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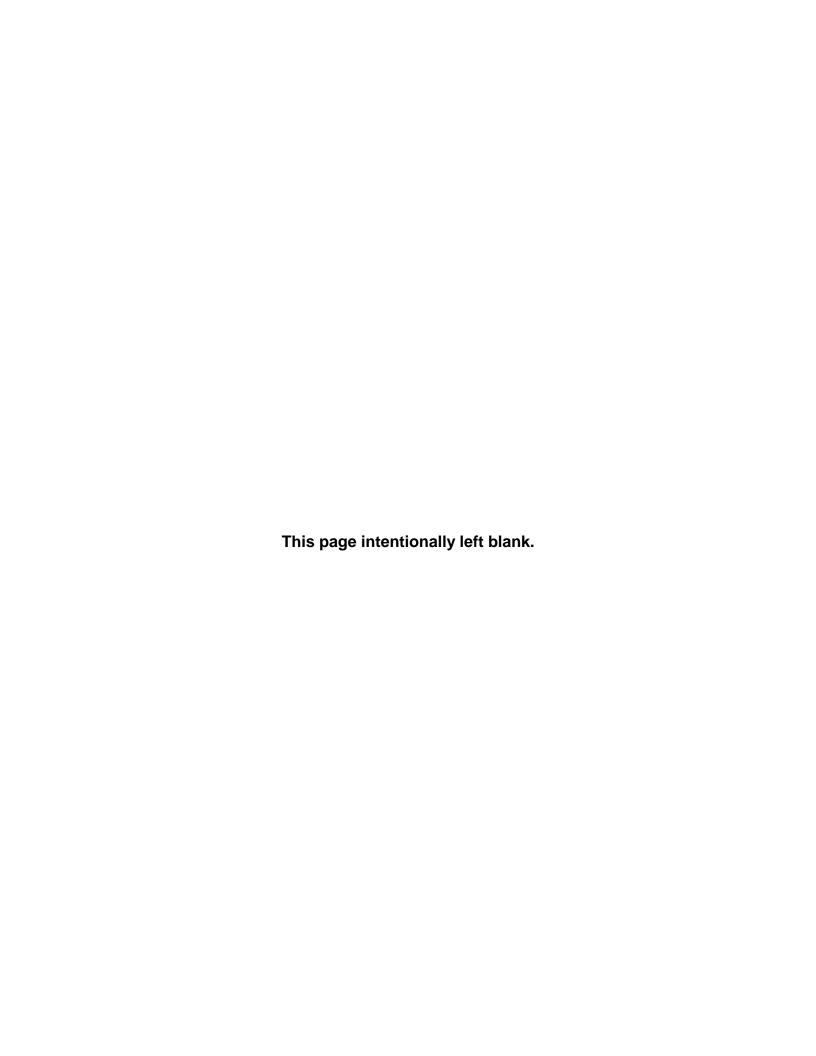
SINGLE AUDIT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Edgewood City School District Butler County 3500 Busenbark Rd Trenton, Ohio 45067

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Edgewood City School District, Butler County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Edgewood City School District, Butler County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2001, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund type for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated January 22, 2002 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 grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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We performed our audit to form an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements of the District, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of federal awards expenditures is presented for additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements. We subjected this information to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

January 22, 2002

COMBINED BALANCÉ SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
JUNE 30, 2001

		Governmen	tal Fund Types		Proprietary Fund Type	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Gr		
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Trust and Agency	General Fixed <u>Assets</u>	General Long-Term Obligations	Total (Memorandum Only)
ASSETS: Equity in pooled cash, cash equivalents and investments Cash with escrow agent Receivables (net of allowances of uncollectibles):	\$438,889	\$197,674	\$1,599,370	\$9,174,567 248,725	\$32,753	\$230,165			\$11,673,418 248,725
Property taxes - current & delinquent Accounts Accrued interest	8,125,473 1,896	30,301	1,893,892	67,991	44				10,019,365 32,241 67,991
Interfund loan receivable Due from other governments Materials and supplies inventory Restricted assets:	28,754				28,751 20,744				28,754 28,751 20,744
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents Property, plant and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation where	123,223								123,223
applicable).					71,376		\$28,540,309		28,611,685
OTHER DEBITS: Amount available in Debt Service Fund Amount to be provided for retirement of								\$2,172,275	2,172,275
General Long-Term Obligations								24,932,668	24,932,668
Total assets and other debits	\$8,718,235	\$227,975	\$3,493,262	\$9,491,283	\$153,668	\$230,165	\$28,540,309	\$27,104,943	\$77,959,840

THE NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

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COMBINED BALANCÉ SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
JUNE 30, 2001

		Governmen	tal Fund Types		Proprietary Fund Type	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Gr General	roups General	Total
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Trust and Agency	Fixed Assets	Long-Term Obligations	(Mem or an dum On ly)
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS									
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Accrued wages and benefits Compensated absences payable Contracts payable	\$6,104 1,698,216 36,861	\$20,085 31,893		\$44,704	\$62,578 36,516			\$1,056,058	\$70,893 1,792,687 1,129,435
Retainage payable Pension obligation payable Interfund loan payable Deferred revenue Due to students	313,546 5,846,522	3,852	\$1,320,987	248,725	40,582 28,751 16,070	\$3 27,710		142,579	248,725 500,559 28,754 7,183,579 27,710
Matured bonds payable General obligation bonds General obligation refunding bonds Energy conservation notes payable Obligation under capital lease								18,224,743 7,603,833 71,759 5,971	0 18,224,743 7,603,833 71,759 5,971
Total liabilities	7,901,249	55,830	1,320,987	293,429	184,497	27,713		27,104,943	36,888,648
EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS: Investment in general fixed assets Contributed capital Accumulated deficit Fund balances:					20,495 (51,324)		\$28,540,309		28,540,309 20,495 (51,324)
Reserved for encumbrances Reserved for debt service. Reserved for tax revenue unavailable	80,449	14,374	1,599,370	8,728,882					8,823,705 1,599,370
for appropriation Reserved for budget stabilization Unreserved-undesignated	2,278,951 123,223 (1,665,637)	157,771	572,905	468,972		202,452			2,851,856 123,223 (836,442)
Total equity (deficit) and other credits	816,986	172,145	2,172,275	9,197,854	(30,829)	202,452	28,540,309		41,071,192
Total liabilities, equity and other credits	\$8,718,235	\$227,975	\$3,493,262	\$9,491,283	\$153,668	\$230,165	\$28,540,309	\$27,104,943	\$77,959,840

THE NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

		Governmenta	Fiduciary Fund Type			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust	Total (Memorandum Only)
Revenues:						
From local sources:	40. 100.000					444.040.000
Taxes			\$2,417,205			\$12,050,083
Tuition		\$15,073		\$833,084	\$15,077	40,157 1,124,440
Earnings on investments		392,311		\$833,084	\$15,077 7,640	1,124,440 509,896
Intergovernmental - State		85,450	163,922	104,732	7,040	8,113,007
Intergovernmental - Federal		514,535				514,535
Total revenue	17,803,089	1,007,369	2,581,127	937,816	22,717	22,352,118
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Instruction:						
Regular	9,208,487	75,036		117,855		9,401,378
Special	1,670,263	409,644				2,079,907
Vocational	3,198					3,198
Other	57					57
Pupil	908,507	15,406				923,913
Instructional staff	1,162,146	97,027		470		1,259,643
Board of Education	63,222	· · · · · ·				63,222
Administration	1,392,148	191,901		25,823		1,609,872
Fiscal	381,087		26,762			407,849
Business	119,738					119,738
Operations and maintenance	1,597,868	10,177				1,608,045
Pupil transportation	823,436					823,436
Central	30,729	33,602				64,331
Community services	5,951	4,994			516	11,461
Extracurricular activities	313,775	136,469		6 660 015	8,439	458,683
Capital outlay	33,920			6,668,015		6,701,935
Principal retirement	71,431		800,880			872,311
Interest and fiscal charges	2,149		1,136,711			1,138,860
interest and fiscal charges	2,149		1,130,711			1,136,600
Total expenditures	17,788,112	974,256	1,964,353	6,812,163	8,955	27,547,839
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	14,977	33,113	616,774	(5,874,347)	13,762	(5,195,721)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Operating transfers in			41,090			41,090
Operating transfers out	(48,970)		,			(48,970)
Proceeds from sale of assets						0
Total other financing sources (uses)	(48,970)		41,090			(7,880)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and						
other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing (uses) .	(33,993)	33,113	657,864	(5,874,347)	13,762	(5,203,601)
empenditures and other intalients (uses).	(55,775)	55,115	057,007	(5,07-1,5-17)	15,702	(3,203,301)
Fund balance, July 1	850,979	139,032	1,514,411	15,072,201	188,690	17,765,313
Fund balance, June 30	\$816,986	\$172,145	\$2,172,275	\$9,197,854	\$202,452	\$12,561,712

EDGEWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES. EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL COMPARISON (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

		General			Special Revenue			Debt Service			Capital Projects		Tot	al (Memorandum onl	y)
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget Revised	Actual	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget Revised	Actual	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget Revised	Actual	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:															
From local sources:															
Taxes.	\$7,814,029	\$7,814,029	\$0				\$1,983,662	\$1,983,662	\$0				\$9,797,691	\$9,797,691	\$0
Tuition	40,157	40,157	0										40,157	40,157	0
Earnings on investments	261,206	261,206	0	\$15,073	\$15,073	\$0				\$798,886	\$798,886	\$0	1,075,165	1,075,165	0
Other local revenues	49,177	49,177	0	361,150	361,150	0							410,327	410,327	0
Intergovernmental - State	7,759,851	7, 759, 851	0	88,450	88,450	0	163,922	163,922	0	104,732	104,732	0	8,116,955	8,116,955	0
Intergovernmental - Federal				514,535	514,535	0_						0	514,535	514,535	0_
Total revenues.	15,924,420	15,924,420	0	979,208	979,208		2,147,584	2,147,584		903,618	903,618		19,954,830	19,954,830	0
Expenditures:															
Current:															
Instruction:															
Regular	9,147,452	9,147,452	0	83,749	83,749	0				118,736	118,736	0	9,349,937	9,349,937	0
Special	1,621,222	1,621,222	0	428,802	428,802	0							2,050,024	2,050,024	0
Voca tional	3,198	3,198	0										3,198	3,198	0
Other	57	57	0										57	57	0
Support services:															
Pupil	941,768	941,768	0	16,427	16,427	0							958,195	958,195	0
Instructional staff	1,170,513	1,170,513	0	101,443	101,443	0				68,227	68,227	0	1,340,183	1,340,183	0
Board of Education	75,263	75,263	0	201.500	201 500	0				26140	26140	0	75,263	75,263	0
Administration	1,440,667 391,083	1,440,667 391,083	0	201,508	201,508	U	26,762	26,762	0	26,148	26,148	U	1,668,323 417,845	1,668,323 417,845	0
Fiscal Business	114,634	114,634	0				26,762	20,762	U				114,634	114,634	0
Operations and maintenance	1,636,438	1,636,438	0	13.698	13.698	0							1.650.136	1.650.136	0
Pupil transportation	820,998	820,998	0	13,096	15,096	U							820,998	820.998	0
Central	44,504	44,504	0	33.602	33.602	0							78.106	78,106	0
Community services	3.823	3.823	0	4.994	4.994	0							8,817	8,817	0
Extracurricular activities	307,088	307.088	0	139,150	139,150	0							446,238	446,238	0
Facilities services	33,920	33.920	0	155,150	155,150	·				16.304.230	16.304.230	0	16,338,150	16,338,150	0
Debt service:			_									-			-
Principal retirement	35,880	35,880	0				765,000	765,000	0				800.880	800,880	0
Interest and fiscal charges	5,210	5,210	0				1,143,055	1,143,055	0				1,148,265	1,148,265	0
Total expenditures	17,793,718	17,793,718	0	1,023,373	1,023,373	0	1,934,817	1,934,817	0	16,517,341	16,517,341	0	37,269,249	37,269,249	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues															
over (under) expenditures	(1,869,298)	(1,869,298)	0	(44,165)	(44, 165)	0	212,767	212,767	0	(15,613,723)	(15,613,723)	0	(17,314,419)	(17,314,419)	0
Other financing sources (uses):															
Refund of prior year's expenditures	59.414	59.414	0	1.111	1,111	0			0	9.464	9.464	0	69.989	69.989	0
Refund of prior year's (receipts)	(58)	(58)	0	(256)	(2.56)	U			0	9,404	9,404	0	(314)	(314)	0
Operating transfers (out)	(7,880)	(7,880)	0	(230)	(2.30)				0			0	(7,880)	(7,880)	0
Advances in	27,449	27,449	0						0			0	27,449	27,449	0
Advances (out)	(28, 754)	(28, 754)	0	(2,739)	(2,739)	0			0	0	0	0	(31,493)	(31,493)	0
Premium on sale of bonds	(20,751)	(20,751)		(2,755)	(2,755)		11.554	11.554	0			0	11.554	11.554	0
Total other financing sources (uses)	50,171	50,171	0	(1,884)	(1,884)	0	11,554	11,554	0	9,464	9,464	0	69,305	69,305	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and															
other financing sources over (under)															
expenditures and other financing (uses)	(1,819,127)	(1,819,127)	0	(46,049)	(46,049)	0	224,321	224,321	0	(15,604,259)	(15,604,259)	0	(17,245,114)	(17,245,114)	0
Fund balances, July 1	1,906,064	1,906,064	0	187,634	187,634	0	1,375,049	1,375,049	0	8,956,122	8,956,122	0	12,424,869	12,424,869	0
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	390,041	390,041	0	24,925	24,925	0_				7,245,828	7,245,828		7,660,794	7,660,794	0
Fund balances, June 30	\$476,978	\$476,978	\$0	\$166,510	\$166,510	\$0	\$1,599,370	\$1,599,370	\$0	\$597,691	\$597,691	\$0	\$2,840,549	\$2,840,549	\$0

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED DEFICIT PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating revenues:	
Tuition and fees	\$134,313
Sales/charges for services	780,013
Total operating revenues	914,326
Operating expenses:	
Personal services	534,669
Contract services	14,269
Materials and supplies	682,937
Depreciation	11,694
Other	1,535
Total operating expenses	1,245,104
Operating loss	(330,778)
Nonoperating revenues:	
Operating grants	217,996
Federal commodities	155,354
Interest revenue	
Total nonoperating revenues	373,350
Net income before operating transfers	42,572
Operating transfers in	7,880
Net income	50,452
Accumulated deficit, July 1	(101,776)
Accumulated deficit June 30	(\$51,324)

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Cash flows from operating activities: Cash received from tuition and fees	\$134,269
Cash received from sales/service charges	780,013
Cash payments for personal services	(534,619)
Cash payments for contract services	(14,937)
Cash payments for supplies and materials	(529,363)
Cash payments for other expenses	(1,535)
Net cash used in	
operating activities	(166,172)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:	
Cash received from operating grants	189,245
Transfers in from other funds	7,880
Cash received from interfund loans	28,751
Cash used in repayment of	
interfund loans	(24,616)
Net cash provided by noncapital	
financing activities	201,260
Cash flows from capital and related	
financing activities:	
Acquisition of capital assets	(7,782)
Net cash used in capital and related	
financing activities	(7,782)
Net cash provided by investing activities	0
Net increase in	27.204
cash and cash equivalents	27,306
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	5,447
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	32,753
Reconciliation of operating loss to	
net cash used in operating activities:	
Operating loss	(330,778)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss	
to net cash used in operating activities:	11.604
Depreciation	11,694
Federal donated commodities	155,354
Changes in assets and liabilities:	(16,000)
Increase in supplies inventory	(16,098)
Increase in accounts receivable	(44)
Decrease in accounts payable	(1,229)
Decrease in accrued wages & benefits	(2,595)
Increase in compensated absences payable	3,043
Decrease in pension obligation payable	(398)
Increase in deferred revenue	14,879
Net cash used in operating activities	(\$166,170)
operating activities	(\$166,172)

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Edgewood City School District (the "District") was formed on February 14, 1968 with the consolidation of Trenton City School District and Shiloh Local School District. Today, the District operates under current standards prescribed by the Ohio State Board of Education, as provided in division (D) of Section 3301.07, and Section 119.01 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The District operates under a locally elected five-member board form of government and provides educational services as authorized by its charter or further mandated by state and/or federal agencies. This Board controls the District's instructional and support facilities, staffed by 129 non-certified personnel and 244 certified full time teaching and administrative personnel, who provide services to approximately 3,276 students and other community members.

The District ranks as the 141st largest by enrollment among the 682 public and community school districts in the State. It currently operates 3 elementary schools, 1 middle school, and 1 comprehensive high school.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

A. Reporting Entity

The District's reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, effective for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 1992. A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the District. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes for the organization. The financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government). The District has no component units. The following organizations are described due to their relationship to the District.

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS:

Southwest Ohio Computer Association (SWOCA)

SWOCA is a jointly governed organization among a three-county consortium of Ohio school districts. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to the administrative and instructional functions of the member districts. Each of the governments of these schools supports SWOCA based upon a per pupil charge, dependent upon the software package utilized.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The governing board of SWOCA is comprised of the superintendent of each of the member districts, plus one representative from the fiscal agent. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Board.

D. Russell Lee Career Center

The Career Center is a vocational school district, and is a separate body politic and corporate, established by the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) to provide for the vocational and special education needs of its students. The Career Center accepts non-tuition students from the District as a member school; however, it is considered a separate political subdivision and is not considered to be part of the District.

The District is also part of a group rating plan for worker's compensation insurance, discussed in Note 11.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds and account groups to report its financial position and the results of its operations. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain school district activities or functions. Funds are classified into three categories: Governmental, Proprietary and Fiduciary. Each category is divided into separate fund types.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the District are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities (except those accounted for in Proprietary funds) are accounted for through Governmental funds. The following are the District's Governmental Fund Types:

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District and is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General fund balance is available to the District for any purpose, provided it is expended or transferred in accordance with applicable Ohio statute.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - The Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> - The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> - The Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds and Trust Funds).

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Proprietary Funds are used to account for the District's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary or useful to sound financial administration. The following are the District's Proprietary Fund Types:

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

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds. These include Expendable Trust and Agency Funds. Expendable Trust funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as Governmental funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. Agency Funds are presented on a budgetary basis with note disclosure, if applicable, regarding items, which, in other fund types, would be subject to accrual.

ACCOUNT GROUPS

To make a clear distinction between fixed assets related to specific funds and those of general government, and between long-term liabilities related to specific funds and those of general nature, the following account groups are used:

<u>General Fixed Assets Account Group</u> - This group of accounts is established to account for all fixed assets of the District, other than those accounted for in the Proprietary funds.

<u>General Long-Term Obligations Account Group</u> - This group of accounts is established to account for all long-term obligations of the District, except those accounted for in the Proprietary funds.

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All Governmental funds and the Expendable Trust fund are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

All Proprietary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary Fund Type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed for Governmental and Expendable Trust funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period, which for the District is 60 days after the June 30 year-end. Revenues accrued at the end of the year include interest, tuition, grants and entitlements (to the extent such grants and entitlements relate to the current fiscal year), and accounts (student fees and rent). Current property taxes measurable as of June 30, 2001, but which are intended to finance fiscal 2002 operations, have been recorded as deferred revenues. Delinquent property taxes measurable and available (received within 60 days) and amounts available as an advance on future tax settlements are recognized as revenue at year-end. Taxes available for advance and recognized as revenue, but not received by the District prior to June 30, 2001, are reflected as a reservation of fund balance for future appropriations. The District is prohibited by law from appropriating this revenue in accordance with ORC Section 5705.35, since an advance of revenue was not requested or received prior to the fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied and the resources are available. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been met and the resources are available.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The District reports deferred revenue on its combined balance sheet. Deferred revenues arise when a potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred revenues also arise when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the government has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and revenue is recognized.

Expenditures (decreases in net financial resources) are recognized in the period in which the fund liability is incurred with the following exceptions: general long-term obligations principal and interest are reported only when due; and the costs of accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave are reported as expenditures in the period in which they will be liquidated with available financial resources rather than in the period earned by employees. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in Governmental funds.

The Proprietary funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities used during the year is reported on the operating statement as an expense, with a like amount reported as donated commodities revenue. Unused donated commodities are reported as deferred revenues.

On the accrual basis of accounting, revenue from nonexchange transactions, such as grants, entitlements, and donations, is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been met. The Proprietary funds receive no revenue from property taxes.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

D. Budgets

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within 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. The specific timetable for fiscal year 2001 is as follows:

- 1. Prior to January 15, the Superintendent and Treasurer submit to the Board of Education a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing for all funds. Public hearings are publicized and conducted to obtain taxpayers' comments. The expressed purpose of this budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.
- 2. By no later than January 20, the Board-adopted budget is filed with the Butler County Budget Commission for tax rate determination.
- 3. Prior to April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's Certificate of Estimated Resources, which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to June 30, the District must revise its budget so that total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Estimated Resources. The revised budget then serves as a basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year as reported by the District Treasurer. The Certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the District Treasurer. The amounts reported in the budgetary statement reflect the amounts set forth in the final Amended Certificate issued for fiscal year 2001.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

- 4. By July 1, the annual appropriation resolution is legally enacted by the Board of Education at the fund, function, and object level of expenditures, which are the legal levels of budgetary control. (State statute permits a temporary appropriation to be effective until no later than October 1 of each year.) Resolution appropriations by fund must be within the estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission and the total of expenditures and encumbrances may not exceed the appropriation totals.
- 5. All funds, other than Agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. Short-term interfund loans are not required to be budgeted since they represent a temporary cash flow resource, and are intended to be repaid.
- 6. Any revisions that alter the total of any fund appropriation or alter total function appropriations within a fund, or alter object appropriations within functions must be approved by the Board of Education.
- 7. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds consistent with the general obligation bond indenture and other statutory provisions. All departments/functions and funds completed the year within the amount of their legally authorized cash basis appropriation.
- 8. Appropriation amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education through the year by supplemental appropriations, which either reallocated or increased the original appropriated amounts. All supplemental appropriations during fiscal 2001, were legally enacted by the Board as follows:

	Increase/(Decrease)
General Fund	\$ 61,794
Special Revenue Funds	130,852
Debt Service Fund	(17,391)
Capital Projects Funds	338,408
Enterprise Funds	(74,971)
Expendable Trust Fund	(2,118)
TOTAL	<u>\$436,574</u>

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

9. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. Cash disbursements plus encumbrances may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund, function and/or object level.

Encumbrance accounting is utilized with District funds in the normal course of operations, for purchase orders and contract-related expenditures. An encumbrance is a reserve on the available spending authority due to commitment for a future expenditure and does not represent a liability. For Governmental Fund Types, encumbrances outstanding at year-end (not recognized as accounts payable) appear as a reserve to the fund balance on a GAAP basis (Exhibit 1) and as the equivalent of expenditures on a non-GAAP budgetary basis (Exhibit 3) in order to demonstrate legal compliance. Note 15 provides a reconciliation of the budgetary and GAAP basis of accounting. Encumbrances for Enterprise funds are disclosed in Note 12.

E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled. Monies for all funds, including Proprietary funds, are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments" (both unrestricted and restricted) on the combined balance sheet.

During fiscal 2001, investments were limited to the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), federal agency securities, and money market funds.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as money market funds are reported at cost.

STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2001.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Calculation of the Net Increase in the Fair Value of Investments - Aggregate Method

Fair value at June 30, 2001	\$ 7,975,430
Add: Proceeds of investments matured in fiscal 2001	13,300,000
Less: Cost of investments purchased in fiscal 2001	(5,389,325)
Fair value at June 30, 2000	(15,686,210)
Change in fair value of investments	<u>\$ 199,895</u>

Investment earnings are assigned to the General fund and other funds authorized by Ohio statute or other legal provision. The following funds were credited with more interest revenue than would have been received based upon their share of the District's investments:

	Interest Actually Received	Interest Bond upon Share of Investments	Interest Assigned from Other Funds
General	\$261,206	\$99,642	\$161,564
Special Revenue Fund District Managed Student Activities Public School Support	13,276 1,797	8,160 696	5,115 1,101
Expendable Trust Fund	15,077	13,646	1,431

The District utilizes a financial institution to escrow amounts of retainage for ongoing construction projects. The total amount in escrow was \$248,725 at June 30, 2001. This amount is presented on the combined balance sheet as "Cash with Escrow Agent" since it is not required to be deposited into the District treasury.

An analysis of the Treasurer's investment account at year-end is provided in Note 4.

F. Inventory

Inventories of Proprietary funds are valued at the lower of cost (first-in/first-out method) or market and expensed when used rather than when purchased.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

G. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

1. General Fixed Assets Account Group

General fixed assets are capitalized at cost or estimated historical cost and updated for the cost of additions and retirements during the year in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date donated. The District has a policy of not capitalizing assets with a cost of less than \$500 and a useful life of less than five years. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized, nor is interest on debt issued to construct or acquire general fixed assets. No depreciation is recognized for assets in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. The District has not included infrastructure in the General Fixed Asset Account Group.

2. Proprietary Funds

Equipment reflected in these funds is stated at historical cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for the cost of additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date donated. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets.

Depreciation has been provided, where appropriate, on a straight-line basis (with an estimated 10% salvage value) over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset	<u>Life (years)</u>
Buildings	25-50
Furniture, Fixtures and	
Minor Equipment	5-20
Vehicles	4-6

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

H. Compensated Absences

Compensated absences of the District consist of vacation leave and severance liability to the extent that payments to the employee for these absences are attributable to services already rendered and are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the District and the employee.

In accordance with the provisions of Statement No. 16 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, <u>Accounting for Compensated Absences</u>, a liability for vacation leave is accrued if a) the employees' rights to payment are attributable to services already rendered; and b) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off <u>or</u> other means, such as cash payment at termination or retirement. A liability for sick leave is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at the balance sheet date by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination (severance) payments, as well as those employees expected to become eligible in the future. For purposes of establishing a liability for severance on employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, all employees age 50 or greater with at least 10 years of service; or 20 years service at any age were considered expected to become eligible to retire in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16.

The total liability for vacation and severance payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at the balance sheet date, and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute, plus any applicable additional salary related payments.

Accumulated vacation and severance liability of Governmental Fund Type employees meeting the above requirements have been recorded in the appropriate Governmental fund as a current liability to the extent that the amounts are expected to be payable within the current available period. The balance of the liability is recorded in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group. Vacation and severance liability for employees meeting the above requirements who are paid from Proprietary funds is recorded as an expense when earned.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

I. Long-Term Obligations

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, compensated absences and contractually required pension contributions that will be paid from Governmental funds are reported as a liability in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group to the extent that they will not be paid with current available expendable financial resources. Payments made more than 60 days after yearend are generally considered not to have been paid with current available financial resources. Bonds, capital leases, and long-term loans are reported as a liability of the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group until due.

Long-term debt and other obligations financed by Proprietary funds are reported as liabilities in the appropriate Proprietary funds.

J. Fund Equity

Contributed capital is recorded in Proprietary funds, which received capital grants or contributions from other funds. Reserved fund balances indicate that portion of fund equity, which is not available for current appropriation or is legally segregated for a specific use. Fund balances are reserved for encumbrances, debt service, tax revenue unavailable for appropriation, and budget stabilization. The reserve for property taxes represents taxes recognized as revenue under GAAP, but not available for appropriation under State statue. The unreserved portions of fund equity reflected for the Governmental funds are available for use within the specific purposes of those funds.

K. Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the District has numerous transactions between funds. The most significant include:

1. Transfers of resources from one fund to another fund: the resources transferred are to be expended for operations by the receiving fund and are recorded as operating transfers, with the exception of Agency funds, which do not report transfers of resources as operating transfers.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

- 2. Reimbursements from one fund to another are treated as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and a reduction in expenditures/expenses in the reimbursed fund.
- 3. Short-term interfund loans made pursuant to Board of Education Resolution are reflected as "interfund loans receivable or payable". Such interfund loans are repaid in the following fiscal year.
- 4. Quasi-external transactions are similar to the purchase of goods or services from a vendor; i.e., the fund which provides a service records revenue, and the fund which receives that service records an expenditure/expense.
- 5. Residual equity transfers are non-recurring or non-routine permanent transfers of equity, generally made when a fund is closed.
- 6. Long-term interfund loans that will not be repaid within the next year are termed "advances" and are shown as reservations of fund balances on the combined balance sheet for those funds that report advances to other funds as assets because they are not spendable, available resources.

An analysis of the District's interfund transactions for fiscal year 2001 is presented in Note 5.

L. Contributed Capital

Contributed capital reported in the Enterprise funds represents resources provided from other funds, other governments, or private sources that is not subject to repayment. These assets are recorded at fair market value on the date contributed. Depreciation on those assets acquired or constructed with contributed resources is expensed and closed to unreserved retained earnings at year-end. Contributed capital did not change during fiscal year 2001.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

M. Statutory Reserves

The District is required by State law to set-aside certain (cash-basis) General fund revenue amounts, as defined by statute, into various reserves. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, the reserve activity was as follows:

	Instructional <u>Materials</u>	Capital Acquisition	Budget Stabilization
Set-aside cash balance as of July 1, 2000 Current year set-aside requirement	\$(115,146) 374,736	\$(18,371,633) 374,736	\$ 247,910
Change in statutory requirement Qualifying disbursements	(504,389)		(124,687)
Total, June 30, 2001	(244,799)	(17,996,897)	123,223
Cash balance carried forward to FY 2002	<u>\$(244,799)</u>	<u>\$(17,996,897</u>)	<u>\$123,223</u>

The District had offsets and qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the instructional materials set-aside amount below zero; this extra amount is being carried forward to reduce the set-aside requirements of future years.

The negative carry over for capital acquisition from the previous fiscal year is a result of debt proceeds for the construction and renovation of school buildings. The resulting negative balance may be carried forward to future years.

A schedule of the restricted assets at June 30, 2001, follows:

Amount restricted for budget stabilization	\$123,223
Total restricted assets	\$123,223

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

N. Statement of Cash Flows

In September 1989, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting. The District has presented (Exhibit 5) a statement of cash flows for its Proprietary funds. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the District considers cash equivalents to include all short term investments (maturity of 90 days or less from date of purchase).

O. Financial Reporting for Proprietary and Similar Fund Types

The District's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, <u>Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting</u>. This Statement is effective for financial statements beginning after December 15, 1993. The District accounts for its proprietary activities in accordance with all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) and its predecessors issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

P. Restricted Assets

Restricted assets in the General fund represent cash and cash equivalents set aside to establish a budget stabilization reserve. This reserve is required by State statute and can be used only after receiving approval from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. A fund balance reserve has also been established. See Note 2.M. for statutory reserves.

Q. Memorandum Only - Total Columns

Total columns on the General Purpose Financial Statements are captioned (Memorandum Only) to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principle

GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions, was implemented during fiscal 2001. In accordance with this statement, certain types of revenue received by the District for which no value is given in return, including derived tax revenues, imposed nonexchange transactions, government-mandated nonexchange transactions, and voluntary nonexchange transactions may have been reported in a manner inconsistent with prior fiscal years; however, the adoption of this statement had no effect on fund balances/retained earnings as previously reported by the District at June 30, 2000.

B. Deficit Fund Balances/Retained Earnings

Fund balances/retained earnings at June 30, 2001, included the following individual fund deficits:

	<u>Deficit Balance</u>
Special Revenue Funds Summer Intervention Class Reduction Miscellaneous Federal Grants	\$ (83) (58) (1,806)
Enterprise Funds Food Service	(67,871)

These deficits, caused by the application of generally accepted accounting principles, will be funded by anticipated future intergovernmental revenues or other subsidies not recognized and recorded at June 30. The General fund provides transfers for deficit balances; however, transfers are made when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the 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 withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

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

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

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public moneys deposited with the institution.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

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;

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

- 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 30 days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- 5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed 180 days from the date of purchase in an amount not to exceed 25% of the interim moneys available for investment at any one time; and,
- 8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt instruments rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

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

Equity in Pooled Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments with Escrow Agent: At year-end, \$248,725 was on deposit in the District's escrow account and included in the total amount of deposits reported below; however, this amount is not part of the internal cash pool reported on the combined balance sheet as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, <u>Deposits With Financial Institutions</u>, <u>Investments (including Repurchase Agreements)</u>, and <u>Reverse Repurchase Agreements</u>:

Deposits: At year-end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$71,792 and the bank balance was \$1,180,597 (both amounts are exclusive of payroll clearance accounts). Of the bank balance:

- 1. \$543,006 was covered by federal deposit insurance.
- 2. \$637,591 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the District held to a successful claim by the FDIC.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Investments: The District's investment are required to be categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District at year-end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the District or its agent in the District's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the District's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent, but not in the District's name. Investments in STAR Ohio and money market funds are unclassified investments since they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

	Category 3	Fair Value
Federal Agency Securities Not Subject to Categorization:	\$7,975,430	\$ 7,975,430
Money Market Funds Investment in STAR Ohio		1,079,624 2,918,442
nivestinent in STAR Onto		2,710,442
Total Investments	<u>\$7,975,430</u>	<u>\$11,973,496</u>

The federal agency securities have maturities of July and August, 2001.

The classification of cash, cash equivalents, and investments on the combined balance sheet is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 9 entitled, <u>Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Non-Expendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting.</u>

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

A reconciliation between the classifications of equity in pooled cash, cash equivalents, and investments on the combined balance sheet per GASB Statement No. 9, and the classifications of deposits and investments presented above per GASB Statement No. 3 is as follows:

	Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	Investments
Per GASB Statement No. 9	\$11,796,641	
Reclassifications:		
Money Market	(1,079,624)	\$ 1,079,624
STAR Ohio	(2,918,442)	2,918,442
Federal Agency Securities	(7,975,430)	7,975,430
Cash on hand	(78)	
Cash with escrow agent	248,725	
Per GASB Statement No. 3	\$ 71,792	\$11,973,496

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

A. Interfund balances at June 30, 2001, consist of the following individual interfund loans receivable and payable:

Fund	Interfund Loan Receivable	Interfund Loan (Payable)
General Fund	\$28,754	
Expendable Trust Fund		\$ (3)
Enterprise Funds Food Service		<u>(28,751</u>)
Total, All Funds	<u>\$28,754</u>	<u>\$(28,754)</u>

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS - (Continued)

B. The following is a reconciliation of the District's operating transfers for 2001:

Fund	<u>Transfers In</u>	Transfers (Out)
General Fund		\$(48,970)
Debt Service Fund	\$41,090	
Enterprise Funds Uniform School Supplies	<u>7,880</u>	
Total Transfers In/Transfers Out	<u>\$48,970</u>	<u>\$(48,970</u>)

NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis. Distributions from the second half of the calendar year occur in a new fiscal year and are intended to finance the operations of that year. Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible (used in business) property located in the District.

Real property taxes and public utility taxes are levied after April 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, the lien date. Assessed values are established by State law at 35% of appraised market value.

Public utility property taxes are assessed on tangible personal property, as well as land and improvements. Real property is assessed at 35% of market value and personal property is assessed at 100% of market value, except for the personal property of rural electric companies, which is assessed 50% of market value, and railroads, which are assessed at 29% of market value.

Tangible personal property taxes attach as a lien and are levied on January 1 of the current year. Tangible personal property assessments are 25% of true value. The first \$10,000 of assessed value is exempt from taxation. The District receives a state subsidy in lieu of tax revenue which would otherwise have been collected.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2001 taxes were collected are as follows:

	2000 Second	l-Half	2001 First-Half	
	Collectio	ns	Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential				
and Other Real Estate	\$208,773,260	60.85	\$218,478,060	62.63
Public Utility Personal	87,819,600	25.59	83,224,650	23.86
Tangible Personal Property	46,515,946	13.56	47,119,936	13.51
	<u>\$343,108,806</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$348,822,646</u>	100.00
Tax rate per \$1,000 of				
assessed valuation:				
Operations	\$32	2.79	\$32.	79
Debt Service	6.25		6.25	

Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due January 20; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due January 20 with the remainder payable by June 20.

Tangible personal property taxes paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20.

The Butler County Treasurer collects property tax on behalf of the District. The County Auditor periodically remits to the District its portion of the taxes collected. These tax "advances" are based on statutory cash flow collection rates. Final "settlements" are made each February and August.

Accrued property taxes receivable represent delinquent taxes outstanding and real property, personal property, and public utility taxes, which became measurable as of June 30, 2001. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, they are not (exclusive of advances) intended to finance current year operations. The net receivable (total receivable less amount available intended to finance the current year) is therefore offset by a credit to deferred revenue.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)

Taxes available for advance and recognized as revenue, but not received by the District prior to June 30, 2001, are reflected as a reservation of fund balance for future appropriations. The District is prohibited, by law, from appropriating this revenue in accordance with ORC Section 5705.35, since an advance of revenue was not requested or received prior to the fiscal year-end. Available tax advances at June 30, 2001 totaled \$2,278,951 in the General fund, and \$572,905 in the Debt Service fund.

NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2001, consisted of taxes, accounts (rent and student fees), accrued interest and intergovernmental grants and entitlements (to the extent such grants and entitlements relate to the current fiscal year). All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of state programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the principal items of receivables follows:

	Amounts
General Fund Taxes - current & delinquent	\$8,125,473
Special Revenue Funds Accounts receivable	30,301
Debt Service Fund Taxes - current and delinquent	1,893,892
Capital Projects Funds Accrued interest	67,991
Enterprise Funds Due from other governments	28,751

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 8 - FIXED ASSETS

A summary of the changes in the General Fixed Asset Account Group during the fiscal year follows:

	Balance July 1, 2000	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2001
	•			
Land/Improvements	\$ 413,034			\$ 413,034
Buildings	13,045,760	\$ 4,208,115		17,253,875
Furniture/Equipment	2,499,743	253,838		2,753,581
Vehicles	916,451	110,127		1,026,578
Construction in				
Progress	3,821,519	7,636,103	<u>\$(4,364,381)</u>	7,093,241
Total	\$20,696,507	<u>\$12,208,183</u>	<u>\$(4,364,381</u>)	<u>\$28,540,309</u>

A summary of the Proprietary Funds' fixed assets at June 30, 2001, follows:

	<u>Proprietary</u>
Furniture and Equipment	\$ 235,414
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(164,038</u>)
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 71,376</u>

NOTE 9 - CAPITALIZED LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

In prior years, the District has entered into capitalized leases for the acquisition of copiers and computer equipment. The terms of each agreement provide options to purchase the equipment. Each lease meets the criteria of a capital lease as defined by FASB Statement No. 13, Accounting for Leases, which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee at the conclusion of the lease term. Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds. These expenditures are reflected as program/function expenditures on a budgetary basis. General fixed assets acquired by lease have been capitalized in the General Fixed Asset Account Group in the amount of \$311,949, which is equal to the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception. A corresponding liability was recorded in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group. Principal payments in the 2001 fiscal year totaled \$71,431, of which \$69,741 liquidated the remaining lease obligation for the copiers. This amount is reflected as debt service principal retirement in the General fund.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 9 - CAPITALIZED LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE - (Continued)

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2001.

Year Ending June 30	General Long-Term Obligations Computers	Total
2002	\$5,996	<u>\$5,996</u>
Total Future Minimum Lea	se Payments	5,996
Less: Amount Representing	Interest	<u>(25</u>)
Present Value of Future Mi Lease Payments	nimum	<u>\$5,971</u>

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT

A. General obligation bonds and Energy Conservation notes are general obligations of the District for which the full faith and credit of the District are pledged for repayment. Accordingly, such unmatured obligations of the District are accounted for in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group. Payments of principal and interest relating to these liabilities are recorded as expenditures in the Debt Service Fund. The source of payment is derived from a current 6.25 mill bonded debt levy for the General Obligation bonds and from current operating revenue for the Energy Conservation notes.

B. Series 1999 Refunding General Obligation Bonds

On May 27, 1999, the District issued general obligation bonds (Series 1999 Refunding Bonds) to advance refund the callable portion of the Series 1991 School Improvement General Obligation Bonds. This refunded debt is considered defeased (in-substance) and accordingly, has been removed from the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group. The outstanding balance of the refunded debt at June 30, 2001, was \$7,603,833.

Included in this issue were Series 1999 School Improvement General Obligation Bonds, authorized by voters of the District in the November, 1998 general election. Bond proceeds will be used for major renovations and additions to three of the District's facilities.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT - (Continued)

The par value of this combined issue was \$27,568,576. The refunding bonds have a stated maturity date of December 1, 2015, while the school improvement bonds have a stated maturity date of December 1, 2025. Interest on the bonds ranges from 3.30% to 5.25%, with an average interest rate, over the life of the entire issue, of 4.98%.

C. The following is a description of the District's long-term general obligation bonds and notes outstanding as of June 30, 2001:

<u>Purpose</u>	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date		alance //01/00	Retired in Fiscal 2001		lance /30/01
Energy Conservation Notes	4.84%	8/28/97	03/01/02	\$	107,639	\$ (35,880)	\$	71,759
Improvement and Refunding Bonds	4.98%	5/27/99	12/01/25	_26	<u>5,593,576</u>	(765,000)	25.	<u>,828,576</u>
				<u>\$26</u>	5,701,215	<u>\$(800,880</u>)	<u>\$25.</u>	900,335

D. The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the energy conservation notes:

Year Ending June 30	Principal on Energy Conservation Notes	Interest on Energy Conservation Notes	Total
2002 2003	\$35,879 _35,880	\$3,473 1,737	\$39,352 37,617
Total	<u>\$71,759</u>	<u>\$5,210</u>	<u>\$76,969</u>

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT - (Continued)

E. The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for refunding and general obligation bonds:

Year Ending June 30	Principal on Refunding Bonds	Interest on Refunding Bonds	U	Interest on General Obligation Bonds	Total
2002	\$ 515,000	\$ 303,370	\$ 385,000	\$ 825,533	\$ 2,028,903
2003	560,000	283,800	430,000	810,903	2,084,703
2004	555,000	261,960	525,000	794,133	2,136,093
2005	580,000	239,760	575,000	773,133	2,167,893
2006	605,000	215,980	595,000	749,558	2,165,538
2007 - 2011	3,430,000	664,350	3,380,000	3,336,990	10,811,340
2012 - 2016	1,358,833	1,497,827	2,049,743	5,888,622	10,795,025
2017 - 2021			4,580,000	2,228,664	6,808,664
2022 - 2026			5,705,000	903,263	6,608,263
Total	<u>\$7,603,833</u>	<u>\$3,467,047</u>	<u>\$18,224,743</u>	<u>\$16,310,799</u>	<u>\$45,606,422</u>

F. During the year ended June 30, 2001, the following changes occurred in liabilities reported in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Groups. Compensated absences and the pension obligation will ultimately be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid.

	Balance			Balance
	July 1, 2000	Increase	<u>Decrease</u>	June 30, 2001
	-			
Compensated Absences	\$ 977,590	\$132,079	\$ (53,611)	\$ 1,056,058
Energy Conservation Notes	107,639		(35,880)	71,759
Pension Obligation Payable	131,133	142,579	(131,133)	142,579
General Obligation Bonds	18,494,743		(270,000)	18,224,743
Refunding Bonds	8,098,833		(495,000)	7,603,833
Capital Leases	77,402		(71,431)	5,971
TOTAL	\$27,887,340	\$274,658	<u>\$(1,057,055)</u>	\$27,104,943

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT - (Continued)

G. Legal Debt Margin

The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the District shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the District. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The code further provides that un-voted indebtedness for energy conservation measures shall not exceed 9/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District.

The effects of these debt limitations at June 30, 2001 are a voted debt margin of \$7,737,737 (including available funds of \$2,172,275) and an unvoted debt margin of \$348,823, and an unvoted energy conservation debt margin of \$3,067,645.

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2001, the District purchased commercial coverage for property and general liability insurance, including boilers and machinery valued at \$40,118,100 with a \$1,000,000 single occurrence limit and a \$1,000 deductible.

Professional liability is protected by the Nationwide Insurance Company with a \$5,000,000 annual aggregate/\$2,000,000 single occurrence limit and a \$1,000 per claim deductible. Vehicles are covered by Nationwide Insurance Company and hold a \$100 deductible for comprehensive and a \$500 deductible for collision.

Fleet and property/casualty insurance are purchased through commercial carriers and traditionally funded, as are all benefit plans offered to employees.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in amounts of insurance coverage from fiscal 2000.

Post employment health care is provided to plan participants or their beneficiaries through the respective retirement systems discussed in Note 14. As such, no funding provisions are required by the District.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)

OSBA WORKER'S COMPENSATION GROUP RATING

For fiscal year 2001, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Gates McDonald & Co. provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 12 - SEGMENT INFORMATION - ENTERPRISE FUNDS

The District maintains two Enterprise funds to account for the operations of food service and uniform school supplies. The table below reflects, in a summarized format, the more significant financial data relating to the Enterprise Funds of the District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001.

,	Food Service	Uniform Supplies	Total
Operating Revenue	\$ 779,959	\$134,367	\$ 914,326
Depreciation	11,694		11,694
Operating Income (Loss)	(335,099)	4,321	(330,778)
Non-operating Revenue: Operating grants Donated federal commodities	217,996 155,354		217,996 155,354
Operating Transfers In		7,880	7,880
Net Income	38,251	12,201	50,452
Fixed Assets: Additions	7,782		7,782
Net Working Capital	(82,236)	16,547	(65,689)
Total Assets	137,121	16,547	153,668
Long-term liabilities payable from fund revenues	36,516		36,516
Total Fund Equity (Deficit)	(47,376)	16,547	(30,829)
Encumbrances Outstanding as of 6/30/01		4,824	4,824

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 13- DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides basic retirement and disability benefits, cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is established by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 45 North Fourth Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3634.

Plan members are required to contribute 9% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate, which was 14% for 2001; 4.2% was the portion to fund pension obligations. The contribution rates of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the School Employees Retirement Board, up to maximum amounts allowed by State statute. The adequacy of the contribution rates is determined annually. The District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2001, 2000, and 1999 were \$372,805, \$404,452, and\$293,205, respectively; 45% has been contributed for fiscal year 2001 and 100% for the fiscal years 2000 and 1999. \$205,560, which represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2001, is recorded as a liability within the respective funds and the general long-term obligations account group.

B. STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The District contributes to the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS), a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system administered by the State Teachers Retirement Board. STRS provides basic retirement benefits, disability, survivor, and health care benefits based on eligible service credit to members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. STRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for STRS. The report may be obtained by writing to the State Teachers Retirement System, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 13 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Plan members are required to contribute 9.3% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14%; 9.5% was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10% for members and 14% for employers. The District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2001, 2000, and 1999 were \$1,395,619, \$1,181,301, and \$1,083,848, respectively; 82% has been contributed for fiscal year 2001 and 100% for the fiscal years 2000 and 1999. \$256,912, which represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2001, is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

C. SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by SERS or STRS have an option to choose Social Security or SERS/STRS. As of June 30, 2001, members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The Board's liability is 6.2% of wages paid.

NOTE 14 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The District provides comprehensive health care benefits to retired teachers and their dependents through STRS, and to retired non-certified employees and their dependents through SERS. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs, and reimbursement of monthly Medicare premiums. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by STRS and SERS based on authority granted by State statute. Both STRS and SERS are funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The State Teachers Retirement Board has statutory authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Most benefit recipients are required to pay a portion of health care cost in the form of a monthly premium. By Ohio law, the cost of coverage paid from STRS funds shall be included in the employer contribution rate, currently 14% of covered payroll. For this fiscal year, the Board allocated employer contributions equal to 4.5% of covered payroll to the Health Care Reserve Fund. For the District, this amount equaled \$448,592 during the 2001 fiscal year.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 14 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

STRS pays health care benefits from the Health Care Reserve Fund. The balance in the Health Care Reserve Fund was \$3.419 billion at June 30, 2000 (the latest information available). For the year ended June 30, 2000, net health care costs paid by STRS were \$283.137 million and there were 99,011 eligible benefit recipients.

For SERS, coverage is made available to service retirees with 10 or more fiscal years of qualifying service credit, disability, and survivor benefit recipients. Members retiring on or after August 1, 1989, with less than 25 years of service credit must pay a portion of their premium for health care. The portion is based on years of service up to a maximum of 75% of the premium.

For this fiscal year, employer contributions to fund health care benefits were 9.8% of covered payroll. In addition, SERS levies a surcharge to fund health care benefits equal to 14% of the difference between a minimum pay and the member's pay, pro-rated for partial service credit. For fiscal year 2001, the minimum pay has been established at \$12,400. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate, provides for maintenance of the asset target level for the health care fund.

The target level for the health care reserve is 150% of annual health care expenses. Expenses for health care at June 30, 2000 (the latest information available), were \$140.7 million and the target level was \$211.0 million. At June 30, 2000, SERS had net assets available for payment of health care benefits of \$252.3 million and there were approximately 50,000 participants receiving health care benefits. For the District, the amount to fund health care benefits, including surcharge, equaled \$277,622 during the 2001 fiscal year.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 15 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While reporting financial position, results of operations, and changes in fund balance on the basis of GAAP, the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements.

The Combined Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - All Governmental Fund Types is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- (a) Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis);
- (b) Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis);
- (c) In order to determine compliance with Ohio law, and to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, total outstanding encumbrances (budget basis) are recorded as the equivalent of an expenditure, as opposed to a reservation of fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable in Governmental funds (GAAP basis).

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 15 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - (Continued)

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis for the Governmental funds are as follows:

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

Governmental Fund Types

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Debt Service Funds	Capital Projects Funds
Budget Basis	\$(1,819,127)	\$(46,049)	\$224,321	\$(15,604,259)
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals	1,878,669	28,161	433,543	34,198
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals	(79,528)	17,953	(29,536)	976,182
Net Adjustment for Other Sources/Uses	(99,141)	1,884	29,536	(9,464)
Adjustment for Encumbrances	85,134	31,164		8,728,996
GAAP Basis	<u>\$ (33,993)</u>	<u>\$ 33,113</u>	<u>\$657,864</u>	<u>\$ (5,874,347)</u>

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 16 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A. Grants

The District receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal, state and local agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement 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; however, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on any of the financial statements of the individual fund types included herein or on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2001.

B. Litigation

The District is involved in a sex and age discrimination lawsuit with the former Treasurer. The District is of the opinion that ultimate disposition of claims will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the District.

C. School Funding Decision

On September 6, 2001, the Ohio Supreme Court issued its latest opinion regarding the State's school funding plan. The decision identified aspects of the current plan that require modification if the plan is to be considered constitutional, including:

- A change in the school districts that are used as the basis for determining the base cost support amount. Any change in the amount of funds distributed to school districts as a result of this change must be retroactive to July 1, 2001, although a time line for distribution is not specified.
- Fully funding parity aid no later than the beginning of fiscal year 2004 rather than fiscal year 2006.

The Supreme Court relinquished jurisdiction over the case based on anticipated compliance with its order.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 16 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES - (Continued)

In general, it is expected that the decision would result in an increase in State funding for most Ohio school districts. However, as of November 28, 2001, the Ohio General Assembly is still analyzing the impact this Supreme Court decision will have on funding for individual school districts. Further, the State of Ohio, in a motion filed September 17, 2001, asked the Court to reconsider and clarify the parts of the decision changing the school districts that are used as the basis for determining the base cost support amount and the requirement that changes be made retroactive to July 1, 2001.

On November 2, 2001, the Court granted this motion for reconsideration. The Court may re-examine and re-determine any issue upon such reconsideration.

As of the date of these financial statements, the District is unable to determine the effect, if any, this decision and the reconsideration will have on its future State funding and on its financial operations.

NOTE 17 - OUTSTANDING CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

At June 30, 2001, the District had the following outstanding contractual commitments:

Cannon Company	\$	7,107
Gebhart Contractors		38,573
Geiler Company		255,464
J & H Mechanical Contractors		421,185
Nelson Stark Company		298,408
Robert A. Saurber Company		281,152
Tri-State Computer Exchange		3,890
Voorhis, Slone & Welsh		130,464
Weisberger Electric		289,804
Century Construction, Inc.	1,	650,464
Firematic Sprinkler Co.		57,576
Keen & Cross, Inc.		23,595
McGraw/Kokosing Co.		217,853
Prism Electric Contractors, Inc.		854,827
Three Rivers Development		6,029
Universal Contracting Corp.	4,	187,155

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 18 - SIGNIFICANT SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District agreed to a new, three-year collective bargaining agreement with its employees effective July 1, 2001. Additional wage and benefit costs are estimated at \$347,000 annually over the agreement's term, which reflects a 4% increase per year.

On September 6, 2001, the Supreme Court issued its latest opinion regarding the State's school funding plan and granted a motion for reconsideration on November 2, 2001, see Note 16.C for detail.

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EDGEWOOD CITY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUTLER COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

Federal Grantor/ Pass Through Grantor	Pass Through Entity	Federal CFDA		Non-Cash		Non-Cash
Program Title	Number	Number	Receipts	Receipts	Disbursements	Disbursements
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICUL	TURE					
Passed Through Ohio Department						
Nutrition Cluster:	Ness	40.550		CO4 707		\$70.055
Food Distribution Program	None	10.550		\$24,787		\$73,955
School Breakfast Program	05-PU 00/01	10.553	31,293		31,293	
National School Lunch Program	LL-P1/P4 00/0	1 10.555	150,326		150,326	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture - Nutrition Cluster			181,618	24,787	181,618	73,955
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	<u>on</u>					
Passed Through Ohio Department	of Education:					
Title I, Part A, CSEA	C1-S1-00	84.010	30,135	0	73,125	0
Total Title I, Part A, CSEA	C1-S1-01		159,080 189,215	0	<u>129,508</u> 202,633	0
Total Title I, Fall A, COLA			109,213	U	202,033	O
Drug Free Schools Grant	DR-S1-00	84.186	0	0	2,777	0
Drug Free Schools Grant	DR-S1-01		12,486	0	8,227	0
Total Drug Free Schools Grant			12,486	0	11,003	0
Innovative Education Program St	raC2-S1-00	84.298	0	0	2,289	0
Innovative Education Program St			14,901	0	11,766	0
Total Innovative Education Program	n Strategies		14,901	0	14,055	0
Special Education Cluster:						
Handicapped Pre-School Grant	PG-S1-01	84.173	2,096	0	2,096	0
Special Education Grant to State	s N/A	84.027	0	0	17,824	0
	6B-SF-01		212,420	0	212,420	0
			212,420	0	230,244	0
Total Special Education Cluster			214,516	0	232,340	0
Eisenhower Professional Develop	or M S-S1-99	84.281	0	0	9,486	0
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	MS-S1-01		8,200	0	0	0
Total Eisenhower Professional Development State Grant			17,596	0	14,979	0
Title VI-R Class Size Reduction	CR-S1-01	84.340	36,758	0	36,758	0
Medical Assistance (CAFS)	N/A	93.778	17,181	0	17,181	0
Learn and Serve America	SV-S2-00	94.004	0	0	51	0
Esam and Serve / anonsa	SV-S2-01	0 1.00 1	15,000	0	13,987	0
Passed Through the Miami Univer	sity of Ohio:		15,000	0	14,038	0
School to Work Grant	6074-48 FY00	17.249	2,739		2,739	
					E4E 700	
Total Department of Education			520,392	0	545,726	0
TOTALS			\$702,010	\$24,787	\$727,345	\$73,955

Notes to the Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures -

NOTE A - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures (the schedule) summarizes activity of the Government's federal award programs. The schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

NOTE B - FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Nonmonetary assistance, such as food received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is reported in the Schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received and consumed. Cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture are commingled with State grants. It is assumed federal monies are expended first. At June 30, 2001, the District has no significant food commodities in inventory.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Edgewood City School District Butler County 3500 Busenbark Rd Trenton, Ohio 45067

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of Edgewood City School District, Butler County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated January 22, 2002. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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.

Compliance

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

However, we noted an immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated January 22, 2002.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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However, we noted one matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report that we have reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated January 22, 2002.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

January 22, 2002



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Edgewood City School District Butler County 3500 Busenbark Rd Trenton, Ohio 45067

To The Board of Education:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Edgewood City School District, Butler County, Ohio (the District), with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2001. The District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal programs is the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the District's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2001.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

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Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim PetroAuditor of State

January 22, 2002

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .505 JUNE 30, 2001

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(l)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified			
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No			
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other reportable control weakness conditions reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No			
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported non- compliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No			
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No			
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any other reportable internal control weakness conditions reported for major federal programs?	No			
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified			
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under § .510?	No			
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Nutrition Cluster - CFDA# 10.550, 10.553, and 10.555			
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: \$300,000 - N/A Type B: all programs			
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes			

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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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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED FEBRUARY 12, 2002