	164,619	137,831	133,974
Effect of change in assumptions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(127,933)	-	(2,612,525)	-	(1,103,213)	-
Change of assumptions	25,405	(553,797)	(371,934)	-	1,031,706	-
Benefit payments	(59,957)	(60,703)	(136,303)	(119,450)	(192,475)	(214,574)
NET CHANGE IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY	16,596	(398,399)	(2,752,457)	247,692	68,683	120,780
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,758,712	2,157,111	4,909,568	4,661,876	4,593,193	4,472,413
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 1,775,308</u>	<u>\$ 1,758,712</u>	<u>\$ 2,157,111</u>	<u>\$ 4,909,568</u>	<u>\$ 4,661,876</u>	<u>\$ 4,593,193</u>
<u>PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION</u>						
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
DISTRICT'S NET OPEB LIABILITY	<u>\$ 1,775,308</u>	<u>\$ 1,758,712</u>	<u>\$ 2,157,111</u>	<u>\$ 4,909,568</u>	<u>\$ 4,661,876</u>	<u>\$ 4,593,193</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 20,052,426	\$ 18,357,314	\$ 18,357,314	\$ 16,929,050	\$ 16,516,146	\$ 14,900,685
District's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll	8.85%	9.58%	11.75%	29.00%	28.23%	30.83%
Expected average remaining service years of all participants	13	13	13	13	13	13

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

SINGLE AUDIT SUPPLEMENT



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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

December 3, 2024

Board of School Directors
Eastern Lebanon County School District
Myerstown, Pennsylvania

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Eastern Lebanon County School District ("the District"), Myerstown, Pennsylvania, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 3, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District'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.

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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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

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 District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.


BARBACANE, THORNTON & COMPANY LLP



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON
COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND
ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

December 3, 2024

Board of School Directors
Eastern Lebanon County School District
Myerstown, Pennsylvania

Report on Compliance for Major Federal Program

Opinion on Major Federal Program

We have audited the Eastern Lebanon County School District's ("the District") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect the District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and recommendations.

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

Basis for Opinion on Major Federal Program

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

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence

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we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for its major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Barbacane, Thornton & Company LLP
BARBACANE, THORNTON & COMPANY LLP

**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

FEDERAL GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR PROJECT TITLE	SOURCE CODE	FEDERAL ALN	PASS- THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER	GRANT PERIOD BEGINNING/ ENDING DATES	GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL RECEIVED FOR YEAR	ACCRUED (UNEARNED) REVENUE 7/01/2023	REVENUE RECOGNIZED	EXPENDITURES	ACCRUED (UNEARNED) REVENUE 6/30/2024	PASSED THROUGH TO SUB- RECIPIENTS
U.S. Department of Education											
Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Education											
Title I - Grants to Local Education Agencies	I	84.010	013-24-0131	07/01/23-09/30/24	\$ 504,304	\$ 470,365	\$ -	\$ 504,304	\$ 504,304	\$ 33,939	\$ -
Total ALN 84.010						470,365	-	504,304	504,304	33,939	-
Title II - Improving Teacher Quality	I	84.367	020-23-0131	07/01/22-09/30/23	92,827	847	847	-	-	-	-
Title II - Improving Teacher Quality	I	84.367	020-24-0131	07/01/23-09/30/24	73,963	72,890	-	73,963	73,963	1,073	-
Total ALN 84.367						73,737	847	73,963	73,963	1,073	-
Title IV - Student Support and Academic Enrichment	I	84.424	144-23-0131	8/18/22-09/30/23	44,885	2,127	2,127	-	-	-	-
Title IV - Student Support and Academic Enrichment	I	84.424	144-24-0131	8/18/23-09/30/24	42,070	42,070	-	42,070	42,070	-	-
Total ALN 84.424						44,197	2,127	42,070	42,070	-	-
Education Stabilization Fund:											
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief:											
CRRSA - ESSER II	I	84.425D	200-21-0131	03/13/20-9/30/23	1,720,711	40,020	40,020	-	-	-	-
ARP - ESSER III	I	84.425U	223-21-0131	03/13/20-9/30/24	3,480,501	2,151,582	1,287,428	864,154	864,154	-	-
ARP - ESSER III 7%	I	84.425U	225-21-0131	03/13/20-9/30/24	270,513	98,368	(9,280)	122,403	122,403	14,755	-
ARP - ESSER III Homeless Children and Youth	I	84.425V	181-21-2130	07/01/21-9/30/24	27,721	24,877	-	-	-	-	-
Total ALN 84.425						2,314,847	1,343,045	986,557	986,557	14,755	-
Passed through Lebanon-Lancaster Intermediate Unit #13											
IDEA Part B	I	84.027	062-23-0013	07/01/22-06/30/23	507,582	194,924	194,924	-	-	-	-
IDEA Part B	I	84.027	062-24-0013	07/01/23-06/30/24	537,103	537,103	-	537,103	537,103	-	-
Total ALN 84.027						732,027	194,924	537,103	537,103	-	-
IDEA Preschool	I	84.173	131-23-0013	07/01/22-06/30/23	1,712	1,712	1,712	-	-	-	-
	I	84.173	131-24-0013	07/01/23-06/30/24	2,646	2,646	-	2,646	2,646	-	-
Total ALN 84.173						4,358	1,712	2,646	2,646	-	-
Total Passed through Lebanon-Lancaster Intermediate Unit #13						736,385	196,636	539,749	539,749	-	-
Total U.S. Department of Education						3,639,531	1,542,655	2,146,643	2,146,643	49,767	-
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services											
Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare											
Medical Assistance Program	I	93.778	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	854	854	-	854	854	-	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services						854	-	854	854	-	-
Federal Emergency Management Agency											
Passed through Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency											
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance	I	97.036	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	103,876	103,876	-	103,876	103,876	-	-
Total ALN 97.036						103,876	-	103,876	103,876	-	-
Total Federal Emergency Management Agency						103,876	-	103,876	103,876	-	-

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**EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

FEDERAL GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR PROJECT TITLE	SOURCE CODE	FEDERAL ALN	PASS- THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER	GRANT PERIOD BEGINNING/ ENDING DATES	GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL RECEIVED FOR YEAR	ACCRUED (UNEARNED) REVENUE 7/01/2023	REVENUE RECOGNIZED	EXPENDITURES	ACCRUED (UNEARNED) REVENUE 6/30/2024	PASSED THROUGH TO SUB- RECIPIENTS
U.S. Department of Agriculture											
Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture											
National School Lunch Program	I	10.555	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	N/A	126,690	-	126,690	126,690	-	-
Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Education											
National School Lunch Program	I	10.555	N/A	07/01/22-06/30/23	N/A	61,314	61,314	-	-	-	-
National School Lunch Program	I	10.555	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	N/A	590,262	-	781,982	781,982	191,720	-
Supply Chain Assistance	I	10.555	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	N/A	59,707	-	59,707	59,707	-	-
Total ALN 10.555						837,973	61,314	968,379	968,379	191,720	-
Breakfast Program	I	10.553	N/A	07/01/22-06/30/23	N/A	25,568	25,568	-	-	-	-
Breakfast Program	I	10.553	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	N/A	190,829	-	194,635	194,635	3,806	-
Total ALN 10.553						216,397	25,568	194,635	194,635	3,806	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster						1,054,370	86,882	1,163,014	1,163,014	195,526	-
P-EBT Local Admin Funds	I	10.659	N/A	07/01/23-06/30/24	N/A	3,256	-	3,256	3,256	-	-
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture						1,057,626	86,882	1,166,270	1,166,270	195,526	-
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS						\$ 4,801,887	\$ 1,629,537	\$ 3,417,643	\$ 3,417,643	\$ 245,293	\$ -
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUSTER (ALN 84.027 and 84.173)						\$ 736,385	\$ 196,636	\$ 539,749	\$ 539,749	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUND (ALN 84.425D, 84.425U, AND 84.425W)						\$ 2,314,847	\$ 1,343,045	\$ 986,557	\$ 986,557	\$ 14,755	\$ -

Source Code:

I = Indirect Funding

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

NOTE A SCOPE OF THIS SCHEDULE

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards reflects federal expenditures for all individual grants which were active during the fiscal year.

NOTE B BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The District uses the modified accrual method of recording transactions except as noted for the accounting of donated commodities in Note C. Revenues are recorded when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when incurred.

NOTE C NONMONETARY FEDERAL AWARDS - DONATED FOOD

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania distributes federal surplus food to institutions (schools, hospitals, and prisons) and to the needy. Expenditures reported in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards under ALN 10.555, National School Lunch Program, include surplus food consumed by the District during the 2023 - 2024 fiscal year.

NOTE D INDIRECT COST RATE

The District has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE E ACCESS PROGRAM

The ACCESS Program is a medical assistance program that reimburses local educational agencies for direct eligible health-related services provided to enrolled special needs students. Reimbursements are federal source revenues but are classified as fee-for-service and are not considered federal financial assistance. The amount of ACCESS funding recognized for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$78,491.

NOTE F PRIOR YEAR SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

The prior year schedule of expenditures of federal awards erroneously included \$158,524 of receipts which had been received in a prior year.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

PART A - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued [*unmodified, qualified, adverse, or disclaimer*]:

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------------------|
| • Material weakness(es) identified? | <u> </u> Yes | <u> X </u> No |
| • Significant deficiency(ies) identified? | <u> </u> Yes | <u> X </u> None reported |
| • Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? | <u> </u> Yes | <u> X </u> No |

Federal Awards

Internal control over major program:

- | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------------------|
| • Material weakness(es) identified? | <u> </u> Yes | <u> X </u> No |
| • Significant deficiency(ies) identified? | <u> </u> Yes | <u> X </u> None reported |

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major program [*unmodified, qualified, adverse, or disclaimer*]:

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance?

 Yes X No

Identification of major program:

<u>Assistance Listing Numbers</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
<u>10.553, 10.555</u>	<u>Child Nutrition Cluster</u>

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

 X Yes No

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONT'D)

PART B - FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

None.

CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

PART C - FINDINGS RELATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS

STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

None.

CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None.