



**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010



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**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

North Central Local School District
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To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of North Central Local School District, Williams County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. 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.

Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03 (B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. However, as discussed in Note 2, the accompanying financial statements and notes follow the cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, we cannot determine at this time.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of North Central Local School District, Williams County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2010, and the respective changes in cash financial position, and the budgetary comparison for the General fund for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 2 describes.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 17, 2010, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. 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 should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis*, as listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any other assurance.



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

November 17, 2010

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2010
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The discussion and analysis of the financial performance of North Central Local School District (the District) provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. 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 notes to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2010 are as follows:

In total, net assets decreased \$45,778.

General revenues accounted for \$6,959,933, or 86 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and operating grants and contributions accounted for \$1,171,971, or 14 percent of total revenues of \$8,131,904.

The District's major funds included the General fund and the Bond Retirement fund.

The General fund had \$6,608,640 in revenues and other financing sources and \$6,520,532 in expenditures. The General fund's balance increased \$88,108 from the prior fiscal year. The Bond Retirement fund had \$202,422 in revenues and \$264,756 in expenditures. The Bond Retirement fund's balance decreased \$62,334 from the prior fiscal year.

The revenue generated from the Bond Retirement fund is used to pay for the current portion of bonded debt.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. The statements are organized so the reader can understand the District as a financial whole, or as an entire operating entity.

The statement of net assets and the 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 a greater 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 non-major funds presented in total in a single column.

For the District, the General fund is the most significant fund. The General fund and the Bond Retirement fund are the only two major funds.

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**MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Reporting the District as a Whole

Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities, both reported on the cash basis, reflects how the District did financially during fiscal year 2010. These statements are reported on the cash basis of accounting, which reflects receipts and disbursements when cash is received or paid.

These statements report the District's net assets and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader whether the financial position of the District as a whole has increased or decreased from the prior fiscal year. Over time, these increases and/or decreases are one indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating. Causes for these changes 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, cash basis, and the statement of activities, the District discloses a single type of activity, its governmental activities, which include all of the District's programs and services, are reported here including instruction, support services, non-instructional services, and extracurricular activities. The services are primarily funded by property tax revenues and from governmental revenues, including federal and state grants and other shared revenues.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the District's major funds. While the District uses many funds to account for its financial transactions, the fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major funds are the General fund and the Bond Retirement fund.

Governmental Funds - Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how monies flow into and out of those funds and the balances left at fiscal year-end for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the cash basis of accounting. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources from these funds are not available to support the District's programs. These funds use the cash basis of accounting.

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The District as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the District's net assets for fiscal year 2010 compared to fiscal year 2009.

**Table 1
Net Assets – Cash Basis
Governmental Activities**

	2010	2009
<u>Assets:</u>		
Current and Other Assets	\$2,608,317	\$2,654,095
<u>Net Assets:</u>		
Restricted	772,200	906,086
Unrestricted	1,836,117	1,748,009
Total	\$2,608,317	\$2,654,095

As mentioned previously, net assets of governmental activities decreased \$45,778 or 1.7% during 2010. While overall revenues only increased \$444,176 (5.8%) and expenditures only increased \$348,679 (4.5%), overall expenditures still exceeded overall revenues.

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2010.

**Table 2
Change in Net Assets – Cash Basis
Governmental Activities**

	2010	2009
<u>Revenues:</u>		
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services and Sales	\$409,207	\$357,953
Operating Grants and Contributions	762,764	660,624
Total Program Revenues	1,171,971	1,018,577
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	2,552,482	2,790,068
Grants and Entitlements	4,047,184	3,624,905
Investment Earnings	8,401	24,444
Miscellaneous	318,453	202,333
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	25	2,500
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	33,388	24,901
Total General Revenues	6,959,933	6,669,151
Total Revenues	8,131,904	7,687,728

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<u>Expenses:</u>		
Instruction	4,931,779	4,388,610
Support Services:		
Pupils	256,645	345,847
Instructional Staff	326,133	421,744
Board of Education	22,003	23,183
Administration	513,944	509,467
Fiscal	225,099	240,116
Business	3,374	6,564
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	509,993	504,489
Pupil Transportation	284,291	429,935
Central	96,676	73,248
Non-Instructional Services	241,368	231,268
Extracurricular Activities	240,776	239,610
Capital Outlay	264,851	148,245
Debt Service:		
Principal	200,000	200,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	60,750	66,000
Refund of Prior Year Receipts		677
Total Expenses	<u>8,177,682</u>	<u>7,829,003</u>
Decrease in Net Assets	<u>(\$45,778)</u>	<u>(\$141,275)</u>

Program receipts account for 14 percent of total receipts and are represented by restricted intergovernmental receipts, extracurricular activities, and food service sales.

The major program disbursements for governmental activities are for instruction, which accounts for 60 percent of all governmental disbursements. Other programs which support the instruction process, including pupil, instructional staff, and pupil transportation account for 11 percent of governmental disbursements. Maintenance of the District's facilities also represents a significant disbursement of 6 percent. The remaining 23 percent of the District's disbursements are related to the primary functions of delivering education and providing facilities. These costs are funded almost entirely from property taxes and grants and entitlements.

Overall revenues increased \$444,176 (5.8%) primarily due to an increase in operating grants and contributions (due to stimulus monies), grants and entitlements, and tuition and fees (increase in open enrollment tuition) revenues. Overall expenditures increased \$348,679 (4.5%) primarily due to increases in stimulus related expenditures.

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Governmental Activities

Table 3 indicates the total cost of services and the net cost of services for governmental activities. The statement of activities, cash basis, reflects the cost of program services and the charges for services and sales, grants, and contributions offsetting those services. The net cost of services identifies the cost of those services supported by tax revenues and unrestricted state entitlements.

**Table 3
Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services
	2010	2010	2009	2009
Instruction	\$4,931,779	\$4,082,128	\$4,388,610	\$3,724,967
Support Services:				
Pupils	256,645	256,645	345,847	345,847
Instructional Staff	326,133	326,077	421,744	392,090
Board of Education	22,003	22,003	23,183	23,183
Administration	513,944	503,810	509,467	495,229
Fiscal	225,099	225,099	240,116	240,116
Business	3,374	3,374	6,564	6,564
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	509,993	509,993	504,489	504,489
Pupil Transportation	284,291	271,948	429,935	406,333
Central	96,676	87,103	73,248	62,248
Non-Instructional	241,368	2,160	231,268	3,574
Extracurricular Activities	240,776	189,770	239,610	190,864
Capital Outlay	264,851	264,851	148,245	148,245
Debt Service:				
Principal	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	60,750	60,750	66,000	66,000
Refund of Prior Year Receipts			677	677
Total Expenses	\$8,177,682	\$7,005,711	\$7,829,003	\$6,810,426

The dependence upon tax revenues and unrestricted state entitlements for governmental activities is apparent. Over 82 percent of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, support from general revenues is 86 percent. The remaining 14 percent are derived from charges for services and operating grants and contributions.

The District's Funds

The District's major governmental funds are the General fund and the Bond Retirement fund. Total governmental funds had revenues and other financing sources of \$8,131,904 and expenditures of \$8,177,682. The net change in fund balance in the General fund reflects an increase of \$88,108. This was primarily due to an overall increase in intergovernmental, tuition and fees, and miscellaneous revenues exceeding the decrease in property taxes. The net change in fund balance in the Bond Retirement fund was a decrease of \$62,334. This was primarily attributed to debt service payments exceeding the amount of property taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

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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 year 2010, the District amended its General fund budget as needed.

There were no significant variances between original and final budget amounts or the final budget and actual amounts.

Debt Administration

At June 30, 2010, the District had \$1,290,000 in school improvement general obligation bonds for building improvements. The bonds were issued in February 2004, with final maturity on December 1, 2015. The bonds are being retired through the Bond Retirement fund.

At June 30, 2010, the District's overall legal debt margin was \$6,486,471 with an un-voted debt margin of \$86,405.

For further information regarding the District's debt, see the notes to the basic financial statements.

Current Issues

The District is continuing to be conservative in its spending in the state of a declining economy and uncertainty in State funding. Pioneer is a small rural community of 1,500 people in Northwest Ohio. It has a number of small and medium businesses with agriculture having a contributing influence on the economy.

The District is currently operating in the first year of the state biennium budget. 40 percent of District revenue sources is from local funds, 55 percent from is state funds (foundation restricted and unrestricted and 400 funds) and the remaining 5 percent is from federal funds (500 funds). The total expenditure per pupil was calculated at \$10,082 according to the Ohio Department of Education website report card information.

In November 2009, the District passed a ten-year substitute levy to address a need for additional revenue. This levy provides a source of funds for the financial operations and stability of the District. However, future finances are not without challenges as our community changes and state funding is revised. The phase out of personal property tax revenue will have a significant impact on the District.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to reflect the District's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or request for additional information should be directed to Eric Smeltzer, Treasurer, North Central Local School District, 400 East Baubice Street, Pioneer, Ohio 43554-9637.

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Statement of Net Assets - Cash Basis
June 30, 2010**

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>2,608,317</u>
Net Assets:	
Restricted for Debt Service	612,543
Restricted for Capital Outlay	111,898
Restricted for Other Purposes	47,759
Unrestricted	1,836,117
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	\$ <u>2,608,317</u>

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Statement of Activities - Cash Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010**

	Program Revenues		Net(Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:			
Instruction:			
Regular	\$ 3,950,659	\$ 242,702	\$ 224,504
Special	797,545		361,893
Vocational	113,343		20,552
Student Intervention Services	70,232		(70,232)
Support Services:			
Pupils	256,645		(256,645)
Instructional Staff	326,133		56
Board of Education	22,003		(22,003)
Administration	513,944	10,134	(503,810)
Fiscal	225,099		(225,099)
Business	3,374		(3,374)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	509,993		(509,993)
Pupil Transportation	284,291		12,343
Central	96,676		9,573
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	241,368	105,365	133,843
Extracurricular Activities	240,776	51,006	(189,770)
Capital Outlay	264,851		(264,851)
Debt Service:			
Principal	200,000		(200,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	60,750		(60,750)
Totals	\$ 8,177,682	\$ 409,207	\$ 762,764
General Revenues:			
Taxes:			
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes			2,100,681
Property Taxes, Levied for Capital Outlay			303,669
Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service			148,132
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs			4,047,184
Investment Earnings			8,401
Miscellaneous			318,453
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets			25
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures			33,388
Total General Revenues			6,959,933
Change in Net Assets			(45,778)
Net Assets Beginning of Year			2,654,095
Net Assets End of Year			\$ 2,608,317

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**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2010**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Bond Retirement Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets:				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>1,836,117</u>	\$ <u>612,543</u>	\$ <u>159,657</u>	\$ <u>2,608,317</u>
Fund Balances:				
Reserved:				
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 120,015	\$	\$ 128,158	\$ 248,173
Unreserved, Undesignated, Reported in:				
General Fund	1,716,102			1,716,102
Special Revenue Funds			41,502	41,502
Debt Service Funds		612,543		612,543
Capital Projects Funds			(10,003)	(10,003)
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	\$ <u>1,836,117</u>	\$ <u>612,543</u>	\$ <u>159,657</u>	\$ <u>2,608,317</u>

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**Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010**

	General Fund	Bond Retirement Fund	All Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 2,100,681	\$ 148,132	\$ 303,669	\$ 2,552,482
Intergovernmental	3,928,335	52,743	828,870	4,809,948
Investment Earnings	5,392	1,547	1,462	8,401
Tuition and Fees	240,326		576	240,902
Rent	1,800			1,800
Extracurricular Activities			61,140	61,140
Customer Sales and Services			105,365	105,365
Miscellaneous	298,693		19,760	318,453
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>6,575,227</u>	<u>202,422</u>	<u>1,320,842</u>	<u>8,098,491</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	3,653,154		297,505	3,950,659
Special	421,327		376,218	797,545
Vocational	112,143		1,200	113,343
Student Intervention Services	70,232			70,232
Support Services:				
Pupils	256,645			256,645
Instructional Staff	260,890		65,243	326,133
Board of Education	22,003			22,003
Administration	487,828		26,116	513,944
Fiscal	208,107	4,006	12,986	225,099
Business			3,374	3,374
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	487,550		22,443	509,993
Pupil Transportation	277,991		6,300	284,291
Central	81,103		15,573	96,676
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	54		241,314	241,368
Extracurricular Activities	181,505		59,271	240,776
Capital Outlay			264,851	264,851
Debt Service:				
Principal		200,000		200,000
Interest		60,750		60,750
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>6,520,532</u>	<u>264,756</u>	<u>1,392,394</u>	<u>8,177,682</u>
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<u>54,695</u>	<u>(62,334)</u>	<u>(71,552)</u>	<u>(79,191)</u>
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):				
Proceeds from the Sale of Capital Assets	25			25
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	33,388			33,388
<i>Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)</i>	<u>33,413</u>			<u>33,413</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>88,108</u>	<u>(62,334)</u>	<u>(71,552)</u>	<u>(45,778)</u>
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,748,009	674,877	231,209	2,654,095
<i>Fund Balance at End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 1,836,117</u>	<u>\$ 612,543</u>	<u>\$ 159,657</u>	<u>\$ 2,608,317</u>

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual Comparison
GENERAL FUND
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
Revenues:				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,943,897	\$ 1,943,897	\$ 2,100,681	\$ 156,784
Intergovernmental	3,762,544	3,762,544	3,928,335	165,791
Investment Earnings	25,000	25,000	5,392	(19,608)
Tuition and Fees	173,500	173,500	240,326	66,826
Rent	100	100	1,800	1,700
Miscellaneous	400,600	400,600	298,693	(101,907)
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>6,305,641</u>	<u>6,305,641</u>	<u>6,575,227</u>	<u>269,586</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	3,542,749	3,729,447	3,674,721	54,726
Special	405,306	420,964	421,327	(363)
Vocational	56,751	74,100	112,143	(38,043)
Student Intervention Services	69,608	69,608	70,232	(624)
Support Services:				
Pupils	285,436	285,436	257,048	28,388
Instructional Staff	295,359	305,788	261,316	44,472
Board of Education	23,804	23,804	22,003	1,801
Administration	484,121	484,121	493,888	(9,767)
Fiscal	216,310	216,310	208,866	7,444
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	455,397	484,923	556,802	(71,879)
Pupil Transportation	314,141	325,047	299,147	25,900
Central	108,033	108,033	81,103	26,930
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	1,000	1,000	54	946
Extracurricular Activities	172,626	172,626	181,897	(9,271)
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>6,430,641</u>	<u>6,701,207</u>	<u>6,640,547</u>	<u>60,660</u>
<i>Excess of Expenditures Over Revenues</i>	<u>(125,000)</u>	<u>(395,566)</u>	<u>(65,320)</u>	<u>330,246</u>
Other Financing Sources:				
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets			25	25
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	25,000	25,000	33,388	8,388
<i>Total Other Financing Source</i>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>33,413</u>	<u>8,413</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>(100,000)</u>	<u>(370,566)</u>	<u>(31,907)</u>	<u>338,659</u>
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,656,081	1,656,081	1,656,081	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	91,928	91,928	91,928	
<i>Fund Balance at End of Year</i>	<u>\$ 1,648,009</u>	<u>\$ 1,377,443</u>	<u>\$ 1,716,102</u>	<u>\$ 338,659</u>

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets - Cash Basis
Fiduciary Funds
June 30, 2010**

	<u>Private Purpose Trust</u>	<u>Agency Fund</u>
Assets:		
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>2,864</u>	\$ <u>47,546</u>
Liabilities:		
Undistributed Monies		\$ <u>47,546</u>
Net Assets:		
Held in Trust for Scholarships	\$ <u>2,864</u>	

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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**Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets - Cash Basis
Fiduciary Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010**

		<u>Private Purpose Trust</u>
Additions:		
Gifts and Contributions	\$	<u>15,882</u>
Deductions:		
Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements		<u>18,000</u>
<i>Change in Net Assets</i>		(2,118)
Net Assets Beginning of Year		<u>4,982</u>
<i>Net Assets End of Year</i>	\$	<u><u>2,864</u></u>

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

North Central Local School District (the District) is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The District is a local school district as defined by §3311.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. The District operates under an elected Board of Education (5 members) and is responsible for the provision of public education to residents of the District. The Board oversees the operations of the District's instructional/support facilities (school building, Board office, and bus garage) which is staffed by 33 non-certified and 57 certified full-time teaching personnel who provide services to 605 students and other community members.

A. Primary Government

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

B. Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes and legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the District, are accessible to the District, and are significant in amount to the District. The District does not have any component units.

C. Jointly Governed Organizations and Purchasing Pools

The District is associated with organizations, which are defined as jointly governed organizations and group purchasing pools. These organizations include the Northwest Ohio Computer Association, the Northern Buckeye Education Council, the Four County Career Center, Northwest Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., the Northern Buckeye Education Council's Employee Insurance Benefits Program, the Northern Buckeye Education Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan, and the Ohio School Plan. These organizations are presented in Notes 12 and 13 to the basic financial statements.

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District is financially accountable.

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the District's accounting policies.

A. Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

1. 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 statement of net assets presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct disbursements and program receipts for each program or function of the District's governmental activities. Direct disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and, therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants, contributions, and interest that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts that are not classified as program receipts are presented as general receipts of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

2. Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the District segregates transactions related to certain District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements report more detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental financial statements is on major funds. Fund statements present each major fund in a separate column and aggregate nonmajor funds in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the District or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, receipts or disbursements of that individual governmental fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and
- b. Total assets, receipts or disbursements of that individual governmental fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental funds combined.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the District are divided into two categories, governmental and fiduciary.

1. Governmental Funds:

The District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g., grants), and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The General fund and the Bond Retirement fund 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 is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Bond Retirement Fund - The Bond Retirement fund is used to account for receipts designated to be used for debt service and related disbursements for bond principal, interest, and related costs.

The other governmental funds of the District account for grants and other resources, and capital projects of the District whose uses are restricted to a particular purpose.

2. Fiduciary Funds

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 not available to support the District's own programs. The District's private purpose trust fund accounts for programs that provide college scholarships to students after graduation. Agency funds are custodial in nature. The District's agency fund accounts for various student-managed activities.

C. Basis of Accounting

Although Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (B) requires the District's financial report to follow generally accepted accounting principles, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes in accordance with the cash-basis of accounting. This is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The District's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the District's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

The budgetary process is prescribed by provision of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within established timetable. All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of budgetary control selected by the Board is at the object level for the General fund and the fund level for all other funds. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education. Budgetary allocations below these levels are made by the Treasurer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years.

The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

The District is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting by virtue of Ohio law. Under this system, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation. Expenditures plus encumbrances may not legally exceed appropriations. Encumbrances at year end are reported as a reservation of fund balance for subsequent-year expenditures for governmental funds.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

E. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the financial statements.

Investments of the District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

As authorized by Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2010 amounted to \$5,392, which includes \$485 from the other District funds.

F. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

G. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. The financial statements do not report these assets.

H. Compensated Absences

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the cash basis of accounting used by the District.

I. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 8 and 9, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

J. Long-Term Obligations

The District's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are paid when cash is received and principal and interest payments when paid.

K. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies 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. Repayment from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

L. Net 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. Net assets restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, music and athletic programs, and federal and state grants restricted to cash disbursement for specified purposes. The District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available. There are no amounts restricted by enabling legislation.

M. Fund Balance Reserves

The District reserves any portion of fund balances which is not available for appropriation or which is legally segregated for a specific future use. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance, which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund balance reserves have been established for encumbrances.

3. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (cash basis).

The General fund encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$120,015

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

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

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

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

Interim monies held by the District can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security 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 any securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and to 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 or Ohio local governments;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations provided that investments in securities described in this division are made through eligible institutions,
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio); and
8. Commercial paper and bankers acceptances if training requirements have been met.

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse purchase 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.

At year end, the District had \$20 in undeposited cash on hand which is included as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents."

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$2,176,543 of the District's bank balance of \$2,676,543 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the District's name.

The District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the District or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

5. LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS

Changes in long-term obligations of the District during fiscal year 2010 were as follows:

	<u>Balance at July 1, 2009</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance at June 30, 2010</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
General Obligation Bonds	\$1,490,000	\$200,000	\$1,290,000	\$200,000

Debt outstanding at June 30, 2010 consisted of General Obligation Bonds totaling \$1,290,000 (interest rate was 2.0 to 5.0 percent at June 30, 2010). The bonds were issued on February 1, 2004 and consist of current interest bonds. The current interest bonds will mature in December 2015.

Total expenditures for interest for the above debt for the period ended June 30, 2010 was \$60,750.

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5. LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

The scheduled payments of principal and interest on debt outstanding at June 30, 2010 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2011	\$200,000	\$55,000	\$255,000
2012	200,000	48,000	248,000
2013	200,000	39,250	239,250
2014	200,000	29,500	229,500
2015	225,000	18,875	243,875
2016	265,000	6,625	271,625
Total	<u>\$1,290,000</u>	<u>\$197,250</u>	<u>\$1,487,250</u>

6. PROPERTY TAXES

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

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility, and tangible personal (used in business) property located in the District. Real and public utility property tax revenues received in calendar year 2010 represent the collection of calendar year 2009 taxes. Real property taxes for 2010 were levied after April 1, 2009, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2009, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes for 2010 were levied after April 1, 2009, on the assessed values as of December 31, 2008, the lien date. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same dates as real property taxes described previously.

Tangible personal property tax revenues received in calendar year 2010 (other than public utility property) represent the collection of calendar year 2010 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes for 2010 were levied after April 1, 2009, on the value as of December 31, 2008. Tangible personal property is currently assessed at 25 percent of true value. Amounts paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20.

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6. PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)

The District receives property taxes from Williams 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, 2010, are available to finance fiscal year 2010 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2010 taxes were collected are:

	2009 Second- Half Collections		2010 First- Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential	\$66,035,750	78%	\$71,199,510	80%
Industrial/Commercial	13,543,920	16%	13,796,870	15%
Public Utility	1,751,190	2%	1,677,580	2%
Tangible Personal	3,393,150	4%	2,607,540	3%
Total Assessed Value	<u>\$84,724,010</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$89,281,500</u>	<u>100%</u>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$62.40		\$62.00	

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Comprehensive

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

The District joined together with other school districts in Ohio to participate in the Ohio School Plan (OSP), a public entity insurance purchasing pool (Note 13). Each participant enters into an individual agreement with the Plan for insurance coverage and pays annual premiums to the Plan based on types and limits of coverage and deductibles that it selected by the participant.

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

B. Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Education Council Employee Insurance Benefits Program (the Program), a public entity shared risk pool (Note 13) consisting of school districts within Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams Counties and other eligible governmental entities. The District pays monthly premiums to the Northern Buckeye Education Council for the benefits offered to its employees, which includes health, dental, and life insurance. Northern Buckeye Education Council is responsible for the management and operations of the program. The agreement for the Program provides for additional assessments to participants if the premiums are insufficient to pay the program costs for the fiscal year. Upon withdrawal from the Program, a participant is responsible for any claims not processed and paid and any related administrative costs.

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7. RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)

C. Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

The District participates in the Northern Buckeye Education Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the Plan), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 13). The Plan is intended to reduce premiums for the participants. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate.

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

8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

A. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling (800) 878-5853, or by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org, under Employer/Audit Resources.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current District rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the District's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits; for fiscal year 2010, 12.78 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to a statutory maximum amount of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The District's required contribution for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$115,773, \$75,411, and \$85,731, respectively; 50 percent (has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008).

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8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - (Continued)

B. State Teachers Retirement System

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

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

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

Funding Policy - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2009 (latest information available), the portion used to fund pension obligations was also 13 percent. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The District's required contributions for pension obligations to the DB Plan for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$431,902, \$372,053, and \$373,673, respectively; 85 percent had been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Retirement System. As of June 30, 2010, three members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

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9. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employee Retirement System

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

Funding Policy – State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401h. For 2010, .46 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount. For 2010, the minimum compensation level was established at \$35,800. The District's SERS surcharge amount for 2010 was \$12,760

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

The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$16,927, \$34,512, and \$50,984, respectively; 12 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For 2010, this actuarially required allocation was 0.75 percent of covered payroll. The District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009 and 2008, and were \$6,885, \$6,222, and \$6,177.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

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

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9. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

Funding Policy – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2009, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$33,223, \$28,619, and \$28,744, respectively; 85 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

10. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave components are derived from negotiated agreements, administrator contracts, and State laws. Employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Employees who are not on an eleven or twelve month contract do not earn vacation time. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to administrators at the end of each contract year. The Superintendent earns 20 days per year of which the 10 additional days must be used within the current contract year. Employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fourth of the total sick leave accumulation, up to a maximum accumulation of 230 days.

11. STATUTORY RESERVES

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

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

	Textbooks	Capital Acquisition	Totals
Current Year Set Aside Requirement	\$103,840	\$103,840	\$207,680
Current Year Qualifying Expenditures	(151,487)		(151,487)
Excess Qualified Disbursements from Prior Years	(234,537)		(234,537)
Current Year Offsets		(103,840)	(103,840)
Total	(282,184)		(282,814)
Balance Carried Forward To Fiscal Year 2011	(282,184)		(282,184)
Set Aside Reserve Balance June 30, 2010			

The District had qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the set-aside amounts to below zero. Current year offsets do not carry forward. The negative amounts may be used to offset future year textbook set-aside requirements; however, they may not be used to reduce capital set-aside requirements.

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12. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

A. Northwest Ohio Computer Association

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Computer Association (NWOCA). NWOCA is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams 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 NWOCA Assembly consists of a superintendent from each participating school district and a representative from the fiscal agent. The Assembly elects the Council. NWOCA is governed by a Council chosen from two representatives from each of the four counties in which the member school districts are located and the representative from the member school district serving as fiscal agent for NWOCA. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Board. All payments made by the District for services received are made to the Northern Buckeye Education Council. NWOCA is governed by the Northern Buckeye Education Council and its participating members. Total disbursements made by the District to NWOCA were \$42,456. Financial information can be obtained from Robin Pfund, who serves as Treasurer, at 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

B. Northern Buckeye Education Council

The Northern Buckeye Education Council (NBEC) was established in 1979 to foster cooperation among various educational entities located in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams counties. NBEC is organized under Ohio laws as a regional council of governments pursuant to a written agreement entered into by its member educational entities and bylaws adopted by the representatives of the member educational entities. NBEC is governed by an elected Board consisting of two representatives from each of the four counties in which the member educational entities are located. The Board is elected from an Assembly consisting of a representative from each participating educational entity. Disbursements made by the District to NBEC were \$250. To obtain financial information, write to the Northern Buckeye Education Council, Robin Pfund, who serves as Treasurer, at 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

C. Four County Career Center

The Four County Career Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of five representatives from the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Centers - one each from the counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams and one additional representative; one representative from each of the city school districts; one representative from each of the exempted village school districts. The Four County Career Center possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. Disbursements made by the District to Four County Career Center were \$147. To obtain financial information, write to the Four County Career Center, Jennifer Bonner, who serves as Treasurer, at 22-900 State Route 34, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

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12. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS - (Continued)

D. Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc.

The Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc. (NOERC) is a jointly governed organization formed to bring educational entities into a better understanding of their common educational problems, facilitate and conduct practical educational research, coordinate educational research among members, provide a means for evaluating and disseminating the results of research, serve as a repository for research and legislative materials and provide opportunities for training. The NOERC serves twenty-five county area of Northwest Ohio. The Board of Directors consists of superintendents from two educational service centers, two exempted village school districts, five local school districts, and five city school districts, as well as representatives from two private or parochial schools and three institutions of higher education. Each active member is entitled to one vote on all issues addressed by the Board of Directors. Total disbursements made by the District to NOERC were \$325. Financial information can be obtained from the Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., P.O. Box 456, Ashland, Ohio 44805.

13. GROUP PURCHASING POOLS

A. Northern Buckeye Education Council's Employee Insurance Benefits Program

The Northern Buckeye Education Council's Employee Insurance Benefits Program includes health, dental, life, and vision insurance plans. The health and dental plans are risk-sharing pools among approximately 30 members, and the life insurance plan is a group purchasing pool among 29 members. The purpose of the plans is for its members to pool funds or resources to purchase commercial insurance products and enhance the wellness opportunities for employees.

Each member pays a monthly premium amount, which is established annually by the Council, to the Treasurer to comply with the terms of any contract with any third-party claims administrator or insurance company. The insurance group is governed by a council consisting of two representatives from each of the four counties, in which the member school districts are located. The degree of control exercised by any participating member is limited to its representation on the council.

In fiscal year 2010, the District contributed a total of \$606,682 (per USAS Check Register by Vendor - #'s 232405 & 115310) for all four plans. Financial information can be obtained from Robin Pfund, who serves as Treasurer, at 209 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, Ohio 43502.

B. NBEC 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 Northern Buckeye Education Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (WCGRP) was established through the Northern Buckeye Education Council (NBEC) as an insurance purchasing pool. The WCGRP is governed by the Northern Buckeye Education Council and the participating members of the WCGRP. The Executive Director of the NBEC coordinates the management and administration of the program. During fiscal year 2010 the District paid an enrollment fee of \$732 to the WCGRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

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13. GROUP PURCHASING POOLS - (Continued)

C. Ohio School Plan

The District belongs to the Ohio School Plan (the "Plan"), an unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to approximately 300 (per website & latest F/S) Ohio schools ("Members").

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, general liability, educator's legal liability, automobile, and violence coverages, modified for each member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the member's specific deductible.

The Plan issues its own policies and reinsures the Plan with reinsurance carriers. Only if the Plan's paid liability loss ratio exceeds 65 percent and is less than 80 percent does the Plan contribute to paid claims. (See the Plan's audited financials statements on the website for more details.) The individual members are responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member.

The Plan's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2009 and 2008 (the latest information available):

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Assets	\$3,662,470	\$3,273,989
Liabilities	1,729,914	1,873,157
Members' Equity	1,932,556	1,400,832

You can read the complete audited financial statements for The Ohio School Plan at the Plan's website, www.ohioschoolplan.org.

14. CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The District received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies.

Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2010.

B. Litigation

There are currently no matters in litigation with the District as defendant.

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15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The District used two local businesses in 2010 which had ties to two board of education members. The District made purchases of food and drinks from the Pizza Barn, which is owned by the parents of Board Member, Shane Martin, in the total amount of \$1,723. The District also used Mr. Clean's Lawn Care LLC, which is owned by the husband of Board Member, Leigh Boothman, for lawn care services in the total amount of \$7,600. The transactions were approved at arm's length, with full knowledge by District officials, of Mr. Martin's and Ms. Boothman's interests. They also took no part in the deliberation or decision by District officials with respect to the transactions.

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

North Central Local School District
Williams County
400 East Baubice Street
Pioneer, Ohio 43554-9637

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of North Central Local School District, Williams County, (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 17, 2010, wherein, we noted the District uses a comprehensive accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. 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 the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining 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 was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. Therefore, we cannot assure that we have identified all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected. We consider finding 2010-002 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness.

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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 or other matter we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2010-001.

We also noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the District's management in a separate letter dated November 17, 2010.

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not audit the District's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, Board of Education, and others within the District. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

November 17, 2010

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WILLIAMS COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2010**

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS
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FINDING NUMBER 2010-001

Noncompliance Citation

Ohio Revised Code § 117.38 provides that each public office shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The Auditor of State may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the auditor of state has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office.

Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03-(B), which further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Revised Code § 117.38, requires the District to file annual financial reports which are prepared using generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

For 2010, the District prepared financial statements that, although formatted similar to financial statements prescribed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, report on the cash basis of accounting. This presentation differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). There would be variances on the financial statements between the District's accounting practice and GAAP that, while presumably material, cannot be reasonably determined at this time. The District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

We recommend the District take the necessary steps to ensure the financial report is prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles

Officials' Response:

Management believes reporting on a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) is more cost efficient.

FINDING NUMBER 2010-002

Material Weakness - Financial Reporting

As a result of the audit procedures performed, the following errors were noted in the financial statements that required audit adjustments:

- Capital outlay expenditures for a closed circuit cooling tower recorded in the IDEA Part B ARRA fund (\$163,746) and for roof and lintel repairs and water meter replacements recorded in the Permanent Improvement fund (\$54,700) were inappropriately reported as Special Instruction and Support Services: Operation and Maintenance disbursements.
- The District corrected past errors through interfund transfers. These errors should have been closed into the beginning fund balance on the financial statements. As a result, ending fund balances of the General and Permanent Improvement funds were overstated by \$7,288 and \$3,188 and understated in the Bond Retirement fund by \$10,406.

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the fiscal officer and the governing board and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate. To ensure the District's financial statements and notes to the statements are complete and accurate, the District should adopt policies and procedures, including a final review of the statements and notes by the Treasurer and the audit committee, to identify and correct errors and omissions. In addition, the Treasurer should also review the accounting system's chart of accounts to ensure all accounts are being properly posted to the financial statements.

Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

**NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2010**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2009-001	Ohio Revised Code § 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03 (B) – requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.	No	Not Corrected. Reissued as finding 2010-001 in this report.

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NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

WILLIAMS COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
DECEMBER 7, 2010**