

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of School Directors
East Stroudsburg Area School District
East Stroudsburg, 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 East Stroudsburg Area School District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, 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 District as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 the 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 one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

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 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,



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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, we:

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

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

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the District adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*, GASB Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*, GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*, and GASB Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison schedule, and pension and OPEB liability and contributions schedules on pages 4-11 and 56-62 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by GASB 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 GAAS, 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.



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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 combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were 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 GAAS. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 21, 2023 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 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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Jamison, Pennsylvania
December 21, 2023

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

The discussion and analysis of East Stroudsburg Area School District's (the "District") financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

USING THIS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES REPORT (U.S. GAAP)

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

The statement of net position and statement of activities provide information about the activities of the whole District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances and a longer term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements show how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the District, the General Fund is by far the most significant fund.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The District realized a solid financial performance for the year ended June 30, 2023. The district's revenues were approximately 0.01% lower than budget while expenditures were 4.6% less than budget. Local revenues were 4.8% higher than budget primarily due to strong real estate tax collections (both current and delinquent), high real estate transfer taxes, and robust earned income tax collections. On the expenditure side, the District realized significant savings due to the challenging job market and difficulty attracting qualified candidates to fill open positions. Cyber/Charter School Costs, while still elevated from pre-pandemic levels, did not meet the \$9 million-dollar budgeted number, and fell short at \$7.8 million due to the district's in-house cyber program and attracting more students to return to brick-and-mortar offerings. Due to the strength of the General Fund, the District was able to transfer \$5 million from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve to address future, large dollar capital improvement initiatives.

Key government-wide financial highlights for 2023 are as follows:

- In total, net position increased from (\$107,448,635) in 2022 to (\$101,448,635) in 2023.
- General revenues accounted for \$111,622,215 in revenue or 62% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions accounted for \$65,031,451 or 38% of total revenues of \$176,653,666.
- Total assets and deferred outflows of resources of governmental activities were \$315,128,270 of which \$92,775,173 represents unrestricted cash and investments. Governmental capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation was \$158,142,866.
- The District had \$157,676,635 in expenses; \$65,031,451 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants, or contributions. General revenues (primarily member district allocation derived from their property taxes) of \$102,979,086 were adequate to provide for these programs.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

- Expenses, after program revenue was \$92,645,184 which increased slightly from \$92,073,241 in 2022.
- Federal and state subsidies received for governmental operating activities this year were \$63,096,071, which increased from \$59,918,287 in 2022. Federal subsidies related to the COVID-19 pandemic continue to have a significant impact on the District's financial statements. State subsidies also increased slightly due to increase Basic and Special Education subsidies passed by the legislator.

OUR SCHOOLS

The District operates: six elementary schools that house students from kindergarten to fifth grade, two intermediate schools with sixth to eighth grades and two high schools with ninth through twelfth grades.

- Bushkill Elementary School
- Resica Elementary School
- Middle Smithfield Elementary School
- Smithfield Elementary School
- J. M. Hill Elementary School
- East Stroudsburg Elementary School
- J.T. Lambert Intermediate School
- Lehman Intermediate School
- East Stroudsburg High School South
- East Stroudsburg High School North

REPORTING THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities - While this document contains the large number of funds used by the District to provide programs and activities, the view of the District as a whole considers all financial transactions and asks the question. . . **“How did we do financially during the year?”** The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. The basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenue and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the District's net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the financial position of the District has improved or diminished. The cause of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, and some not. Nonfinancial factors include the District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Pennsylvania restricting revenue growth, facility condition, required educational programs and other factors. In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the District reports governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities are the activities where most of the District programs and services are reported including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities. The District's business-type activity is the Food Service Fund.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS

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

- **General Fund (Major Fund)** The General Fund is the operating fund of the District and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended for transferred according to the general laws of the Commonwealth.
- **Capital Projects Fund (Major Fund)** The Capital Projects Fund accounts are to be used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities.
- **Special Revenue Fund (Nonmajor Fund)** The Special Revenue Fund accounts for specific revenue sources, which are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the District as a whole.

Condensed Statements of Net Position

June 30, 2023 and 2022

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Assets						
Current Assets	\$ 121,127,245	\$ 117,564,518	\$ 2,679,622	\$ 1,737,236	\$ 123,806,867	\$ 119,301,754
Capital Assets	<u>160,241,738</u>	<u>166,702,307</u>	<u>180,107</u>	<u>159,006</u>	<u>160,421,845</u>	<u>166,861,313</u>
Total Assets	<u>281,368,983</u>	<u>284,266,825</u>	<u>2,859,729</u>	<u>1,896,242</u>	<u>284,228,712</u>	<u>286,163,067</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>33,761,287</u>	<u>38,492,321</u>	<u>697,959</u>	<u>852,571</u>	<u>34,459,246</u>	<u>39,344,892</u>
Liabilities						
Long-Term Liabilities	344,853,264	346,487,543	4,700,202	5,094,881	349,553,466	351,582,424
Other Liabilities	<u>23,659,489</u>	<u>37,157,353</u>	<u>80,851</u>	<u>283,276</u>	<u>23,740,340</u>	<u>37,440,629</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>368,512,753</u>	<u>383,644,896</u>	<u>4,781,053</u>	<u>5,378,157</u>	<u>373,293,806</u>	<u>389,023,053</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>25,380,043</u>	<u>37,055,046</u>	<u>496,013</u>	<u>878,495</u>	<u>25,876,056</u>	<u>37,933,541</u>
Net Position						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	55,386,233	49,366,176	180,107	159,006	55,566,340	49,525,182
Restricted	19,804,506	16,890,331	-	-	19,804,506	16,890,331
Unrestricted	<u>(153,953,265)</u>	<u>(164,197,303)</u>	<u>(1,899,485)</u>	<u>(3,666,845)</u>	<u>(155,852,750)</u>	<u>(167,864,148)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (78,762,526)</u>	<u>\$ (97,940,796)</u>	<u>\$ (1,719,378)</u>	<u>\$ (3,507,839)</u>	<u>\$ (80,481,904)</u>	<u>\$ (101,448,635)</u>

Unrestricted net position of governmental activities, the portion of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day activities without constraints established by grants or legal requirements, increased by \$10,244,038 from the 2022 unrestricted net position \$(164,197,303) to the 2023 unrestricted net position of \$(153,953,265)

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Condensed Statements of Activities

June 30, 2023 and 2022

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Revenues						
Charges for Services	\$ 201,239	\$ 349,698	\$ 381,258	\$ 375,629	\$ 582,497	\$ 725,327
Operating Grants and Contributions	63,608,839	59,918,287	5,414,180	5,310,964	69,023,019	65,229,251
Capital Grants and Contributions	1,422,612	1,427,903	-	-	1,422,612	1,427,903
Property Taxes and Other Taxes Levied for General Purposes	102,979,086	103,627,552	-	-	102,979,086	103,627,552
Taxes Levied for Specific Purposes	4,896,256	4,369,815	-	-	4,896,256	4,369,815
Gain on Sale of Capital Assets	23,990	(16,235)	-	-	23,990	(16,235)
Investment Earnings	3,570,560	187,016	2,597	18	3,573,157	187,034
Other	152,323	259,358	-	-	152,323	259,358
Total Revenues	176,854,905	170,123,394	5,798,035	5,686,611	182,652,940	175,810,005
Expenses						
Instruction	97,565,589	96,194,471	-	-	97,565,589	96,194,471
Support Services	36,160,775	36,023,814	-	-	36,160,775	36,023,814
Facilities Acquisition, Construction and Improvement Services	3,822,834	1,656,416	-	-	3,822,834	1,656,416
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	17,966,716	19,384,402	-	-	17,966,716	19,384,402
Interest on Long-Term Debt	2,160,721	2,433,234	-	-	2,160,721	2,433,234
Food Service	-	-	4,009,574	3,763,385	4,009,574	3,763,385
Total Expenses	157,676,635	155,692,337	4,009,574	3,763,385	161,686,209	159,455,722
Change in Net Position	19,178,270	14,431,057	1,788,461	1,923,226	20,966,731	16,354,283
Net Position at Beginning of Year	(97,940,796)	(112,371,853)	(3,507,839)	(5,431,065)	(101,448,635)	(117,802,918)
Net Position at End of Year	\$ (78,762,526)	\$ (97,940,796)	\$ (1,719,378)	\$ (3,507,839)	\$ (80,481,904)	\$ (101,448,635)

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services.

Net Cost of Services

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Governmental Activities					
Instruction	\$ (36,959,357)	\$ (39,265,587)	\$ (44,268,374)	\$ (45,628,661)	\$ (48,259,624)
Support Services	(34,798,597)	(34,228,759)	(36,256,666)	(32,924,333)	(33,748,443)
Facilities Acquisition, Construction and Improvement Services	(3,822,834)	(1,656,416)	(3,844,230)	(2,604,419)	(3,530,080)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	(16,125,048)	(17,840,356)	(14,092,097)	(15,042,342)	(13,678,016)
Debt Service	(738,109)	(1,005,331)	(4,405,377)	(1,125,207)	(2,532,425)
Total Governmental Activities	(92,443,945)	(93,996,449)	(102,866,744)	(97,324,962)	(101,748,588)
Business-Type Activities					
Food Service	1,785,864	1,923,208	(37,705)	(375,921)	(1,135,051)
Total District Net Cost	\$ (90,658,081)	\$ (92,073,241)	\$ (102,904,449)	\$ (97,700,883)	\$ (102,883,639)

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Defining the Classification of Expenditure

- Instruction expenses include activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and pupil.
- Support expenses include activities that facilitate and enhance student instruction.
- Facilities acquisition, construction and improvement expenses include the purchase of land and buildings as well as construction, renovation, and improvements to property and facilities.
- Operation of non-instructional expenses include activities concerned with providing non-instructional services to students, staff, and the community.
- Debt service expenses include interest on long-term debt and fiscal charges and involve the transactions associated with the payment of interest and other related charges to debt of the school district.
- Food service expenses involve the preparing, delivering, and servicing of lunches and other meals.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The District's budget is prepared according to the 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.

REAL ESTATE TAXES

As the primary source of funding for the District, local real estate tax revenue continues to be a critical revenue stream for the District. Property taxes are levied on July 1, on the assessed value listed, as of that date, for all taxable real property located in the District. Assessed values are established by the County Board of Assessments. All taxable real property was assessed at \$2,803,241,696 in 2022-2023. This represents a increase of \$299,970 in assessed value from 2022-2023. The tax rate for the year was \$128.33 mills per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for Pike County and \$30.79 mills per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for Monroe County.

The schedule for real estate taxes levied for each fiscal year is as follows:

August 1	Levy date
August 1 - September 30	2% discount period
October 1 - November 30.....	Face payment period
December 1 - December 31.....	10% penalty period
January 1.....	Lien date

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

District funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All Governmental Funds had total operating revenues of \$177,247,891 which represented a decrease from prior year revenues of \$172,375,912. Operating expenditures of \$172,105,811 decreased from prior year amounts of 177,622,997 Other financing sources and uses were (\$3,027,978) and the net change in fund balance for the year was an increase of \$2,113,902.

CAPITAL ASSETS

At the end of the fiscal year, the District had the following invested in land, construction in progress, buildings and building improvements, furniture and equipment.

	2023			2022 Totals
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals	
Land	\$ 5,198,539	\$ -	\$ 5,198,539	\$ 5,198,539
Construction in Progress	1,494,496	-	1,494,496	221,007
Site Improvements	16,575,942	-	16,575,942	15,991,658
Buildings and Building Improvements	261,553,878	-	261,553,878	261,398,185
Furniture and Equipment	28,083,521	679,048	28,762,569	28,613,481
Leased Furniture and Equipment	5,478,228	-	5,478,228	5,367,058
Accumulated Depreciation	(158,142,866)	(498,941)	(158,641,807)	(149,928,615)
	<u>\$ 160,241,738</u>	<u>\$ 180,107</u>	<u>\$ 160,421,845</u>	<u>\$ 166,861,313</u>

Depreciation of the Year's Capital Asset Activity

- Overall capital assets decreased by \$6,619,468 This is due to current year disposals and depreciation offset by the acquisition of new equipment.
- Depreciation for governmental activities for the year was \$10,674,517.
- Depreciation for business - type activities for the year was \$33,007.

Debt Administration

Bond and Note Obligations – As of June 30, 2023, the District had outstanding bond and note obligations \$121,588,932 respectively. This represents a one-year decrease in outstanding debt of \$15,030,126. The Board has been able to take advantage of favorable interest rates over the last several years and has aggressively refunded higher rate obligations.

Capital Lease Obligations – As of June 30, 2023, the District had outstanding capital lease obligations of \$1,941,741.

Other obligations include accrued sick leave and experience payments for specific employees of the district, accrued other postemployment benefits for retiree healthcare, and the amount of the net pension liability discussed in Notes 8, 10, and 11 of the financial statements.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

RESERVED FUND BALANCES

Fund balances have been classified in accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, unassigned fund balance represents funds available for appropriation of \$2,985,911 in total for 2022.

CURRENT FINANCIAL ISSUES AND CONCERNS

The District, like all school districts in Pennsylvania, has faced limited increases in state funding and increases in the employer contribution rates for the Public School Employee's Retirement System (PSERS), as well as, a significant increase in external Charter School Tuition costs that have driven up expenditures. The District has been able to establish significant fund balance reserves to offset challenging economic factors in the short term. The District's strong fund balance has also enabled the District to undertake significant capital improvements without issuing new debt and avoiding an additional tax burden on the District's taxpayers.

In conclusion, the District has committed itself to continuing and improving its educational program, while making sure that it is being fiscally responsible. The district will continually monitor and assess its programs, operations, and finances to ensure that it is providing the educational services the community desires within the ability of the community to provide the necessary resources.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Mr. Peter T. Bard - Chief Financial Officer, East Stroudsburg Area School District, 50 Vine Street, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania 18301.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 39,998,351	\$ 345,255	\$ 40,343,606
Investments	52,776,822	-	52,776,822
Taxes Receivable, Net	8,963,606	-	8,963,606
Internal Balances	(1,413,461)	1,413,461	-
Due from Other Governments	5,747,067	766,823	6,513,890
Other Receivables	259,241	29,883	289,124
Inventories	-	124,200	124,200
Insurance Reserve Provision	14,012,504	-	14,012,504
Prepaid Expenses	783,115	-	783,115
Capital Assets			
Land	5,198,539	-	5,198,539
Construction in Progress	1,494,496	-	1,494,496
Site Improvements	16,575,942	-	16,575,942
Building and Building Improvements	261,553,878	-	261,553,878
Furniture and Equipment	33,561,749	679,048	34,240,797
Accumulated Depreciation	(158,142,866)	(498,941)	(158,641,807)
Total Assets	<u>281,368,983</u>	<u>2,859,729</u>	<u>284,228,712</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Deferred Outflows of Resources, Pension Activity	29,946,464	611,152	30,557,616
Deferred Outflows of Resources, OPEB Activity	3,814,823	86,807	3,901,630
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>33,761,287</u>	<u>697,959</u>	<u>34,459,246</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	1,785,656	36,338	1,821,994
Accrued Interest on Long-Term Debt	1,135,216	-	1,135,216
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	19,579,233	44,513	19,623,746
Due to Fiduciary Funds	29,058	-	29,058
Other Current Liabilities	314,469	-	314,469
Unearned Revenue	815,857	-	815,857
Long-Term Liabilities			
Portion Due or Payable Within One Year			
Bonds Payable	9,505,104	-	9,505,104
Notes Payable	2,797,137	-	2,797,137
Leases	1,060,696	-	1,060,696
Portion Due or Payable After One Year			
Bonds Payable	62,043,302	-	62,043,302
Notes Payable	27,042,161	-	27,042,161
Leases	1,258,309	-	1,258,309
Compensated Absences	8,948,484	196,196	9,144,680
Net Pension Liability	200,768,680	4,097,320	204,866,000
Net OPEB Obligation	31,429,391	406,686	31,836,077
Total Liabilities	<u>368,512,753</u>	<u>4,781,053</u>	<u>373,293,806</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Deferred Amount of Refunding	13,580	-	13,580
Deferred Inflows of Resources, Pension Activity	9,184,560	187,440	9,372,000
Deferred Inflows of Resources, OPEB Activity	16,181,903	308,573	16,490,476
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>25,380,043</u>	<u>496,013</u>	<u>25,876,056</u>
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	55,386,233	180,107	55,566,340
Restricted for			
Capital Projects	19,249,185	-	19,249,185
Special Activities	555,321	-	555,321
Unrestricted	(153,953,265)	(1,899,485)	(155,852,750)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (78,762,526)</u>	<u>\$ (1,719,378)</u>	<u>\$ (80,481,904)</u>

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Functions / Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
Governmental Activities							
Instruction							
Regular Programs	\$ 64,094,161	\$ -	\$ 54,300,062	\$ -	\$ (9,794,099)	\$ -	\$ (9,794,099)
Special Programs	29,043,956	-	7,217,504	-	(21,826,452)	-	(21,826,452)
Vocational Programs	2,572,757	-	-	-	(2,572,757)	-	(2,572,757)
Other Instructional Programs	1,854,715	-	-	-	(1,854,715)	-	(1,854,715)
Support Services							
Pupil Personnel Services	6,911,261	-	-	-	(6,911,261)	-	(6,911,261)
Instructional Staff Services	3,314,675	-	-	-	(3,314,675)	-	(3,314,675)
Administrative Services	7,921,249	-	-	-	(7,921,249)	-	(7,921,249)
Pupil Health Services	2,023,044	-	1,629,742	-	(393,302)	-	(393,302)
Business Services	1,361,468	-	-	-	(1,361,468)	-	(1,361,468)
Operation & Maintenance of Plant Services	14,629,078	-	-	-	(14,629,078)	-	(14,629,078)
Facilities Acquisition, Construction and Improvement Services	3,822,834	-	-	-	(3,822,834)	-	(3,822,834)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services							
Student Transportation Services	8,892,882	-	210,849	-	(8,682,033)	-	(8,682,033)
Central and Other Support Services	5,633,843	-	-	-	(5,633,843)	-	(5,633,843)
Student Activities and Athletics	3,264,264	201,239	250,682	-	(2,812,343)	-	(2,812,343)
Community Services	157,302	-	-	-	(157,302)	-	(157,302)
Scholarships Awarded	18,425	-	-	-	(18,425)	-	(18,425)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	2,160,721	-	-	1,422,612	(738,109)	-	(738,109)
Total Governmental Activities	157,676,635	201,239	63,608,839	1,422,612	(92,443,945)	-	(92,443,945)
Business-Type Activities							
Food Service	4,009,574	381,258	5,414,180	-	-	1,785,864	1,785,864
Total School District Activities	\$ 161,686,209	\$ 582,497	\$ 69,023,019	\$ 1,422,612	(92,443,945)	1,785,864	(90,658,081)
General Revenues							
Taxes							
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes, Net							
					102,979,086	-	102,979,086
Earned Income							
					4,791,659	-	4,791,659
Public Utility Taxes							
					104,597	-	104,597
Investment Earnings							
					3,570,560	2,597	3,573,157
Gain on Disposal of Capital Assets							
					23,990	-	23,990
Miscellaneous Income							
					152,323	-	152,323
					<u>111,622,215</u>	<u>2,597</u>	<u>111,624,812</u>
					19,178,270	1,788,461	20,966,731
					<u>(97,940,796)</u>	<u>(3,507,839)</u>	<u>(101,448,635)</u>
					<u>\$ (78,762,526)</u>	<u>\$ (1,719,378)</u>	<u>\$ (80,481,904)</u>

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EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 19,068,058	\$ 20,605,464	\$ 324,829	\$ 39,998,351
Investments	52,589,113	-	187,709	52,776,822
Taxes Receivable, Net	8,963,606	-	-	8,963,606
Due from Other Funds	344,834	5,000,000	47,739	5,392,573
Due from Other Governments	5,747,067	-	-	5,747,067
Other Receivables, Net	259,241	-	-	259,241
Prepaid Expenditures	783,115	-	-	783,115
Total Assets	<u>\$ 87,755,034</u>	<u>\$ 25,605,464</u>	<u>\$ 560,277</u>	<u>\$ 113,920,775</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances				
Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,758,690	\$ 22,047	\$ 4,919	\$ 1,785,656
Due to Other Funds	6,471,802	334,232	-	6,806,034
Due to Fiduciary Funds	29,058	-	-	29,058
Unearned Revenue	815,857	-	-	815,857
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	19,579,233	-	-	19,579,233
Other Current Liabilities	314,432	-	37	314,469
Total Liabilities	<u>28,969,072</u>	<u>356,279</u>	<u>4,956</u>	<u>29,330,307</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Unavailable Revenue, Property Taxes	7,518,334	-	-	7,518,334
Fund Balances				
Nonspendable, Prepaid Expenditures	783,115	-	-	783,115
Restricted	-	19,249,185	555,321	19,804,506
Committed	24,000,000	6,000,000	-	30,000,000
Assigned				
Balance the 2023-2024 Budget	8,498,602	-	-	8,498,602
Future Budget Expenditures	9,000,000	-	-	9,000,000
Future Educational Programs	6,000,000	-	-	6,000,000
Unassigned	2,985,911	-	-	2,985,911
Total Fund Balances	<u>51,267,628</u>	<u>25,249,185</u>	<u>555,321</u>	<u>77,072,134</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources & Fund Balances	<u>\$ 87,755,034</u>	<u>\$ 25,605,464</u>	<u>\$ 560,277</u>	<u>\$ 113,920,775</u>

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEETS
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023

Total Governmental Funds Balances \$ 77,072,134

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	5,198,539
Construction in Progress	1,494,496
Site Improvements	16,575,942
Building and Building Improvements	261,553,878
Furniture and Equipment	33,561,749
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(158,142,866)</u>
	<u>160,241,738</u>

Additional receivables established that do not meet the availability criteria reflected in the fund financial statements. 14,012,504

Deferred inflows used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. These consist of:
Deferred Amount on Refunding (13,580)

Deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pension activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the governmental funds. 20,761,904

Deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to OPEB activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the governmental funds. (12,367,080)

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 not recorded as receivables and are deferred in the funds. 7,518,334

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:

Bonds Payable	(71,548,406)
Accrued Interest	(1,135,216)
Notes Payable	(29,839,298)
Leases	(2,319,005)
Compensated Absences	(8,948,484)
Net Pension Liability	(200,768,680)
Other Postemployment Benefits	<u>(31,429,391)</u>
	<u>(345,988,480)</u>

Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ (78,762,526)

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EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues				
Local Sources	\$ 114,151,820	\$ 813,849	\$ 270,221	\$ 115,235,890
State Sources	55,670,608	-	-	55,670,608
Federal Sources	7,425,263	-	-	7,425,263
Total Revenues	177,247,691	813,849	270,221	178,331,761
Expenditures				
Regular Programs	62,910,101	-	-	62,910,101
Special Programs	30,549,084	-	-	30,549,084
Vocational Programs	2,668,729	-	-	2,668,729
Other Instructional Programs	1,850,290	-	-	1,850,290
Pupil Personnel Services	7,489,062	-	-	7,489,062
Instructional Staff Services	3,197,748	306,479	-	3,504,227
Administrative Services	8,520,286	-	-	8,520,286
Pupil Health Services	2,215,664	-	-	2,215,664
Business Services	1,450,011	-	-	1,450,011
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	15,782,850	-	-	15,782,850
Facilities Acquisition, Construction and Improvement Services	1,492,796	2,330,038	-	3,822,834
Student Transportation Services	8,121,463	-	-	8,121,463
Central and Other Support Services	5,705,384	264,271	-	5,969,655
Student Activities and Athletics	3,129,653	27,769	222,913	3,380,335
Community Services	157,302	-	-	157,302
Scholarships Awarded	-	-	18,425	18,425
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	282,327	-	-	282,327
Debt Service	16,583,061	-	-	16,583,061
Total Expenditures	172,105,811	2,928,557	241,338	175,275,706
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	5,141,880	(2,114,708)	28,883	3,056,055
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Interfund Transfers In/(Out)	(5,000,000)	5,000,000	-	-
Sale of Capital Assets	30,308	-	-	30,308
Issuance of Leases	1,941,714	-	-	1,941,714
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(3,027,978)	5,000,000	-	1,972,022
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,113,902	2,885,292	28,883	5,028,077
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	49,153,726	22,363,893	526,438	72,044,057
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 51,267,628	\$ 25,249,185	\$ 555,321	\$ 77,072,134

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EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Net Changes in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ 5,028,077

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

Capital outlays are reported in Governmental Funds as expenditures and sale of capital assets are reported as revenues. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeds capital outlays in the current period.

Capital Outlays	4,220,266
Depreciation	<u>(10,674,517)</u>
	<u>(6,454,251)</u>

When recognizing the disposal of capital assets, the governmental funds report the total proceeds of the sale. Only the gain or loss of the sale is reported in the governmental activities. (6,318)

Because some property taxes will not be collected for several months after the School District's fiscal year ends, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the Governmental Funds. Unavailable tax revenues decreased by this amount. (1,500,846)

In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses - compensated absences (vacation and sick leave) - are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the Governmental Funds, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). 371,326

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds:

Accrued Interest	(75,183)
Insurance Provision	1,258,282
OPEB Plan Expense	(220,584)
Pension Plan Expense	<u>8,221,958</u>
	<u>9,184,473</u>

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to Governmental Funds, while the repayment of the principal long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of Governmental Funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, Governmental Funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.

Repayment of Bond Principal	8,810,707
Amortization of Bond Discounts, Premiums and Refunding Loss	1,646,640
Repayment on Note Principal	2,675,212
Repayment of Lease Obligations	1,364,964
Issuance of Lease Obligations	<u>(1,941,714)</u>
	<u>12,555,809</u>

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 19,178,270

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2023

	Enterprise Fund
	Food Service Fund
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 345,255
Due from Other Governments	766,823
Other Receivables	29,883
Inventories	124,200
Due From Other Funds	1,413,461
Total Current Assets	2,679,622
Capital Assets, Net	180,107
Total Assets	2,859,729
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pension Activity	611,152
Deferred Outflows of Resources - OPEB Activity	86,807
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	697,959
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	36,338
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	44,513
Compensated Absences	196,196
Long-Term Liabilities	
Net Pension Liability	4,097,320
Other Postemployment Benefits	406,686
Total Liabilities	4,781,053
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension Activity	187,440
Deferred Inflows of Resources - OPEB Activity	308,573
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	496,013
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	180,107
Unrestricted	(1,899,485)
Total Net Position	\$ (1,719,378)

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EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Enterprise Fund
	Food Service Fund
Operating Revenues	
Food Service Revenue	\$ 381,258
Operating Expenses	
Personnel	1,882,413
Operating	356,539
Purchased Services	1,737,615
Depreciation	33,007
Total Operating Expenses	4,009,574
Operating Loss	(3,628,316)
Nonoperating Revenues	
Earnings on Investments	2,597
Contributions	26,276
State Sources	605,578
Federal Sources	4,782,326
Total Nonoperating Revenues	5,416,777
Change in Net Position	1,788,461
Net Position at Beginning of Year	(3,507,839)
Net Position at End of Year	\$ (1,719,378)

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Enterprise Fund <u>Food Service Fund</u>
Cash Flows From Operating Activities	
Cash Received from Users	\$ 32,377
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	(1,850,826)
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(2,777,691)
Net Cash Used By Operating Activities	<u>(4,596,140)</u>
Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities	
Local Sources	26,276
State Sources	528,643
Federal Sources	4,225,179
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	<u>4,780,098</u>
Cash Flows From Investing Activities	
Interest Received	2,597
Purchase of Equipment	(54,108)
Net Cash Used In Investing Activities	<u>(51,511)</u>
Net Increase In Cash and Cash Equivalents	132,447
Cash and Cash Equivalents At Beginning Of Year	<u>212,808</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	<u>\$ 345,255</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Loss To Net Cash Used By Operating Activities	
Operating Loss	\$ (3,628,316)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	
Depreciation	33,007
Pension Expense	(560,576)
OPEB Expense	(49,047)
(Increase) Decrease in	
Due From Other Funds	(367,235)
Other Receivables	5,927
Inventories	48,198
Prepaid Expense	12,427
Increase (Decrease) in	
Compensated Absences	(12,926)
Accounts Payable	(122,112)
Accrued Salaries	44,513
Net Cash Used By Operating Activities	<u>\$ (4,596,140)</u>
Supplemental Disclosures	
Noncash Activities	
Donated Foods	<u>\$ 309,890</u>

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

	Custodial Funds
	Student Activities
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 75,450
Due from School District	29,058
Total Assets	104,508
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	436
Total Liabilities	436
Net Position	\$ 104,072

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Custodial Funds
	Student Activities
Additions	
Student Activities Fees	\$ 169,646
Investment Income	637
Total Additions	170,283
Deductions	
Student Activities	174,240
Scholarships Paid	1,000
Total Deductions	175,240
Change in Net Position	(4,957)
Net Position At Beginning of Year	109,029
Net Position At End of Year	\$ 104,072

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the East Stroudsburg Area School District (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

School District

The District operates six elementary schools, two intermediate schools and two high schools (the "Schools") in Monroe and Pike Counties, Pennsylvania. The School District operates under current standards prescribed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education in accordance with the provision of the School Laws of Pennsylvania. The District is a unit established, organized and empowered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "Commonwealth") for the express purpose of carrying out, on the local level, the Commonwealth's obligation to public education, as established by the constitution of the Commonwealth and by the School Law Code of the same (Article II; Act 150, July 8, 1968). As specified under the School Law Code of the Commonwealth, this and all other school districts of the state "shall be and hereby are vested as, bodies corporate, with all necessary powers to carry out the provisions of this act" (Article II, Section 211).

Board of School Directors

The public school system of the Commonwealth shall be administered by a board of school directors, to be elected or appointed, as hereinafter provided. At each election of school directors, each qualified voter shall be entitled to cast one vote for each school director to be elected. The District is governed by a board of nine school directors who are residents of the District and who are elected every two years, on a staggered basis, for a four-year term. The Board of School Directors has the power and duty to establish, equip, furnish and maintain a sufficient number of elementary, secondary and other schools necessary to educate every person, residing in the District, between the ages of 6 and 21 years, who may attend. In order to establish, enlarge, equip, furnish, operate and maintain any schools herein provided, or to pay any school's indebtedness which the District is required to pay, or to pay any indebtedness that may at any time hereafter be created by the District, the Board of School Directors is vested with all the necessary authority and power annually to levy and collect the necessary taxes required and granted by the legislature, in addition to the annual state appropriation, and is vested with all necessary power and authority to comply with and carry out any or all of the provisions of the Public School Code of 1949.

Administration

The Superintendent of the Schools shall be the executive officer of the Board of School Directors and, in that capacity shall administer the District in conformity with Board of School Director's policies and the School Laws of Pennsylvania. The Superintendent shall be directly responsible to, and therefore appointed by, the Board of School Directors. The Superintendent shall be responsible for the overall administration, supervision and operation of the District.

The School District's Business Manager, recommended by the Superintendent and appointed by the Board of School Directors, shall supervise and coordinate all business aspects of the District. In this capacity, the Business Manager shall be responsible to ensure that all work accomplished by the business office, is in the best interests of the District. The Business Manager is directly responsible to the Superintendent.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Reporting Entity

The accompanying basic financial statements comply with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus*, in that the financial statements include all organizations, activities and functions for which the District is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as the appointment of a voting majority of a component unit's board and either (1) the District's ability to impose its will over a component unit, or (2) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit or impose a financial burden on the District. In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading. This report presents the activities of the District. The District is not a component unit of another reporting entity nor does it have any component units.

Joint Ventures

Monroe Career & Technical Institute (MCTI) is a separate entity. It was organized by the four public school districts in Monroe County to provide services in the county. Each of the public school districts appoints three members to serve on the joint operating committee, and each has an ongoing financial responsibility to fund MCTI.

Colonial Intermediate Unit #20 (CIU) is a separate legal entity. It was organized by the constituent school districts in Monroe, Pike and Northampton Counties to provide special education services to the school districts. Each member school district appoints one member to serve on the Board of Directors of the CIU. The District contracts with the CIU to provide special education services for District students.

Basis of Presentation and Accounting

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

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the Proprietary Fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which Governmental Funds financial statements are prepared. Governmental Funds financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for Governmental Funds. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the District and for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Presentation and Accounting (Continued)

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues, which are not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of Governmental and Proprietary Funds financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column (Nonmajor Funds). Fiduciary Funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All Governmental Funds are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. 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 District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due. The financial statements for Governmental Funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets and current liabilities, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

The Proprietary Fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

Fiduciary Trust Funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain District functions or activities. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The various funds of the District are grouped into the categories governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Governmental Funds

General Fund - The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Pennsylvania.

Capital Projects Fund - The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition and construction of capital equipment and improvements in accordance with the applicable general obligation bond agreements.

Special Activities Fund - The Special Activities Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The School District's *Concession and Special Activities* are accounted for in this fund type.

Scholarship Funds - Private-Purpose Funds account for the receipts and disbursements of monies contributed to the School District for scholarships and memorials.

Proprietary Fund

Enterprise Fund - The Enterprise Fund (Food Service Fund) is used to account for operations (1) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises--where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (2) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Fiduciary Funds

Custodial Funds - The Custodial Funds account for the receipts and disbursements of monies from student activity organizations. These organizations exist at the explicit approval, subject to revocation, of the District governing body. This accounting reflects the School District custodial relationship with the student activity organizations. Accordingly, receipts and disbursements of the Custodial Funds are not included in the revenues and expenditures of the District but shown on the Fiduciary Funds statements.

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 and no restrictions on withdrawal.

Investments

The School District has adopted GASB Statements No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools* and No. 79, *Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants*. Under GASB Statement No. 31, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair value and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values. Under GASB Statement No. 79, investments in qualifying external investment pools are reported at amortized cost basis.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, transactions may occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as “due from other funds” or “due to other funds” on the Governmental Funds balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are classified as “interfund receivables/payables.” These amounts are eliminated in the statement of net position, except for amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which, when present, are shown as internal balances.

Inventories

Inventory of purchased food and paper supplies within the Proprietary Fund is carried at cost using the first-in, first-out method of accounting and is subsequently charged to expense when consumed. Inventory of donated foods is valued at fair market value as established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Prepaid Expenses

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets

General capital asset acquisitions, including entering into contracts giving the District the right to use leased assets, are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. The related issuance of long-term debt and financing through leases are reported as other financing sources.

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and construction in progress, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. The School District defines a capital asset as an asset with an initial, individual cost equal to or greater than \$1,500 or purchased with debt proceeds and must also have an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed (except for intangible right-to-use lease assets, the measurement of which is discussed in *Leases* note below. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market 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 asset lives are not capitalized.

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

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and building and site improvements	5-40
Furniture, fixtures, equipment and vehicles	3-20

Leases

The District is a lessee for a noncancellable leases of equipment. The District recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the government-wide financial statements.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Leases (Continued)

At the commencement of a lease, the District initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured at the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how the District determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease payments as follows:

- The District uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate if provided; otherwise, the District generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.
- The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that the District is reasonably certain to exercise.
- The District monitors changes in circumstance that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

Provision for Insurance Reserve

The School District participates in an insurance pool for employee health. The excess deposits have been recorded as a long-term receivable in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and the Proprietary Fund in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or Proprietary Fund statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. In the fund financial statements, Governmental Funds 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 on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Compensated Absences

The School District's policies regarding vacation, personal and sick time permit employees to accumulate earned but unused time. The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as long-term debt in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the Governmental Funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations or retirements.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. They are the deferred outflows related to pension activity, and deferred outflows related to OPEB activity, all of which are reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The deferred outflow related to pension activity is the result of the difference between expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions, the difference between projected and actual investment earnings, changes in proportions, the difference between actual employer contributions and the District's proportionate share of total contributions, and actual contributions subsequent to the measurement date. The deferred outflow related to OPEB activity is the result of the difference between projected and actual investment earnings and actual contributions subsequent to the measurement date.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has four items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item, unavailable revenues, is reported only in the Governmental Funds balance sheet. The Governmental Funds report unavailable revenues from property taxes. The second item, deferred inflows related to pension activity, are reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The deferred inflow related to pension activity is the result of differences between expected and actual experience, changes in proportions, and difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of total contributions. The third item, deferred inflows related to OPEB activity, are reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The fourth item, deferred amounts on refunding, is the results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The deferred inflow related to OPEB activity is the result of changes in assumptions, changes in proportions, and the difference between actual employer contributions and the District's proportionate share of total contributions. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

Use of Estimates

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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fund Balance and GASB Statement No. 54

The District follows GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which clarifies fund balance categories as follows:

- ***Nonspendable*** - Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints. Fund balance types of this category are prepaid expenses.
- ***Restricted*** - Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers or through enabling legislation.
- ***Committed*** - Amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision-making authority (the Board of Directors) and do not lapse at year-end. To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.
- ***Assigned*** - Amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the Board of Directors or by an official or body to which the Board of Directors delegates the authority. The District has delegated such authority to the District's Chief Financial Officer.
- ***Unassigned*** - Amounts not contained in other classifications. Unassigned amounts are technically available for any purpose.

The Board of School Directors establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by passage of a resolution. Assigned fund balance is intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but does not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. The details of the fund balances are included in the Governmental Funds balance sheet. Restricted funds are used first as appropriate, followed by committed resources and then assigned resources, to the extent that expenditure authority has been budgeted by the Board of Directors. The District does reserve the right to first reduce unassigned fund balance to defer the use of these other classified funds. In the event that unassigned fund balance becomes zero, then assigned and committed fund balances are used in that order.

Adoption of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements

The District adopted certain effective provisions of GASB Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. This Statement had no effect on the financial statements.

The District adopted certain effective provisions of GASB Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. This Statement had no effect on the financial statements.

The District adopted certain effective provisions of GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement had no effect on the financial statements.

The District adopted certain effective provisions of GASB Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*. This Statement had no effect on the financial statements.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Pending Changes in Accounting Principles

In June 2022, the GASB issued Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*. This Statement is required to be adopted for the District's 2024 financial statements.

In June 2022, the GASB issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. This Statement is required to be adopted for the District's 2024 financial statements.

District management is in the process of analyzing these pending changes in accounting principles and the impact they will have on the District's financial reporting process.

NOTE 2 CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS

Cash

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, 2023, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$40,419,056 and the bank balance was \$42,481,780. Of the bank balance, \$500,000 was covered by federal depository insurance, and \$41,981,780 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.

Interest Rate Risk - The School District's investment policy limits investment maturities in accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania School Code as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Investments

As of June 30, 2023, the School District had the following investments and maturities:

Investment Type	Amortized Cost	Maturities	
		Less Than 1 Year	1 to 5 Years
State Investment Pools	\$ 52,589,113	\$ 52,589,113	\$ -
Certificates of Deposit	187,709	-	187,709
	<u>\$ 52,776,822</u>	<u>\$ 52,589,113</u>	<u>\$ 187,709</u>

A portion of the School District's investments is in the Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF) programs, of which are funds similar to mutual funds. GASB Statement No. 3, Paragraph 69, provides that certain types of cash and investments, such as cash investments in a State Treasurer's investment pool or mutual fund, cannot be assigned a credit risk category because the government does not own specific securities. Therefore, the PSDLAF and PLGIT cash investments included in these statements will not be assigned a credit risk category. The carrying amount of these investments at June 30, 2023, is \$52,589,113.

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NOTE 2 CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

These assets maintain a stable net asset value of \$1 per share. PSDLAF is not SEC-registered. All investments are monitored weekly by Standard & Poor's and are subject to an independent audit on an annual basis. As of June 30, 2023, the School District's investment in the state investment pools was rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

Investments held with qualifying external state investment pools are valued at amortized cost in accordance with GASB Statement No. 79.

Certificates of deposit held by banks of \$187,709 are stated at cost plus interest earned.

Fair Value Measurement

The School District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are those that lack significant observable inputs. The School District did not have any recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2023.

NOTE 3 TAXES - REAL ESTATE AND OTHER

The School Board is authorized by state law to levy property taxes for District operations, capital improvements and debt service. Property taxes are based on assessed values of all taxable property within the District. Taxable real property was assessed at 2,811,271,411, combined for Monroe County 2,616,686,801 and Pike County for 194,584,610. The tax rate for the year was \$30.79 mills per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for Monroe County and \$128.33 mills per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for Pike County.

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

Discount period	August 1 to September 30 - 2% of gross levy
Face period	October 1 to November 30
Penalty period	December 1 to January 1 - 10% of gross levy
Lien date	January 1

District taxes are billed and collected by the local elected tax collector. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1.

NOTE 4 RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2023, consisted of taxes, other revenue and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. The real estate taxes receivable account represents real estate transfer taxes and prior year uncollected tax levies. All real estate taxes receivables are considered fully collectible due to the ability to lien property for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of state programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds.

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NOTE 4 RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

A summary of receivables by fund is as follows:

	General Fund	Food Service Fund
Taxes	\$ 8,963,606	\$ -
Federal Subsidies	2,901,345	651,580
State Subsidies	2,623,928	115,243
Other Government	221,794	-
Other Revenue	259,241	29,883
	\$ 14,969,914	\$ 796,706

NOTE 5 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES AND INTERFUND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2023, is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
Capital Project Fund	General Fund	\$ 5,000,000
Special Activities Fund	General Fund	45,554
Food Service Fund	General Fund	1,413,461
Scholarships Fund	General Fund	12,787
General Fund	Capital Project Fund	334,232
		\$ 6,806,034

Due to/from Other Funds

The amounts between the General Fund, Food Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund are interfund borrowings to pay for operations. The amounts between the General Fund and Special Activities Fund and Scholarships Fund are for fees and other expenses.

Transfer to and from other funds as of June 30, 2023 is as follows:

Transfer Out	Transfer In	Amount
General Fund	Capital Project Fund	\$ 5,000,000

Transfer to/from Other Funds

The amounts between the General Fund and Capital Projects Fund are interfund transfers to fund future capital projects.

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NOTE 6 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets balances and activity for the year ending June 30, 2023, are as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities				
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 5,198,539	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,198,539
Construction in Progress	221,007	2,013,466	(739,977)	1,494,496
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	<u>5,419,546</u>	<u>2,013,466</u>	<u>(739,977)</u>	<u>6,693,035</u>
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Site Improvements	15,991,658	584,284	-	16,575,942
Buildings and Building Improvements	261,398,185	155,693	-	261,553,878
Furniture and Equipment	27,988,541	265,085	(170,105)	28,083,521
Leased Furniture and Equipment	5,367,058	1,941,715	(1,830,545)	5,478,228
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>310,745,442</u>	<u>2,946,777</u>	<u>(2,000,650)</u>	<u>311,691,569</u>
Accumulated Depreciation				
Site Improvements	(11,404,353)	(547,738)	-	(11,952,091)
Buildings and Building Improvements	(115,964,814)	(6,962,364)	-	(122,927,178)
Furniture and Equipment	(18,930,292)	(2,079,926)	163,787	(20,846,431)
Leased Furniture and Equipment	(3,163,222)	(1,084,489)	1,830,545	(2,417,166)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(149,462,681)</u>	<u>(10,674,517)</u>	<u>1,994,332</u>	<u>(158,142,866)</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	<u>161,282,761</u>	<u>(7,727,740)</u>	<u>(6,318)</u>	<u>153,548,703</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>166,702,307</u>	<u>(5,714,274)</u>	<u>(746,295)</u>	<u>160,241,738</u>
Business-Type Activities				
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Furniture and Equipment	624,940	54,108	-	679,048
Accumulated Depreciation	(465,934)	(33,007)	-	(498,941)
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>159,006</u>	<u>21,101</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>180,107</u>
Total Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 166,861,313</u>	<u>\$ (5,693,173)</u>	<u>\$ (746,295)</u>	<u>\$ 160,421,845</u>

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NOTE 6 CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Regular Programs	\$ 7,498,671
Special Programs	17,263
Vocational Programs	338
Other Instructional Programs	4,425
Pupil Personnel Services	58
Instructional Staff Services	3,068
Administrative Services	4,814
Business Services	11,481
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	592,071
Student Transportation Services	1,256,154
Central and Other Support Services	1,182,407
Student Activities and Athletics	103,767
	<u>\$ 10,674,517</u>

NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT

Descriptions of debt outstanding as of June 30, 2023, are as follows:

Note Payable 2006 Issue - Colonial Academy

The School District incurred \$735,080, which is a portion of the debt issued to finance the Colonial Academy. The School District's obligations mature from June 30, 2006 to June 30, 2030. Interest is payable at 7.71%.

General Obligation Bonds 2010A Issue - Qualified School Construction Bond

The School District issued \$1,220,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2010, on October 6, 2010. Proceeds of the bond issue will be used to provide funds for the J.T. Lambert roof replacement. The bonds mature on September 1, 2027. Interest rate is 5.00%.

Qualified Zone Academy Bonds, Series 2011

The School District issued \$525,000 Qualified Zone Academy Bonds, Series 2011, on September 20, 2010. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to provide funds to upgrade technology, electrical system, fire system, surveillance system, sounds system and a backup generator as capital expenditures of the School District at JM Hill Elementary School and to pay related costs and expenses, including the costs of issuing the 2011 bonds. The bonds mature September 1, 2029. On September 23, 2016, the School District entered into a rate modification agreement to reduce the interest rate from 3.11% to 1.99% per annum through the final maturity on September 1, 2027.

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NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

General Obligation Bonds - Series of 2014

On September 3, 2014, the School District issued \$16,350,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2014. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Notes, Series A of 2004, General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2009 and Series A of 2009, and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds bear an interest rate of 1.92% over the life of the bonds. The bonds were paid off during the year ended June 30, 2023.

General Obligation Bonds - Series A of 2016

On August 18, 2016, the School District issued \$5,765,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2016. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to currently refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2011 and Series A of 2011, and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds mature in 2030 at varying interest rates.

General Obligation Bonds - Series of 2017

On January 12, 2017, the School District issued \$7,270,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2017. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to advance refund a portion of the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2008, and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds mature in 2029 at varying interest rates.

General Obligation Bonds - Series A of 2017

On June 20, 2017, the School District issued \$1,870,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2017. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to currently refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2012, and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds mature in 2031 at varying interest rates.

General Obligation Bonds - Series AA of 2017

On June 20, 2017, the School District issued \$68,235,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series AA of 2017. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to currently refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Note, Series of 2007, advance refund a portion of the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bond, Series A of 2007 and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds mature in 2031 at varying interest rates.

General Obligation Bonds - Series AAA of 2017

On December 1, 2017, the School District issued \$16,085,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series AAA of 2017. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to currently refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Note, Series of 2008 and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds mature in 2031 at varying interest rates.

General Obligation Bonds - Series 2019

On September 23, 2019, the School District issued \$8,170,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to currently refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bond Series 2014A and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The bonds mature in 2030 at varying interest rates.

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NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

General Obligation Notes - Series 2020

On October 29, 2020, the School District issued \$16,250,000 General Obligation Notes, Series 2020. Proceeds of this bond issue will be used to currently refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bond Series 2013, 2014 AA, and 2015 and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the note. The note matures in 2028 at varying interest rates. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$1,028,277. The refunding resulted in a difference between the cash flows required to service the old debt and the cash flows required to service the new debt of \$1,142,222. This amount is included in deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position and will be amortized over the life of the new debt.

General Obligation Notes - Series 2021

On June 21, 2021, the School District issued \$9,999,000 General Obligation Note, Series 2021. Proceeds of this note issue will be used to partially refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bond Series 2016 and Series 2016 A and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the note. The note matures in 2031 at 1.490%. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$349,078. The refunding resulted in a difference between the cash flows required to service the old debt and the cash flows required to service the new debt of \$486,779. This amount is included in deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position and will be amortized over the life of the new debt.

General Obligation Notes - Series 2022

On January 24, 2022, the School District issued \$7,190,000 General Obligation Note, Series 2022. Proceeds of this note issue will be used to partially refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bond Series 2017 and Series 2017 AA and to pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the note. The note matures in 2030 at 1.608%. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$109,834. The refunding resulted in a difference between the cash flows required to service the old debt and the cash flows required to service the new debt of \$109,834. This amount is included in deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position and will be amortized over the life of the new debt.

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NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for long-term debt are as follows:

General Obligation Bonds and Notes			
Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Totals
2024	\$ 9,694,241	\$ 2,680,809	\$ 12,375,050
2025	10,271,061	2,193,790	12,464,851
2026	10,812,654	1,690,999	12,503,653
2027	10,934,702	1,232,254	12,166,956
2028	11,449,022	789,339	12,238,361
2029 to 2033	30,250,587	686,445	30,937,032
2034 to 2038	25,000	4,218	29,218
2039 to 2041	10,000	376	10,376
	<u>\$ 83,447,267</u>	<u>\$ 9,278,230</u>	<u>\$ 92,725,497</u>

Loans from Direct Borrowing			
Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Totals
2024	\$ 2,608,000	\$ 492,931	\$ 3,100,931
2025	2,607,000	418,707	3,025,707
2026	2,643,000	342,713	2,985,713
2027	3,018,000	260,788	3,278,788
2028	3,041,000	172,990	3,213,990
2029 to 2031	-	-	-
	<u>\$ 13,917,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,688,129</u>	<u>\$ 15,605,129</u>

Total Outstanding Debt			
Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Totals
2024	\$ 12,302,241	\$ 3,173,740	\$ 15,475,981
2025	12,878,061	2,612,497	15,490,558
2026	13,455,654	2,033,712	15,489,366
2027	13,952,702	1,493,042	15,445,744
2028	14,490,022	962,329	15,452,351
2029 to 2033	30,250,587	686,445	30,937,032
2034 to 2038	25,000	4,218	29,218
2039 to 2041	10,000	376	10,376
	<u>\$ 97,364,267</u>	<u>\$ 10,966,359</u>	<u>\$ 108,330,626</u>

Lease Liability

The District accounts for its lease arrangements for certain equipment in accordance with GASB 87, *Leases*. Currently, the District holds several computer equipment leases. These lease agreements qualify for recognition per the provisions of GASB 87 and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

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NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

The aggregate amount of leased computer equipment and related accumulated depreciation are disclosed separately Note 6.

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2023, are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	\$ 1,085,459
2025	782,194
2026	493,255
Amount Representing Interest	(41,903)
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments	<u>\$ 2,319,005</u>

Other pertinent information regarding leases is presented below:

<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Initial Liability</u>	<u>Liability June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Asset Value June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Description</u>
July 1, 2019	\$ 45,899	\$ -	\$ 45,899	\$ 36,719	Equipment; annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$11,970; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
July 1, 2019	629,526	-	629,526	503,621	Equipment; annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$164,404; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
March 24, 2020	538,899	-	538,899	350,284	Equipment; annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$127,525; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
July 1, 2020	346,549	87,443	346,549	207,930	Equipment; annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$88,776; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
August 19, 2020	836,770	211,449	836,770	485,878	Equipment; annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$215,687; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
July 15, 2021	655,707	327,824	655,707	262,282	Equipment; 4 annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$167,248; Interest at 1.354%; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
July 15, 2021	483,163	242,181	483,163	193,266	Equipment; 4 annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$120,491; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
July 15, 2022	1,272,331	948,071	1,272,331	254,466	Equipment; 4 annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$325,910; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
July 15, 2022	669,384	502,037	669,384	122,720	Equipment; 4 annual payments of principal and interest totaling \$167,346; useful life of equipment is 5 years.
	<u>\$ 5,478,228</u>	<u>\$ 2,319,005</u>	<u>\$ 5,478,228</u>	<u>\$ 2,417,166</u>	

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NOTE 7 LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Debt Payments

Payments on bonds, notes and leases are made by the General Fund. The vested and other employee benefits will be liquidated by the Governmental and Proprietary Funds, accordingly.

NOTE 8 CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2022	Additions	Reductions	Balances June 30, 2023	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities					
General Obligation Notes:					
Series of 2006	\$ 320,510	\$ -	\$ (66,212)	\$ 254,298	\$ 34,137
Series 2020	15,055,000	-	(2,260,000)	12,795,000	2,260,000
Series 2021	9,949,000	-	(179,000)	9,770,000	348,000
Series 2022	7,190,000	-	(170,000)	7,020,000	155,000
Total General Obligation Notes	<u>32,514,510</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,675,212)</u>	<u>29,839,298</u>	<u>2,797,137</u>
Deferred amounts					
Premium/Discount	1,365,825	-	(151,758)	1,214,067	-
Total General Obligation Notes, Net	<u>33,880,335</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,826,970)</u>	<u>31,053,365</u>	<u>2,797,137</u>
General Obligation Bonds:					
Series A 2010 QSCB	545,624	-	(58,440)	487,184	75,937
Series D 2011 QZAB	269,797	-	(22,012)	247,785	29,167
Series 2014	360,000	-	(360,000)	-	-
Series 2016A	30,190	-	(30,190)	-	-
Series 2017	65	-	(65)	-	-
Series 2017A	1,440,000	-	(115,000)	1,325,000	125,000
Series 2017AA	49,465,000	-	(8,215,000)	41,250,000	8,635,000
Series 2017AAA	16,065,000	-	(5,000)	16,060,000	15,000
Series 2019	8,160,000	-	(5,000)	8,155,000	625,000
Total General Obligation Bonds	<u>76,335,676</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,810,707)</u>	<u>67,524,969</u>	<u>9,505,104</u>
Deferred amounts					
Premium/Discount	3,985,526	-	(1,176,156)	2,809,370	-
Total General Obligation Bonds, Net	<u>80,321,202</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(9,986,863)</u>	<u>70,334,339</u>	<u>9,505,104</u>
Other					
Lease Liability	1,742,255	1,941,714	(1,364,964)	2,319,005	1,060,696
Accrued Compensated Absences	9,319,810	-	(371,326)	8,948,484	-
Net Pension Liability	188,922,216	11,846,464	-	200,768,680	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	44,651,986	-	(13,222,595)	31,429,391	-
Total Other	<u>244,636,267</u>	<u>13,788,178</u>	<u>(14,958,885)</u>	<u>243,465,560</u>	<u>1,060,696</u>
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 358,837,804</u>	<u>\$ 13,788,178</u>	<u>\$ (27,772,718)</u>	<u>\$ 344,853,264</u>	<u>\$ 13,362,937</u>
Business-Type Activities					
Accrued Compensated Absences					
Accrued Compensated Absences	\$ 209,122	\$ -	\$ (12,926)	\$ 196,196	\$ -
Net Pension Liability	4,249,784	-	(152,464)	4,097,320	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	635,975	-	(229,289)	406,686	-
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>\$ 5,094,881</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (394,679)</u>	<u>\$ 4,700,202</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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NOTE 9 DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES AND UNAVAILABLE AND UNEARNED REVENUE

General Fund

Unavailable revenues represent primarily delinquent taxes not collected within 60 days subsequent to the School District's year-end. It is expected that these receivables will be collected and included in revenues of future fiscal years. In the Governmental Funds financial statements, these receivables are reported as unearned revenue.

At June 30, 2023, deferred inflow of resources consisted of delinquent taxes receivable of \$7,518,334.

NOTE 10 PENSION PLAN

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Pensions - For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS) and additions to/deductions from PSERS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PSERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

General Information About the Pension Plan

Plan Description - PSERS is a governmental cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to public school employees of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The members eligible to participate in PSERS 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. PSERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained 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 become new members on or after July 1, 2011. Act 120 created two 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 three years of service or attain a total combination of age and service that is equal to or greater than 92 with a minimum of 35 years of service. Benefits are generally equal to 2% or 2.5%, depending on 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 benefits 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 2% or 2.5%, depending upon membership class, of

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NOTE 10 PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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 (ten years 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.

Contributions

Members Contributions

- Active members who joined the System prior to July 22, 1983, contribute at 5.25% (Membership Class T-C) or at 6.50% (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% (Membership Class T-C) or at 7.50% (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% (automatic Membership Class T-D). For all new hires and for members who elected Class T-D membership, the higher contribution rates began with services 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 7.5% (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. All new hires after June 30, 2011, who elect Class T-F membership, contribute at 10.3% (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. Membership Class T-E and Class T-F are affected by a "shared risk" provision in Act 120 of 2010 that in future fiscal years could cause the Membership Class T-E contribution rate to fluctuate between 7.5% and 9.5% and the Membership Class T-F contribution rate to fluctuate between 10.3% and 12.3%.

Employer Contributions

The School District's contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, was 34.31% of covered payroll (33.51% for 2022) which includes .20% for the Act 5 defined contribution plan members, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with 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. Contributions to the plan from the District were \$24,107,616 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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

At June 30, 2023, the District reported a liability of \$204,866,000 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. Of that, \$200,768,680 was for governmental type activities and \$4,097,320 was business-type activities. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the

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NOTE 10 PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

The District's proportion of the net pension liability was calculated utilizing the employer's one-year reported contributions as it relates to the total one-year reported contributions. At June 30, 2022, the District's proportion was 0.4608 percent, which was a decrease of 0.0097 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized pension expense of \$15,325,082. At June 30, 2023, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

The \$24,107,616 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Governmental Activities		
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 91,140	\$ (1,736,560)
Change of Assumptions	5,995,640	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual		
Investment Earnings	-	(3,405,500)
Changes in Proportions	234,220	(4,042,500)
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	23,625,464	-
	\$ 29,946,464	\$ (9,184,560)
Business-Type Activities		
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 1,860	\$ (35,440)
Change of Assumptions	122,360	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual		
Investment Earnings	-	(69,500)
Changes in Proportions	4,780	(82,500)
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	482,152	-
	\$ 611,152	\$ (187,440)

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<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
2024	\$ (2,137,434)	\$ (43,621)
2025	(2,170,677)	(44,300)
2026	15,872,894	323,937
2027	<u>(14,428,343)</u>	<u>(294,456)</u>
	<u>\$ (2,863,560)</u>	<u>\$ (58,440)</u>

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability as of June 30, 2022, was determined by rolling forward the System's total pension liability as of the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation to June 30, 2022, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- Actuarial cost method - Entry Age Normal level % of pay
- Investment return - 7.00%, includes inflation at 2.75%
- Salary increases - Effective average of 4.50%, which reflects an allowance for inflation of 2.50% and real wage growth and merit or seniority increases of 2.00%
- Mortality 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 Plan did not include an assumption for projected ad hoc postemployment benefit changes as they are not considered to be substantively automatic.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a 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.

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

Plan Assets

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

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NOTE 10 PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 2.40%.

Asset Class	Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Global public equity	28%	5.3%
Private equity	12%	8.0%
Fixed income	33%	2.3%
Commodities	9%	2.3%
Infrastructure/MLPs	9%	5.4%
Real estate	11%	4.6%
Absolute return	6%	3.5%
Cash	3%	0.5%
Leverage	-11%	0.5%
	<u>100%</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. 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, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the 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 plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the School 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%, 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%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease 6%	Current Discount Rate 7%	1% Increase 8%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	<u>\$264,980,000</u>	<u>\$204,866,000</u>	<u>\$154,182,000</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about PSERS's fiduciary net position is available in the PSERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be found on the System's website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

On June 12, 2017, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Act 5 of 2017 was signed into law. This legislation established a new hybrid defined benefit/defined contribution retirement benefit plan applicable to all school employees who become new members of PSERS on July 1, 2019 and thereafter. The three new plan options under Act 5 include two hybrid plans consisting of defined benefit and defined contribution components and a stand-alone defined contribution plan. The current stand-alone defined benefit plan is no longer available to new members after June 30, 2019.

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NOTE 11 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – PSERS

Health Insurance Premium Assistance Program

PSERS provides a Health Insurance Premium Assistance Program (Premium Assistance) for all eligible annuitants who qualify and elect to participate. Under this program, 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 annuitants are entitled to receive Premium Assistance payments equal to the lesser of \$100 per month or their out-of-pocket monthly health insurance premium.

Premium Assistance Eligibility Criteria

Retirees of the PSERS can participate in the Premium Assistance program if they satisfy the following criteria:

- Have 24 ½ 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.

Benefits Provided

Participating eligible retirees are entitled to receive premium assistance payments equal to the lessor 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, 2022 there were no assumed future benefit increases to participating eligible retirees.

Employer Contributions

The District's contractually required contribution rate for fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 was 0.75% of covered payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with 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. Contributions to the OPEB plan from the School were \$530,231 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows or Resources Related to OPEB:

At June 30, 2022, the District reported a liability of \$8,469,000 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by rolling forward the PSERS total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The District's proportion of the net OPEB 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, 2022, the District's proportion was 0.4601 percent, which was a decrease of 0.0109 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 11 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – PSERS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$126,137. At June 30, 2023, the School 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
Governmental Activities		
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 76,440	\$ (44,100)
Changes in Assumptions	921,200	(1,960,000)
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual		
Investment Earnings	22,540	-
Changes in Proportions	186,200	(399,840)
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	519,626	-
	\$ 1,726,006	\$ (2,403,940)
Business-Type Activities		
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 1,560	\$ (900)
Changes in Assumptions	18,800	(40,000)
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual		
Investment Earnings	460	-
Changes in Proportions	3,800	(8,160)
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	10,605	-
	\$ 35,225	\$ (49,060)

\$530,231 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
2024	\$ (255,773)	\$ (5,220)
2025	(170,587)	(3,481)
2026	(214,461)	(4,377)
2027	(258,418)	(5,274)
2028	(298,321)	(6,088)
	\$ (1,197,560)	\$ (24,440)

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
 JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 11 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – PSERS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022 was determined by rolling forward the PSERS' total OPEB liability as of the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation to June 30, 2022 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- Actuarial cost method – Entry Age Normal – level % of pay.
- Investment return – 4.09% - S&P 20 Year Municipal Bond Rate.
- Salary growth – Effective average of 4.50%, comprised of inflation of 2.50% and 2.00% for real wage growth and for merit and seniority increases.
- 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 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.
- Participation rate:
 - Eligible retirees will elect to participate pre age 65 at 50%.
 - Eligible retirees will elect to participate post age 65 at 70%.

The following assumptions were used to determine the contribution rate:

- The results of the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020 determined the employer contribution rate for fiscal year 2022.
- 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% 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.

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	<u>100%</u>	0.5%
	<u>100%</u>	

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
 JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 11 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – PSERS (CONTINUED)

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, 2022.

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 4.09%. 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 4.09% which represents the S&P 20 year Municipal Bond Rate at June 30, 2022, was applied to all projected benefit payments to measure total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of the PSERS Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

Healthcare cost trends were applied to retirees receiving less than \$1,200 in annual Premium Assistance. As of June 30, 2022, 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. The 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 District’s net OPEB liability for June 30, 2022, calculated using current Healthcare cost trends as well as what the School’s net OPEB liability would be if its health cost trends were 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (Between 4% to 6%)	Current Trend Rate (Between 5% to 7%)	1% Increase (Between 8% to 9%)
The School's proportionate share of net OPEB liability	<u>\$ 8,469,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,469,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,470,000</u>

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 11 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – PSERS (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the District’s Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate.

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District’s net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.09 percent) or higher (5.09 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Rates 4.09%	1% Increase
The School's proportionate share of net OPEB liability	\$ 9,578,000	\$ 8,469,000	\$ 7,542,000

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 12 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – SINGLE EMPLOYER PLAN

Plan Description

The School District provides medical and dental insurance benefits to eligible retired employees, spouses and dependents through a single-employer defined benefit plan. The benefits, benefits level, employee contribution and employer contribution are administered by the Board and can be amended by the Board through its personnel manual and union contracts. The plan is not accounted for as a trust fund, as an irrevocable trust has not been established to account for the plan. The plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report. The activity of the plan is reported in the School District’s General Fund.

Plan Membership

At July 1, 2022, plan membership consisted of the following:

Active Plan Members	1,153
Retired Members	67
	1,220

Funding Policy and Funding Status

The plan is an unfunded plan with no assets accumulated in a trust. Contributions to the plan are equal to benefit payments. For the year ended June 30, 2023 benefit payments paid as they came due were \$1,025,942.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
 JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 12 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – SINGLE EMPLOYER PLAN (CONTINUED)

Benefits Provided

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 is eligible for Medicare or becomes eligible for other group health coverage. In order to obtain coverage, retired employees must provide payment equal to the full premium rate.

In addition, for those administration who reach 20 years of service with the District or ten years as Administrator with the District, the District will pay the full premium toward medical, prescription drug, dental, and vision coverage for the member.

Assumptions

The following assumptions and actuarial methods and calculation were used:

Discount Rate – 4.06% Based on S&P Municipal Bond 20 Year High Grade Rate at July 1, 2022.

Salary – 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% cost of living adjustment, 1.5% real wage growth, and for teachers and administrators a merit increase which varies by age from 2.75 to 0%.

Withdrawal – Rates of withdrawal vary by age, gender and years of service. Sample rates for employees with more than 10 years of service are shown below. Rates for new employees start at 25.93% for men and 27.46% for women and decrease with age and service.

Age	Male Rate	Female Rate	Age	Male Rate	Female Rate
25	4.55%	3.90%	45	1.41%	1.60%
30	4.55%	3.90%	50	1.89%	2.08%
35	1.68%	2.83%	55	3.63%	3.66%
40	1.42%	1.67%	60	5.49%	5.94%

Mortality – PubT-2010 headcount-weighted mortality table including rates for contingent survivors for teachers. PubT-2010 headcount-weighted mortality table including rates for contingent survivors for all other employees. Incorporated into the tables are rates projected generationally using Scale MP-2021 to reflect mortality improvement.

Disability – No disability was assumed.

Retirement – Assumed retirement rates are based on PSERS plan experience and vary by age, service and gender.

Percentage of Eligible Retirees Electing Coverage in the Plan – 85% of employees eligible for subsidy and 45% of employees not eligible for subsidy are assumed to elect coverage. 100% of Administrators eligible for Life Insurance are assumed to elect it.

Percentage Married at Retirement – 25% of employees are assumed to be married and have a spouse covered by the plan at retirement. Non-spouse dependents are deemed to be immaterial.

Spouse Age – Wives are assumed to be two years younger their husbands.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
 JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 12 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – SINGLE EMPLOYER PLAN (CONTINUED)

Per Capita Claims Cost – Making use of weighted averages for various plan designs, the per capita claims cost for medical and prescription drug 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 are assuming to not vary with age or gender.

Life Insurance – It is assumed that the annual cost to provide life insurance varies by age. The assumed cost is equal to the amount of coverage times the applicable mortality factor contained in the valuation mortality table.

Retiree Contributions – Retiree contributions are assumed to increase at the same rate as the Health Care Cost Trend Rate.

Health Care Cost Trend Rate –6.0% in 2023. Rates gradually decrease from 5.4% in 2026 to 3.9% in 2075 and later based on the Society of Actuaries Long-Run Medical Cost Trend Model.

Actuarial Value of Assets – Equal to the Market Value of Assets

Actuarial Cost Method – 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 service to reduce or increase the Unfunded Accrued Liability.

Participant Data – Based on census information as of September 2022. Due to the timing of school district turnover, the data is believed to be representative of the population for the 2022-2023 school year.

Changes in Assumptions - In the 2021 actuarial valuation, the discount rate changed from 1.86% to 2.28%. The trend assumption was updated.

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the School, as well as what the School’s net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (3.06%) or 1-percentage-point higher (5.06%) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Rate 4.06%	1% Increase
The School's proportionate share of net OPEB liability	\$ 21,011,486	\$ 23,367,077	\$ 26,100,782

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 12 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – SINGLE EMPLOYER PLAN (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate that is 1- percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate 5.5%	1% Increase
The School's proportionate share of net OPEB liability	\$ 25,077,285	\$ 23,367,077	\$ 21,734,806

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB - For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$1,601,573. At June 30, 2023, 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
Governmental Activities		
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 151,256	\$ (4,523,169)
Changes in Assumptions	951,192	(9,254,795)
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	986,369	-
	\$ 2,088,817	\$ (13,777,964)
Business-Type Activities		
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 598	\$ (166,640)
Changes in Assumptions	11,411	(92,872)
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	39,573	-
	\$ 51,582	\$ (259,512)

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JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 12 OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – SINGLE EMPLOYER PLAN (CONTINUED)

\$1,025,942 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
2024	\$ (1,242,554)	\$ (23,442)
2025	(1,242,554)	(23,442)
2026	(1,242,554)	(23,442)
2027	(1,242,554)	(23,442)
2028	(1,242,554)	(23,442)
Thereafter	(6,462,746)	(130,293)
	<u>\$ (12,675,516)</u>	<u>\$ (247,503)</u>

NOTE 13 CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the School District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The District has entered into subscription-based information technology agreements with various vendors to provide electronic educational programs as well as administrative storage and operating systems. These agreements are for a maximum term of twelve months or include a provision that either party can terminate with a reasonable amount of notice and, as such, the District has not recorded a liability in the financial statements for these agreements in accordance with GASB 96.

NOTE 14 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. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverages in the 2022-2023 year. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

The District is a member of the Employee Benefit Trust of Eastern Pennsylvania (the "Trust") which provides hospitalization, medical, dental and prescription drug benefits to District employees. The Trust manages a schedule of benefits as determined by its respective members, ensures the Trust is adequately funded, reviews claims and administration and obtains excess catastrophic insurance.

The Trust has appointed NCAS Pennsylvania to provide administrative services. NCAS Pennsylvania is a Pennsylvania corporation with insurance and consulting expertise in administration of health and welfare plans. The Trust has entered into an agreement with the Pennsylvania Trust to provide stop loss insurance beginning at \$130,000 for members of the Trust, thus maintaining the financial security of the Trust.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 14 RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

The latest financial statements of the Trust are available at the District's business office for the year ended June 30, 2023.

NOTE 15 FUND BALANCES

As of June 30, 2023, fund balances are composed of the following:

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Special Activities Fund	Scholarships Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Nonspendable					
Prepaid Expenditures	\$ 783,115	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 783,115
Restricted					
Capital Projects	-	19,249,185	-	-	19,249,185
Special Activities	-	-	356,339	-	356,339
Scholarships				198,982	198,982
Committed					
Capital Projects	-	6,000,000	-	-	6,000,000
Future Retirement Benefits	18,000,000	-	-	-	18,000,000
Future Healthcare Costs	6,000,000	-	-	-	6,000,000
Assigned					
To Balance the 2023-2024 Budget	8,498,602	-	-	-	8,498,602
Future Budget Expenditures	9,000,000	-	-	-	9,000,000
Future Educational Programs	6,000,000	-	-	-	6,000,000
Unassigned	2,985,911	-	-	-	2,985,911
	<u>\$51,267,628</u>	<u>\$25,249,185</u>	<u>\$ 356,339</u>	<u>\$ 198,982</u>	<u>\$77,072,134</u>
Total Fund Balance					

NOTE 16 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District has evaluated all subsequent events through December 21, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There have been no events that require disclosure.

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
 GENERAL FUND
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final		Final Budget
				Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 108,656,038	\$ 108,656,038	\$ 114,151,820	\$ 5,495,782
State sources	55,542,690	55,542,690	55,670,608	127,918
Federal sources	13,302,548	13,302,548	7,425,263	(5,877,285)
Total Revenues	<u>177,501,276</u>	<u>177,501,276</u>	<u>177,247,691</u>	<u>(253,585)</u>
Expenditures				
Regular Programs	67,217,163	67,186,827	62,910,101	4,276,726
Special Programs	31,321,800	31,321,800	30,549,084	772,716
Vocational Programs	3,133,130	3,133,130	2,668,729	464,401
Other Instructional Programs	1,273,587	1,273,587	1,850,290	(576,703)
Pupil Personnel Services	8,998,563	8,999,197	7,489,062	1,510,135
Instructional Staff Services	3,116,732	3,142,888	3,197,748	(54,860)
Administrative Services	8,758,333	8,759,357	8,520,286	239,071
Pupil Health Services	2,060,254	2,060,255	2,215,664	(155,409)
Business Services	1,429,705	1,429,705	1,450,011	(20,306)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	16,589,044	16,587,912	15,782,850	805,062
Facilities Acquisition, Construction and Improvement Services	5,086,441	5,086,441	1,492,796	3,593,645
Student Transportation Services	9,968,559	9,968,559	8,121,463	1,847,096
Central and Other Support Services	5,753,676	5,766,627	5,705,384	61,243
Student Activities and Athletics	3,157,988	3,150,590	3,129,653	20,937
Community Services	145,538	145,538	157,302	(11,764)
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	190,000	190,000	282,327	(92,327)
Debt Service	16,576,468	16,574,568	16,583,061	(8,493)
Total Expenditures	<u>184,776,981</u>	<u>184,776,981</u>	<u>172,105,811</u>	<u>12,671,170</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers Out	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(5,000,000)	(4,000,000)
Issuance of refunding debt	1,949,316	1,949,316	-	(1,949,316)
Issuance of capital leases	-	-	1,941,714	1,941,714
Sale of Capital Assets	50,000	50,000	30,308	(19,692)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>999,316</u>	<u>999,316</u>	<u>(3,027,978)</u>	<u>(4,027,294)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(6,276,389)	(6,276,389)	2,113,902	8,390,291
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	<u>49,153,726</u>	<u>49,153,726</u>	<u>49,153,726</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance at End of Year	<u>\$ 42,877,337</u>	<u>\$ 42,877,337</u>	<u>\$ 51,267,628</u>	<u>\$ 8,390,291</u>

See accompanying notes to the budgetary comparison schedule.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 NOTES TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 BUDGETARY INFORMATION

An operating budget is adopted prior to the beginning of each year for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. The General Fund is the only fund for which a budget is legally required.

The Pennsylvania School Code dictates specific procedures relative to adoption of the School District's budget and reporting of its financial statements, specifically:

- The School District, before levying annual school taxes, is required to prepare an operating budget for the succeeding fiscal year.
- The School District is required to publish notice by advertisement, at least once in two newspapers of general circulation in the municipality in which it is located and within 15 days of final action, that the proposed budget has been prepared and is available for public inspection at the administrative office of the School District.
- Notice that public hearings will be held on the proposed operating budget must be included in the advertisement; such hearings are required to be scheduled at least ten days prior to when final action on adoption is taken by the Board.

Legal budgetary control is maintained at the sub-function/major object level. The Pennsylvania School Code allows the Board to make budgetary transfers between major function and major object code only within the last nine months of the fiscal year, unless there is a two-thirds majority of the Board approving the transfer. 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.

The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the Pennsylvania Department of Education's 2028 Report when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts after all 2022-2023 budget transfers.

NOTE 2 COMPLIANCE

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Excess %</u>
<u>General Fund:</u>			
Other Instructional Programs	\$ 1,273,587	\$ 1,850,290	31.17%
Instructional Staff Services	\$ 3,142,888	\$ 3,197,748	1.72%
Pupil Health Services	\$ 2,060,255	\$ 2,215,664	7.01%
Business Services	\$ 1,429,705	\$ 1,450,011	1.40%
Community Services	\$ 145,538	\$ 157,302	7.48%
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	\$ 190,000	\$ 282,327	32.70%
Debt Service	\$ 16,574,568	\$ 16,583,061	0.05%
Transfers Out	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	80.00%

Funds sufficient to provide for the excess expenditures were made available from other functions within the fund and other financing sources.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
 LAST 10 YEARS*

	Measurement Date								
	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.4608%	0.4705%	0.4737%	0.4717%	0.4536%	0.4655%	0.4979%	0.4816%	0.4727%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 204,866,000	\$ 193,172,000	\$ 233,245,000	\$ 220,674,000	\$ 217,751,000	\$ 229,903,000	\$ 246,743,000	\$ 208,606,000	\$ 187,098,000
District's covered payroll	\$ 67,648,880	\$ 66,837,768	\$ 66,520,204	\$ 65,053,554	\$ 61,082,533	\$ 61,975,884	\$ 64,481,384	\$ 61,968,592	\$ 60,318,006
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	302.84%	289.02%	350.64%	339.22%	356.49%	370.96%	382.66%	336.63%	310.19%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	61.34%	63.67%	54.32%	55.66%	54.00%	51.84%	50.14%	54.36%	57.24%

* This schedule is intended to illustrate information for 10 years. However, until a 10 year trend is compiled, the School is presenting information for those years for which information is available.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS
LAST 10 YEARS*

	<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>	<u>June 30, 2015</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 24,107,616	\$ 23,025,082	\$ 22,437,091	\$ 22,130,335	\$ 21,124,000	\$ 19,248,000	\$ 19,218,000	\$ 17,831,000	\$ 15,775,000	\$ 12,435,000
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>24,107,616</u>	<u>23,025,082</u>	<u>22,437,091</u>	<u>22,130,335</u>	<u>21,124,000</u>	<u>21,432,525</u>	<u>19,218,000</u>	<u>17,831,000</u>	<u>15,775,000</u>	<u>12,435,000</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (2,184,525)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 69,856,899	\$ 67,648,880	\$ 66,837,768	\$ 66,520,204	\$ 65,053,554	\$ 61,082,533	\$ 61,975,884	\$ 64,481,384	\$ 61,968,592	\$ 60,318,006
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	34.51%	34.04%	33.57%	33.27%	32.47%	35.09%	31.01%	27.65%	25.46%	20.62%

* This schedule is intended to illustrate information for 10 years.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS
RETIREES HEALTH PLAN
LAST 10 YEARS

	Measurement Date					
	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
Total OPEB liability						
Service cost	\$ 1,988,507	\$ 1,984,911	\$ 1,779,419	\$ 1,787,136	\$ 1,727,780	\$ 1,644,481
Interest	813,788	647,429	1,122,109	963,757	944,768	680,070
Changes of Benefit Terms	65,275	-	-	-	-	-
Changes of assumptions	(8,749,852)	(987,756)	392,649	(919,432)	28,867	1,454,840
Differences between expected and actual experience	(4,099,272)	-	(1,324,398)	-	278,399	-
Benefit payments	(775,330)	(749,928)	(779,331)	(755,642)	(1,032,654)	(940,582)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(10,756,884)	894,656	1,190,448	1,075,819	1,947,160	2,838,809
Total OPEB liability - beginning	34,123,961	33,229,305	32,038,857	30,963,038	29,015,878	26,177,069
Total OPEB liability - ending	<u>\$ 23,367,077</u>	<u>\$ 34,123,961</u>	<u>\$ 33,229,305</u>	<u>\$ 32,038,857</u>	<u>\$ 30,963,038</u>	<u>\$ 29,015,878</u>
Covered payroll	\$ 65,622,137	\$ 62,147,012	\$ 62,147,012	\$ 57,904,669	\$ 57,904,669	\$ 58,055,233
District's total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll	35.61%	54.91%	53.47%	55.33%	53.47%	49.98%

Changes of Assumptions

- The discount rate changed from 2.28% to 4.06% in 2022
- The discount rate changed from 1.86% to 2.28% in 2021
- The discount rate changed from 2.79% to 1.86% in 2020
- The discount rate changed from 2.98% to 2.79% in 2019
- The discount rate changed from 3.13% to 2.98% in 2018

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EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY - PSERS PLAN
*LAST 10 YEARS

	Measurement Date					
	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.4601%	0.4710%	0.4737%	0.4717%	0.4536%	0.4655%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 8,469,000	\$ 11,164,000	\$ 10,240,000	\$ 10,032,000	\$ 9,457,000	\$ 9,484,000
District's covered payroll	\$ 67,648,880	\$ 66,837,768	\$ 66,520,204	\$ 65,053,554	\$ 61,082,533	\$ 61,975,884
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	12.52%	16.70%	15.39%	15.42%	15.48%	15.30%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	6.86%	5.30%	5.56%	5.56%	5.56%	5.73%

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EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS - PSERS PLAN
*LAST 10 YEARS

	<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>
Contractually determined contribution	\$ 530,231	\$ 541,137	\$ 547,162	\$ 558,000	\$ 540,000	\$ 507,000	\$ 503,000
Contributions in relation to the contractually determined contribution	530,231	541,137	547,162	558,000	540,000	507,000	503,000
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Covered payroll	\$ 69,856,899	\$ 67,648,880	\$ 66,837,768	\$ 66,520,204	\$ 65,053,554	\$ 61,082,533	\$ 61,975,884
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.76%	0.80%	0.82%	0.84%	0.83%	0.83%	0.81%

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SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

	Scholarship Funds	Special Activities Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 51,111	\$ 273,718	\$ 324,829
Investments	145,686	42,023	187,709
Due from Other Funds	2,185	45,554	47,739
Total Assets	\$ 198,982	\$ 361,295	\$ 560,277
 Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ 4,919	\$ 4,919
Other Current Liabilities	-	37	37
Total Liabilities	-	4,956	4,956
 Fund Balances			
Restricted	198,982	356,339	555,321
Total Fund Balances	198,982	356,339	555,321
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	\$ 198,982	\$ 361,295	\$ 560,277

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

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Scholarship Funds	Special Activities Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues			
Local Sources	\$ 17,574	\$ 252,647	\$ 270,221
Total Revenues	<u>17,574</u>	<u>252,647</u>	<u>270,221</u>
Expenditures			
Student Activities and Athletics	-	222,913	222,913
Scholarships Awarded	<u>18,425</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,425</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>18,425</u>	<u>222,913</u>	<u>241,338</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>(851)</u>	<u>29,734</u>	<u>28,883</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(851)	29,734	28,883
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>199,833</u>	<u>326,605</u>	<u>526,438</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 198,982</u>	<u>\$ 356,339</u>	<u>\$ 555,321</u>

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

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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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of School Directors
East Stroudsburg Area School District
East Stroudsburg, 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 East Stroudsburg Area School District ("the District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, 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 21, 2023.

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) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

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Purpose of this Report

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

Zelenkofske Axlerod LLC

ZELENKOFSKE AXELROD LLC

Jamison, Pennsylvania
December 21, 2023



Zelenkofske Axlerod LLC

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Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and Report on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of School Directors
East Stroudsburg Area School District
East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited East Stroudsburg Area School District's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (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 we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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



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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.



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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.

Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC

ZELENKOFSKE AXELROD LLC
Jamison, Pennsylvania
December 21, 2023

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Source	Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number	Grant Period	Total Received For The Year	Accrued (Unearned) Revenue at 7/1/2022	Revenue Recognized	Expenditures	Accrued (Unearned) Revenue at 6/30/2023	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Education Impact Aid	Direct	84.041	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	\$ 606,869	\$ -	\$ 606,869	\$ 606,869	\$ -	\$ -
Passed Through Pennsylvania Department of Education:										
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Indirect	84.010	013-210129	7/1/2021-9/30/2022	577,991	136,561	441,430	441,430	-	-
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Indirect	84.010	013-220129	7/1/2022-9/30/2023	1,368,383	-	1,656,844	1,656,844	288,461	-
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.010					1,946,374	136,561	2,098,274	2,098,274	288,461	-
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Indirect	84.367	020-210129	7/1/2020-9/30/2021	-	(1,963)	1,963	1,963	-	-
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Indirect	85.367	020-210129	7/1/2021-9/30/2022	36,782	35,255	1,527	1,527	-	-
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Indirect	84.367	020-220129	7/1/2022-9/30/2023	198,336	-	222,109	222,109	23,773	-
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.367					235,118	33,292	225,599	225,599	23,773	-
English Language Acquisition State Grants	Indirect	84.365	010-200129	7/1/2021-9/30/2022	13,073	(367)	13,440	13,440	-	-
English Language Acquisition State Grants	Indirect	84.365	010-220129	7/1/2022-9/30/2023	16,003	-	22,967	22,967	6,964	-
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.365					29,076	(367)	36,407	36,407	6,964	-
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	Indirect	84.424	144-210129	7/1/2021-9/30/2022	92,271	(17,406)	109,677	109,677	-	-
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	Indirect	84.424	144-220129	7/1/2022-9/30/2023	52,547	-	41,006	41,006	(11,541)	-
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.424					144,818	(17,406)	150,683	150,683	(11,541)	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425D	N/A	3/13/2020 - 9/31/2022	-	(6,752)	6,752	6,752	-	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425D	N/A	3/13/2020 - 9/31/2023	4,664,148	2,100,490	2,071,900	2,071,900	(491,758)	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425	N/A	3/13/2020 - 9/31/2021	-	(12,488)	12,488	12,488	-	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425	N/A	3/13/2020 - 9/31/2021	6,186	6,186	-	-	-	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425C	N/A	3/13/2020 - 9/30/2024	21,069	(6,785)	24,378	24,378	(3,476)	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425	N/A	3/13/2020 - 9/30/2024	422,927	46,564	586,926	586,926	210,563	-
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund	Indirect	84.425W	N/A	7/1/2021 - 9/30/2021	25,709	(3,955)	28,492	28,492	(1,172)	-
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.425					5,140,039	2,123,260	2,730,936	2,730,936	(285,843)	-
Passed Through the Colonial Intermediate Unit:										
Special Education Grants to States	Indirect	84.027	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	461,925	-	1,049,423	1,049,423	587,498	-
Special Education Grants to States	Indirect	84.027	N/A	7/1/2021-6/30/2022	374,660	374,660	-	-	-	-
Special Education Grants to States	Indirect	84.027	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	6,440	-	6,440	6,440	-	-
Special Education Grants to States	Indirect	84.027	N/A	7/1/2021-9/30/2023	-	30,512	275,923	275,923	306,435	-
Total Special Education Cluster					843,025	405,172	1,331,786	1,331,786	893,933	-
Total U.S. Department of Education					8,945,319	2,680,512	7,180,554	7,180,554	915,747	-
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services										
Passed Through the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services:										
Medical Assistance Program	Indirect	93.778	N/A	7/1/2021-6/30/2022	99,804	99,804	-	-	-	-
Medical Assistance Program	Indirect	93.778	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	53,165	-	106,082	106,082	52,917	-
Total Medicaid Cluster					152,969	99,804	106,082	106,082	52,917	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services					152,969	99,804	106,082	106,082	52,917	-
U.S. Department of Agriculture										
Passed Through the Pennsylvania Department of Education:										
Child Nutrition Discretionary Grants Limited Availability	Indirect	10.579	N/A	3/1/2022-9/30/2022	22,872	-	22,872	22,872	-	-
Child Nutrition Discretionary Grants Limited Availability	Indirect	10.579	N/A	4/10/2023-6/30/2023	-	-	20,295	20,295	20,295	-
Child Nutrition Discretionary Grants Limited Availability	Indirect	10.579	N/A	4/10/2023-6/30/2023	-	-	8,735	8,735	8,735	-
Total Assistance Listing Number 10.579					22,872	-	51,902	51,902	29,030	-
State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition	Indirect	10.649	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	3,135	-	3,135	3,135	-	-
School Breakfast Program	Indirect	10.553	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	1,053,115	63,955	1,185,737	1,185,737	196,577	-
National School Lunch Program	Indirect	10.555	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	2,639,933	155,303	2,939,633	2,939,633	455,003	-
National School Lunch Program	Indirect	11.555	N/A	4/1/2022-6/30/2023	-	(124,826)	124,826	124,826	-	-
National School Lunch Program	Indirect	10.555	N/A	7/1/2022-6/30/2023	167,202	-	167,202	167,202	-	-
Passed Through the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture:										
National School Lunch Program	Indirect	10.555	N/A	7/1/2021-6/30/2022	309,890	93,455	313,487	313,487	97,052	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster					4,170,140	187,887	4,730,885	4,730,885	748,632	-
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture					4,196,147	187,887	4,785,922	4,785,922	777,662	-
Total Federal Awards					\$ 13,294,435	\$ 2,968,203	\$ 12,072,558	\$ 12,072,558	\$ 1,746,326	\$ -

* Program tested as major

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE A SCOPE OF THIS SCHEDULE

The federal programs as listed in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are accounted for by the School District in the General Fund for U.S. Department of Education and in the Food Service Fund for U.S. Department of Agriculture programs.

NOTE B BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The School District uses the modified accrual method of recording transactions except a 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 COMMODITIES

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 Assistance Listing Number 10.555 represent surplus food consumed by the District during the 2022-2023 fiscal year. The District has food commodities totaling \$97,052 in inventory as of June 30, 2023.

NOTE D 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, 2023 was \$1,388,755.

NOTE F ARRA PROGRAMS

The Qualified School Construction Bond Program ("QSCB") and Qualified Zone Academy Program ("QZAB") were authorized through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act ("ARRA"). These ARRA-funded programs are not covered by the single audit requirements and are not required to be included in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("SEFA") or in the determination of major programs. Federal subsidy reimbursements related to the QSCB and QZAB debt service payments are, therefore, not considered federal awards as it relates to the SEFA. The total amount of federal subsidy reimbursements received totaled \$81,655 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

NOTE F INDIRECT COST RATES

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

NOTE G RISK-BASED AUDIT APPROACH

The 2023 threshold for determining Type A programs is \$750,000. Two Type A programs were audited as major programs

The amount expended under programs audited as major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023, totaled \$4,829,210 or 40.00% of total federal awards.

NOTE H 2022 AUDIT NOTE

The 2022 SEFA understated the expenditures passed through Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency in the amount of \$1,107 for assistance listing number 84.425D.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

I. Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? Yes ___ no X
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)?
Yes _____ none reported X

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? Yes ___ No X

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? Yes ___ no X
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)?
Yes ___ none reported X

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

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR Section 200.516(a)? yes ___ no X

Identification of major programs:

Assistance Listing Numbers	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies
84.425	Education Stabilization Fund

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes X no ___

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

II. Findings related to the financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS.

None to be reported.

III. Findings and questioned costs for federal awards.

None to be reported.

EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

No prior year findings were reported.