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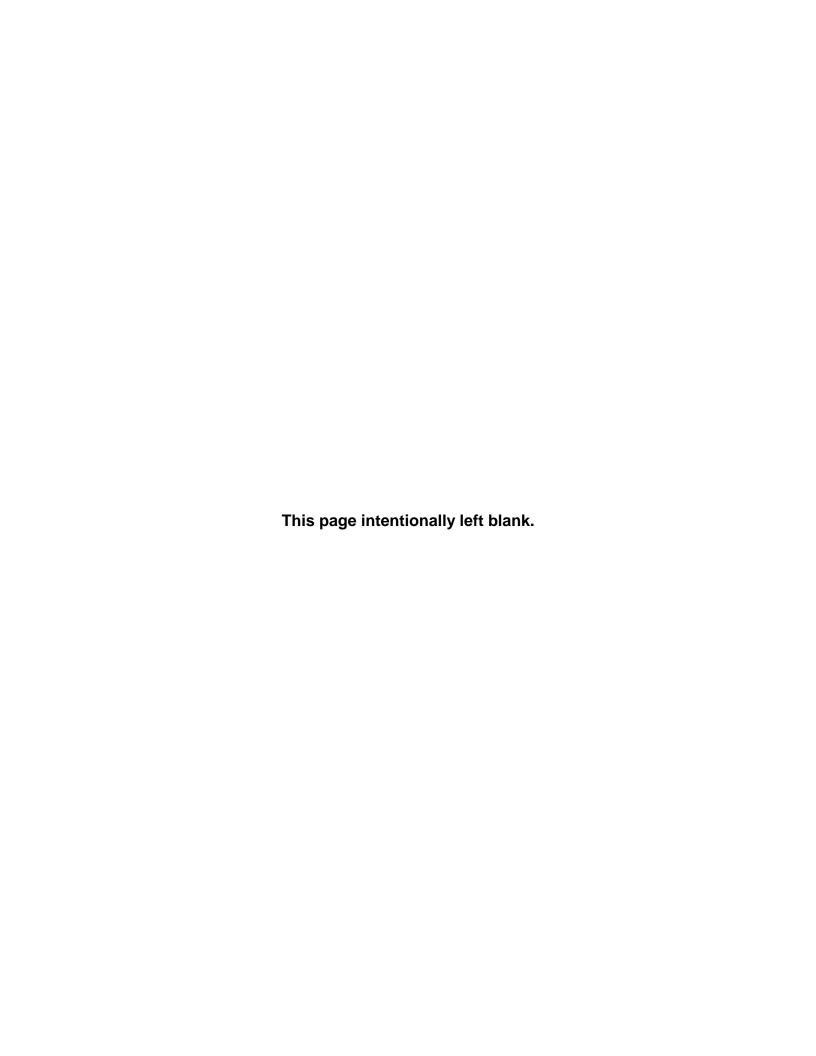
REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Western Reserve Local School District Mahoning County 13850 Akron-Canfield Road Berlin Center, Ohio 44401

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Western Reserve Local School District, Mahoning County, (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 Western Reserve Local School District, Mahoning County, as of June 30, 2001, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

During the year ended June 30, 2001, the District adopted Governmental Accounting Statement No. 33.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 28, 2001 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.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

December 28, 2001

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Combined Balance Sheet All Fund Types and Account Groups June 30, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects
Assets and Other Debits				
Assets				
Equity in Pooled Cash and				
Cash Equivalents	\$512,878	\$109,629	\$169,952	\$185,346
Receivables:				
Taxes	1,980,098	0	55,000	189,027
Intergovernmental	0	0	0	0
Accrued Interest	1,194	0	0	0
Inventory Held for Resale	0	0	0	0
Materials and Supplies				
Inventory	59,585	0	0	0
Restricted Assets:				
Equity in Pooled Cash and				
Cash Equivalents	140,826	0	0	0
Fixed Assets (Net, where applicable,				
of Accumulated Depreciation)	0	0	0	0
Other Debits				
Amount Available in Debt Service				
Fund for Retirement of General				
Obligations	0	0	0	0
Amount to be Provided from				
General Government Resources	0	0	0	0

\$2,694,581

\$109,629

\$224,952

\$374,373

Total Assets and Other Debits

Propri Fund	•	Fiduciary Fund Type	Account	Groups	
Enterprise	Internal Service	Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Obligations	Totals (Memorandum Only)
\$1,554	\$13,441	\$18,103	\$0	\$0	\$1,010,903
0	0	0	0	0	2,224,125
10,212	0	0	0	0	10,212
0	0				1,194
1,903	0	0	0	0	1,903
809	0	0	0	0	60,394
0	0	0	0	0	140,826
26,374	0	0	6,159,282	0	6,185,656
0	0	0	0	169,952	169,952
0	0	0	0	511,595	511,595
\$40,852	\$13,441	\$18,103	\$6,159,282	\$681,547	\$10,316,760
					(continued)

Combined Balance Sheet All Fund Types and Account Groups (continued) June 30, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects
Liabilities,				
Fund Equity and Other Credits				
Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$10,731	\$382	\$0	\$0
Accrued Wages and Benefits	388,384	6,547	0	0
Compensated Absences Payable	13,031	0	0	0
Intergovernmental Payable	94,956	444	0	0
Deferred Revenue	1,980,098	0	55,000	189,027
Undistributed Monies	0	0	0	0
Due to Students	0	0	0	0
Claims Payable	0	0	0	0
Capital Leases Payable	0	0	0	0
Energy Conservation Loan Payable	0	0	0	137,467
General Obligation Bonds Payable	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	2,487,200	7,373	55,000	326,494
Fund Equity and Other Credits				
Investment in General Fixed Assets Retained Earnings:	0	0	0	0
Unreserved	0	0	0	0
Fund Balance:				
Reserved for Encumbrances	106,137	6,749	0	42,298
Reserved for Inventory	59,585	0	0	0
Reserved for Textbooks	21,427	0	0	0
Reserved for Bus Purchases	53,826	0	0	0
Reserved for Budget Stabilization	65,573	0	0	0
Unreserved, Undesignated (Deficit)	(99,167)	95,507	169,952	5,581
Total Fund Equity				
and Other Credits	207,381	102,256	169,952	47,879
Total Liabilities, Fund Equity				
and Other Credits	\$2,694,581	\$109,629	\$224,952	\$374,373

_	Proprietary Fund Types		Account Groups		Fiduciary Fund Type Account Groups	
Enterprise	Internal Service	Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Obligations	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
\$420	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,533	
13,314	0	0	0	0	408,245	
7,568	0	0	0	439,358	459,957	
6,541	0	0	0	43,826	145,767	
2,535	0	0	0	0	2,226,660	
0	0	1,475	0	0	1,475	
0	0	16,628	0	0	16,628	
0	70	0	0	0	70	
0	0	0	0	48,363	48,363	
0	0	0	0	0	137,467	
0	0	0	0	150,000	150,000	
30,378	70	18,103	0	681,547	3,606,165	
0	0	0	6,159,282	0	6,159,282	
10,474	13,371	0	0	0	23,845	
0	0	0	0	0	155,184	
0	0	0	0	0	59,585	
0	0	0	0	0	21,427	
0	0	0	0	0	53,826	
0	0	0	0	0	65,573	
0	0	0	0	0	171,873	
10,474	13,371	0	6,159,282	0	6,710,595	
\$40,852	\$13,441	\$18,103	\$6,159,282	\$681,547	\$10,316,760	

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances All Governmental Fund Types For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Governmental I		
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service
Revenues			
Taxes	\$1,916,962	\$0	\$8,469
Intergovernmental	2,664,372	135,426	940
Interest	42,173	0	0
Tuition and Fees	25,192	0	0
Extracurricular Activities	1,947	94,194	0
Contributions and Donations	26,264	1,765	0
Rentals	1,426	0	0
Miscellaneous	16,848	8,700	0
Total Revenues	4,695,184	240,085	9,409
Expenditures			
Current:			
Instruction:	2 102 071	15 420	0
Regular	2,182,071	15,430	0
Special Vocational	238,667	86,716	0
Adult/Continuing	82,459 0	12 202	0
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Support Services: Pupils	208,377	14,698	0
Instructional Staff	264,127	4,676	0
Board of Education	15,744	4,070	0
Administration	524,734	57,667	0
Fiscal	213,308	0	0
Business	10,492	0	0
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	426,073	0	0
Pupil Transportation	294,097	1,455	0
Central	15,997	0	0
Extracurricular Activities	146,021	78,168	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	15,807	0	75,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	4,245	0	15,135
Total Expenditures	4,642,219	272,112	90,135
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	52,965	(32,027)	(80,726)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets	50	0	0
Operating Transfers In	0	11,829	0
Operating Transfers Out	(30,172)	0	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(30,122)	11,829	0
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources			
Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	22,843	(20,198)	(80,726)
Fund Balances (Deficit) Beginning of Year (Restated Note 3)	183,965	122,454	250,678
Increase in Reserve for Inventory	573	0	0
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$207,381	\$102,256	\$169,952

Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
\$235,123	\$2,160,554
107,922	2,908,660
0	42,173
0	25,192
0	96,141
0	28,029
0	1,426
0	25,548
343,045	5,287,723
0	2,197,501
0	325,383
0	82,459
0	13,302
0	223,075
0	268,803
0	15,744
0	582,401
0	213,308
0	10,492
0	426,073
0	295,552
0	15,997
0	224,189
211,875	211,875
0	90,807
11,303	30,683
223,178	5,227,644
119,867	60,079
0	50
16,640	28,469
0	(30,172)
16,640	(1,653)
136,507	58,426
(88,628)	468,469
0	573
\$47,879	\$527,468

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual All Governmental Fund Types For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

		General Fund	
			Variance
	Revised		Favorable
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Taxes	\$1,916,962	\$1,916,962	\$0
Intergovernmental	2,693,551	2,693,551	0
Interest	42,715	42,715	0
Tuition and Fees Extracurricular Activities	25,192	25,192	0
Contributions and Donations	1,947 26,264	1,947 26,264	0
Rentals	1,426	1,426	0
Miscellaneous	16,848	16,848	0
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Total Revenues	4,724,905	4,724,905	0
Expenditures			
Current:			
Instruction:	2 105 002	2 105 002	ō
Regular	2,185,893	2,185,893	0
Special	234,800	234,800	0
Vocational Adult/Continuing	82,284 0	82,284 0	0
Support Services:	U	U	U
Pupils	221,211	221,211	0
Instructional Staff	266,435	266,435	0
Board of Education	15,828	15,828	0
Administration	513,945	513,945	0
Fiscal	213,318	213,318	0
Business	30,494	30,494	0
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	432,191	432,191	0
Pupil Transportation	352,683	352,683	0
Central	31,734	31,734	0
Extracurricular Activities	153,994	153,994	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	0	0	0
Interest and Fiscal Charges	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	4,734,810	4,734,810	0
Excess of Revenues Over			
(Under) Expenditures	(9,905)	(9,905)	0
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets	50	50	0
Advances In	531	531	0
Advances Out	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	0	0	0
Operating Transfers Out	(30,172)	(30,172)	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(29,591)	(29,591)	0
Excess of Revenues and Other			
Financing Sources Over (Under)			
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(39,496)	(39,496)	0
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	537,974	537,974	0
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Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	38,358	38,358	0
Fund Balances End of Year	\$536,836	\$536,836	\$0

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	\$0 145,993 0 0 94,194 1,765 0 8,700
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1,765 0 0 0 0 8,700 0	1,765 0
8,700 0 0	0
8,700 0	
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250,652 0	
	250,652
15,423 0	15,423
82,177	82,177
0 0	0
13,302 0	13,302
15,982 0	15,982
4,677 0	4,677
0 0	0
58,476 0	58,476
0 0	0
0 0	0
	0
	1,455
	0
	82,736
0 0	0
0 0	0
0 0	0
274,228 0	274,228
(23,576) 0	(23,576)
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0 0	ő
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Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual All Governmental Fund Types and Similar Trust Fund (continued) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Capital Projects Funds			
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues				
Taxes	\$180,123	\$180,123	\$0	
Intergovernmental	107,922	107,922	0	
Interest	0	0	0	
Tuition and Fees	0	0	0	
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	
Contributions and Donations	0	0	0	
Rentals	0	0	0	
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	
Total Revenues	288,045	288,045	0	
Expenditures				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	0	0	0	
Special	0	0	0	
Vocational	0	0	0	
Adult/Continuing	0	0	0	
Support Services:	0	0	0	
Pupils Instructional Staff	0	0	0	
Board of Education	0	0	0	
Administration	0	0	0	
Fiscal	0	0	0	
Business	0	0	0	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	0	0	0	
Pupil Transportation	ő	ő	0	
Central	0	0	0	
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	
Capital Outlay	263,523	263,523	0	
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	0	0	0	
Interest and Fiscal Charges	0	0	0	
Total Expenditures	263,523	263,523	0	
Excess of Revenues Over				
(Under) Expenditures	24,522	24,522	0	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	
Advances In	0	0	0	
Advances Out	0	0	0	
Operating Transfers In	16,640	16,640	0	
Operating Transfers Out	0	0	0	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	16,640	16,640	0	
Exacts of Payanuas and Other				
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under)				
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	41,162	41,162	0	
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	92,536	92,536	0	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	9,350	9,350	0	
Fund Balances End of Year	\$143,048	\$143,048	\$0	

Tota	ls (Memorandum O	nly)
		Variance
Revised		Favorable
Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
\$2,160,553	\$2,160,553	\$0
2,948,406	2,948,406	0
42,715	42,715	0
25,192	25,192	0
96,141	96,141	0
28,029	28,029	0
1,426	1,426	0
25,548	25,548	
5,328,010	5,328,010	0
2,201,316	2,201,316	0
316,977	316,977	0
82,284	82,284	0
13,302	13,302	0
237,193	237,193	0
271,112	271,112	0
15,828	15,828	0
572,421	572,421	0
213,318	213,318	0
30,494	30,494	0
432,191	432,191	0
354,138	354,138	0
31,734	31,734	0
236,730	236,730	0
263,523	263,523	0
118,697	118,697	0
26,437	26,437	0
5,417,695	5,417,695	0
(89,685)	(89,685)	0
50	50	0
531	531	0
(531)	(531)	0
28,469	28,469	0
(30,172)	(30,172)	0
(1,653)	(1,653)	0
(91,338)	(91,338)	0
992,751	992,751	0
50,919	50,919	0
\$952,332	\$952,332	\$0

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings All Proprietary Fund Types For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Enterprise	Internal Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	Enterprise	Bervice	
Operating Revenues			
Sales	\$141,902	\$0	\$141,902
Charges for Services	0	6,440	6,440
Total Operating Revenues	141,902	6,440	148,342
Operating Expenses			
Salaries	68,121	0	68,121
Fringe Benefits	44,676	0	44,676
Purchased Services	27,468	0	27,468
Materials and Supplies	3,282	0	3,282
Cost of Sales	80,205	0	80,205
Depreciation	3,189	0	3,189
Claims	0	4,406	4,406
Total Operating Expenses	226,941	4,406	231,347
Operating Income (Loss)	(85,039)	2,034	(83,005)
Non-Operating Revenues			
Federal Donated Commodities	15,826	0	15,826
Interest	93	0	93
Operating Grants	33,365	0	33,365
Total Non-Operating Revenues	49,284	0	49,284
Income (Loss) Before Operating Transfers	(35,755)	2,034	(33,721)
Operating Transfers In	1,703	0	1,703
Net Income (Loss)	(34,052)	2,034	(32,018)
Retained Earnings Beginning of Year - Restated (See Note 3)	44,526	11,337	55,863
Retained Earnings End of Year	\$10,474	\$13,371	\$23,845
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Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual All Proprietary Fund Types For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Enterprise Funds			
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues				
Sales	\$141,902	\$141,902	\$0	
Charges for Services	0	0	0	
Interest	93	93	0	
Operating Grants	35,676	35,676	0	
Total Revenues	177,671	177,671	0	
Expenses				
Salaries	72,087	72,087	0	
Fringe Benefits	44,676	44,676	0	
Purchased Services	27,973	27,973	0	
Materials and Supplies	67,331	67,331	0	
Claims	0	0	0	
Total Expenses	212,067	212,067	0	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	(34,396)	(34,396)	0	
Operating Transfers In	1,703	1,703	0	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses and Operating Transfers	(32,693)	(32,693)	0	
Fund Equity Beginning of Year	24,764	24,764	0	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	9,076	9,076	0	
Fund Equity End of Year	\$1,147	\$1,147	\$0 (continued)	

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual All Proprietary Fund Types (continued) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Internal Service Fund			
	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues				
Sales	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Charges for Services	6,440	6,440	0	
Interest	0	0	0	
Operating Grants	0	0	0	
Total Revenues	6,440	6,440	0	
Expenses				
Salaries	0	0	0	
Fringe Benefits	0	0	0	
Purchased Services	0	0	0	
Materials and Supplies	0	0	0	
Claims	4,886	4,886	0	
Total Expenses	4,886	4,886	0	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	1,554	1,554	0	
Operating Transfers In	0	0	0	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses and Operating Transfers	1,554	1,554	0	
Fund Equity Beginning of Year	11,837	11,837	0	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	50_	50	0	
Fund Equity End of Year	\$13,441	\$13,441	\$0	

Totals
(Memorandum Only)

(Memorandum Only)			
		Variance	
Revised		Favorable	
Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	
\$141,902	\$141,902	\$0	
6,440	6,440	0	
93	93	0	
35,676	35,676	0	
		·	
184,111	184,111	0	
72,087	72,087	0	
44,676	44,676	0	
27,973	27,973	0	
67,331	67,331	0	
4,886	4,886	0	
216,953	216,953	0	
(32,842)	(32,842)	0	
(32,042)	(32,042)	O	
1,703	1,703	0	
(31,139)	(31,139)	0	
36,601	36,601	0	
9,126	9,126	0	
\$14,588	\$14,588	\$0	

Combined Statement of Cash Flows All Proprietary Fund Types For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

		T 4 1	Totals
	Enterprise	Internal Service	(Memorandum Only)
	Enterprise	Scrvice	<u>Omy)</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Cash Received from Customers	\$141,902	\$0	\$141,902
Cash Received from Quasi-External Transactions with Other Funds	\$141,902 0	6,440	6,440
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(94,897)	0	(94,897)
Cash Payments to Employees for Services	(72,087)	0	(72,087)
Cash Payments for Employee Benefits	(44,676)	0	(44,676)
Cash Payments for Claims	0	(4,886)	(4,886)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities	(69,758)	1,554	(68,204)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities			
Operating Grants Received	35,676	0	35,676
Operating Transfers In	1,703	0	1,703
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	37,379	0	37,379
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Interest on Investments	93	0	93
Net Income (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(32,286)	1,554	(32,435)
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Year	33,840	11,887	45,727
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Year	\$1,554	\$13,441	\$13,292
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities:			
Operating Income (Loss)	(\$85,039)	\$2,034	(\$83,005)
Adjustments:			
Depreciation	3,189	0	3,189
Donated Commodities Used During Year	15,826	0	15,826
Decrease in Materials and Supplies Inventory	387	0	387
Increase/(Decrease) in Liabilities: Accounts Payable	(154)	0	(154)
Accrued Wages and Benefits	(2,523)	0	(2,523)
Compensated Absences Payable	(552)	0	(552)
Intergovernmental Payable	(891)	0	(891)
Claims Payable	0	(480)	(480)
Total Adjustments	15,282	(480)	14,802
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities	(\$69,757)	\$1,554	(\$68,203)

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

Western Reserve Local School District (the "School District") is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The School District operates under a locally elected five-member Board form of government. The School District provides educational services as mandated by State and/or federal agencies. The Board of Education controls the School District's three instructional/support facilities staffed by 33 classified employees, 52 certified employees and 4 administrators who provide services to 824 students and other community members.

The School District is located in Berlin Center, Ohio, Mahoning County. The enrollment for the School District during the 2001 fiscal year was 824. The School District operates one (K-4) elementary school, one middle school (5-8) and a high school (9-12).

Reporting Entity

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

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

The School District is associated with two jointly governed organizations and two public entity risk pools. These organizations are the Mahoning County Career and Technical Center, Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System (ACCESS), Mahoning County Schools Employee Insurance Consortium and the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program. These organizations are presented in Notes 9 and 19 to the general purpose financial statements.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The School District also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its proprietary activities provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of the School District's accounting policies are described below.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. Basis Of Presentation - Fund Accounting

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

A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. An account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

For financial statement presentation purposes, the various funds of the School District are grouped into the following generic fund types under the broad fund categories governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

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

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

Special Revenue Funds 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.

Debt Service Fund The debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term obligation principal, interest, and related costs.

Capital Projects Funds 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).

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Proprietary Fund Types Proprietary funds are used to account for the School District's ongoing activities which are similar to those found in the private sector. The following are the School District's proprietary fund types:

Enterprise Funds Enterprise funds are used to account for School Districts activities that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent 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 where it has been 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.

Internal Service Fund The internal service fund is used for the financing of services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the School District on a cost reimbursement basis.

Fiduciary Fund Types Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the School District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. The School Districts only fiduciary funds are agency funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

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 a general nature, the following account groups are used:

General Fixed Assets Account Group This account group is established to account for all fixed assets of the School District, other than those accounted for in the proprietary funds.

General Long-Term Obligations Account Group This account group is established to account for all long-term obligations of the School District except those accounted for in the proprietary funds.

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

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 operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Fund equity (i.e., net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed for the governmental and agency funds. The full accrual basis of accounting is followed for the proprietary funds.

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

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

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: property taxes available as an advance, interest, tuition, grants, student fees and rentals.

Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2001, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2002 operations, have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue. On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as deferred revenue.

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

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities used during the year is reported in the operating statement as an expense with a like amount reported as donated commodities revenue. Unused donated commodities are reported as deferred revenue.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Budgetary Data

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 appropriations resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The primary level of budgetary control is at the object level within each fund and function. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education.

Tax Budget 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 express purpose of this budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.

By no later than January 20, the Board-adopted budget is filed with the Mahoning County Budget Commission for rate determination.

Estimated Resources 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 School 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 the basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the certificate is amended to include any unencumbered cash balances from the preceding year. The certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the School District Treasurer. The amounts reported in the budgetary statement reflect the amounts in the final amended certificate issued during fiscal year 2000. Prior to year end, the School District requested and received an amended certificate of estimated resources that reflects actual revenue for the fiscal year.

Appropriations Upon receipt from the County Auditor of an amended certificate of estimated resources based on final assessed values and tax rates or a certificate saying no new certificate is necessary, the annual appropriation resolution is enacted by the Board of Education at the fund, function, and object level of expenditures, which are the legal levels of budgetary control. Prior to the passage of the annual appropriation measure, the Board may pass a temporary appropriation measure to meet the ordinary expenses of the School District. The appropriation resolution, 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 at any level of control. 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. The Board may pass supplemental fund appropriations so long as the total appropriations by fund do not exceed the amounts set forth in the most recent certificate of estimated resources. During the year, several supplemental appropriations were legally enacted; however, none of these amendments were significant. The budget figures which appear in the statements of budgetary comparisons represent the final appropriation amounts, including all supplemental appropriations.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds, other than agency funds, consistent with statutory provisions. Prior to year end, the School District passed an amended appropriation measure which matched appropriations to expenditures plus encumbrances in the majority of categories.

Encumbrances As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as the equivalent of expenditures on the non-GAAP budgetary basis in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation and to determine and maintain legal compliance. On the GAAP basis, encumbrances outstanding at fiscal year end are reported as a reservation of fund balance for subsequent-year expenditures for governmental funds and reported in the notes to the financial statements for proprietary funds.

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

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled. Monies for all funds, including proprietary funds, are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through School District records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the combined balance sheet.

During fiscal year 2001, investments were limited to non-negotiable certificates of deposits which are reported at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2001 amounted to \$42,173, which includes \$18,183 assigned from other School District funds.

For purposes of the combined statement of cash flows and for presentation on the combined balance sheet, investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an original maturity of more than three months that are not made from the pool are reported as investments.

E. Restricted Assets

Restricted assets in the general fund represent cash and cash equivalents whose use is limited by legal requirements. Restricted assets include unexpended revenues restricted for the purchase of buses, textbooks, and amounts required by statute to be set-aside by the School District for the creation of a reserve for budget stabilization. See Note 22 for additional information regarding set-asides.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

F. Inventory

Inventories of governmental funds are stated at cost while inventories of proprietary funds are stated at the lower of cost or market. For all funds, cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventory in governmental funds consists of expendable supplies held for consumption. The cost of inventory items is recorded as an expenditure in the governmental fund types when purchased. Reported material and supplies inventory is equally offset by a fund balance reserve in the governmental funds which indicates that it does

not constitute available expendable resources even though it is a component of net current assets. Inventories of proprietary funds consist of donated food, purchased food, recreational materials and school supplies held for resale and are expensed when used.

G. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

General fixed assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisition and construction costs are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the general fixed assets account group. Fixed assets utilized in the proprietary funds are capitalized in the fund. All fixed assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for

additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of five hundred dollars. The School District does not possess any infrastructure.

Improvements are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized. Interest incurred during the construction of general fixed assets is also not capitalized.

Assets in the general fixed assets account group are not depreciated. Depreciation of furniture and equipment in the enterprise funds is computed using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life that ranges from five to twenty years. Improvements to fund fixed assets are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets.

H. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the School District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The School District records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all employees with more that one year of service.

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

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

For governmental funds, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using available expendable resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The remainder is reported in the general long-term obligations account group. In proprietary funds, the entire amount of compensated absences is reported as a fund liability.

I. Accrued Liabilities and 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, claims and judgments, compensated absences, contractually required pension contributions and special termination benefits 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 sixty days after fiscal year end are generally considered not to have been made with current available financial resources. Capital leases and bonds 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.

Under Ohio law, a debt retirement fund may be created and used for the payment of tax and revenue anticipation notes. Generally accepted accounting principles requires the reporting of the liability in the funds that received the proceeds. To comply with GAAP reporting requirements, the School District's debt service fund has been split among the appropriate funds. Debt service fund resources used to pay both principal and interest have also been allocated accordingly.

J. Interfund Transactions

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues and expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

K. Fund Balance Reserves and Designations

The School District records reservations for portions of fund equity which are legally segregated for specific future use or which do not represent available spendable resources and, therefore, are not available for appropriations for expenditures. Designations represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund equity reserves are established for encumbrances, inventories of materials and supplies, textbook purchases, school bus purchases and budget stabilization.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The reserve for budget stabilization represents money required to be set-aside by statute to protect against cyclical changes in revenues and expenditures. Fund balance in the general fund includes a designation that represents the amount set-aside by the Board of Education for budget stabilization in excess of the statutory requirement.

L. Estimates

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

M. Totals Columns on General Purpose Financial Statements

Total columns on the general purpose financial statements are captioned "Total - (Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present

financial position, or results of operations 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.

3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY

Change in Accounting Principles For fiscal year 2001, the School District has implemented GASB Statement No. 33, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions" and GASB Statement No 36, "Recipient Reporting for Certain Shared Nonexchange Transactions."

Restatement of Fund Equity At June 30, 2000, fixed assets were understated in the enterprise funds.

The effect of these changes on Fund Balance/Retained Earnings are as follows:

	Special	
	Revenue	Enterpris
Fund Balance/Retained Earnings as Previously Reported	\$116,545	\$15,298
GASB 33 Adjustments	5,909	6,079
Understated Fixed Assets	0	23,149
Restated Fund Balance/Retained Earnings as of June 30,	\$122,454	\$44,526

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY (Continued)

The effect of this change in the net loss as previously reported for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000 is as follows:

	Enterprise
Net Loss as Previously Reported	(\$12,778)
Understatement of Fixed Assets	(6,414)
Restated Excess as of June 30, 2000	(\$19,192)

Due to a reappraisal of fixed assets, the general fixed assets account group was restated by \$2,069,510 from \$3,987,367 to \$6,056,877.

4. FUND DEFICITS

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

Special Revenue Funds:	
School Improvement	\$2,357
Title I	62
Capital Projects Fund:	
Emergency School Building	137,467

The School Improvement and Title I special revenue funds had deficit balances that resulted from accruals on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The general fund is liable for any fund deficits and provides operating transfers when cash is required, rather than when the accrual occurs.

The emergency school building capital projects fund deficit fund balance resulted from the energy conservation note payable. Once the notes are retired, the deficit will be eliminated.

5. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the School District into three categories.

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

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

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

5. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), 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 monies deposited with the institution. Interim monies to be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 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;
- Bonds, notes, debentures, or 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;
- 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 two percent and be marked to daily, and that the term of the
 agreement must not exceed thirty 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) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAROhio);
- 7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and,
- 8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held until maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

5. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments (Including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements."

Deposits At year end, the carrying amount of the School District's deposits was \$1,151,729 and the bank balance was \$1,324,345. Of the bank balance:

- 1. \$279,155 was covered by federal depository insurance; and
- 2. \$1,045,190 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although the securities serving as collateral were held by the pledging financial institution trust department or agent in the School District's name all State statutory requirements for the deposit of money have been followed, non compliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the School District to a successful claim by the Federal Insurance Corporation.

Investments The School District's investments are required to be categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the School District at fiscal year end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the School District or its agent in the School 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 School 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 School District's name. For purposes of classification under GASB Statement No. 3, the School District had no investments at year end.

6. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the School District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balance/retained earnings on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual, All Governmental Fund Types and Similar Trust Fund and the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Equity - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual - Proprietary Fund Type are presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are that:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
- 2. Expenditures/expenses are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
- Encumbrances are treated as expenditures/expenses for all funds (budget basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance for governmental fund types and as note disclosures in the proprietary fund type (GAAP basis).
- 4. For proprietary funds, the acquisition and construction of capital assets are reported on the operating statement (budget basis) rather than as balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
- 5. Proceeds from and principal payments on revenue anticipation notes are reported on the operating statement (budget basis) rather than as balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

6. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (Continued)

The following tables summarize the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP and budgetary basis statements by fund type:

Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses All Governmental Fund Types

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects
GAAP Basis Net Adjustment for	\$22,843	(\$20,198)	(\$80,726)	\$136,507
Revenue Accruals	30,252	10,567	0	0
Net Adjustment for				
Expenditure Accruals	24,277	4,486	0	(53,047)
Reclassification for Debt				
Taxes Revenue	0	0	55,000	(55,000)
Principal Retirement	0	0	(43,697)	43,697
Interest and Fiscal	0	0	(11,303)	11,303
Encumbrances	(116,868)	(7,133)	0	(42,298)
Budget Basis	(\$39,496)	(\$12,278)	(\$80,726)	\$41,162

Net Income(Loss)/Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses and Operating Transfers All Proprietary Fund Types

	Enterprise	Internal Service
GAAP Basis	(\$34,052)	\$2,034
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals	2,311	0
Net Adjustment for Expense Accruals	(3,734)	(480)
Depreciation Expense	3,189	0
Adjustment for Encumbrances	(407)	0
Budget Basis	(\$32,693)	\$1,554

7. PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible personal property located in the School District. Property tax revenue received during calendar 2001 for real and public utility property taxes represents collections of calendar 2000 taxes. Property tax payments received during calendar 2001 for tangible personal property (other than public utility property) is for calendar 2001 taxes.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

7. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

2001 real property taxes are levied after April 1, 2001, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2001, the lien date. Assessed values are established by State law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value.

Public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value: public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value. 2001 public utility property taxes became a lien December 31, 2000, are levied after April 1, 2001, and are collected in 2002 with real property taxes. 2001 tangible personal property taxes are levied after April 1, 2000, on the value as of December 31, 2000. Collections are made in 2001. Tangible personal property assessments are twenty-five percent of true value.

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

	2000 First Half Collections		2001 First Half Collections	
	Amount Percent		Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential				
And Other Real Estate	\$62,116,820	85.14%	\$63,969,570	85.21%
Public Utility Personal	7,867,050	10.78	7,921,080	10.55
Tangible Personal	2,978,460	4.08	3,181,070	4.24
	\$72,962,330	100.00	\$75,071,720	100.00%
Tax Rate per \$1,000 of assess	sed valuation	\$45.50		\$45.15

Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

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

The School District receives property taxes from Mahoning County. The county auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2001, are available to finance fiscal year 2002 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

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, only the amount available as an advance at June 30 is intended to finance current fiscal year operations. The receivable is therefore offset by a credit to deferred revenue for that portion not intended to finance current year operations. Nothing was available as an advance at June 30, 2001.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

8. RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2001, consisted of property taxes, accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees), intergovernmental grants, and interest. 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 fiscal year guarantee of federal funds.

The principal intergovernmental receivable was:

	Amount
Food Service Enterprise Fund:	
Federal Milk Program	\$108
Federal and State School Lunch Program	10,104
Total	\$10,212

9. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A. Mahoning County Career and Technical Center

The Mahoning County Career and Technical Center is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of the five members of the Mahoning County Educational Service Center Governing Board, representing the eleven local school districts, and one representative from each of the two city school districts. During fiscal year 2001, no monies were received from the School District. To obtain financial information write to the Treasurer at the Mahoning County Career and Technical Center, 7300 North Palmyra Road, Canfield, Ohio 44406.

B. Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System

The Area Cooperative Computerized Educational Service System (ACCESS) is a computer network which provides data services to twenty-three 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 administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the governments of these schools supports ACCESS based on a per pupil charge. Western Reserve Local School District contributed \$15,737 to ACCESS during fiscal year 2001. ACCESS is governed by an assembly consisting of the superintendents or other designees of the member school districts. The assembly exercises total control over the operation of ACCESS including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. All of ACCESS revenues are generated from charges for services and State funding. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer at the Mahoning County Educational Service Center, who serves as fiscal agent, at 100 DeBartolo Place, Suite 105, Youngstown, Ohio, 44512-7019.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

10. FIXED ASSETS

A summary of the enterprise funds' fixed assets at June 30, 2001, follows:

	Totals
Furniture and Equipment	\$111,638
Less accumulated depreciation	(85,264)
Net Fixed Assets	\$26,374

A summary of the changes in general fixed assets during fiscal year 2001 follows:

	Balance July 1, 2000	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2001
Land	\$29,784	\$0	\$0	\$29,784
Buildings and Improvements	4,292,986	0	0	4,292,986
Furniture and Equipment Vehicles	801,525	130,942	28,537	903,930
	297,582	0	0	297,582
Total	\$6,056,877	\$130,942	\$28,537	\$6,159,282

There was no significant construction in progress at June 30, 2001.

11. RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2001, the School District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 19). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage 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 THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

11. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

B. Property and Liability

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2001, the School District contracted with Nationwide Insurance for property, boiler and machinery, computer equipment, musical instruments, and automobile. Coverages provided by Nationwide Insurance are as follows:

Building and Contents-replacement cost	\$11,437,100
Boilers and Machinery	1,000,000
Computer Equipment	225,000
Musical Instruments	180,000
Money and Securities	2,000
Automobile Liability	1,000,000
Uninsured Motorists	1,000,000
Umbrella	
Per occurrence	1,000,000
Total per year	3,000,000
General Liability	
Per occurrence	\$2,000,000
Total per year	5,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reduction in coverage from last year.

C. Employee Medical Benefits

The School District has contracted with the Mahoning County Insurance Consortium to provide employee medical/surgical, prescription drug, and dental benefits. The Mahoning County Insurance Consortium is a shared risk pool comprised of thirteen Mahoning County school districts. Rates are set through an annual calculation process. The Western Reserve Local School District pays a monthly contribution which is placed in a common fund from which claim payments are made for all participating school districts. Claims are paid for all participants regardless of claims flow. The board of directors has the right to return monies to an exiting district subsequent to the settlement of all expenses and claims. The School District pays medical/surgical premiums of \$611.90 for family coverage and \$247.30 for single coverage per employee per month. The School District pays \$53.67 for family dental coverage or \$23.39 for single dental coverage and \$167.64 for family and \$73.55 for single prescription drug coverage per month.

The School District has elected to provide vision benefits through a self-insurance program. The School District maintains an insurance reserve internal service fund to account for and finance its uninsured risks of loss in this program. A third party administrator, Professional Risk Management, located in Youngstown, Ohio, reviews and pays all claims which are then reimbursed by the School District. The School District pays into the insurance reserve internal service fund \$10.00 for family vision coverage or \$5.00 for single vision coverage per employee per month. The premium is paid by the fund that pays the salary for the employee and is based on historical cost information.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

11. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The claims liability of \$70 reported in the internal service fund at June 30, 2001, is based on an estimate provided by the third party administrator and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10 which requires that a liability for unpaid claims costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by incremental claim adjustment expenses and does not include other allocated or unallocated claim adjustment expenses. Changes in the fund's claims liability amount during the last three fiscal years were:

	Balance at Beginning of Year	Current Year Claims	Claim Payments	Balance at End of Year
1999	\$403	\$5,317	\$5,144	\$576
2000	576	4,357	4,383	550
2001	550	4,406	4,886	70

12. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Life Insurance

The School District provides life insurance to all regular employees. Coverage is \$40,000 for administrators and certified employees, \$30,000 for classified employees and \$10,000 for spouses. Life insurance is provided through the Ohio National Financial Services.

B. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees earn twelve to twenty-five days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service and hours worked. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to classified employees upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time. Administrators earn 20 days of vacation annually. Teachers, administrators and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month with unlimited accumulation. Upon retirement, employees receive payment for forty percent of the total sick leave accumulation up to a maximum of 70 days for administration, and up to 55 days for teachers and classified employees.

13. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

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

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

13. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Plan members are required to contribute 9 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current School District rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the School District's contributions is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits; for fiscal year 2001, 4.2 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2000, 5.5 percent was used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amount, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2001, 2000, and 1999 were \$28,168, \$53,575 and \$65,282 respectively; 55.35 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2001 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2000 and 1999. \$15,648 representing 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 School District contributes to the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS), a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system. STRS provides basic retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death and survivor benefits to members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. STRS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for STRS. That report may be obtained by writing to the State Teachers Retirement System, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, plan members are required to contribute 9.3 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; 9.5 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2000, the portion used to fund pension obligations was 6 percent. Contribution rates are established by STRS, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2001, 2000, and 1999 were \$220,667, \$155,515, \$147,688 respectively; 82.01 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2001 and 100 percent for the fiscal years 2000 and 1999. \$49,524 representing the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2001, is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

14. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The School District provides comprehensive health care benefits to retired teachers and their dependents through the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), and to retired non-certified employees and their dependents through the School Employees Retirement System (SERS). Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare premiums. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the Systems based on authority granted by State statute. Both systems are funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. All STRS benefit recipients and sponsored dependents are eligible for health care coverage. The STRS Board has statutory authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Most benefit recipients pay a portion of the health care cost in the form of a monthly premium. By law, the cost of coverage paid from STRS funds is included in the employer contribution rate, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, the STRS Board allocated employer contributions equal to 4.5 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Reserve Fund. For the School District, this amount equaled \$104,526 for fiscal year 2001.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

14. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

STRS pays health care benefits from the Health Care Reserve Fund. At June 30, 2000, (the latest information available) the balance in the Fund was \$3.419 billion. For the year ended June 30, 2000, net health care costs paid by STRS were \$283,137,000 and STRS had 99,011 eligible benefit recipients.

For SERS, coverage is made available to service retirees with ten or more fiscal years of qualifying service credit, and to disability and survivor benefit recipients. Members retiring on or after August 1, 1989, with less than twenty-five 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 percent of the premium.

After the allocation for basic benefits, the remainder of the employer's 14 percent contribution is allocated to providing health care benefits. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, employer contributions to fund health care benefits were 9.80 percent of covered payroll, an increase of 1.3 percent from fiscal year 2000. In addition, SERS levies a surcharge to fund health care benefits equal to 14 percent 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. For the School District, the amount contributed to fund health care benefits, including the surcharge, during the 2001 fiscal year equaled \$78,199.

The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14 percent 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 percent of the annual health care expenses. Expenses for health care for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000 (the latest information available), were \$140,696,340 and the target level was \$211 million. At June 30, 2000, SERS had net assets available for payment of health care benefits of \$252.3 million. SERS has approximately 50,000 participants currently receiving health care benefits.

15. FUND OBLIGATION

As of June 30, 2001, the School District had outstanding fund obligations for an energy conservation note of \$137,467. This note will be repaid with tax revenue. This note is backed by the full faith and credit of the School District. The note liabilities have been reflected in the permanent improvement capital projects fund, the fund which received the proceeds.

	Principal			Principal
	Outstanding			Outstanding
	6/30/00	Additions	Deductions	6/30/01
Capital Projects Fund				
Energy Conservation Note	\$181,164	\$0	\$43,697	\$137,467

Principal and interest payments necessary to retire this debt are as follows.

Fiscal Year			
Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2002	\$46,425	\$8,575	\$55,000
2003	49,325	5,674	54,999
2004	41,717	2,591	44,308
Total	\$137,467	\$16,840	\$154,307

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

16. LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS

Changes in long-term obligations of the School District during fiscal year 2001 were as follows:

	Principal Outstanding 6/30/00	Additions	Deductions	Principal Outstanding 6/30/01
General Long-Term Obligations	_			
General Obligation Bonds 8%	\$225,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$150,000
Compensated Absences	402,876	36,482	0	439,358
Pension Obligation	33,951	43,826	33,951	43,826
Capital Leases	64,170	0	15,807	48,363
Total General	# 705.007	400.000	# 404.750	# 204 5 4 7
Long-Term Obligations	\$725,997	\$80,308	\$124,758	\$681,547

General Obligation Bonds - On August 4, 1994, Western Reserve Local School District issued \$400,000 in unvoted general obligation bonds for the purpose of building improvements for the School District. The bonds were issued for a ten year period with final maturity during fiscal year 2003. The bonds will be retired from the debt service fund.

General obligation bonds will be paid from the debt service fund. Compensated absences and the pension obligation will be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid. Capital lease obligations were paid from the general fund because it utilizes the assets.

Principal and interest requirements to retire general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2001, are as follows:

Fiscal Year			
Ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	Interest	Total
2002	\$75,000	\$9,000	\$84,000
2003	75,000	3,000	78,000
Total	\$150,000	\$12,000	\$162,000

The School District's overall legal debt margin was \$6,501,473 with an unvoted debt margin of \$75,072 at June 30, 2001.

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

17. CAPITALIZED LEASES

In prior fiscal years, the School District entered into capitalized leases for copiers. Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the general purpose financial statements.

Each lease meets the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 13, "Accounting for Leases". The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the capital leases and the present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2001.

	General Long-Term
<u>Year</u>	Obligation
2002	\$20,052
2003	20,052
2004	13,368
Total Minimum Lease Payments	53,472
Less: Amount Representing Interest	(5,109)
Present Value of minimum lease payments	\$48,363

Fixed assets acquired by lease have been capitalized in the general fixed assets account group in the amount of \$83,500 which is equal to the present value of the future minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability was recorded in the general long-term obligations account group.

18. PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOLS

A. Shared Risk Pool

Mahoning County Schools Employee Insurance Consortium - The School District participates in the Mahoning County Schools Employee Insurance Consortium. This is a shared risk pool comprised of thirteen Mahoning County School Districts. The Consortium is governed by an assembly which consists of one representative from each participating school district (usually the superintendent or designee). The assembly elects officers for one year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. A member can withdraw from participation in the Consortium by notifying the fiscal agent on or before January 15 of the year preceding the fiscal year in which the School District will withdraw. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the Consortium. Consortium revenues are generated from charges for services.

B. Insurance Purchasing Pool

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

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

19. CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The School District receives financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the School District at June 30, 2001.

B. Litigation

The Western Reserve Local School District is a party to legal proceedings seeking damages or injunctive relief generally incidental to its operations and pending projects. The School District management is of the opinion that ultimate disposition of these claims and legal proceedings will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the School District.

20. STATE 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.

In general, it is expected that the decision would result in an increase in State funding for most Ohio school districts. However, as of December 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 redetermine any issue upon such reconsideration.

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

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

21. SEGMENT INFORMATION FOR ENTERPRISE FUNDS

The School District maintains three Enterprise funds to account for the operations of food service, uniform school supplies and a school newsletter. The table below reflects the more significant financial data relating to the enterprise funds of the Western Reserve Local School District as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001.

		Uniform	School	
	Food	School	Newsletter	
	Service	Supplies	Enterprise	Totals
Operating Revenues	\$129,838	\$2,547	\$9,517	\$141,902
Depreciation	3,189	0	0	3,189
Operating Income (Loss)	(84,462)	(584)	7	(85,039)
Federal Donated Commodities	15,826	0	0	15,826
Operating Grants	33,365	0	0	33,365
Operating Transfers In	1,703	0	0	1,703
Net Income (Loss)	(33,475)	(584)	7	(34,052)
Net Working Capital	20,561	60	1,017	21,638
Total Assets	39,355	60	1,437	40,852
Total Equity	9,397	60	1,017	10,474
Encumbrances at June 30, 2001	57	0	350	407

NOTES TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2001 (Continued)

22. SET-ASIDE CALCULATIONS AND FUND RESERVES

The School District is required by State statute to annually set aside in the general fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the purchase of textbooks and other instructional materials and an equal amount for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by year-end or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at year end and carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future years.

The following cash basis information describes the changes in the year-end set-aside amounts for textbooks, capital acquisition, and budget stabilization. Disclosure of this information is required by the State statute.

	Textbooks	Capital Improvement s	Budget Stabilization
Set-aside reserve balance June 30, 2000	\$43,079	\$0	\$65,573
Current year set-aside requirement	107,608	107,608	0
Reductions authorized by legislative	0	0	(29,556)
Qualifying disbursements	(129,260)	(173,548)	0
Totals	21,427	(65,940)	36,017
Set-aside balance carried forward			
to future fiscal years	21,427	0	36,017
Set-aside reserve balance as of June 30,	\$21,427	\$0	\$36,017

Although the School District had qualifying disbursements during the fiscal year that reduced the capital improvements set-aside amount below zero, this amount may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirement of future years. This negative balance is therefore not presented as being carried forward to future years. The total reserve balance for the three set-asides at the end of the fiscal year was \$57,444. The general fund balance includes \$29,556 that has been designated for the amount of set-asides in excess of requirements.

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

Western Reserve Local School District Mahoning County 13850 Akron-Canfield Road Berlin Center, Ohio 44401

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of Western Reserve Local School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated December 28, 2001. 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 Western Reserve Local School 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*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Western Reserve Local School 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. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of Western Reserve Local School District in a separate letter dated December 28, 2001.

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This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Education, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

December 28, 2001



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WESTERN RESERVE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MAHONING COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JANUARY 24, 2002