



**GENEVA AREA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASHTABULA COUNTY
JUNE 30, 2025**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Board of Education:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Geneva Area City School District, Ashtabula County, Ohio (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements 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 Geneva Area City School District, Ashtabula County, Ohio as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General fund for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards 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 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 11, 2026, on our consideration of the 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. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

KEITH FABER
Ohio Auditor of State



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June 11, 2026

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Unaudited

As management of the Geneva Area City School District (the School District), we offer readers of the School District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

- General revenues accounted for over \$29.7 million in revenue or 83.0% of all governmental revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, grants and contributions accounted for \$6.1 million or 17.0% of total governmental revenues of about \$35.8 million.
- The School District had \$34.4 million in expenses related to governmental activities; but \$6.1 million of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants, contributions or interest. General revenues (primarily taxes and grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs) of about \$29.7 million were adequate to provide for these programs, resulting in an increase in net position of \$1,449,862 or 2.8%.
- At the end of the current fiscal year the governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$24.2 million, an increase of \$2,505,834 from the prior year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School District's basic financial statements. The School District's basic financial statements comprise four components: (1) government-wide statements, (2) fund financial statements, (3) notes to the basic financial statements and (4) required supplementary information.

Government-wide Financial Statements The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the School District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference being reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave). The School District's statement of activities prepared on an accrual basis of accounting includes an annual pension expense and an annual OPEB expense for their proportionate share of each plan's change in net pension liability and the net OPEB liability or asset not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

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Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the School District that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges. The governmental activities of the School District include instruction, supporting service, operation of non-instructional services, extracurricular activities, and interest and fiscal charges. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 16-17 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School District, like the state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the School District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary 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 balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual*, 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 difference) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

The basic fund financial statements can be found on pages 18-23 of this report.

Proprietary Fund The School District maintains a proprietary fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the School District's various functions. More specifically, the internal service fund accounts for self-insurance of their employee's dental plan. The proprietary fund uses the accrual basis of accounting. The proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 26-28 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found starting on page 29 of this report.

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Government-wide Financial Analysis

Recall that the statement of net position provides the perspective of the School District as a whole. A comparative analysis is presented below.

Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Assets:		
Current and other assets	\$ 38,872,227	\$ 37,764,268
Net OPEB asset	1,592,078	1,643,719
Capital assets, net of depreciation	<u>55,868,266</u>	<u>57,200,665</u>
Total assets	<u>96,332,571</u>	<u>96,608,652</u>
Deferred outflows of resources:		
Pension	4,302,689	4,570,599
OPEB	<u>779,702</u>	<u>848,275</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>5,082,391</u>	<u>5,418,874</u>
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities	3,493,379	3,340,028
Long-term liabilities:		
Due within one year	1,321,944	1,295,872
Due in more than one year:		
Net pension liability	19,966,293	22,206,001
Net OPEB liability	775,948	1,229,353
Other amounts due in more than one year	<u>7,977,398</u>	<u>8,113,807</u>
Total liabilities	<u>33,534,962</u>	<u>36,185,061</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:		
Property taxes	9,703,347	9,645,812
Pension	2,634,010	1,890,057
OPEB	<u>2,278,296</u>	<u>2,492,111</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>14,615,653</u>	<u>14,027,980</u>
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	49,054,867	49,347,413
Restricted net position	5,167,215	7,813,063
Unrestricted net position	<u>(957,735)</u>	<u>(5,345,991)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 53,264,347</u>	<u>\$ 51,814,485</u>

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As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. During fiscal year 2025, the School District had an increase in net position of \$1,449,862.

A portion of the School District's net position, \$49.1 million, reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, land improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment, and vehicles), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The School District uses these capital assets to provide services to students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the School District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the School District's net position, \$5.2 million, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how the funds may be used. Of the total restricted net position, \$2.3 million, or 43.8%, is restricted for debt service payments; \$0.7 million, or 13.8%, is restricted for capital projects; \$0.6 million, or 12.3%, is restricted for OPEB and \$1.6 million or 30.1%, is restricted for other purposes. The remaining significant balance of government-wide unrestricted net position happens to be a deficit balance slightly less than \$(1.0) million.

The net pension liability is the largest single liability reported by the School District at June 30, 2025.



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The table below shows the change in net position for fiscal years 2025 and 2024.

Changes in Net Position		
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 958,122	\$ 1,359,468
Operating grants and contributions	5,140,627	8,006,218
Capital grants and contributions		49,012
General revenues:		
Property taxes	11,379,627	10,795,281
Income taxes	4,675,180	4,397,740
Grants and entitlements	12,360,118	12,738,412
Investment earnings	1,075,807	1,029,061
Payments in lieu of taxes	197,208	197,208
Miscellaneous	14,155	19,832
Total revenues	<u>35,800,844</u>	<u>38,592,232</u>
Expenses		
Instruction:		
Regular	13,043,480	13,191,074
Special	5,645,687	5,194,362
Vocational	278,454	259,437
Other	299,398	300,283
Support services:		
Pupils	1,915,656	1,658,300
Instructional staff	508,696	346,854
Board of education	100,693	36,357
Administration	2,919,156	2,862,280
Fiscal	797,440	793,101
Business	41,025	54,724
Operation and maintenance of plant	4,807,165	3,202,165
Pupil transportation	1,479,664	1,547,939
Central	70,774	47,093
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	1,347,936	1,363,168
Community services	25,335	42,051
Extracurricular activities	892,677	833,314
Fiscal and interest charges	177,746	210,688
Total expenses	<u>34,350,982</u>	<u>31,943,190</u>
Increase (decrease) in net position	1,449,862	6,649,042
Net position at beginning of year	<u>51,814,485</u>	<u>45,165,443</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 53,264,347</u>	<u>\$ 51,814,485</u>

Governmental Activities

Several revenue sources fund our governmental activities with property taxes, income taxes and State foundation revenues being the largest contributors. Property tax levies and income tax generated approximately \$16.1 million in 2025. General revenues from grants and entitlements, such as the school foundation program, generated around \$12.4 million. With the combination of taxes and intergovernmental funding accounting for 79.4% of all revenues, the School District monitors both of these revenue sources very closely for fluctuations.

A review of the prior table reflects the total cost of instructional services was \$19,267,019 or 56.09% of governmental program expenses. Instructional expenses include activities directly related to the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and pupil. These expenses increased \$321,863, or 1.7% as compared to the prior year. For fiscal year 2025, all areas of program expenses show a significant increase due to the change in the net pension and net OPEB liabilities.

Pupil services and instructional staff include the activities involved in assisting staff and the content and process of teaching to pupils. These expenses represent \$2,424,352, or 7.06% of the total governmental program expenses. Expenses to provide these programs increased \$419,198 or 20.91%, as compared to fiscal year 2024.

Board of education, administration, fiscal and business classifications reflect expenses associated with establishing and administering school operation policies, financial operations and activities concerned with purchasing, receiving and maintaining goods and services for the School District. The total cost to provide these programs was \$3,858,314 or 11.23% of governmental program expenses. Costs of these programs increased \$111,852 or 2.99%, as compared to the prior year.

Operation and maintenance of plant expenses refer to the care and upkeep of the buildings, grounds, equipment and the safety of the School District's operations. The total cost for the operation and maintenance services was \$4,807,165, or 13.99% of the governmental program expenses. These expenses increased \$1,605,000 or 50.12% as compared to fiscal year 2024. Expenses of this program increased as costs associated with non-capital related building and construction costs increased.

Pupil transportation expenses are expenses related to the transportation of students to and from school, as well as the service and maintenance of those vehicles. Total transportation cost was \$1,479,664 or 4.31% of the total governmental program expenses. Expenses for providing this program decreased \$68,275, or 4.41% as compared to the prior year. The primary cause of this increase was due to increases in busing related expenses.

The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services.

As a result of implementing the accounting standard for pension and OPEB, the School District is reporting a significant net pension liability, net OPEB liability, related deferred inflows of resources and an increase in pension expense for the fiscal year which have a negative effect on net position. In addition, the School District is reporting a net OPEB asset, deferred outflows of resources and a decrease in expenses related to OPEB, which have a positive impact on net position. The increase and decrease in pension and OPEB expense is the difference between the contractually required contributions and the pension and OPEB expense resulting from the change in the liability or asset that is not reported as deferred inflows or outflows.

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These amounts can be found in the reconciliation of the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances of governmental funds to the statement of activities. To further explain the impact of these accounting standards on the School District's net position, additional information is presented below.

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Net OPEB asset	\$ 1,592,078	\$ 1,643,719
Deferred outflows of resources for:		
Pension	4,302,689	4,570,599
OPEB	779,702	848,275
Deferred inflows of resources for:		
Pension	(2,634,010)	(1,890,057)
OPEB	(2,278,296)	(2,492,111)
Net pension liability	(19,966,293)	(22,206,001)
Net OPEB liability	<u>(775,948)</u>	<u>(1,229,353)</u>
Impact on net position from pension and OPEB reporting	<u>\$ (18,980,078)</u>	<u>\$ (20,754,929)</u>

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**The School District's Funds**

The School District's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The total revenues for governmental funds were \$37,362,103 and total expenditures were \$34,856,269. The net change in fund balance was significant in the general fund with a decrease of \$3,652,953.

Fund Balances

	<u>Fund Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2025</u>	<u>Fund Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Increase/</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
General	\$ 12,335,624	\$ 15,988,577	\$ (3,652,953)	(22.85%)
Elementary and secondary school emergency relief	-	87,993	(87,993)	(100.00%)
Bond retirement	2,212,404	1,882,170	330,234	17.55%
Permanent improvement	731,217	1,164,505	(433,288)	(37.21%)
Capital improvement	7,500,000	-	7,500,000	n/a
Other governmental	<u>1,447,426</u>	<u>2,597,592</u>	<u>(1,150,166)</u>	(44.28%)
Total	<u>\$ 24,226,671</u>	<u>\$ 21,720,837</u>	<u>\$ 2,505,834</u>	

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The School District's general fund revenues increased by \$1,361,516 compared to 2024, while expenditures rose by \$1,436,530. As reflected in the table, the most notable revenue changes occurred in property taxes, intergovernmental sources, income taxes, and interest earnings.

Property tax revenue increased by \$448,158, primarily due to higher property valuations and fluctuations in the amount available for advance recognition each year. Intergovernmental revenue rose by \$749,765, largely driven by an increase in disadvantaged pupil impact aid. Income tax revenue increased by \$250,474; however, this change was not attributable to any single factor but rather to normal variations in annual collections and distributions. Interest revenue also increased by \$48,947, mainly due to a change in the adjustment to market value for investments.

On the expenditure side, total spending increased primarily in the area of instruction. This reflects rising costs associated with educating students, including expenses tied to classroom instruction and teacher–pupil interaction.

Change in Financial Activities for the General Fund

	2025 <u>Amount</u>	2024 <u>Amount</u>	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent <u>Change</u>
<u>Revenues</u>				
Property taxes	\$ 9,603,753	\$ 9,155,595	\$ 448,158	4.89%
Income taxes	4,645,123	4,394,649	250,474	5.70%
Intergovernmental	14,544,821	13,795,056	749,765	5.44%
Interest	1,028,799	979,852	48,947	5.00%
Tuition and fees	655,144	692,677	(37,533)	(5.42%)
Extracurricular activities	1,380	109,269	(107,889)	(98.74%)
Gifts and donations	1,400	3,310	(1,910)	(57.70%)
Customer sales and service	1,280	988	292	29.55%
Rent	70,116	53,687	16,429	30.60%
Payment in lieu of taxes	197,208	197,208	-	0.00%
Miscellaneous	11,305	16,522	(5,217)	(31.58%)
Total	<u>\$ 30,760,329</u>	<u>\$ 29,398,813</u>	<u>\$ 1,361,516</u>	
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Instruction	\$ 16,766,320	\$ 16,171,919	\$ 594,401	3.68%
Support services	9,222,417	8,630,063	592,354	6.86%
Non-instructional services	43,410	36,292	7,118	19.61%
Extracurricular activities	524,326	501,845	22,481	4.48%
Capital outlay	220,176	-	220,176	n/a
Total	<u>\$ 26,776,649</u>	<u>\$ 25,340,119</u>	<u>\$ 1,436,530</u>	

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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. During fiscal year 2025, the School District amended its general fund budget as expenditure priorities changed according to student, building and operational needs. Budget revisions are presented to the Board of Education for approval.

For the general fund, the final budget basis revenue and other financing source estimate was \$28,704,197 representing a decrease from the original budget and other financing source estimate of \$29,839,418. This \$1,135,221 difference was mainly due to a decrease in intergovernmental revenue from the original estimates. Actual receipts and other financing sources of \$30,755,428 were greater by \$2,051,231 compared to the final budget basis revenue estimate. This increase was due to an increase in intergovernmental revenue that was not known during the budgeting process.

The original expenditures and other financing use estimate for the fiscal year were \$28,402,202. The final expenditures and other financing use estimate of \$35,902,202 was \$7,500,000 more than what was originally anticipated. Actual expenditures plus encumbrances and other financing uses of \$35,504,792 reported positive variances as compared to the final expenditure budgets. The School District ended the year at just around \$2.4 million under budget. Reductions of certified, classified and administrative personnel contributed to this significant decrease in expenditures as compared to the final budget.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2025, the School District had \$55,868,266 invested in various capitalized assets, net of depreciation. The table below shows fiscal year 2025 balances compared to fiscal year 2024. The beginning balance for fiscal year 2025 was restated as explained in the notes.

Capital Assets, at Fiscal Year End
(Net of depreciation)

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Land	\$ 1,553,640	\$ 1,553,640
Land improvements	453,671	440,346
Buildings and improvements	51,478,050	52,952,432
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	741,864	684,261
Vehicles	1,641,041	1,569,986
Total capital assets	<u>\$ 55,868,266</u>	<u>\$ 57,200,665</u>

Capital assets decreased \$1,332,399 from 2024; this decrease can be contributed to current year depreciation expense exceeding current year additions. See Note 7 to the basic financial statements for detail on the School District's capital assets.

Geneva Area City School District
Ashtabula County
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025
Unaudited

Debt

At June 30, 2025, the School District had \$6,813,399 in general obligation bonds outstanding including premium. Of this total, \$1,046,000 is due within one year and \$5,767,399 is due in more than one year. The following table summarizes the bonds outstanding.

Outstanding Debt at Fiscal Year End

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
General obligation bonds:		
School improvement/refunding	\$ 6,813,399	\$ 7,853,252

Additional information on the School District's long-term debt can be found in Note 13 of the basic financial statements.

Current Financial Related Activities

The Board of Education and administration closely monitor its revenues and expenditures in accordance with its financial forecast. The financial future of the School District is not without its challenges though. These challenges stem from issues that are local and at the State level. The local challenges will continue to exist, as the School District must rely heavily on property taxes to fund its operations. State level challenges continue to evolve as the State of Ohio determines the outcome of the Ohio Supreme Court case dealing with the unconstitutionality of the State's educational funding system. Although the School District relies heavily on its property taxpayers to support its operations, the community support for the School District is quite strong.

Due to the unsettled issues in school funding, management is required to plan carefully and prudently to provide the resources to meet student needs over the next several years.

In conclusion, the School District's system of budgeting and internal controls is well regarded. All of the School District's financial abilities will be needed to meet the challenges of the future.

Contacting the School District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, 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 questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact, Shelley McDermott, Treasurer at Geneva Area City School District, 1301 South Ridge Road East, Suite A, Geneva, Ohio 44041.



Geneva Area City School District
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2025

	Governmental Activities
<u>Assets:</u>	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 24,984,639
Cash and cash equivalents with fiscal agents	15,000
Receivables:	
Property taxes	10,959,397
Income taxes	1,761,335
Accounts	560,098
Intergovernmental	497,890
Accrued interest	59,932
Inventory held for resale	19,807
Materials and supplies inventory	14,129
Net OPEB asset	1,592,078
Capital assets:	
Land	1,553,640
Depreciable capital assets	82,937,617
Accumulated depreciation	(28,622,991)
Total capital assets	55,868,266
Total assets	96,332,571
<u>Deferred outflows of resources:</u>	
Pension	4,302,689
OPEB	779,702
Total deferred outflows of resources	5,082,391
<u>Liabilities:</u>	
Accounts payable	423,076
Accrued wages and benefits	2,454,916
Intergovernmental payable	457,117
Accrued interest payable	16,218
Matured bonds payable	15,000
Matured compensated absences payable	71,065
Unearned revenue	13,586
Claims payable	16,600
Undistributed monies	25,801
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year	1,321,944
Due in more than one year:	
Net pension liability	19,966,293
Net OPEB liability	775,948
Other amounts due in more than one year	7,977,398
Total liabilities	33,534,962
<u>Deferred inflows of resources:</u>	
Property taxes	9,703,347
Pension	2,634,010
OPEB	2,278,296
Total deferred inflows of resources	14,615,653
<u>Net position:</u>	
Net investment in capital assets	49,054,867
Restricted for:	
Capital projects	714,999
Debt service	2,263,335
OPEB	634,131
Other purposes	1,554,750
Unrestricted	(957,735)
Total net position	\$ 53,264,347

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenues and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants, Contributions and Interest	Governmental Activities
<u>Governmental Activities:</u>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 13,043,480	\$ 471,646	\$ 1,908,512	\$ (10,663,322)
Special	5,645,687	88,178	1,697,523	(3,859,986)
Vocational	278,454	-	461,703	183,249
Other	299,398	-	-	(299,398)
Support services:				
Pupils	1,915,656	-	7,531	(1,908,125)
Instructional staff	508,696	-	-	(508,696)
Board of education	100,693	-	-	(100,693)
Administration	2,919,156	-	-	(2,919,156)
Fiscal	797,440	-	-	(797,440)
Business	41,025	-	-	(41,025)
Operation and maintenance of plant	4,807,165	70,116	45,045	(4,692,004)
Pupil transportation	1,479,664	-	-	(1,479,664)
Central	70,774	-	-	(70,774)
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	1,347,936	67,808	1,001,786	(278,342)
Community services	25,335	-	-	(25,335)
Extracurricular activities	892,677	260,374	18,527	(613,776)
Interest and fiscal charges	177,746	-	-	(177,746)
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 34,350,982</u>	<u>\$ 958,122</u>	<u>\$ 5,140,627</u>	<u>(28,252,233)</u>

General Revenues:

Property taxes levied for:	
General purposes	\$ 9,726,667
Debt service	1,424,307
Capital outlay and maintenance	228,653
Income taxes levied for:	
General purposes	4,675,180
Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs	12,360,118
Investment earnings	1,075,807
Payment in lieu of taxes	197,208
Miscellaneous	14,155
Total general revenues	<u>29,702,095</u>
Change in net position	1,449,862
Net position beginning of year	<u>51,814,485</u>
Net position end of year	<u>\$ 53,264,347</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2025

	General	Bond Retirement	Permanent Improvement	Capital Projects
<u>Assets:</u>				
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,000,825	\$ 2,107,941	\$ 732,717	\$ 7,500,000
Cash and cash equivalents with fiscal agents	-	15,000	-	-
Receivables:				
Property taxes	9,480,485	1,318,488	-	-
Income taxes	1,761,335	-	-	-
Accounts	553,821	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	7,691	-	-	-
Interfund	223,491	-	-	-
Accrued interest	59,851	-	-	-
Inventory held for resale	-	-	-	-
Materials and supplies inventory	14,129	-	-	-
Total assets	<u>\$ 25,101,628</u>	<u>\$ 3,441,429</u>	<u>\$ 732,717</u>	<u>\$ 7,500,000</u>
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Accounts payable	\$ 385,303	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -
Accrued wages and benefits	2,230,804	-	-	-
Interfund payable	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental payable	421,768	-	-	-
Matured bonds payable	-	15,000	-	-
Matured compensated absences payable	68,228	-	-	-
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	-
Undistributed monies	25,801	-	-	-
Total liabilities	<u>3,131,904</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Deferred inflows of resources:</u>				
Property taxes	8,398,980	1,163,094	-	-
Unavailable revenue - delinquent property taxes	362,186	50,931	-	-
Unavailable revenue	872,934	-	-	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>9,634,100</u>	<u>1,214,025</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Fund balances:</u>				
Nonspendable	14,129	-	-	-
Restricted	-	2,212,404	731,217	-
Committed	522,000	-	-	7,500,000
Assigned	910,754	-	-	-
Unassigned (deficit)	10,888,741	-	-	-
Total fund balances	<u>12,335,624</u>	<u>2,212,404</u>	<u>731,217</u>	<u>7,500,000</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 25,101,628</u>	<u>\$ 3,441,429</u>	<u>\$ 732,717</u>	<u>\$ 7,500,000</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 1,571,264	\$ 24,912,747
-	15,000
160,424	10,959,397
-	1,761,335
6,277	560,098
490,199	497,890
-	223,491
81	59,932
19,807	19,807
-	14,129
<u>\$ 2,248,052</u>	<u>\$ 39,023,826</u>

\$ 36,273	\$ 423,076
224,112	2,454,916
223,491	223,491
35,349	457,117
-	15,000
2,837	71,065
13,586	13,586
-	25,801
<u>535,648</u>	<u>3,684,052</u>

141,273	9,703,347
6,249	419,366
117,456	990,390
<u>264,978</u>	<u>11,113,103</u>

45,468	59,597
1,530,147	4,473,768
-	8,022,000
-	910,754
(128,189)	10,760,552
<u>1,447,426</u>	<u>24,226,671</u>
<u>\$ 2,248,052</u>	<u>\$ 39,023,826</u>



Geneva Area City School District
Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to
Net Position of Governmental Activities
June 30, 2025

Total governmental fund balances \$ 24,226,671

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. 55,868,266

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

Property taxes receivable	\$ 419,366	
Income taxes receivable	361,863	
Intergovernmental receivable	112,043	
Tuition and fees	509,621	
Customer sales and service	5,413	
Miscellaneous	1,450	
Total		1,409,756

An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in the governmental activities in the statement of net position. 55,292

The net pension and net OPEB liability are not due and payable in the current period; the net OPEB asset is not a financial resource; therefore, the asset, liability and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in the funds:

Net OPEB asset	1,592,078	
Deferred outflows - pension	4,302,689	
Deferred outflows - OPEB	779,702	
Deferred inflows - pension	(2,634,010)	
Deferred inflows - OPEB	(2,278,296)	
Net pension liability	(19,966,293)	
Net OPEB liability	(775,948)	
Total		(18,980,078)

In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due. (16,218)

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

General obligation bonds	(6,760,000)	
Premium on bonds	(53,399)	
Compensated absences	(2,485,943)	
Total		(9,299,342)

Net position of governmental activities \$ 53,264,347

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	General	Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief	Bond Retirement	Permanent Improvement
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Property taxes	\$ 9,603,753	\$ -	\$ 1,408,706	\$ 63,150
Income taxes	4,645,123	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	14,544,821	-	169,006	10,469
Interest	1,028,799	-	-	34,288
Tuition and fees	655,144	-	-	-
Extracurricular activities	1,380	-	-	-
Gifts and donations	1,400	-	-	-
Customer sales and service	1,280	-	-	-
Rent	70,116	-	-	-
Payment in lieu of taxes	197,208	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	11,305	-	-	-
Total revenues	30,760,329	-	1,577,712	107,907
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	11,675,592	-	-	12,350
Special	4,548,765	-	-	-
Vocational	254,948	-	-	-
Other	287,015	-	-	-
Support services:				
Pupils	1,097,626	-	-	-
Instructional staff	322,626	-	-	-
Board of education	101,570	-	-	-
Administration	2,813,912	-	-	-
Fiscal	837,960	-	27,282	1,443
Business	43,986	-	-	-
Operation and maintenance of plant	2,761,006	-	-	415,728
Pupil transportation	1,172,957	-	-	-
Central	70,774	-	-	-
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	43,410	-	-	-
Community services	-	-	-	-
Extracurricular activities	524,326	-	-	-
Capital outlay	220,176	-	-	111,674
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	-	-	1,010,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	210,196	-
Total expenditures	26,776,649	-	1,247,478	541,195
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	3,983,680	-	330,234	(433,288)
<u>Other financing sources (uses):</u>				
Transfers in	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	(7,636,633)	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(7,636,633)	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	(3,652,953)	-	330,234	(433,288)
Fund balances beginning of year as previously reported	15,988,577	87,993	1,882,170	1,164,505
Restatement - see note 19	-	(87,993)	-	-
Fund balances end of year	\$ 12,335,624	\$ -	\$ 2,212,404	\$ 731,217

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Capital Projects	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$ 168,177	\$ 11,243,786
-	-	4,645,123
-	4,375,191	19,099,487
-	18,407	1,081,494
-	-	655,144
-	258,994	260,374
-	27,152	28,552
-	68,234	69,514
-	-	70,116
-	-	197,208
-	-	11,305
-	4,916,155	37,362,103
-	585,215	12,273,157
-	1,161,901	5,710,666
-	-	254,948
-	25,134	312,149
-	832,394	1,930,020
-	152,935	475,561
-	-	101,570
-	148,159	2,962,071
-	26,919	893,604
-	-	43,986
-	1,409,536	4,586,270
-	54,922	1,227,879
-	-	70,774
-	1,309,628	1,353,038
-	25,335	25,335
-	385,990	910,316
-	172,879	504,729
-	-	1,010,000
-	-	210,196
-	6,290,947	34,856,269
-	(1,374,792)	2,505,834
7,500,000	331,152	7,831,152
-	(194,519)	(7,831,152)
7,500,000	136,633	-
7,500,000	(1,238,159)	2,505,834
-	2,597,592	21,720,837
-	87,993	-
\$ 7,500,000	\$ 1,447,426	\$ 24,226,671

Geneva Area City School District

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, 2025

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ 2,505,834

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 capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

In the current period, these amounts are:

Capital asset additions	\$ 504,729	
Depreciation expense	(1,835,808)	
Excess of depreciation expense over capital asset additions and capital contributions		(1,331,079)

The disposal of capital assets results in the removal of capital assets at cost and the difference in their carrying value to cost, if immaterial, is charged to the program as an expense in the statement of activities. (1,320)

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

Property taxes	135,841	
Income taxes	30,057	
Intergovernmental	(1,631,581)	
Tuition and fees	(96,600)	
Customer sales and service	(426)	
Miscellaneous	1,450	
Net change in deferred inflows of resources during the year		(1,561,259)

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

Pension	2,212,520
OPEB	60,640

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

Pension	(984,675)
OPEB	486,366

Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. 1,010,000

Some items 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. These activities consist of:

Increase in compensated absences	(929,516)	
Amortization of premium	29,853	
Decrease in accrued interest	2,597	
Total additional expenses		(897,066)

The internal service fund used by management to charge the costs of dental claims to individual funds is not reported in the statement of activities. Governmental fund expenditures and related internal service fund revenues are eliminated. (50,099)

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ 1,449,862

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance-
Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual
General Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Property taxes	\$ 9,275,980	\$ 9,275,980	\$ 9,729,906	\$ 453,926
Income taxes	4,351,000	4,351,000	4,678,691	327,691
Intergovernmental	14,580,299	13,456,085	14,580,299	1,124,214
Interest	590,000	590,000	778,969	188,969
Tuition and fees	699,000	699,000	654,993	(44,007)
Extracurricular activities	2,000	2,000	2,275	275
Gifts and donations	2,900	2,900	1,400	(1,500)
Customer sales and service	1,200	1,200	1,635	435
Rent	62,131	55,000	70,116	15,116
Payment in lieu of taxes	197,208	197,208	197,208	-
Miscellaneous	11,700	7,824	5,069	(2,755)
Total revenues	29,773,418	28,638,197	30,700,561	2,062,364
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	12,405,864	12,405,864	11,935,971	469,893
Special	4,613,463	4,613,463	4,571,830	41,633
Vocational	121,497	265,188	252,860	12,328
Other	81,502	170,360	266,654	(96,294)
Support services:				
Pupils	701,360	1,494,724	1,105,509	389,215
Instructional staff	216,097	307,874	369,087	(61,213)
Board of education	123,270	143,411	101,670	41,741
Administration	2,938,315	2,938,315	2,926,040	12,275
Fiscal	369,370	879,359	840,015	39,344
Business	39,185	60,940	44,053	16,887
Operation and maintenance of plant	5,776,910	2,736,741	2,838,568	(101,827)
Pupil transportation	664,404	1,539,508	1,342,794	196,714
Central	23,547	69,394	70,594	(1,200)
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	17,569	37,731	43,515	(5,784)
Extracurricular activities	249,448	583,130	529,796	53,334
Capital outlay	13,065	44,200	23,902	20,298
Total expenditures	28,354,866	28,290,202	27,262,858	1,027,344
Excess of revenues under expenditures	1,418,552	347,995	3,437,703	3,089,708
<u>Other financing sources (uses):</u>				
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	6,000	6,000	5,551	(449)
Refund of prior year expenditures	60,000	60,000	49,316	(10,684)
Advances out	-	-	(105,301)	(105,301)
Transfers out	(47,336)	(7,612,000)	(8,136,633)	(524,633)
Total other financing sources (uses)	18,664	(7,546,000)	(8,187,067)	(641,067)
Net change in fund balance	1,437,216	(7,198,005)	(4,749,364)	2,448,641
Fund balance at beginning of year	15,922,930	15,922,930	15,922,930	-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	789,933	789,933	789,933	-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 18,150,079	\$ 9,514,858	\$ 11,963,499	\$ 2,448,641

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District
Statement of Fund Net Position
Internal Service Fund
June 30, 2025

	Self Insurance
<u>Assets:</u>	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 71,892
<u>Liabilities:</u>	
Claims payable	16,600
<u>Net position:</u>	
Unrestricted	55,292
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 71,892

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position

Internal Service Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Self Insurance
<u>Operating revenues</u>	
Charges for services	<u>\$ 215,049</u>
<u>Operating expenses:</u>	
Purchased services	14,814
Claims	<u>250,334</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>265,148</u>
Operating loss	(50,099)
Net position at beginning of year	<u>105,391</u>
Net position at end of year	<u><u>\$ 55,292</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District
Statement of Cash Flows
Internal Service Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Self Insurance
<u>Cash flows from operating activities:</u>	
Cash received for charges for services	\$ 215,049
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(14,814)
Cash payments for claims	<u>(247,567)</u>
Net cash used for operating activities	<u>(47,332)</u>
 Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	 (47,332)
 Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	 <u>119,224</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u><u>\$ 71,892</u></u>
 Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash <u>used for operating activities:</u>	
Operating loss	<u>\$ (50,099)</u>
 Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used for operating activities:	
Change in liabilities:	
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	
Claims payable	<u>2,767</u>
Total adjustments	<u>2,767</u>
Net cash used for operating activities	<u><u>\$ (47,332)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Geneva Area City School District

Ashtabula County

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

For the Year Ended June 30, 2025

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

A. Reporting Entity

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 is a city district as defined by Section 3311.02 of the Ohio Revised Code. The School District operates under an elected Board of Education (5 members) and is responsible for the provision of public education to residents of the School District.

Average daily membership (ADM) as of June 30, 2025, was 1908. The School District employed 162 certificated employees and 111 non-certificated employees.

The School District provides regular, special, vocational and other instruction. The School District also provides support services for pupils, instructional staff, board of education, administration, fiscal, operation and maintenance of plant and pupil transportation. Operation of non-instructional services, extracurricular activities and non-programmed services are also provided.

The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability. A primary government is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity.

It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and either it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on the primary government. A primary government may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations that are fiscally dependent on it.

A primary government has the ability to impose its will on an organization if it can significantly influence the programs, projects, or activities of, or the level of services performed or provided by, the organization.

A financial benefit or burden relationship exists if the primary government (a) is entitled to the organization's resources; (b) is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the obligation to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization or (c) is obligated in some manner for the debt of the organization.

The Ashtabula County District Library (the Library) is a library created under Chapter 3375 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and is located in the Geneva Area City School District. The Board of Trustees of the Library controls and manages the Library and issues its own financial statements, therefore, is excluded from these financial statements.

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The School District is associated with organizations which are defined as jointly governed organizations. These organizations are the Northeast Ohio Management Information Network, the Ashtabula County Schools Council of Governments, and the Ashtabula County Technical and Career Center which are presented in Note 14 to the basic financial statements.

Within the School District boundaries is a non-public school, the Grand River Academy. Current State legislation provides funding to this school. These monies are now sent directly to the non-public school due to recent changes in State guidelines.

Management believes the financial statements included in this report represent all of the funds of the School District over which the Board of Education is financially accountable.

B. Fund Accounting

The School District uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations.

For financial statement presentation purposes, the various funds of the School District are grouped into three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

Governmental Fund Types Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund types are accounted for on a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. Only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources (revenues and other financing sources) and uses (expenditures and other financing uses) of “available spendable resources” during the period. The School District reports four major governmental funds as described below:

General Fund – This fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the School District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the policies of the School District and the laws of the State of Ohio.

Bond Retirement Fund – This debt service fund is used to account for the financial resources, such as property taxes, collected and used for the repayment of debt of the School District.

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Permanent Improvement Fund – This capital projects fund is used to account for all transactions related to acquiring, constructing, or improving of such permanent improvements as are authorized by Chapter 5705.

Capital Projects Fund – This capital projects fund is used to accumulate money for one or more capital projects. Specifically, for constructing, adding to, renovating, remodeling, furnishing, equipping and otherwise improving school district buildings and facilities and clearing, improving and equipping their sites.

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

Proprietary Fund Type Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position and cash flows. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise or internal service; the School District has no enterprise funds.

Internal Service Fund – The internal service fund accounts for the financing of services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the School District on a cost reimbursement basis. The School District's only internal service fund accounts for revenue received from other funds and the settlement of expenses for dental claims of School District employees.

C. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements The statement of net position and statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government.

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliations with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements of governmental funds.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the School District at year-end. The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the School District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods and services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the School District, with certain limited exceptions. 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 The focus of governmental and proprietary fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. The internal service fund is presented in a single column on the face of the proprietary fund statements.

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Like the government-wide statements, the internal service fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets, deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the fund are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its internal service fund activity.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets, current liabilities and deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financial uses) of current financial resources.

The trust fund is reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

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. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

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 year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include income taxes, property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from income taxes is recognized in the fiscal year in which the income is earned and revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 5). 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 fiscal 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.

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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, interest, tuition, grants, student fees and rentals. 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.

In addition to assets, the statements of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets 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 pension and other postemployment benefits (OPEB). The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in Note 10.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the School District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes and unavailable revenues. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2025, but which were levied to finance year 2026 operations. These amounts have been recorded as deferred inflows on both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental fund financial statements. Unavailable revenue is reported 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, income taxes, and intergovernmental grants. These amounts are deferred and recognized as inflows of resources in the period the amounts become available. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are reported on the government-wide statement of net position.

E. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents with an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriation resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified.

All funds, other than custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The legal level of budgetary control is at the object level within each function for the general fund and at the fund level for all other funds. Any budgetary modifications at these levels may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education.

- 1) A Tax Budget of estimated cash receipts and disbursements is submitted to the County Auditor, as secretary of the County Budget Commission, by January 20th of each year, for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1st. The Board of Education normally adopts the Tax Budget at either its regular board meeting in December or its organizational board meeting in January. Public hearings are publicized and conducted to obtain taxpayers' comments. The express purpose of this budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.

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- 2) The County Budget Commission certifies its actions to the School District by March 1st. As part of this certification, the School District receives the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources which states the projected receipts of each fund. During the month of July, this Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding fiscal year.
- 3) An annual appropriation measure must be passed by the Board of Education by October 1st of each year for the period July 1st to June 30th. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end and the encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. The Board of Education usually adopts temporary appropriations at its regular board meeting in June. The Annual Appropriation Resolution is usually adopted at the September regular board meeting. The appropriation measure may be amended or supplemented during the year as new information becomes available. Appropriations may not exceed estimated resources and expenditures may not exceed appropriations in any fund at the legal level of control.
- 4) The School District prepares its budget on a basis of accounting that differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The actual results of operations for the general fund are presented in the "Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances-Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual - General Fund" to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget.

Encumbrances - As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance.

Lapsing of Appropriations - At the close of each year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriation. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and are not reappropriated.

F. Cash and Investments

Cash received by the School District is pooled in various bank accounts with individual fund balance integrity maintained throughout. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the School District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents." Also, the School District maintains segregated accounts for the district managed activity and student managed activity funds, which is presented as "Cash and cash equivalents in segregated accounts."

The School District utilizes a financial institution to service bonded debt as principal and interest payments come due. This account's balance is presented in the account "Cash and cash equivalents with fiscal agents".

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During the fiscal year all investments were limited to certificates of deposit and instruments of government sponsored mortgage-backed securities. Except for nonparticipating investments contracts, investments are reported at fair market value which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements and negotiable certificates of deposits are reported at cost.

G. 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 imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, laws of other governments, or enabling legislation. The School District expended all restricted assets in accordance with specific restrictions during the fiscal year. See Note 16 for the calculation of the year-end restricted asset balance and the corresponding fund balance restriction.

H. Inventories

Inventories of governmental funds are stated at cost. For all funds, cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventories are determined by physical count. Inventory in governmental funds consists of donated food, purchased food, and expendable supplies held for consumption. The cost of the governmental fund type inventories is recorded as expenditures when used (consumption method).

I. Taxes Receivable

The financial statements reflect taxes receivable as of June 30, 2025. GAAP permits the recognition of revenue from any property tax assessment in the fiscal period levied, provided the funds are "available." "Available" means then due or past due and receivable within the current period or expected to be collected soon thereafter. While these taxes have been assessed, the majority are not due at June 30, 2025 and accordingly have been recorded as deferred inflows of resources – property taxes in the accompanying financial statements. Taxes that become delinquent remain recorded in deferred inflows of resources – delinquent property taxes until they are determined to be uncollectible.

J. Capital Assets

Capital assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related 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. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of five thousand dollars.

All purchased capital assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated acquisition value on the date received. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Land improvements	10-50 years
Buildings and improvements	30-50 years
Furniture	20 years
Equipment	10-20 years
Fixtures	15 years
Vehicles	10 years

K. Interfund Balances

On the fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as “interfund receivables/payables.” These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column of the statement of net position.

L. Interfund Activity

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 from them are not presented on the financial statements.

M. Pension and other postemployment benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability or asset, 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.

The current accounting standard requires School District’s to report their proportionate share of the net pension/OPEB liability or asset using the earning approach to pension and OPEB accounting instead of the funding approach as previously used. The funding approach limited pension and postemployment costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan’s net pension/OPEB liability or asset. Under the new standards, the net pension/OPEB liability or asset equals the School District’s proportionate share of each plan’s collective present value of estimated future pension/OPEB benefits attributable to active and inactive employees’ past service minus plan assets available to pay these benefits.

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Pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the employment exchange. The employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and other postemployment benefits. The unfunded portion of this benefit of exchange is a liability of the School District. However, the School District is not responsible for key factors affecting the balance of this liability. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Benefit provisions and both employer and employee contribution rates are determined by State statute. The employee and employer enter the employment exchange with the knowledge that the exchange is limited by law. The pension system is responsible for the administration of the pension and OPEB plans.

There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability or the net OPEB liability. The School District has no control over the changes in the benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affecting the balance of the liabilities. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required payments, State statute does not identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the pension liability and the OPEB liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

N. 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 more likely than not the School District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means.

Sick leave benefits following the School District's policy, permits employees to accumulate earned but unused sick leave. Upon separation from service and if eligible, the employee receives compensation in accordance with the severance policy. A liability for estimated value of sick leave that will be used by employees as time off and at separation is included in the liability for compensated absences. The entire compensated absences liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

For the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences (including employee separation incentives) are recognized as liabilities and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated leave are paid.

O. Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenues arise when resources are received by the School District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to incurring the qualifying expenditures. In addition, the School District takes money in each building's cafeteria for advance payment of lunches and other goods which is reported as unearned revenue until used by the customer.

P. 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 are reported as obligations of the funds regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, claims and judgments, compensated absences, and special termination benefits 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. In general, liabilities that mature or come due for payment during the fiscal year are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements when due.

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.

Q. 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 the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans 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 fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purpose 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 fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed 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 use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

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Assigned fund balance classifications are intended to be used by the School District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. The purpose constraint that represents the intended use is established by the Board of Education or by their designated official. 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 policies of the School District. The Treasurer is authorized to assign fund balance using encumbrances for planned purchases, provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated. The Board of Education may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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 amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

R. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between all other elements in a statement of financial position. Net investment of capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

S. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the School District, these revenues are charges for services for the self-insurance program. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the good or service that are the primary activity of the fund.

T. Estimates

The preparation of the 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.

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NOTE 2 – FUND BALANCES

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the government funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Fund Balances	General	Bond Retirement	Permanent Improvement	Capital Projects	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<u>Nonspendable</u>						
Materials and supplies inventory	\$ 14,129	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,129
Permanent fund principal	-	-	-	-	45,468	45,468
Total nonspendable	14,129	-	-	-	45,468	59,597
<u>Restricted for</u>						
Food service	-	-	-	-	37,331	37,331
Various student activities	-	-	-	-	303,070	303,070
Academic enrichment	-	-	-	-	9,535	9,535
Classroom facilities maintenance	-	-	-	-	408,459	408,459
Capital improvements	-	-	731,217	-	-	731,217
Instructional programs	-	-	-	-	18,262	18,262
Extended learning	-	-	-	-	26,355	26,355
Special education	-	-	-	-	695,275	695,275
Scholarships and awards	-	-	-	-	31,860	31,860
Debt service payments	-	2,212,404	-	-	-	2,212,404
Total restricted	-	2,212,404	731,217	-	1,530,147	4,473,768
<u>Committed</u>						
Underground storage tanks	22,000	-	-	-	-	22,000
Termination benefits	500,000	-	-	-	-	500,000
Capital projects	-	-	-	7,500,000	-	7,500,000
Total committed	522,000	-	-	7,500,000	-	8,022,000
<u>Assigned</u>						
Encumbrances	635,250	-	-	-	-	635,250
Next fiscal year budget	275,504	-	-	-	-	275,504
Total assigned	910,754	-	-	-	-	910,754
Unassigned (deficit)	10,888,741	-	-	-	(128,189)	10,760,552
Total fund balances	\$ 12,335,624	\$ 2,212,404	\$ 731,217	\$ 7,500,000	\$ 1,447,426	\$ 24,226,671

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NOTE 3 – 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 (Non-GAAP Budget Basis) and Actual presented for the general fund are 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 basis are:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).
2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP).
3. Advances in and advances out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
4. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than assigned fund balance (GAAP basis).
5. The revenues, expenditures and other financing sources and uses of the general fund include activity that is budgeted within special revenue funds (GAAP basis). However, on the budgetary basis, the activity of the special revenue funds is excluded resulting in perspective differences.

The following tables summarize the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statement to the budgetary basis statement for the general fund:

Net Change in Fund Balance	
	<u>General</u>
GAAP basis	\$ (3,652,953)
Revenue accruals	358,220
Adjustment to fair market value for investments:	
Prior year amount	(414,035)
Current year amount	51,169
Expenditure accruals	164,804
Advances out	(105,301)
Budgeted as part of special revenue fund:	
Revenues	(255)
Transfers from general fund	(500,000)
Expenditures	5,634
Encumbrances (Budget Basis)	
outstanding at year end	<u>(656,647)</u>
Budget basis	<u>\$ (4,749,364)</u>

NOTE 4 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the School District into three categories. Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the School District Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawal on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current 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 public 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 within five years from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Interim monies may be invested in the following obligations provided they mature or are redeemable within five years from the date of settlement, unless the investment is matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District and the investment is not a commercial paper note, a banker's acceptance or a repurchase agreement:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, 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 obligations or securities 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, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing 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 that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2% and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days.
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or its political subdivisions provided that such political subdivisions are located wholly or partly within the School District.
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) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions.

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7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Commercial paper notes, limited to 40% (5% for a single issuer) in total of the interim monies available for investment at any one time and for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days; and
9. Bankers acceptances, limited to 40% of the interim monies available for investment at any one time and for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days.

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 qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment.

Cash on hand

At fiscal year-end, the School District had \$5,110 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as part of "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents."

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned. According to state law, public depositories must provide security for the repayment of all public deposits. These institutions shall give security for all public funds on deposit in excess of those funds that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The security for these deposits will be made under an agreement using a surety bond and/or by means of pledging allowable securities as collateral to be held by a qualified trustee. The pledged collateral can be held for each public depositor and must have a market value of at least 105% of the total value of public monies on deposit at the institution. In addition, the financial institution can participate in a pooled collateral arrangement with the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS). If the institution participates in the OPCS, the total market value of the securities pledged can be 102% or lower if permitted by the Treasurer of State.

The School District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute.

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Investments

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

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Investment Maturities</u>				<u>Percentage of Investments</u>
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less than 1 Year</u>	<u>1 - 2 Years</u>	<u>More Than 2 Years</u>	
Federal Home Loan Bank	\$ 4,249,309	\$ 2,109,768	\$ 2,139,541	\$ -	43.39%
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.	594,328	394,814	199,514	-	6.07%
Federal Farm Credit Bank	398,512	196,926	-	201,586	4.07%
U.S. Treasury Notes	2,721,418	-	-	2,721,418	27.79%
Commercial paper	606,816	606,816	-	-	6.20%
Negotiable CDs	699,425	583,352	116,073	-	7.14%
First American Treasury Obligation	523,351	523,351	-	-	5.34%
Total investments	<u>\$ 9,793,159</u>	<u>\$ 4,415,027</u>	<u>\$ 2,455,128</u>	<u>\$ 2,923,004</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

The School District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The above tables identify the School District's recurring fair value measurement as of June 30, 2025. All of the School District's investments measured at fair value are valued using Level 1 and Level 2 inputs.

Custodial credit risk for an investment is the risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty, the School District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The securities, held by the counterparty and not in the School District's name, are Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB), Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB), and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) and commercial paper. All of the School District's negotiable certificates of deposit are registered securities and covered in full by FDIC insurance. The School District's policy is to invest money with financial institutions that are able to abide by the laws governing insurance and collateral of public funds.

Interest rate risk is the possibility that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The School District's investment policy does not address limits on investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit risk is the possibility that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation. The School District's investment policy requires certain credit ratings for some investments as allowed by state law. Standard and Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio and the First American Government Obligation an AAAM rating, the Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB), Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), and Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) securities an AA+ rating.

Concentration of credit risk is the possibility of loss attributed to the magnitude of the School District's investment in a single issuer. The investments are presented in the table on the previous page. The investment in STAR Ohio is a pooled investment and not of a single issuer. The School District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer.

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Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. For the School District, all investment earnings accrue to the general fund, certain special revenue funds, and certain capital projects funds as authorized by board resolution. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during the fiscal year amounted to \$1,028,799; which includes interest of \$248,866 assigned from other School District funds.

NOTE 5 – PROPERTY TAX

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District 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, public utility and tangible personal property (used for public utilities) located in the School District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2025 represents collections of calendar year 2024 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2025 were levied after April 1, 2024, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2024, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law 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.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2024 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2025 became a lien December 31, 2023, were levied after April 1, 2024 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.

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The School District receives property taxes from Ashtabula County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2025, are available to finance fiscal year 2025 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 are measurable as of June 30, 2025 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 reported 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.

At June 30, 2025, taxes available for advance were: \$719,319 for the general fund, \$104,463 for the bond retirement debt service fund; and \$12,902 for the classroom facilities maintenance special revenue 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 deferred.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2025 taxes were collected are:

<u>Property Category</u>	<u>2024 Assessed Value</u>	<u>2023 Assessed Value</u>
<u>Real Property</u>		
Residential, agricultural, commercial and industrial	\$ 487,116,210	\$ 484,137,700
Public utilities	206,680	194,220
<u>Tangible Personal Property</u>		
General	20,008,560	18,099,980
Total	<u>\$ 507,331,450</u>	<u>\$ 502,431,900</u>

NOTE 6 - INCOME TAXES

The School District levies a voted tax of 1.25 percent for general operations on the earned income of residents and of estates. The earned income tax was passed in 2018 and went into effect January 1, 2019. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the School District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the general fund.

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NOTE 7 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 was as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2024	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2024
<u>Governmental Activities</u>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,553,640	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,553,640
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>1,553,640</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,553,640</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	2,932,192	60,515	-	2,992,707
Buildings and improvements	74,223,178	8,816	-	74,231,994
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	2,210,422	149,933	(15,843)	2,344,512
Vehicles	<u>3,082,939</u>	<u>285,465</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,368,404</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>82,448,731</u>	<u>504,729</u>	<u>(15,843)</u>	<u>82,937,617</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation:				
Land improvements	(2,491,846)	(47,190)	-	(2,539,036)
Buildings and improvements	(21,270,746)	(1,483,198)	-	(22,753,944)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	(1,526,161)	(91,010)	14,523	(1,602,648)
Vehicles	<u>(1,512,953)</u>	<u>(214,410)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,727,363)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(26,801,706)</u>	<u>(1,835,808)</u>	<u>14,523</u>	<u>(28,622,991)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>55,647,025</u>	<u>(1,331,079)</u>	<u>(1,320)</u>	<u>54,314,626</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 57,200,665</u>	<u>\$ (1,331,079)</u>	<u>\$ (1,320)</u>	<u>\$ 55,868,266</u>

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Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$ 1,070,529
Special	34,681
Vocational	21,519
Support services:	
Pupil	11,652
Instructional staff	43,990
Administration	73,121
Operation and maintenance of plant	288,131
Pupil transportation	243,892
Operation of non-instructional services	34,011
Extracurricular activities	<u>14,282</u>
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 1,835,808</u>

NOTE 8 – RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2025, consisted of taxes, accounts (miscellaneous), accrued interest and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. 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 guarantee of Federal funds.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
General fund:	
Foundation true up	\$ 7,691
Nonmajor funds:	
Federal grant reimbursements	490,199

NOTE 9 – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

Interfund balances at June 30, 2025 consisted of the following:

	Interfund <u>Receivable</u>	Interfund <u>Payable</u>
General fund	\$ 223,491	\$ -
Nonmajor governmental funds	-	223,491
	<u>\$ 223,491</u>	<u>\$ 223,491</u>

All balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services were provided or reimbursable expenditures occurred, (2) transactions were recorded in the accounting system, or (3) payments between funds were made.

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2025 consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

Transfers from general fund to:	
Capital projects fund	\$ 7,500,000
Nonmajor governmental funds	136,633
Transfers from nonmajor governmental funds to:	
Nonmajor governmental funds	<u>194,519</u>
	<u>\$ 7,831,152</u>

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and to use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budget authorization. Transfers are also used to close out grants in any funds, including special revenue funds that are no longer required, as indicated above.

NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS AND OPEB PLANS

Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

Pensions and 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 net pension/OPEB liability (asset) represent the 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 (asset) 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.

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Ohio Revised Code limits the District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the 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 (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) 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.

A. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

School Employee 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 under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before <u>August 1, 2017 *</u>	Eligible to Retire after <u>August 1, 2017</u>
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; or 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.

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An individual whose benefit effective date is before April 1, 2018, is eligible for a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) on the first anniversary date of the benefit. New benefit recipients must wait until the fourth anniversary of their benefit for COLA eligibility. The COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit. The COLA is indexed to the percentage increase in the CPI-W, not to exceed 2.5% and with a floor of 0%. A three-year COLA suspension was in effect for all benefit recipients for the years 2018, 2019, and 2020. The Retirement Board approved a 2.5% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for calendar year 2024.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10.00% of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute 14.00% 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 10.00% for plan members and 14.00% 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, 2025, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14%. For fiscal year 2025, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$480,887 for fiscal year 2025. Of this amount \$39,564 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. The calculation is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of credited service. Effective August 1, 2023, any member can retire with unreduced benefits with 34 years of services credit at any age; or five years of service credit and age 65. Effective June 1, 2025 - July 1, 2027, any member can retire with unreduced benefits with 33 years of service credit at any age; or five years of service credit and age 65. Effective on or after August 1, 2027, any member can retire with unreduced benefits with 34 years of service credit at any age; or five years of service credit and age 65.

In April 2017, the Retirement Board made the decision to reduce COLA granted on or after July 1, 2017, to 0 percent upon a determination by its actuary that it was necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the retirement system. Benefit recipients' base benefit and past cost-of-living increases are not affected by this change. Effective July 1, 2022, an ad-hoc COLA of 3 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2023 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2018. Effective July 1, 2023, a permanent 1 percent COLA of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2024 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2019.

Eligibility changes for DB Plan members who retire with actuarially reduced benefits effective Aug. 1, 2023, can retire with 29 years of service credit at any age; or five years of service credit and age 60. Effective June 1, 2025 - July 1, 2027, retirement eligibility for reduced benefits is 28 years of service credit at any age; or five years of service credit and age 60. Effective on or after Aug. 1, 2027, ears of service credit at any age; or five years of service credit and age 60.

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The DC Plan allows members to place all of their member contributions and 11.09 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices offered by STRS Ohio. The remaining 2.91 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 is applied 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 and after termination of employment.

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. 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. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. 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. The fiscal year 2025 employer and employee contribution rate of 14 percent was equal to the statutory maximum rates. For fiscal year 2025, the full employer contribution was allocated to pension.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$1,731,633 for fiscal year 2025. Of this amount \$299,678 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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, 2024, 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:

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	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability - prior measurement date	0.0724916%	0.0845160%	
Proportion of the net pension liability - current measurement date	<u>0.0745941%</u>	<u>0.0839345%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.0021025%</u>	<u>-0.0005814%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$3,815,933	\$16,150,360	\$19,966,293
Pension expense	\$298,007	\$686,668	\$984,675

At June 30, 2025, 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>
Deferred outflows of resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 145,689	\$ 1,017,050	\$ 1,162,739
Changes of assumptions	34,136	744,297	778,433
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	82,751	66,246	148,997
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>480,887</u>	<u>1,731,633</u>	<u>2,212,520</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 743,463</u>	<u>\$ 3,559,226</u>	<u>\$ 4,302,689</u>
Deferred inflows of resources			
Net difference between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 8,844	\$ 8,844
Changes of assumptions	-	560,242	560,242
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	238,684	1,388,602	1,627,286
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>130,703</u>	<u>306,935</u>	<u>437,638</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 369,387</u>	<u>\$ 2,264,623</u>	<u>\$ 2,634,010</u>

\$2,212,520 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, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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Fiscal				
Year	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>	
2026	\$ (235,053)	\$ (957,144)	\$ (1,192,197)	
2027	210,117	1,379,045	1,589,162	
2028	(11,689)	(513,254)	(524,943)	
2029	<u>(70,186)</u>	<u>(345,677)</u>	<u>(415,863)</u>	
Total	<u>\$ (106,811)</u>	<u>\$ (437,030)</u>	<u>\$ (543,841)</u>	

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. Future benefits for all current plan members were projected through 2137.

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.

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Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023, are presented below:

Wage inflation:	
Current measurement date	2.4 percent
Prior measurement date	2.4 percent
Future salary increases, including inflation:	
Current measurement date	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
Prior measurement date	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA:	
Current measurement date	2.0 percent
Prior measurement date	2.0 percent
Investment rate of return:	
Current measurement date	7.0 percent net of system expense
Prior measurement date	7.0 percent net of system expense
Discount rate:	
Current measurement date	7.0 percent
Prior measurement date	7.0 percent
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal

In 2024, mortality rates were based on the following:

Service Retirement: PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

Disabled Retirement: PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

Contingent Survivor: PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5% for males and adjusted 122.5% for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

In the prior measurement date, mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 y rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2020.

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The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined 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 a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. As of June 30, 2024:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	3.00 %	0.97 %
US equity	22.00	4.68
International equity developed	12.00	4.96
International equity emerging	6.00	5.66
Fixed income/Global bonds	18.00	2.38
Private equity	14.00	7.10
Real estate/Real assets	13.00	3.64
Infrastructure	7.00	4.80
Private debt/Private credit	<u>5.00</u>	5.86
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate The total pension liability for 2024 was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent. The discount rate determination did not use a municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employers would contribute the actuarially determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 20-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The actuarially determined contribution rate for fiscal year 2024 was 14 percent. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.00 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 money-weighted rate of return, calculated as the internal rate of return on pension plan investments, for fiscal year 2024 was 9.31 percent.

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 7.00 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 (6.00 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (6.00%)</u>	<u>Current discount rate (7.00%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.00%)</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 5,837,849	\$3,815,933	\$2,113,589

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Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation, compared with June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation, are presented below:

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
Inflation	2.5 percent	2.5 percent
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent	Varies by service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent
Investment rate of return	7.0 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.0 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Discount rate of return	7.0 percent	7.0 percent
Payroll increases	3.0 percent	3.0 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)	0.0 percent	0.0 percent

For the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

For the prior measurement date, post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2024 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

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:

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<u>Asset class</u>	<u>Target allocation *</u>	<u>Long term expected real rate of return **</u>
Domestic equity	26.00 %	6.90 %
International equity	22.00	7.70
Alternatives	19.00	9.10
Fixed income	22.00	4.50
Real estate	10.00	5.10
Liquidity reserves	<u>1.00</u>	2.40
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

* Final target weights reflected at October 1, 2022.

**10-Year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.40 percent and is net of 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 7.00% as of June 30, 2024. 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 the rates described previously. 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, 2024. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2024.

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 7.00 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 (6.00 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(6.00%)</u>	Current discount rate <u>(7.00%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(8.00%)</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 26,053,360	\$16,150,360	\$7,774,122

Assumption and Benefit Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - The discount rate remained at 7.00% for June 30, 2024 valuation. Retirement rates were extended to younger ages intended to ensure that the ranges in retirement eligibility impacted participants at such ages. Demographic assumptions were changed based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021.

B. DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

School Employee Retirement System

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. The following types of credit purchased after January 29, 1981, do not count toward health care coverage eligibility: military, federal, out-of-state, municipal, private school, exempted, and early retirement incentive credit. 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 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

The Health Care program is financed through a combination of employer contributions, recipient premiums, investment returns, and any funds received on behalf of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. The System's goal is to maintain a health care reserve account with a 20-year solvency period in order to ensure that fluctuations in the cost of health care do not cause an interruption in the program. However, during any period in which the 20-year solvency period is not achieved, the System shall manage the Health Care Fund on a pay-as-you-go basis.

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 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% of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, SERS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment 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 2025, this amount was \$30,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2% of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5% of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2025, the School District's surcharge obligation was \$60,640.

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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 \$60,640 for fiscal year 2025 and is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

State Teachers Retirement System

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. Health care premiums were reduced by a Medicare Part B premium credit beginning in 2023. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Medicare Part D is a federal program to help cover the costs of prescription drugs for Medicare beneficiaries. This program allows STRS Ohio to recover part of the cost for providing prescription coverage since all eligible STRS Ohio health care plans include creditable prescription drug coverage.

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. All benefit recipients 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% of covered payroll and not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

OPEB Liability or Asset, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB liability or asset was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability or asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability or asset 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:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportion of the net OPEB liability - prior measurement date	0.0746218%	0.0845160%	
Proportion of the net OPEB liability or asset - current measurement date	<u>0.0761857%</u>	<u>0.0839345%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.0015639%</u>	<u>-0.0005814%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$775,948	(\$1,592,078)	(\$816,130)
OPEB expense	(\$135,403)	(\$350,963)	(\$486,366)

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At June 30, 2025, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Deferred outflows of resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 69,211	\$ 69,211
Changes of assumptions	333,036	195,963	528,999
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	3,788	-	3,788
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	106,344	10,720	117,064
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>60,640</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,640</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 503,808</u>	<u>\$ 275,894</u>	<u>\$ 779,702</u>
Deferred inflows of resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 836,673	\$ 171,571	\$ 1,008,244
Changes of assumptions	356,442	718,017	1,074,459
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	68,360	68,360
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>119,947</u>	<u>7,286</u>	<u>127,233</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 1,313,062</u>	<u>\$ 965,234</u>	<u>\$ 2,278,296</u>

\$60,640 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, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal			
Year	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
2026	\$ (209,415)	\$ (247,964)	\$ (457,379)
2027	(141,499)	(106,279)	(247,778)
2028	(118,139)	(135,557)	(253,696)
2029	(107,973)	(126,052)	(234,025)
2030	(106,832)	(101,754)	(208,586)
Thereafter	<u>(186,036)</u>	<u>28,266</u>	<u>(157,770)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (869,894)</u>	<u>\$ (689,340)</u>	<u>\$ (1,559,234)</u>

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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.

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, 2024 and June 30, 2023, are presented below:

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
Inflation	2.4 percent	2.4 percent
Future salary increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
Investment rate of return	7.0 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.0 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal (level percent of payroll)	Entry age normal (level percent of payroll)
Fiduciary net position is projected to be depleted	2059	2048
Municipal Bond Index Rate	3.93 percent	3.86 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:	4.88 percent	4.27 percent
Medical Trend Assumption	7.00 percent to 4.40 percent	6.75 percent to 4.40 percent

In 2024, the following mortality assumptions were used:

Healthy Retirees - PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females.

Disabled Retirees - PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females.

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Contingent Survivors - PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5% for males and adjusted 122.5% for females.

Actives - PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table.

Mortality Projection - Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term expected rate on plan assets of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent five-year experience study was performed for the period covering fiscal years 2016 through 2020, and was adopted by the Board on April 15, 2021. 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 long-normal distribution analysis in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.00%, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. 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 10 A.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2024, was 4.88%. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2024, was 4.27%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the contribution rate of 1.50% of projected covered payroll each year, which includes a 1.50% payroll surcharge and no contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is projected to be depleted in 2059 by SERS' actuaries. The Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the single equivalent interest rate for both the June 30, 2023 and the June 30, 2024 total OPEB liability. The Municipal Bond Index Rate is the single rate that will generate a present value of benefit payments equal to the sum of the present value determined by the long-term expected rate of return, and the present value determined by discounting those benefits after the date of depletion. The Municipal Bond Index Rate was 3.93% at June 30, 2024 and 3.86% at June 30, 2023.

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 proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.88%) and higher (5.88%) than the current discount rate (4.88%). Also shown is what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.00% decreasing to 3.40%) and higher (8.00% decreasing to 5.40%) than the current rate (7.00% decreasing to 4.40%).

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	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current discount rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 1,034,699	\$775,948	\$570,335

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current trend rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 524,512	\$775,948	\$1,106,440

Actuarial Assumptions – STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation, compared with June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation, are presented below:

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
Inflation	2.50 percent	2.50 percent
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.50 percent to 8.50 percent	Varies by service from 2.50 percent to 8.50 percent
Investment rate of return	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Discount rate of return	7.00 percent	7.00 percent
Payroll increases	3.00 percent	3.00 percent
Health care cost trends		

	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Ultimate</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Ultimate</u>
Medical				
Pre-Medicare	7.50 percent	3.94 percent	7.50 percent	4.14 percent
Medicare	-112.22 percent	3.94 percent	-10.94 percent	4.14 percent
Prescription Drug				
Pre-Medicare	8.00 percent	3.94 percent	-11.95 percent	4.14 percent
Medicare	-15.14 percent	3.94 percent	1.33 percent	4.14 percent

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

For the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation, for healthy retirees the post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020; pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

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For the prior measurement date, for healthy retirees the post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020; pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2024 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - The discount rate remained unchanged at 7.00 percent for the June 30, 2024 valuation.

Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2025. The larger Medicare trends for Years 2027 and 2028 reflect the assumed impact of the expiration of current Medicare Advantage contract on December 31, 2028.

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 10 A.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2024. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed STRS continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2024. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care fund investments of 7.00% was applied to all periods of projected health care costs to determine the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2024, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset 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.

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current discount rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ (1,294,464)	\$ (1,592,078)	\$ (1,851,066)
	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current trend rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset	\$ (1,868,561)	\$ (1,592,078)	\$ (1,259,571)

C. 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. The Board's liability is 6.2% of wages paid for those that choose Social Security.

NOTE 11 – COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Vacation Leave The criteria for determining vested vacation and sick leave components are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Only administrative and support personnel who are under a full year contract (11 and 12 month) are eligible for vacation time. The number of days granted, is determined upon length of service. Beginning in fiscal year 2021, the superintendent and the treasurer were granted twenty days of vacation. Administrators may accrue vacation leave up to a maximum of three years prior to using the vacation leave days. Classified employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service (with a year defined as at least 120 days). Classified employees may accrue vacation up to a maximum of two years prior to using the vacation leave days. Accumulated, unused vacation time is paid to classified employees and administrators upon termination of employment. The administrative and classified personnel accumulate vacation based on the following schedule:

<u>Administration</u> <u>Years Service</u>	<u>Classified</u> <u>Years Service</u>	<u>Vacation Days</u>
1-6	1-6	10
7-14	7-14	15
15-beyond	15-beyond	20

Sick Leave/Severance Pay Each employee earns sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month to a maximum of fifteen days in any year. Effective February 17, 2012, classified employees' sick leave was converted to hours for accumulation and usage. Sick leave shall accumulate during active employment on a continuous year-to-year basis. Maximum sick leave accumulation for employees is 320 days. Retirement pay will be paid to an employee who retires on the basis of one-fourth (1/4) of the employee's total available accumulated sick leave days up to a maximum of 80 days at the daily rate at the time of retirement.

Retirement pay shall be paid within thirty calendar days of the effective date of the employee's retirement. For administrative employees and any teacher actively employed on or after June 30, 2005; retiring administrators and teachers shall have their severance pay placed into an annuity contract as an Employer Plan for Payment and Deferral of Severance Pay, and payment shall occur within thirty (30) calendar days of the effective date of the employee's retirement and shall be in lieu of payment being made directly to the retired employee. However, for administrators, the first thirty days of accumulated sick days must be paid and any remaining will be placed in the annuity.

NOTE 12 – RISK MANAGEMENT

A. General Risk

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. The School District has addressed these various types of risk by purchasing a comprehensive insurance policy through the Ohio School Plan (Plan).

General liability insurance is maintained in the amount of \$4,000,000 for single occurrence and \$6,000,000 in the aggregate. The School District maintains fleet insurance in the amount of \$4,000,000 for any one accident or loss. The School District maintains replacement cost insurance on buildings and contents in the amount of \$124,357,207.

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. For fiscal year 2025, the School District participated in the Plan which is an insurance purchasing pool. Each participant enters into an individual agreement with the Plan for insurance coverage and pays annual premiums to the Plan based on the types and limits of coverage and deductibles selected by the participant.

B. Workers' Compensation

The School District participates in the Workers' Compensation Program provided by the State of Ohio. The Ohio system of workers' compensation has been in effect since 1913 providing compensation for work-related injuries, diseases and deaths. The system is maintained by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation and the Industrial Commission. The Bureau of Workers' Compensation determines basic premium rates by the cost of claims generated within the school's industry classification. New rates are effective each January 1. Premiums are paid annually.

C. Health Insurance

In July 1987, the School District joined the Ashtabula County Schools Council of Governments Employees Insurance Consortium to insure its medical and vision claims. The consortium currently includes eight member school districts. Contributions are determined by the consortium's board of directors. The program is operated as a full indemnity program with no financial liability (other than monthly premiums) or risk to the School District. The School District provides life insurance coverage through a commercial insurance policy.

The School District uses an internal service fund to record and report its self-funded dental insurance program. The claims liability of \$16,600, reported in the fund at year end was estimated and is based on the requirements of GASB Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for unpaid claims costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported.

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Changes in the fund's claims liability during 2025 and 2024 were:

	Year ended 6/30/2025	Year ended 6/30/2024
Unpaid claims, beginning of fiscal year	\$ 13,833	\$ 34,500
Incurred claims (including IBNRs)	250,334	192,141
Claim payments	(247,567)	(212,808)
Unpaid claims, end of fiscal year	<u>\$ 16,600</u>	<u>\$ 13,833</u>

NOTE 13 – LONG-TERM DEBT AND OBLIGATIONS

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

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due within one year</u>
<u>General Obligation Bonds</u>					
2019 Refunding	\$ 7,770,000	\$ -	\$ (1,010,000)	\$ 6,760,000	\$ 1,046,000
Premium	<u>83,252</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(29,853)</u>	<u>53,399</u>	<u>-</u>
Total bonds	<u>7,853,252</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,039,853)</u>	<u>6,813,399</u>	<u>1,046,000</u>
<u>Other Long-term obligations</u>					
Compensated absences	<u>1,556,427</u>	<u>929,516</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,485,943</u>	<u>275,944</u>
<u>Net Pension Liability</u>					
STRS	18,200,459	-	(2,050,099)	16,150,360	-
SERS	<u>4,005,542</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(189,609)</u>	<u>3,815,933</u>	<u>-</u>
Total net pension liability	<u>22,206,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,239,708)</u>	<u>19,966,293</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Net OPEB Liability</u>					
SERS	<u>1,229,353</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(453,405)</u>	<u>775,948</u>	<u>-</u>
Total governmental long-term obligations	<u>\$ 32,845,033</u>	<u>\$ 929,516</u>	<u>\$ (3,732,966)</u>	<u>\$ 30,041,583</u>	<u>\$ 1,321,944</u>

The School District pays compensated absences and pension/OPEB obligations related to employee benefits and compensation from the fund benefitting from their service.

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School Improvement Refunding Bonds: On June 20, 2012, the School District issued \$14,860,000 in refunding general obligation bonds with interest rates from 2.0% to 3.375% to refund \$15,080,000 of outstanding 2003 School Improvement Bonds. In addition to the proceeds of the new bonds the School District paid an additional \$1,500,000. The net proceeds of \$14,548,108 (after payment of \$311,892 in underwriting fees, insurance, and other issuance costs) was deposited into an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for future debt service payments of the portion of School Improvement Bonds refunded. These bonds are serial bonds. As a result of this issue, the School Improvement Bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability has been removed. The old debt had a final call date of December 1, 2013 in which the debt was repaid.

On September 4, 2019 the School District issued \$8,910,000 in refunding general obligation bonds with interest rates from 2.5% to 3.085% to refund \$8,945,000 of outstanding 2012 School Improvement Bonds. The net proceeds of \$9,052,838 (after payment of \$84,777 in issuance costs) were with an escrow agent to provide for debt service payments of the portion of the 2012 School Improvement Bonds refunded. These bonds were called and repaid on December 1, 2019. As a result of this issue, the old bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability has been removed. As a result of the refunding the net present value savings was \$328,289.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2025 are as follows:

<u>Fiscal</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Payment</u>
2026	\$ 1,046,000	\$ 178,483	\$ 1,224,483
2027	1,078,000	145,720	1,223,720
2028	1,108,000	112,001	1,220,001
2029	1,147,000	77,217	1,224,217
2030	1,175,000	44,837	1,219,837
2031	1,206,000	15,075	1,221,075
Total	<u>\$ 6,760,000</u>	<u>\$ 573,333</u>	<u>\$ 7,333,333</u>

The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides that the net debt of a school district, whether or not approved by the voters, shall not exceed 9.0% of the total value of all property in the School District as listed and assessed for taxation. In addition, the unvoted net debt of a school district cannot exceed .1% of the total assessed value of property. The School District has no unvoted debt. The School District's unvoted debt limit and margin is \$507,331. The voted debt limit and margin at June 30, 2025 is \$45,659,831 and \$38,899,831.

NOTE 14 – JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOLS

Northeast Ohio Management Information Network (NEOMIN) NEOMIN is a jointly governed organization among thirty school districts in Trumbull and Ashtabula Counties. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the districts support NEOMIN based upon a per pupil charge. Payments to NEOMIN are made from the general fund. During the current fiscal year, the School District contributed \$87,615 to NEOMIN.

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Superintendents and Treasurers of the participating school districts are eligible to be voting members of the Governing Board which consists of ten members: the Trumbull and Ashtabula County superintendents (permanent members), three superintendents from Ashtabula County school districts, three superintendents from Trumbull County districts, and a treasurer from each county. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Governing Board. A complete set of separate financial statements may be obtained from the Trumbull County Educational Service Center, 6000 Youngstown Warren Road, Niles, Ohio, 44446.

Ashtabula County Schools Council of Governments The School District's Superintendent is a member of the governing board of the Ashtabula County Schools Council of Governments, a separate entity formed for the purpose of purchasing health insurance. The School District has no ongoing financial interest or financial responsibility to the Council of Governments other than via participation by purchasing health insurance.

Ashtabula County Technical and Career Center The School District is a member of the Ashtabula County Technical and Career Center which has a seven-member board of education and is funded by levying millage and state and federal support. The School District has one member as a board representative. The School District has no ongoing financial interest or financial responsibility to the Ashtabula County Technical and Career Center.

NOTE 15 – CONTINGENCIES

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 is 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.

In the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the School District at June 30, 2025.

NOTE 16 – STATUTORY RESERVES

The School District is required by the state law to annually set aside in the general fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. The School District may replace using general fund revenues with proceeds from various sources (offsets), such as bond or levy proceeds related to the acquisition, replacement, enhancement, maintenance or repair of permanent 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.

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Although the School District had qualifying disbursements and current year offsets during the fiscal year that reduced the set-aside amount to below zero for the capital maintenance reserve, this amount may not be used to reduce the set aside requirement for future years. This negative balance is, therefore, not presented as being carried forward to future years.

The following information describes the change in the year-end set-aside amounts for capital maintenance.

	Capital Maintenance <u>Reserve</u>
Set-aside cash balance as of June 30, 2024	\$ -
Current year set-aside requirement	483,091
Current year offset	<u>(1,302,683)</u>
Set-aside cash balance as of June 30, 2025	<u>\$ (819,592)</u>
Cash balance carried forward to 2025	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 17 – FUND DEFICITS

As of June 30, 2025, two funds had a deficit fund balance. The deficit was caused by the application of GAAP. The deficit balance will be eliminated by anticipated future intergovernmental revenues or other subsidies not recognized and recorded at June 30.

The following funds had a deficit balance:

<u>Fund</u>	Deficit <u>Balance</u>
Nonmajor special revenue fund:	
Student wellness and success	\$ 25,528
IDEA Part B	42,835
Title I	59,826

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NOTE 18 – TAX ABATEMENTS

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3735, the Village of Geneva-on-the Lake (the Village) established a Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) program. The CRA program is an economic development tool administered by municipal and county governments that provides real property tax exemptions for property owners who renovate existing or construct new buildings. CRA's are areas of land in which property owners can receive tax incentives for investing in real property improvements. Under the CRA program, local governments petition to the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) for confirmation of a geographical area in which investment in housing has traditionally been discouraged. Once an area is confirmed by the ODSA, local governments may offer real property tax exemptions to taxpayers that invest in that area. Property owners in the CRA can receive temporary tax abatements for the renovation of existing structures and new construction in these areas. Property owners apply to the local legislative authority for approval to renovate or construct in the CRA. Upon approval and certification of completion, the amount of the abatement is deducted from the individual or entity's property tax bill.

The total value of the School District's share of taxes abated within the CRA for fiscal year 2025 was estimated at \$41,492.

NOTE 19 – RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCES**Changes to or within the financial reporting entity**

For 2025, the elementary and secondary school emergency relief fund (ESSER) is reported as a nonmajor fund, however, for 2024, it was reported as a major fund. The capital projects fund is new for 2025 and is a major fund.

	<u>6/30/2024 As Previously Reported</u>	<u>Financial Reporting Entity</u>	<u>6/30/2024 As Restated</u>
Governmental funds:			
Major funds:			
General	\$ 15,988,577	\$ -	\$ 15,988,577
Elementary and secondary school emergency relief	87,993	(87,993)	-
Bond retirement	1,882,170	-	1,882,170
Permanent improvement	1,164,505	-	1,164,505
Capital projects	-	-	-
Other governmental funds	<u>2,597,592</u>	<u>87,993</u>	<u>2,685,585</u>
Total governmental funds	<u>\$ 21,720,837</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 21,720,837</u>

Required Supplementary Information

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Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
School Employees Retirement System (SERS) of Ohio				
School District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.074594%	0.072492%	0.077798%	0.077444%
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 3,815,933	\$ 4,005,542	\$ 4,207,937	\$ 2,857,441
School District's covered payroll	\$ 3,126,107	\$ 2,966,036	\$ 2,898,171	\$ 2,591,071
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	122.07%	135.05%	145.19%	110.28%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	78.52%	76.06%	75.82%	82.86%
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) of Ohio				
School District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0839345%	0.0845160%	0.0862307%	0.0856059%
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 16,150,360	\$ 18,200,459	\$ 19,169,200	\$ 10,945,482
School District's covered payroll	\$ 11,649,693	\$ 11,415,429	\$ 11,210,407	\$ 10,563,207
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	138.63%	159.44%	170.99%	103.62%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	82.55%	80.02%	78.88%	87.80%

(1) Ten years of information will be presented as information becomes available. Information prior to 2014 is not available.

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
0.072726%	0.070079%	0.075310%	0.077710%	0.082263%	0.083531%
\$ 4,810,251	\$ 4,192,949	\$ 4,313,115	\$ 4,643,025	\$ 6,020,863	\$ 4,766,348
\$ 2,549,607	\$ 3,033,496	\$ 2,486,622	\$ 2,552,429	\$ 2,541,343	\$ 2,514,750
188.67%	138.22%	173.45%	181.91%	236.92%	189.54%
68.55%	70.85%	71.36%	69.50%	62.98%	69.16%
2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
0.0848018%	0.0877366%	0.0935489%	0.0932440%	0.0935143%	0.0937433%
\$ 20,519,011	\$ 19,402,426	\$ 20,569,300	\$ 22,150,305	\$ 31,302,055	\$ 25,907,909
\$ 10,234,250	\$ 10,788,743	\$ 10,697,436	\$ 10,459,350	\$ 10,007,457	\$ 9,907,507
200.49%	179.84%	192.28%	211.78%	312.79%	261.50%
75.50%	77.40%	77.30%	75.30%	66.80%	72.10%

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Schedule of School District Contributions - Pension
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
School Employees Retirement System (SERS) of Ohio					
Contractually required contribution	\$ 480,887	\$ 437,655	\$ 415,245	\$ 405,744	\$ 362,750
Contributions in relation to contractually required contribution	<u>(480,887)</u>	<u>(437,655)</u>	<u>(415,245)</u>	<u>(405,744)</u>	<u>(362,750)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School District covered payroll	\$ 3,434,907	\$ 3,126,107	\$ 2,966,036	\$ 2,898,171	\$ 2,591,071
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) of Ohio					
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,731,633	\$ 1,630,957	\$ 1,598,160	\$ 1,569,457	\$ 1,478,849
Contributions in relation to contractually required contribution	<u>(1,731,633)</u>	<u>(1,630,957)</u>	<u>(1,598,160)</u>	<u>(1,569,457)</u>	<u>(1,478,849)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School District covered payroll	\$ 12,368,807	\$ 11,649,693	\$ 11,415,429	\$ 11,210,407	\$ 10,563,207
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
\$ 356,945	\$ 409,522	\$ 335,694	\$ 357,340	\$ 355,788
<u>(356,945)</u>	<u>(409,522)</u>	<u>(335,694)</u>	<u>(357,340)</u>	<u>(355,788)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 2,549,607	\$ 3,033,496	\$ 2,486,622	\$ 2,552,429	\$ 2,541,343
14.00%	13.50%	13.50%	14.00%	14.00%

<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
\$ 1,432,795	\$ 1,510,424	\$ 1,497,641	\$ 1,464,309	\$ 1,401,044
<u>(1,432,795)</u>	<u>(1,510,424)</u>	<u>(1,497,641)</u>	<u>(1,464,309)</u>	<u>(1,401,044)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 10,234,250	\$ 10,788,743	\$ 10,697,436	\$ 10,459,350	\$ 10,007,457
14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

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Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset)
Last Nine Fiscal Years (1)

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
School Employees Retirement System (SERS) of Ohio				
School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.076186%	0.074622%	0.079833%	0.079603%
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 775,948	\$ 1,229,353	\$ 1,120,862	\$ 1,506,554
School District's covered payroll	\$ 3,126,107	\$ 2,966,036	\$ 2,898,171	\$ 2,591,071
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	24.82%	41.45%	38.67%	58.14%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability	44.50%	30.02%	30.34%	24.08%
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) of Ohio				
School District's proportion of the net OPEB asset or liability	0.0839345%	0.0845160%	0.0862307%	0.0856059%
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) liability	\$ (1,592,078)	\$ (1,643,719)	\$ (2,232,801)	\$ (1,804,930)
School District's covered payroll	\$ 11,649,693	\$ 11,415,429	\$ 11,210,407	\$ 10,563,207
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset) liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	-13.67%	-14.40%	-19.92%	-17.09%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB (asset) liability	158.01%	168.52%	230.73%	174.70%

(1) Ten years of information will be presented as information becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

Note: The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
0.075859%	0.072022%	0.076841%	0.078941%	0.083533%
\$ 1,648,667	\$ 1,811,212	\$ 2,131,766	\$ 2,118,574	\$ 2,381,008
\$ 2,549,607	\$ 3,033,496	\$ 2,486,622	\$ 2,552,429	\$ 2,541,343
64.66%	59.71%	85.73%	83.00%	93.69%
18.17%	15.57%	13.57%	12.46%	11.49%

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
0.0848018%	0.0877366%	0.0935489%	0.0932440%	0.0935143%
\$ (1,490,389)	\$ (1,453,129)	\$ (1,503,235)	\$ 3,638,036	\$ 5,001,169
\$ 10,234,250	\$ 10,788,743	\$ 10,697,436	\$ 10,459,350	\$ 10,007,457
-14.56%	-13.47%	-14.05%	34.78%	49.97%
182.10%	174.70%	176.00%	47.10%	37.30%

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Schedule of School District Contributions - OPEB
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
School Employees Retirement System (SERS) of Ohio					
Contractually required contribution (1)	\$ 60,640	\$ 55,776	\$ 54,699	\$ 53,585	\$ 50,728
Contributions in relation to contractually required contribution	<u>(60,640)</u>	<u>(55,776)</u>	<u>(54,699)</u>	<u>(53,585)</u>	<u>(50,728)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School District covered payroll	\$ 3,434,907	\$ 3,126,107	\$ 2,966,036	\$ 2,898,171	\$ 2,591,071
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.77%	1.78%	1.84%	1.85%	1.96%

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) of Ohio					
Contractually required contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions in relation to contractually required contribution	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School District covered payroll	\$ 12,368,807	\$ 11,649,693	\$ 11,415,429	\$ 11,210,407	\$ 10,563,207
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

(1) Includes surcharge

<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
\$ 50,585	\$ 60,089	\$ 55,896	\$ 43,409	\$ 42,994
<u>(50,585)</u>	<u>(60,089)</u>	<u>(55,896)</u>	<u>(43,409)</u>	<u>(42,994)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 2,549,607	\$ 3,033,496	\$ 2,486,622	\$ 2,552,429	\$ 2,541,343
1.98%	1.98%	2.25%	1.70%	1.69%

<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 10,234,250	\$ 10,788,743	\$ 10,697,436	\$ 10,459,350	\$ 10,007,457
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Geneva Area City School District
Notes to Required Supplementary Information
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Net Pension Liability

School Employees Retirement System (SERS) of Ohio

Changes in benefit terms: There was no change in benefit terms for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions: There was a change in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) of Ohio

Changes in benefit terms: There was a change in benefit terms for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions: There was no change in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

Net OPEB Liability

School Employees Retirement System (SERS) of Ohio

Changes in benefit terms: There was no change in benefit terms for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions: There was a change in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) of Ohio

Changes in benefit terms: There was no change in benefit terms for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions: There was a change in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2025. See the notes to the basic financial statements for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

GENEVA AREA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASHTABULA COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

FEDERAL GRANTOR <i>Pass Through Grantor</i> Program / Cluster Title	Federal AL Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Total Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education and Workforce</i>			
<i>Child Nutrition Cluster:</i>			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	2025	\$161,685
National School Lunch Program	10.555	2025	619,235
Non-Cash Food Commodities	10.555	2025	94,808
Subtotal Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>875,728</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>875,728</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education and Workforce</i>			
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	2024	151,620
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	2025	721,817
Subtotal Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies			<u>873,437</u>
<i>Special Education Cluster:</i>			
IDEA-B - Special Education Grants to State	84.027A	2024	129,880
IDEA-B - Special Education Grants to State	84.027A	2025	476,712
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173A	2025	10,443
Subtotal - Special Education Cluster			<u>617,035</u>
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424A	2024	5,316
<i>Education Stabilization Fund - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER):</i>			
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan (ARP) - ESSER	84.425U	2024	1,830,166
COVID-19 - ARP ESSER - Homeless Children and Youth	84.425W	2024	917
Subtotal - Education Stabilization Fund			<u>1,831,083</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>3,326,871</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$4,202,599</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

**GENEVA AREA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASHTABULA COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025**

NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Geneva Area City School District (the District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2025. 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 District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the 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 District has elected not to use the de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE D - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER

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

NOTE E – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM

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

NOTE F - TRANSFERS BETWEEN FEDERAL PROGRAMS

During fiscal year 2025, the District made allowable ESEA flexibility transfers of \$114,048 from the Title II-A (AL #84.367) program to the Title I (AL #84.010) program and transfers of \$71,796 from the Title IV-A (AL #84.424) program to the Title I (AL #84.010) program. The District spent \$114,048 on the Title II-A program and \$71,796 on the Title IV-A program. The Title II-A and Title IV-A programs transfers are excluded on the Schedule. The amounts transferred to the Title I program are included as Title I expenditures when disbursed. The following table shows the gross amounts drawn for the Title II-A and Title IV-A programs during fiscal year 2025 and the amounts transferred to the Title I program.

Title II-A	\$ 114,048
Transfer to Title I	<u>(114,048)</u>
Total Title II-A	<u>\$ 0</u>
 Title IV-A	 \$ 71,796
Transfer to Title I	<u>(71,796)</u>
Total Title IV-A	<u>\$ 0</u>

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

Geneva Area City School District
Ashtabula County
1301 South Ridge Road East, Suite A
Geneva, Ohio 44041

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Geneva Area City School District, Ashtabula County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 11, 2026.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

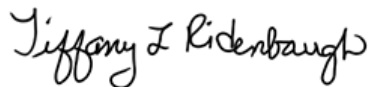
Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of This Report

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

KEITH FABER
Ohio Auditor of State



Tiffany L. Ridenbaugh, CPA, CFE, CGFM
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June 11, 2026



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**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**

Geneva Area City School District
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To the Board of Education:

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited Geneva Area City School District's, Ashtabula County, (District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on Geneva Area City School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2025. Geneva Area City School District's major federal program is identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Geneva Area City School District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2025.

Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

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

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

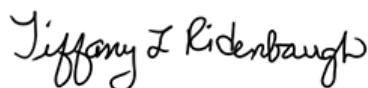
A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement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

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

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

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

KEITH FABER
Ohio Auditor of State

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tiffany L. Ridenbaugh". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tiffany L. Ridenbaugh, CPA, CFE, CGFM
Chief Deputy Auditor

June 11, 2026

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**GENEVA AREA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASHTABULA COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
2 CFR § 200.515
JUNE 30, 2025**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	AL# 84.010A – Title I
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	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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GENEVA AREA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

ASHTABULA COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



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