BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Audited)

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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Board of Education New London Local School District 2 Wildcat Drive New London, Ohio 44851

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the New London Local School District, Huron County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The New London Local School District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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November 25, 2008

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Education New London Local School District 2 Wildcat Drive New London, Ohio 44851

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of New London Local School District, Huron County, Ohio, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise New London Local School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of New London Local School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these 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 the 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 opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of New London Local School District, Huron County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General fund and Classroom Facilities Maintenance special revenue fund for the fiscal 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 October 31, 2008 on our consideration of New London Local School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the 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 should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise New London Local School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of receipts and expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations,* and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of New London Local School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Julian & Grube, Inc. October 31, 2008

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The management's discussion and analysis of the New London Local School District's (the "District") financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2008 are as follows:

- In total, net assets of governmental activities decreased \$167,918 which represents a 1.16% decrease from 2007.
- General revenues accounted for \$8,815,105 in revenue or 81.46% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$2,006,058 or 18.54% of total revenues of \$10,821,163.
- The District had \$10,989,081 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$2,006,058 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$8,815,105 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- The District's major governmental funds are the general fund and classroom facilities maintenance fund. The general fund had \$9,155,847 in revenues and other financing sources and \$9,269,876 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the general fund's fund balance decreased \$114,029 from \$1,547,087 to \$1,433,058.
- The classroom facilities maintenance fund had \$86,751 in revenues and \$58,094 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the classroom facilities maintenance fund's fund balance increased \$28,657 from \$645,463 to \$674,120.

Using these Basic Financial Statements

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

The *statement of net assets* and *statement of activities* provide information about the activities of the whole District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the District, the general fund, and classroom facilities maintenance fund are by far the most significant funds and the only governmental funds.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Reporting the District as a Whole

Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the District to provide programs and activities, the view of the District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2008?" The statement of net assets and the statement of activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the governmental activities include the District's programs and services, including instruction, support services, operations and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, extracurricular activities, and food service operations.

The District's statement of net assets and statement of activities can be found on pages 13-14 of this report.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the District's major governmental funds begins on page 9. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major governmental funds are the general fund and classroom facilities maintenance fund.

Governmental Funds

Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed *short-term* view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the basic financial statements. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 15-20 of this report.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Reporting the District's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its scholarship programs. This activity is presented as a private-purpose trust fund. The District also acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in agency funds. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate statements of fiduciary net assets and changes in fiduciary net assets on pages 21 and 22. These activities are excluded from the District's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the District to finance its operations.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 23-50 of this report.

The District as a Whole

The table below provides a summary of the District's net assets for fiscal year 2008 and 2007.

Assets	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2007
Current and other assets	\$ 6,204,513	\$ 5,924,099
Capital assets, net	14,627,026	14,991,465
Total assets	20,831,539	20,915,564
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	3,004,177	2,932,427
Long-term liabilities	3,519,433	3,507,290
Total liabilities	6,523,610	6,439,717
<u>Net Assets</u>		
Invested in capital		
assets, net of related debt	12,140,158	12,313,422
Restricted	1,188,362	1,183,338
Unrestricted	979,409	979,087
Total net assets	\$ 14,307,929	<u>\$ 14,475,847</u>

Net Assets

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

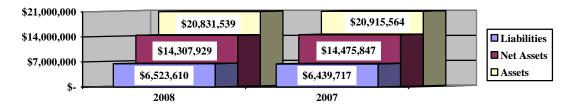
Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2008, the District's assets exceeded liabilities by \$14,307,929. Of this total, \$979,409 is unrestricted in use.

At year-end, capital assets represented 70.22% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. Capital assets, net of related debt to acquire the assets at June 30, 2008, were \$12,140,158. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the District's net assets, \$1,188,362, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$979,409 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

The graph below illustrates the District's assets, liabilities and net assets at June 30, 2008 and 2007:

Governmental Activities



The table below shows the change in net assets for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

	Change in Net Assets	
	Governmental	Governmental
	Activities	Activities
	2008	2007
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 815,900	\$ 909,915
Operating grants and contributions	1,184,186	1,108,185
Capital grants and contributions	5,972	9,003
General revenues:		
Property taxes	2,359,816	2,146,126
School District income tax	1,027,237	1,025,352
Grants and entitlements	5,317,777	5,168,655
Investment earnings	105,366	165,540
Miscellaneous	4,909	
Total revenues	10,821,163	10,532,776

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Change in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2007
Expenses		
Program expenses:		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 5,283,768	\$ 4,721,004
Special	1,045,142	896,119
Vocational	381,933	365,970
Adult/continuing	12,685	10,857
Other	62,899	65,099
Support services:		
Pupil	243,507	295,640
Instructional staff	553,915	530,053
Board of education	17,366	17,068
Administration	742,349	710,252
Fiscal	244,574	233,542
Business	8,535	6,478
Operations and maintenance	936,361	769,200
Pupil transportation	544,102	453,992
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	422,483	373,296
Operations of other non-instructional services	-	1,905
Extracurricular activities	335,083	389,604
Intergovernmental pass-through	-	6,768
Interest and fiscal charges	154,379	173,219
Total expenses	10,989,081	10,020,066
Change in net assets	(167,918)	512,710
Net assets at beginning of year	14,475,847	13,963,137
Net assets at end of year	\$ 14,307,929	\$ 14,475,847

Governmental Activities

Net assets of the District's governmental activities decreased \$167,918. Total governmental expenses of \$10,989,081 were offset by program revenues of \$2,006,058, and general revenues of \$8,815,105. Program revenues supported 18.26% of the total governmental expenses.

The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, income taxes, and grants and entitlements. These revenue sources represent 80.44% of total governmental revenue.

The largest expense of the District is for instructional programs. Instruction expenses totaled \$6,786,427 or 61.76% of total governmental expenses for fiscal year 2008.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue and expenses for fiscal years 2008 or 2007.

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The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. The following table shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State grants and entitlements.

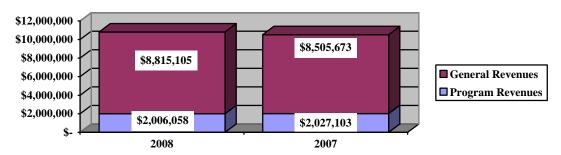
		Governmen	ntal A	ctivities				
	To	otal Cost of	1	Net Cost of	Г	Total Cost of	Ν	let Cost of
		Services	Services			Services		Services
		2008		2008	2007		2007	
Program expenses								
Instruction:								
Regular	\$	5,283,768	\$	4,728,316	\$	4,721,004	\$	4,166,297
Special		1,045,142		371,327		896,119		248,587
Vocational		381,933		317,783		365,970		313,476
Adult/continuing		12,685		12,685		10,857		10,857
Other		62,899		62,899		65,099		65,099
Support services:								
Pupil		243,507		240,587		295,640		290,013
Instructional staff		553,915		500,793		530,053		459,192
Board of education		17,366		17,366		17,068		17,068
Administration		742,349		729,323		710,252		701,273
Fiscal		244,574		244,574		233,542		230,168
Business		8,535		3,641		6,478		6,478
Operations and maintenance		936,361		913,977		769,200		728,718
Pupil transportation		544,102		538,130		453,992		444,989
Operations of non-instructional services:								
Food service operations		422,483		10,688		373,296		(13,100)
Other non-instructional services		-		-		1,905		(37)
Extracurricular activities		335,083		136,555		389,604		143,898
Intergovernmental pass-through		-		-		6,768		6,768
Interest and fiscal charges		154,379		154,379		173,219		173,219
Total expenses	\$	10,989,081	\$	8,983,023	\$	10,020,066	\$	7,992,963

The dependence upon tax and other general revenues for governmental activities is apparent, 80.94% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 81.74%. The District's taxpayers and unrestricted grants and entitlements from the State of Ohio, as a whole, are by far the primary support for District's students.

Governmental Activities - Revenues and Expenses

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue for fiscal years 2008 and 2007:



Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues

The District's Funds

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$2,720,209, which is lower than last year's total of \$2,786,453. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Fund Balance	Fund Balance	Increase	Percentage
	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007	(Decrease)	Change
General	\$ 1,433,058	\$ 1,547,087	\$ (114,029)	(7.37) %
Classroom facilities maintenance	674,120	645,463	28,657	4.44 %
Other governmental	<u>613,031</u>	593,903	19,128	3.22 %
Total	\$ 2,720,209	\$ 2,786,453	\$ (66,244)	(2.38) %

General Fund

The District's general fund balance decreased \$114,029. In fiscal year 2008, other revenue and earnings on investments decreased from 2007. In addition, the District saw an increase in expenditures for instructional programs which is the District's largest expenditure line item.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and fund balance of the general fund.

	2008 Amount	2007 Amount	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
<u>Revenues</u>				
Taxes	\$ 3,018,531	\$ 2,897,608	\$ 120,923	4.17 %
Earnings on investments	105,712	121,021	(15,309)	(12.65) %
Intergovernmental	5,677,415	5,512,177	165,238	3.00 %
Other revenues	353,527	397,532	(44,005)	(11.07) %
Total	\$ 9,155,185	\$ 8,928,338	\$ 226,847	2.54 %
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Instruction	\$ 5,677,426	\$ 5,025,486	\$ 651,940	12.97 %
Support services	3,026,440	2,872,310	154,130	5.37 %
Extracurricular activities	199,221	193,876	5,345	2.76 %
Facilities acquisition and construction	325,430	5,100	320,330	6,280.98 %
Capital outlay	-	73,868	(73,868)	(100.00) %
Debt service	41,359	102,414	(61,055)	(59.62) %
Total	<u>\$ 9,269,876</u>	\$ 8,273,054	<u>\$ 996,822</u>	12.05 %

The largest percentage change in revenues from fiscal 2007 to fiscal 2008 was earnings on investments. This was due to a decrease in interest earned on certain investments held by the District. The most significant percentage changes in the expenditures were the facilities acquisition and construction, capital outlay and debt service expenditures. Facilities acquisition and construction increased due to construction of new facilities during fiscal year 2008. Capital outlay decreased as the District did not enter into any new capital leases during fiscal 2008. The District retired an old capital lease during fiscal 2008, which decreased debt service expenditures.

Classroom Facilities Maintenance Fund

The classroom facilities maintenance fund had \$86,751 in revenues and \$58,094 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the classroom facilities maintenance fund's fund balance increased \$28,657 from \$645,463 to \$674,120.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The District's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted funds are the general fund and the classroom facilities maintenance fund.

During the course of fiscal 2008, the District did not amend the general fund budgeted revenues. The original and final budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$8,956,616. Actual revenues and other financing sources for fiscal year 2008 was \$9,191,464. This represents a \$234,848 increase over final budgeted revenues.

General fund original and final appropriations (appropriated expenditures including other financing uses) totaled \$9,327,786 and \$9,377,786, respectively. The actual budget basis expenditures for fiscal year 2008 totaled \$9,200,751, which was \$177,035 less than the final budget appropriations.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2008, the District had \$14,627,026 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The following table shows fiscal year 2008 balances compared to 2007:

Capital Assets at June 30 (Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities			
	2008	2007		
Land	\$ 285,043	\$ 285,043		
Land improvements	910,860	929,933		
Building and improvements	12,848,882	13,082,871		
Furniture and equipment	468,824	550,029		
Vehicles	113,417	143,589		
Total	\$ 14,627,026	\$ 14,991,465		

The overall decrease in capital assets of \$364,439 is due to depreciation expense of \$709,179 and disposals of \$47,860 (net of accumulated depreciation) exceeding capital outlay of \$392,600 in the fiscal year.

See Note 8 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the District's capital assets.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2008, the District had \$2,641,916 in general obligation bonds and \$88,809 in capital leases outstanding. Of this total, \$201,448 is due within one year and \$2,529,277 is due within greater than one year. The following table summarizes the bonds, loans and capital leases outstanding.

Outstanding Debt, at Year End

	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2007
General obligation bonds Asbestos abatement loans Capital leases	\$ 2,641,916 	\$ 2,736,469 6,230 136,140
Total	\$ 2,730,725	\$ 2,878,839

At June 30, 2008, the District's overall legal debt margin was \$6,560,341, and an unvoted debt margin of \$95,519.

See Note 10 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the District's debt administration.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Current Financial Related Activities

The District built a new K-12 school building through the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) and local funding and occupied the new building in September, 2001. Some costs incurred as part of this building project had to be paid from local funds. The District was required by OSFC to purchase the 80 acres of land for the new building. In addition, the Board offices were not included in the OSFC plan and had to be built and financed by the District. The District's utility costs have tripled in the new building due to added lighting, air conditioning and other OSFC building specifications.

The District put a 4.5 mill levy on the November, 2004, ballot, which was defeated. Because of this levy defeat, several cost-saving measures were put in place during the 2004-05 and the 2005-06 school years. Two staff members who retired at the end of the 2004-05 school year were not replaced and in more recent years several senior staff members have retired and were replaced by less experienced personnel. The teaching and non-teaching staffs have both negotiated to pick up more of the cost of the health insurance for the District. Employees of the District now pay 12% of the medical/prescription insurance premium.

The District has a school district income tax that was approved by the voters in 1990, with collections beginning in 1991. In fiscal year 2008, the District collected \$1,027,237 from this income tax. In the recent declining economy, the income tax has still been an integral part of the District's revenue stream.

In fiscal year 2008, the District was ranked 93 on the Ohio Department of Education local wealth measure. What this means is that of the 612 school districts in Ohio, there are 519 schools which are wealthier than New London Local School District. This is an amazing fact considering the success we have seen on our report card. We have received an Excellent rating on our report card for several years and Effective for the last two years. Even though our resources are limited, we have made good use of those resources and have found success.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Ms. Gina Blackman, Treasurer, New London Local School District, 2 Wildcat Drive, New London, Ohio 44851-1299.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2008

		overnmental Activities
Assets:		
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,288,934
Receivables:		
Taxes		2,750,636
Accounts.		16,159
Accrued interest		743
Intergovernmental		43,173
Materials and supplies inventory		22,326
Unamortized bond issue costs		82,542
Capital assets:		- ,-
Land		285,043
Depreciable capital assets, net		14,341,983
Capital assets, net		14,627,026
		14,027,020
Total assets.		20,831,539
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable.		33,993
Accrued wages and benefits		864,778
Pension obligation payable.		196,921
Intergovernmental		47,892
Unearned revenue		1,854,269
Accrued interest payable		6,324
		0,524
Long-term liabilities:		398,149
Due within one year.		
Due in more than one year		3,121,284
Total liabilities		6,523,610
Net Assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net		
of related debt		12,140,158
Restricted for:		
Debt service.		378,126
State funded programs		8,447
Federally funded programs.		4,274
Student activities		80,520
Public school support		24,128
Classroom facilities maintenance.		677,892
Other purposes		14,975
Unrestricted		979,409
Total pat assats	¢	14 307 020
Total net assets	\$	14,307,929

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

					Prog	am Revenues			R (et (Expense) evenue and Changes in Net Assets
		Expenses	S	narges for ervices nd Sales	G	perating rants and ntributions	Gra	Capital ants and tributions		overnmental Activities
Governmental activities:		Lapenses								
Instruction:										
Regular	\$	5,283,768	\$	404.071	\$	151,381	\$	-	\$	(4,728,316)
Special	·	1,045,142		1,616		672,199		-		(371,327)
Vocational		381,933		-		64,150		-		(317,783)
Adult/continuing		12,685		-		-		-		(12,685)
Other		62,899		-		-		-		(62,899)
Support services:										
Pupil		243,507		-		2,920		-		(240,587)
Instructional staff		553,915		986		52,136		-		(500,793)
Board of education		17,366		-		-		-		(17,366)
Administration		742,349		-		13,026		-		(729,323)
Fiscal		244,574		-		-		-		(244,574)
Business		8,535		4,650		244		-		(3,641)
Operations and maintenance		936,361		-		22,384		-		(913,977)
Pupil transportation		544,102		-		-		5,972		(538,130)
Operation of non-instructional services:										
Food service operations		422,483		214,257		197,538		-		(10,688)
Extracurricular activities		335,083		190,320		8,208		-		(136,555)
Interest and fiscal charges		154,379		-		-		-		(154,379)
Total governmental activities	\$	10,989,081	\$	815,900	\$	1,184,186	\$	5,972		(8,983,023)
	Ge	neral Revenues	5:							

General purposes	2,068,169
Special revenue	25,285
Debt service.	266,362
School district income tax	1,027,237
Grants and entitlements not restricted	
to specific programs	5,317,777
Investment earnings	105,366
Miscellaneous	4,909
Total general revenues	8,815,105
Change in net assets	(167,918)
	(107,910)
Net assets at beginning of year	14,475,847
Net assets at end of year	\$ 14,307,929

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2008

	Classroom Facilities General Maintenance		Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
Assets:					
Equity in pooled cash					
and cash equivalents	\$ 1,973,534	\$ 669,222	\$ 631,203	\$ 3,273,959	
Receivables:					
Taxes	2,445,364	40,046	265,226	2,750,636	
Accounts	15,397	-	762	16,159	
Accrued interest	743	-	-	743	
Intergovernmental	-	-	43,173	43,173	
Materials and supplies inventory	-	-	22,326	22,326	
Restricted assets:					
Equity in pooled cash					
and cash equivalents	14,975			14,975	
Total assets	\$ 4,450,013	\$ 709,268	\$ 962,690	\$ 6,121,971	
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 31,401	\$ -	\$ 2,592	\$ 33,993	
Accrued wages and benefits	783,054	-	81,724	864,778	
Compensated absences payable	166,972	-	3,378	170,350	
Pension obligation payable.	175,658	-	21,263	196,921	
Intergovernmental payable.	42,687	-	5,205	47,892	
Deferred revenue.	201,611	3,772	28,176	233,559	
Unearned revenue	1,615,572	31,376	207,321	1,854,269	
Total liabilities	3,016,955	35,148	349,659	3,401,762	
Fund Balances:					
Reserved for encumbrances	150,117	24,405	30,611	205,133	
supplies inventory.	-	-	22,326	22,326	
Reserved for debt service	-	-	326,545	326,545	
Reserved for property tax unavailable					
for appropriation	254,732	4,898	32,705	292,335	
Reserved for school bus purchases	14,975	-	-	14,975	
General fund	1,013,234	-	-	1,013,234	
Special revenue funds		644,817	200,844	845,661	
Total fund balances	1,433,058	674,120	613,031	2,720,209	
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 4,450,013	\$ 709,268	\$ 962,690	\$ 6,121,971	

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2008

Total governmental fund balances		\$ 2,720,209
Amounts reported for governmental activities on the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		14,627,026
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current- period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds. Taxes Intergovernmental revenue Accrued interest	\$ 229,840 2,976 743	
		233,559
Unamortized bond issuance costs are not recognized in the funds.		82,542
Unamortized premiums on bond issuances are not recognized in the funds.		(140,165)
Unamortized deferred charges on refundings are not recognized in the funds.		55,208
In the statement of activities interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, interest expenditures are reported when due.		(6,324)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Compensated absences	(533,401)	
Capital lease obligations	(88,809)	
General obligation bonds	(2,641,916)	
Total		 (3,264,126)
Net assets of governmental activities		\$ 14,307,929

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	General	Classroom Facilities Maintenance		
Revenues: From local sources:				Funds
Taxes	\$ 3,018,531	\$ 23,886	\$ 257,608	\$ 3,300,025
Tuition	316,930	-	14,355	331,285
Earnings on investments.	105,712	23,337	9,496	138,545
Charges for services	-	-	214,257	214,257
Extracurricular	-	-	250,139	250,139
Classroom materials and fees	34,379	-	-	34,379
Other local revenues.	2,218	-	10,005	12,223
Intergovernmental - state	5,677,415	39,528	184,406	5,901,349
Intergovernmental - federal	-	-	564,562	564,562
	9,155,185	86,751	1,504,828	10,746,764
Expenditures: Current: Instruction:				
Regular	4,519,219	-	219,113	4,738,332
Special.	706,972	-	323,172	1,030,144
Vocational.	376,804	-	4,886	381,690
Adult/continuing	12,685	-	-	12,685
Other	61,746	-	-	61,746
Pupil	239,925	-	3,105	243,030
Instructional staff	496,438	-	55,088	551,526
Board of education	17,366	-	-	17,366
Administration	715,037	880	17,581	733,498
Fiscal	239,063	-	-	239,063
Business	-	-	5,425	5,425
Operations and maintenance	802,286	57,214	-	859,500
Pupil transportation	516,325	-	-	516,325
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	-	-	416,627	416,627
Extracurricular activities	199,221	-	180,423	379,644
Facilities acquisition and construction	325,430	-	15,551	340,981
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	31,774	-	146,230	178,004
Interest and fiscal charges	9,585	-	100,982	110,567
Bond issuance costs	-	-	85,882	85,882
Total expenditures	9,269,876	58,094	1,574,065	10,902,035
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(114,691)	28,657	(69,237)	(155,271)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Sale of assets	662	-	-	662
Sale of refunding bonds.	-	-	2,129,971	2,129,971
Premium on sale of refunding bonds	-	-	145,836	145,836
Payment to refunding bond escrow agent.	-		(2,187,442)	(2,187,442)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(114 029)	-	88,365	89,027
Net change in fund balances	(114,029)	28,657	19,128	(66,244)
Fund balances at beginning of year	1,547,087	\$ 674,120	<u>593,903</u>	\$ 2,786,453
Fund balances at end of year	\$ 1,433,058	\$ 674,120	\$ 613,031	\$ 2,720,209

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ (66,244)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Depreciation expense exceeds capital outlays in the current period accordingly. Capital asset additions Current year depreciation Total	\$ 392,600 (709,179)	(316,579)
Governmental funds only report the gain from the disposal of capital assets to the extent proceeds are received from the sale. In the statement of activities, a gain or loss is reported for each disposal.		(47,860)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds. Delinquent property taxes Intergovernmental	87,028 (12,283)	
Accrued interest Total	(346)	74,399
Repayment of bond, loan and capital lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net assets.		178,004
Capital lease obligation payable balance forgiven as part of the lease trade-in agreement. This reduces the long-term obligations on the statement of net assets.		15,557
The sale of refunding bonds are recorded as an other financing source in the governmental funds; however, the proceeds increase long-term liabilities on the statement of net assets.		(2,129,971)
Payments to refunding bond escrow agents for the retirement of bonds are an other financing use in the governmental funds but the payment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net assets. Deferred charges related to bond refundings are amortized over the life of the issuance in the statement of activities. The following refunding transactions occurred in the fiscal year: Bonds refunded Deferred charges on refundings	2,130,000 57,442	
Total		2,187,442
Premiums on debt issuances are recognized as an other financing source in the governmental funds; however, they are amortized over the life of the issuance in the statement of activities.		(145,836)
Bond issuance costs are recognized as expenditures in the governmental funds; however, they are amortized over the life of the issuance in the statement of activities.		85,882
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, interest is expensed when due. The following items resulted in additional interest being recorded in the statement of activities:		
Decrease in accrued interest payable Accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds Amortization of deferred charges Amortization of bond premium	1,567 (45,476) (2,234) 5,671	
Amortization of bond issuance costs Total	(3,340)	(43,812)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	_	41,100
Change in net assets of governmental activities		\$ (167,918)
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

		Budgeted	l Amo	unts		Fin	iance with al Budget Positive
	O	riginal		Final	Actual		legative)
Revenues:		0			 		
From local sources:							
Taxes	\$	2,929,844	\$	2,929,844	\$ 3,006,666	\$	76,822
Tuition		308,832		308,832	316,930		8,098
Earnings on investments.		108,156		108,156	110,992		2,836
Classroom materials and fees		33,658		33,658	34,541		883
Other local revenues		199		199 5 524 506	204 5.670.624		5
Intergovernmental - state		5,534,506		5,534,506	 5,679,624		145,118
Total revenue		8,915,195		8,915,195	 9,148,957		233,762
Expenditures: Current:							
Instruction:							
Regular		4,478,956		4,502,965	4,417,957		85,008
Special.		718,261		722,111	708,479		13,632
Vocational		379,400		381,434	374,233		7,201
Adult		15,213		15,295	15,006		289
Other		79,125		79,549	78,047		1,502
Pupil		259,126		260,515	255,597		4,918
Instructional staff		490,083		492,710	483,409		9,301
Board of education		14,976		15,056	14,772		284
Administration		703,065		706,834	693,490		13,344
Fiscal		242,759		244,060	239,453		4,607
Operations and maintenance		880,658		885,378	868,664		16,714
Pupil transportation		528,615		531,449	521,416		10,033
Extracurricular activities.		202,556		203,641	199,797		3,844
Facilities acquisition and construction		329,924		331,693	 325,431		6,262
Total expenditures		9,322,717		9,372,690	 9,195,751		176,939
Excess of revenues over							
expenditures		(407,522)		(457,495)	 (46,794)		410,701
Other financing sources (uses):							
Refund of prior year expenditure		35,904		35,904	36,845		941
Advances in		4,872		4,872	5,000		128
Advances (out)		(5,069)		(5,096)	(5,000)		96
Sale of assets.		645		645	 662		17
Total other financing sources (uses)		36,352		36,325	 37,507		1,182
Net change in fund balance		(371,170)		(421,170)	(9,287)		411,883
Fund balance at beginning of year		1,629,943		1,629,943	1,629,943		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated		189,482		189,482	189,482		-
Fund balance at end of year							

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) CLASSROOM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	 Budgeted	Amo	ounts		Fin	iance with al Budget Positive
	Original		Final	Actual		legative)
Revenues:						
From local sources:						
Taxes	\$ 25,630	\$	25,630	\$ 37,220	\$	11,590
Earnings on investments	17,152		17,152	24,908		7,756
Intergovernmental - state	27,218		27,218	39,528		12,310
Total revenue	 70,000		70,000	 101,656		31,656
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Support services:						
Administration	890		890	880		10
Operations and maintenance	83,282		83,282	82,326		956
Total expenditures	 84,172		84,172	83,206		966
Net change in fund balance	(14,172)		(14,172)	18,450		32,622
Fund balance at beginning of year	621,081		621,081	621,081		-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	4,172		4,172	4,172		-
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 611,081	\$	611,081	\$ 643,703	\$	32,622

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2008

	Private-Purpose Trust		
	Scholarship		 Agency
Assets: Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$	372,412	\$ 33,062 201
Total assets.		372,412	\$ 33,263
Liabilities: Accounts payable		- - -	\$ 364 19 32,880
Total liabilities		-	\$ 33,263
Net Assets: Held in trust for scholarships Total net assets	\$	372,412	
Total net assets	\$	372,412	

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Private-Purpose Trust		
	Scl	nolarship	
Additions:	¢	17 571	
Interest Gifts and contributions.	\$	17,571 27,824	
Total additions		45,395	
Deductions:			
Scholarships awarded		35,379	
Change in net assets		10,016	
Net assets at beginning of year		362,396	
Net assets at end of year	\$	372,412	

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The New London Local School District (the "District") is located in north-central Ohio in parts of Huron, Lorain, and Ashland counties. The District includes all of the Village of New London and portions of surrounding townships.

The District is organized in accordance with Sections 2 and 3, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. Under such laws, there is no authority for a school district to have a charter or adopt local laws. The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at large for staggered four-year terms.

The District operates a pre-kindergarten school, elementary school, middle school and high school on a single campus. In addition, there are separate off-campus facilities including a weight room facility and a leased football stadium and track owned by the Village of New London. This is an operating lease for \$2,600 per year and its term is indefinite. The District employs 49 non-certified and 78 certified (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees to provide services to approximately 1,174 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups, which ranks it 435 out of 896 public and community school districts in Ohio, and 5th largest of 7 districts in Huron County.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "<u>The Financial Reporting Entity</u>" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "<u>Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units</u>". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the basic financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food service, preschool and student related activities of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Based upon the application of this criteria, the District has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government).

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

The following organizations are described due to their relationship to the District:

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Lake Erie Educational Computer Association (LEECA)

The Lake Erie Educational Computer Association (LEECA) is a jointly governed organization comprised of 31 school districts. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to the administrative and instructional functions of member districts. Each of the governments of these districts supports LEECA based upon a per pupil charge, dependent upon the software package utilized. The LEECA assembly consists of a superintendent or designated representative from each participating district and a representative from the fiscal agent. LEECA is governed by a board of directors chosen from the general membership of the LEECA assembly. The board of directors consists of a representative from the fiscal agent, the chairman of each operating committee, and at least one assembly member from each county from which participating districts are located.

Financial information can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer at the Educational Service Center of Lorain County, which serves as fiscal agent, located at 1885 Lake Avenue, Elyria, Ohio 44035.

Huron-Erie School Employees Insurance Association

The Huron-Erie School Employees Insurance Association (the "Association") is a jointly governed organization among 14 school districts. The Association assembly consists of a superintendent or designated representative from each participating district and the program administrator. The Association is governed by a board of directors chosen from the general membership. The degree of control exercised by any participating district is limited to its representation on the board. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the program administrator at the Huron-Erie School Employees Insurance Association, located at 2900 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio 44870. Refer to Note 11.D. for further information on this Association.

PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOL

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The District participates in a group rating plan for workers' compensation as established under Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the "Plan") was established as an insurance purchasing pool. The Plan is governed by a three-member Board of Directors. 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 Plan to cover the costs of administering the program. Refer to Note 11.C. for further information on this group rating plan.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. The District has no proprietary funds.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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

<u>General Fund</u> - The general fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

<u>Classroom Facilities Maintenance</u> - This fund is used to account for the proceeds of a special levy for the maintenance of facilities.

Other governmental funds of the District are used to account for (a) financial resources to be used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities; (b) for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose; and (c) for the accumulation of resources for and payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related cost.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

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

C. Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> - The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the governmental activities of the District. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include amounts paid by the recipient of goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the District are included on the statement of net assets.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column, and all nonmajor funds are aggregated into one column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

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

The private-purpose trust fund is reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The agency fund does not report a measurement focus as it does not report operations.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

<u>Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions</u> - 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 fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, income 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 5). Revenue from income taxes is recognized in the period in which the income is earned (see Note 6). 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 District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

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, grants, student fees, income taxes, rentals, and other miscellaneous receipts.

<u>Unearned Revenue and Deferred Revenue</u> - Unearned revenue and deferred revenue arise 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, 2008, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2009 operations, and other revenues received in advance of the fiscal year for which they are intended to finance, have been recorded as unearned revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met and delinquent property taxes due at June 30, 2008 are recorded as deferred revenue.

On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have been reported as deferred revenue.

<u>Expenses/Expenditures</u> - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The entitlement value of donated commodities used during the year is reported in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental 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.

E. Budgets

The District is required by State statute to adopt an annual appropriated cash basis budget for all funds (except agency funds). The specific timetable for fiscal year 2008 is as follows:

- 1. Prior to January 15, the Superintendent and Treasurer submit to the Board of Education a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing for all funds. Public hearings are publicized and conducted to obtain taxpayers' comments. The expressed purpose of this budget document is to reflect the need for existing (or increased) tax rates.
- 2. By no later than January 20, the board-adopted budget is filed with the Huron County Budget Commission for tax rate determination. The Huron County Commissioners waived this requirement for fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

- 3. Prior to April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's Certificate of Estimated Resources which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to June 30, the District must revise its budget so that total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Estimated Resources. The revised budget then serves as a basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year as reported by the District Treasurer. The Certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the District Treasurer. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statement, reflect the amounts set forth in the original and final Certificate of Estimated Resources issued for fiscal year 2008.
- 4. By July 1, the annual appropriation resolution is legally enacted by the Board of Education at the fund level of expenditures, which is the legal level of budgetary control. Although the legal level of budgetary control was established at the fund level of expenditures, the District has elected to present budgetary statement comparisons at the fund and function level of expenditures. State statute permits a temporary appropriation to be effective until no later than October 1 of each year. Resolution appropriations by fund must be within the estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission and the total of expenditures may not exceed the appropriation totals.
- 5. Any revisions that alter the total of any fund appropriation must be approved by the Board of Education.
- 6. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds consistent with the general obligation bond indenture and other statutory provisions. All funds completed the year within the amount of their legally authorized cash basis appropriation.
- 7. Appropriations amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education through the year by supplemental appropriations, which either reallocated or increased the original, appropriated amounts. All supplemental appropriations were legally enacted by the Board during fiscal year 2008. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statement, reflect the original and final appropriations adopted by the Board of Education including all supplemental appropriations.
- 8. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be re-appropriated. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund level.

F. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

During fiscal year 2008, investments were limited to State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio) and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. The investments in STAR Ohio 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.

The District has invested funds in STAR Ohio during fiscal 2008. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's shares price which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2008.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund or the Board of Education has, by policy, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2008 amounted to \$105,712, which includes \$22,124 assigned from other District funds.

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

G. Inventory

On government-wide and fund financial statements, purchased inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market and donated commodities are presented at their entitlement value. Inventories are recorded on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventories are accounted for using the consumption method. Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption, donated food and purchased food.

H. Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets that generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net assets, but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets except land are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

	Governmental
	Activities
Description	Estimated Lives
Land improvements	5 - 20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 50 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20 years
Vehicles	6 - 10 years

I. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund loans receivable/payable." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the statement of net assets. The District had no interfund loans receivable/payable at June 30, 2008.

J. Compensated Absences

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

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated <u>Absences</u>", a liability for vacation leave is accrued if a) the employees' rights to payment are attributable to services already rendered; and b) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or other means, such as cash payment at termination or retirement. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination (severance benefits). A liability for sick leave is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at June 30, 2008, by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination (severance) payments, as well as those employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, all employees with at least ten years of service were considered expected to become eligible to retire in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16.

The total liability for vacation and sick leave payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2008, and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute, plus any applicable additional salary related payments.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

In the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are reported to the extent that a known liability for an employee's retirement/resignation has been incurred by fiscal year-end and the liability will be liquidated with expendable available resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees are paid.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

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

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year. Bonds, loans and capital leases are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due.

L. Fund Balance Reserves

The 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, materials and supplies inventory, property tax revenue unavailable for appropriation, debt service and school bus purchases. The reserve for property taxes unavailable for appropriation represents taxes recognized as revenue under GAAP, but not available for appropriation under State statute.

M. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The amount restricted for other purposes includes amounts restricted by State statute for school bus purchases.

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

N. Estimates

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

O. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted assets when limitations on their use change the normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments or imposed by enabling legislation. In addition, the District has received monies that are restricted for school bus purchases. See Note 16 for details.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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

P. Interfund Activity

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

Q. Unamortized Bond Issuance Costs/Bond Premium and Discount/Accounting Gain or Loss

On government-wide financial statements, bond issuance costs are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight line method, which approximates the effective interest method. Unamortized bond issuance costs are recorded as an asset on the financial statements.

Bond premiums are deferred and accreted over the term of the bonds. Bond premiums are presented as an addition to the face amount of the bonds. Capital appreciation bond discounts are accreted over the term of the bonds.

For advance refunding resulting in the defeasance of debt, the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is deferred and amortized as a component of interest expense. This accounting gain or loss is amortized over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter, and is presented as an addition to or reduction of the face amount of the new debt.

On the governmental fund financial statements, issuance costs and bond premiums are recognized in the current period.

R. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. During fiscal year 2008, the District had no transactions that would be classified as special or extraordinary items.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2008, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 45, "<u>Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions</u>", GASB Statement No. 48, "<u>Sales and Pledges of Receivables and Future Revenues and Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets and Future Revenues</u>", and GASB Statement No. 50, "<u>Pension Disclosures</u>".

GASB Statement No. 45 establishes uniform standards of financial reporting for other postemployment benefits and increases the usefulness and improves the faithfulness of representations in the financial reports. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 45 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District; however, certain disclosures related to postemployment benefits (see Note 13) have been modified to conform to the new reporting requirements.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

GASB Statement No. 48 establishes criteria to ascertain whether certain transactions should be regarded as sales or as collateralized borrowings, as well as disclosure requirements for future revenues that are pledged and sold. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 48 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 50 establishes standards that more closely align the financial reporting requirements for pensions with those of other postemployment benefits. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 50 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

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B. Deficit Fund Balances

Fund balances at June 30, 2008 included the following individual fund deficits:

	Deficit
Nonmajor Funds	
Public school preschool	\$ 4,965
Agricultural education 5th quarter grant	39
Reducing class size	234

The general fund is liable for any deficits in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the 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 five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

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

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

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) above and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain 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 classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Protection of the 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.

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

A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2008, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$1,934,910. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "<u>Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures</u>", as of June 30, 2008, \$1,859,066 of the District's bank balance of \$2,124,112 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$265,046 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the District. The District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Although the securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

B. Investments

As of June 30, 2008, the District had the following investments and maturities:

		Investment	
	<u>Maturitie</u> 6 months		
Investment type	Fair Value	less	
STAR Ohio	<u>\$ 1,759,498</u>	<u>\$ 1,759,498</u>	

Interest Rate Risk: As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the District's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Credit Risk: Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAm money market rating. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard service rating.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the District at June 30, 2008:

Investment type	Fair Value	<u>% to Total</u>
STAR Ohio	\$ 1,759,498	<u>100.00</u> %

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Assets

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the note above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net assets as of June 30, 2008:

Cash and investments per note		
Carrying amount of deposits	\$	1,934,910
Investments	_	1,759,498
Total	\$	3,694,408
Cash and investments per statement of net assets		
Governmental activities	\$	3,288,934
Private-purpose trust fund		372,412
Agency fund	_	33,062
Total	\$	3,694,408

NOTE 5 - PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility and tangible personal property (used in business) located in the District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2008 represents collections of calendar year 2007 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2008 were levied after April 1, 2007, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2007, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at thirty-five percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2008 represents collections of calendar year 2007 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2008 became a lien December 31, 2006, were levied after October 1, 2007 and are collected in 2008 with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax revenue received during calendar year 2008 (other than public utility property) represents the collection of 2008 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2008 were levied after October 1, 2007 on the value as of December 31, 2007. Tangible personal property tax is being phased out. For 2007, tangible personal property was assessed at 12.5% for property including inventory. This percentage will be reduced to 6.25% for 2008 and zero for 2009. Payments 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. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the District prior to June 30.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 5 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)

House Bill No. 66 was signed into law on June 30, 2005. House Bill No. 66 phases out the tax on tangible personal property of general businesses, telephone and telecommunications companies, and railroads. The tax on general business and railroad property will be eliminated by calendar year 2009, and the tax on telephone and telecommunications property will be eliminated by calendar year 2011. The tax is phased out by reducing the assessment rate on the property each year. The bill replaces the revenue lost by the District due to the phasing out of the tax. In calendar years 2008-2010, the District will be fully reimbursed for the lost revenue. In calendar years 2011-2017, the reimbursements will be phased out.

The District receives property taxes from Ashland, Lorain and Huron Counties. The County Auditors periodically advance to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the Counties by June 30, 2008, are available to finance fiscal year 2008 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date tax bills are sent.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2008 was \$254,732 in the general fund, \$32,705 in the debt service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) and \$4,898 in the classroom facilities maintenance fund. These amounts have been recorded as revenue. The amount that was available as an advance at June 30, 2007 was \$200,351 in the general fund, \$26,759 in the debt service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund), and \$18,232 in the classroom facilities maintenance fund.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2008 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year-end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to unearned revenue.

On a full accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis the revenue has been deferred.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2008 taxes were collected are:

	2007 Secon Half Collec		2008 First Half Half Collections		
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	
Agricultural/residential					
and other real estate	\$ 91,700,780	94.85	\$ 93,451,210	97.48	
Public utility personal	3,456,200	3.58	2,408,080	2.51	
Tangible personal property	1,514,843	1.57	9,844	0.01	
Total	\$ 96,671,823	100.00	\$ 95,869,134	100.00	
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for:					
Operations	\$31.40		\$31.40		
Debt service	3.45		3.35		

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 6 - SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME TAX

The District has authorized, through voter approval, an annual 1% school district income tax levied on the school district income of individuals and estates. The tax is to be used for normal operating expenses of the District and is credited to the general fund. Total income tax revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2008, was \$1,027,237.

NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2008 consisted of taxes, accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees), accrued interest, and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the items of receivables reported on the statement of net assets follows:

Governmental Activities:

Taxes	\$ 2,750,636
Accounts	16,159
Accrued interest	743
Intergovernmental	43,173
Total	<u>\$ 2,810,711</u>

Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected within the subsequent year.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	06/30/07	Additions	Disposals	06/30/08
Governmental Activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 285,043	<u>\$</u> -	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 285,043
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	285,043			285,043
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	1,543,465	62,600	(7,853)	1,598,212
Buildings and building improvements	16,708,748	330,000	-	17,038,748
Furniture and equipment	816,676	-	(77,245)	739,431
Vehicles	741,727		(49,932)	691,795
Total capital assets, being depreciated	19,810,616	392,600	(135,030)	20,068,186
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Land improvements	(613,532)	(74,213)	393	(687,352)
Buildings and building improvements	(3,625,877)	(563,989)	-	(4,189,866)
Furniture and equipment	(266,647)	(40,805)	36,845	(270,607)
Vehicles	(598,138)	(30,172)	49,932	(578,378)
Total accumulated depreciation	(5,104,194)	(709,179)	87,170	(5,726,203)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 14,991,465	\$ (316,579)	\$ (47,860)	\$ 14,627,026

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$ 647,443
Support Services:	
Instructional staff	359
Administration	7,119
Business	3,110
Operation and maintenance	5,866
Pupil transportation	30,172
Extracurricular activities	8,439
Food service operations	6,671
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 709,179</u>

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 9 - CAPITAL LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

During a prior fiscal year, the District entered into capitalized leases for copier equipment. These lease agreements meet the criteria of capital lease as defined by FASB Statement No. 13, "<u>Accounting for Leases</u>", which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee. Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the financial statements for the governmental funds. These expenditures are reported as function expenditures on the budgetary statements.

Capital assets consisting of equipment have been capitalized in the amount of \$133,968. This amount represents the present value of the minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. Principal payments in fiscal year 2008 totaled \$31,774 paid by the general fund. In addition to the amount of principal retired, the District also ended leases with principal balances of \$15,557. Accumulated depreciation totaled \$26,794 resulting in a net book value of \$107,174 at June 30, 2008.

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2008:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2009	\$ 32,597
2010	32,597
2011	32,596
2012	2,716
Total minimum lease payments	100,506
Less: amount representing interest	(11,697)
Total	\$ 88,809

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

A. During the fiscal year 2008, the following changes occurred in governmental activities long-term obligations:

oongatonoi	Balance Outstanding 06/30/07	Additions	Reductions	Balance Outstanding 06/30/08	Amounts Due in <u>One Year</u>
Governmental Activities: General Obligation Loans: Asbestos abatement, 1989					
0%, 5/30/08 maturity Asbestos abatement, 1995	\$ 2,010	\$ -	\$ (2,010)	\$ -	\$ -
0%, 5/31/08 maturity	4,220		(4,220)		
Total general obligation loans	6,230		(6,230)		
<u>General Obligation Bonds:</u> Series 1999 Issue: Current interest bonds 5.25%, 12/01/22 original maturity	2,270,000	-	(2,270,000)	-	-
Capital appreciation bonds 7.639% to 7.701% (average effective) 12/01/008, 09, 10 & 11 maturity	265,673	-	_	265,673	73,924
Accreted interest on capital					
appreciation bonds	200,796	35,710	-	236,506	71,076
Series 2007 Refunding Issue: Current interest bonds 3.75% to 4.00%, 12/01/22 maturity Capital appreciation bonds 11% (average effective)	-	1,990,000	-	1,990,000	30,000
12/01/17 and 12/01/18 maturity Accreted interest on capital	-	139,971	-	139,971	-
appreciation bonds		9,766		9,766	
Total general obligation bonds	2,736,469	2,175,447	(2,270,000)	2,641,916	175,000
Other Obligations:					
Compensated absences Capital leases	628,451 136,140	138,212	(62,912) (47,331)	703,751 88,809	196,701 26,448
Total other obligations	764,591	138,212	(110,243)	792,560	223,149
Total governmental activities long-term liabilities	\$ 3,507,290	<u>\$ 2,313,659</u>	<u>\$ (2,386,473)</u>	3,434,476	\$ 398,149
Add: unamortized premium on bond issue				140,165	
Less: unamortized deferred charges on refunding Total on statement of net assets				(55,208)	
I otal on stateme	ent of net assets			\$ 3,519,433	

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

B. General Obligation Bonds

On October 1, 1999, the District issued \$3,250,673 in general obligation bonds (Series 1999, School Facilities Improvement Bonds), which represent the District's share of a construction and renovation project approved and significantly funded by the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC). These bonds are a general obligation of the District, for which the full faith and credit of the District is pledged for repayment. Payments of principal and interest relating to these bonds are recorded as an expenditure in the debt service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund). The source of payment is derived from a current 3.80 (average) mill bonded debt tax levy.

In conjunction with the 3.80 mills which support the bond issue, the District also passed in fiscal 2000 a .5 mill levy to ultimately fund the maintenance costs of the new facility. Tax revenue from this levy has been reported in the classroom facilities maintenance fund.

The original issue was comprised of current interest bonds, par value \$2,130,000, serial bonds, par value \$855,000, and capital appreciation bonds, par value \$265,673. On December 3, 2007, the District refunded \$2,130,000 of the current interest bonds (see Note 10.C. for detail). The capital appreciation bonds mature each December 1, 2008 through 2011, (effective interest 7.639%, 7.701%, 7.634%, and 7.639%, respectively) at redemption price equal to 100% of the principal, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. The accreted value at maturity for the capital appreciation bonds is \$580,000. A total of \$236,506 in accreted interest on the capital appreciation bonds has been included on the statement of net assets at June 30, 2008.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the Series 1999 general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2008, are as follows:

Fiscal	_	Capital Appreciation Bonds				
Year Ending	Principal			Interest		Total
2009	\$	73,924	\$	71,076	\$	145,000
2010		68,676		76,324		145,000
2011		63,801		81,199		145,000
2012		59,272		85,728		145,000
Total	\$	265,673	\$	314,327	\$	580,000

C. On December 3, 2007, the District issued general obligation bonds (Series 2007 School Facilities Improvement Refunding Bonds) to advance refund \$2,130,000 of the Series 1999 current interest general obligation bonds. The issuance proceeds were used to purchase securities which were placed in an irrevocable trust to provide resources for all future debt service payments on the refunded debt. This refunded debt is considered defeased (in-substance) and accordingly, has been removed from the statement of net assets.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

The refunding issue is comprised of both current interest bonds, par value \$1,990,000, and capital appreciation bonds, par value \$139,971. The interest rates on the current interest bonds range from 3.75% to 4.00%. The capital appreciation bonds mature on December 1, 2017 and December 1, 2018, (effective interest 11.00%) at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. The accreted value at maturity for the capital appreciation bonds is \$430,000. Total accreted interest of \$9,766 has been included in the statement of net assets. Interest payments of the current interest bonds are due on June 1 and December 1 of each year. The final maturity date stated on the issue is December 1, 2022.

The following is a schedule of activity for fiscal 2008 on the Series 2007 refunding bonds:

	Bala		A .d. d. : 4 : 4 : 4 : 4 : 4 : 4	Dedu		Balance
	06/30	/0/	 Additions	Reduc	cuons	06/30/08
Current interest bonds	\$	-	\$ 1,990,000	\$	-	\$ 1,990,000
Capital appreciation bonds		_	 149,737			149,737
Total refunding bonds	\$	-	\$ 2,139,737	\$	_	\$ 2,139,737

The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$57,442. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the remaining life of the refunded debt, which is equal to the life of the new debt issued. This advance refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next 15 years by \$211,694 and resulted in an economic gain of \$162,941.

The following is a summary of the future debt service requirements to maturity for the Series 2007 refunding bonds:

Fiscal		Curre	ent I	Interest Bonds			_	Capita	Bor	lds	
Year Ending	Princi	<u>pal</u>	I	nterest		Total	P	rincipal	 Interest		Total
2009	\$ 30	0,000	\$	76,382	\$	106,382	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
2010	30),000		75,363		105,363		-	-		-
2011	30	0,000		74,342		104,342		-	-		-
2012	30	0,000		73,323		103,323		-	-		-
2013	17:	5,000		69,837		244,837		-	-		-
2014 - 2018	780),000		245,856		1,025,856		73,730	141,270		215,000
2019 - 2023	91	5,000		111,500		1,026,500		66,241	 148,759		215,000
Total	\$ 1,99),000	\$	726,603	\$	2,716,603	\$	139,971	\$ 290,029	\$	430,000

D. Other Long-Term Obligations

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee's salaries are paid. For the District, this is the general fund and food service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund). The capital lease obligations are described in Note 9.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

E. Legal Debt Margin

The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the District shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the District. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The code additionally states that unvoted indebtedness related to energy conservation debt shall not exceed 9/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The assessed valuation used in determining the District's legal debt margin has been modified by House Bill 530 which became effective March 30, 2006. In accordance with House Bill 530, the assessed valuation used in the District's legal debt margin calculation excluded tangible personal property used in business, telephone or telegraph property, interexchange telecommunications company property, and personal property owned or leased by a railroad company and used in railroad operations. The effects of these debt limitations at June 30, 2008, are a voted debt margin of \$6,560,341 (including available funds of \$359,250) and an unvoted debt margin of \$95,519.

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Property, Fleet, and Liability Insurance

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. The District has a comprehensive property and casualty policy with the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), which includes boiler coverage. The deductible is \$250 per incident. All vehicles are insured with S.O.R.S.A. and have a \$500 comprehensive deductible for collision and comprehensive bus coverage and a \$500 comprehensive deductible for automobiles and a \$500 collision deductible for automobiles. All board members, administrators and employees are covered under a school district liability policy with SORSA. The limits of this coverage are \$11,000,000 per occurrence and \$13,000,000 aggregate.

Settled claims have not exceeded these commercial insurance coverages in any of the past three years and there have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from fiscal year 2007.

B. Employee Dishonesty Bonds

The board president is covered with a surety bond for \$20,000 through the OSBA Board Program. The superintendent and the treasurer are covered by a \$20,000 and a \$100,000 surety bond respectively. The student activity clerk/treasurer's secretary is also covered by a surety bond in the amount of \$10,000. These bonds are all with the Western Surety Company. The remaining employees who handle money are covered with a public employees blanket bond in the amount of \$50,000. This coverage is provided by the SORSA.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)

C. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2008, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the "Plan"), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 2.A.). The intent of the Plan is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the Plan. 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. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the Plan.

D. Huron-Erie School Employees Insurance Association

The District has contracted with the Huron-Erie School Employees Insurance Association (the "Association") to provide medical/surgical, dental, vision, and life insurance benefits for its employees and their covered dependents. The Association is a shared risk pool comprised of 14 school districts that provide public education within Erie and Huron Counties. The Districts pay monthly contributions that are placed in a common fund from which eligible claims and expenses are paid for employees of participating school districts and their covered dependents. Claims are paid for all participants regardless of claims flow.

In the event of withdrawal, the District shall assume and be responsible for payment of all claims of its eligible employees, families, and dependents from the effective date of withdrawal, regardless of when such claims were incurred, processed, or presented to the Association, insurance provider, insurance consultant, or any other appropriate or authorized person or representative; provided further, any such claims, which are paid after the effective date of withdrawal by the Association insurance provider or insurance consultant, or charged to such parties, shall be reimbursed in full by any withdrawing member upon demand of the Association.

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (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 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, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746. It is also posted on the SERS' Ohio website, www.ohsers.org, under *Forms and Publications*.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current District rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the District's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2008, 9.16 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$99,236, \$107,020 and \$113,776, respectively; 44.86 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

Plan Description - The District participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy - For fiscal year 2008, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 12 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

The District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$513,015, \$528,736 and \$523,418, respectively; 83.42 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2008 were \$10,527 made by the District and \$15,191 made by the plan members.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Employees Retirement System/State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio. As of June 30, 2008, certain members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The District's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The District participates in two cost-sharing, multiple employer postemployment benefit plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The Medicare Part B Plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries up to a statutory limit. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the System based on authority granted by State statute. The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2008, 4.18 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount; for 2008, this amount was \$35,800.

Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, the number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$66,668, \$56,414, and \$44,955, respectively; 44.86 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2008, this actuarially required allocation was 0.66 percent of covered payroll. The District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$7,150, \$7,277, and \$9,056, respectively; 44.86 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

Plan Description - The District contributes to the cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan (the "Plan") administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy - Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2008, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$39,463, \$40,672, and \$40,263, respectively; 83.42 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

NOTE 14 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

The statement of revenue, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (non-GAAP budgetary basis) presented for the general fund and major special revenue fund: classroom facilities maintenance fund are presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 14 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - (Continued)

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis for the general fund and classroom facilities maintenance fund is as follows:

Net Change in Fund Balance

	General	Classroom Facilities <u>Maintenance</u>
Budget basis	\$ (9,287)	\$ 18,450
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	6,228	(14,905)
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(248,745)	707
Net adjustment for other sources/uses	(36,845)	-
Adjustment for encumbrances	174,620	24,405
GAAP basis	<u>\$ (114,029)</u>	\$ 28,657

NOTE 15 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The District receives significant financial assistance from numerous federal, state and local agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the District. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material effect on the financial position of the District.

B. Litigation

The District is a party to other legal proceedings seeking damages or injunctive relief generally incidental to its operations and spending projects. The District management is of the opinion that disposition of the claim and legal proceedings will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the District.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 16 - STATUTORY RESERVES

The District is required by State law to set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statute, into various reserves. These reserves are calculated and presented on a cash basis. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the reserve activity was as follows:

	Textbooks/ Instructional <u>Materials</u>	Capital <u>Acquisition</u>
Set-aside balance as of June 30, 2007	\$ 58,295	\$ -
Current year set-aside requirement	174,953	174,953
Current year offsets	-	(76,748)
Qualifying disbursements	(259,600)	(520,390)
Total	\$ (26,352)	<u>\$ (422,185)</u>
Balance carried forward to FY 2009	\$ (26,352)	<u>\$ -</u>

The District had enough qualifying disbursements to reduce the set-a-side amount below zero for the textbooks/instructional materials reserve. This amount may be carried forward to future years. The District had enough qualifying expenditures and offsets to reduce the set-a-side amount below zero for the capital acquisition reserve; however, this amount may not be carried forward to future years.

In addition to the above statutory reserves, the District also received monies from the State of Ohio that are restricted for school bus purchases. The balance of money restricted for school bus purchases was \$14,975 at June 30, 2008. This balance is reported as restricted equity in pooled cash and reserved fund balance.

A schedule of the restricted assets at June 30, 2008 follows:

Amounts restricted for school bus purchases	\$ 14,975
Total restricted assets	\$ 14,975

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

NEW LONDON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ SUB GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	CFDA NUMBER	(A) PASS-THROUGH GRANT NUMBER	(B) CASH FEDERAL RECEIPTS	OTHER FEDERAL RECEIPTS	(B) CASH FEDERAL DISBURSEMENTS	OTHER FEDERAL DISBURSEMENTS
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE						
PASSED THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION						
(C) Food Donation	10.550	N/A	\$ -	\$ 24,721	\$ -	\$ 24,721
Total Food Donation				24,721		24,721
Nutrition Cluster:						
(D) (E) School Breakfast Program	10.553	2007	4,936		4,936	
(D) (E) School Breakfast Program	10.553	2008	16,285		16,285	
Total School Breakfast Program			21,221		21,221	
(D) (E) National School Lunch Program	10.555	2007	29,296		29,296	
(D) (E) National School Lunch Program	10.555	2008	131,163		131,163	
Total National School Lunch Program			160,459		160,459	
Total Nutrition Cluster:			181,680		181,680	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			181,680	24,721	181,680	24,721
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PASSED THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION						
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencie	84.010	2007	2,484		8,036	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencie Total Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	2008	62,792		<u>62,792</u> 70,828	
Total The Porants to Local Educational Agencies			05,270		70,828	
Special Education Cluster:						
Special Education Grants to States Special Education Grants to States	84.027 84.027	2007 2008	22,019 228,639		27,875 223,955	
Total Special Education Grants to States	84.027	2008	228,039		223,933	
Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities State Grants	84.186	2007	578		660	
Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities_State Grants	84.186	2008	3,211	_	3,211	
Total Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities State Grants			3,789	-	3,871	
State Grants for Innovative Programs	84.298	2008	2,536		2,536	
Total State Grants for Innovative Programs			2,536		2,536	
Education Technology State Grant:	84.318	2008	744		644	
Total Education Technology State Grants			744		644	
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	2007	3,196		5,885	
Improving Teacher Quality State Grant:	84.367	2008	42,250		40,537	
Total Improving Teacher Quality State Grants			45,446		46,422	
Total U.S. Department of Education			368,449		376,131	
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$ 550,129	\$ 24,721	\$ 557,811	\$ 24,721

(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

OAKS did not assign pass-through numbers for fiscal year 2008 This schedule was prepared on the cash basis of accounting The Food Donation Program is a non-cash, in kind, federal grant. Commodities are reported at the entitlement valt Included as part of "Nutrition Grant Cluster" in determining major program Commingled with state and local revenue from sales of lunches; assumed expenditures were made on ε fort in free rest herits.

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Commingled with state and local revenue from sales of funches; assumed expenditures were made on a first-in, first-out basis. The District generally must spend Federal assistance within 15 months of receipt (funds must be obligated by June 30th ai spent by September 30th). However, with Ohio Department of Education ("ODE")s approval, a District can transfer unspe Federal assistance to the succeeding year, thus allowing the District a total of 27 months to spend the assistance. Schools c document this by using special cost centers for each year's activity, and transferring the amounts ODE approves between t cost centers. During fiscal year 2008, the ODE authorized the following transfer

Program Title	CFDA	Grant Year	Tran	sfers Out	Tra	nsfers In
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencie Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencie	84.010 84.010	2007 2008	\$	1,516	\$	1,516
Special Education Grants to States Special Education Grants to States	84.027 84.027	2007 2008	_	1,981		1,981
Totals			\$	3,497	\$	3,497



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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*

Board of Education New London Local School District 2 Wildcat Drive New London, Ohio 44851

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of New London Local School District as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise New London Local School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 31, 2008. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered New London Local School District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of New London Local School District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of New London Local School District's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects New London Local School District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of New London Local School District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the New London Local School District's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by New London Local School District's internal control. Board of Education New London Local School District

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether New London 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 grant agreements, 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 or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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

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Report on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Its Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance In Accordance With *OMB Circular A-133*

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Compliance

We have audited the compliance of New London Local School District with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. New London Local School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of New London Local School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on New London Local School District's compliance based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, New London Local School District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of New London Local School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered New London Local School District's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of New London Local School District's internal control over compliance.

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A control deficiency in New London Local School District's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects New London Local School District's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by New London Local School District's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by New London Local School District's internal control.

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

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

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Julian & Grube, Inc. October 31, 2008

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A-133 § .505 JUNE 30, 2008

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS					
(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified			
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No			
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any other significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No			
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No			
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No			
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No			
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Program's Compliance Opinion	Unqualified			
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under §.510?	No			
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Program (listed):	Nutrition Cluster: School Breakfast Program - CFDA #10.553 and National School Lunch Program - CFDA #10.555			
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs	Type A: >\$300,000 Type B: all others			
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes			

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

None

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None





NEW LONDON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HURON COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED DECEMBER 9, 2008

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