

HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Basic Financial Statements,  
Supplementary Information and  
Independent Auditors' Report

June 30, 2024

# HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Education  
Hempstead Union Free School District

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Hempstead Union Free School District (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position 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 Auditors' 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

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 twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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

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

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

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.

## Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and the additional information on pages 59 through 63 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 the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with 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.

#### 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 other supplementary information as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The 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 other supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 16, 2024 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's 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.

EFPR Group, CPAs, PLLC

Williamsville, New York  
October 16, 2024

# **HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

The following is a discussion and analysis of the Hempstead Union Free School District’s (the District) financial performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. This section is a summary of the District’s financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, or conditions. It is also based on both the District-wide and fund based financial statements. The results of the current year are discussed in comparison with the prior year, with an emphasis placed on the current year. This section is only an introduction and should be read in conjunction with the District’s financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

## **1. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

- On the District-wide financial statements, the District’s total net deficit decreased by \$28,589,365, or 11.42% to a net deficit of \$(221,767,229). This was due to an excess of revenues over expenditures based on the accrual basis of accounting.
- On the District-wide financial statements, revenues increased by \$33,679,671, or 10.81%. The increase was attributed to increases in operating grants and contributions, State sources, and use of money and property offset by a decrease in capital grants and contributions.
- On the District-wide financial statements, expenses increased by 27,822,658, or 9.63%, primarily due to increases in general support, instruction, pupil transportation, and debt service-interest.
- The general fund total fund balance, as reflected in the Fund Financial Statements, increased by \$22,738,982. This increase was due to revenues and other financing sources exceeding expenditures and other financing uses based on the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- NYS Real Property Tax Law §1318 limits the amount of unexpended surplus funds a District can retain to no more than 4% of the District’s budget for the general fund for the ensuing fiscal year. For the fiscal year ended, June 30, 2024, the District general fund unassigned fund balance exceeds the legal limit. The District has developed a plan to comply with the legal limit by June 30, 2025.
- On May 21, 2024, the proposed 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$328,622,204 was authorized by the District’s residents. The budget passed by 75.56% of those who voted.
- On May 21, 2024, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$72,218,215 and use of the capital reserve not to exceed \$1,362,000 for improvements to the district’s infrastructure, including health and safety improvements.
- On May 21, 2024, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$7,350,000 and use of the capital reserve not to exceed \$138,000 for indoor air quality improvement and installation of classroom air conditioners for six schools.

## **2. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This annual report consists of four parts: management’s discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, required supplementary information and other supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are *District-wide financial statements* that provide both *short-term* and *long-term* information about the District’s *overall* financial status.

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- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on *individual parts* of the District, reporting the operations in *more detail* than the District-wide statements.
- The *governmental fund financial statements* tell how basic services such as regular and special education were financed in the *short-term* as well as what remains for future spending.

The financial statements also include notes that provide additional information about the financial statements and the balances reported. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District’s budget for the year. Table A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.

Table A-1: Organization of the District’s Annual Financial Report

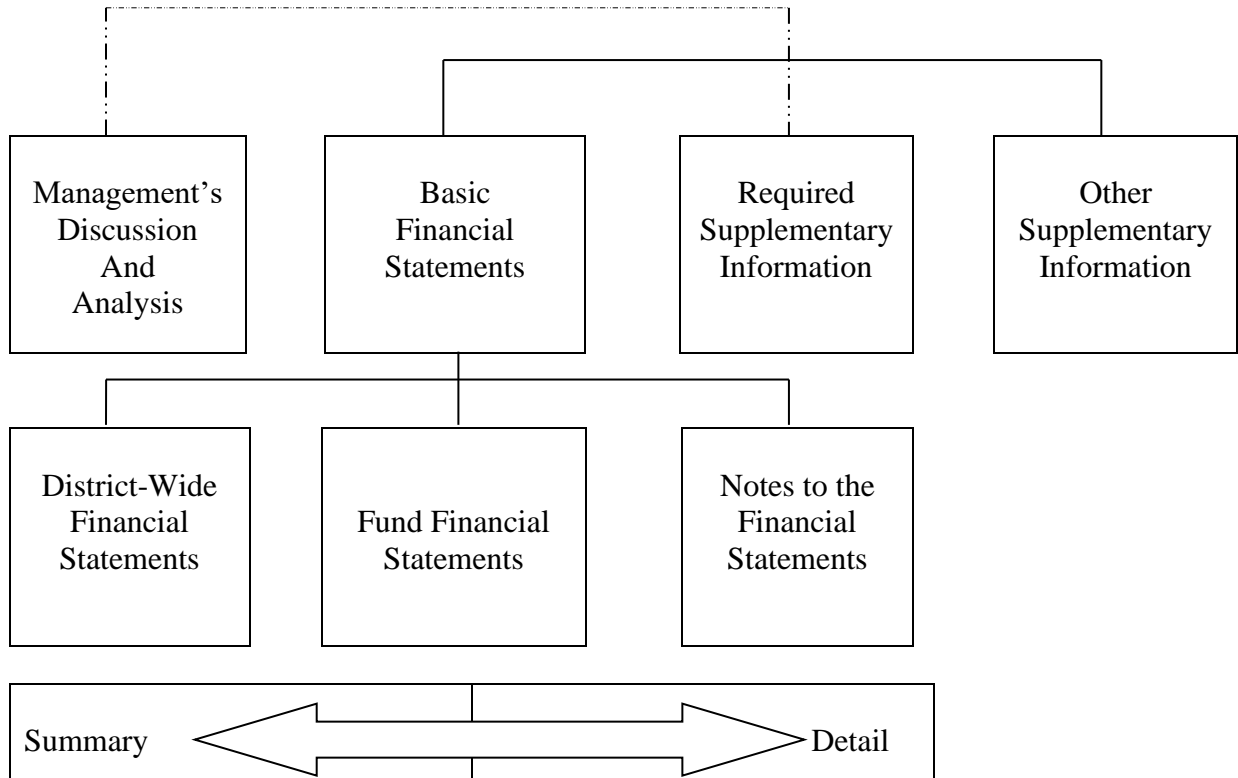


Table A-2 summarizes the major features of the District’s financial statements, including the portion of the District’s activities that they cover and the types of information that they contain. The remainder of this overview section of Management’s Discussion and Analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

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Table A-2: Major Features of the District-wide and Fund Financial Statements

	District-wide Financial Statements	Fund Financial Statements	
		Governmental	Fiduciary
Scope	Entire entity (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as instruction, special education and building maintenance	Instances in which the District administers resources on behalf of others
Required financial statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of Net Position</li> <li>• Statement of Activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance Sheet</li> <li>• Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of Fiduciary Net Position</li> <li>• Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position</li> </ul>
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual and current financial resources measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/deferred outflows of resources/ liability/deferred inflows of resources information	All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally, assets and deferred outflows of resources expected to be used up and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources that come due or available during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets, deferred outflows of resources (if any), liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources (if any) both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
Type of inflow and outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year; regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during the year or soon thereafter; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid



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**A. District-Wide Financial Statements:**

The District-wide financial statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two District-wide financial statements report the District's net position and how it has changed. Net position, the difference between the assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases and decreases in the District's net position is an indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- For assessment of the overall health of the District, additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of buildings and other facilities should be considered.

In the District-wide financial statements, the District's activities are shown as *Governmental Activities*. Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation and administration. Property taxes and state aid finance most of these activities.

Net position of the governmental activities differ from the governmental fund balances because governmental fund level statements only report transactions using or providing current financial resources. Also, capital assets are reported as expenditures when financial resources (money) are expended to purchase or build said assets. Likewise, the financial resources that may have been borrowed are considered revenue when they are received. The principal and interest payments are both considered expenditures when paid. Depreciation is not calculated if it does not provide or reduce current financial resources. Finally, capital assets and long-term debt are both accounted for in account groups and do not affect the fund balances.

District-wide financial statements are reported utilizing an economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting that involves the following steps to format the Statement of Net Position:

- Capitalize current outlays for capital assets;
- Report long-term debt as a liability;
- Depreciate capital assets and allocate the depreciation to the proper program/activities;
- Calculate revenue and expense using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting; and
- Allocate net position balances as follows:
  - *Net investment in capital assets* consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

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- *Restricted net position* are those with constraints placed on the use by external sources (creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of governments) or approved by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- *Unrestricted net position (deficit)* includes net amounts that do not meet any of the above restrictions.

**B. Fund Financial Statements**

The Fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District’s funds. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to keep track of specific revenue sources and spending on particular programs. The funds have been established by the laws of the State of New York. The District has one kind of fund to report:

- *Governmental funds:* Most of the basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the programs of the District. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the District-wide financial statements, additional information in separate schedules explains the relationship (or differences) between them. In summary, the governmental fund statements focus primarily on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources and often has a budgetary orientation. Included are the general fund, special aid fund, school food service fund, special revenue fund, capital projects fund and the debt service fund. Required statements are the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances.

**3. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE**

**A. Net Position**

The District’s total net deficit decreased by \$28,589,365 between fiscal year 2024 and 2023, as detailed in Table A-3.

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Table A-3: Condensed Statement of Net Position-Governmental Activities

	Fiscal Year 2024	Fiscal Year 2023	Increase / (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Current and other assets	\$ 124,122,340	\$ 105,051,826	\$ 19,070,514	18.15%
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	116,559,715	99,655,930	16,903,785	16.96%
Right to use assets - lease assets, net of accumulated amortization	-	63,860	(63,860)	(100.00%)
Total Assets	240,682,055	204,771,616	35,910,439	17.54%
Deferred outflows of resources	72,368,395	95,701,523	(23,333,128)	(24.38%)
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$ 313,050,450</u>	<u>\$ 300,473,139</u>	<u>\$ 12,577,311</u>	4.19%
Current liabilities	\$ 70,665,162	102,442,186	(31,777,024)	(31.02%)
Long-term liabilities	72,199,879	32,709,357	39,490,522	120.73%
Net pension liabilities - proportionate share	10,479,410	15,056,531	(4,577,121)	(30.40%)
Total other post-employment benefits obligation	284,558,163	282,787,841	1,770,322	0.63%
Total Liabilities	437,902,614	432,995,915	4,906,699	1.13%
Deferred inflows of resources	96,915,065	117,833,818	(20,918,753)	(17.75%)
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>534,817,679</u>	<u>550,829,733</u>	<u>(16,012,054)</u>	(2.91%)
Net investment in capital assets	37,787,214	46,180,921	(8,393,707)	(18.18%)
Restricted	44,462,739	26,390,741	18,071,998	68.48%
Unrestricted (deficit)	(304,017,182)	(322,928,256)	18,911,074	5.86%
Total Net Position (deficit)	<u>(221,767,229)</u>	<u>(250,356,594)</u>	<u>28,589,365</u>	11.42%
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position (deficit)	<u>\$ 313,050,450</u>	<u>\$ 300,473,139</u>	<u>\$ 12,577,311</u>	4.19%

Current and other assets increased by \$19,070,514 as compared to the prior year. This was primarily due to increases in restricted cash, taxes receivable and State and federal aid receivable offset by decreases in unrestricted cash and due from other governments.

Capital assets, net increased by \$16,903,785, as compared to the prior year. This increase is the result of current year asset acquisitions in excess of depreciation expense (see Note 10).

Right to use assets-lease assets, net decreased by \$63,860, as compared to prior year. This is the result of current amortization expense (see Note 11).

Deferred outflows of resources decreased by \$23,333,128. Deferred outflows of resources represents contributions to the pension subsequent to the measurement dates and actuarial adjustments of the pension and total other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plans that will be amortized in future years. See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 15 "Pension Plans" and Note 16 "Post-employment Benefits Other than Pensions" for additional information.

Current liabilities decreased by \$31,777,024, as compared to the prior year. This decrease was primarily due to decreases in accrued liabilities, bond anticipation note payable, and compensated absences payable offset by increases in accounts payable, accrued interest payable, due to other governments, and unearned credits – collections in advance.

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Long-term liabilities increased by \$39,490,522, as compared to the prior year. This increase was primarily due to a bond issuance and bond premium received, offset by principal payments for bonds payable, energy performance contract debt, and leases payables, and decreases in compensated absences and workers' compensation claims payable.

Net pension liability - proportionate share decreased by \$4,577,121. This decrease is due to fluctuations in the actuarially determined net pension liability of the NYSERS and NYSTRS. This was the result of several factors including differences between expected and actual experience, changes in the assumptions related to the pension plans, net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments and, any change in the District's proportionate share to the plans as a whole. See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 15 "Pension Plans" for additional information.

The District's OPEB obligation increased over the prior year by \$1,770,322. This was the result from several factors including service cost and interest offset by changes in assumptions or other inputs and the District's benefit payments. See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 16 "Post-employment Benefits Other than Pensions" for additional information.

Deferred inflows of resources decreased by \$20,918,753 due to decreases related to actuarial adjustments at the pension plan level and in total other post-employment benefits liability, that will be amortized in future years. See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 15 "Pension Plans" and Note 16 "Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions" for additional information.

The net investment in capital assets relates to the investment in capital assets at cost such as land, construction in progress, buildings and building improvements, furniture and equipment and site improvements, net of depreciation and related debt as well, right to use assets, net of amortization and related debt. This number decreased from the prior year by \$8,393,707 due to depreciation and amortization expense in excess of capital asset additions and principal payments on related debt.

The restricted amount of \$44,462,739 relates to the District's restricted reserves. This balance increased over the prior year by \$18,071,998. During the current year, the Board of Education approved transfers to the workers' compensation reserve of \$4,000,000, retirement contributions reserve – NYSERS of \$2,000,000, the retirement contribution reserve – NYTRS of \$1,300,000, the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability reserve of \$1,500,000 and the Capital Reserve of \$8,000,000. See section 4 of this management's discussion and analysis, financial analysis of the District's funds for further details.

The unrestricted net position (deficit) in the amount of \$(304,017,182) relates to the balance of the District's net position (deficit). The unrestricted net position (deficit) decreased from the prior year by \$18,911,074. Net position (deficit) overall decreased by \$28,589,365.

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**B. Changes in Net Position**

The results of operations as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities. A summary of this statement for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

Table A-4: Change in Net Position from Operating Results Governmental Activities

	2024	2023	Increase / (Decrease)	Percentage Change
<b>Revenues</b>				
Program Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 1,197,838	\$ 1,653,988	\$ (456,150)	(27.58%)
Operating grants and contributions	35,994,223	31,292,734	4,701,489	15.02%
Capital grants and contributions	869,013	2,837,994	(1,968,981)	(69.38%)
General Revenues				
Property taxes and other tax items	81,352,579	81,467,217	(114,638)	(0.14%)
State sources	216,822,034	187,964,585	28,857,449	15.35%
Use of money and property	3,952,088	1,124,232	2,827,856	251.54%
Other	5,162,815	5,330,169	(167,354)	(3.14%)
Total Revenues	<u>345,350,590</u>	<u>311,670,919</u>	<u>33,679,671</u>	10.81%
<b>Expenses</b>				
General support	33,357,933	30,316,594	3,041,339	10.03%
Instruction	262,405,780	240,864,025	21,541,755	8.94%
Pupil transportation	10,804,157	9,902,354	901,803	9.11%
Community services	28,654	12,067	16,587	137.46%
Food service program	4,348,048	3,922,042	426,006	10.86%
Debt service - interest	5,816,653	3,921,485	1,895,168	48.33%
Total Expenses	<u>316,761,225</u>	<u>288,938,567</u>	<u>27,822,658</u>	9.63%
Total Change in Net Position	<u>\$ 28,589,365</u>	<u>\$ 22,732,352</u>	<u>\$ 5,857,013</u>	25.77%

The District's total fiscal year 2024 revenues were \$345,350,590 (See Table A-4). Property taxes and other tax items, and State sources accounted for 23.56% and 62.78% of the total revenues, respectively (See Table A-5). The remainder came from fees charged for services, operating grants and contributions, capital grants and contributions, use of money and property and other miscellaneous sources.

The District's revenues increased by \$33,679,671, or 10.81%, which is primarily attributable to increases in operating grants and contributions, State sources, and use of money and property offset by decreases in charges for services and capital grants and contributions. State sources increased by \$28,857,449 primarily as a result of an increase in general aid offset by a decrease in BOCES aid.

The total cost of all programs and services totals \$316,761,225 for fiscal year 2024. These expenses are predominantly related to instruction expenses and caring for (pupil services) and transporting students, which account for 86.25% of District expenses (See Table A-6). The District's general support activities accounted for 10.53% of total costs.

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The District's expenses for the year increased by \$27,822,658, or 9.63%, which is primarily attributable to increases in general support of \$3,041,339 or 10.03%, instruction of \$21,541,755 or 8.94%, pupil transportation expenses of \$901,803, or 9.11% and debt-service interest of \$1,895,168 or 48.33%. These increases are primarily attributable to the increases in central services, special items, instructional expenses, pupil transportation and increases interest rate on borrowings.

Table A-5 - Revenues for Fiscal Year 2024 (see Table A-4):

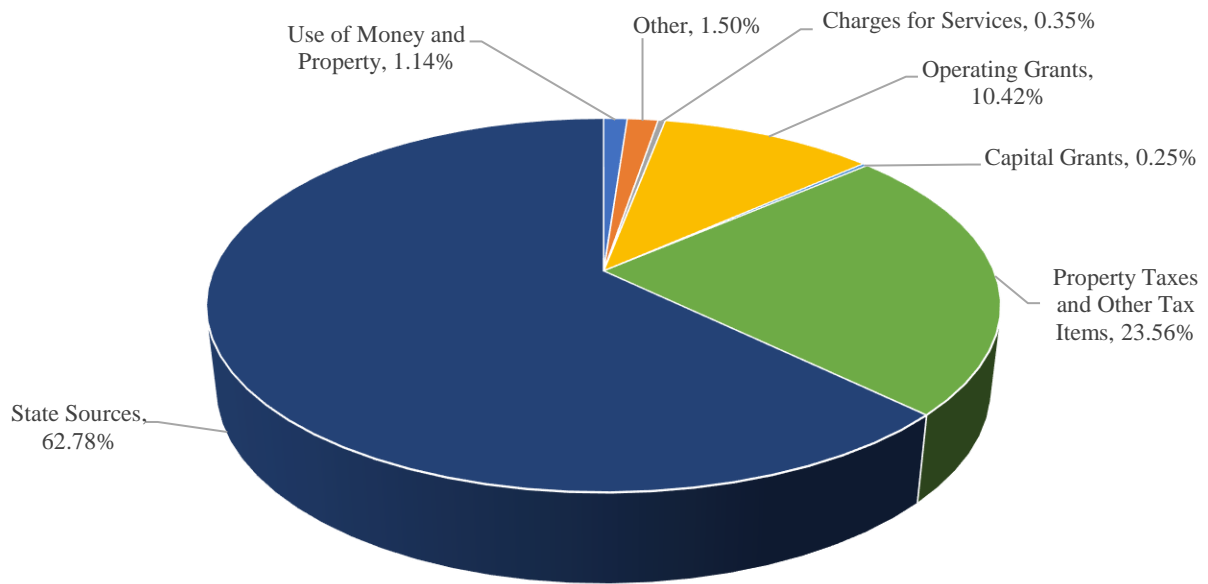
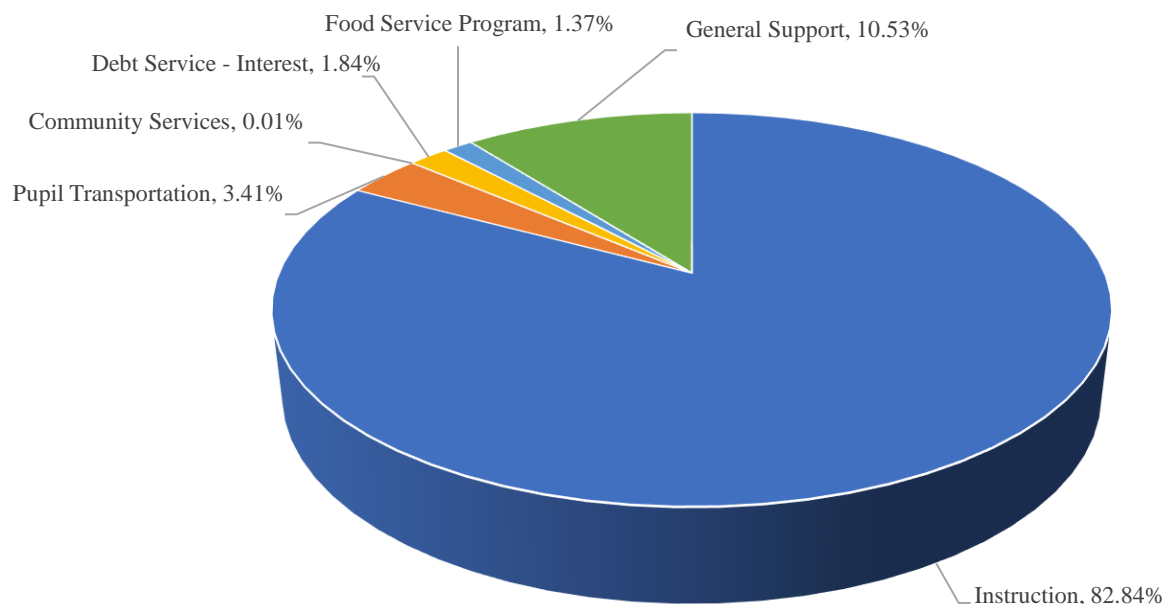


Table A-6 - Expenses for Fiscal Year 2024 (see Table A-4):



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**4. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS**

Variances between years for the Governmental Fund Financial Statements are not the same as variances between years for the District-wide Financial Statements. The District's governmental funds are presented on the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Based on this presentation, governmental funds do not include long-term debt liabilities for the funds' projects and capital assets purchased by the funds. Governmental funds will include the proceeds received from the issuance of debt, the current payments for capital assets, and the current payments for debt.

At June 30, 2024, the District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$54,595,580, which is a increase of \$52,033,486 over the prior year. This increase is primarily attributed to an increase in fund balance in the general fund, school food service fund, and capital projects fund offset by decreases in fund balance in the special revenue fund and the debt service fund. A summary of the change in fund balance by fund is as follows:

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	2024	2023	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percentage Change
<b>General Fund</b>				
Restricted for workers' compensation	\$ 10,868,316	\$ 6,544,294	\$ 4,324,022	66.07%
Restricted for retirement contribution -NYSERS	7,393,391	5,138,951	2,254,440	43.87%
Restricted for workers' compensation -NYSTRS	4,233,411	2,795,023	1,438,388	51.46%
Restricted for employee benefit accrued liability	7,878,766	6,077,839	1,800,927	29.63%
Restricted for unemployment insurance	1,228,666	1,170,702	57,964	4.95%
Restricted for insurance	455,010	433,544	21,466	4.95%
Restricted for capital	10,786,452	4,084,233	6,702,219	164.10%
Assigned - appropriated for: subsequent year's expenditures	5,812,059	5,812,059	-	0.00%
Assigned - unappropriated for:				
General support	599,207	238,649	360,558	151.08%
Instruction	60,536	494,452	(433,916)	(87.76%)
Employee benefits	20,443	498	19,945	4005.02%
Unassigned fund balance	18,168,964	11,975,995	6,192,969	51.71%
Total Fund Balance - General Fund	67,505,221	44,766,239	22,738,982	50.79%
<b>School Food Service Fund</b>				
Nonspendable - inventory	2,046	36,090	(34,044)	(94.33%)
Assigned	448,092	58,429	389,663	666.90%
Total Fund Balance - School Food Service Fund	450,138	94,519	355,619	376.24%
<b>Special Revenue Fund</b>				
Restricted for Scholarships	19,022	18,658	364	1.95%
Restricted for Extraclassroom and other Student Activities	99,075	116,574	(17,499)	(15.01%)
Total Fund Balance - School Food Service Fund	118,097	135,232	(17,135)	(12.67%)
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>				
Restricted	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	100.00%
Unassigned	(14,978,506)	(42,444,819)	27,466,313	64.71%
Total Fund Balance - Capital Projects Fund	(13,478,506)	(42,444,819)	28,966,313	68.24%
<b>Debt Service Fund</b>				
Restricted	-	10,923	(10,923)	(100.00%)
Total Fund Balance - Debt Service Fund	-	10,923	(10,923)	(100.00%)
Total Fund Balance - all funds	\$ 54,594,950	\$ 2,562,094	\$52,032,856	2030.87%



**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**A. General Fund**

The general fund – fund balance increased by \$22,738,982 during the year as compared to an increase of \$16,596,279 in the prior year. Actual operating revenues increased by \$31,861,684, mainly due to increases in use of money and property of \$2,820,740, and State sources of \$28,885,282. Other financing sources increased by \$11,465, due to a transfer from the debt service fund. Actual operating expenditures increased \$22,709,203, mainly due to increases in general support of \$1,839,266, instruction of \$16,342,943, pupil transportation of \$895,817, employee benefits of \$1,779,781, debt service-interest of \$3,000,853 offset by a decrease debt service-principal of \$1,159,757. The general fund transferred \$596,754 and \$3,152,993 to the special aid and capital projects funds, respectively.

**B. School Food Service Fund**

The net change in the school food service fund – fund balance is an increase of \$355,619 during the year as compared to an increase of \$482,169 in the prior year. This increase was primarily due to operating revenue in excess of expenditures.

**C. Special Revenue Fund**

The net change fund balance in the special revenue fund is due to scholarships and extraclassroom, other student activities expenditures exceeding revenues.

**D. Capital Projects Fund**

The net change in the capital projects fund – fund balance is an increase of \$28,966,313, which is primarily due to operating revenues, bond issuance, premium on bonds received, and operating transfers from the general fund in excess capital outlay for the year.

**E. Debt Service Fund**

The net change in the debt service – fund balance is a decrease of \$10,923, which is the result of an operating transfer to the general fund offset by interest earned for the year.

**5. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

**A. 2023-2024 Adopted Budget**

The District’s general fund original budget for the year ended June 30, 2024 was \$299,399,866. This amount was increased by encumbrances carried forward from the prior year in the amount of \$733,599 and budget revisions of \$2,628,993, which resulted in a final budget of \$302,762,458. The majority of the funding for the final budget was estimated to come from property taxes and STAR revenues of \$75,934,370 and state aid of \$212,453,437.

**B. Change in General Fund’s Unassigned Fund Balance (Budget to Actual)**

The general fund’s unassigned fund balance is a component to total fund balance that is the residual of prior years’ excess revenues over expenditures, net of transfers to reserves and designations to fund subsequent years’ budgets. It is this balance that is commonly referred to as “Fund Balance”. The change in this balance demonstrated through a comparison of the actual revenues and expenditures for the year compared to budget are as follows:

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Opening, unassigned fund balance	\$ 11,975,995
Revenues and other financing over budget	15,633,474
Expenditures and encumbrances under budget	15,548,973
Budget revision - HS Pool Remediation	(1,077,993)
Transfers to reserves	(16,800,000)
Allocation of interest to reserves	(1,299,426)
Assigned, appropriated for June 30, 2025 budget	<u>(5,812,059)</u>
Closing, unassigned fund balance	<u><u>\$ 18,168,964</u></u>

Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance

The \$11,975,995 shown in the table is the portion of the District's June 30, 2023 fund balance that was retained as unassigned. The unassigned fund balance equaled 4.00% of the ensuing year's budget, which is within the statutory maximum of 4.00% according to New York State Real Property Tax Law.

Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Budget

The revenues and other financing sources over budget of \$15,633,474 were primarily attributable to other real property tax items, charges for services, use of money and property, sale of property and compensation for loss, miscellaneous revenues, state sources, and federal sources. (See Supplemental Schedule 1 for details).

Expenditures and Other Financing Uses and Encumbrances Under Budget

The expenditures and other financing uses and encumbrances under budget of \$15,548,973 were primarily in staff, central services, special items, instruction, administration and improvement, teaching – regular school, programs for children with disabilities, instructional media, pupil services, employee benefits, and debt service principal, offset by occupational education, pupil transportation, and debt service interest. (See Supplemental Schedule 1 for details).

Budget Revision

On April 17, 2024, the District's Board of Education approved an emergency repair in the amount of \$1,077,993 for remediation of the Hempstead High School pool. This was recorded as a budget revision within the general fund.

Transfers to Reserves

Monies transferred from budget lines within the general fund operating budget into required reserves do not affect the combined fund balance unless, and until these monies are actually expended. The transfers do, however, reduce the District's discretion regarding the use of these transferred monies, and thus, reduce the unassigned portion of the fund balance by the amount of the transfers. During the current year, the District transferred \$4,000,000 to the workers' compensation reserve, \$2,000,000 to the retirement contribution reserve-employees' retirement system, \$1,300,000 to the retirement contribution reserve-teachers' retirement system, \$1,500,000 to the employee benefit accrued liability reserve, and \$8,000,000 to the capital reserve.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Interest Allocated to Reserves

Revenues such as interest earned in a general fund reserve increase the reserve and, therefore, decrease the unassigned portion of the general fund-fund balance.

Workers' compensation	\$ 324,022
Retirement contribution - NYS employees' retirement system	254,440
Retirement contribution - NYS teachers' retirement system	138,388
Employee benefit accrued liability	300,927
Unemployment insurance	57,964
Capital	202,219
Insurance	21,466
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Total interest allocation	<u><u>\$ 1,299,426</u></u>

Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance

The District has chosen to use \$5,812,059 of its available June 30, 2024 fund balance to partially fund its 2024-2025 voter approved operating budget.

Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance

Based upon the summarized changes shown in the previous table, the District will begin the 2024-2025 fiscal year with an unassigned fund balance of \$18,168,964. This is an increase of \$6,192,968 in unassigned fund balance from the prior year. This amount is 5.53% of the 2024-2025 adopted budget and exceeds the statutory maximum of 4.00% established by New York State Real Property Tax Law.

**6. CAPITAL ASSET, RIGHT TO USE ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**A. Capital Assets**

The District paid for equipment and various building additions and renovations during the fiscal year 2024. A summary of the District's capital assets net of depreciation are as follows:

Table A-8: Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

Category	2024	2023	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Land	\$ 1,695,948	\$ 1,695,948	\$ -	0.00%
Construction in progress	33,330,407	14,936,541	18,393,866	123.15%
Buildings and improvements	131,774,613	131,774,613	-	0.00%
Furniture and equipment	5,591,933	4,812,448	779,485	16.20%
Site improvements	2,324,180	2,324,180	-	0.00%
Subtotal	174,717,081	155,543,730	19,173,351	12.33%
Less accumulated depreciation	58,157,366	55,887,800	2,269,566	4.06%
Total	<u><u>\$ 116,559,715</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,655,930</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,903,785</u></u>	16.96%

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

The District spent \$18,393,866 from the capital projects fund on building improvements and purchases of furniture and equipment, and \$464,264, \$230,767 and \$84,454 from the general fund, school lunch fund and special aid fund, respectively, on furniture and equipment purchases during the year.

**B. Right to Use Assets**

The District had right to use assets-lease assets, net of amortization for portable classroom at various District locations. As of June 30, 2024, those assets have been fully amortized and had net value of \$63,860 as of June 30, 2023. These assets were amortized over the shorter of the useful life of the asset or the life of the lease.

**C. Debt Administration**

At June 30, 2024, the District had total bonds payable, net of \$47,265,781 and energy performance contract debt of \$10,440,986. Principal payments were made in the amount of \$1,710,000 for serial bonds, \$71,858 for leases payable, and \$310,026 for energy performance contract debt. See Note 14 for more detailed information about the District's long-term debt.

A summary of the outstanding debt at June 30, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

	2024	2023	Increase (Decrease)
Serial bonds, including premium	\$ 47,265,781	\$ 7,150,000	\$ 40,115,781
Energy performance contract debt payable	10,440,986	10,751,012	(310,026)
Leases payable	-	71,858	(71,858)
 Total Debt	 <u>\$ 57,706,767</u>	 <u>\$ 17,972,870</u>	 <u>\$ 39,733,897</u>

On May 15, 2018, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$46,844,112 for the demolition and replacement of the Marguerite G. Rhodes School. As of June 30, 2024, the District has issued \$39,400,000 of bonds, received a bond premium of \$2,430,000 utilized to provide permanent financing for the related projects, \$2,116,293 of funding was provided by State sources and \$2,477,819 from the general fund. Unissued bonds at June 30, 2024 are \$420,000.

The District's latest underlying, long-term credit rating from Standard & Poors. is A/ Stable.

**7. FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE**

- A.** On May 21, 2024 the proposed 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$328,622,204 was authorized by the District's residents. The budget passed by 75.56% of those who voted. This is an increase of \$29,222,338, or 9.76% over the previous year's budget. The increase was primarily due to increases in instruction and transportation services.
- B.** On May 15, 2018, 71.77% of the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$46,844,112 for the demolition and replacement of the Marguerite G. Rhodes School. As of June 30, 2024, the District has issued \$39,400,000 of bonds, received a bond premium of \$2,430,000 utilized to provide permanent financing for the related projects, \$2,116,293 of funding was provided by State sources and \$2,477,819 from the general fund. Unissued bonds at June 30, 2024 are \$420,000.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

- C.** On May 17, 2022, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$44,216,156 for the replacement of roofs and windows and health & safety improvements in District schools and issuance of bonds not to exceed \$42,280,453 for the addition, alterations and improvements to the ABGS Middle School. The District has not issued any bonds related to these projects.
- D.** On May 21, 2024, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$72,218,215 and use of the capital reserve not to exceed \$1,362,000 for improvements to the District's infrastructure, including health and safety improvements. Additionally, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$7,350,000 and use of the capital reserve not to exceed \$138,000 for indoor air quality improvement and installation of classroom air conditioners for six schools. As of June 30, 2024, the District has not issued any bonds related to these projects.
- E.** Future budgets may be negatively affected by certain trends impacting school districts. These factors include rising health care premiums, increased costs associated with meeting the requirements for instructional services, uncertainty with state aid and the enactment of the Real Property Tax Levy Limit (Tax Cap) Law by New York State which will continue to impact the District's ability to fund its current cost of services (see below).
- F.** The District issued revenue anticipation notes on July 10, 2024, in the amount of \$43,000,000, which will mature on June 30, 2025 bearing a stated interest rate of 4.5%. The District received a premium of \$227,125 with the borrowing to yield an effective interest rate of 3.96%.
- G.** The District issued bond anticipation notes on July 10, 2024, in the amount of \$51,600,000, which will mature on July 10, 2025 bearing a stated interest rate of 4.5%. The District received a premium of \$276,305 with the borrowing to yield an effective interest rate of 3.96%.
- H.** The District's payments to the District's charter school for the year ended June 30, 2024, totaled \$74,128,715 which equated to 26.2% of the General Fund's total expenditures. During the year ending June 30, 2025, enrollment at the charter school is expected to increase and another charter school is expected to open during the year ending June 30, 2027. There is an expectation of significant increased costs to the District.

**8. CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the finances of the District and to demonstrate our accountability with the money we receive. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact:

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**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

**ASSETS**

**Current assets**

Cash		
Unrestricted	\$	29,508,595
Restricted		48,384,215
Receivables		
Taxes receivable		4,103,553
State and federal aid		39,682,157
Due from other governments		1,488,944
Accounts receivable		952,830
Inventories		2,046

**Non-current assets**

Capital assets		
Capital assets not being depreciated		35,026,355
Capital assets being depreciated, net of accumulated depreciation		81,533,360

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>240,682,055</b>
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**DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Deferred outflows of resources - NYSERS	5,996,563
Deferred outflows of resources - NYSTRS	29,626,867
Total other post-employment benefit obligation	36,744,965

<b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>72,368,395</b>
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>\$ 313,050,450</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

Payables		
Accounts payable	\$	29,105,339
Accrued liabilities		1,828,439
Accrued interest payable		2,513,617
Bond anticipation note payable		25,000,000
Due to other governments		2,562,948
Due to teachers' retirement system		8,046,332
Due to employees' retirement system		623,694
Compensated absences payable		310,267

Unearned credits		
Collections in advance		674,526

Long-term liabilities		
Due and payable within one year		
Bonds payable, net		1,691,250
Energy performance contract debt		634,448
Compensated absences payable		1,000,000
Total other post-employment benefits obligation		7,721,937
Due and payable after one year		
Bonds payable, net		45,574,531
Energy performance contract debt		9,806,538
Compensated absences payable		6,072,781
Termination benefits payable		359,000
Workers' compensation claims payable		7,061,331
Net pension liability - proportionate share NYSERS		6,262,036
Net pension liability - proportionate share NYSTRS		4,217,374
Total other post-employment benefits obligation		276,836,226

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>437,902,614</b>
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**DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Deferred inflows of resources - NYSERS	3,457,611
Deferred inflows of resources - NYSTRS	2,737,673
Total other post-employment benefits obligation	90,719,781

<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>96,915,065</b>
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**NET POSITION**

Net investment in capital assets	<b>37,787,214</b>
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Restricted		
Workers' compensation		10,868,316
Retirement contribution - NYS employees' retirement system		7,393,391
Retirement contribution - NYS teachers' retirement system		4,233,411
Employee benefit accrued liability		7,878,766
Unemployment insurance		1,228,666
Insurance		455,010
Capital projects		12,286,452
Scholarships		19,022
Extraclassroom and other student activities		99,705
		<b>44,462,739</b>

Unrestricted (deficit)	<b>(304,017,182)</b>
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<b>TOTAL NET POSITION (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(221,767,229)</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>\$ 313,050,450</b>
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See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

		<b>Program Revenues</b>		
	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Charges for Services</b>	<b>Operating Grants and Contributions</b>	<b>Capital Grants and Contributions</b>
<b>FUNCTIONS / PROGRAMS</b>				<b>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</b>
General support	\$ (33,357,933)	\$ -	\$ 1,769,198	\$ -
Instruction	(262,405,780)	1,098,871	29,517,541	810,019
Pupil transportation	(10,804,157)	-	-	-
Community services	(28,654)	-	-	-
Food service program	(4,348,048)	98,967	4,707,484	58,994
Debt service - interest	(5,816,653)	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNCTIONS AND PROGRAMS</b>	<u><u>\$ (316,761,225)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,197,838</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 35,994,223</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 869,013</u></u>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES</b>				
Real property taxes				72,431,333
Other tax items - including STAR reimbursement				8,921,246
Use of money and property				3,952,088
Sale of property and compensation for loss				693,273
Miscellaneous				4,187,742
State sources				216,822,034
Medicaid reimbursement				281,800
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES</b>				<u>307,289,516</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>				28,589,365
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION (DEFICIT) - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>				<u>(250,356,594)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR</b>				<u><u>\$ (221,767,229)</u></u>

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

	General	Special Aid	School Food Service	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash							
Unrestricted	\$ 26,847,988	\$ 303,098	\$ 517,348	\$ -	\$ 1,840,161	\$ -	\$ 29,508,595
Restricted	44,344,012	-	-	105,937	3,934,266	-	48,384,215
Receivables							
Taxes receivable	4,103,553	-	-	-	-	-	4,103,553
State and federal aid	5,358,551	31,749,228	441,758	-	2,132,620	-	39,682,157
Due from other governments	1,488,944	-	-	-	-	-	1,488,944
Accounts receivable	938,478	14,352	-	-	-	-	952,830
Due from governmental funds	29,545,385	-	-	15,915	5,279,710	-	34,841,010
Inventories	-	-	2,046	-	-	-	2,046
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 112,626,911</b>	<b>\$ 32,066,678</b>	<b>\$ 961,152</b>	<b>\$ 121,852</b>	<b>\$ 13,186,757</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 158,963,350</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE</b>							
Payables							
Accounts payable	\$ 25,180,560	\$ 2,100,820	\$ 155,571	\$ 3,125	\$ 1,665,263	\$ -	\$ 29,105,339
Accrued liabilities	1,727,049	101,390	-	-	-	-	1,828,439
Bond anticipation note payable	-	-	-	-	25,000,000	-	25,000,000
Due to other governments	2,562,948	-	-	-	-	-	2,562,948
Due to governmental funds	5,295,625	29,189,942	355,443	-	-	-	34,841,010
Due to teachers' retirement system	8,046,332	-	-	-	-	-	8,046,332
Due to employees' retirement system	623,694	-	-	-	-	-	623,694
Compensated absences	310,267	-	-	-	-	-	310,267
Unearned credits							
Collections in advance	-	674,526	-	-	-	-	674,526
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>43,746,475</b>	<b>32,066,678</b>	<b>511,014</b>	<b>3,125</b>	<b>26,665,263</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>102,992,555</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>							
Unavailable revenue	1,375,215	-	-	-	-	-	1,375,215
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>1,375,215</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,375,215</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>							
Nonspendable							
Inventory	-	-	2,046	-	-	-	2,046
Restricted							
Workers' compensation	10,868,316	-	-	-	-	-	10,868,316
Retirement contribution - NYS employees' retirement system	7,393,391	-	-	-	-	-	7,393,391
Retirement contribution - NYS teachers' retirement system	4,233,411	-	-	-	-	-	4,233,411
Employee benefit accrued liability	7,878,766	-	-	-	-	-	7,878,766
Unemployment insurance	1,228,666	-	-	-	-	-	1,228,666
Insurance	455,010	-	-	-	-	-	455,010
Capital	10,786,452	-	-	-	1,500,000	-	12,286,452
Scholarships	-	-	-	19,022	-	-	19,022
Extraclassroom and other student activities	-	-	-	99,705	-	-	99,705
Assigned							
Appropriated fund balance	5,812,059	-	-	-	-	-	5,812,059
Unappropriated fund balance	680,186	-	448,092	-	-	-	1,128,278
Unassigned							
Unassigned fund balance (deficit)	18,168,964	-	-	-	(14,978,506)	-	3,190,458
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>67,505,221</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>450,138</b>	<b>118,727</b>	<b>(13,478,506)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,595,580</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 112,626,911</b>	<b>\$ 32,066,678</b>	<b>\$ 961,152</b>	<b>\$ 121,852</b>	<b>\$ 13,186,757</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 158,963,350</b>



**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2024**

Total Governmental Fund Balances \$ 54,595,580

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

The costs of the building and acquiring capital assets (land, buildings, equipment) financed from the governmental funds are reported as expenditures in the year they are incurred, and the assets do not appear on the balance sheet. However, the Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets among the assets of the District as a whole, and their original costs are expensed annually over their useful lives.

Original cost of capital assets	\$ 174,717,081	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(58,157,366)</u>	116,559,715

Deferred inflows of resources - The Statement of Net Position recognized revenues received under the full accrual method. Governmental funds recognize revenues under the modified accrual method.		1,375,215
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Proportionate share of long-term liability, and deferred outflows and inflows associated with participation in the State retirement systems are not current financial resources or obligations and are not reported in the funds:

Proportionate share of net pension liability - NYSTRS	(4,217,374)	
Proportionate share of net pension liability - NYSERS	(6,262,036)	
Deferred outflows of resources - NYSERS and NYSTRS pension related	35,623,430	
Deferred inflows of resources - NYSERS and NYSTRS pension related	<u>(6,195,284)</u>	18,948,736

Long-term liability and related deferred outflows and inflows associated with total other post-employment benefit obligation are not current financial resources or obligations and are not reported in the funds:

Deferred outflows of resources - OPEB related	36,744,965	
Total other post-employment benefits obligation	(284,558,163)	
Deferred inflows of resources - OPEB related	<u>(90,719,781)</u>	(338,532,979)

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, net, 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, net	(47,265,781)	
Energy performance contract debt	(10,440,986)	
Workers' compensation claims payable	(7,061,331)	
Compensated absences payable	(7,072,781)	
Termination benefits payable	<u>(359,000)</u>	(72,199,879)

Interest payable applicable to the District's activities are due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported in the fund financial statements. However, these liabilities are included in the Statement of Net Position.

(2,513,617)

Total Net Position (Deficit)		<u><u>\$ (221,767,229)</u></u>
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**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	General	Special Aid	School Food Service	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>							
Real property taxes	\$ 72,431,333	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,431,333
Other tax items - including STAR reimbursement	8,921,246	-	-	-	-	-	8,921,246
Charges for services	1,561,919	-	-	-	-	-	1,561,919
Use of money and property	3,943,878	-	6,218	1,450	-	542	3,952,088
Sale of property and compensation for loss	693,273	-	-	-	-	-	693,273
Miscellaneous	4,400,628	-	140	82,309	-	-	4,483,077
Interfund revenues	176,872	-	-	-	-	-	176,872
Local sources	-	32,737	-	-	-	-	32,737
State sources	216,849,867	10,951,889	145,497	-	782,186	-	228,729,439
Medicaid reimbursement	281,800	-	-	-	-	-	281,800
Federal sources	-	20,302,113	4,449,479	-	-	-	24,751,592
Surplus food	-	-	171,502	-	-	-	171,502
Sales	-	-	98,967	-	-	-	98,967
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>309,260,816</b>	<b>31,286,739</b>	<b>4,871,803</b>	<b>83,759</b>	<b>782,186</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>346,285,845</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
General support	25,417,458	1,769,198	-	-	-	-	27,186,656
Instruction	194,491,707	30,114,295	-	100,264	-	-	224,706,266
Pupil transportation	10,702,850	-	-	-	-	-	10,702,850
Community services	18,000	-	-	-	-	-	18,000
Employee benefits	43,073,346	-	806,051	-	-	-	43,879,397
Debt service - principal	3,686,884	-	-	-	-	-	3,686,884
Debt service - interest	5,393,307	-	-	-	-	-	5,393,307
Cost of sales	-	-	3,710,133	-	-	-	3,710,133
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	18,393,866	-	18,393,866
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>282,783,552</b>	<b>31,883,493</b>	<b>4,516,184</b>	<b>100,264</b>	<b>18,393,866</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>337,677,359</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>26,477,264</b>	<b>(596,754)</b>	<b>355,619</b>	<b>(16,505)</b>	<b>(17,611,680)</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>8,608,486</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND USES</b>							
Premium on obligations	-	-	-	-	2,430,000	-	2,430,000
Proceeds from serial bonds	-	-	-	-	39,400,000	-	39,400,000
BANs redeemed from appropriations	-	-	-	-	1,595,000	-	1,595,000
Operating transfers in	11,465	596,754	-	-	3,152,993	-	3,761,212
Operating transfers (out)	(3,749,747)	-	-	-	-	(11,465)	(3,761,212)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(3,738,282)</b>	<b>596,754</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,577,993</b>	<b>(11,465)</b>	<b>43,425,000</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>22,738,982</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>355,619</b>	<b>(16,505)</b>	<b>28,966,313</b>	<b>(10,923)</b>	<b>52,033,486</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>44,766,239</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>94,519</b>	<b>135,232</b>	<b>(42,444,819)</b>	<b>10,923</b>	<b>2,562,094</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 67,505,221</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 450,138</b>	<b>\$ 118,727</b>	<b>\$ (13,478,506)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 54,595,580</b>

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Net Change in Fund Balance \$ 52,033,486

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

Long-Term Revenue and Expense Differences

Deferred inflows of resources - The Statement of Net Position recognized revenue received under the full accrual method. Governmental funds recognize revenue under the modified accrual method.	(758,383)	
In the Statement of Activities, compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned or incurred during the year. In the governmental funds, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used. Compensated absences payable for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:	161,004	
In the Statement of Activities, termination benefits payable are measured by the amounts earned or incurred during the year. In the governmental funds, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used. Termination benefits payable for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:	9,500	
Workers' compensation claims payable in the Statement of Activities differs from the amounts reported in the governmental funds because the expense is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due. In the Statement of Activities, the payable is recognized as it accrues regardless of when it is due. Workers' compensation claims payable for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:	72,871	
Total other post-employment benefits obligation in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because the expense is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due. In the Statement of Activities, the payable is recognized as it accrues regardless of when it is due. Total other post-employment benefits obligation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:	(1,770,322)	
Deferred inflows related to total other post-employment benefits in the Statement of Activities require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Deferred inflows related to total other post-employment benefits for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:	22,757,298	
Deferred outflows related to total net other post-employment benefits in the Statement of Activities require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Deferred inflows related to total other post-employment benefits for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:	(14,471,004)	

Capital Related Differences

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are capitalized and shown in the Statement of Net Position and allocated over their useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation and loss on disposals in the period:

Capital outlays	\$ 19,173,351	
Depreciation expense	<u>(2,269,566)</u>	16,903,785

Right-to-use assets-lease assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities, those costs are capitalized and shown in the Statement of Net Position and allocated over their useful lives as annual amortization expense in the Statement of Activities.

	(63,860)	
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Long-Term Debt Transaction Differences

Repayment of long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not affect the Statement of Activities.

Bonds payable	1,710,000	
Energy performance contract debt	310,026	
Leases payable	<u>71,858</u>	2,091,884

Proceeds from the issuance of bonds is an other funding source in the governmental funds, but it increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not affect the Statement of Activities.

	(39,400,000)	
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Governmental funds may report the premium, discounts, and similar items on bonds issuance as revenues or expenditures. These amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities.

	(2,430,000)	
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The amortization of the bonds premiums, net of the amortization of the deferred charges on the bond issuances, decreases interest expense in the Statement of Activities.

	4,219	
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Interest on short and long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amounts reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statements of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues regardless of when it is due. Accrued interest for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 changed by:

	(427,565)	
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Pension Differences

Increases/decreases in proportionate share of net pension liability and related deferred inflows and outflows reported in the Statement of Activities do not provide for or require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues or expenditures in the governmental funds.

New York State Employees' retirement system	(826,847)	
New York State Teachers' retirement system	<u>(5,296,701)</u>	<u>(6,123,548)</u>

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 28,589,365

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF CERTAIN SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

The financial statements of Hempstead Union Free School District (the District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Significant accounting principles and policies utilized by the District are described as follows:

**A) Reporting entity:**

The District is governed by the laws of New York State. The District is an independent entity governed by an elected Board of Education (the Board) consisting of five members. The President of the Board serves as the chief fiscal officer and the Superintendent is the chief executive officer. The Board is responsible for, and controls all activities related to public school education within the District. Board members have the authority to make decisions, power to appoint management, and primary accountability for all fiscal matters.

The reporting entity of the District is based upon criteria set forth by GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units* and GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus-An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*. The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of the District. The District is not a component unit of another reporting entity. The decision to include a potential component unit in the District's reporting entity is based on several criteria including legal standing, fiscal dependency, and financial accountability. Based on the application of these criteria, there are no other entities that would be included in the District's reporting entity.

**B) Joint venture:**

The District is a component district in the Nassau Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES). A BOCES is a voluntary, cooperative association of school districts in a geographic area that shares planning, services, and programs, which provide educational and support activities. There is no authority or process by which a school district can terminate its status as a BOCES component.

BOCES is organized under Section §1950 of the New York State Education Law. A BOCES Board is considered a corporate body. Members of a BOCES Board are nominated and elected by their component member boards in accordance with provisions of Section-§1950 of the New York State Education Law. All BOCES property is held by the BOCES Board as a corporation (§1950(6)). In addition, BOCES Boards also are considered municipal corporations to permit them to contract with other municipalities on a cooperative basis under Section §119-n(a) of the New York State General Municipal Law (GML).

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

A BOCES' budget is comprised of separate budgets for administrative, program and capital costs. Each component district's share of administrative and capital cost is determined by resident public school district enrollment, as defined in the New York State Education Law, Section §1950(4)(b)(7). In addition, component districts pay tuition or a service fee for programs in which its students participate.

**C) Basis of presentation:**

**i) District-Wide Financial Statements:**

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present financial information about the District's governmental activities. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government in its entirety, except those that are fiduciary. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of interfund transactions. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, state aid, intergovernmental revenues, and other exchange and non-exchange transactions. Operating grants and contributions include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants and donations for scholarships, while the capital grants column reflects capital specific grants, if applicable.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between program expenses and revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses, principally employee benefits, are allocated to functional areas in proportion to the payroll expended for those areas. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

**ii) Fund Financial Statements:**

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The District financial statements reflect the following major funds:

**General Fund:** This is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial transactions that are not required to be accounted for in another fund.

**Special Aid Fund:** This fund accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, such as federal and state grants, that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. These legal restrictions may be imposed either by governments that provide the funds, or by outside parties.

**School Food Service Fund:** This fund is used to account for the activities of the District's school lunch operations, which are supported by federal and state grants and charges to participants for its services.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund:** This fund is used to account for assets held by the District in accordance with grantor or contributor stipulations. Other activities included in this fund are scholarships and extraclassroom and other student activities.

**Capital Projects Fund:** These funds are used to account for the financial resources used for acquisition, construction, renovation, or major repair of capital facilities and other capital assets, such as equipment.

**Debt Service Fund:** This fund accounts for the accumulation of resources and the payment of principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of governmental activities. When a capital asset is sold and all or a portion of the bonds used to finance the capital asset are outstanding, this fund must be used to account for the proceeds from the sale of capital assets up to the balance of related bonds outstanding.

The District's financial statements report no fiduciary activities as defined in GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities* (GASB 84).

**D) Measurement focus and basis of accounting:**

Accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The District-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the District gives or receives value without directly, receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within 180 days after the end of the fiscal year, except for real property taxes, which are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, compensated absences, pension costs, other post-employment benefits which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**E) Real property taxes:**

Real property taxes are levied annually by the Board of Education no later than August 15<sup>th</sup>, and become a lien on October 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>. Taxes are collected by the Town of Hempstead and remitted to the District during the period October 1<sup>st</sup> through November 10<sup>th</sup>, and April 1<sup>st</sup> through May 10<sup>th</sup> without penalty.

Uncollected real property taxes are subsequently enforced by Nassau County (the County). The County pays an amount representing uncollected real property taxes transmitted to the County for enforcement to the District no later than the following April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**F) Restricted resources:**

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net resources are available, the District's policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use, and with associated legal requirements, many of which are described elsewhere in these Notes.

**G) Interfund transactions:**

The operations of the District include transactions between funds. These transactions may be temporary in nature, such as with interfund borrowings. The District typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of providing cash flow. These interfund receivables and payables are expected to be repaid within one year. Permanent transfers of funds include the transfer of expenditure and revenues to provide financing or other services.

Eliminations have been made for all interfund receivables and payables between the funds.

The governmental funds report all interfund transactions as originally recorded. Interfund receivables and payables may be netted on the accompanying governmental funds balance sheet when it is the District's practice to settle these amounts at a net balance based upon the right of legal offset.

Refer to Note 12 for a detailed disclosure by individual fund for interfund receivables, payables, expenditures and revenues activity.

**H) Estimates:**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingencies at the date of the financial statements and the reported revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are made in a variety of areas, including computation of encumbrances, leases payable, compensated absences, termination benefits, claims payable, workers' compensation claims, net pension liability – proportionate share, potential contingent liabilities, other postemployment benefits, and useful lives of capital and right to use assets.

**I) Cash and cash equivalents:**

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

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**J) Restricted cash:**

Certain cash balances are restricted by various legal and contractual obligations, such as legal reserves and debt agreements.

**K) Receivables:**

Receivables are shown net of allowance for uncollectible amounts, when applicable. An allowance for uncollectible accounts represents the portion of receivables that is not expected to be collected.

**L) Inventories and prepaid items:**

Inventories of food in the school food service fund are recorded at cost on a first-in, first-out basis, or in the case of surplus food donated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, at the Federal Government's assigned value, which approximates market. Purchases of inventoriable items in other funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase and are considered immaterial in amount.

An amount for these non-liquid assets (inventories) has been recognized in the school food service fund as non-spendable fund balance under GASB Statement No. 54 to signify that a portion of fund balance is not available for other subsequent expenditures.

Prepaid items represent payments made by the District for which benefits extend beyond year-end. These payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the District-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the Statement of Net Position or Balance Sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of purchase and an expense/expenditure is reported in the year the goods or services are consumed. The District has no prepaid items as of June 30, 2024.

**M) Capital assets:**

Capital assets are reported at actual cost when available or estimated historical costs, based on appraisals conducted by independent third-party professionals. Donated assets are reported at acquisition value at the time received.

Capitalization thresholds (the dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts), depreciation methods, and estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the District-wide financial statements are as follows:

	Capitalization Threshold	Depreciation Method	Estimated Useful Life
Building and building improvements	\$ 15,000	Straight-line	50 years
Site improvements	\$ 15,000	Straight-line	20 years
Furniture and equipment	\$ 1,000	Straight-line	5-20 years



**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**N) Intangible assets - lease assets:**

Right to use - lease assets are reported at the present value of remaining future lease payments remaining on the lease term. The discount rate utilized is either the interest rate implicit within the lease agreement, or if not readily determinable, the District's estimated incremental borrowing rate. These right-to-use lease assets are amortized over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Capitalization thresholds (the dollar value above which right-to-use lease asset acquisitions are added to the right-to-use lease asset accounts), amortization methods, and estimated useful lives of right-to-use lease assets reported in the District-wide Financial Statements follow the same thresholds as noted above for capital assets.

**O) Collections in advance:**

Collections in advance arise when the District receives resources before it has legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incidence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both recognition criteria are met, or when the District has legal claim to the resources, the liability for collections in advance is removed and revenues are recorded. See Note 9 for further detail.

**P) Deferred outflows and 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 represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period 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. These amounts are related to pensions and the other post-employment benefits reported in the District-Wide Statement of Net Position, and are detailed further in Notes 15 and 16.

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 represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. These amounts are related to pensions and other post-employment benefits reported in the District-Wide Statement of Net Position, and are detailed further in Notes 15 and 16.

The deferred inflows of resources on the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet will sometimes report deferred inflow of resources when potential revenues do not meet the availability criterion for recognition in the current period. These amounts are recorded as deferred inflows of resources. In subsequent periods, when the availability criterion is met, deferred revenues are reclassified as revenues. The District wide financial statements, however, report these deferred inflows as revenues in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting and economic resources measurement focus.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Q) Employee benefits – Compensated absences and termination benefits:**

Compensated absences

Compensated absences consist of unpaid accumulated annual sick leave and vacation time.

Sick leave eligibility and accumulation is specified in negotiated labor contracts, and in individual employment contracts. Upon retirement, resignation or death, employees may contractually receive a payment based on unused accumulated sick leave. Certain collectively bargained agreements may require these termination payments to be paid in the form of non-elective contributions into the employees' 403(b) plan.

The District employees are granted vacation in varying amounts, based primarily on length of service and service position. Some earned benefits may be forfeited if not taken within varying time periods.

Consistent with GASB Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*, the liability has been calculated using the vesting method and an accrual for that liability is included in the District-wide financial statements. The compensated absences liability is calculated based on the pay rates in effect at year-end.

In the fund financial statements only, the amount of matured liabilities is accrued within the general fund based upon expendable and available financial resources. These amounts are expensed on a pay-as-you go basis. The liability is reported only for payments due for unused compensated absences for those employees that have obligated themselves to separate from service with the District by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Termination benefits

In addition to the compensated absences, the teachers assistants contracts with the District provide for the lump sum payment upon termination of \$4,000, \$5,500 or \$8,500 after 10, 15 or 20 years of employment, respectively. The current estimated value of the payout is \$359,000 and is recorded as a long-term liability in the Statement of Net Position.

In the fund financial statements only the amount of matured liabilities is accrued within the general fund.

**R) Other benefits:**

District employees participate in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System or the New York State Teachers' Retirement System.

District employees may choose to participate in the District's elective deferred compensation plans established under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 457.

The District provides health insurance coverage for active employees pursuant to collective bargaining agreements and individual employment contracts.

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In addition to providing pension benefits, the District provides post-employment health insurance coverage and survivor benefits for retired employees and their survivors. Collective bargaining agreements determine if District employees are eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the District. Health care benefits are provided through plans whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. The cost of providing post-retirement benefits is shared between the District and the retired employee. The District recognizes the cost of providing health insurance by recording its share of insurance premiums as an expenditure in the governmental funds as the liabilities for premiums mature (come due for payment). In the District-wide statements, the cost of post-employment health insurance coverage is recognized on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75.

**S) Short-term debt:**

The District may issue Revenue Anticipation Notes (RAN) and Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN), in anticipation of the receipt of revenues. These notes are recorded as a liability of the fund that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of the notes. The RANs and TANs represent a liability that will be extinguished by the use of expendable, available resources of the fund.

The District may issue budget notes up to an amount not to exceed 5% of the amount of the annual budget during any fiscal year for expenditures for which there is an insufficient or no provision made in the annual budget. The budget note must be repaid no later than the close of the second fiscal year succeeding the year in which the note was issued.

The District may issue Bond Anticipation Notes (BAN), in anticipation of proceeds from the subsequent sale of bonds. These notes are recorded as current liabilities of the funds that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of bonds. State law requires that BANs issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term financing within five years after the original issue date.

The District may issue deficiency notes up to an amount not to exceed 5% of the amount of that same year's annual budget in any fund or funds arising from revenues being less than the amount estimated in the budget for that fiscal year. The deficiency notes may mature no later than the close of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which they were issued. However, they may mature no later than the close of the second fiscal year after the fiscal year in which they were issued, if the notes were authorized and issued after the adoption of the budget for the fiscal year following the year in which they were issued.

Refer to Note 13 for a detailed disclosure short-term debt activity.

**T) Accrued liabilities and long-term obligations:**

Payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the District-wide financial statements. In the governmental funds, payables and accrued liabilities are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources. claims and judgments, compensated absences, termination benefits, net pension liability-proportionate share, and other post-employment benefits that will be paid from governmental funds, are reported as a liability in the funds financial statements only to the extent they have matured. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements when due.

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Long-term obligations represent the District's future obligations or future economic outflows. The liabilities are reported as due within one year or due in more than one year in the Statement of Net Position.

**U) Equity classifications:**

**i) District-Wide Financial Statements**

In the District-wide financial statements there are three classes of net position:

Net investment in capital assets – Consists of net capital assets and right-to-use assets (cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, constructions or improvements of those assets (net of unspent proceeds).

Restricted net position – Reports net position when constraints placed on the assets are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position – Reports the balance of net position that does not meet the definition of the above two classifications and are deemed to be available for general use by the District.

**ii) Fund Financial Statements**

There are five classifications of fund balance as detailed below; however, in the District's fund financial statements there are four classifications of fund balance presented:

- 1) Non-spendable fund balance** - includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Non-spendable fund balance includes the inventory recorded in the school food service fund of \$2,046.
- 2) Restricted fund balance** - includes amounts with constraints placed on the use of resources either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments; or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Currently, New York State laws still use the terminology "reserves" and districts are allowed to use reserves authorized by law. The District has classified the following as restricted:

Workers' Compensation Reserve

Workers' Compensation Reserve (GML §6-j) must be used to pay for compensation benefits and other expenses authorized by Article 2 of the Workers' Compensation Law, and for payment of expenses of administering this self-insurance program. The reserve may be established by Board action, and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may either be transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. This reserve is accounted for in the general fund under restricted fund balance.

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Retirement Contribution Reserve

Retirement contribution reserve (GML§6-r) must be used for the purpose of financing retirement contributions payable to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System. The Board, by resolution, may establish the reserve and authorize expenditures from the reserve. The reserve is funded by budgetary appropriations or taxes raised for the reserve, revenues that are not required by law to be paid into any other fund or account, transfers from reserves and other funds that may be legally appropriated. The Board has adopted a resolution establishing a sub-fund for contributions to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System. During a fiscal year, the Board may authorize payment into the sub-fund of up to 2% of the total covered salaries paid during the preceding fiscal year, with the total amount funded not to exceed 10% of the total covered salaries during the preceding fiscal year. The sub-fund is separately administered, but must comply with all the existing provisions of General Municipal Law §6-r. These reserves are accounted for in the general fund under restricted fund balance.

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (GML §6-p) must be used to reserve funds for the payment of accrued employee benefit based on unused and unpaid sick leave, personal leave, holiday leave or vacation time due to an employee upon termination of the employee's service. This reserve may be established by a majority vote of the Board, and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other reserves and funds that may be legally appropriated. This reserve is accounted for in the general fund under restricted fund balance.

Unemployment Insurance Reserve

Unemployment insurance reserve (GML§6-m), must be used to pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund for payments made to claimants where the employer has elected to use the benefit reimbursement method. The reserve may be established by Board action and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may either be transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. If the District elects to convert to tax (contribution) basis, excess resources in the fund over the sum sufficient to pay pending claims may be transferred to any other restricted fund balance. This reserve is accounted for in the general fund as restricted fund balance.

Insurance Reserve

Insurance reserve (GML §6-n), must be used to pay liability, casualty and other types of losses, except losses incurred for which the following types of insurance may be purchased: life, accident, health, annuities, fidelity and surety, credit, title residual value and mortgage guarantee. In addition, this reserve may not be used for any purpose for which a special reserve may be established pursuant to law (for example, for unemployment compensation insurance). The reserve may be established by Board action, and funded by budgetary appropriations, or such other funds as may be legally appropriated. There is no limit on the amount that may be accumulated in the insurance reserve, however, the annual contribution to this reserve may not exceed the greater of \$33,000 or 5% of the budget. Settled or compromised claims up to \$25,000 may be paid from the reserve without judicial approval. This reserve is accounted for in the general fund as restricted fund balance.

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Capital Reserve

Capital Reserve (Education Law §3651) is used to pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued. The creation of a capital reserve fund requires authorization by a majority of the voters establishing the purpose of the reserve; the ultimate amount, its probable term and the source of the funds. Expenditure may be made from the reserve only for a specific purpose further authorized by the voters. The form for the required legal notice for the vote on establishing and funding the reserve and the form of the proposition to be placed on the ballot are set forth in §3651 of the Education Law. These reserves are accounted for in the general fund.

Restricted for Scholarships

Amounts restricted for scholarships are used to account for monies donated for scholarship purposes, net of earnings and awards. These restricted funds are accounted for in the special revenue fund under restricted fund balance and amounted to \$19,022 at June 30, 2024.

Restricted for Extraclassroom and Other Student Activities

Amounts restricted for extraclassroom and other student activities are used to account for funds contributed and deposited by students. These restricted funds are accounted for in the special revenue fund under restricted fund balance and amounted to \$99,705 at June 30, 2024.

- 3) **Committed fund balance** – includes amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District’s highest level of decision making authority (i.e., Board of Education). The District has no committed fund balances as of June 30, 2024.
- 4) **Assigned fund balance** – Includes amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint that represents an intended use established by the District’s Board of Education. The purpose of the assignment must be narrower than the purpose of the general fund, and in funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the residual amount of fund balance. Assigned fund balance includes an amount appropriated to partially fund the subsequent year’s budget. Assigned fund balance also includes encumbrances not classified as restricted or committed at the end of the fiscal year.
- 5) **Unassigned fund balance** - Includes the residual fund balance for the general fund and includes residual fund balance deficits of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of assigned fund balance amounts. Assignments of fund balance cannot cause a negative unassigned fund balance.

The capital projects fund had a deficit fund balance of \$14,978,506. This will be funded when the District obtains permanent financing from its current construction project through bond issuances.

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NYS Real Property Tax Law 1318 limits the amount of unexpended surplus funds a school district can retain to no more than 4% of the District's budget for the general fund for the ensuing fiscal year. Nonspendable and restricted fund balance of the general fund are excluded from the 4% limitation. Amounts appropriated for the subsequent year and encumbrances included in the assigned fund balance are also excluded from the 4% limitation.

The District's unassigned fund balance in the general fund at June 30, 2024 exceeds the legal limit. Refer to the Schedule of Change From Adopted Budget to Final Budget in the Other Supplementary Information.

Order of Use of Fund Balance:

The District's policy is to apply expenditures against nonspendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. For all funds, nonspendable fund balances are determined first and then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined. Any remaining fund balance amounts for funds other than the general fund are classified as restricted fund balance. In the general fund, committed fund balance is determined next and then assigned. The remaining amounts are reported as unassigned. Assignments of fund balance cannot cause a negative unassigned fund balance.

**V) Future changes in accounting standards:**

GASB has issued the following pronouncements which will be implemented in the years required. The effects of the implementation of these pronouncements are not known at this time.

Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. Effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023.

Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*. Effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024.

Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvement*. Effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025.

These are the statements that the District feels may have an impact on these financial statements and is not an all-inclusive list of GASB statements issued. The District will evaluate the impact other pronouncements may have on its financial statements and will implement them as applicable and when material.

**NOTE 2 – EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS AND THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS:**

Due to the differences in the measurement focus and basis of accounting used in the governmental fund statements and the District-wide statements, certain financial transactions are treated differently. The basic financial statements contain a full reconciliation of these items. The differences result primarily from the economic resource measurement focus of the District-wide statements, compared with the current financial resource measurement focus of the governmental funds.

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**(A) Total Fund Balances of Governmental Funds vs. Net Position of Governmental Activities:**

Total fund balances of the District's governmental funds differ from "net position" of governmental activities reported in the Statement of Net Position. The difference primarily results from the additional long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the solely current financial resources focus of the governmental fund Balance Sheets.

**(B) Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance vs. Statement of Activities:**

Differences between the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and the Statement of Activities fall into one of the four broad categories. The amounts shown below represent:

i) Long-term revenue and expense differences:

Long-term revenue differences arise because governmental funds report revenues only when they are considered "available", whereas the Statement of Activities reports revenues when earned. Differences in long-term expenses arise because governmental funds report on a modified accrual basis, whereas the accrual basis of accounting is used on the Statement of Activities, thereby affecting expenses such as compensated absences, workers' compensation, pension costs and other post-employment benefits.

ii) Capital related differences:

Capital related differences include the difference between proceeds for the sale of capital assets reported on governmental fund statements and the gain or loss on the sale of assets reported on the Statement of Activities, and the difference between recording an expenditure for the purchase of capital items in the fund statements and depreciation expense on those items as recorded in the Statement of Activities.

iii) Long-term debt transaction differences:

Long-term debt transaction differences occur because both interest and principal payments are recorded as expenditures in the fund statements, whereas interest payments are recorded in the Statement of Activities as incurred, and principal payments are recorded as a reduction of liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

iv) Pension differences:

Pension differences occur as a result of changes in the District's proportion of the collective net pension asset/liability and difference between the District's contributions and its proportionate share of the total contributions to the pension system.

**NOTE 3 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY:**

**A) Budgets:**

The District administration prepares a proposed budget for approval by the Board of Education for the following governmental funds for which legal (appropriated) budgets are adopted. The voters of the District approved the proposed appropriation budget for the general fund. Appropriations are adopted at the program line item level.



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Appropriations established by the adoption of the budget constitute a limitation on expenditures (and encumbrances) which may be incurred. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year unless expended or encumbered. Encumbrances will lapse if not expended in the subsequent year. Appropriations authorized for the current year are increased by the planned use of specific reserves, and budget amendments approved by the Board of Education as a result of selected new revenue sources not included in the original budget (when permitted by law). These supplemental appropriations may occur subject to legal restrictions, if the Board approves them because of a need that exists which was not determined at the time the budget was adopted. Supplemental appropriations that occurred during the fiscal year are shown on Supplemental Information – Schedule of Change from Adopted Budget to Final Budget. The following supplemental appropriations occurred during the fiscal year:

**Budget Revisions:**

Capital reserve proposition #2 and #3	\$ 1,500,000
Donations	51,000
Appropriated fund balance - HS pool remediation	<u>1,077,993</u>
Total Budget Revisions	<u><u>\$ 2,628,993</u></u>

Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with GAAP. Appropriations authorized for the year are increased by the amount of encumbrances carried forward.

Budgets are established and used for individual capital project funds expenditures as approved by a special referendum of the District's voters. The maximum project amount authorized is based primarily upon the cost of the project, plus any requirements for external borrowings, not annual appropriations. These budgets do not lapse and are carried over to subsequent fiscal years until the completion of the projects.

**B) Encumbrances:**

Encumbrance accounting is used for budget control and monitoring purposes and is reported as a part of the governmental funds. Under this method, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded to reserve applicable appropriations. Outstanding encumbrances as of year-end are presented as assignments or restrictions of fund balance and do not represent expenditures or liabilities. These commitments will be honored in the subsequent period. Related expenditures are recognized at that time, as the liability is incurred or the commitment is paid.

**NOTE 4 – CASH (AND CASH EQUIVALENTS) - CUSTODIAL CREDIT, CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT, INTEREST RATE AND FOREIGN CURRENCY RISKS:**

**A) Cash:**

New York State law governs the District's investment policies. Resources must be deposited in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the state. Permissible investments include obligations of the United States Treasury, United States agencies, repurchase agreements and obligations of New York State or its localities.

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Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by FDIC insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of the state and its municipalities and districts.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. GASB directs that deposits be disclosed as exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are as follows:

- A) Uncollateralized;
- B) Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution in the District's name; or
- C) Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the District's name.

None of the District's aggregate bank balances, not covered by depository insurance, were exposed to custodial credit risk as described above at year end.

All of the District's aggregate bank balances were covered by depository insurance or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution in the District's name at year end.

**Restricted cash:**

Restricted cash represents cash and cash equivalents where use is limited by the legal requirements. These assets represent amounts required by statute to be reserved for various purposes. Restricted cash at June 30, 2024 included \$48,384,215 within the governmental funds for general reserve purposes in the general fund, scholarships and extraclassroom and other student activities in the special revenue fund and unspent debt proceeds in capital projects fund.

**B) Investments:**

The District does not typically purchase investments for long enough duration to cause it to believe that it is exposed to any material interest rate risk. The District also does not typically purchase investments denominated in a foreign currency, and is not exposed to foreign currency risk.

**NOTE 5 – PARTICIPATION IN BOCES:**

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the District was billed \$46,456,200 for BOCES administrative and program costs. The District's share of BOCES aid amounted to \$4,601,130. Financial statements for the Nassau BOCES are available from the Nassau BOCES administrative office at 71 Clinton Road, Garden City, New York 11530.

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**NOTE 6 – STATE AND FEDERAL AID RECEIVABLE:**

State and federal aid receivable at June 30, 2024 consisted of the following:

General fund

New York State Aid

Excess cost aid	\$ 3,137,016
BOCES aid	2,121,858
General aid	71,844
DASNY grant	<u>27,833</u>
Total general fund	<u>5,358,551</u>

Special aid fund

State aid	11,566,300
Federal aid	<u>20,182,928</u>
Total special aid fund	<u>31,749,228</u>

School food service fund

State food service program reimbursement	7,433
Federal food service program reimbursement	375,331
DASNY grant	<u>58,994</u>
Total school food service fund	<u>441,758</u>

Capital projects fund

State aid - SmartBonds	<u>2,132,620</u>
Total capital projects fund	<u>2,132,620</u>
Total - all funds	<u><u>\$ 39,682,157</u></u>

District management has deemed the amounts to be fully collectible.

**NOTE 7 – DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS:**

Due from other governments at June 30, 2024 consisted of the following:

General fund

Other districts - tuition	<u>\$ 1,488,944</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 1,488,944</u></u>

The general fund receivables include \$1,375,215 of unavailable revenues, which are included in deferred inflows of resources on the balance sheet.

District management has deemed the amounts to be fully collectible.

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**NOTE 8 – DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS:**

Due to other governments at June 30, 2024 consisted of the following:

General fund	
Town of Hempstead - Excess levy	\$ 1,401,526
Other Districts - Tuition and health services	<u>1,161,422</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 2,562,948</u></u>

**NOTE 9 – COLLECTIONS IN ADVANCE:**

Collections in advance at June 30, 2024 consisted of the following:

Special aid fund	
Grant funds received in advance	<u><u>\$ 674,526</u></u>

**NOTE 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS:**

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements/ Reclassifications</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets that are not depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,695,948	-	-	1,695,948
Construction in progress	<u>14,936,541</u>	<u>18,393,866</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,330,407</u>
Total capital assets no depreciated	<u>16,632,489</u>	<u>18,393,866</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,026,355</u>
Capital assets that are depreciated:				
Building and building improvements	131,774,613	-	-	131,774,613
Furniture and equipment	4,812,448	779,485	-	5,591,933
Site improvements	<u>2,324,180</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,324,180</u>
Total depreciable historical cost	<u>138,911,241</u>	<u>779,485</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>139,690,726</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Building and building improvements	50,415,419	1,627,111	-	52,042,530
Furniture and equipment	3,465,691	605,055	-	4,070,746
Site improvements	<u>2,006,690</u>	<u>37,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,044,090</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>55,887,800</u>	<u>2,269,566</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,157,366</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u><u>\$ 99,655,930</u></u>	<u><u>16,903,785</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>116,559,715</u></u>

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Depreciation expense and loss on disposals were charged to governmental functions as follows:

General support	\$ 83,892
Instruction	2,097,492
Transportation	25,551
School food service	62,631
	<u>\$ 2,269,566</u>

**NOTE 11 – RIGHT TO USE ASSETS - LEASE ASSETS**

The following schedule summarizes the District's right to use assets - lease assets activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:				
Right to use assets - lease assets				
Portable classrooms	\$ 1,915,810	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,915,810
Total right to use assets -	-	-	-	-
lease assets being amortized	1,915,810	-	-	1,915,810
Less accumulated amortization				
Portable classrooms	1,851,950	63,860	-	1,915,810
Total accumulated amortization	1,851,950	63,860	-	1,915,810
Total right to use assets - lease assets, net	<u>\$ 63,860</u>	<u>\$ (63,860)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Amortization expense of \$63,860 was charged to governmental functions as instruction.

**NOTE 12 – INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS:**

	Interfund Receivable	Interfund Payable	Interfund Revenues	Interfund Expenditures
General fund	\$ 29,545,385	\$ 5,295,625	\$ 11,465	\$ 3,749,747
Special aid fund	-	29,189,942	596,754	-
School food service	-	355,443	-	-
Special revenue fund	15,915	-	-	-
Capital projects fund	5,279,710	-	3,152,993	-
Debt service fund	-	-	-	11,465
Total government activities	<u>\$ 34,841,010</u>	<u>\$ 34,841,010</u>	<u>\$ 3,761,212</u>	<u>\$ 3,761,212</u>

The District typically transfers from the general fund to the special aid fund to fund the District's 20% share of the summer school program for students with disabilities and the basic contribution required for Section 4201 state-supported school expenditures required by State Law.

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The District made a \$3,749,747 transfer from the general fund to the capital projects fund, \$575,000 in accordance with the voter approved 2023-2024 school budget to fund various school improvement projects, \$1,500,000 in accordance with voter approved use of the capital reserve, and \$1,077,993 for the Hempstead High School pool remediation project due to the health and safety of students.

The District made a \$11,465 transfer from the debt service fund to the general fund to return accumulated funds in the debt service fund to offset debt service expenditures.

The District typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of mitigating the effects of transient cash flow issues.

All interfund payables are expected to be repaid within one year.

**NOTE 13 - SHORT-TERM DEBT:**

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the District issued and redeemed revenue anticipation notes in the amount of \$43,000,000 and bond anticipation notes in the amount of \$42,660,000. Additionally, the District issued bond anticipation notes in the amount of \$25,000,000 and redeemed \$68,425,000 of bond anticipation notes. The debt was issued for interim financing of general fund operations and capital projects. Transactions in short-term debt for the year are summarized below:

	Maturity	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Issued	Redeemed	Ending Balance
BAN	7/12/2023	4.00%	25,040,000	-	25,040,000	-
BAN	7/12/2023	4.50%	18,385,000	-	18,385,000	-
BAN	4/29/2024	4.00%	25,000,000	-	25,000,000	-
RAN	6/28/2024	5.00%	-	43,000,000	43,000,000	-
BAN	7/11/2024	4.75%	-	42,660,000	42,660,000	-
BAN	7/11/2024	4.00%	-	10,000,000	-	10,000,000
BAN	7/11/2024	4.25%	-	15,000,000	-	15,000,000
Total			<u>\$ 68,425,000</u>	<u>\$ 110,660,000</u>	<u>\$ 154,085,000</u>	<u>\$ 25,000,000</u>

Interest on short-term debt for the year was composed of:

	Total
Interest paid	\$ 4,612,997
Less interest accrued in the prior year	(1,651,947)
Plus interest accrued in the current year	<u>2,149,419</u>
Total expense	<u>\$ 5,110,469</u>

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**NOTE 14 – LONG-TERM DEBT OBLIGATIONS:**

Long-term liability balances and activity for the year are summarized below:

	Beginning Balance	Issued	Redeemed	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
General obligation debt:					
Bonds payable	\$ 7,150,000	\$ 39,400,000	\$ 1,710,000	\$ 44,840,000	\$ 1,590,000
Add: Deferred premium on bond issuance	-	2,430,000	4,219	2,425,781	101,250
	7,150,000	41,830,000	1,714,219	47,265,781	1,691,250
Energy performance contract debt payable	10,751,012	-	310,026	10,440,986	634,448
Leases payable	71,858	-	71,858	-	-
Other long-term liabilities:					
Compensated absences payable	7,233,785	133,331	294,335	7,072,781	1,000,000
Termination benefits payable	368,500	-	9,500	359,000	-
Workers' compensation claims payable	7,134,202	2,720,027	2,792,898	7,061,331	-
Net pension liability-					
proportionate share-NYSERS	8,090,517	1,951,939	3,780,420	6,262,036	-
Net pension liability-					
proportionate share-NYSTRS	6,966,014	7,009,060	9,757,700	4,217,374	-
Total other post-employment benefits obligation	282,787,841	21,261,064	19,490,742	284,558,163	7,721,937
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$330,553,729</u>	<u>\$ 74,905,421</u>	<u>\$ 38,221,698</u>	<u>\$367,237,452</u>	<u>\$ 11,047,635</u>

The general fund has typically been used to liquidate long-term liabilities such as compensated absences, termination benefits, workers' compensation claims payable, net pension liability and total other post-employment benefits obligation.

On June 15, 2024, the District issued bonds in the amount of \$39,400,000 and received a bond premium of \$2,430,000 which is being utilized to provide permanent financing for the related capital projects. The bonds have a stated rate of 4.125% to 5.00% and mature on June 15, 2048.

**A) Bonds payable**

Existing serial and statutory bond obligations are comprised of the following:

Description	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Interest Rate	Outstanding at Year End
Serial Bonds	07/18/13	07/15/28	3.00 - 4.00%	\$ 3,320,000
QZAB Bonds	10/02/13	07/15/28	1.15 - 5.30%	1,875,000
Serial Bonds	07/17/14	07/15/24	2.00 - 3.00%	245,000
Serial Bonds	06/15/24	06/15/48	4.125-5.00%	39,400,000
				<u>\$ 44,840,000</u>

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The following is a summary of debt service requirements for bonds payable:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 1,590,000	\$ 2,642,304	\$ 4,232,304
2026	1,940,000	2,025,296	3,965,296
2027	2,030,000	1,935,436	3,965,436
2028	2,125,000	1,839,456	3,964,456
2029	2,215,000	1,737,842	3,952,842
2030-2034	6,350,000	7,687,469	14,037,469
2035-2039	8,095,000	5,933,719	14,028,719
2040-2044	10,340,000	3,695,969	14,035,969
2045-2048	10,155,000	1,068,169	11,223,169
	<u>\$ 44,840,000</u>	<u>\$ 28,565,660</u>	<u>\$ 73,405,660</u>

Unissued Debt

On May 15, 2018, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$46,844,112 for the demolition and replacement of the Marguerite G. Rhodes School. As of June 30, 2024, the District has issued \$39,400,000 of bonds, received a bond premium of \$2,430,000 utilized to provide permanent financing for the related projects, \$2,116,293 of funding was provided by State sources and \$2,477,819 from the general fund. Unissued bonds at June 30, 2024 are \$420,000.

On May 17, 2022, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$44,216,156 for the replacement of roofs and windows and health & safety improvements in District schools. As of June 30, 2024, the District has not issued any bonds related to this project.

On May 17, 2022, the voters authorized the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$42,280,453 for the addition, alterations and improvements to the ABGS Middle School. As of June 30, 2024, the District has not issued any bonds related to this project.

**B) Energy performance contract:**

Energy performance contract debt is comprised of the following:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Outstanding at Year End</u>
Energy performance debt	7/26/2022	7/26/2037	3.06%	<u>\$ 10,440,986</u>



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The following is a summary of debt service requirements for the energy performance contract:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 634,448	\$ 316,691	\$ 951,139
2026	654,136	297,002	951,138
2027	674,436	276,702	951,138
2028	695,366	255,773	951,139
2029	716,945	234,193	951,138
2030-2034	3,932,590	823,100	4,755,690
2035-2038	3,133,065	195,918	3,328,983
	<u>\$ 10,440,986</u>	<u>\$ 2,399,379</u>	<u>\$ 12,840,365</u>

**C) Leases Payable**

On September 1, 2028, the District entered into lease agreements for portable classrooms bearing an interest rate of 5.0%. The lease agreements matured on August 31, 2023. As June 30, 2024, the District has no outstanding lease agreements.

**D) Bond Premium**

On June 15, 2024, the District issued bonds and received a bond premium which is being amortized as a component of interest expense on a straight-line basis over the life of the bonds on the district-wide statements as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Deferred Premium</u>
2025	\$ 101,250
2026	101,250
2027	101,250
2028	101,250
2029	101,250
2030-2034	506,250
2035-2039	506,250
2040-2044	506,250
2045-2048	400,781
	<u>\$ 2,425,781</u>

**E) Long-Term Interest**

Interest on long-term debt for the year was comprised of:

	<u>Total</u>
Interest paid	\$ 780,310
Less interest accrued in the prior year	(434,105)
Plus interest accrued in the current year	364,198
Less amortization of bond premium	(4,219)
Total expense	<u>\$ 706,184</u>

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**NOTE 15 – PENSION PLANS:**

General information

The District participates in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System ("NYSERS") and the New York State Teachers' Retirement System ("NYSTRS") (collectively referred to as the "Systems").

Plan descriptions and benefits provided

*Employees' Retirement System*

The New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement system. NYSERS provides retirement benefits, as well as death and disability benefits. The net position of the System is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the System. The Comptroller of the State of New York serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of NYSERS. NYSERS benefits are established under the provisions of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law. Once a public employer elects to participate in NYSERS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The District also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan, which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. NYSERS is included within New York State's financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided, may be found at [www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php](http://www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php) or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

*Teachers' Retirement System*

The New York State Teachers' Retirement System is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement system. NYSTRS provides retirement benefits, as well as death and disability benefits to plan members and beneficiaries as authorized by the Education Law and the Retirement and Social Security Law of the State of New York. NYSTRS is governed by a 10 member Board of Trustees. NYSTRS benefits are established under New York State Law. Membership is mandatory and automatic for all full-time teachers, teaching assistants, guidance counselors and administrators employed in New York Public Schools and BOCES who elected to participate in NYSTRS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the System, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. Additional information regarding the System, may be obtained by writing to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, NY 12211-2395 or by referring to the NYSTRS Comprehensive Annual Financial report which can be found on the System's website at [www.nystrs.org](http://www.nystrs.org).

The Systems are noncontributory for the employee who joined prior to July 27, 1976 (tiers I and II). For employees who joined the Systems after July 27, 1976, and prior to January 1, 2010, employees contribute 3% of their salary (tiers III and IV). For NYSERS, employees who joined the system between January 1, 2010 and April 1, 2012, are required to contribute 3% of their salary (tier V). For NYSTRS, employees who joined the system between January 1, 2010 and April 1, 2012, are required to contribute 3.5% of their salary (tier V). In addition, employee contribution rates (3% to 6%) under NYSERS and NYSTRS tier VI

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(those who joined after April 1, 2012) vary based on a sliding salary scale. With the exception of NYSERS and NYSTRS tier V and VI employees, employees in the system more than ten years are no longer required to contribute. For NYSERS, the Comptroller certifies the rates expressed as proportions of members' payroll annually, which are used in computing the contributions required to be made by employers to the pension accumulation fund. Pursuant to Article 11 of the Education Law, the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board establishes rates annually for NYSTRS.

Contributions for the current year and two preceding years were equal to 100% of the contributions required, and were as follows:

Year	NYSERS	NYSTRS
2024	\$ 1,951,939	\$ 6,984,482
2023	\$ 1,480,210	\$ 7,009,060
2022	\$ 2,136,159	\$ 6,302,393

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

At June 30, 2024, the District reported the following asset for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for each of the Systems. The net pension liability was measured as of March 31, 2024 for NYSERS and June 30, 2023 for NYSTRS. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the Systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the NYSERS and NYSTRS Systems in reports provided to the District.

	NYSERS	NYSTRS
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	June 30, 2023
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 6,262,036	\$ 4,217,374
District's portion of the Plan's total net pension liability	0.0425293%	0.368785%
Change in proportion since the prior measurement date	0.0048008%	0.005762%

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$2,919,572 and \$12,278,620 for NYSERS and NYSTRS, respectively. At June 30, 2024 the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
	NYSERS	NYSTRS	NYSERS	NYSTRS
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 2,016,997	\$ 10,226,009	\$ 170,749	\$ 25,273
Changes of assumptions	2,367,535	9,079,881	3,058,971	1,978,910
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	-	2,155,838	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between the District's contributions and proportionate share of contributions	988,337	1,180,657	227,891	733,490
District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date	623,694	6,984,482	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 5,996,563</u>	<u>\$ 29,626,867</u>	<u>\$ 3,457,611</u>	<u>\$ 2,737,673</u>

District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Plan Year Ending	NYSERS	NYSTRS
2025	\$ (995,228)	1,845,919
2026	1,431,798	(1,987,340)
2027	2,004,123	17,206,508
2028	(525,435)	1,314,422
2029	-	927,899
Thereafter	-	597,304
	<u>\$ 1,915,258</u>	<u>19,904,712</u>

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Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liabilities as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liabilities to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

	NYSERS	NYSTRS
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	June 30, 2023
Actuarial valuation date	April 1, 2023	June 30, 2022
Interest rate	5.90%	6.95%
Salary scale	4.40%	1.95% - 5.18%
Decrement tables	April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2020 System's Experience	July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2020 System's Experience
Inflation rate	2.90%	2.40%
Cost of living adjustments	1.50%	1.30%

For NYSERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020 system experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on the Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2021. For NYSTRS, annuitant mortality rates are based on plan member experience, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on the Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2021, applied on a generational basis. Active member mortality rates are based on plan member experience.

For NYSERS, the actuarial assumptions used in the April 1, 2024 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020. For NYSTRS, the actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2022 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2020.

For NYSERS, 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 return, net of 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.

For NYSTRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice (ASOP) No. 27, *Selection of Economic Assumptions Measuring Pension Obligations*. ASOP No. 27 provides guidance on the selection of an appropriate assumed investment rate of return. Consideration was given to expected future real rates of return (expected returns net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class as well as historical investment data and plan performance.

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Best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation, as of the actuarial valuation date, are summarized in the following table:

	NYSERS		NYSTRS	
	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return *	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return *
Measurement date	March 31, 2023		June 30, 2022	
Asset Type:				
Domestic equity	32.0%	4.00%	33.0%	6.80%
International equity	15.0%	6.65%	16.0%	7.60%
Private equity	10.0%	7.25%	8.0%	10.10%
Real estate equity	9.0%	4.60%	11.0%	6.30%
Opportunistic/ ARS portfolio	3.0%	5.25%		
Real assets	3.0%	5.79%		
Fixed income	23.0%	1.50%		
Cash and cash equivalents	1.0%	0.25%	1.0%	0.30%
Credit	4.0%	5.40%		
Domestic fixed income securities			16.0%	2.20%
High-yield fixed income securities			1.0%	4.40%
Global bonds			2.0%	1.60%
Real estate debt			6.0%	3.20%
Global equities			4.0%	7.20%
Private debt			2.0%	6.00%
	<u>100.0%</u>		<u>100.0%</u>	

\* Real rates of return are net of a long-term assumption of 2.90% for NYSERS and 2.40% for NYSTRS.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to calculate the total pension liability was 5.90% for NYSERS and 6.95% for NYSTRS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially. Based upon the assumptions, the Systems' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Pension Liability to the Discount Rate Assumption

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) calculated using the discount rate of 5.90% for NYSERS and 6.95% for NYSTRS, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (4.90% for NYSERS and 5.95% for NYSTRS) or 1-percentage point higher (6.90% for NYSERS and 7.95% for NYSTRS) than the current rate:

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	1% Decrease (4.90%)	Current Assumption (5.90%)	1% Increase (6.90%)
<b>NYSERS</b>			
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (19,688,481)	\$ (6,262,036)	\$ 4,951,831
	1% Decrease (5.95%)	Current Assumption (6.95%)	1% Increase (7.95%)
<b>NYSTRS</b>			
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (64,232,742)	\$ (4,217,374)	\$ 46,258,146

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

The components of the current-year net pension liability of the employers as of the respective valuation dates, were as follows:

	NYSERS	NYSTRS
	(Dollars in Thousands)	
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	June 30, 2023
Employers total pension liability	\$ (240,696,851)	\$ (138,365,122)
Plan net position	225,972,801	137,221,537
Employers' net pension liability	\$ (14,724,050)	\$ (1,143,585)
Ratio of plan net position to the Employers' total pension liability	93.88%	99.17%

Payables to the Pension Plan

For NYSERS, employer contributions are paid annually based on the System's fiscal year which ends on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2024 represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 based on paid NYSERS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2024 amounted to \$623,694.

For NYSTRS, employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 are paid to the System in September, October and November 2024 through a state aid deduction and remittance to NYSTRS. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2024 represent employee and employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 based on paid NYSTRS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier and employee contributions for the fiscal year as reported to the NYSTRS System. Accrued employee retirement and employer contributions amounted to \$1,061,850 and \$6,984,482, respectively, as of June 30, 2024. Total accrued NYSTRS contributions as of June 30, 2024 amount to \$8,046,332.

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Pension Plans – Other

Tax Sheltered Annuities

The District has adopted a 403(b) plan covering all eligible employees. Employees may defer up to 100% of their compensation subject to Internal Revenue Code elective deferral limitations. Contributions made by employees for the year ended June 30, 2024, totaled \$3,511,814.

Deferred Compensation Plan

The District has established a deferred compensation plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code §457 for all employees. The District makes no contributions into this Plan. The amount deferred by eligible employees for the year ended June 30, 2024 totaled \$131,433.

**NOTE 16 – OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) OTHER THAN PENSIONS:**

**Plan Description and Benefits:**

The District's OPEB plan (the "Plan") primarily provides post-employment health insurance coverage to retired employees, their spouses and their covered dependents in accordance with the provisions of various employment contracts. Benefits are provided through the New York State Health Insurance Program, which is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by New York State. Article 37 of the Statutes of the State assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the District. The Plan does not issue a stand alone, publicly available report since there are no assets legally segregated for the sole purpose of paying benefits under the plan. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

**Benefits Provided:**

Authorization for the District to pay a portion (86% to 90%) of retiree health insurance premiums was enacted through various contracts, which were ratified by the Board. The District assumes a portion of the premium costs and recognizes the cost of the healthcare plan annually as an expenditure in the general fund of the fund financial statements as payments are accrue. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District contributed an estimated \$7,128,258 to the Plan including \$7,721,937 for current premiums and \$0 to prefund benefits. Currently, there is no provision in the law to permit the District to fund OPEB by any means other than the "pay as you go" method.

**Employees Covered by Benefit Terms:**

At July 1, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Actives	833
Retirees	545
Spouses of retirees	170
Surviving spouses	17
Total members	<u>1,565</u>



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**Total OPEB Liability:**

The District's total OPEB liability of \$284,558,163 was measured as of June 30, 2024 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022.

**Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs:**

The total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.40%
Discount rate	3.93%
Salary Scale	2.40%
Healthcare cost trend rates	5.80% for 2022 - 3.80% over 50 years
Retirees' share of benefit-related costs	10% to 14% of projected health insurance premiums

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Index. Trend rates are based on industry surveys.

Mortality rates were based on the PubT-2010 Headcount-Weighted Mortality Table for Teaching Positions and PubG-2010 Headcount-Weighted Mortality Table for Non-Teaching positions, both generationally projected using the MP-2021 Ultimate Scale with employees rates before commencement and healthy annuitant rates after benefit commencement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

**Changes in total OPEB liability:**

Total OPEB liability as of July 1, 2023	\$ 282,787,841
Service cost	10,688,828
Interest	10,572,236
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(11,768,805)
Benefit payments	<u>(7,721,937)</u>
Total net changes	<u>1,770,322</u>
Total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024	<u><u>\$ 284,558,163</u></u>

Changes in assumptions or other inputs include the following:

- The discount rate was changed from 3.65% to 3.93%.

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

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, calculated using the discount rate of 3.93%, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.93%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.93%) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (2.93%)	Discount Rate (3.93%)	1% Increase (4.93%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 330,047,118	\$ 284,558,163	\$ 247,709,186

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

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, calculated using current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (4.80%) or 1 percentage point higher (6.80%) than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	1% Decrease (4.80% Decreasing to 2.80%)	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates (5.80% Decreasing to 3.80%)	1% Increase (6.80% Decreasing to (4.80%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 239,037,369	\$ 284,558,163	\$ 342,763,844

**OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB:**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$1,205,965. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ (36,017,493)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	36,744,965	(54,702,288)
Total	\$ 36,744,965	\$ (90,719,781)

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Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	
2025	\$ (20,055,095)
2026	(14,945,340)
2027	(17,042,427)
2028	(1,844,094)
2029	<u>(87,860)</u>
	<u>\$ (53,974,816)</u>

**NOTE 17 – RISK MANAGEMENT:**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage, injuries, errors and omissions, natural disasters and other risks. These risks are covered by a combination of self-insurance reserves and commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past two years.

The District has established a self-insured plan for risks associated with workers' compensation claims. Liabilities of the plan are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. General Fund liabilities only include amounts for reported claims and do not include claims which were incurred on or before year end but not reported. As of June 30, 2024, the District has recorded potential workers' compensation claims of \$7,061,331 and has a workers' compensation reserve balance of \$10,868,316.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Unpaid claims at beginning of year	\$ 7,134,202	\$ 6,369,085
Incurred claims	2,720,027	3,567,219
Claims payments and adjustments	<u>(2,792,898)</u>	<u>(2,802,102)</u>
Unpaid claims at year end	<u>\$ 7,061,331</u>	<u>\$ 7,134,202</u>

The District has not purchased any annuity contracts.

**NOTE 18 - TAX ABATEMENTS:**

The Nassau County Industrial Development Agency enters into various property tax abatement programs for the purpose of economic development. The amount of property tax revenue that was reduced as a result of these programs is not available. The District received payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) payments totaling \$5,362,423.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NOTE 19 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES:**

**A. Encumbrances**

All encumbrances are classified as assigned fund balance. At June 30, 2024 the District had \$680,186 in encumbrances.

**B. Grants**

The District has received grants, which are subject to audit by agencies of the State and federal governments. Such audits may result in disallowances and a request for a return of funds. Based on prior audits, the district's administration believes disallowances, if any, will be immaterial.

**C. Litigation**

The District is involved in lawsuits arising from the normal conduct of its affairs. Some of these lawsuits seek damages which may be in excess of the District's insurance coverage. Included in accrued liabilities in the general fund and on the statement of net position is \$1,523,868 of estimated legal claims.

**D. Debt Default**

Upon default of the payment of principal or interest on the bonds and/or bond anticipation notes of the District, the bond holders have the right to litigate and the New York State Comptroller is required, under the conditions and to the extent prescribed by Section 99-b of the New York State Finance Law, to withhold state aid and assistance of the District and apply the amount so withheld to the payment of the defaulted principal or interest with respect to the bonds and/or bond anticipation notes.

**NOTE 20 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:**

Management has evaluated the activity through the date of the auditor report (the date the financial statements were available to be issued) and is reporting the following item in accordance with the above:

The District issued revenue anticipation notes on July 10, 2024, in the amount of \$43,000,000, which will mature on June 30, 2025 bearing a stated interest rate of 4.5%. The District received a premium of \$227,125 with the borrowing to yield an effective interest rate of 3.96%.

The District issued bond anticipation notes on July 10, 2024, in the amount of \$51,600,000, which will mature on July 10, 2025 bearing a stated interest rate of 4.5%. The District received a premium of \$276,305 with the borrowing to yield an effective interest rate of 3.96%.

The District's payments to the District's charter school for the year ended June 30, 2024, totaled \$74,128,715 which equated to 26.2% of the General Fund's total expenditures. During the year ending June 30, 2025, enrollment at the charter school is expected to increase and another charter school is expected to open during the year ending June 30, 2027. There is an expectation of significant increased costs to the District.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual (Budgetary Basis)</u>	<u>Final Budget Variance with Actual</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Local Sources				
Real property taxes	\$ 75,934,370	\$ 72,441,333	\$ 72,431,333	\$ (10,000)
Other real property tax items	4,200,000	7,693,037	8,921,246	1,228,209
Charges for services	-	-	1,561,919	1,561,919
Use of money and property	-	-	3,943,878	3,943,878
Sale of property and compensation for loss	-	-	693,273	693,273
Miscellaneous	1,000,000	1,051,000	4,400,628	3,349,628
Interfund revenues	-	-	176,872	176,872
State Sources				
Basic formula	212,453,437	212,453,437	163,098,399	(49,355,038)
Excess cost aid	-	-	19,602,060	19,602,060
Lottery aid	-	-	25,597,655	25,597,655
BOCES aid	-	-	4,601,130	4,601,130
Textbook aid	-	-	542,308	542,308
Computer hardware/software aid	-	-	349,002	349,002
Library material aid	-	-	7,998	7,998
Other state aid	-	-	3,051,315	3,051,315
Medicaid reimbursement	-	-	281,800	281,800
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>293,587,807</b>	<b>293,638,807</b>	<b>309,260,816</b>	<b>15,622,009</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Operating transfers in	-	-	11,465	11,465
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>293,587,807</b>	<b>293,638,807</b>	<b>\$ 309,272,281</b>	<b>\$ 15,633,474</b>
<b>APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE</b>				
Appropriated Fund Balance	5,812,059	8,390,052		
Prior Year's Encumbrances	733,599	733,599		
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 300,133,465</b>	<b>\$ 302,762,458</b>		

Budget Basis of Accounting

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

See Paragraph on Required Supplementary Information Included in Auditor's Report

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual (Budgetary Basis)</u>	<u>Year-End Encumbrances</u>	<u>Final Budget Variance with Actual and Encumbrances</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
General support					
Board of education	\$ 726,750	\$ 726,750	\$ 437,727	\$ -	\$ 289,023
Central administration	477,000	475,014	369,089	-	105,925
Finance	2,444,766	2,439,815	2,324,537	-	115,278
Staff	2,818,569	2,818,569	2,151,178	90,213	577,178
Central services	21,132,334	21,185,044	17,096,440	461,327	3,627,277
Special items	4,306,033	4,306,033	3,038,487	47,667	1,219,879
Instruction					
Instruction, administration and improvement	8,135,511	8,104,279	7,579,953	683	523,643
Teaching - regular school	118,786,534	118,789,915	116,931,606	9,063	1,849,246
Programs for children with disabilities	52,074,602	52,073,602	48,473,562	5,000	3,595,040
Occupational education	750,000	750,000	6,577,446	-	(5,827,446)
Teaching - special schools	310,701	310,701	312,520	-	(1,819)
Instructional media	6,795,397	6,738,383	6,006,749	45,266	686,368
Pupil services	10,697,894	10,761,295	8,609,871	524	2,150,900
Pupil transportation	10,114,818	10,142,508	10,702,850	-	(560,342)
Community services	7,200	7,200	18,000	-	(10,800)
Employee benefits	51,141,388	51,141,389	43,073,346	20,443	8,047,600
Debt service					
Principal	4,775,026	4,775,026	3,686,884	-	1,088,142
Interest	3,363,942	3,363,942	5,393,307	-	(2,029,365)
	<u>298,858,465</u>	<u>298,909,465</u>	<u>282,783,552</u>	<u>680,186</u>	<u>15,445,727</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING USES</b>					
Transfers to other funds	<u>1,275,000</u>	<u>3,852,993</u>	<u>3,749,747</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,246</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<u><u>\$ 300,133,465</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 302,762,458</u></u>	<u><u>286,533,299</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 680,186</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,548,973</u></u>
Net change in fund balance			22,738,982		
Fund balance - beginning			<u>44,766,239</u>		
Fund balance - ending			<u><u>\$ 67,505,221</u></u>		

**Budget Basis of Accounting**

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,\***

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
Total OPEB Liability							
Service cost	\$ 10,688,828	\$ 9,461,956	\$ 14,006,131	\$ 13,057,796	\$ 12,555,432	\$ 16,010,987	\$ 14,174,143
Interest	10,572,236	9,086,706	6,701,333	7,890,731	9,942,353	10,304,165	9,734,694
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(2,128,659)	-	(80,039,800)	-	(4,802,361)	(748,628)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(11,768,805)	22,738,296	(63,111,204)	17,280,628	56,241,034	(71,020,190)	-
Benefit payments	<u>(7,721,937)</u>	<u>(7,128,258)</u>	<u>(6,125,687)</u>	<u>(5,750,603)</u>	<u>(6,746,258)</u>	<u>(6,150,300)</u>	<u>(5,881,053)</u>
Net change in total OPEB liability	1,770,322	32,030,041	(48,529,427)	(47,561,248)	71,992,561	(55,657,699)	17,279,156
Total OPEB liability - beginning	<u>282,787,841</u>	<u>250,757,800</u>	<u>299,287,227</u>	<u>346,848,475</u>	<u>274,855,914</u>	<u>330,513,613</u>	<u>313,234,457</u>
Total OPEB liability - ending	<u>\$ 284,558,163</u>	<u>\$ 282,787,841</u>	<u>\$ 250,757,800</u>	<u>\$ 299,287,227</u>	<u>\$ 346,848,475</u>	<u>\$ 274,855,914</u>	<u>\$ 330,513,613</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 68,993,333	\$ 68,993,333	\$ 68,613,822	\$ 68,613,822	\$ 73,553,958	\$ 73,553,958	\$ 78,158,695
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	412.44%	409.88%	365.46%	436.19%	471.56%	373.68%	422.88%

**Notes to Schedule:**

Trust Assets: There are no assets accumulated that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 to pay related benefits.

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of the plan.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, governments should present

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION ASSET (LIABILITY)**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,\***  
**(Dollar amounts in thousands)**

<b>NYSERS Pension Plan</b>										
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	0.04253%	0.03773%	0.03758%	0.03986%	0.04612%	0.04656%	0.04504%	0.04827%	0.04547%	0.04676%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (6,262)	\$ (8,090)	\$ 3,072	\$ (40)	\$ (12,213)	\$ (3,299)	\$ (1,486)	\$ (4,536)	\$ (7,298)	\$ (1,580)
District's covered payroll	\$ 16,434	\$ 15,350	\$ 14,218	\$ 13,486	\$ 15,305	\$ 15,708	\$ 14,502	\$ 14,079	\$ 14,200	\$ 14,264
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) as a percentage of its covered payroll	38.10%	52.70%	21.61%	0.30%	79.80%	21.00%	10.25%	32.22%	51.39%	11.08%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension asset/(liability)	93.88%	90.78%	103.65%	99.95%	86.39%	96.27%	98.24%	94.70%	90.68%	97.95%
Discount rate	5.90%	5.90%	5.90%	5.90%	6.80%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.50%

<b>NYSTRS Pension Plan</b>										
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	0.36879%	0.36302%	0.35711%	0.38370%	0.40826%	0.40363%	0.39345%	0.40480%	0.43395%	0.44572%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (4,217)	\$ (6,966)	\$ 61,884	\$ (10,603)	\$ 10,607	\$ 7,299	\$ 2,991	\$ (4,336)	\$ 45,073	\$ 49,650
District's covered payroll	\$ 72,925	\$ 68,321	\$ 64,631	\$ 62,562	\$ 67,279	\$ 68,432	\$ 66,037	\$ 62,972	\$ 63,931	\$ 69,950
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) as a percentage of its covered payroll	5.78%	10.20%	95.75%	16.95%	15.77%	10.67%	4.53%	6.89%	70.50%	70.98%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension asset/(liability)	99.17%	98.60%	113.20%	97.80%	102.20%	101.53%	100.66%	99.01%	110.46%	111.48%
Discount rate	6.95%	6.95%	6.95%	7.10%	7.10%	7.25%	7.25%	7.50%	8.00%	8.00%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of the plans.

\*\* Notes to Required Supplementary Information



**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Dollar amounts in thousands)**

<b>NYSERS Pension Plan</b>										
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,952	\$ 1,480	\$ 2,136	\$ 1,929	\$ 2,106	\$ 2,072	\$ 2,085	\$ 2,132	\$ 2,222	\$ 2,484
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	1,952	1,480	2,136	1,929	2,106	2,072	2,085	2,132	2,222	2,484
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 16,434	\$ 15,350	\$ 14,218	\$ 13,486	\$ 15,305	\$ 15,708	\$ 14,502	\$ 14,079	\$ 14,200	\$ 14,264
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	11.88%	9.64%	15.02%	14.30%	13.76%	13.19%	14.38%	15.14%	15.65%	17.41%

<b>NYTRS Pension Plan</b>										
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 6,984	\$ 7,009	\$ 6,302	\$ 5,759	\$ 5,758	\$ 7,237	\$ 6,443	\$ 7,307	\$ 8,303	\$ 11,796
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	6,984	7,009	6,302	5,759	5,758	7,237	6,443	7,307	8,303	11,796
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 72,925	\$ 68,321	\$ 64,631	\$ 62,562	\$ 67,279	\$ 68,432	\$ 66,037	\$ 62,972	\$ 63,931	\$ 69,950
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	9.58%	10.26%	9.75%	9.21%	8.56%	10.58%	9.76%	11.60%	12.99%	16.86%

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET  
AND THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LIMIT - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET**

Adopted Budget		\$ 299,399,866
Add: Prior year's encumbrances		733,599
Original Budget		<u>300,133,465</u>
Budget Revisions:		
Capital reserve proposition #2 and #3	\$ 1,500,000	
Donations	51,000	
Appropriated fund balance - HS Pool Remediation	<u>1,077,993</u>	<u>2,628,993</u>
Final Budget		<u><u>\$ 302,762,458</u></u>

**SECTION 1318 OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW LIMIT CALCULATION**

2024-25 voter-approved expenditure budget	<u>\$ 328,622,204</u>
Maximum allowed (4% of 2024-25 budget)	<u>\$ 13,144,888</u>
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to Section 1318 of Real Property Tax Law*:	
Unrestricted fund balance:	
Assigned fund balance	\$ 6,492,245
Unassigned fund balance	<u>18,168,964</u>
Total unrestricted fund balance	<u>24,661,209</u>
Less:	
Appropriated fund balance	5,812,059
Encumbrances included in assigned fund balance	<u>680,186</u>
Total adjustments	<u>6,492,245</u>
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to Section 1318 of Real Property Tax Law	<u><u>\$ 18,168,964</u></u>
Actual percentage of 2024-25 budget	<u><u>5.53%</u></u>

\* Per Office of the State Comptroller's "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions", Updated April 2011 (Originally Issued November 2010), the portion of [General Fund] fund balance subject to Section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law is: unassigned fund balance (i.e., the total of the committed, assigned, and unassigned classifications), minus appropriated fund balance, amounts reserved for insurance recovery, amounts reserved for tax reduction, and encumbrances included in committed and assigned fund balance.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SCHEDULE OF PROJECT EXPENDITURES - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

PROJECT TITLE	Project Number	Budget		Expenditures and Transfers			Unexpended Balance	Methods of Financing			Balance (Deficit) June 30, 2024	
		June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024	Prior Years	Current Year	Total		Proceeds of Obligations	State Aid	Local Sources		Total
Projects Funded by Appropriations												
District-wide improvements	00-9000	\$ 809,222	\$ 235,037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 235,037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 235,037	\$ 235,037	\$ 235,037
Hempstead High School Pool Remediation	20-1001	-	1,167,178	-	793,544	793,544	373,634	-	-	1,167,178	1,167,178	373,634
MS Faculty Lounge	01-9130	-	4,565	-	-	-	4,565	-	-	4,565	4,565	4,565
MS Elevator Repair	01-9150	-	5,991	-	-	-	5,991	-	-	5,991	5,991	5,991
McNeil Roof and Egress Windows	02-0018	-	57,250	-	-	-	57,250	-	-	57,250	57,250	57,250
HS Soil Sample - Disposal Site	02-0030	-	7,500	-	53	53	7,447	-	-	7,500	7,500	7,447
McNeil Sidewalk	02-9100	-	60,000	-	-	-	60,000	-	-	60,000	60,000	60,000
Annex Roof Repair	05-9100	-	145,339	-	145,339	145,339	-	-	-	145,339	145,339	-
Obama Faculty Restroom	06-9140	-	36,580	-	-	-	36,580	-	-	36,580	36,580	36,580
Prospect Elevator Repair	10-9150	-	4,101	-	-	-	4,101	-	-	4,101	4,101	4,101
Hempstead High School Auditorium Seating	20-9130	-	333,864	-	-	-	333,864	-	-	333,864	333,864	333,864
Hempstead High School Auditorium Repair	20-9131	-	331,028	-	-	-	331,028	-	-	331,028	331,028	331,028
Hempstead High School Elevator	20-9150	-	9,280	-	-	-	9,280	-	-	9,280	9,280	9,280
Boiler Repair	00-9160	-	35,000	-	30,161	30,161	4,839	-	-	35,000	35,000	4,839
Projects Funded by Appropriations		809,222	2,432,713	-	969,097	969,097	1,463,616	-	-	2,432,713	2,432,713	1,463,616
Capital Grants:												
Bus Purchase	10-0000	-	1,000,000	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	1,000,000
MS Boys Locker Room	01-9105	-	340,000	-	-	-	340,000	-	340,000	-	340,000	340,000
Patterson Playground	03-9105	-	189,500	-	-	-	189,500	-	160,000	29,500	189,500	189,500
Hempstead High School Ceiling and lighting	20-9105	-	200,000	-	-	-	200,000	-	200,000	-	200,000	200,000
Capital grants		-	1,729,500	-	-	-	1,729,500	-	1,700,000	29,500	1,729,500	1,729,500
EPC - 2022 - 23												
Hempstead Middle School	01-0027	3,932,003	3,932,003	2,236,678	1,439,250	3,675,928	256,075	3,932,003	-	-	3,932,003	256,075
McNeil	02-0016	915,360	915,360	541,213	349,821	891,034	24,326	915,360	-	-	915,360	24,326
Paterson	03-0017	81,033	81,033	65,722	14,440	80,162	871	81,033	-	-	81,033	871
Jackson Main Elementary	04-0015	169,687	169,687	142,000	25,664	167,664	2,023	169,687	-	-	169,687	2,023
Jackson Annex	05-0012	42,094	42,094	26,309	15,284	41,593	501	42,094	-	-	42,094	501
Obama	06-0017	852,407	852,407	521,294	304,234	825,528	26,879	852,407	-	-	852,407	26,879
Marshall School	07-0015	107,763	107,763	87,070	19,407	106,477	1,286	107,763	-	-	107,763	1,286
Hempstead High School	20-0029	4,650,667	4,650,667	3,617,086	941,059	4,558,145	92,522	4,650,667	-	-	4,650,667	92,522
EPC		10,751,014	10,751,014	7,237,372	3,109,159	10,346,531	404,483	10,751,014	-	-	10,751,014	404,483
Bond issue - 2021 - 22												
Hempstead Middle School	01-0028	3,073,885	3,090,885	920,598	867,596	1,788,194	1,302,691	3,090,885	-	-	3,090,885	1,302,691
Hempstead Middle School	01-0029	76,917	1,326,917	112,537	1,206,056	1,318,593	8,324	1,326,917	-	-	1,326,917	8,324
Hempstead High School	02-0030	112,896	112,896	120,028	-	120,028	(7,132)	112,896	-	-	112,896	(7,132)
McNeil	02-0018	7,250	57,250	-	-	-	57,250	57,250	-	-	57,250	57,250
Paterson	03-0018	2,067,501	2,067,501	565	81,691	82,256	1,985,245	2,067,501	-	-	2,067,501	1,985,245
Paterson	03-0019	6,750	31,750	-	-	-	31,750	31,750	-	-	31,750	31,750
Jackson Main Elementary	04-0017	883,750	1,173,750	45,851	1,076,536	1,122,387	51,363	1,173,750	-	-	1,173,750	51,363
Jackson Main Elementary	04-0018	-	25,000	-	-	-	25,000	25,000	-	-	25,000	25,000
Obama	06-0018	1,055,280	1,270,280	48,414	1,164,375	1,212,789	57,491	1,270,280	-	-	1,270,280	57,491
Obama	06-0019	-	25,000	-	-	-	25,000	25,000	-	-	25,000	25,000
Hempstead High School	11-6001	270,000	270,000	9,702	3,739	13,441	256,559	270,000	-	-	270,000	256,559
Hempstead High School	20-0030	9,780,638	10,320,638	2,579,151	5,493,708	8,072,859	2,247,779	10,320,638	-	-	10,320,638	2,247,779
Hempstead High School	20-0031	6,698,000	6,698,000	2,392,682	3,380,147	5,772,829	925,171	6,698,000	-	-	6,698,000	925,171
Hempstead High School	20-0032	-	25,000	-	-	-	25,000	25,000	-	-	25,000	25,000
Portable Removal	60-0002	123,585	123,585	4,727	70,162	74,889	48,696	123,585	-	-	123,585	48,696
Portable Removal	81-0002	123,585	123,585	4,727	69,957	74,684	48,901	123,585	-	-	123,585	48,901
Portable Removal	82-0002	123,585	123,585	4,727	69,957	74,684	48,901	123,585	-	-	123,585	48,901
Portable Removal	83-0002	61,790	61,790	4,726	42,628	47,354	14,436	61,790	-	-	61,790	14,436
Unallocated	99-9999	-	59,569,197	-	-	-	59,569,197	59,569,197	-	-	59,569,197	59,569,197
Total Bond 2021-22		24,465,412	86,496,609	6,248,435	13,526,552	19,774,987	66,721,622	86,496,609	-	-	86,496,609	66,721,622

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**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SCHEDULE OF PROJECT EXPENDITURES - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

PROJECT TITLE	Project Number	Budget		Expenditures and Transfers			Unexpended Balance	Methods of Financing				Fund
		June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024	Prior Years	Current Year	Total		Proceeds of Obligations	State Aid	Local Sources	Total	Balance (Deficit) June 30, 2024
Bond issue - 2018 - 19												
Rhodes/New Building	09-0009	3,328,550	3,328,550	3,300,900	6,872	3,307,772	20,778	3,328,550	-	-	3,328,550	20,778
JA - Portables	13-0001	134,370	134,370	39,768,412	-	39,768,412	(39,634,042)	134,370	-	-	134,370	(39,634,042)
JA - Portables	15-0002	212,752	212,752	52,321	-	52,321	160,431	212,752	-	-	212,752	160,431
JA - Portables	17-0004	134,370	134,370	52,578	-	52,578	81,792	134,370	-	-	134,370	81,792
JA - Portables	51-0002	106,376	106,376	56,995	-	56,995	49,381	106,376	-	-	106,376	49,381
JA - Portables	52-0002	106,376	106,376	82,750	-	82,750	23,626	106,376	-	-	106,376	23,626
JMc- Portables	57-0002	134,370	134,370	44,951	-	44,951	89,419	134,370	-	-	134,370	89,419
JA - Portables	78-0003	212,752	212,752	58,699	-	58,699	154,053	212,752	-	-	212,752	154,053
JMc- Portables	84-0002	134,370	134,370	89,082	-	89,082	45,288	134,370	-	-	134,370	45,288
JM - Portables	86-0002	134,370	134,370	4,414	-	4,414	129,956	134,370	-	-	134,370	129,956
JM - Portables	87-0002	134,370	134,370	3,628	-	3,628	130,742	134,370	-	-	134,370	130,742
Rhodes/New Building	92-0001	41,626,552	41,626,552	-	-	-	41,626,552	37,032,440	2,116,293	2,477,819	41,626,552	41,626,552
Unallocated	98-9999	-	444,534	3,628	-	3,628	440,906	444,534	-	-	444,534	440,906
Rhodes/New Building		46,399,578	46,844,112	43,518,358	6,872	43,525,230	3,318,882	42,250,000	2,116,293	2,477,819	46,844,112	3,318,882
Bond issue - 2023 - 24												
District -wide infrastructure		-	73,580,215	-	-	-	73,580,215	72,218,215	-	1,362,000	73,580,215	73,580,215
Indoor quality improvements		-	7,488,000	-	-	-	7,488,000	7,350,000	-	138,000	7,488,000	7,488,000
Rhodes/New Building		-	81,068,215	-	-	-	81,068,215	79,568,215	-	1,500,000	81,068,215	81,068,215
SmartBonds												
SB-0001		5,269,387	5,269,387	3,077,856	782,186	3,860,042	1,409,345	-	5,269,387	-	5,269,387	1,409,345
		\$ 87,694,613	\$ 234,591,550	\$ 60,082,021	\$ 18,393,866	\$ 78,475,887	\$ 156,115,663	\$ 219,065,838	\$ 9,085,680	\$ 6,440,032	\$ 234,591,550	\$ 156,115,663
										Unissued debt 2018-2019		(420,000)
										Unissued debt 2021-2022		(86,496,609)
										Unissued debt 2023-2024		(79,568,215)
										Uncertified SmartBonds Aid		(1,409,345)
										Uncertified NYSED and Crest Grants		(1,700,000)
										Fund Balance	\$	(13,478,506)

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**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

<b>Capital assets, net</b>		\$ 116,559,715
<b>Deduct:</b>		
Bond anticipation notes payable	\$ 25,000,000	
Short-term portion of bonds payable, net	1,691,250	
Long-term portion of bonds payable, net	45,574,531	
Short-term portion of energy performance contract	634,448	
Long-term portion of energy performance contract debt	9,806,538	
Less: Unspent debt proceeds	<u>(3,934,266)</u>	<u>78,772,501</u>
<b>Net investment in capital assets</b>		<u><u>\$ 37,787,214</u></u>

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