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LAWRENCE COUNTY**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Ironton City School District  
Lawrence County  
105 South Fifth Street  
Ironton, Ohio 45638

To the Board of Education:

### ***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ironton City School District, Lawrence County, Ohio (the School District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the School District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ironton City School District, Lawrence County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Notes 3 and 13 to the financial statements, during 2018, the School District adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

### **Other Matters**

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *management's discussion and analysis*, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

#### *Supplementary and Other Information*

Our audit was conducted to opine on the School District's basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The schedule is management's responsibility, and derives from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. We subjected this information to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements. We also applied certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling this information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, this information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 4, 2019, on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

February 4, 2019

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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The discussion and analysis of the Ironton City School District's (the School District) financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

**Key financial highlights for the fiscal year 2018 are as follows:**

- Net Position of governmental activities increased \$5,330,015.
- General revenues accounted for \$13,116,518 or 71.7 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, and grants, contributions, and interest accounted for \$5,186,654 or 28.3 percent of total revenues of \$18,303,172.
- The School District had \$12,973,157 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$5,186,654 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services and sales, grants, and contributions. General revenues of \$13,116,518 were adequate to cover the remaining expenses.

**Using the Basic Financial Statements**

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

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate view of the School District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the School District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column.

***Reporting the School District as a Whole***

*Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities*

While this document contains information about the large number of funds used by the School District to provide programs and activities for students, the view of the School District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2018?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's net position and changes in those assets. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School District as a whole, the financial position of the School District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the School District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs, and other factors.

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In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, all of the School District's activities are reported as Governmental Activities, including instruction, support services, operation of non-instructional services, and extracurricular activities.

***Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds***

*Fund Financial Statements*

The analysis of the School District's major fund begins on page 12. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the School District's major funds. The School District uses many funds to account for multiple financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the School District's most significant fund. The School District's major governmental funds are the General Fund and the Bond Retirement Fund.

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

***Fiduciary Funds*** The School District's fiduciary funds are a private purpose trust fund and an agency fund. All of the School District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. We exclude these activities from the School District's other financial statements because the School District cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The School District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. Fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

**The School District as a Whole**

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the School District as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's net position for 2018 compared to 2017.

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Table 1  
Net Position

	2018	2017 *	Change
<b>Assets</b>			
Current and Other Assets	\$9,357,130	\$10,103,997	(\$746,867)
Capital Assets	39,770,796	41,295,884	(1,525,088)
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>49,127,926</b>	<b>51,399,881</b>	<b>(2,271,955)</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Deferred Charge on Refunding	1,387,039	1,473,831	(86,792)
Pension	5,910,641	4,480,251	1,430,390
OPEB	349,382	34,887	314,495
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>7,647,062</b>	<b>5,988,969</b>	<b>1,658,093</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Other Liabilities	1,702,295	1,631,691	70,604
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	754,470	747,278	7,192
Due in More Than One Year:			
Net Pension Liability	17,966,793	23,585,908	(5,619,115)
Net OPEB Liability	4,158,464	4,884,921	(726,457)
Other Amounts	15,303,265	15,913,322	(610,057)
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>39,885,287</b>	<b>46,763,120</b>	<b>(6,877,833)</b>
<b>Deferred Inflow of Resources</b>			
Property Taxes	2,762,330	2,833,696	(71,366)
Pension	649,560	108,019	541,541
OPEB	463,781	0	463,781
<b>Total Deferred Inflow of Resources</b>	<b>3,875,671</b>	<b>2,941,715</b>	<b>933,956</b>
<b>Net Position</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	26,426,465	27,141,422	(714,957)
Restricted	1,735,364	1,883,306	(147,942)
Unrestricted (Deficits)	(15,147,799)	(21,340,713)	6,192,914
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$13,014,030</b>	<b>\$7,684,015</b>	<b>\$5,330,015</b>

\* As Restated (See Note 3 to the basic financial statements)

The net pension liability (NPL) is the largest single liability reported by the School District at June 30, 2018 and is reported pursuant to GASB Statement 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27." For fiscal year 2018, the School District adopted GASB Statement 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions," which significantly revises accounting for costs and liabilities related to other postemployment benefits (OPEB). For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the School District's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB.

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Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Prior accounting for pensions (GASB 27) and postemployment benefits (GASB 45) focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension and OPEB costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability* or *net OPEB liability*. GASB 68 and GASB 75 take an earnings approach to pension and OPEB accounting; however, the nature of Ohio's statewide pension/OPEB plans and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

GASB 68 and GASB 75 require the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability to equal the School District's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

1. Present value of estimated future pension/OPEB benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service
2. Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits

GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the "employment exchange" – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and other postemployment benefits. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee, and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the School District is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of these liabilities. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

The employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the retirement system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension/OPEB plan *as against the public employer*. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The retirement system is responsible for the administration of the pension and OPEB plans.

Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability or the net OPEB liability. As explained above, changes in benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of these liabilities, but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability and the net OPEB liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

In accordance with GASB 68 and GASB 75, the School District's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense and an annual OPEB expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in net pension liability and net OPEB liability, respectively, not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

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As a result of implementing GASB 75, the School District is reporting a net OPEB liability and deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to OPEB on the accrual basis of accounting. This implementation also had the effect of restating net position at June 30, 2017, from \$12,534,049 to \$7,684,015.

Total assets decreased \$2,271,955, primarily due to a decrease in capital assets due to depreciation as well as decreases in accounts receivable, property taxes receivable, and cash. Total liabilities decreased \$6,877,833. This was primarily due to the net pension liability decrease of \$5,619,115, the net OPEB liability decrease of \$726,457, and the repayment of debt. The decrease in total liabilities was partially offset by increases in accrued wages and benefits and vacation benefits payable.

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, and comparisons to fiscal year 2017.

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Table 2  
Changes in Net Position

	2018	2017 *	Change
<b>Revenues</b>			
Program Revenues:			
Charges for Services and Sales	\$2,295,871	\$2,469,218	(\$173,347)
Operating Grants, Contributions and Interest	2,890,783	3,137,564	(246,781)
<b>Total Program Revenues</b>	<b>5,186,654</b>	<b>5,606,782</b>	<b>(420,128)</b>
General Revenues:			
Property Taxes	3,734,160	3,848,584	(114,424)
Grants and Entitlements	9,306,343	9,258,637	47,706
Investment Earnings	9,430	9,746	(316)
Miscellaneous	66,585	76,756	(10,171)
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<b>13,116,518</b>	<b>13,193,723</b>	<b>(77,205)</b>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>18,303,172</b>	<b>18,800,505</b>	<b>(497,333)</b>
<b>Program Expenses</b>			
Instruction:			
Regular	4,214,264	7,789,625	(3,575,361)
Special	1,560,185	3,004,649	(1,444,464)
Vocational	137,814	298,026	(160,212)
Intervention	102,664	281,084	(178,420)
Support Services:			
Pupils	410,511	893,496	(482,985)
Instructional Staff	115,536	129,585	(14,049)
Board of Education	383,254	344,800	38,454
Administration	652,804	1,300,416	(647,612)
Fiscal	719,329	813,770	(94,441)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,028,739	2,106,730	(77,991)
Pupil Transportation	908,254	881,443	26,811
Central	117,146	138,747	(21,601)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services:			
Food Service Operations	720,127	849,489	(129,362)
Community Services	13,634	209,650	(196,016)
Extracurricular Activities	289,575	839,594	(550,019)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	599,321	571,736	27,585
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>12,973,157</b>	<b>20,452,840</b>	<b>(7,479,683)</b>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	5,330,015	(1,652,335)	6,982,350
Net Position at Beginning of Year	7,684,015	N/A	
<b>Net Position at End of Year</b>	<b>\$13,014,030</b>	<b>\$7,684,015</b>	<b>(\$5,330,015)</b>

\* - As Restated (see Note 3 to the basic financial statements)

The information necessary to restate the 2017 beginning balances and the 2017 OPEB expense amounts for the effects of the initial implementation of GASB 75 is not available. Therefore, 2017 functional expenses still include OPEB expense of \$34,887 computed under GASB 45. GASB 45 required recognizing pension expense equal to the contractually required contributions to the plan. Under GASB 75, OPEB expense represents additional amounts earned, adjusted by deferred inflows/outflows. The contractually required contribution is no longer a component of OPEB expense. Under GASB 75, the 2018 statements report negative OPEB expense of \$530,576. Consequently, in order to compare 2018 total program expenses to 2017, the following adjustments are needed:

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Total 2018 program expenses under GASB 75	\$12,973,157
Negative OPEB expense under GASB 75	530,576
2018 contractually required contribution	<u>46,595</u>
Adjusted 2018 program expenses	13,550,328
Total 2017 program expenses under GASB 45	<u>20,452,840</u>
Decrease in program expenses not related to OPEB	<u><u>(\$6,902,512)</u></u>

The largest component of the decrease in program expenses results from changes in assumptions and benefit terms related to pensions. STRS adopted certain assumption changes, including a reduction in their discount rate, and also voted to suspend cost of living adjustments (COLA). SERS decreased their COLA assumption. (See Note 12) As a result of these changes, pension expense decreased from \$1,896,484 in fiscal year 2017 to a negative pension expense of \$5,291,063 for fiscal year 2018. The allocation of the fiscal year 2018 negative pension expense to program expenses is as follows:

<b>Program Expenses</b>	<b>2018 Program Expenses Related to Negative Pension Expense</b>
Instruction:	
Regular	(\$2,528,547)
Special	(1,032,213)
Vocational	(126,227)
Support Services :	
Pupils	(471,129)
Instructional Staff	(34,166)
Board of Education	(420)
Administration	(455,406)
Fiscal	(9,946)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	(26,525)
Pupil Transportation	(20,481)
Central	(4,840)
Operation of	
Non-Instructional Services:	
Food Service Operations	(22,762)
Community Services	(148,977)
Extracurricular Activities	<u>(409,424)</u>
Total Expenses	<u><u>(\$5,291,063)</u></u>

Property taxes made up approximately 20.4 percent of revenues for governmental activities for the Ironton City School District. Of the remaining revenues, the School District receives 66.6 percent from state foundation, federal, and state grants; 12.5 percent from charges for services and sales; and 0.5 percent from investment earnings, gain on sale of capital assets and miscellaneous.

The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for operating funds. As the result of legislation enacted in 1976, the overall revenue generated by a levy will not increase solely as a result of inflation. Additionally, increases in property taxes would only have a nominal effect upon the School District's total revenue. Basically, the mills collected decreases as the property valuation increases, thus generating about the same revenue.

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Approximately 46.4 percent of the School District's budget for expenditures is used to fund instructional expenses. Support services make up 41.1 percent of expenses and 12.5 percent is used for interest and fiscal charges, extracurricular activities, food service operations, and community services.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and sales, grants, and contributions offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of those services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted state entitlements.

Table 3

	Total Cost of Services <u>2018</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2018</u>	Total Cost of Services <u>2017</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2017</u>
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$4,214,264	\$2,108,354	\$7,789,625	\$5,426,020
Special	1,560,185	(101,260)	3,004,649	1,377,389
Vocational	137,814	97,236	298,026	255,410
Student Intervention Services	102,664	102,664	281,084	281,084
Support Services:				
Pupils	410,511	79,692	893,496	571,133
Instructional Staff	115,536	111,539	129,585	126,481
Board of Education	383,254	380,573	344,800	339,400
Administration	652,804	651,937	1,300,416	1,299,854
Fiscal	719,329	684,501	813,770	765,217
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,028,739	2,016,627	2,106,730	2,046,508
Pupil Transportation	908,254	878,737	881,443	854,586
Central	117,146	117,146	138,747	138,747
Operation of Non-Instructional Services:				
Food Service Operations	720,127	282,622	849,489	250,852
Community Services	13,634	(175,036)	209,650	11,877
Extracurricular Activities	289,575	(48,150)	839,594	529,764
Interest and Fiscal Charges	599,321	599,321	571,736	571,736
Total	<u>\$12,973,157</u>	<u>\$7,786,503</u>	<u>\$20,452,840</u>	<u>\$14,846,058</u>

The dependence upon tax revenues and state subsidies for governmental activities is apparent. 60.0 percent of all School District activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues.

**The School District Funds**

The School District has two major funds: the General Fund and the Bond Retirement Fund. All governmental funds had total revenues of \$18,387,394 and expenditures of \$19,036,458. The General Fund's balance decreased \$433,519 due to decreases in revenue from property taxes and tuition and fees as well as increases in overall expenses. The Bond Retirement Fund's balance decreased \$61,270 due to expenses relating to long-term liabilities exceeding revenues from property taxes and homestead and rollback.

**General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

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



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During the course of fiscal year 2018, the School District amended its General Fund budget. The School District uses a modified site-based budgeting technique which is designed to tightly control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management.

For the General Fund, final estimated revenues were \$14,861,656, above original estimates of \$14,575,846. This difference was due to conservative estimates for property tax and intergovernmental revenues at the beginning of the fiscal year. Also, final estimated expenditures were \$14,996,533, less than original estimates of \$15,655,756. Original appropriations were decreased \$659,223 among all expenditure classifications due to salary and benefits changes and grant funding levels becoming available.

The School District's ending unobligated General Fund balance was \$3,512,042.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

***Capital Assets***

At the end of fiscal year 2018, the School District had \$39,770,796 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, and vehicles. Table 4 shows fiscal year 2018 balances compared to 2017.

Table 4  
Capital Assets  
(Net of Depreciation)

	2018	2017
Land	\$471,255	\$471,255
Land Improvements	4,038,302	4,349,197
Buildings and Improvements	34,794,064	35,951,695
Furniture and Equipment	365,172	421,278
Vehicles	102,003	102,459
Totals	\$39,770,796	\$41,295,884

See Note 9 for more information on Capital Assets.

***Debt***

At June 30, 2018, the School District had the following debt outstanding:

Table 5  
Outstanding Debt, at Fiscal Year End

	2018	2017
2010 School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds, 2.0-5.0%	\$2,942,770	\$2,999,116
2013 Refunding Bonds, 1.00-3.25%	8,919,645	9,048,234
2015 Refunding Bonds, 1.00-4.00%	3,734,641	4,205,967
	\$15,597,056	\$16,253,317

See Note 14 for more information on debt.

**IRONTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JUNE 30, 2018  
UNAUDITED**

**Economic Factors**

The School District depends on the State School Foundation Program. Revenues from the State School Foundation program accounts for \$8,111,168 or 44.3 percent of total revenues of \$18,303,172. The School District continued to monitor its current spending levels in order to stay within its revenues. The School District is in a low economic growth area, so dependence on local tax revenue must be minimized.

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

This financial report is designed to provide our citizen's, taxpayers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Patty Wade, Treasurer at Ironton City School District, 105 South Fifth Street, Ironton, Ohio 45638.

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**

*Statement of Net Position*

*June 30, 2018*

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>Assets</b>	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$5,286,359
Intergovernmental Receivable	480,679
Inventory Held for Resale	4,787
Materials and Supplies Inventory	983
Prepaid Items	44,083
Property Taxes Receivable	3,540,239
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	471,255
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	<u>39,299,541</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>49,127,926</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred Charge on Refunding	1,387,039
Pension	5,910,641
OPEB	<u>349,382</u>
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<u>7,647,062</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	31,438
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	1,218,232
Accrued Interest Payable	36,071
Vacation Benefits Payable	115,628
Intergovernmental Payable	300,926
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due within One Year	754,470
Due in More than One Year:	
Net Pension Liability (See Note 12)	17,966,793
Net OPEB Liability (See Note 13)	4,158,464
Other Amounts Due in More Than One Year	<u>15,303,265</u>
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>39,885,287</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Property Taxes	2,762,330
Pension	649,560
OPEB	<u>463,781</u>
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>3,875,671</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	26,426,465
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	1,191,139
Capital Projects	126,066
Athletics	81,459
Facilities Maintenance	34,239
Local Grant Programs	27,282
State Grant Programs	48,478
Federal Grant Programs	221,586
Unclaimed Monies	5,115
Unrestricted (Deficit)	<u>(15,147,799)</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>\$13,014,030</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Statement of Activities*  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June, 30, 2018

	Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
	Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales	Revenue and Changes in Net Position
<b>Governmental Activities</b>			<b>Governmental Activities</b>
Instruction:			
Regular	\$4,214,264	\$1,923,645	\$182,265
Special	1,560,185	7,386	1,654,059
Vocational	137,814	0	40,578
Student Intervention Services	102,664	0	0
Support Services:			
Pupils	410,511	0	330,819
Instructional Staff	115,536	0	3,997
Board of Education	383,254	0	2,681
Administration	652,804	0	867
Fiscal	719,329	0	34,828
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,028,739	0	12,112
Pupil Transportation	908,254	0	29,517
Central	117,146	0	0
Operation of Non-Instructional Services:			
Food Service Operations	720,127	28,122	409,383
Community Services	13,634	0	188,670
Extracurricular Activities	289,575	336,718	1,007
Interest and Fiscal Charges	599,321	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$12,973,157</b>	<b>\$2,295,871</b>	<b>\$2,890,783</b>

**General Revenues**

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	2,712,491
Debt Service	967,863
Classroom Facilities Maintenance	53,806
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs	9,306,343
Investment Earnings	9,430
Miscellaneous	66,585
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<b>13,116,518</b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<b>5,330,015</b>
<b>Net Position at Beginning of Year - Restated See Note 3</b>	<b>7,684,015</b>
<b>Net Position at End of Year</b>	<b>\$13,014,030</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**

*Balance Sheet*

*Governmental Funds*

*June 30, 2018*

	<u>General</u>	<u>Bond Retirement</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets</b>				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$3,575,636	\$1,066,620	\$638,988	\$5,281,244
Receivables:				
Property Taxes	2,571,198	918,135	50,906	3,540,239
Intergovernmental	28,830	0	451,849	480,679
Interfund	123,703	0	0	123,703
Prepaid Items	43,702	0	381	44,083
Materials and Supplies Inventory	0	0	983	983
Inventory Held for Resale	0	0	4,787	4,787
Restricted Assets:				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	5,115	0	0	5,115
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>\$6,348,184</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,984,755</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,147,894</u></u>	<u><u>\$9,480,833</u></u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>				
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$31,101	\$0	\$337	\$31,438
Accrued Wages and Benefits Payable	1,034,363	0	183,869	1,218,232
Interfund Payable	0	0	123,703	123,703
Intergovernmental Payable	232,881	0	68,045	300,926
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u><u>1,298,345</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>375,954</u></u>	<u><u>1,674,299</u></u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>				
Property Taxes	2,008,030	714,475	39,825	2,762,330
Unavailable Revenue	177,998	63,326	236,128	477,452
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u><u>2,186,028</u></u>	<u><u>777,801</u></u>	<u><u>275,953</u></u>	<u><u>3,239,782</u></u>
<b>Fund Balances</b>				
Nonspendable				
Inventories	0	0	983	983
Prepaid Items	43,702	0	381	44,083
Unclaimed Monies	5,115	0	0	5,115
Restricted for:				
Debt Service	0	1,206,954	0	1,206,954
Capital Projects	0	0	126,066	126,066
Athletics	0	0	81,459	81,459
Facilities Maintenance	0	0	30,836	30,836
Local Grant Programs	0	0	27,282	27,282
State Grant Programs	0	0	48,478	48,478
Federal Grant Programs	0	0	41,220	41,220
Auxiliary Programs	0	0	13,780	13,780
Committed to:				
Health Insurance Contingency	1,924	0	0	1,924
Assigned				
Purchases on Order	23,897	0	0	23,897
Subsequent Year Appropriations	1,616,528	0	0	1,616,528
School Support Services	20,495	0	0	20,495
Capital Improvements	0	0	180,288	180,288
Unassigned (Deficit)	1,152,150	0	(54,786)	1,097,364
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<u><u>2,863,811</u></u>	<u><u>1,206,954</u></u>	<u><u>495,987</u></u>	<u><u>4,566,752</u></u>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances</b>	<u><u>\$6,348,184</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,984,755</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,147,894</u></u>	<u><u>\$9,480,833</u></u>

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**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances  
to Net Position of Governmental Activities  
June 30, 2018*

**Total Governmental Fund Balances** \$4,566,752

***Amounts reported for governmental activities in the  
statement of net position are different because***

Capital Assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. 39,770,796

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are not reported in the funds:

Delinquent Property Taxes	241,877	
Tuition and Fees	2,850	
Grants	<u>232,725</u>	477,452

Deferred Outflows of Resources represent deferred charges on refunding which do not provide current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. 1,387,039

The net pension liability and net opeb liability is not due and payable in the current period; therefore, the liability and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in the governmental funds:

Deferred Outflows - Pension	5,910,641	
Deferred Inflows - Pension	(649,560)	
Net Pension Liability	(17,966,793)	
Deferred Outflows - OPEB	349,382	
Deferred Inflows - OPEB	(463,781)	
Net OPEB Liability	<u>(4,158,464)</u>	(16,978,575)

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:

General Obligation Bonds	(2,942,770)	
Refunding Bonds	(12,654,286)	
Accrued Interest Payable	(36,071)	
Sick Leave Benefits Payable	(460,679)	
Vacation Benefits Payable	<u>(115,628)</u>	<u>(16,209,434)</u>

Net Position of Governmental Activities \$13,014,030

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances*  
*Governmental Funds*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018*

	General	Bond Retirement	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				
Property Taxes	\$2,733,822	\$976,929	\$54,182	\$3,764,933
Intergovernmental	10,201,456	162,899	1,881,627	12,245,982
Investment Earnings	9,430	0	7	9,437
Tuition and Fees	1,868,631	0	0	1,868,631
Charges for Services and Sales	0	0	28,122	28,122
Extracurricular	64,360	0	336,718	401,078
Donations	1,000	0	1,626	2,626
Miscellaneous	65,928	0	657	66,585
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>14,944,627</u>	<u>1,139,828</u>	<u>2,302,939</u>	<u>18,387,394</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	6,709,375	0	170,146	6,879,521
Special	1,862,643	0	826,655	2,689,298
Vocational	274,106	0	0	274,106
Student Intervention Services	102,664	0	0	102,664
Support Services:				
Pupils	756,677	0	205,490	962,167
Instructional Staff	138,139	0	4,023	142,162
Board of Education	381,652	0	2,700	384,352
Administration	1,176,176	0	868	1,177,044
Fiscal	673,238	31,120	37,158	741,516
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,722,690	0	240,727	1,963,417
Pupil Transportation	826,673	0	0	826,673
Central	119,222	0	0	119,222
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,000	0	869,031	876,031
Extracurricular Activities	399,912	0	328,395	728,307
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	0	730,000	0	730,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	0	439,978	0	439,978
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>15,150,167</u>	<u>1,201,098</u>	<u>2,685,193</u>	<u>19,036,458</u>
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<u>(205,540)</u>	<u>(61,270)</u>	<u>(382,254)</u>	<u>(649,064)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers In	0	0	227,979	227,979
Transfers Out	(227,979)	0	0	(227,979)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(227,979)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>227,979</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(433,519)	(61,270)	(154,275)	(649,064)
<i>Fund Balances at Beginning of Year</i>	<u>3,297,330</u>	<u>1,268,224</u>	<u>650,262</u>	<u>5,215,816</u>
<i>Fund Balances at End of Year</i>	<u><u>\$2,863,811</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,206,954</u></u>	<u><u>\$495,987</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,566,752</u></u>

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**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes  
in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018*

**Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds** (\$649,064)

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays:

Capital Asset Additions	49,166	
Depreciation Expense	(1,574,254)	(1,525,088)

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:

Delinquent Taxes	(30,773)	
Grants	(51,489)	
Tuition and Fees	(1,960)	(84,222)

Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. 730,000

Interest is reported as an expenditure when due in the governmental funds, but is accrued on outstanding debt on the statement of activities. Premiums are reported as revenues when the debt is first issued; however, these amounts are deferred and amortized on the statement of activities:

Accretion of Capital Appreciation Bonds	(243,208)	
Accrued Interest Payable	1,188	
Amortization of Discount	(5,768)	
Amortization of Premium	175,237	
Amortization of Deferred Amount on Refunding	(86,792)	(159,343)

Contractually required contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows:

Pension	1,216,901	
OPEB	46,595	1,263,496

Except for amounts reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension/OPEB liability are reported as pension/OPEB expense in the statement of activities:

Pension	5,291,063	
OPEB	530,576	5,821,639

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

Vacation Benefits Payable	(14,007)	
Sick Leave Benefits Payable	(53,396)	(67,403)

*Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities* \$5,330,015

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements



**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes  
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Budget Basis)  
General Fund  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Revenues</b>				
Property Taxes	\$2,443,716	\$2,697,612	\$2,697,612	\$0
Intergovernmental	10,015,371	10,216,402	10,216,402	0
Investment Earnings	9,750	9,427	9,427	0
Tuition and Fees	2,027,315	1,872,461	1,872,461	0
Rent	9,000	0	0	0
Donations	0	1,000	1,000	0
Miscellaneous	70,694	64,754	64,754	0
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>14,575,846</u>	<u>14,861,656</u>	<u>14,861,656</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	6,738,472	6,576,846	6,576,846	0
Special	1,968,496	1,847,098	1,847,098	0
Vocational	266,111	269,634	269,634	0
Student Intervention Services	293,881	102,664	102,664	0
Support Services:				
Pupils	634,540	740,059	740,059	0
Instructional Staff	105,759	131,090	131,090	0
Board of Education	360,524	382,810	382,810	0
Administration	1,199,875	1,177,296	1,177,296	0
Fiscal	743,598	672,830	672,830	0
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,021,325	1,750,922	1,750,922	0
Pupil Transportation	796,179	828,064	828,064	0
Central	123,555	118,973	118,973	0
Extracurricular Activities	403,441	398,247	398,247	0
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>15,655,756</u>	<u>14,996,533</u>	<u>14,996,533</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Excess of Revenues Under Expenditures</i>	<u>(1,079,910)</u>	<u>(134,877)</u>	<u>(134,877)</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Advances In	1,137	118,241	118,241	0
Transfers Out	(108,387)	(227,979)	(227,979)	0
Advances Out	(121,788)	(123,703)	(123,703)	0
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(229,038)</u>	<u>(233,441)</u>	<u>(233,441)</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(1,308,948)	(368,318)	(368,318)	0
<i>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</i>	3,787,871	3,787,871	3,787,871	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	92,489	92,489	92,489	0
<i>Fund Balance at End of Year</i>	<u>\$2,571,412</u>	<u>\$3,512,042</u>	<u>\$3,512,042</u>	<u>\$0</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Statement of Fiduciary Net Position*  
*Fiduciary Funds*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018*

	Private- Purpose Trust	Agency
<b>Assets</b>		
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$75,126	\$55,477
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Due to Students	0	\$55,477
<b>Net Position</b>		
Restricted for Endowments	53,358	
Held in Trust for Scholarships	21,768	
<i>Total Net Position</i>	\$75,126	

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position*  
*Private-Purpose Trust Fund*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018*

<b>Additions</b>	
Gifts and Contributions	\$4,250
Interest	<u>92</u>
Total Additions	4,342
<b>Deductions</b>	
Scholarships	<u>5,588</u>
<i>Change in Net Position</i>	(1,246)
<i>Net Position at Beginning of Year</i>	<u>76,372</u>
<i>Net Position at End of Year</i>	<u><u>\$75,126</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**IRONTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

**1. Description of the School District and Reporting Entity**

Ironton City School District (the School District) is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio.

The School District operates under a locally-elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational services as authorized by State statute and federal guidelines. This Board of Education controls the School District's three instructional/support facilities staffed by 82 classified employees, 106 certified teaching personnel, and five administrators who provide services to 1,402 students and other community members.

*Reporting Entity*

A reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements of the School District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For the School District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the School District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the School District is financially accountable. The School District is financially accountable for an organization if the School District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the School District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the School District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the School District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the School District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the School District in that the School District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes, and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefit to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. This School District has no component units.

The following activities are included within the reporting entity:

***Parochial Schools*** Within the School District boundaries, St. Lawrence Elementary and St. Joseph High School are operated through the Steubenville Catholic Diocese. Current State legislation provides funding to these parochial schools. These monies are received and disbursed on behalf of the parochial schools by the Treasurer of the School District, as directed by the parochial schools. This activity is reflected in a special revenue fund for financial reporting purposes.

The School District participates in four jointly governed organizations and three insurance purchasing pools. These organizations are the Metropolitan Educational Technology Association (META), the Collins Career Center, the Educational Regional Service System (ERSS) Region 15, the Ohio School Plan, the Lawrence County Schools Council of Governments Health Benefits Program, and the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan. These organizations are presented in Notes 16 and 17 to the basic financial statements.

**IRONTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018  
(Continued)**

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

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

**A. Basis of Presentation**

The School District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

**Government-wide Financial Statements** The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for the fiduciary funds. The statements usually distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental (primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues) and those that are considered business-type activities (primarily supported by fees and charges). The School District, however, has no business-type activities.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the School District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department, and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program; grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program; and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the School District. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School District.

**Fund Financial Statements** During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

**B. Fund Accounting**

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. There are two categories of funds used by this School District: governmental and fiduciary.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Governmental Funds** Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the School District's major governmental funds:

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

**Bond Retirement Fund** The Bond Retirement Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general obligation bonds, interest, and related costs.

The other governmental funds of the School District account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

**Fiduciary Fund Types** Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the School District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the School District's own programs. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The School District's fiduciary funds include a private-purpose trust fund, which accounts for student college scholarships, and an agency fund, which accounts for student activities.

**C. Measurement Focus**

**Government-wide Financial Statements** The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the School District are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position.

**Fund Financial Statements** All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds. Private purpose trust funds are accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**D. Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, in the recording of deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

**Revenues - Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions** Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the School District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes and grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 7). Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the School District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School District on a reimbursement basis.

On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized. Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year end: property taxes available as an advance, investment earnings, tuition, grants, fees, and rentals.

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources** In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the School District, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for deferred charges on refunding and for pension and OPEB plans. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in Notes 12 and 13.



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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized until that time. For the School District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, pension, OPEB plans, and unavailable revenue. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2018, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2019 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow on both the government-wide statement of net position and governmental fund financial statements. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet, and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period. For the School District, unavailable revenue includes delinquent property taxes, tuition and fees, and intergovernmental grants. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available. The details of these unavailable revenues are identified on the Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balance to Net Position of Governmental Activities found on page 18. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. (See Notes 12 and 13)

**Expenses/Expenditures** On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in governmental funds.

**E. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled. Monies for all funds, except for a portion of the School Facilities Fund, are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the School District's records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

During fiscal year 2018, investments included non-negotiable certificates of deposit, which are reported at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2018 amounted to \$9,430, which includes \$3,137 assigned from other School District funds.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are presented as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

**F. Inventory**

Inventories are presented at cost on a first-in, first-out basis and are expended/expensed when used. Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption, and donated and purchased food held for resale.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**G. Prepaid Items**

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2018, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the fiscal year in which the services are consumed.

**H. Capital Assets**

The School District's only capital assets are general capital assets. General capital assets are those assets specifically related to governmental activities. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the fiscal year. The School District was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of capital assets by backtrending (i.e., estimating current replacement cost of the capital assets to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-level index to deflate the cost to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year). Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of five thousand dollars. The School District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets, except land, are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Land Improvements	28-50 years
Buildings and Improvements	50 years
Furniture and Equipment	5-20 years
Vehicles	3-10 years

**I. Restricted Assets**

Assets are reported as restricted assets when limitations on their use change the normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other government or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the School District are reported as restricted.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**J. Compensated Absences**

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the School District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The liability for vacation benefits is recorded as vacation benefits payable, rather than long-term liabilities, since at the employee's request, any carry-over may be paid to the employees each year, or carried over.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the School District has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the School District's termination policy. The School District records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for classified and certified employees after 20 years of current service with the School District.

**K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations**

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current fiscal year. Net pension/OPEB liability should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits.

**L. Interfund Activity**

Transfers within governmental activities were eliminated on the government-wide statements. Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one program to another or within the same program are eliminated on the Statement of Activities. Payments of interfund services provided and used are not eliminated.

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

**M. Interfund Balances**

Interfund receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans or interfund services provided and used are classified as "interfund receivables/payables". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column of the statement of net position.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**N. Fund Balance**

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

**Nonspendable:** The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans and notes receivable, as well as property acquired for resale, unless the use of the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties is restricted, committed, or assigned.

**Restricted:** The restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

**Committed:** The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action (resolution) of the School District Board of Education. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the School District Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for the use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

**Assigned:** Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Educational Service Center for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds, other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Board of Education or a School District official delegated that authority by resolution or State Statute. State statute authorizes the School District's Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated. The School District's Board of Education assigned fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in fiscal year 2018's appropriated budget.

**Unassigned:** The unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balances.

The School District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which the amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**O. Bond Premiums and Discounts**

On government-wide financial statement, bond discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bond discounts are presented as a reduction of the face amount of the bonds payable. Bond premiums are presented as an increase of the face amount of the bonds payable. Bond discounts on the capital appreciation bonds are deferred and accreted over the term of the bonds. Under Ohio law, premiums on the original issuance of debt are to be deposited to the bond retirement fund to be used for debt retirement and are precluded from being applied to the project fund. Ohio law does allow premiums on refunding debt to be used as part of the payment to the bond escrow agent.

On the governmental fund statements, bond premiums and bond discounts are recognized in the period in which the bonds are issued. The face amount of the debt issue is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources, while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses.

**P. Deferred Charge on Refunding**

On the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the reacquisition price (funds required to refund the old debt) and the net carrying amount of the old debt, the gain/loss on the refunding, is being amortized as a component of interest expense. This deferred amount is amortized over the life of the old or new debt, whichever is shorter, using the effective interest method and is presented as deferred outflows of resources on the statement of net position.

**Q. Net Position**

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

The School District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

**R. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB, and pension/OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

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**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**S. Extraordinary and Special Items**

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence.

**T. Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

**U. Budgetary Process**

All funds, other than the agency fund, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriation resolution, and the certificate of estimated resources, which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amounts that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and set annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level. The School District Treasurer has been given the authority to allocate appropriations among functions and objects within all funds.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the School District Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statement reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources in effect when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statement reflect the amounts in the amended certificate in effect when final appropriations for the fiscal year were passed. Prior to June 30, the Board requested and received an amended certificate in which estimated revenue equaled actual revenue.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment by the Board throughout the fiscal year with the restriction that appropriations may not exceed estimated revenues. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year. Prior to June 30, the Board passed an appropriation resolution which matched actual expenditures during the fiscal year plus encumbrances outstanding at fiscal year end.

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**3. Changes in Accounting Principles and Restatement of Net Position**

For fiscal year 2018, the School District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 85, *Omnibus 2017*, Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*, and related guidance from (GASB) Implementation Guide No. 2017-3, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (and Certain Issues Related to OPEB Plan Reporting)*.

For fiscal year 2018, the School District also implemented the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's (GASB) *Implementation Guide No. 2017-1*. These changes were incorporated in the School District's fiscal year 2018 financial statements; however, there was no effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

GASB 85 addresses a variety of topics including issues related to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement and application, and postemployment benefits (pensions and other postemployment benefits (OPEB)). These changes were incorporated in the School District's fiscal year 2018 financial statements; however, there was no effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

GASB 75 established standards for measuring and recognizing Postemployment benefit liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and expense/expenditure. The implementation of this pronouncement had the following effect on net position as reported June 30, 2017:

Net Position at June 30, 2017	\$12,534,049
Adjustments:	
Net OPEB Liability	(4,884,921)
Deferred Outflow - Payments Subsequent to Measurement Date	34,887
Restated Net Position at June 30, 2017	\$7,684,015

Other than employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date, the School District made no restatement for deferred inflows/outflows of resources as the information needed to generate these restatements was not available.

**4. Deficit Fund Balances**

The following funds had deficit fund balances at June 30, 2018:

Special Revenue Funds:	
Food Service	\$48,250
Title I	2,695
Improving Teacher Quality	2,477

These deficits are due to the recognition of accrued liabilities in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The General Fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and provides operating transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

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**5. Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

While the School District is reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Budget Basis) presented for the General Fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP (modified accrual) basis are as follows:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as an assignment or commitment of fund balance (GAAP basis).
4. Prepaid items and unreported cash are reported on the balance sheet (GAAP basis), but not on the budgetary basis.
5. Advances In and Advances Out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
6. Certain funds are accounted for as separate funds internally with legally adopted budgets (budget basis) that do not meet the definition of special revenue funds under GASB Statement No. 54 and were reported with the General Fund (GAAP basis).

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements to the budgetary basis statements for the General Fund.

Net Change in Fund Balance	
	General Fund
GAAP Basis	<u>(\$433,519)</u>
Net Adjustment for:	
Revenue Accruals	(18,608)
Expenditure Accruals	22,318
Unreported Cash:	
Beginning of Fiscal Year	73
End of Fiscal Year	(76)
Advances In	118,241
Advances Out	(123,703)
Prepaid Items:	
Beginning of Fiscal Year	37,782
End of Fiscal Year	(43,702)
To reclassify excess of revenues over expenditures into financial statement fund types	119,090
Encumbrances	<u>(46,214)</u>
Budget Basis	<u><u>(\$368,318)</u></u>



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**6. Deposits and Investments**

Monies held by the School District are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the School District treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the School District treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts, including passbook accounts.

Interim monies held by the School District can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met

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**6. Deposits and Investments (Continued)**

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

Deposits

**Custodial credit risk** for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2018, \$5,160,764 of the School District's total bank balance of \$5,668,264 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution.

The School District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by:

Eligible securities pledged to the School District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured; or

Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

**7. Property Taxes and Abatements**

**A. Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District's fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the School District in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the School District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2018 represents collections of calendar year 2017 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2018 were levied after April 1, 2017, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2017, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

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**7. Property Taxes and Abatements (Continued)**

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2018 represents collections of calendar year 2017 taxes. Public utility real personal property taxes received in calendar year 2018 became a lien December 31, 2016, were levied after April 1, 2017, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The School District receives property taxes from Lawrence County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2018, are available to finance fiscal year 2018 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property and public utility property taxes which were measurable as of June 30, 2017 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reflected as revenue at fiscal year end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to deferred inflows of resources - property taxes.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2018, was \$388,020 in the General Fund, \$140,334 in the Bond Retirement Fund, and \$7,678 in the School Facilities Fund. The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2017, was \$351,810 in the General Fund, \$127,287 in the Bond Retirement Fund, and \$6,916 in the School Facilities Fund.

On an accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis the revenue has been reported as deferred inflows of resources - unavailable revenues.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2018 taxes were collected are:

	2017 Second- Half Collections		2018 First- Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential and Other Real Estate	\$116,693,830	74%	\$115,184,010	74%
Public Utility Personal	32,645,610	21%	32,156,540	21%
General Business Personal	8,560,830	5%	8,403,360	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$157,900,270</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$155,743,910</b>	<b>100%</b>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation		\$32.80		\$32.80

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**7. Property Taxes and Abatements (Continued)**

**B. Abatements**

Pursuant to Section 5709.82 of the Ohio Revised Code the City of Ironton established a Community Reinvestment Area (CRA). The City has offered CRA abatements to encourage economic stability, maintain property values, and generate new employment opportunities and population growth. The abatements equal an agreed upon percentage of the additional property tax resulting from the increase in assessed value as a result of the improvements. Each taxing authority within the boundaries of the Community Reinvestment Area, including the School District, share in the abated amount of property taxes. The amount of fiscal year 2018 taxes reduced by overlapping governments (city agreements) was \$71,258.

**8. Receivables**

Receivables at June 30, 2018, consisted of property taxes, interfund, and intergovernmental grants. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds. Except for property taxes, all receivables are expected to be collected within one year. Property taxes, although ultimately collectible, include some portion of delinquencies that will not be received within one year. The delinquent property taxes amounted to \$241,877.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

Intergovernmental Receivables	Total
Special Education Part B Idea	\$187,193
Title I	171,459
Title II-A	41,609
National School Breakfast and Lunch Program	38,659
Bureau of Worker's Compensation	19,602
Title IV-A	12,316
Medicaid Reimbursements	5,911
State Foundation	3,930
Total Intergovernmental Receivable	\$480,679

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**9. Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, was as follows:

	Balance 6/30/2017	Additions	Deductions	Balance 6/30/2018
Capital Assets:				
Capital Assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$471,255	\$0	\$0	\$471,255
Depreciable Capital Assets:				
Land Improvements	6,406,366	0	0	6,406,366
Buildings and Improvements	46,181,250	0	(989,896)	45,191,354
Furniture and Equipment	1,204,641	13,666	(135,548)	1,082,759
Vehicles	929,771	35,500	0	965,271
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated	<u>54,722,028</u>	<u>49,166</u>	<u>(1,125,444)</u>	<u>53,645,750</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Land Improvements	(2,057,169)	(310,895)	0	(2,368,064)
Buildings and Improvements	(10,229,555)	(1,157,631)	989,896	(10,397,290)
Furniture and Equipment	(777,863)	(75,272)	135,548	(717,587)
Vehicles	(832,812)	(30,456)	0	(863,268)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(13,897,399)</u>	<u>(1,574,254) *</u>	<u>1,125,444</u>	<u>(14,346,209)</u>
Total Capital Assets being Depreciated, Net	<u>40,824,629</u>	<u>(1,525,088)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>39,299,541</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$41,295,884</u>	<u>(\$1,525,088)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$39,770,796</u>

\* Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$625,953
Special	273,953
Vocational	30,904
Support Services:	
Pupils	53,333
Instructional Staff	22,139
Administration	78,920
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	125,040
Pupil Transportation	147,968
Central	9,968
Operation of Non-Instructional Services:	
Food Service Operations	112,911
Extracurricular Activities	93,165
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$1,574,254</u>

**10. Risk Management**

**A. Property and Liability**

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2018, the School District contracted with Hylant Administrative Services for property and fleet insurance. The type and amount of coverage provided follows:

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**10. Risk Management (Continued)**

Building and Contents-replacement cost (\$1,000 deductible)	\$73,358,978
Automobile Liability (\$0 deductible):	
Bodily Injury and Property Damage – combined single limit	2,000,000
Medical Payments – each person	5,000
Uninsured Motorists	1,000,000

The School District has joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), a public entity insurance purchasing pool. Each individual school district enters into an agreement with the OSP and its premium is based on types of coverage, limits of coverage, and deductibles that it selects. The School District pays this annual premium to the OSP (See Note 17).

The types and amounts of coverage provided by the Ohio School Plan are as follows:

General Liability:	
Each Occurrence	\$2,000,000
Aggregate Limit	4,000,000
Products – Complete Operations Aggregate Limit	2,000,000
Fire Legal Liability	500,000
Medical Expense Limit – per person/accident	10,000
Employers Liability – Stop Gap:	
Per Accident	2,000,000
Per Disease Each Employee	2,000,000
Per Disease Policy Limit	2,000,000
Employee Benefits Liability:	
Per Claim	2,000,000
Aggregate Limit	4,000,000
Excess Liability:	
Each Occurrence	2,000,000
Aggregate Limit	4,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior fiscal year.

**B. Workers' Compensation**

For fiscal year 2018, the School District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 17). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria.

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**11. Employee Benefits**

**A. Compensated Absences**

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Employees who earn vacation can carry over unused vacation for one year. If vacation is unused after that year, upon employee request, the employee may be paid for it at that time. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to classified employees upon termination of employment. Teachers and administrators who are not on a twelve month contract do not earn vacation time. Teachers, administrators, and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. There is no limit to the amount of sick leave that may be accumulated. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fourth of the total sick leave accumulation, up to a maximum payment of 80 days.

**B. Life Insurance and Health Care Benefits**

The School District provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to certified and classified employees through Guardian Insurance Inc., in the amount of \$30,000 and \$20,000, respectively.

Health insurance is provided by Anthem, Inc. Premiums for this coverage are \$2,156.46 for family coverage and \$873.06 for single coverage. The School District pays 85% of the premium for employees hired before August 1, 2009. For employees hired after August 1, 2009, the School District pays 70% of the premium. Dental insurance is provided by CIGNA. Premiums are \$20.95 for individual coverage and \$69.48 for family coverage. The School District pays 100% of the individual premium. Employees opting for family coverage must pay the difference. Vision insurance is provided by Vision Service Plan. Premiums are \$6.80 for individual coverage and \$14.62 for family coverage. The School District pays 100% of the individual premium. Employees opting for family coverage must pay the difference.

**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

**A. Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability**

The net pension liability and the net OPEB liability reported on the statement of net position represent liabilities to employees for pensions and OPEB, respectively. Pensions/OPEB are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions/OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

The net pension/OPEB liability represent the School District's proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the School District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the School District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients.

The proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension/OPEB liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension/OPEB contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *intergovernmental payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting. The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 13 for the required OPEB disclosures.

***Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Plan Description – School District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.



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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 *	Eligible to Retire on or after August 1, 2017
Full Benefits	Any age with 30 years of service credit	Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit
Actuarially Reduced Benefits	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

\* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 13.5 percent. The remaining .5 percent was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$317,841 for fiscal year 2018. Of this amount, \$66,201 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

***Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description – School District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information, and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org).

New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan, and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Effective July 1, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced to zero. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 26 years of service, or 31 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2 percent goes to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity after termination of employment at age 50 or later.

New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the employer rate was 14 percent and the plan members were also required to contribute 14 percent of covered salary. The fiscal year 2018 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$899,060 for fiscal year 2018. Of this amount, \$123,125 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

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

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability Prior Measurement Date	0.06627050%	0.05597201%	
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability Current Measurement Date	<u>0.07054780%</u>	<u>0.05788926%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>0.00427730%</u>	<u>0.00191725%</u>	
			<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$4,215,075	\$13,751,718	\$17,966,793
Pension Expense	(\$136,583)	(\$5,154,480)	(\$5,291,063)

At June 30, 2018, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$181,402	\$531,027	\$712,429
Changes of assumptions	217,964	3,007,652	3,225,616
Changes in proportionate Share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	190,622	565,073	755,695
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>317,841</u>	<u>899,060</u>	<u>1,216,901</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$907,829</u>	<u>\$5,002,812</u>	<u>\$5,910,641</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$110,833	\$110,833
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	20,008	453,823	473,831
Changes in Proportionate Share and Difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>64,896</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>64,896</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$84,904</u>	<u>\$564,656</u>	<u>\$649,560</u>

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\$1,216,901 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2019	\$189,236	\$774,251	\$963,487
2020	298,233	1,391,607	1,689,840
2021	115,877	1,026,024	1,141,901
2022	(98,262)	347,214	248,952
Total	\$505,084	\$3,539,096	\$4,044,180

***Actuarial Assumptions - SERS***

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2017, are presented below:

Wage Inflation	3.00 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	2.5 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal

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Prior to 2017, an assumption of 3 percent was used for COLA or Ad Hoc COLA.

For 2017, the mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females. Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries were based upon the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates, and 110 percent of female rates. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined by using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating an arithmetic weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalanced uncorrelated asset classes.

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	1.00%	0.50%
US Stocks	22.50	4.75
Non-US Stocks	22.50	7.00
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	8.00
Real Assets	15.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	10.00	3.00
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

**Discount Rate** The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all 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 benefits to determine the total pension liability.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Current Discount Rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$5,849,429	\$4,215,075	\$2,845,971

***Actuarial Assumptions - STRS***

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2017, actuarial valuation, compared with July 1, 2016 are presented below:

	July 1, 2017	July 1, 2016
Inflation	2.50 percent	2.75 percent
Projected salary increases	12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65	12.25 percent at age 20 to 2.75 percent at age 70
Investment Rate of Return	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3 percent	3.5 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year; for members retiring August 1, 2013 or later, 2 percent COLA commences on fifth anniversary of retirement date.

For the July 1, 2017, actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

For the July 1, 2016 actuarial valuation, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89, and no set back from age 90 and above.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1 2017, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016. Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Rate of Return *</u>
Domestic Equity	28.00%	7.35%
International Equity	23.00	7.55
Alternatives	17.00	7.09
Fixed Income	21.00	3.00
Real Estate	10.00	6.00
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	2.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

\* 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2017. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2016. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2017. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.45 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2017.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** The following table presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.45 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.45 percent) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.45%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.45%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.45%)</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$19,712,619	\$13,751,718	\$8,730,552

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**12. Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)**

**B. Social Security System**

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System have an option to choose Social Security or the School Employees Retirement System / State Teachers Retirement System. As of June 30, 2018, no members of the Board of Education elected Social Security. The Board's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

**13. Postemployment Benefits**

See Note 12 for a description of the net OPEB liability.

***Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Health Care Plan Description - The School District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2018, .5 percent of covered payroll was made to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2018, this amount was \$23,700. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2018, the School District's surcharge obligation was \$34,823.



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**13. Postemployment Benefits (Continued)**

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$46,595 for fiscal year 2018. Of this amount, \$37,275 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

***Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description – The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued effective January 1, 2020. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org) or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

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

The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the School District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

	SERS	STRS	
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability			
Prior Measurement Date	0.06636060%	0.05597201%	
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability			
Current Measurement Date	0.07079080%	0.05788926%	
Change in Proportionate Share	0.00443020%	0.00191725%	
			Total
Proportionate Share of the Net			
OPEB Liability	\$1,899,839	\$2,258,625	\$4,158,464
OPEB Expense	\$143,987	(\$674,563)	(\$530,576)

At June 30, 2018, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

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**13. Postemployment Benefits (Continued)**

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$130,382	\$130,382
Changes in proportionate Share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	84,518	87,887	172,405
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>46,595</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>46,595</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$131,113</u>	<u>\$218,269</u>	<u>\$349,382</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Changes of assumptions	\$180,285	\$181,940	\$362,225
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	<u>5,017</u>	<u>96,539</u>	<u>101,556</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$185,302</u>	<u>\$278,479</u>	<u>\$463,781</u>

\$46,595 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2019	(\$35,953)	(\$18,080)	(\$54,033)
2020	(35,953)	(18,080)	(54,033)
2021	(27,624)	(18,080)	(45,704)
2022	(1,254)	(18,081)	(19,335)
2023	0	6,054	6,054
Thereafter	<u>0</u>	<u>6,057</u>	<u>6,057</u>
Total	<u>(\$100,784)</u>	<u>(\$60,210)</u>	<u>(\$160,994)</u>

**Actuarial Assumptions - SERS**

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

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**13. Postemployment Benefits (Continued)**

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2017, are presented below:

Wage Inflation	3.00 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Measurement Date	3.56 percent
Prior Measurement Date	2.92 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation	
Measurement Date	3.63 percent
Prior Measurement Date	2.98 percent
Medical Trend Assumption	
Medicare	5.50 to 5.00 percent
Pre-Medicare	7.50 to 5.00 percent

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates and 110 percent of female rates. RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates set back five years.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2010 through 2015, and was adopted by the Board on April 21, 2016. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.50 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The SERS health care plan follows the same asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return for each major asset class as the pension plan, see Note 12.

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**13. Postemployment Benefits (Continued)**

**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2017 was 3.63 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2017 was 2.98 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the state statute contribution rate of 2.00 percent of projected covered employee payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and 0.50 percent of contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to present value the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and the Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index rate of 3.56 percent, as of June 30, 2017 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to present value the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The projection of future benefit payments for all current plan members was until the benefit payments ran out.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates** The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.63%) and higher (4.63%) than the current discount rate (3.63%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.5% decreasing to 4.0%) and higher (8.5% decreasing to 6.0%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (2.63%)	Current Discount Rate (3.63%)	1% Increase (4.63%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$2,294,298	\$1,899,839	\$1,587,327
		Current Trend Rate (7.5 % decreasing to 5.0 %)	1% Increase (8.5 % decreasing to 6.0 %)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$1,541,577	\$1,899,839	\$2,374,005

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**13. Postemployment Benefits (Continued)**

***Actuarial Assumptions – STRS***

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2017, actuarial valuation are presented below:

Inflation	2.50 percent
Projected salary increases	12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65
Investment Rate of Return	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017
Blended Discount Rate of Return	4.13 percent
Health Care Cost Trends	6 to 11 percent initial, 4.5 percent ultimate

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

For healthy retirees the mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

Since the prior measurement date, the discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent based on the methodology defined under GASB *Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB)* and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75 percent to 7.45 percent. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

Also since the prior measurement date, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 2019. Subsequent to the current measurement date, the date for discontinuing remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements was extended to January 2020.

The STRS health care plan follows the same asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return for each major asset class as the pension plan, see Note 12.

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**13. Postemployment Benefits (Continued)**

**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 4.13 percent as of June 30, 2017. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS Ohio continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was not projected to be sufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. The OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2037. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to determine the present value of the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2036 and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 3.58 percent as of June 30, 2017 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to determine the present value of the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The blended discount rate of 4.13 percent, which represents the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45 percent for the funded benefit payments and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 3.58 percent for the unfunded benefit payments, was used to measure the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017. A blended discount rate of 3.26 percent which represents the long term expected rate of return of 7.75 percent for the funded benefit payments and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 2.85 percent for the unfunded benefit payments was used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2016.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate** The following table represents the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 4.13 percent, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (3.13 percent) or one percentage point higher (5.13 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB liability as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

	1% Decrease (3.13%)	Current Discount Rate (4.13%)	1% Increase (5.13%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$3,032,168	\$2,258,625	\$1,647,274
	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$1,569,196	\$2,258,625	\$3,165,995

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**14. Long-Term Obligations**

The changes in the School District's long-term obligations during the fiscal year consist of the following:

	Restated Principal Outstanding 6/30/2017	Additions	Reductions	Principal Outstanding 6/30/2018	Amounts Due in One Year
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
2010 School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds, 2.0-5.0%					
Serial Bonds	\$310,000	\$0	\$55,000	\$255,000	\$60,000
Term Bonds	2,665,000	0	0	2,665,000	0
Premium on Bonds	45,616	0	2,546	43,070	0
Discount on Bonds	(21,500)	0	(1,200)	(20,300)	0
2013 Refunding Bonds, 1.00-3.25%					
Serial Bonds	6,860,000	0	180,000	6,680,000	180,000
Term Bonds	250,000	0	0	250,000	0
Discount on Bonds	(79,560)	0	(4,568)	(74,992)	0
Capital Appreciation Bonds, 19.759-20.298%					
Premium on Bonds	420,000	0	0	420,000	0
Accretion on Capital Appreciation Bonds	1,097,528	0	147,981	949,547	0
	500,266	194,824	0	695,090	0
2015 Refunding Bonds, 1.00-4.00%					
Serial Bonds	2,870,000	0	495,000	2,375,000	505,000
Term Bonds	725,000	0	0	725,000	0
Capital Appreciation Bonds - 13.819%	260,000	0	0	260,000	0
Premium on Serial Bonds	74,318	0	6,756	67,562	0
Premium on Term Bonds	17,409	0	1,582	15,827	0
Premium on Capital Appreciation Bonds	180,098	0	16,372	163,726	0
Accretion on Capital Appreciation Bonds	79,142	48,384	0	127,526	0
<b>Total General Obligation Bonds</b>	<b>16,253,317</b>	<b>243,208</b>	<b>899,469</b>	<b>15,597,056</b>	<b>745,000</b>
Net Pension Liability					
STRS	18,735,519	0	4,983,801	13,751,718	0
SERS	4,850,389	0	635,314	4,215,075	0
<b>Total Net Pension Liability</b>	<b>23,585,908</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,619,115</b>	<b>17,966,793</b>	<b>0</b>
Net OPEB Liability					
STRS	2,993,398	0	734,773	2,258,625	0
SERS	1,891,523	8,316	0	1,899,839	0
<b>Total Net OPEB Liability</b>	<b>4,884,921</b>	<b>8,316</b>	<b>734,773</b>	<b>4,158,464</b>	<b>0</b>
Sick Leave Benefits	407,283	73,049	19,653	460,679	9,470
<b>Total Governmental Activities Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>\$45,131,429</b>	<b>\$324,573</b>	<b>\$7,273,010</b>	<b>\$38,182,992</b>	<b>\$754,470</b>

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**14. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)**

Sick leave benefits are paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid, which includes the General Fund and Lunchroom Special Revenue Funds. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension and net OPEB liabilities. However, employer pension/OPEB contributions are made from the following funds: General Fund, and the Food Service, Auxiliary, Title I, IDEA-B, and Title II-A Special Revenue Funds. See Notes 12 and 13 for additional information related to net pension and net OPEB liabilities.

On May 19, 2010, the School District issued \$3,000,000 in voted general obligation bonds to pay off a note which had been issued to pay the local share of the school construction under the state of Ohio Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. On October 18, 2006, the School District issued \$15,000,000 in voted general obligation bonds to pay the local share of the school construction under the state of Ohio Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. These bonds were partially refunded in 2013 and in 2015.

On March 21, 2013, the School District issued refunding bonds of \$8,240,000 consisting of \$7,570,000 in serial bonds, \$420,000 in capital appreciation bonds, and \$250,000 in term bonds. The refunding bonds will mature on December 1, 2034. These bonds were issued to advance refund part of the 2006 School Building Construction Bonds. The advance refunded portion of the bonds, as well as the unamortized premium and discount of these advance refunded bonds, were removed from the financial statements of the School District. The refunding resulted in a difference between the net carrying amount of the debt and the acquisition price of \$1,650,060. This difference, reported in the accompanying financial statements as a deferred outflow of resources, is being amortized to interest expense over the life of the refunded bonds using the straight-line method. The amortization of this difference for 2018 was \$74,160. At the date of the refunding, \$9,696,706 (including underwriter fees and other issuance costs) was deposited in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the refunded 2006 bonds. The refunded bonds were called and paid on December 1, 2016.

On July 7, 2015, the School District issued refunding bonds of \$3,955,000 consisting of \$2,970,000 in serial bonds, \$260,000 in capital appreciation bonds, and \$725,000 in term bonds. The refunding bonds will mature on December 1, 2027. These bonds were issued to advance refund a portion of the 2006 School Building Construction Bonds, consisting of \$1,930,000 in serial bonds and \$2,025,000 in term bonds. The advance refunded portion of the bonds, as well as the unamortized premium and discount of these advance refunded bonds, were removed from the financial statements of the School District. The refunding resulted in a difference between the net carrying amount of the debt and the acquisition price of \$164,215. This difference, reported in the accompanying financial statements as a deferred outflow of resources, is being amortized to interest expense over the life of the refunded bonds using the straight-line method. The amortization of this difference for 2018 was \$12,632. At the date of the refunding, \$4,183,070 (including underwriter fees and other issuance costs) was deposited in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the refunded 2006 bonds. The refunded bonds were called and paid on December 1, 2016.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2022, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:



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**14. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2021	\$140,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$150,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2023.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2024, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2023	\$155,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$160,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2024.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2026, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2025	\$165,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$170,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2026.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2029, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2027	\$180,000
2028	190,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$200,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2029.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2034, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

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**14. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2030	\$210,000
2031	220,000
2032	230,000
2033	240,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$255,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2034.

The current interest term bonds maturing on December 1, 2020 and thereafter are subject to redemption at the option of the School District, either in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as the School District shall determine, on any date on or after June 1, 2020, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus, in each case, accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2027, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2025	\$80,000
2026	85,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$85,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2034.

The current interest term bonds due December 1, 2025, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 in the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount to be Redeemed</u>
2021	\$20,000
2022	20,000
2023	20,000
2024	20,000

The remaining principal amount of such current interest term bonds (\$645,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2025.

The current interest term bonds maturing on December 1, 2021 and thereafter are subject to redemption at the option of the School District, either in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as the School District shall determine, on any date on or after June 1, 2023, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount redeemed plus, in each case, accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

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**14. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)**

The capital appreciation bonds related to the 2013 refunding will mature in fiscal year 2025. The maturity amount of the bonds is \$2,840,000. For the fiscal year 2018, \$194,824 was accreted for a total bond value of \$1,115,090.

The capital appreciation bonds related to the 2015 refunding will mature in fiscal year 2021. The maturity amount of the bonds is \$535,000. For the fiscal year 2017, \$48,384 was accreted for a total bond value of \$387,526.

Principal and interest requirements to retire general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2018, were as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Serial		Capital Appreciation		Term	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2019	\$745,000	\$274,520	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,987
2020	765,000	253,969	0	0	0	150,988
2021	315,000	236,719	260,000	275,000	0	150,987
2022	0	232,675	135,000	575,000	160,000	148,133
2023	0	232,675	110,000	600,000	170,000	142,240
2024-2028	1,355,000	1,123,100	175,000	1,245,000	1,765,000	553,049
2029-2033	4,240,000	648,780	0	0	1,050,000	260,000
2034-2035	1,890,000	61,913	0	0	495,000	25,125
	<u>\$9,310,000</u>	<u>\$3,064,351</u>	<u>\$680,000</u>	<u>\$2,695,000</u>	<u>\$3,640,000</u>	<u>\$1,581,509</u>

The School District's voted legal debt margin was \$1,593,906, with an unvoted debt margin of \$155,744 at June 30, 2018.

**15. Interfund Transactions**

As of June 30, 2018, receivables and payables that resulted from various interfund transactions were as follows:

	Receivable	Payable
General Fund	<u>\$123,703</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Other Governmental Funds:		
Food Service	0	38,659
Special Education IDEA Part E	0	57,310
Title I	0	21,543
Improving Teacher Quality	0	3,950
Miscellaneous Federal Grants	0	2,241
Total	<u>0</u>	<u>123,703</u>
Total All Funds	<u>\$123,703</u>	<u>\$123,703</u>

The interfund balances result from the provision of cash flow resources from the General Fund until the receipt of grant monies by the grant funds.

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**15. Interfund Transactions (Continued)**

The General Fund transferred \$227,979 to the Food Service Special Revenue Fund during fiscal year 2018. The transfer was made to move unrestricted balances to cover revenue shortfalls for the fiscal year of the food service operations.

**16. Jointly Governed Organizations**

**The Metropolitan Educational Technology Association (META)** formed from the merger of the Metropolitan Educational Council (MEC) and the South Central Ohio Computer Association Regional Council of Governments (SCOCARCoG) during fiscal year 2016, which is a jointly governed organization, created as a regional council of governments pursuant to Chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code. META operates as, and has all the powers of, a data acquisition site/information technology center pursuant to applicable provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. The organization was formed for the purpose of identifying, developing, and providing to members and nonmembers innovative educational and technological services and products, as well as expanded opportunities for cooperative purchasing. The General Assembly of META consists of one delegate from every member school district. The delegate is the superintendent of the school district or the superintendent's designee. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the General Assembly. The General Assembly exercises total control over the operation of META including budgeting, appropriating, contracting, and designating management. During 2018, the School District paid \$67,160 for services with META. Financial information can be obtained from Metropolitan Educational Technology Association at 100 Executive Drive, Marion, Ohio 43302.

**The Collins Career Center** is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from Chesapeake Union Exempted Village School District, two from the Ironton City School District, and two from the Lawrence County Educational Service Center, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. Ironton City School District made no payments to the Collins Career Center in fiscal year 2018. To obtain financial information write to the Collins Career Center, 11627 State Route 243, Chesapeake, OH 45619.

**The Educational Regional Service System (ERSS) Region 15** is a jointly governed organization consisting of educational entities within Lawrence, Pike, Scioto, and Ross counties. The purpose of the ERSS is to provide support services to school districts, community schools, and chartered nonpublic schools within the region by supporting State and school initiatives and efforts to improve school effectiveness and student achievement with a specific reference to the provision of special education and related services. The ERSS is governed by an advisory council, which is the policymaking body for the educational entities within the region, who identifies regional needs and priorities for educational services and develops corresponding policies to coordinate the delivery of services. They are also charged with the responsibility of monitoring the implementation of State and regional initiatives and school improvement efforts. The Advisory Council is made up of the director of the ERSS, the superintendent of each educational service center within the region, the superintendent of the region's largest and smallest school district, the director and an employee from each education technology center, one representative of a four-year institution of higher education and appointed by the Ohio Board of Regents, one representative of a two-year institution of higher education and appointed by the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, three board of education members (one each from a city, exempted village, and local school district within the region), and one business representative. The degree of control exercised by any participating educational entity is limited to its representation on the Advisory Council. Financial information can be obtained from the South Central Educational Service Center, 522 Glenwood Avenue, New Boston, Ohio 45662.

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**17. Insurance Purchasing Pools**

The School District participates in the **Ohio School Plan (OSP)**, an insurance purchasing pool. The Ohio School Plan (OSP) is created and organized pursuant to and as authorized by Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. The OSP is an unincorporated, non-profit association of its members and an instrumentality for each member for the purpose of enabling members of the Plan to provide for a formalized, joint insurance purchasing program to maintain adequate insurance protection, risk management programs and other administrative services. The OSP's business and affairs are conducted by a fifteen member Board of directors consisting of school district superintendents and treasurers, as well as the president of Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency, Inc. and a partner of the Hylant Group, Inc. Hylant Group, Inc. is the Administrator of the OSP and is responsible for processing claims. Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency, Inc. is the sales and marketing representative, which establishes agreements between OSP and member schools.

The School District participates in the **Lawrence County Schools Council of Governments Health Benefits Program** (Council), a shared risk pool created pursuant to State statute for the purpose of administering health care benefits. The Council is governed by a council, which consists of the superintendent from each participating school district. The council elects officers for one-year terms to serve on the Board of Directors. The council exercises control over the operation of the council. All council revenues are generated from charges for services received from the participating school districts, based on the established premiums for the insurance plans. The Lawrence County Educational Service Center is the fiscal agent of the council. Each school district reserves the right to withdraw from the plan. If this is done, no further contributions will be made and the school district will be distributed their net pooled share and all claims submitted by covered members of the school district after the distribution will be exclusively the liability of the school district.

The School District participates in the **Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP)**, an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the plan.

**18. Donor Restricted Endowments**

The School District's private purpose trust funds include donor restricted endowments. Total endowments, representing the principal portion, are \$53,358. The amount of net appreciation in donor restricted investments that is available for expenditure by the School District is \$21,768 and is included as held in trust for scholarships. State law permits the School District to appropriate, for purposes consistent with the endowments' intent, net appreciation, realized and unrealized, unless the endowment terms specify otherwise. The endowments indicate interest should be used to provide scholarships each year.

**19. Set asides**

The School District is required by State statute to annually set aside in the General Fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by fiscal year end or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the fiscal year must be held in cash at fiscal year end and carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future fiscal years. In prior fiscal years, the School District was also required to set aside money for budget stabilization and textbooks.

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**19. Set asides (Continued)**

The following cash basis information describes the change in the fiscal year end set aside amounts for capital improvements. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

	Capital Improvements Reserve
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2017	\$0
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	252,670
Offsets	(1,017,981)
Total	(\$765,311)

The School District had qualifying offsets during the fiscal year that reduce the set-aside amount below zero. The excess set-aside may not be carried forward to reduce the set-aside requirements in future fiscal years.

**20. Encumbrances**

The School District utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at fiscal year end may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At fiscal year end, the School District's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

Fund	Amount
General	\$46,214
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	62,368
Total	\$108,582

**21. Contingencies**

**A. Grants**

The School District received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the School District at June 30, 2018, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

**B. Litigation**

As of June 30, 2018, the School District is currently not a party to any legal proceedings.

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**21. Contingencies (Continued)**

**C. School Foundation**

School District foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to adjust/reconcile funding as enrollment information is updated by schools throughout the State, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, additional ODE adjustments for fiscal year 2018 are not finalized. As a result, the impact of future FTE adjustments on the fiscal year 2018 financial statements is not determinable, at this time. Management believes this may result in either an additional receivable to, or a liability of, the School District.

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**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability*  
*School Employees Retirement System of Ohio*  
*Last Five Fiscal Years (1)\**

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.07054780%	0.06627050%	0.06800100%	0.06926000%	0.06926000%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$4,215,075	\$4,850,389	\$3,880,203	\$3,505,209	\$4,118,670
School District's Covered Payroll	\$2,303,836	\$2,054,914	\$2,117,155	\$1,978,557	\$1,750,111
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered - Payroll	182.96%	236.04%	183.27%	177.16%	235.34%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	69.50%	62.98%	69.16%	71.70%	65.52%

(1) Although this schedule is intended to reflect information for ten years, information prior to 2014 is not available. An additional column will be added each fiscal year.

\*Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability*  
*School Employees Retirement System of Ohio*  
*Last Two Fiscal Years (1)*

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.07079080%	0.06636060%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$1,899,839	\$1,891,523
School District's Covered Payroll	\$2,303,836	\$2,054,914
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered - Payroll	82.46%	92.05%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	12.46%	11.49%

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**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability*  
*State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio*  
*Last Five Fiscal Years (1)\**

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.05788926%	0.05597201%	0.05521284%	0.05504409%	0.05504409%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$13,751,718	\$18,735,519	\$15,259,214	\$13,388,628	\$15,948,446
School District's Covered Payroll	\$6,216,793	\$5,908,486	\$5,778,307	\$5,680,436	\$5,745,669
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered - Payroll	221.20%	317.10%	264.08%	235.70%	277.57%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	75.30%	66.80%	72.10%	74.70%	69.30%

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*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability*  
*State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio*  
*Last Two Fiscal Years (1)*

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.05788926%	0.05597201%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$2,258,625	\$2,993,398
School District's Covered Payroll	\$6,216,793	\$5,908,486
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered - Payroll	36.33%	50.66%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	47.10%	37.30%

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See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School District's Contributions*  
*School Employees Retirement System of Ohio*  
*Last Ten Fiscal Years*

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
<b>Net Pension Liability</b>										
Contractually Required Contribution	\$317,841	\$322,537	\$287,688	\$279,041	\$274,228	\$242,215	\$236,429	\$223,609	\$250,169	\$182,884
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(317,841)	(322,537)	(287,688)	(279,041)	(274,228)	(242,215)	(236,429)	(223,609)	(250,169)	(182,884)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
School District Covered Payroll (1)	\$2,354,378	\$2,303,836	\$2,054,914	\$2,117,155	\$1,978,557	\$1,750,111	\$1,757,840	\$1,778,913	\$1,847,629	\$1,858,580
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>13.50%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>13.18%</u>	<u>13.86%</u>	<u>13.84%</u>	<u>13.45%</u>	<u>12.57%</u>	<u>13.54%</u>	<u>9.84%</u>
<b>Net OPEB Liability</b>										
Contractually Required Contribution (2)	46,595	34,887	30,158	49,012	33,912	31,930	36,563	52,655	36,768	105,753
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(46,595)	(34,887)	(30,158)	(49,012)	(33,912)	(31,930)	(36,563)	(52,655)	(36,768)	(105,753)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>1.98%</u>	<u>1.51%</u>	<u>1.47%</u>	<u>2.31%</u>	<u>1.71%</u>	<u>1.82%</u>	<u>2.08%</u>	<u>2.96%</u>	<u>1.99%</u>	<u>5.69%</u>
Total Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (2)	<u>15.48%</u>	<u>15.51%</u>	<u>15.47%</u>	<u>15.49%</u>	<u>15.57%</u>	<u>15.66%</u>	<u>15.53%</u>	<u>15.53%</u>	<u>15.53%</u>	<u>15.53%</u>

(1) The School District's covered payroll is the same for Pension and OPEB.

(2) Includes Surcharge

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**Ironton City School District, Ohio**  
*Required Supplementary Information*  
*Schedule of the School District's Contributions*  
*State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio*  
*Last Ten Fiscal Years*

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
<b>Net Pension Liability</b>										
Contractually Required Contribution	\$899,060	\$870,351	\$827,188	\$808,963	\$738,457	\$746,937	\$776,322	\$777,834	\$819,871	\$839,267
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(899,060)</u>	<u>(870,351)</u>	<u>(827,188)</u>	<u>(808,963)</u>	<u>(738,457)</u>	<u>(746,937)</u>	<u>(776,322)</u>	<u>(777,834)</u>	<u>(819,871)</u>	<u>(839,267)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
School District Covered Payroll (1)	\$6,421,857	\$6,216,793	\$5,908,486	\$5,778,307	\$5,680,436	\$5,745,669	\$5,971,708	\$5,983,338	\$6,306,700	\$6,455,900
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>13.00%</u>	<u>13.00%</u>	<u>13.00%</u>	<u>13.00%</u>	<u>13.00%</u>	<u>13.00%</u>
<b>Net OPEB Liability</b>										
Contractually Required Contribution	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$56,804	\$57,457	\$59,717	\$59,833	\$63,067	\$64,559
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(56,804)</u>	<u>(57,457)</u>	<u>(59,717)</u>	<u>(59,833)</u>	<u>(63,067)</u>	<u>(64,559)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>
Total Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>	<u>14.00%</u>

(1) The School District's covered payroll is the same for Pension and OPEB.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

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**NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

**Net Pension Liability**

**Changes in Assumptions – SERS**

For fiscal year 2018, an assumption of 2.5 percent was used for COLA or Ad Hoc Cola. Prior to 2018, an assumption of 3 percent was used.

Beginning with fiscal year 2017, amounts reported incorporate changes in assumptions used by SERS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2016 and prior are presented below:

	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016 and Prior
Wage Inflation	3.00 percent	3.25 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent	4.00 percent to 22.00 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation	7.75 percent net of investments expense, including inflation

Beginning with fiscal year 2017, mortality assumptions use mortality rates that are based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females. Amounts reported for fiscal year 2016 and prior, use mortality assumptions that are based on the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table set back one year for both men and women. Special mortality tables were used for the period after disability retirement.

**Changes in Assumptions - STRS**

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2018 incorporate changes in assumptions and changes in benefit terms used by STRS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2017 and prior are presented below:

	Fiscal Year 2018	Fiscal Year 2017 and Prior
Inflation	2.50 percent	2.75 percent
Projected salary increases	12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65	12.25 percent at age 20 to 2.75 percent at age 70
Investment Rate of Return	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3 percent	3.5 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year; for members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, 2 percent COLA commences on fifth anniversary of retirement date.

For fiscal year 2018 post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70% of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

For fiscal year 2017 and prior actuarial valuation, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89, and no set back from age 90 and above.

**Net OPEB Liability**

**Changes in Assumptions – SERS**

Amounts reported for fiscal year 2018 incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Fiscal year 2018	3.56 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.92 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation	
Fiscal year 2018	3.63 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.98 percent

**Changes in Assumptions – STRS**

For fiscal year 2018, the discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent based on the methodology defined under GASB *Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB)* and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75 percent to 7.45 percent. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

Also for fiscal year 2018, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 2019.



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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

<b>FEDERAL GRANTOR Pass Through Grantor Program / Cluster Title</b>	<b>Federal CFDA Number</b>	<b>Pass Through Grant Year</b>	<b>Passed Through to Subrecipients</b>	<b>Total Federal Expenditures</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</b>				
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education</i>				
Child Nutrition Cluster:				
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution):				
National School Lunch Program	10.555	2017-2018	\$ 0	\$ 27,531
Cash Assistance:				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	2017-2018	0	92,012
National School Lunch Program	10.555	2017-2018	0	291,756
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>0</u>	<u>411,299</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>0</u>	<u>411,299</u>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</b>				
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education</i>				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	2017	0	103,467
		2018	0	575,289
Total Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies			<u>0</u>	<u>678,756</u>
Special Education Cluster:				
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	2017	0	36,717
		2018	0	327,208
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>0</u>	<u>363,925</u>
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	2017	0	25,483
		2018	0	74,041
Total Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant			<u>0</u>	<u>99,524</u>
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	2018	0	1,188
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>0</u>	<u>1,143,393</u>
<b>Total Expenditures of Federal Awards</b>			<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,554,692</u></u>

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.*

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**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

**NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Ironton City School District (the School District's) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2018. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the School District.

**NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement.

**NOTE C – INDIRECT COST RATE**

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

**NOTE D – CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER**

The School District commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the School District assumes it expends federal monies first.

**NOTE E – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

The School District reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the entitlement value. The School District allocated donated food commodities to the respective programs that benefitted from the use of those donated food commodities.

# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Ironton City School District  
Lawrence County  
105 South Fifth Street  
Ironton, Ohio 45638

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ironton City School District, Lawrence County, (the School District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 4, 2019 wherein we noted the School District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*.

### ***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

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

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

***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of reasonably assuring whether the School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

***Purpose of this Report***

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

February 4, 2019

# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Ironton City School District  
Lawrence County  
105 South Fifth Street  
Ironton, Ohio 45638

To the Board of Education:

### ***Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program***

We have audited the Ironton City School District's (the School District) compliance with the applicable requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could directly and materially affect the Ironton City School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2018. The *Summary of Auditor's Results* in the accompanying schedule of findings identifies the School District's major federal program.

### ***Management's Responsibility***

The School District's Management is responsible for complying with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to opine on the School District's compliance for the School District's major federal programs based on our audit of the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. Our compliance audit followed auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards for financial audits included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). These standards and the Uniform Guidance require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our compliance opinion on the School District's major programs. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School District's compliance.

***Opinion on the Major Federal Program***

In our opinion, the Ironton City School District complied, in all material respects with the compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2018.

***Report on Internal Control Over Compliance***

The School District's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our compliance audit, we considered the School District's internal control over compliance with the applicable requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program, to determine our auditing procedures appropriate for opining on each major federal program's compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

This report only describes the scope of our internal control over compliance tests and the results of this testing based on Uniform Guidance requirements. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

February 4, 2019

**IRONTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LAWRENCE COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
2 CFR § 200.515  
JUNE 30, 2018**

**1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

<b>(d)(1)(i)</b>	<b>Type of Financial Statement Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(ii)</b>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iii)</b>	<b>Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(iv)</b>	<b>Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(v)</b>	<b>Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion</b>	Unmodified
<b>(d)(1)(vi)</b>	<b>Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?</b>	No
<b>(d)(1)(vii)</b>	<b>Major Programs (list):</b>	Child Nutrition Cluster: CFDA #10.553 & 10.555
<b>(d)(1)(viii)</b>	<b>Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs</b>	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
<b>(d)(1)(ix)</b>	<b>Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR §200.520?</b>	Yes

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

None.

**3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS**

None.

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**IRONTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**LAWRENCE COUNTY**

### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

**This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
FEBRUARY 21, 2019**