

***NORTH COLLEGE HILL
CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT***

HAMILTON COUNTY

SINGLE AUDIT

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

J.L. UHRIG
AND ASSOCIATES INC.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS





Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

Board of Education
North College Hill City School District
1498 West Galbraith Road
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the North College Hill City School District, Hamilton County, prepared by J.L. Uhrig and Associates, 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 North College Hill City School District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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October 21, 2009

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Independent Accountant's Report

Board of Education
North College Hill City School District
1498 W. Galbraith Road
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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of North College Hill City School District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the 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 of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated September 17, 2009 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You and should read in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

September 17, 2009

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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The management's discussion and analysis of the North College Hill City 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 \$15,346 which represents a 0.18% decrease from 2007.
- General revenues accounted for \$14,673,182 in revenue or 81.48% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$3,335,667 or 18.52% of total revenues of \$18,008,849.
- The District had \$18,024,195 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$3,335,667 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$14,673,182 were adequate to provide for the remainder of these programs.
- The District's major governmental funds are the general fund, permanent improvement fund, and Ohio School Facilities (OSFC) fund. The general fund had \$11,644,739 in revenues and \$12,985,425 in expenditures and other financing uses. During fiscal year 2008, the general fund's fund balance decreased \$1,340,686 from \$3,383,300 to \$2,042,614.
- The District's permanent improvement fund had \$508,918 in revenues and \$239,431 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the permanent improvement fund's fund balance increased \$269,487 from \$1,595,146 to \$1,864,633.
- The District's OSFC fund had \$15,062,106 in revenues and other financing sources and \$724,734 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the OSFC fund's fund balance increased \$14,337,372 from \$0 to \$14,337,372.

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 permanent improvement fund are by far the most significant funds, and the only governmental funds reported as major funds.

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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 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, operation 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 14-15 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 10. 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, permanent improvement fund, and OSFC 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* than 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 16-19 of this report.

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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 23-48 of this report.

The District as a Whole

Recall that the Statement of Net Assets provides the perspective of the District as a whole.

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

	Net Assets	Net Assets
	Governmental	Governmental
	Activities	Activities
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Current and other assets	\$ 27,426,403	\$ 10,600,338
Capital assets, net	<u>2,466,727</u>	<u>2,670,145</u>
Total assets	<u>29,893,130</u>	<u>13,270,483</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities	6,452,021	3,758,532
Long-term liabilities	<u>15,149,200</u>	<u>1,204,696</u>
Total liabilities	<u>21,601,221</u>	<u>4,963,228</u>
<u>Net Assets</u>		
Invested in capital		
assets, net of related debt	2,466,727	2,670,145
Restricted	3,681,072	2,089,605
Unrestricted	<u>2,144,110</u>	<u>3,547,505</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 8,291,909</u>	<u>\$ 8,307,255</u>

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 \$8,291,909. Of this total, \$2,144,110 is unrestricted in use.

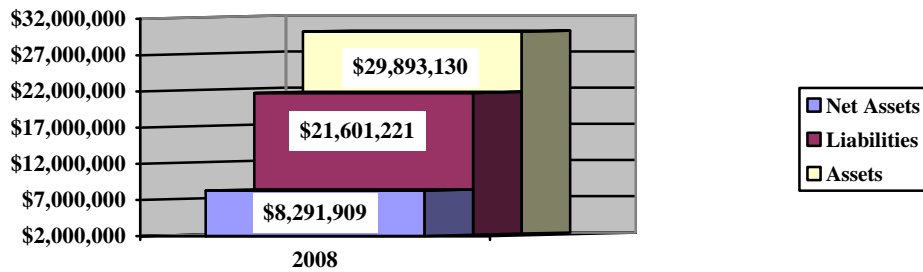
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At year-end, capital assets represented 8.05% of total assets. Capital assets include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, vehicles and construction in progress. Capital assets, net of related debt to acquire the assets at June 30, 2008, were \$2,466,727. 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. The district is currently in a district wide building program. The debt is being used to finance the new construction.

A portion of the District's net assets, \$3,681,072 represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$2,144,110 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

Governmental Activities



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

Change in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities <u>2008</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2007</u>
<u>Revenues</u>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 360,512	\$ 381,397
Operating grants and contributions	2,490,209	1,778,727
Capital grants and contributions	484,946	-
General revenues:		
Property taxes	5,613,273	4,614,612
Grants and entitlements	8,494,283	7,258,895
Investment earnings	553,106	337,622
Other	12,520	85,396
Total revenues	<u>18,008,849</u>	<u>14,456,649</u>

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Change in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities <u>2008</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2007</u>
<u>Expenses</u>		
Program expenses:		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 7,538,633	\$ 5,844,595
Special	1,994,656	1,815,415
Vocational	125,013	112,553
Adult/Continuing	32,156	2,537
Student Intervention Services	416,349	-
Other	74,396	47,285
Support services:		
Pupil	1,131,083	981,456
Instructional staff	1,543,641	1,259,387
Board of education	51,425	52,293
Administration	903,133	1,082,872
Fiscal	398,273	322,390
Business	5,645	5,915
Operations and maintenance	1,999,618	1,307,239
Pupil transportation	357,522	256,773
Central	46,497	35,296
Operations of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	769,305	682,276
Other	19,014	68,591
Extracurricular activities	380,189	372,795
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>237,647</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenses	<u>18,024,195</u>	<u>14,249,668</u>
Change in net assets	(15,346)	206,981
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>8,307,255</u>	<u>8,100,274</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 8,291,909</u>	<u>\$ 8,307,255</u>

Governmental Activities

Net assets of the District's governmental activities decreased \$15,346. Total governmental expenses of \$18,024,195 were offset by program revenues of \$3,335,667 and general revenues of \$14,673,182. Program revenues supported 18.51% of the total governmental expenses.

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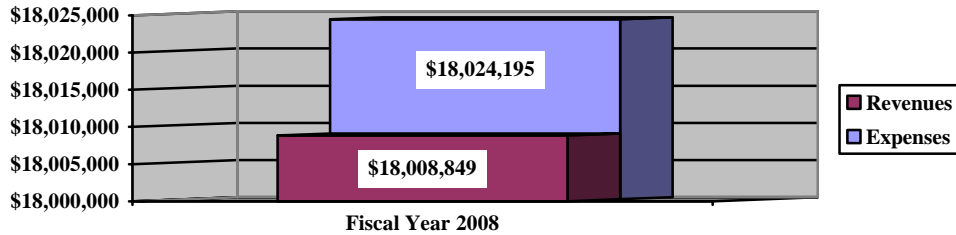
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The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, and grants and entitlements. These revenue sources represent 78.34% of total governmental revenue less debt issuance.

The largest expense of the District is for instructional programs. Instruction expenses totaled \$10,181,203 or 56.49% of total governmental expenses for fiscal 2008.

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

Governmental Activities - Revenues and Expenses



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.

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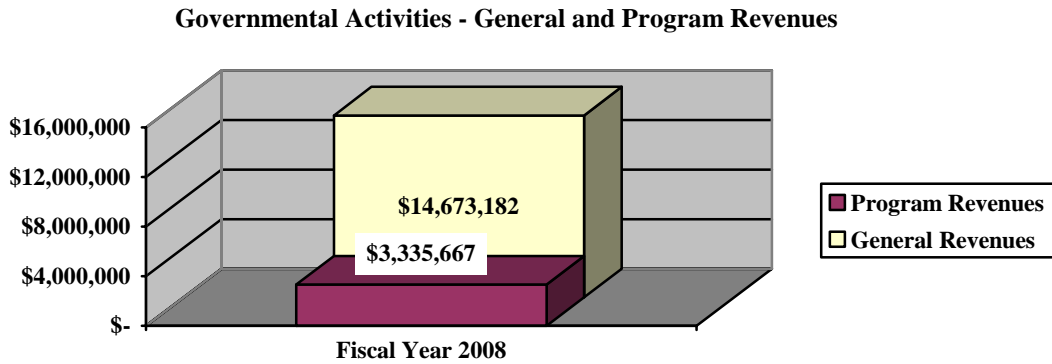
	Governmental Activities			
	Total Cost of Services <u>2008</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2008</u>	Total Cost of Services <u>2007</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2007</u>
Program expenses				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 7,538,633	\$ 6,862,762	\$ 5,844,595	\$ 5,372,428
Special	1,994,656	1,827,698	1,815,415	1,381,174
Vocational	125,013	124,376	112,553	112,553
Adult/Continuing	32,156	32,156	2,537	2,537
Student intervention services	416,349	(25,448)	-	-
Other	74,396	74,396	47,285	47,285
Support services:				
Pupil	1,131,083	724,447	981,456	634,774
Instructional staff	1,543,641	1,298,075	1,259,387	1,122,652
Board of education	51,425	51,425	52,293	52,293
Administration	903,133	893,815	1,082,872	1,079,609
Fiscal	398,273	398,273	322,390	322,290
Business	5,645	5,645	5,915	5,915
Operations and maintenance	1,999,618	1,499,053	1,307,239	1,301,207
Pupil transportation	357,522	357,522	256,773	250,041
Central	46,497	29,058	35,296	33,535
Operations of non-instructional services				
Food service operations	769,305	(47,753)	682,275	(19,370)
Other	19,014	10,720	68,591	68,591
Extracurricular activities	380,189	334,661	372,795	321,930
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>237,647</u>	<u>237,647</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 18,024,195</u>	<u>\$ 14,688,528</u>	<u>\$ 14,249,667</u>	<u>\$ 12,089,444</u>

The dependence upon tax and other general revenues for governmental activities is apparent, 87.38% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 81.49%. The District's taxpayers, as a whole, are by far the primary support for District's students.

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The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue for fiscal year 2008.



The District's Funds

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$19,954,673, which is higher than last year's total of \$6,008,672. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	<u>June 30, 2008</u>	<u>June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Change</u>
General	\$ 2,042,614	\$ 3,383,300	\$ (1,340,686)	(39.63) %
Permanent Improvement	1,864,633	1,595,146	269,487	16.89 %
OSFC	14,337,372	-	14,337,372	100.00 %
Other Governmental	<u>1,710,054</u>	<u>1,030,226</u>	<u>679,828</u>	65.99 %
Total	<u><u>\$ 19,954,673</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,008,672</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,946,001</u></u>	143.25 %

General Fund

The District's general fund balance decreased \$1,340,686. The decrease in fund balance can be attributed to several items related to increasing expenditures. Expenditures exceeded revenues for fiscal year 2008 by \$1,340,686. The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and fund balance of the general fund.

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	<u>2008</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>2007</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Percentage</u> <u>Change</u>
<u>Revenues</u>				
Taxes	\$ 3,993,227	\$ 4,139,250	\$ (146,023)	(3.53) %
Tuition	90,513	83,427	7,086	8.49 %
Earnings on investments	273,594	242,584	31,010	12.78 %
Intergovernmental	7,167,845	6,825,237	342,608	5.02 %
Other revenues	<u>119,560</u>	<u>111,002</u>	<u>8,558</u>	7.71 %
 Total	 <u>\$ 11,644,739</u>	 <u>\$ 11,401,500</u>	 <u>\$ 243,239</u>	 2.13 %
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Instruction	\$ 7,546,314	\$ 6,951,368	\$ 594,946	8.56 %
Support services	5,150,523	4,597,572	552,951	12.03 %
Non-instructional services	1,213	2,596	(1,383)	(53.27) %
Extracurricular activities	261,000	249,184	11,816	4.74 %
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-	-	- %
Debt service	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	- %
 Total	 <u>\$ 12,959,050</u>	 <u>\$ 11,800,720</u>	 <u>\$ 1,158,330</u>	 9.82 %

Tax revenue decreased as a result of less taxes being available for advance at year-end than in the prior year. Tuition revenue increased due to more tuition students being in the District. Investment earnings increased due to more cash on hand for investments than in the previous year. Instruction and Support Services increased due to raises and cost increases. Extracurricular expenditures increased due to an increase in extracurricular operations provided by the District in the current year.

Permanent Improvement Fund

The District's permanent improvement fund had \$508,918 in revenues and \$239,431 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the permanent improvement fund's fund balance increased \$269,487 from \$1,595,146 to \$1,864,633.

OSFC Funds

The District's OSFC funds had \$15,062,106 in revenues and other financing sources and \$724,734 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2008, the OSFC fund's balance increased \$14,337,372.

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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 fund is the general fund.

During the course of fiscal 2008, the District amended its general fund budget several times. For the general fund, original budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$11,983,160 and final budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$12,061,298. Actual revenues and other financing sources for fiscal 2008 were \$11,687,362. This represents a \$373,936 increase over original budgeted revenues.

General fund original appropriations (appropriated expenditures including other financing uses) of \$11,925,261 is the same as final appropriations. The actual budget basis expenditures for fiscal year 2008 totaled \$12,647,065 which was \$721,804 more than the final budget appropriations.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal 2008, the District had \$2,466,727 invested in land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, vehicles and construction in progress. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The following table shows fiscal 2008 balances compared to 2007:

**Capital Assets at June 30
(Net of Depreciation)**

	Governmental Activities	
	2008	2007
Land	\$ 84,688	\$ 84,688
Land improvements	327,228	392,236
Building and improvements	1,710,934	1,734,144
Furniture and equipment	331,743	439,183
Vehicles	12,134	19,894
 Total	 \$ 2,466,727	 \$ 2,670,145

The overall decrease in capital assets of \$203,418 is due to depreciation expense of \$319,275 and disposals of capital assets of \$150,758 exceeding capital outlays of \$126,726.

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

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Current Financial Related Activities

The District faces many challenges in the future. As the preceding information shows, the District relies heavily upon grants, entitlements, and property taxes. Since future grant and entitlement revenue is expected to decrease, the reliance upon local taxes is increasingly important. We are continually evaluating staffing to reduce costs wherever possible, and we will continue to do so.

Another challenge facing the District is the CFAP being investigated through the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC). All of our buildings are old and require constant maintenance. They do not meet current building codes. The District ranks approximately 223rd on the list. In November 2007, the voters approved a 3.99 mill bond issue to fund the local portion of the OSFC project.

The last challenge facing the District is the future of state funding. The Ohio Supreme Court ruled in March 1997 that the State of Ohio was operating an unconstitutional educational system, one that was neither "adequate" nor "equitable." On December 11, 2002, the Ohio Supreme Court issued its latest opinion regarding the State's school funding plan. The decision reaffirmed earlier decisions that Ohio's current school-funding plan is unconstitutional. At this time, the District is unable to determine what effect, if any, this decision will have on its future State funding and on its financial operations.

The District has anticipated a nominal increase in State funding due to stagnant or slightly declining enrollment. The District loses some students to charter schools. When these students leave, the State funding is also decreased significantly. The District's main challenge is how to keep these students enrolled in our schools. With decreases in State funding, the District has to look for ways to either decrease costs or increase revenues on an ongoing basis.

The District is continually monitoring expenditures to be able to take a proactive stance. All of the District's financial abilities will be needed to meet the upcoming financial challenges.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizen's 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. Sandy Chance, Treasurer, of North College Hill City School District, 1498 West Galbraith Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231.

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents.	\$ 21,321,356
Receivables:	
Taxes	5,569,365
Accounts	7,306
Intergovernmental	128,946
Accrued interest	191,865
Materials and supplies inventory	18,875
Deferred Charges	188,690
Capital assets:	
Land and construction in progress	84,688
Depreciable capital assets, net	2,382,039
Total capital assets, net.	<u>2,466,727</u>
 Total assets.	 <u>29,893,130</u>
 Liabilities:	
Accounts payable.	35,338
Accrued wages and benefits	1,296,567
Intergovernmental payable	416,233
Deferred revenue	3,203,883
Notes payable.	1,500,000
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year.	487,348
Due within more than one year	14,661,852
Total liabilities.	<u>21,601,221</u>
 Net Assets:	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt.	2,466,727
Restricted for:	
Capital projects	2,830,263
Debt service.	433,231
Other purposes	417,578
Unrestricted.	<u>2,144,110</u>
 Total net assets	 <u>\$ 8,291,909</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Governmental activities:					
Instruction:					
Regular	\$ 7,538,633	\$ 183,121	\$ 492,750	\$ -	\$ (6,862,762)
Special	1,994,656	-	166,958	-	(1,827,698)
Vocational	125,013	-	637	-	(124,376)
Adult/Continuing	32,156	-	-	-	(32,156)
Student intervention services	416,349	-	441,797	-	25,448
Other	74,396	-	-	-	(74,396)
Support services:					
Pupil	1,131,083	8,201	398,435	-	(724,447)
Instructional staff	1,543,641	-	245,566	-	(1,298,075)
Board of education	51,425	-	-	-	(51,425)
Administration	903,133	-	9,318	-	(893,815)
Fiscal	398,273	-	-	-	(398,273)
Business	5,645	-	-	-	(5,645)
Operations and maintenance	1,999,618	6,094	9,525	484,946	(1,499,053)
Pupil transportation	357,522	-	-	-	(357,522)
Central	46,497	-	17,439	-	(29,058)
Operation of non-instructional services:					
Food service operations	769,305	117,568	699,490	-	47,753
Other non-instructional services	19,014	-	8,294	-	(10,720)
Extracurricular activities	380,189	45,528	-	-	(334,661)
Interest and fiscal charges	237,647	-	-	-	(237,647)
Total governmental activities	\$ 18,024,195	\$ 360,512	\$ 2,490,209	\$ 484,946	\$ (14,688,528)

General Revenues:

Property taxes levied for:	
General purposes	4,597,952
Debt service	569,582
Capital projects	445,739
Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs	8,494,283
Investment earnings	553,106
Miscellaneous	12,520
Total general revenues	14,673,182
Change in net assets	(15,346)
Net assets at beginning of year	8,307,255
Net assets at end of year	\$ 8,291,909

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008

	<u>General</u>	<u>Permanent Improvement</u>	<u>OSFC Funds</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets:					
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,187,190	\$ 1,725,568	\$ 15,783,993	\$ 1,880,630	\$ 20,577,381
Receivables:					
Taxes.	4,438,504	442,548	-	688,313	5,569,365
Accounts	1,761	-	-	5,545	7,306
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	128,946	128,946
Accrued interest	65,937	-	125,928	-	191,865
Interfund receivable	179,641	-	-	-	179,641
Materials and supplies inventory	5,343	-	-	13,532	18,875
Restricted assets:					
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	743,975	-	-	-	743,975
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,622,351</u>	<u>\$ 2,168,116</u>	<u>\$ 15,909,921</u>	<u>\$ 2,716,966</u>	<u>\$ 27,417,354</u>
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 34,369	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 969	\$ 35,338
Accrued wages and benefits	1,136,469	-	-	160,098	1,296,567
Intergovernmental payable.	340,888	-	-	75,345	416,233
Interfund payable.	-	-	-	179,641	179,641
Deferred revenue.	3,068,011	303,483	72,549	590,859	4,034,902
Notes payable	-	-	1,500,000	-	1,500,000
Total liabilities	<u>4,579,737</u>	<u>303,483</u>	<u>1,572,549</u>	<u>1,006,912</u>	<u>7,462,681</u>
Fund Balances:					
Reserved for encumbrances	86,465	559,413	1,940,614	25,761	2,612,253
Reserved for materials and supplies inventory.	5,343	-	-	13,532	18,875
Reserved for debt service	-	-	-	152,893	152,893
Reserved for property tax unavailable for appropriation	1,413,301	139,065	-	205,292	1,757,658
Reserved for instructional materials.	159,304	-	-	-	159,304
Reserved for capital maintenance	215,795	-	-	-	215,795
Unreserved:					
Designation for budget stabilization	368,876	-	-	-	368,876
Undesignated, reported in:					
General fund	(206,470)	-	-	-	(206,470)
Special revenue funds.	-	-	-	904,496	904,496
Capital projects funds.	-	1,166,155	12,396,758	408,080	13,970,993
Total fund balances	<u>2,042,614</u>	<u>1,864,633</u>	<u>14,337,372</u>	<u>1,710,054</u>	<u>19,954,673</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 6,622,351</u>	<u>\$ 2,168,116</u>	<u>\$ 15,909,921</u>	<u>\$ 2,716,966</u>	<u>\$ 27,417,354</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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

Total governmental fund balances		\$ 19,954,673
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:</i>		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		2,466,727
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.		
Taxes	\$ 734,428	
Intergovernmental revenue	96,591	
Total		831,019
Unamortized issuance costs represent deferred charges which do not provide current financial resources and are therefore not reported in the funds		188,690
Long-term liabilities, including capital lease obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Compensated absences	(1,444,412)	
General Obligation Bonds	(9,500,000)	
Certificate of Participation	(3,965,000)	
Premium on bonds issued	(239,788)	
Total		(15,149,200)
Net assets of governmental activities		\$ 8,291,909

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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

	<u>General</u>	<u>Permanent Improvement</u>	<u>OSFC Funds</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:					
From local sources:					
Taxes	\$ 3,993,227	\$ 391,082	\$ -	\$ 494,536	\$ 4,878,845
Tuition.	90,513	-	-	35,581	126,094
Earnings on investments.	273,594	72,293	164,763	42,456	553,106
Charges for services.	49,587	-	-	124,063	173,650
Extracurricular.	-	-	-	53,806	53,806
Other local revenues.	69,973	-	-	20,234	90,207
Intergovernmental	7,167,845	45,543	1,647,978	2,489,299	11,350,665
Total revenue	<u>11,644,739</u>	<u>508,918</u>	<u>1,812,741</u>	<u>3,259,975</u>	<u>17,226,373</u>
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	5,653,557	70,030	-	479,270	6,202,857
Special.	1,739,829	-	-	234,107	1,973,936
Vocational.	116,766	-	-	637	117,403
Adult/Continuing.	-	-	-	15,368	15,368
Student intervention services.	-	-	-	410,537	410,537
Other.	36,162	-	-	38,234	74,396
Support services:					
Pupil.	702,917	-	-	414,176	1,117,093
Instructional staff	1,288,630	-	-	238,863	1,527,493
Board of education	50,347	-	-	-	50,347
Administration.	1,046,866	-	-	5,250	1,052,116
Fiscal	382,245	6,979	-	35,605	424,829
Business	5,645	-	-	-	5,645
Operations and maintenance.	1,322,352	162,422	536,044	46,587	2,067,405
Pupil transportation	350,241	-	-	267	350,508
Central.	1,280	-	-	44,891	46,171
Food service operations	-	-	-	775,303	775,303
Other non-instructional services.	1,213	-	-	13,630	14,843
Extracurricular activities.	261,000	-	-	71,573	332,573
Debt service:					
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	237,647	237,647
Bond issuance costs	-	-	188,690	-	188,690
Total expenditures	<u>12,959,050</u>	<u>239,431</u>	<u>724,734</u>	<u>3,061,945</u>	<u>16,985,160</u>
Excess of revenues under expenditures	<u>(1,314,311)</u>	<u>269,487</u>	<u>1,088,007</u>	<u>198,030</u>	<u>241,213</u>
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfers in.	-	-	-	26,375	26,375
Transfers (out)	(26,375)	-	-	-	(26,375)
Proceeds from sale of bonds	-	-	9,500,000	-	9,500,000
Proceeds from Certificate of Participation	-	-	3,509,577	455,423	3,965,000
Premium on debt issued	-	-	239,788	-	239,788
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(26,375)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,249,365</u>	<u>481,798</u>	<u>13,704,788</u>
Net change in fund balances	(1,340,686)	269,487	14,337,372	679,828	13,946,001
Fund balances at beginning of year	<u>3,383,300</u>	<u>1,595,146</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,030,226</u>	<u>6,008,672</u>
Fund balances at end of year.	<u>\$ 2,042,614</u>	<u>\$ 1,864,633</u>	<u>\$ 14,337,372</u>	<u>\$ 1,710,054</u>	<u>\$ 19,954,673</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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	\$	13,946,001
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:</i>		
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. This is the amount by which depreciation expense (\$319,275) exceeds capital outlays (\$126,726) in the current period.		(192,549)
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, disposals, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net assets.		(10,869)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		
Taxes	58,994	
Intergovernmental	(61,109)	
Total	(2,115)	(2,115)
Bond issuance costs are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when due, but in the Statement of Activities these costs are accrued as deferred charges.		188,690
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, such as compensated absences and pension obligations, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		
Compensated Absences		(239,716)
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds; however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. In the current period, proceeds were received for bonds and Certificates of participation, which includes premiums on debt issued.		(13,704,788)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$	(15,346)

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues:				
From local sources:				
Taxes	\$ 3,918,952	\$ 4,032,971	\$ 4,034,503	\$ 1,532
Tuition	369,084	84,500	90,413	5,913
Earnings on investments	-	125,000	116,003	(8,997)
Other local revenues	-	127,000	115,122	(11,878)
Intergovernmental - State	7,695,124	7,682,027	7,167,845	(514,182)
Total revenue	<u>11,983,160</u>	<u>12,051,498</u>	<u>11,523,886</u>	<u>(527,612)</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	5,088,562	5,088,562	5,397,446	(308,884)
Special	1,618,661	1,618,661	1,679,718	(61,057)
Vocational	110,425	110,425	110,219	206
Other	36,200	36,200	36,162	38
Support services:				
Pupil	637,534	637,534	668,638	(31,104)
Instructional staff	1,181,647	1,181,647	1,189,522	(7,875)
Board of education	50,690	50,690	51,625	(935)
Administration	1,014,229	1,014,229	1,011,293	2,936
Fiscal	305,014	305,014	377,783	(72,769)
Business	-	-	5,645	(5,645)
Operations and maintenance	1,293,241	1,293,241	1,319,877	(26,636)
Pupil transportation	337,220	337,220	336,376	844
Central	1,300	1,300	1,281	19
Operation of non-instructional services	1,258	1,258	1,213	45
Extracurricular activities	249,280	249,280	246,272	3,008
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>11,925,261</u>	<u>11,925,261</u>	<u>12,433,070</u>	<u>(507,809)</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>57,899</u>	<u>126,237</u>	<u>(909,184)</u>	<u>(1,035,421)</u>
Other financing sources (uses):				
Refund of prior year expenditure	-	9,600	12,711	3,111
Transfers (out)	-	-	(33,881)	(33,881)
Advances in	-	-	150,625	150,625
Advances (out)	-	-	(180,114)	(180,114)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	200	140	(60)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>9,800</u>	<u>(50,519)</u>	<u>(60,319)</u>
Net change in fund balance	57,899	136,037	(959,703)	(1,095,740)
Fund balance at beginning of year	2,457,388	2,457,388	2,457,388	-
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	163,264	163,264	163,264	-
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 2,678,551</u>	<u>\$ 2,756,689</u>	<u>\$ 1,660,949</u>	<u>\$ (1,095,740)</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008

	Private-Purpose Trust	
	Scholarship	Agency
Assets:		
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 68,792	\$ 28,825
Accounts receivable	-	561
Total assets.	68,792	29,386
Liabilities:		
Due to students	-	\$ 29,386
Total liabilities	-	29,386
Net Assets:		
Held in trust for scholarships	68,792	-
Total net assets	\$ 68,792	\$ -

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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

	Private-Purpose Trust
	Scholarship
Additions:	
Interest	\$ 2,477
Gifts and contributions.	13,500
	15,977
Total additions.	15,977
Deductions:	
Scholarships awarded	1,960
	14,017
Change in net assets	14,017
Net assets at beginning of year	54,775
Net assets at end of year.	\$ 68,792

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

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

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The North College Hill City School District (the "District") was chartered by the Ohio State Legislature in 1832 by state laws enacted to create local Boards of Education. Today, the District operates under current standards prescribed by the Ohio State Board of Education as provided in division (D) of Section 3301.07 and Section 119.01 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The District operates under a locally elected five member Board form of government and provides educational services as authorized by its charter or further mandated by state and/or federal agencies. The District employs 61 non-certified and 115 certified (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees to provide services to approximately 1,553 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups, which ranks it 364 out of approximately 613 public school district in Ohio. It currently operates 3 elementary schools and 1 junior/senior high school (grades 7-12).

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, "The Financial Reporting Entity" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units". The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organization 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, foods 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; (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; (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). The following organizations are described due to their relationship to the District:

**NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

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

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

The Hamilton/Clermont Cooperative Association (HCCA):

The District is a participant in the Hamilton/Clermont Cooperative Association (HCCA) which is a computer consortium. HCCA is an association of 24 public school districts within the boundaries of Hamilton and Clermont Counties. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts. The governing board of HCCA consists of the superintendents and/or treasurers of the participating districts. HCCA is not accumulating significant financial resources nor is it experiencing fiscal stress that may cause an additional financial benefit to or burden on members in the future. Financial information can be obtained from the HCCA Board of Education, Al Porter, Director, at 7615 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231-3107.

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 through the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) as a group purchasing pool.

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.

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:

General Fund - 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.

Permanent Improvement Fund - A fund used to account for all transactions related to the acquiring, constructing, or improving of permanent improvements as authorized by Chapter 5705, Revised Code.

Ohio School Facilities Commission Fund - A fund to account for all transactions related to the District's participation in the construction and renovation of facilities funded by the State and the District.

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

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

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

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Proprietary funds are used to account for the District's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The District has no proprietary funds.

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 only agency fund accounts for student activities.

C. Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements - 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.

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.

Fund Financial Statements - 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

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statements therefore include 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. Agency funds do not report a measurement focus as they do 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.

Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions - 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, 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 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.

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

Deferred Revenue - Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2008, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2009 operation, have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue.

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

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Expenses/Expenditures - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities received 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. Allocation 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. The specific timetable for fiscal year 2008 is as follows:

1. Prior to January 15 of the preceding year, 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 Hamilton County Budget Commission for tax rate determination.
3. Prior to April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's Certificate of Estimated Resources which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to June 30, the District must revise its budget so that total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the Certificate of Estimated Resources. The revised budget then serves as a basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the Certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year as reported by the District Treasurer. The Certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the District Treasurer. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statement, reflect the amounts set forth in the original and final Amended Certificates 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. State statute permits a temporary appropriation to be effective until no later than October 1 of each year. Resolution appropriations by fund must be within the estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission and the total of expenditures and encumbrances may not exceed the appropriation totals.
5. 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.

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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 prior to June 30, 2008, however, none of these amendments were significant. The budget figures, as shown in the accompanying budgetary statement, reflect the original and final appropriation amounts including all amendments and modifications.
8. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbered appropriations are carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund level.

F. Cash and Investments

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

During fiscal year 2008, investments were limited to State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), federal agency securities, and U.S. Treasury notes. Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements 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 share 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. By policy of the Board of Education, investment earnings are assigned to the general fund and the private purpose trust funds. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2008 amounted to \$273,594.

For presentation on the basic financial statements, investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the District are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

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, inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventories are accounted for using the consumption method on both the fund financial statements and the government-wide statements.

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On the fund financial statements, reported materials and supplies inventory is equally offset by a fund balance reserve in the government fund which indicates that it does not constitute available spendable resources even though it is a component of net current assets.

Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption, donated food and purchased food.

H. Capital Assets

Governmental capital assets are those assets that are specifically related to governmental activities. These assets 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 \$1,000. 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. The District does not possess infrastructure.

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Land improvements	5 - 20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 50 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20 years
Vehicles	5 - 10 years

I. Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the Statement of Net Assets.

J. Compensated Absences

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

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In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, “Accounting for Compensated Absences”, 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. A liability for severance 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 in the future. For purposes of establishing a liability for severance on employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, all employees with at least five years of service were considered expected to become eligible to retire in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16.

The total liability for vacation and severance payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at 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.

For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts are recorded in the account “compensated absences payable” in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from the internal service fund are reported on the proprietary fund 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, compensated absences, and contractually required pension contributions 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 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, debt service, instructional materials, capital maintenance, and property tax revenue unavailable for appropriation. The reserve for property taxes unavailable for appropriation represents taxes recognized as revenue under GAAP but not available for appropriation under state statute. A portion of fund balance has also been designated for budget stabilization.

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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 the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

Restricted assets in the general fund represent cash and cash equivalents set-aside to establish a textbook reserve and capital acquisition reserve. These reserves are required by state statute. A schedule of statutory reserves is presented in Note 16.

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 and after nonoperating revenues/expenses in proprietary fund. 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. 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. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2008.

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NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

Deficit Fund Balances

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

Nonmajor Funds

EMIS	\$ 3,304
Alternative Education	11,324
Miscellaneous State Grants	14,929
Title VI-B	76,203
Title I	52,383
Drug Free	371
Title II-A	3,146
Other Miscellaneous Grants	2,640

These funds complied with Ohio state law, which does not permit a cash basis deficit at year-end. The general fund is liable for any deficits in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. These deficit fund balances are the result of adjustments for accrued liabilities.

NOTE 4 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed in the basic financial statements as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents". Statutes require the classification of 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 the Board of Education has identified as not required for use within the current two-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

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

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

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

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 or interest by the United States;

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2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2% and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
7. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed 180 days in an amount not the exceed 25% of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and
8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt instrument rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

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

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements" and GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures."

Deposits: Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a 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.

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

At June 30, 2008, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$2,269,054. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures," as of June 30, 2008, \$2,312,010 of the District's bank Balance of \$2,412,010 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed above while \$100,000 was covered by Federal Deposit Insurance. The \$2,312,010 exposed to custodial risk was collateralized with securities held by the District or its agency in the District's name.

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

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less Than One Year</u>	<u>1-2 Years</u>
STAROhio	\$ 789,678	\$ 789,678	\$ -
Federal Agency Securities	18,260,345	16,995,293	1,265,052
U. S. Treasury Notes	<u>99,896</u>	<u>99,896</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 19,149,919</u>	<u>\$ 17,884,867</u>	<u>\$ 1,265,052</u>

Interest Rate Risk: Interest rate risk is the risk, that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. 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: Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Standard and Poor's has assigned STAROhio an "AAAm" rating. Moody's has assigned Federal Agency Securities and U. S. Treasury Obligations an "Aaa" rating.

Custodial Credit Risk: For investments, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counter party, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. District policy provides that investment collateral is held by the counter party as trust department or agent, and may be held in the name of the District or not.

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund balances at June 30, 2008 as reported on the fund statements, consist of the following individual interfund loans receivable and payable:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 179,641
Total		<u>\$ 179,641</u>

The primary purpose of the interfund balances is to cover costs in specific funds where revenues were not received by June 30. These interfund balances will be repaid once the anticipated revenues are received. All interfund balances are expected to be repaid within one year.

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NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS (continued)

The interfund balance between the general fund and the agency fund is reported as “Loans receivable/payable” on the statement of net assets. This loan is expected to be paid within the subsequent year.

Interfund balances between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no internal balances at June 30, 2008 are reported on the Statement of Net Assets.

As of June 30, 2008, transfers were as follows:

Fund	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund	\$0	\$26,375
<i>Other Governmental Funds:</i>		
EMIS	25,500	0
Title V	439	0
Title VII-D	436	0
Total Other Governmental Funds	26,375	0
Totals	\$26,375	\$26,375

Transfers are generally used to either (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, (2) move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the Bond Retirement Debt Service Fund as debt service payments become due, or (3) use unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

During fiscal year ended 2008, the District made transfers of \$26,375 from the General Fund to Other Governmental Funds for various purposes.

NOTE 6 - 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 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.

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NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES – (Continued)

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 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 April 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 2008 (other than public utility property) represents the collection of 2008 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2007 were levied after April 1, 2007, on the value as of December 31, 2007. Tangible personal property is currently assessed at twenty-five percent of true value for capital assets and twenty-four percent of true value for inventory. 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.

The District receives property taxes from Hamilton County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 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.

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 deferred revenue.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2008 was \$1,413,301 in the general fund, \$205,292 in the debt service fund, and \$139,065 in the permanent improvement fund. This amount has been recorded as revenue. The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2007 was \$1,441,407 in the general fund and \$143,687 in the permanent improvement fund.

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.

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NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES – (Continued)

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

	2007 Second Half Collections		2008 First Half Collections	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$ 153,880,817	95.25	\$ 152,843,310	95.74
Public utility personal	5,893,610	3.65	5,209,760	3.26
Tangible personal property	<u>1,769,286</u>	<u>1.10</u>	<u>1,592,140</u>	<u>1.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 161,543,713</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$ 159,645,210</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation:				
Operations	\$ 57.47		\$ 57.47	
Permanent Improvement	3.90		3.90	
Debt Service	-		3.99	

NOTE 7 - RECEIVABLES

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

Governmental Activities:

Taxes	\$ 5,569,365
Accounts	7,306
Intergovernmental	128,946
Accrued interest	191,865
	<u>\$ 5,897,482</u>

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

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NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/07</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>06/30/07</u>
Governmental Activities				
<i>Capital assets, not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 84,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,688
Construction in progress	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>84,688</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>84,688</u>
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Land improvements	691,504	-	-	691,504
Buildings and improvements	4,588,767	89,130	-	4,677,897
Furniture and equipment	2,706,475	37,596	(150,758)	2,593,313
Vehicles	<u>84,999</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>84,999</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>8,071,745</u>	<u>126,726</u>	<u>(150,758)</u>	<u>8,047,713</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>				
Land improvements	(299,268)	(65,008)	-	(364,276)
Buildings and improvements	(2,854,623)	(112,340)	-	(2,966,963)
Furniture and equipment	(2,267,292)	(134,167)	139,889	(2,261,570)
Vehicles	<u>(65,105)</u>	<u>(7,760)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(72,865)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(5,486,288)</u>	<u>(319,275)</u>	<u>139,889</u>	<u>(5,665,674)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,670,145</u>	<u>\$ (192,549)</u>	<u>\$ (10,869)</u>	<u>\$ 2,466,727</u>

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NOTE 8 - CAPITAL ASSETS (continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

<u>Instruction:</u>	
Regular	\$ 42,714
Special	2,624
<u>Support Services:</u>	
Pupil	4,599
Instructional staff	5,043
Administration	2,951
Fiscal	594
Operations and maintenance	14,725
Pupil transportation	3,640
Central support	294
Food service operations	8,702
Community service activities	4,171
Extracurricular	46,179
Site Improvement	1,530
Facilities acquisition and construction	<u>181,509</u>
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 319,275</u>

NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

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

	Issue Date	Interest Rate	Principal Outstanding at July 1, 2007	Additions	Deductions	Principal Outstanding at June 30, 2008	Amount Due In One Year
<u>General Obligation Bonds:</u>							
School Improvement Bonds	2008	Varies	\$0	\$9,500,000	\$0	\$9,500,000	\$185,000
<u>Other Long-Term Obligations:</u>							
Certificate of Participation	2008	3.50%	0	3,965,000	0	3,965,000	89,000
Premium on Bonds Issued			0	239,788	0	239,788	8,564
Compensated Absences Payable			1,204,696	903,785	(664,069)	1,444,412	204,784
Total Long-Term Obligations			<u>\$1,204,696</u>	<u>\$14,608,573</u>	<u>(\$664,069)</u>	<u>\$15,149,200</u>	<u>\$487,348</u>

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS – (Continued)

School Improvement Bonds - In March 2008, North College Hill City School District issued general obligation bonds for construction of new school facilities. The bonds were issued for \$9,500,000 at a variable interest and mature December, 2035. The \$239,788 premium on the issuance of the bonds is netted against this new debt and will be amortized over the life of this new debt, which has a remainder of 28 years. The \$188,690 in issuance costs is also netted against this new debt and will be depreciated over the life of this new debt, which has a remaining life of 28 years. The bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement Fund using tax revenues.

Pursuant to changes that became effective on September 14, 2000, Section 3318.05 of the Ohio Revised Code was amended eliminating the requirement that certain school districts receiving state classroom facilities assistance repay one-half of the required twenty-three year one-half mill levy. From that date forward any school district that had previously been required to make repayment has been directed to cease making the payments to the Ohio School Facilities Commission and to instead deposit one hundred percent of the proceeds in the Classroom Facilities Maintenance Nonmajor Special Revenue Fund designated by the Auditor of State.

The annual requirements to retire the general obligation debt outstanding at June 30, 2008 are as follows:

School Improvement Bonds		
Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest
2009	\$185,000	\$368,283
2010	100,000	364,008
2011	150,000	360,258
2012	160,000	355,507
2013	185,000	350,001
2014-2018	1,150,000	1,641,750
2019-2023	1,110,000	1,985,925
2024-2028	2,095,000	1,123,424
2029-2033	2,560,000	653,220
2034-2036	1,805,000	115,605
Totals	\$9,500,000	\$7,317,981

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS – (Continued)

The following table represents the payments required on the Certificate of Participation for the amount outstanding at June 30, 2008:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Total Payment
2009	\$265,522
2010	235,125
2011	235,267
2012	236,253
2013	236,080
2014-2018	1,193,377
2019-2023	1,210,555
2024-2028	1,227,558
2029-2033	1,322,755
2034-2036	960,018
Total	7,122,510
Less: Amount representing interest	(3,157,510)
Total Principal Outstanding	\$3,965,000

The certificate of participation obligation relates to the construction of additions and improvements to the high school and middle school and the athletic facility. The District is leasing the project from the Columbus Airport Authority. The Columbus Airport Authority has assigned US Bank as trustee. US Bank deposited \$3,965,000 in the District's name with the escrow agent for the construction projects, in fiscal year 2008. During 2008, the District requested all of the funds previously held by the escrow agent. The District makes semi annual payments to US Bank. Interest rates are based on a calculation of the TBMA Index. The certificate is renewable annually and expires in 2036. The payments for this debt will be paid from the Bond Retirement Fund using tax revenues.

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid.

B. 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 effects of these debt limitations at June 30, 2008 are a voted debt margin of \$14,368,069 and an unvoted debt margin of \$159,645.

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NOTE 10 - NOTES PAYABLE

The Ohio Revised Code provides that notes, including renewal notes, issued in anticipation of the issuance of general obligation bonds, may be issued and outstanding from time to time up to a maximum period of twenty (20) years from the date of issuance of the original notes (the maximum maturity for notes anticipating general obligation bonds payable from special assessments is five (5) years). Any period in excess of five (5) years must be deducted from the permitted maximum maturity of bonds anticipated, and portions of the principal amount of notes outstanding for more than five (5) years must be retired in amounts at least equal to, and payable not later than, those principal maturities that would have been required if the bonds had been issued at the expiration of the initial five (5) year period.

Bond anticipation notes may be retired at maturity from the proceeds of the sale of renewal notes or of the bonds anticipated by the notes, or available funds of the District, or a combination of these sources. All notes are backed by the full faith and credit of the District.

The following is a summary of the District's note obligation activity for the year ended June 30, 2008:

Purpose/ Description	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Balance July 1, 2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2008
<i>Notes Payable:</i>						
Bond Anticipation Note	2009	4.25%	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,500,000
Governmental Activities Notes Payable			\$0	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,500,000

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NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2008, the District contracted with the Ohio School Plan for liability, property and fleet insurance. Coverages provided by the Ohio School Plan are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Building and Contents	
Replacement cost	\$48,870,100
Deductible	1,000
Liability	
School Board Errors and Omissions Liability	
Each wrongful act limit	1,000,000
Annual aggregate limit	2,000,000
Deductible	2,500
General Liability	
Per occurrence combined single limit	1,000,000
Annual aggregate limit	3,000,000
Medical payments limit	10,000
Employee Benefits Liability	
Each wrongful act limit	1,000,000
Annual aggregate limit	3,000,000
Stop Gap	
Each accident	1,000,000
Disease each employee	1,000,000
Disease policy limit	1,000,000
Automotive Liability	
Liability	
Per occurrence combined single limit	3,000,000
Medical payments limit	5,000
Uninsured/underinsured motorists coverage	1,000,000
Auto Physical Damage (actual cash value)	
Comprehensive deductible	250
Collision deductible	500

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

B. Workers' Compensation

The District participates in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (see Note 2.A.). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP.

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B. Workers' Compensation - (Continued)

The workers' compensation experience of the participating districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the state based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Sheakley Unicom provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by State Statute Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3476, or by calling (614) 222-5853.

Plan members are required to contribute 10% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current District rate is 14% 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% 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, up to a statutory maximum amount, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The adequacy of the contribution rates is determined annually. The District's required contributions to SERS for pension obligations for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$269,975, \$183,150 and \$159,681, respectively; 66.84% has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100% for the fiscal years 2007 and 2006. \$89,536 represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2008.

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NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

B. State Teachers Retirement System

The District contributes to the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by the State Teachers Retirement Board. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death and survivor benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. STRS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to the State Teachers Retirement System, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771, or by calling (614) 227-4090.

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 member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds times an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5% 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 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. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the Defined Benefit Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. 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 dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Plan members are required to contribute 10.5% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current District rate is 14% 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 years 2008 and 2007, 13% of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10% for members and 14% for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employee contributions. The District's required contributions to STRS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$895,364, \$830,959, and \$787,073, respectively; 72.36% has been contributed for fiscal year 2008 and 100% for the fiscal years 2007 and 2006. \$247,514 represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2008.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by SERS or STRS have an option to choose Social Security or SERS/STRS. As of June 30, 2008, certain members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The District's liability is 6.20 percent of wages paid.

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NOTE 13 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

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

The State Teachers Retirement Board has statutory authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Most benefit recipients pay a portion of the health care cost in the form of a monthly premium. By Ohio law, the cost of coverage paid from STRS funds shall be included in the employer contribution rate, currently 14% of covered payroll. For this fiscal year, the State Teachers

Retirement Board allocated employer contributions equal to 1% of covered payroll to the Health Care Reserve fund. For the District, this amount equaled \$63,955 during fiscal 2008.

STRS pays health care benefits from the Health Care Reserve fund. The balance in the Health Care Reserve fund was \$3.7 billion at June 30, 2008. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, net health care costs paid by STRS were \$288,878,000 and STRS had 126,506 eligible benefit recipients.

For SERS, coverage is made available to service retirees with 10 or more years of qualifying service credit, and disability and survivor benefit recipients. Effective January 1, 2004, all retirees and beneficiaries are required to pay a portion of their health care premium. The portion is based on years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status. A safety net is in place for retirees whose household income falls below federal poverty levels. Premiums are reduced by 50% for those who apply.

For this fiscal year, employer contributions to fund health care benefits were 4.18% of covered payroll. In addition, SERS levies a surcharge to fund health care benefits equal to 14% of the difference between a minimum pay and the member's pay, pro-rated for partial service credit. For fiscal year 2008, the minimum pay has been established at \$35,800. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate, provides for maintenance of the asset target level for the health care fund.

The target level for the health care reserve is 150% of annual health care expenses, before premium deduction. Gross expenses for health care at June 30, 2006 were \$158.751 million and the target level was \$238.2 million. At June 30, 2006, SERS had net assets available for payment of health care benefits of \$295.6 million and SERS had approximately 59,492 participants receiving health care benefits. For the District, the amount to fund health care benefits, including surcharge, equaled \$79,806 during the 2008 fiscal year.

NOTE 14 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

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NOTE 14 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING – (Continued)

The Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) presented for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and the GAAP basis are that:

- (a) Revenues 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).

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

Net Change in Fund Balance

	<u>General Fund</u>
Budget basis	\$ (959,703)
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	120,853
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(514,301)
Net adjustment for other sources/uses	24,144
Adjustment for encumbrances	<u>86,465</u>
GAAP basis	<u>\$ (1,242,542)</u>

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 involved in no material litigation as either plaintiff or defendant.

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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:

	Instructional <u>Materials</u>	Capital <u>Maintenance</u>	Budget Stabilization <u>Designation</u>
Set-aside cash balance as of June 30, 2007	\$ 87,620	\$ 78,810	\$ 368,876
Current year set-aside requirement	235,608	235,608	-
Current year offsets	-	-	-
Qualifying disbursements	<u>(163,924)</u>	<u>(98,623)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 159,304</u>	<u>\$ 215,795</u>	<u>\$ 368,876</u>
Cash balance carried forward to FY 2008	<u>\$ 159,304</u>	<u>\$ 215,795</u>	<u>\$ 368,876</u>

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

Amounts restricted for instructional materials	\$ 159,304
Amounts restricted for capital acquisition	215,795
Amounts designated for budget stabilization	<u>368,876</u>
Total restricted/designated assets	<u>\$ 743,975</u>

NOTE 17 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District began renovations and construction on the new facilities approved under the Ohio School Facilities Commission. The facilities are scheduled to be occupied in the fall of 2010.

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

Federal Grantor / Pass Through Grantor / Program Title	Pass Through Entity Number	Federal CFDA Number	Receipts	Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>				
Nutrition Cluster:				
School Breakfast Program	06-PU 2008	10.553	\$310,169	\$310,169
National School Lunch Program	LL-P4 2008	10.555	415,001	415,001
Summer Food Service for Children	24-PU 2008	10.559	43,940	43,940
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>769,110</u>	<u>769,110</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>				
<i>Passed Through Great Oaks Institute of Technology</i>				
Vocational Education - ICP Career Grant	754-2008	84.048	3,454	1,965
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	C1-S1 2008	84.010	337,245	360,689
Special Education Cluster:				
Special Education - Grants to States	6B-SF 2008	84.027	307,719	355,928
Special Education - Preschool Grants	PG-S1-08	84.173	10,634	8,522
Total Special Education			<u>318,353</u>	<u>364,450</u>
Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities	DR-S1-08	84.186	8,132	4,827
Innovative Educational Program Strategies	C2-S1 2008	84.298	2,894	2,455
Title II-D	TJ-S1 08	84.318	2,701	2,928
School Improvement	RF-CC 08	84.332	45,000	72,500
Title III		84.365	840	0
Title II-A	TR-S1 08	84.367	34,153	29,469
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>752,772</u>	<u>839,283</u>
Total Federal Financial Assistance			<u>\$1,521,882</u>	<u>\$1,608,393</u>

Note 1 - Noncash Federal Financial Assistance

During the year ended June 30, 2008, the District received \$28,519 and used \$28,519 in fair value inventory under the Food Distribution (Commodities) Program, Federal CFDA Number 10.550, that is not reported in the above schedule. At June 30, 2008, the District had no significant food commodities inventory.

Note 2 - Significant Accounting Policies

The District prepares its Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the general purpose financial statements.

**Independent Accountants' Report on Internal Control Over
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Required by Government Auditing Standards**

Board of Education
North College Hill City School District
1498 W. Galbraith Road
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We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of North College Hill City School District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 17, 2009. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as described below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider a significant deficiency.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in 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 the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

We consider the following deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting: 2008-001 through 2008-003.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

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Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Required by Government Auditing Standards

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 internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies and accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also material weaknesses. However, the significant deficiencies described previously, we believe are also material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings: 2008-01.

We also noted an instance of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of the District in a separate letter dated September 17, 2009.

The District's responses to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. We did not audit the District's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, the Board of Education, management, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

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September 17, 2009

**Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance with Requirements
Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control
Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133**

Board of Education
North College Hill City School District
1498 W. Galbraith Road
Cincinnati, Ohio 45231-5597

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of North College Hill City School District (the District) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that apply to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. The summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings identifies the District's major federal programs. The District's management is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each major federal program. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are apply to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Internal Control over Compliance

The District's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material affect 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 the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance.

North College Hill City School District
Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance with Requirements
Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over
Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133

A *control deficiency* in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the entity's internal control will not prevent or detect more-than-inconsequential noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that the District's internal control will not prevent or detect material noncompliance with a federal program's compliance requirements.

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.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

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September 17, 2009

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

A. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

1. Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unqualified
2. Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	Yes
3. Were there any other reportable internal control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
4. Was there any material noncompliance reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	Yes
5. Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No
6. Were there any other reportable internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No
7. Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unqualified
8. Are there any reportable findings under § .510?	No
9. Major Programs (list):	Title I CFDA #84.010; Special Education Cluster: CFDA # 84.027 and #84.173; School Improvement #84.332; Improving Teacher Quality #84.367
10. Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs	Type A: >\$300,000 Type B: All Other Programs
11. Low Risk Auditee?	No

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

**B. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

<i>Finding Number</i>	2008-001
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GAAP Annual Financial Report- Significant Deficiency/Material Weakness/ Noncompliance

Rule 117-2-03(B) of the Ohio Administrative Code requires, in part, that each school district report annually (but not necessarily account) on a GAAP basis. Per Ohio Rev. Code §117.38, GAAP-basis entities must file annual reports within 150 days of their fiscal year end. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the District did not complete their financial statements until August 2009, which did not comply with the November 30th filing requirement.

Failing to file a timely annual report could be a symptom of an inadequate understanding of the accounting and reporting process, unposted or unreconciled records or other significant issues affecting the control environment, or which may even pose fraud risks.

We recommend the school district file its GAAP-basis annual report with the Auditor of State within 150 days of the fiscal year end.

Officials' Response

No officials' response was received for this finding.

<i>Finding Number</i>	2008-002
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Financial Reporting - Significant Deficiency/Material Weakness

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the Treasurer and the Board of Education and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate. It is also important to note that independent auditors are not part of an entity's internal control structure and should not be relied upon by management to detect misstatements in the financial statements.

Thus, it is important that management develop control procedures related to drafting financial statements and footnotes that enable management to prevent and detect potential misstatements in the financial statements and footnotes prior to audit.

The following audit adjustments and reclassifications were made to the June 30, 2008 financial statements:

1. To increase capital assets in the Governmental Activities by \$72,485.
2. To increase intergovernmental payable \$98,144 and \$13,608 in the General Fund and Other Governmental Funds, respectively.
3. To decrease accrued wages and benefits in the Governmental Activities by \$49,474.

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

<i>Finding Number</i>	2008-002 (Continued)
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Financial Reporting - Significant Deficiency/Material Weakness (Continued)

4. To reclassify \$1,012,558 from deferred revenue to property tax revenue in the Governmental Activities.
5. To decrease \$15,406,964 of invested in capital assets, net of related debt in the Governmental Activities.
6. To increase intergovernmental payable by \$24,206 in the Governmental Activities.
7. To decrease intergovernmental receivable by \$88,011 in the Governmental Activities.
8. To decrease \$107,838 of deferred revenue in the Governmental Activities.
9. To eliminate proceeds from sale of bonds and principal retirement of \$9,500,000 in the Bond Retirement Fund, eliminate proceeds from sale of bonds and create notes payable of \$1,500,000 and reclassify inception of capital lease of \$3,509,577 to proceeds from certificate of participation in the Ohio School Facilities Commission Fund.
10. To decrease property tax revenue by \$143,687 and deferred revenue by \$278,130 in the Permanent Improvement Fund.
11. To decrease property tax revenue by \$143,687 in the Governmental Activities.
12. To reclassify \$93,910 from capital outlay to operations and maintenance of plant expense in the Governmental Activities.
13. To increase long term liabilities: due in more than one year by \$13,422,224, decrease long term liabilities: due within one year by \$262,242, decrease GO Bonds payable by \$9,500,000, increase premium on bonds issued by \$239,788, increase bond issuance costs by \$188,690, and to decrease capital leases payable by \$3,788,477 in the Governmental Activities.
14. To eliminate inception of capital lease and create proceeds from certificate of participation of \$384,504 in the Building Fund.
15. To reclassify restricted for other purposes of \$2,200 to held in trust for scholarships in the Scholarship Fund.
16. Various adjustments to the financial footnotes.

The lack of controls over the posting of financial transactions and financial reporting can result in errors and irregularities that may go undetected and decreases the reliability of financial data throughout the year.

We recommend the District adopt policies and procedures for controls over recording of financial transactions and over financial reporting to help ensure the information accurately reflects the activity of the District and thereby increasing the reliability of the financial data throughout the year.

Officials' Response

No officials' response was received for this finding.

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

<i>Finding Number</i>	2008-003
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Maintaining Records - Significant Deficiency/Material Weakness

We were able to verify through the Treasurer's office, deposits from the selected student activities were made properly, by viewing deposit slips and supporting documentation for which the money was received. However, the activities advisors did not maintain separate records of where the money was received, the pay-in or receipt from monies turned in to the building secretary.

We recommend each activity advisor maintain a copy of supporting documentation and a cashbook to keep a separate accounting of monies collected and turned in to the building secretary.

Officials' Response

No official's response was received for this finding.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS
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There were no findings and questioned costs for federal awards.

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Corrective Action Plan

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Finding Number	Planned Corrective Action	Anticipated Completion Date	Contact Person
2008-001	The District plans to file its GAAP basis annual report within the 150 days of year end.	Immediate	Sandy Chance, Treasurer
2008-002	The District plans to review financial statements and journal entries more thoroughly prior to audit.	Immediate	Sandy Chance, Treasurer
2008-003	The District plans to make sure each activity advisor maintains a copy of supporting documentation and a cashbook to keep a separate accounting of monies collected and turned into the building secretary.	Immediate	Sandy Chance, Treasurer

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
For the Year Ended December 31, 2008

Description	Status	Comments
<i>Government Auditing Standards:</i>		
1. Control procedures relating to financial reporting resulting in a prior period adjustment.	Not Corrected	Reissued as 2008-02
2. Each activity advisor should maintain copies of supporting documentation.	Not Corrected	Reissued as 2008-03



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

NORTH COLLEGE HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON 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
NOVEMBER 5, 2009