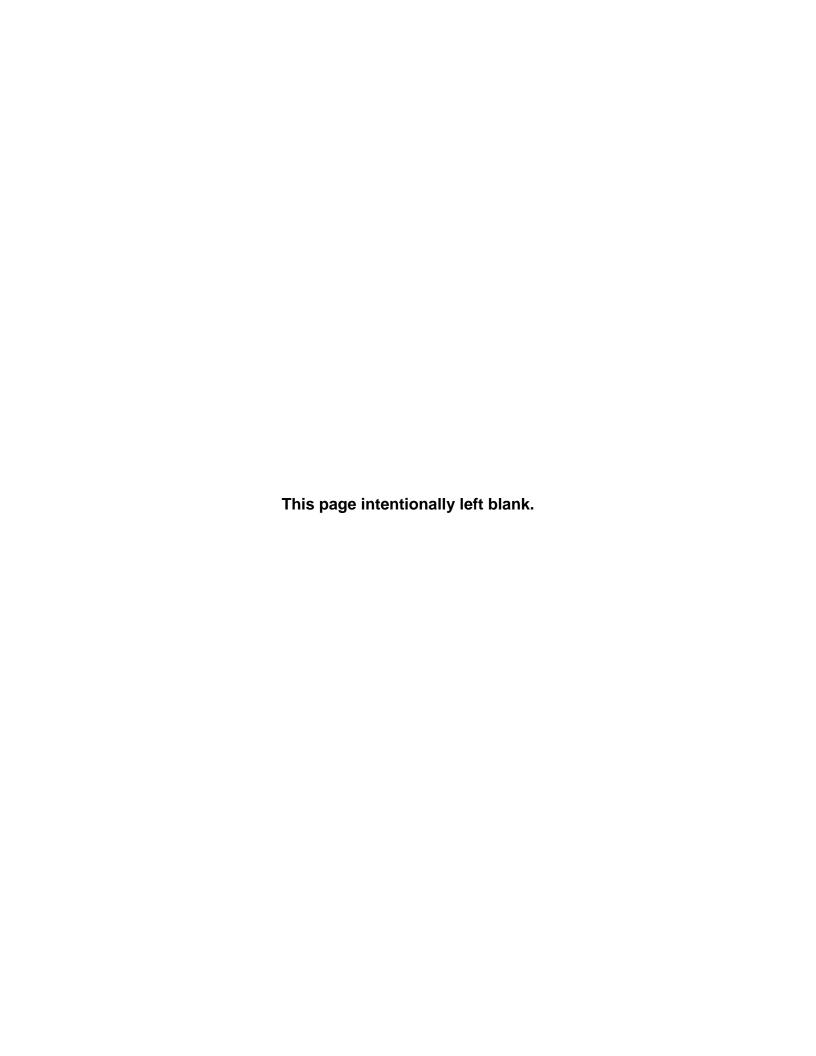




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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Pettisville Local School District Fulton County 232 Summit Street, P.O. Box 53001 Pettisville, Ohio 43553-0001

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Pettisville Local School District, Fulton County County, (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, 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 Pettisville Local School District, Fulton County, Ohio as of June 30, 2003, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 22, 2005, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. It does not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and you should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

March 22, 2005

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## COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS AS OF JUNE 30, 2003

	Governmental Fund Types					
		General	Special Revenue			Capital Projects
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS						
Assets:						
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables:	\$	558,828	\$	82,948	\$	163,539
Taxes		1,120,784				118,140
Accounts		15,532				
Intergovernmental				51,055		
Interfund Receivable		11,350				
Materials and Supplies Inventory						
Fixed Assets						
Accumulated Depreciation						
Other Debits:						
Amount to be Provided From General						
Government Resources	_					
Total Assets and Other Debits	\$	1,706,494	\$	134,003	\$	281,679
LIABILITIES, FUND EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS						
Liabilities:						
Accounts Payable		\$1,390	\$	1,208	\$	14,783
Accrued Wages and Benefits		402,226		11,963		
Compensated Absences Payable		3,496		40.500		
Interfund Payable		40.000		10,500		
Intergovernmental Payable		49,898		1,270		405.005
Deferred Revenue Due to Students		990,503		48,098		105,285
Notes Payable						
Total Liabilities		1,447,513		73,039		120,068
Fund Equity and Other Credits:		1, 117,010		70,000	-	120,000
Investment in General Fixed Assets						
Retained Earnings:						
Unreserved						
Fund Balances:						
Reserved:						
Reserved for Encumbrances		7,159		13,613		34,506
Reserved for Contributions						
Reserved for Property Taxes		88,649				9,774
Unreserved:		100 170		47.07.		447.004
Unreserved, Undesignated		163,173		47,351		117,331
Total Fund Equity and Other Credits		258,981	_	60,964		161,611
Total Liabilities, Fund Equity and Other Credits		<b>\$1,706,494</b>	\$	134,003	\$	281,679

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

	oprietary ind Type		iduciary Ind Types	 Account				
		Т	rust and	General General Fixed Long-Term			(Me	Totals emorandum
Er	nterprise		Agency	 Assets		oligations		Only)
\$	25,401	\$	256,471				\$	1,087,187
	747		107					1,238,924
	3,906		107					16,386 54,961
	4,682							11,350 4,682
	51,613			\$ 6,374,007				6,425,620
	(29,394)							(29,394)
	50.055		050 570	 0.074.007	\$	363,021		363,021
\$	56,955	\$	256,578	\$ 6,374,007	\$	363,021		9,172,737
		\$	511				\$	17,892
\$	3,943	Ψ			•	0.4.0.0=0	Ψ	418,132
	5,838 850				\$	319,379		328,713 11,350
	9,875					31,818		92,861
			76,833					1,143,886 76,833
				 		11,824		11,824
	20,506		77,344	 		363,021		2,101,491
				\$ 6,374,007				6,374,007
	36,449							36,449
								55,278
			500					500 98,423
			470 70 1					
	36,449		178,734 179,234	 6,374,007				506,589 7,071,246
\$	56,955	\$	256,578	\$ 6,374,007	\$	363,021	\$	9,172,737

### COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	Governmental Fund Type	
		General
Revenues: Intergovernmental	\$	1,933,763
Interest	Ψ	13,509
Tuition and Fees		441,402
Rent		530
Extracurricular Activities Gifts and Donations		2,358
Customer Services		2,336
Property and Other Local Taxes		1,084,879
Miscellaneous		18,546
Total Revenues		3,494,987
Expenditures:		_
Instruction:		
Regular		1,672,098
Special Vocational		195,647 159,355
Support services:		159,555
Pupils		106,796
Instructional Staff		108,209
Board of Education		9,986
Administration Fiscal		349,921
Business		131,406 914
Operation and Maintenance of Plant		369,751
Pupil Transportation		148,027
Central		45,902
Extracurricular activities		168,635
Capital Outlay		12,216
Total Expenditures		3,478,863
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		16,124
Other Financing Sources and Uses		
Operating Transfers In Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets		660
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures		660 4,380
Other Financing Sources		4,000
Operating Transfers Out		(11,500)
Refund of Prior Year Receipts		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(6,460)
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over		
(Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		9,664
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		249,317
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$	258,981

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

	Govern Fund	I		iduciary Ind Type			
	Special Revenue		Capital Projects	Ex	Expendable Trust		Totals emorandum) Only)
\$	149,505	\$	100,379	\$	3,144	\$	2,183,647 16,653 441,402 530
	105,178 17,417 680						105,178 19,775 680
			115,193				1,200,072 18,546
	272,780		215,572		3,144		3,986,483
	28,083 77,600 6,070		51,069				1,751,250 273,247 165,425
	23,376 16,677		1,796		2,324		131,968 127,210 9,986
	20,515 7		2,358				370,436 133,771 914
	5,524		25,857				401,132 148,027
	7,000 115,493		234,571		338		52,902 284,466 246,787
	300,345		315,651		2,662		4,097,521
	(27,565)		(100,079)		482		(111,038)
	11,500						11,500 660
	7,087 680						11,467 680
	(1,810)						(11,500) (1,810)
	17,457						10,997
	(10,108)		(100,079)		482		(100,041)
_	71,072		261,690		177,402		759,481
\$	60,964	\$	161,611	\$	177,884	\$	659,440

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) COMPARISON ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	General					
		Budget	Actual		Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues: Intergovernmental Interest Tuition and Fees Rent	\$	1,933,763 12,997 441,388 530	\$	1,933,763 13,509 441,402 530	\$	512 14
Extracurricular Activities Gifts and Donations Customer Services		2,360		2,358		(2)
Property and Other Local Taxes Miscellaneous		1,092,659 2,939		1,092,659 3,085	í <del></del>	146
Total Revenues		3,486,636		3,487,306		670
Expenditures: Current: Instruction:						
Regular Special Vocational		1,819,763 201,925 174,511		1,667,523 194,197 158,747		152,240 7,728 15,764
Support services: Pupils		141,653		117,875		23,778
Instructional Staff Board of Education Administration		121,918 16,376 350,345		106,257 10,581 346,341		15,661 5,795 4,004
Fiscal Business Operation and Maintenance of Plant		137,045 1,525 379,098		131,569 1,109 365,658		5,476 416 13,440
Pupil Transportation Central		184,683 83,750		155,920 47,026		28,763 36,724
Extracurricular activities Capital Outlay		193,901 37,000		173,204 16,382		20,697
Total Expenditures		3,843,493		3,492,389		351,104
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		(356,857)		(5,083)		351,774
Other Financing Sources and Uses Operating Transfers In Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets Refund of Prior Year Expenditures Advances In Other Financing Sources		660 4,380 6,040		660 4,380 6,040		
Refund of Prior Year Receipts Operating Transfers Out Advances Out		(15,000) (11,350)		(11,500) (11,350)		3,500
Other Financing Uses		(29,200)				29,200
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(44,470)		(11,770)		32,700
Excess of Revenue and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		(401,327)		(16,853)		384,474
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		535,508 31,652		535,508 31,652	_	
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$	165,833	\$	550,307	\$	384,474

	Spec	ial Revenue					Сар	ital Projects		
Budget		Actual	F	ariance: avorable favorable)	Budget Actual			Fa	ariance: avorable favorable)	
\$ 202,842	\$	151,648	\$	(51,194)	\$	114,684	\$	100,379	\$	(14,305)
104,504 17,418 680		105,780 17,417 680		1,276 (1)		116,169		116,169		
 325,444		275,525		(49,919)		230,853		216,548		(14,305)
40,994 84,580 6,070		40,970 75,290 6,070		24 9,290		55,000		51,469		3,531
23,376 26,319		23,376 17,174		9,145		2,300		1,796		504
19,575 7		19,411 7		164		2,750		2,358		392
5,639		5,639				28,883		27,057		1,826
17,319 165,356		7,000 116,337		10,319 49,019		268,117		267,477		640
389,235		311,274		77,961		357,050		350,157		6,893
(63,791)		(35,749)		28,042		(126,197)		(133,609)		(7,412)
11,500		11,500				12,367				(12,367)
7,079 10,500 680 (1,811) (6,040)		7,087 10,500 680 (1,811) (6,040)		8						
 21,908		21,916		8		12,367				(12,367)
(41,883)		(13,833)		28,050		(113,830)		(133,609)		(19,779)
68,013 14,040		68,013 14,040	-		·	247,860		247,860	-	
\$ 40,170	\$	68,220	\$	28,050	\$	134,030	\$	114,251	\$	(19,779)

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) COMPARISON ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003 (Continued)

	Expendable Trust					
	Bu	ıdget	·	Actual	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues: Intergovernmental	•	3,145	•	2 1 1 1	•	(1)
Interest Tuition and Fees Rent Extracurricular Activities Gifts and Donations Customer Services Property and Other Local Taxes Miscellaneous	\$	3,145	\$	3,144	\$	(1)
Total Revenues		3,145		3,144		(1)
Expenditures: Current: Instruction: Regular Special Vocational Support services:						
Pupils Instructional Staff Board of Education Administration Fiscal Business Operation and Maintenance of Plant Pupil Transportation Central		2,500 5,325		2,324		2,500 3,001
Extracurricular activities Capital Outlay		3,986 2,000		1,837		2,149 2,000
Total Expenditures		13,811		4,161		9,650
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		(10,666)		(1,017)		9,649
Other Financing Sources and Uses Operating Transfers In Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets Refund of Prior Year Expenditures Advances In Other Financing Sources Refund of Prior Year Receipts Operating Transfers Out Advances Out Other Financing Uses						
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Excess of Revenue and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses		(10,666)		(1,017)		9,649
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		175,091 3,810		175,091 3,810		
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$	168,235	\$	177,884	\$	9,649

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

Tota	als (N	1emorandum C	nly)	
Budget	Actual	F	ariance: avorable afavorable)	
				,
\$ 2,251,289	\$	2,185,790	\$	(65,499)
16,142		16,653		511
441,388		441,402		14
530		530		
104,504		105,780		1,276
19,778		19,775		(3)
680		680		
1,208,828		1,208,828		1.10
 2,939		3,085		146
 4,046,078		3,982,523		(63,555)
1,915,757		1,759,962		155,795
286,505		269,487		17,018
180,581		164,817		15,764
169,829		143,047		26,782
153,562		125,755		27,807
16,376		10,581		5,795
369,920		365,752		4,168
139,802		133,934		5,868
1,525		1,109		416
413,620		398,354		15,266
184,683		155,920		28,763
101,069		54,026		47,043
363,243		291,378		71,865
 307,117		283,859		23,258
4,603,589		4,157,981		445,608
 (557,511)		(175,458)		382,053
00.007		44 500		(40.007)
23,867		11,500 660		(12,367)
660 11,459		11,467		8
16,540		16,540		O
680		680		
(1,811)		(1,811)		
(15,000)		(11,500)		3,500
(17,390)		(17,390)		0,000
(29,200)		(11,000)		29,200
(10,195)		10,146		20,341
 (567,706)		(165,312)		402,394
1,026,472 49,502		1,026,472 49,502		•
\$ 508,268	\$	910,662	\$	402,394
 ,		,	<u> </u>	,

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS/FUND BALANCE PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	Proprietary Fund Type	Fiduciary Fund Type	<b>T</b> . (.)
	Enterprise	Nonexpendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Operating Revenues:			
Tuition	\$ 668		\$ 668
Sales	140,834	Φ	\$140,834
Interest		\$ 4	4
Total Operating Revenues	141,502	4	141,506
Operating Expenses			
Salaries	84,531		84,531
Fringe Benefits	17,545		17,545
Purchased Services	2,397		2,397
Materials and Supplies	100,336		100,336
Depreciation	101		101
Other	263		263
Total Operating Expenses	205,173		205,173
Operating Income (Loss)	(63,671)	4	(63,667)
Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses			
Federal Donated Commodities	14,158		14,158
Interest	667		667
Federal and State Subsidies	40,021		40,021
Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	(643)		(643)
Total Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses	54,203		54,203
Net Income (Loss)	(9,468)	4	(9,464)
Retained Earnings/Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	45,917	1,346	47,263
Retained Earnings/Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 36,449	\$ 1,350	\$ 37,799

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

### COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY TRUST FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

	Proprietary Fiduciary Fund Type Fund Type		Tarab
	Enterprise	Nonexpendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Cash Received from Sales	145,668		145,668
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Service	(92,805)		(92,805)
Cash Payments for Contract Services Cash Payments for Employee Services	(2,397) (86,869)		(2,397) (86,869)
Cash Payments for Employee Benefits	(17,421)		(17,421)
Other Cash Payments	(263)		(263)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	(54,087)		(54,087)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Operating Grants Received	36,115		36,115
Advances In	850		850
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	36,965		36,965
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Interest Received	667	4	671
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	667	4	671
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Payments for Capital Acquisitions	(1,461)		(1,461)
Net Cash Used by Capital and			
Related Financing Activities	(1,461)		(1,461)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(17,916)	4	(17,912)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	43,317	1,346	44,663
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 25,401	\$ 1,350	\$ 26,751

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### COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY TRUST FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003 (Continued)

	Proprietary Fund Type			iciary I Type		Totals
	Nonexpendable Enterprise Trust		(Me	(Memorandum Only)		
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:						
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(63,671)	\$	4	\$	(63,667)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) To Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities: Depreciation Donated Commodities Used During the Year Adjustments to Capital Outlay Nonexpendable Trust Interest (Increase) Decrease in Assets: Accounts Receivable Material and Supplies Inventory Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities: Compensated Absences Payable Intergovernmental Payable Deferred Revenue Accrued Wages and Benefits Accounts Payable Total Adjustments		101 14,158 (3,529) 4,166 (794) (2,338) 61 (2,089) 63 (215) 9,584		(4)		101 14,158 (3,529) (4) 4,166 (794) (2,338) 61 (2,089) 63 (215) 9,580
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$	(54,087)	-	( ' /	\$	(54,087)
Reconciliation of Nonexpendable Trust Fund Cash Balance Cash and Cash Equivalents - Trust and Agency Funds Less: Agency Funds Less: Expendable Trust Funds Cash and Cash Equivalents - Nonexpendable Trust Funds	e as c		003:		\$	256,471 (77,237) (177,884) <b>1,350</b>

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

NOTES TO THE GENERAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2003

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Pettisville Local 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. Pettisville Local School District is a local school district as defined by § 3311.03 of Ohio Revised Code. The District operates under a locally-elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational service as mandated by state and/or federal agencies. This Board of Education controls the District's one instructional/support facility staffed by 26 non-certified and 44 certificated full time teaching personnel who provide services to 556 students and other community members.

### The Reporting Entity

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

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. On this basis, there were no organizations subject to the District's oversight responsibility, which requires incorporation into the financial statements.

The District is associated with organizations, which are defined as jointly governed organizations, a related organization, and group purchasing pools. These organizations include the Northwest Ohio Computer Association, the Northern Buckeye Education Council, the Four County Career Center, the Northern Buckeye Education Council's Employee Insurance Benefits Program, the Northern Buckeye Education Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan, the Ohio School Plan, and the Pettisville School Foundation. These organizations are presented in Notes 13, 14, and 15 to the general-purpose financial statements.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Pettisville Local 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.

#### A. 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 and expendable trust funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only

NOTES TO THE GENERAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2003
(Continued)

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 fund types and nonexpendable trust 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 this fund are included on the balance sheet. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. 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 fund types, expendable trust, and agency funds. The full accrual basis of accounting is followed by the proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust fund.

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 District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of year-end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, income taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from income taxes is recognized in the period in which the income is earned. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements included timing requirements, which specify the year when the revenue resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specific purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources provided to the 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 deemed both measurable and available at fiscal year end: property taxes available as an advance, grants, interest, tuition, and student fees.

Deferred revenues arise when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Delinquent property taxes and property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2003, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2004 operations, are recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met and receivables that are not collected within the available period are also recorded as deferred revenue. On the modified accrual basis, revenues that are not collected within the available period are recorded as deferred revenue.

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 on the operating statement as an

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expense with a like amount reported as donated commodities revenue. Unused donated commodities are 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 the governmental funds.

### **B. Fund Accounting**

The District maintains its accounting in accordance with the principles of "fund" accounting. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of governmental entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific receipts and disbursements. The transactions of each fund are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts, an accounting entity, which stands separate from the activities reporting in other funds. The restrictions associated with each class of funds are as follows:

### **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 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.

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

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> - 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).

### 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:

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> - Enterprise funds are used to account for operations 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.

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#### 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 governmental units, and/or other funds. The School District's fiduciary funds include expendable trust, nonexpendable trust, and agency funds. Expendable trust funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as governmental funds. Nonexpendable trust funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as proprietary funds. The School District's agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

### **ACCOUNT GROUP**

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

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

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

### C. Budgetary Accounting

Budgets are adopted on a cash basis.

The District is required by State statute to adopt an annual appropriation budget for all funds. Budgetary information is included within the District's reporting entity for which the "appropriated budget" is adopted.

The specific timetable is as follows:

- Prior to January 15, the Treasurer submits 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. A public hearing is publicized and conducted to obtain taxpayers' comments. The purpose of this Budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.
- 2. By no later than January 20, the Board adopted budget is filed with the County Budget Commission for rate determination.
- 3. Prior to April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's Certificate of Estimated Resources, which states the projected revenue of each fund. The annual appropriation measure (the true operating budget) is then developed at the fund, function, and object level of expenditures, which are the legal levels of budgetary control.

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- 4. A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about July 1 of each year for the period July 1 to September 30. An annual appropriation measure must be passed by October 1 of each year for a period July 1 to June 30. The appropriation measure may be amended or supplemented during the year, as new information becomes available. Appropriations may not exceed estimated resources.
- 5. The District maintains budgetary control by not permitting expenditures to exceed appropriations within each fund, function and object without approval of the Board of Education. The Board permits management to make discretionary budgetary adjustments within each fund, which are approved by the Board on a monthly basis. Any adjustments that alter the total fund appropriation require specific action of the Board.
- 6. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund level.

The District's budget (budget basis) for all funds accounts for certain transactions on a basis, which differs from generally, accepted accounting principles (GAAP basis). The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash for budget purposes as opposed to when susceptible to accrual for GAAP purposes.
- 2. Expenditures and expenses are recorded when paid in cash or encumbered for budget purposes as opposed to when the liability is incurred for GAAP purposes.

An analysis of the difference between GAAP and budgetary basis for all governmental fund types and expendable trust fund for the year ended June 30, 2003 follows:

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

			Special		Capital	Ex	pendable
	General		General Revenue		Projects		Trust
Budget Basis	\$	(16,853)	\$	(13,833)	\$ (133,609)	\$	(1,017)
Revenue Accruals		7,681		(2,744)	(976)		
Expenditure Accruals		5,007		(3,800)	(14,783)		1,499
Other Sources/(Uses)		5,310		(4,460)			
Encumbrances		8,519		14,729	49,289		
GAAP Basis	\$	9,664	\$	(10,108)	\$ (100,079)	\$	482

### D. Encumbrances

The District is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting. Under this system, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation. At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

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### E. Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents

#### Cash and Investments

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 the School District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the combined balance sheet.

During 2003, investments were limited to nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts, such as nonnegotiable certificates of deposit, 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 and food service funds during fiscal year 2003 amounted to \$14,176.

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 initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

### F. Inventory

Cost is determined on a first-in, first-out basis. The cost has been recorded as expenditure at the time individual inventory items were purchased. Inventories of proprietary funds consist of donated food, purchased food, and school supplies held for resale and are expended when used.

### G. Property, Plant, and Equipment

### General Fixed Assets Account Group

General fixed assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for the cost of additions and retirements during the year in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Contributed fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date donated. The District follows the policy of not capitalizing assets with a cost of less than \$500. This is based primarily on the uniqueness of these items to a school operation. No depreciation is recognized for assets in the General Fixed Assets Account Group.

### **Proprietary Funds**

Property, plant, and equipment reflected in the Proprietary Funds are stated at historical cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for the cost of additions and retirements during the year. Contributed fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date donated. Depreciation has been provided for furniture, fixtures, and equipment on a straight line basis over an estimated useful life of up to ten years.

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### H. Intergovernmental Revenues

In governmental funds, entitlements and non-reimbursable grants are recorded as receivables and revenues when measurable and available. Reimbursement type grants are recorded as receivables and revenues when the related expenditures are incurred. Grants for proprietary fund operations are recognized as revenue when measurable and earned. This District currently participates in various state and federal programs, categorized as follows:

### **Entitlements**

General Fund

State Foundation Program School Bus Purchase Reimbursement

#### **Non-Reimbursable Grants**

Special Revenue Funds

Management Information Systems

Onenet

SchoolNet Professional Development

Ohio Reads Grant

Safe School Help

5<sup>th</sup> Quarter Pilot Grant

**Entry Year Teacher Grant** 

Eisenhower Professional Development

Title VI-B Flow Through Grant

Idea Part B

Title III

Title I

Title VI

**Drug Free Grants** 

Preschool Disability

Telecomm

Title VI R

Improving Teacher Quality

Reap Grant

Title II D Grant

### **Reimbursable Grants**

General Fund

**Driver Education Reimbursement** 

**Enterprise Fund** 

National School Lunch Program Government Donated Commodities

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#### I. Interfund Transactions

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

- 1. Transfers of resources from one fund to another fund through which resources are to be expended are recorded as operating transfers.
- 2. Reimbursements from one fund to another are treated as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and a reduction in expenditures/expenses in the reimbursed fund.
- 3. Short-term interfund loans are reflected as interfund receivables and interfund payables.

#### J. Total Columns on Financial Statements

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "Totals (Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. This information is not comparable to a consolidation. Interfund-type eliminations have not been made in the combining of the data.

### K. Compensated Absences

The District has adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences". In conformity with GASB Statement No. 16, the School District accrues vacation as earned by its employees if the leave is attributable to past service and it is probable that the District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time or some other means, such as cash payments at termination or retirement.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vested method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and that 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.

For governmental funds, the District provides a liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave and vacation time for eligible employees in the period the employees become eligible to receive payment. The current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount to be paid using expendable available resources and is reported as an accrued liability in the fund from which the individuals who have accumulated the unpaid compensated absences are paid. The balance of the liability is reported in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group. In proprietary funds, compensated absences are expensed when earned. The entire amount of unpaid compensated absences is reported as a fund liability.

### L. Long-term Obligations

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due or when resources have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payment early in the following year. For the other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund. The remaining portion of such obligations is reported in the General Long-Term Obligation Account Group. Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from proprietary fund operations are accounted for in those funds.

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#### M. Fund Balance Reserves

The School District reserves those portions of fund equity which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and therefore are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity, which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund equity reserves have been established for encumbrances, property taxes, and contributions.

The reserve for property taxes represents taxes recognized as revenue under generally accepted accounting principles but not available for appropriation under State statute. The reserve for endowments signifies the legal restrictions on the use of principal.

#### N. Estimates

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

### 3. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

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

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

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current 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 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.

Protection of School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution. Interim monies may 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:
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation,

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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 market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bond and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- 5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions; and
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
- 7. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred and eighty days in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim moneys available for investment at any one time.
- 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 to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

<u>Deposits</u>: At year-end, the carrying amount of the School District's deposits was \$1,087,187 and the bank balance was \$1,107,719. Of the bank balance:

- 1. \$137,095 was covered by federal depository insurance; and
- 2. \$970,624 was collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the District.

#### 4. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes include amounts levied against real, public utility, and tangible property located within the District. All property is required to be reappraised every six years with a triennial update.

Real property taxes, excluding public utility property, are assessed at 35 percent of appraised market value. Pertinent real property tax dates are:

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Collection Dates January and July of the current year

Lien Date

January 1 of the year preceding the collection year

Levy Date

April 1 of the year preceding the collection year

Tangible personal property used in business (except for public utilities) is currently assessed for ad valorem taxation purposes at 25 percent of its true value.

The taxes are based on assessed values determined at the close of the most recent fiscal year of the taxpayer that ended on or before March 31 of the current calendar year. Pertinent tangible personal property tax dates are:

Collection Dates April and September of the current year

Lien Date January 1 of the current year

Levy Date April 1 of the year preceding the collection year

Most public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at 35 percent of its true value. Pertinent public utility tangible personal property tax dates are:

Collection Dates January and July of the current year

Lien Date December 31 of the second year preceding the collection year

Levy Date April 1 of the year preceding the collection year

The County Treasurers collect real estate property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts within the Counties of the District. The County Auditors periodically remit to the District its portion of the taxes collected with final settlement in March and September.

The County Treasurers collect personal property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts within the Counties of the District. The County Auditors periodically remit to the District its portion of the taxes collected with final settlement in May and October.

Taxes receivable represent current and delinquent real property, tangible personal property, and public utility property taxes, which are measurable at June 30, 2003. These taxes are intended to finance the next fiscal year's operations, and are therefore offset by a credit to deferred revenue, except for the portion, which is available to advance as of June 30, 2003.

The assessed values of properties upon which property tax revenues were based are as follows:

	Amount
Residential/Agricultural	\$ 31,425,660
Commercial/Industrial	3,863,020
Public Utility Real Property	28,670
Public Utility Personal Property	3,407,110
General Personal Property	2,999,570
Total valuation	\$ 41,724,030

### 5. FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in the General Fixed Assets Account Group is as follows:

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Asset Category	Balance at06/30/02	Additions	Disposals	Balance at 06/30/03
Land and land improvements	\$ 416,439	\$ 9,095		\$ 425,534
Buildings	3,988,510	201,687		4,190,197
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	1,041,078	49,911		1,090,989
Vehicles	480,619			480,619
Infrastructure	2,863			2,863
Text and Library Books	177,167	6,638		183,805
Totals	\$6,106,676	\$ 267,331		\$6,374,007

A summary of Enterprise Fund fixed assets at June 30, 2003 follows:

Furniture and Equipment	\$ 51,613
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(29,394)
Net Fixed Assets	\$ 22,219

### 6. OPERATING LEASE

The School District is obligated under certain leases accounted for as operating leases. Operating leases do not give rise to property rights, and therefore, the results of the lease agreement are not reflected in the District's financial statements. During 1999, the District entered into a lease agreement to operate recreational facilities. During 2003, the School District had expenditures of \$406 for operating lease. The following schedule is of future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2003.

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	Aı	mount
2004	\$	391
2005		377
2006		362
2007		348
2008		333
2009-2012		1,050
Total Minimum Lease Payment	\$	2,861

### 7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

During the year ended June 30, 2003, the following changes occurred in obligations reported in the General Long-Term Obligations Account Group:

	alance at 07/01/02	Α	dditions	Dec	ductions	 alance at 16/30/03
Special Waterline Assessment	\$ 13,068			\$	1,244	\$ 11,824
SERS and SERS Surcharge	28,593		3,225			31,818
Employee Benefit Obligations	 290,826		28,553			319,379
Total Long-Term Obligations	\$ 332,487	\$	31,778	\$	1,244	\$ 363,021

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The Special Waterline Assessment Loan at June 30, 2003 totaling \$11,824 with current interest rate of 5.40 percent will mature in 2013.

Total expenditures for interest for the period ended June 30, 2003 was \$689.

The scheduled payments of principal and interest on debt outstanding at June 30, 2003 are as follows:

Fiscal Year					
Ending June 30,	P	Principal		terest	 Total
2004	\$	1,244	\$	622	\$ 1,866
2005		1,244		555	1,799
2006		1,244		488	1,732
2007		1,244		420	1,664
2008		1,244		361	1,605
2009-2013		5,604		792	 6,396
Total	\$	11,824	\$	3,238	\$ 15,062

#### 8. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Employees earn vacation at rates specified under State of Ohio law and based on credited service. Clerical, Technical, and Maintenance and Operation employees with one or more years of service are entitled to vacation ranging from 10 to 20 Days. Employees with less than one year of service earn no vacation. Certain employees are permitted to carry over vacation leave if approved by the Superintendent.

All employees are entitled to a sick leave credit equal to one and one-quarter days for each month of service (earned on a pro rata basis for less than full-time employees). This sick leave will either be absorbed by time off due to illness or injury or, within certain limitations, be paid to the employee upon retirement. The amount paid to an employee upon retirement is limited to one-fourth of the accumulated sick leave to a maximum of 50 days.

At June 30, 2003, the current amount of unpaid compensated absences in the general fund and the balance of the liability in the General Long-Term Obligation Account Groups were \$3,496 and \$319,379, respectively. The liability for compensated absences in the proprietary fund at June 30, 2003 was \$5.838.

### 9. PENSION AND RETIREMENT PLANS

### A. School Employees Retirement System

The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides 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 statue per Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The School Employees Retirement System 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 North Fourth Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3634 or by calling (614) 222-5853.

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Plan members are required to contribute 9 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 14 percent of the annual covered payroll, 8.17 percent is the portion used to fund pension obligations for fiscal year 2003. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The District's required contribution for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$56,240, \$35,155, and \$22,594, respectively; 55 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2003 and 100 percent for the fiscal years 2002 and 2001. \$42,912 representing the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2003 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 participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS), a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement system administered by the State Teachers Retirement Board. STRS provides basic retirement benefits, disability, survivor, and health care benefits based on eligible service credit to members and beneficiaries. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. STRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to the State Teachers Retirement System, 275 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771 or by calling (614) 227-4090.

Plan members are required to contribute 9.3 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute 14 percent, 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations for fiscal year 2003. 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 contributions for pension obligations to STRS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$270,858, \$196,254, and \$184,820 respectively; 86 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2003 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2002 and 2001. \$39,464 representing the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2003 is recorded as a liability within the respective funds.

### 10. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) provides access to health care coverage to retirees who participated in the Defined Benefit Plan and their dependents. Coverage under the current program includes hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs, and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Pursuant to the Revised Code, the State Teachers Retirement Board (the board) has discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the associated health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. All benefit recipients pay a portion of health care costs in the form of monthly premium.

The Revised Code grants authority to STRS Ohio to provide health care coverage to benefit recipients, spouses, and dependents. By Ohio law, the cost of the coverage paid from STRS Ohio funds shall be included in the employer contribution rate, currently at 14 percent of covered payroll.

The Retirement Board allocates employer contributions to the Health Care Stabilization Fund from which health care benefits are paid. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, the board allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to Health Care Stabilization Fund. The balance in the Health Care Stabilization Fund was \$2.8 billion on June 30, 2003.

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For the year ended June 30, 2003, net health care costs paid by STRS Ohio were \$352,301,000. There were 108,294 eligible benefit recipients.

The Ohio Revised Code gives SERS the discretionary authority to provide postretirement health care to retirees and their dependents. Coverage is made available to service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying service credit, 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 the basic benefits, the remainder of the employer's 14 percent contribution is allocated to providing health care benefits. At June 30, 2003, the allocation rate is 5.83 percent. 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 2003, the minimum pay has been established as \$14,500. 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.

Health care benefits are financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. The target level for the health care reserve is 150 percent of annual health care expenses. Expenses for health care at June 30, 2003 were \$204,930,737 and the target level was \$307.4 million. At June 30, 2003, the Retirement System's net assets available for payment of health care benefits were \$303.6 million.

The number of participants currently receiving health care benefits is approximately 50,000.

For the District, the amount to fund postemployment benefits, including the surcharge, equaled \$49,579 during the 2003 fiscal year.

### 11. RISK MANAGEMENT

### A. Comprehensive

The District maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with private carriers for liability, real property, building contents, and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. In addition, real property contents are fully insured.

Coverage provided by the Ohio School Plan

General Liability

Per Occurrence \$1,000,000 Total per Year 3,000,000

Coverage provided by Selective (Marsh, USA)

Blanket Property Insurance (\$1,000 deductible) 11,458,701

Auto Coverage

Liability 2,000,000

**Auto Medical Payment** 

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

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### B. Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Education Council Employee Insurance Benefits Program (the Program), a public entity shared risk pool consisting of school districts within Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams counties and other eligible governmental entities. The District pays monthly premiums to the Northern Buckeye Education Council for the benefits offered to its employees, which includes health, dental, and life insurance plans. Northern Buckeye Education Council is responsible for the management and operations of the program. The agreement for the Program provides for additional assessments to participants if the premiums are insufficient to pay the program costs for the fiscal year. Upon withdrawal from the Program, a participant is responsible for any claims not processed and paid and any related administrative costs.

### C. Worker's Compensation Group Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Education Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the Plan), an insurance purchasing pool. The Plan is intended to reduce premiums for the participants. 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 Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate.

Participation in the Plan is limited to educational entities that can meet the Plan's selection criteria. Each participant must apply annually. The Plan provides the participants with a centralized program for the processing, analysis and management of workers' compensation claims and a risk management program to assist in developing safer work environments. Each participant must pay its premiums, enrollment, or other fees, and perform its obligations in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

### 12. ENTERPRISE FUNDS SEGMENT INFORMATION

The District maintains two Enterprise Funds, which provide lunchroom/cafeteria and uniform school supply services. Segment information for the year ended June 30, 2003 was as follows:

			Uniform			Total
	Lunchroom/		School		nterprise	
		Cafeteria		Supplies		Funds
Operating revenues	\$	130,442	\$	11,060	\$	141,502
Depreciation		101				101
Operating (loss)		(62,433)		(1,238)		(63,671)
Donated commodities		14,158				14,158
Grants		40,021				40,021
Interest		667				667
Loss on Disposal of Asset		(643)				(643)
Net (loss)		(8,230)		(1,238)		(9,468)
Net working capital		14,398		(168)		14,230
Total assets		56,273		682		56,955
Total liabilities		19,656		850		20,506
Total equity		36,617		(168)		36,449

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#### 13. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

#### A. Northwest Ohio Computer Association

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Computer Association (NWOCA). NWOCA is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Lucas, Williams, and Wood counties. The 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 school districts. NWOCA is governed by the Northern Buckeye Education Council and its participating members. Total disbursements made by the District to NWOCA during this fiscal year were \$22,075. Financial information can be obtained from the Treasurer, at 22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

### B. Northern Buckeye Education Council

The Northern Buckeye Education Council (NBEC) was established in 1979 to foster cooperation among various educational entities located in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams counties. NBEC is organized under Ohio laws as a regional council of governments pursuant to a written agreement entered into by its member educational entities and bylaws adopted by the representatives of the member educational entities. NBEC is governed by an elected Board consisting of two representatives from each of the four counties in which the member educational entities are located. The Board is elected from an Assembly consisting of a representative from each participating educational entity. Total disbursements made by the District to NBEC for GAAP conversion services during this fiscal year were \$2,750. To obtain financial information write to the Northern Buckeye Education Council, Treasurer, at 22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

### C. Four County Career Center

The Four County Career Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of five representatives from the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center - one each from the counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams and one additional representative; one representative from each of the city school districts; one representative from each of the exempted village school districts. The Four County Career Center possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. To obtain financial information write to the Four County Career Center, Lois Knuth, who serves as Treasurer, at Route 1, Box 245A, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

#### 14. RELATED ORGANIZATION

#### **Pettisville School Foundation**

The Pettisville School Foundation consists of a nine member Board of Trustees. Two of the trustees are appointed by the Pettisville Board of Education and the other seven member elected positions by the membership. The Foundation supports the School District and community in various projects such as scholarship programs, the attendance incentive program, and fund raising for school facilities. Decisions to disburse money to the School District are discretionary decisions made solely by the Board of Trustees of the Foundation. Financial information can be obtained from the Pettisville School Foundation, PO Box 111, Pettisville, Ohio 43553.

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#### 15. GROUP PURCHASING POOLS

#### A. NBEC Employee Insurance Benefits Program

Northern Buckeye Education Council Employee Insurance Benefits Program (the Pool) is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of educational entities located in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams counties. The Pool is governed by the Northern Buckeye Education Council and its participating members. Total disbursements made by the District to NBEC for employee insurance benefits during this fiscal year were \$166,302. Financial information can be obtained from Northern Buckeye Education Council, Treasurer, at 22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

### B. NBEC Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The District participates in a group rating plan for workers' compensation as established under § 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Northern Buckeye Education Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (WCGRP) was established through the Northern Buckeye Education Council (NBEC) as an insurance purchasing pool. The WCGRP is governed by the Northern Buckeye Education Council and the participating members of the WCGRP. The Executive Director of the NBEC coordinates the management and administration of the program. During this fiscal year, the District paid an enrollment fee of \$445 to the WCGRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

### C. Ohio School Plan

The District participates in the Ohio School Plan (Plan), an insurance purchasing pool established under § 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Plan is an unincorporated nonprofit association of its members, which enables the participants to provide for a formalized joint insurance purchasing program for maintaining adequate insurance protection and provides risk management programs and other administrative services. The Plan's business and affairs are conducted by a fifteen member board consisting of superintendents, treasurers, the president of Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency, Inc., and a member of the Hylant Group, Inc. The Hylant Group, Inc. is the Plan's administrator and is responsible for processing claims. Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency serves as the sales and marketing representative, which establishes agreements between the Plan and its members. Financial information can be obtained from Harcum-Hyre Insurance Agency, 246 East Sycamore Street, Columbus, Ohio 43206.

### 16. SET-ASIDE CALCULATIONS AND FUND RESERVES

The 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 change in the year-end set-aside amounts for textbooks and capital acquisition. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

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	Textbooks			Capital cquisition
Set-aside Balance as of June 30, 2002	\$	(44,983)		
Current Year Set-aside Requirement		74,552	\$	74,552
Qualifying Disbursements		(84,390)		(74,552)
Total	\$	(54,821)	\$	-
Cash Balance Carried Forward to FY 2004	\$	(54,821)	\$	-

The District had offsets and qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the set-aside amounts to below zero. The negative amounts may be used to offset future year textbook set-aside requirements.

Amounts of offsets and qualifying disbursements presented in the table were limited to those necessary to reduce the year-end balance to zero in the capital acquisitions. Although the School District may have had additional offsets and qualifying disbursements during the year, these extra amounts may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirements of future years, and are therefore not presented.

#### 17. SCHOOL FUNDING DECISION

On December 11, 2002, the Ohio Supreme Court issued its latest opinion regarding the State's school funding plan. The decision reaffirmed earlier decisions that Ohio's current school-funding plan is unconstitutional.

The Supreme Court relinquished jurisdiction over the case and directed "...the Ohio General Assembly to enact a school-funding scheme that is thorough and efficient...." The School District is currently unable to determine what effect, if any, this decision will have on its future State funding and its financial operations.

### 18. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

At June 30, 2003, the Management Information System, Education for Economic Security, Title I, Title VI, Title II-A, and Uniform School Supplies had deficit fund balances of \$2,046, \$188, \$16,080, \$1,181, \$970, and \$168, which were created by the application of generally accepted accounting principles. The General Fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances; however, this is done when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

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

Pettisville Local School District Fulton County 232 Summit Street, P.O. Box 53001 Pettisville, Ohio 43553-0001

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of Pettisville Local School District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated March 22, 2005. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Government's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures in order to express our opinion(s) on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable 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 caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses. In a separate letter to the District's management dated March 22, 2005, we reported other matters involving internal control over financial reporting.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and board of education. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

**Betty Montgomery** 

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Auditor of State

March 22, 2005



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## PETTISVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FULTON 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 MAY 5, 2005