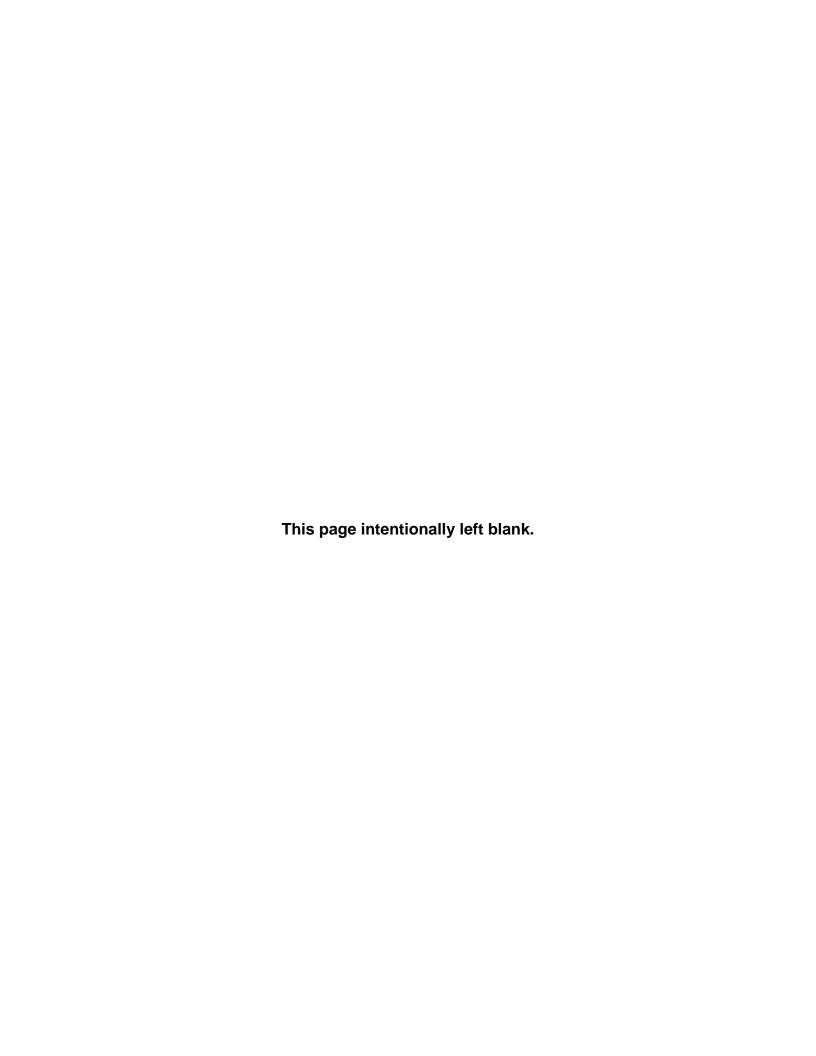




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County 301 South East Street, P.O. Box 250 Vanlue, Ohio 45890-0250

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 Vanlue Local School District, Hancock County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, 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 1, 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 Vanlue Local School District, Hancock County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in cash financial position, thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General fund for the year then ended in conformity with the accounting basis Note 2 describes.

As described in Note 3, during 2011 the District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 23, 2012, 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.

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We conducted our audit to opine on the District's financial statements taken as a whole. Management's Discussion and Analysis includes tables of net assets, changes in net assets, and governmental activities. These tables provide additional information, but are not part of the basic financial statements. However these tables are management's responsibility, and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. These tables were subject to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements. We also applied certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling this information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, this information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. Other than the aforementioned procedures applied to the tables, we applied no procedures to any other information in Management's Discussion and Analysis, and we express no opinion or any other assurance on it.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

February 23, 2012

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 UNAUDITED

The discussion and analysis of the Vanlue Local School District's (the District) financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. 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 2011 are as follows:

- In total, net assets increased \$425,373 which is an increase of 19 percent from fiscal year 2010. This increase is due to a concerted effort to decrease expenditures.
- General revenues accounted for \$3,084,240 or 83 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, operating grants and capital grants accounted for \$633,804 or 17 percent of total revenues of \$3,718,044.
- The District's major funds were the General and Permanent Improvement Funds. The General Fund had \$3,235,235 in revenues and other financing sources and \$2,802,827 in expenditures and other financing uses. The General Fund's balance increased \$432,408 from the prior fiscal year.
- The Permanent Improvement Fund pays disbursements dealing with the general permanent improvements. The Permanent Improvement Fund had \$89,031 in receipts and \$136,392 in disbursements. The Permanent Improvement Fund's balance decreased \$47,361 from the prior fiscal year.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, as applicable to the District"s cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities provide information about the cash activities of the District as a whole.

Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the District as a way to segregate money whose use is restricted to a particular specified purpose. These statements present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The District has elected to present its financial statements on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the District's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of using the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the District did financially during 2011, within the limitations of cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances of the governmental activities of the District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the District is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each governmental function draws from the District's general receipts.

These statements report the District's cash position and the changes in cash position. Keeping in mind the limitations of the cash basis of accounting, you can think of these changes as one way to measure the District's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's cash position is one indicator of whether the District's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the District's financial condition, you should also consider other nonfinancial factors such as the District's property tax base, the condition of the District's capital assets and infrastructure, the extent of the District's debt obligations, the reliance on non-local financial resources for operations and the need for continued growth in the major local revenue sources such as property taxes.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, all of the District activities are presented as governmental activities. All of the District's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, non-instructional services, food services, and extracurricular activities.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the District's major funds – not the District as a whole. The District establishes separate funds to better manage its many activities and to help demonstrate that money that is restricted as to how it may be used is being spent for the intended purpose. The funds of the District are split into two categories: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds - Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the District's governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent to finance the District's programs.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 UNAUDITED (Continued)

The District's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for nonmajor funds (funds whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting) is combined and presented in total in a single column. The District's major governmental funds are the General and Permanent Improvement Fund.

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.

The District as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the District's net assets for fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010.

Table 1 Net Assets Governmental Activities

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_	2011	2010		
Assets: Current Assets	\$2,621,388	\$2,196,016		
Net Assets:				
Restricted	300,002	379,752		
Unrestricted	2,321,386	1,816,264		
Total	\$2,621,388	\$2,196,016		

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010.

Table 2
Change in Net Assets
Governmental Activities

Governmental A		
	2011	2010
Revenues:		
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services and Sales	\$461,982	\$403,189
Operating Grants and Contributions	158,333	183,380
Capital Grants and Contributions	13,489	13,661
Total Program Revenues	633,804	600,230
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	969,969	887,150
Income Taxes	424,375	358,888
Unrestricted Grants and Entitlements	1,636,515	1,696,947
Interest	16,541	30,458
Gifts and Donations	795	6,683
Miscellaneous	36,045	7,329
Total General Revenues	3,084,240	2,987,455
Total Revenues	3,718,044	3,587,685
Expenses:		
Instruction	1,864,871	1,886,033
Support Services:		
Pupils	52,184	54,074
Instructional Staff	123,432	100,182
Board of Education	45,099	58,991
Administration	270,615	271,189
Fiscal	132,604	148,245
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	411,738	319,745
Pupil Transportation	121,064	159,377
Central	41,547	36,852
Non-Instructional	10	2,443
Operation of Food Services	93,772	91,680
Extracurricular Activities	135,736	125,870
Total Expenses	3,292,672	3,254,681
Increase in Net Assets	\$425,372	\$333,004
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Program receipts account for 17 percent of total receipts and are primarily represented by restricted intergovernmental receipts, extracurricular activities, and food service sales.

The major program disbursements for governmental activities are for instruction, which accounts for 57 percent of all governmental disbursements. Other programs which support the instruction process, including pupil, instructional staff, and pupil transportation account for over 9 percent of governmental disbursements. Maintenance of the District's facilities also represents a significant disbursement of 12.5 percent. Therefore, over 78.5 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, grants and entitlements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 UNAUDITED (Continued)

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
	2011	2011	2010	2010
Instruction	\$1,864,871	\$1,421,961	\$1,886,033	\$1,429,507
Support Services:				
Pupils	52,184	47,184	54,074	49,074
Instructional Staff	123,432	93,770	100,182	100,182
Board of Education	45,099	45,099	58,991	58,991
Administration	270,615	270,615	271,189	271,189
Fiscal	132,604	132,604	148,245	148,245
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	411,738	398,249	319,745	306,084
Pupil Transportation	121,064	121,064	159,377	159,377
Central	41,547	41,547	36,852	36,852
Non-Instructional	10	10	2,443	2,443
Operation of Food Services	93,772	6,012	91,680	12,753
Extracurricular Activities	135,736	80,753	125,870	79,754
Total Expenses	\$3,292,672	\$2,658,868	\$3,254,681	\$2,654,451

The dependence upon tax revenues and unrestricted state entitlements for governmental activities is apparent. 76 percent of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, support from general revenues is 81 percent.

The District's Funds

The District's governmental funds are accounted for using the cash basis of accounting. The District's major governmental funds are the General and Permanent Improvement Funds. Total governmental funds had revenues and other financing sources of \$3,733,044 and expenditures and other financing uses of \$3,307,672. The net positive change of \$425,372 in fund balance for the year indicates that the District was able to meet current costs.

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 2011, the District amended its General Fund budget as needed. Final budgeted receipts and other financing sources, in the amount of \$3,160,562, were below actual receipts and other financing sources of \$3,235,235. The difference of \$74.673 between final budgeted receipts and actual receipts was less than 3 percent.

Final expenditures and other financing uses were budgeted at \$3,096,022 while actual expenditures and other financing uses were \$2,847,037. The \$248,985 difference is primarily due to a conservative "worst case scenario" approach. The District over-appropriates in case significant, unexpected expenditures arise during the fiscal year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Current Issues

The District is facing tough financial times in the state of a declining economy and uncertainty in State funding. Vanlue is a small rural community of 1,500 people in Northwest Ohio. Agriculture is the primary contributing influence on the economy.

The District is currently operating in the second year of the state biennium budget. 46.03 percent of District revenue sources is from local funds, 48.01 percent is from state funds and the remaining 5.96percent is from federal funds. The total expenditure per pupil was calculated at \$11,865 for fiscal year 2010 (latest information available).

Over the past several years District voters have supported the school with the passage of a number of school levies. In November of 2005 the 4 mill permanent improvement levy was renewed for a continuing period of time, at that same time the voters also renewed the 1.00% income tax levy for an additional five years. In May of 2009, two emergency levies were combined and renewed for a period of ten years at 10.6 mills. In May of 2010 the voters again renewed the 1.00% income tax levy, but for a continuing period of time.

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 requests for additional information should be directed to Tracy Hiller, Treasurer, Vanlue Local School District, 301 South East Street, PO Box 250, Vanlue, Ohio 45890-0250.

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County Statement of Net Assets - Cash Basis June 30, 2011

	Governmental Activities
Assets: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,621,388
Net Assets: Restricted for: Capital Projects Set Asides	122,560 72,855
Other Purposes Unrestricted Total Net Assets	104,587 2,321,386 \$2,621,388

See Accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County Statement of Activities - Cash Basis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Net (Disbursement) Receipt and Change **Program Cash Receipts** in Net Assets Cash Charges **Operating Grants** Capital Grants Governmental Disbursements for Services and Contributions and Contributions Activities **Governmental Activities:** Current: Instruction: Regular \$1,346,358 \$233,865 \$11,548 (\$1,100,945)461,146 58,790 (282,291) Special 120,065 Vocational 57,367 18,642 (38,725)Support Services: Pupils 5,000 (47,184) 52,184 Instructional Staff 123,432 29,662 (93,770)Board of Education 45,099 (45,099)Administration 270,615 (270,615) 132,604 (132,604) Fiscal Operation and Maintenance of Plant 411,738 \$13,489 (398,249) **Pupil Transportation** 121,064 (121,064)Central 41,547 (41,547)Non-Instructional Services 10 (10)Operation of Food Services 93,772 53,069 34,691 (6.012)**Extracurricular Activities** 135,736 54,983 (80,753)Total Governmental Activities \$461,982 \$13,489 (2,658,868) \$3,292,672 \$158,333 General Receipts: Property Taxes Levied for General Purposes 894,427 Property Taxes Levied for Permanent Improvements 75,542 Income Taxes Levied for General Purposes 424,375 Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs 1.636.515 Interest 16,541 Gifts and Donations 795 Miscellaneous 430 Sale of Capital Assets 1,630 Rent 287 Refund of Prior Year Expenditures 33,698 **Total General Receipts** 3,084,240

425,372

2,196,016

\$2,621,388

See Accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements

Change in Net Assets

Net Assets at End of Year

Net Assets at Beginning of Year - Restated (Note 3)

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances Governmental Funds June 30, 2011

	General	Permanent Improvement	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Assets: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Restricted Assets:	\$2,321,386	\$122,560	\$104,587	\$2,548,533
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	72,855			72,855
Total Assets	\$2,394,241	\$122,560	\$104,587	\$2,621,388
Fund Balances: Restricted Committed	\$72,855 70,297	\$122,560	\$104,587	\$300,002 70,297
Assigned Unassigned	46,605 2,204,484			46,605 2,204,484
Total Fund Balances	\$2,394,241	\$122,560	\$104,587	\$2,621,388

See Accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements

Vanlue Local School District

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Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Basis Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

		Damaaaat	Other	Total
	General	Permanent Improvement	Other Governmental	Governmental Funds
	General	improvement	Governmental	1 unus
Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$894,427	\$75,542		\$969,969
Income Taxes	424,375			424,375
Intergovernmental	1,509,220	13,489	\$285,628	1,808,337
Interest	16,528		13	16,541
Tuition and Fees	353,930			353,930
Rent	287			287
Extracurricular Activities			54,983	54,983
Charges for Services			53,069	53,069
Gifts and Donations	711		84	795
Miscellaneous	430			430
Total Receipts	3,199,908	89,031	393,777	3,682,716
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	1,331,775	6,654	7,929	1,346,358
Special	401,891		59,255	461,146
Vocational	57,367			57,367
Support Services:				
Pupils	52,184			52,184
Instructional Staff	59,209		64,223	123,432
Board of Education	45,099			45,099
Administration	270,553		62	270,615
Fiscal	130,926	1,678		132,604
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	208,266	128,060	75,412	411,738
Pupil Transportation	96,733		24,331	121,064
Central	36,547		5,000	41,547
Operation of Food Service	07.067		93,772	93,772
Extracurricular Activities	97,267		38,469	135,736
Total Disbursements	2,787,817	136,392	368,453	3,292,662
Excess of Receipts Over				
(Under) Disbursements	412,091	(47,361)	25,324	390,054
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Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Sale of Capital Assets	1,630			1,630
Refund of Prior Year Receipts	(10)			(10)
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	33,697		1	33,698
Transfers In			15,000	15,000
Transfers Out	(15,000)			(15,000)
Total Other Financing Sources	20,317		15,001	35,318
Changes in Fund Balances	432,408	(47,361)	40,325	425,372
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year - Restated (Note 3)	1,961,833	169,921	64,262	2,196,016
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$2,394,241	\$122,560	\$104,587	\$2,621,388

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Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual

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Variance with

General Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

				Variance with Final Budget
	Budgeted A	mounts		Over
	Original	Final	Actual	(Under)
Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$814,892	\$872,595	\$894,427	\$21,832
Income Taxes	358,888	408,888	424,375	15,487
Intergovernmental	1,465,210	1,469,549	1,509,220	39,671
Interest	28,562	18,563	16,528	(2,035)
Tuition and Fees	279,962	354,131	353,930	(201)
Rent	•	•	287	287
Gifts and Donations	1,379	298	711	413
Miscellaneous	685	488	430	(58)
Total Receipts	2,949,578	3,124,512	3,199,908	75,396
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	1,427,091	1,407,769	1,339,131	68,638
Special	399,004	435,592	408,523	27,069
Vocational	105,730	68,780	57,367	11,413
Support Services:				
Pupils	54,060	63,402	52,893	10,509
Instructional Staff	106,083	84,873	60,209	24,664
Board of Education	86,855	62,705	50,104	12,601
Administration	297,675	293,225	273,229	19,996
Fiscal	163,522	141,368	131,859	9,509
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	300,349	237,247	219,682	17,565
Pupil Transportation	205,497	122,231	103,933	18,298
Central	46,139	44,689	36,597	8,092
Extracurricular Activities	114,916	113,641	98,500	15,141
Total Disbursements	3,306,921	3,075,522	2,832,027	243,495
Excess of Receipts Over				
(Under) Disbursements	(357,343)	48,990	367,881	318,891
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Sale of Capital Assets	4,167	2,050	1,630	(420)
Refund of Prior Year Receipts	(500)	(500)	(10)	490
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures		34,000	33,697	(303)
Advances In				
Advances Out	(20,000)			
Transfers Out	(30,000)	(20,000)	(15,000)	5,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(46,333)	15,550	20,317	4,767
Changes in Fund Balance	(403,676)	64,540	388,198	323,658
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,866,467	1,866,467	1,866,467	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	95,366	95,366	95,366	
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$1,558,157	\$2,026,373	\$2,350,031	\$323,658

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County Statement of Cash Basis Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

	Private Purpose Trust	Agency
Assets: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$22 _	\$24,094
<u>Liabilities:</u> Due to Students	<u>-</u>	\$24,094
Net Assets: Held in Trust for Scholarships	\$22	

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County Statement of Cash Basis Change in Fiduciary Net Assets Private Purpose Trust Fund June 30, 2011

Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$22
Net Assets at End of Year	\$22
See Accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements	

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Vanlue 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 Section 3311.03 of 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 one instructional/support facility staffed by 17 classified employees and 25 certified teaching personnel, who provide services to 252 students and other community members.

The 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. 30, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the basic financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food services, and student related activities of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; (4) 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. Based upon the application of these 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:

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC), which is a computer consortium. NOACSC is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Allen, Hancock, Mercer, Paulding, Putnam, and Van Wert Counties, and the Cities of St. Marys and Wapakoneta. 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 NOACSC consists of two representatives from each county elected by majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county. Financial information can be obtained from the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative, 645 South Main Street, Lima, Ohio 45804.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY (Continued)

Millstream Career and Technology Center

The Millstream Career and Technology Center (the Center) is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio established under Section 3313.90 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Center provides vocational instruction to students. The Center operates under the direction of an Advisory Council consisting of the superintendent of each participating school district and one additional representative from the Findlay City School District. The Treasurers from the Hancock and Putnam County Educational Service Centers serve in an ex-officio capacity for all meetings. Financial information can be obtained from the Findlay City School District Treasurer, 1219 West Main Cross Suite 101, Findlay, Ohio 45840-3377.

Hancock County Local Professional Development Committee

The Hancock County Local Professional Development Committee (HCLPDC) was established in 1999 to plan, promote, and facilitate effective and efficient professional educator license renewal standards and staff development activities. The HCLPDC is organized under Ohio laws as a regional council of governments pursuant to a written agreement entered into by its members. The HCLPDC is governed by a thirteen member Executive Board. Financial information can be obtained from the Hancock County Educational Service Center, who serves as fiscal agent, 7746 County Road 140, Findlay, Ohio 45840.

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 a twenty-five county area in 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. Financial information can be obtained from the Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., Box 456, Ashland, Ohio 44805.

PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOLS

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The District participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), an insurance purchasing pool established under Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. SORSA is an unincorporated nonprofit association of its members which enables the participants to provide for a formalized joint insurance purchasing program for maintaining adequate insurance protection and provides risk management programs and other administrative services. The SORSA's business and affairs are conducted by a board consisting of nine Superintendents and Treasurers, as well as an attorney, accountant, and four representatives from the pool's administrator, Willis Pooling. Willis Pooling is responsible for processing claims and establishes agreements between SORSA and its members. Financial information can be obtained from Willis Pooling, 655 Metro Place South, Dublin, Ohio 43017.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY (Continued)

Ohio School Board 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 Board Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (the "Plan") was established through the Ohio School Board Association (OSBA) as a group purchasing pool.

The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the Plan. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the Plan to cover the costs of administering the program.

Hancock County Schools Health Benefit Fund

The Hancock County Schools Health Benefit Fund (the Fund) is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of seven local school districts, the Hancock County Educational Service Center, and the Blanchard Valley Board of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities. The Fund is a Voluntary Employee Benefit Association under Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code and provides medical, dental, and vision insurance benefits to participants. The Administrative Committee of the Fund consists of the superintendent from each participating member. The Administrative Committee advises the trustee, Hylant Group, concerning aspects of the administration of the Fund.

Each member decides which plans offered by the Administrative Committee that will be extended to its employees. Participation in the Fund is by written application subject to acceptance by the Administrative Committee and payment of the monthly premiums. Financial information can be obtained from Lisa Hawker, Hylant Group, 811 Madison Avenue, P O Box 1687, Toledo, Ohio 43603-1687.

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 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.

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. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The statement of net assets presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the District is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants that are required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the District's general receipts.

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 are designed to present financial information of the District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain District functions or activities. 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 the categories governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds

The District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The following is the District's major funds:

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

<u>Permanent Improvement Fund</u> – The Permanent Improvement Fund is used to account for the revenue from the levy passed for general permanent improvements.

The other governmental funds of the District account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted, committed, or assigned to a particular purpose.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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 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 (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's agency fund accounts for various student-managed activities.

C. Basis of Accounting

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

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 cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level within all funds 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 final amended certificate of estimated resources requested by the District prior to fiscal year end.

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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Cash 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".

During 2011, the District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit and STAR Ohio. Investments are reported at cost, except for STAR Ohio. 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, 2011.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. The Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2011 amounted to \$16,528, which includes \$1,405 assigned from other District funds.

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.

F. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restricted assets in the General Fund include the amount required by State statute to be set aside for textbooks and instructional materials.

G. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

H. Interfund Receivables/Payables

The District reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

I. 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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

J. Long-Term Obligations

Cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when disbursements are made.

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

L. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable – The nonspendable classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

<u>Restricted</u> – Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

<u>Committed</u> – The committed classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the Board of Education. The committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

<u>Assigned</u> – Amounts in the assigned classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds, other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the Board of Education.

<u>Unassigned</u> – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The District first applies restricted resources when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used.

M. Interfund Activity

Transfers within governmental activities are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements.

Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the statement of activities. Payments for interfund services provided and used are not eliminated.

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

3. RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

For fiscal year 2011, the District modified its financial statements to reflect the modifications outlined in GASB Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". GASB Statement No. 54 provides fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions. The requirements of this statement classify fund balance as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned.

The restatement due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 54 had the following effect on fund balance of the major and nonmajor funds of the District as they were previously reported.

	General	Other Governmental
Fund Balance at June 30, 2010 Change in Fund Structure	\$1,883,210 78,623	\$142,885 (78,623)
Adjusted Fund Balance at June 30, 2010	\$1,961,833	\$64,262

4. COMPLIANCE

Ohio Administrative Code, Section 117-2-03 (B), requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the District prepared its financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, net assets/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

5. 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 Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual 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 encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$44,210 in the General fund.

6. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

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

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

Interim monies held by the District may 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;
- 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;

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

6. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

- 6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2);
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio); and
- 8. Commercial paper and bankers' acceptances if training requirements have been met.

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.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk 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, \$524,482 of the District's bank balance of \$2,441,989 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. Although all State statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirement could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

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.

Investments

As of June 30, 2011, the investment with Star Ohio was \$230,322. The District's investments in STAR Ohio have an average maturity of 58 days. STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAA by Standard and Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service.

7. PROPERTY TAXES

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.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

7. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

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 2011 represent the collection of calendar year 2010 taxes. Real property taxes for calendar year 2011 were levied after April 1, 2010, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2010, 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 received in calendar year 2011 were levied after April 1, 2010, on the assessed values as of December 31, 2009, 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 2011 (other than public utility property) represent the collection of calendar year 2011 taxes levied against local and interexchange telephone companies. Tangible personal property tax on business inventory, manufacturing machinery and equipment, and furniture and fixtures is no longer levied and collected. Tangible personal property taxes received from telephone companies in calendar year 2010 were levied after October 1, 2009, on the value as of December 31, 2009. 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. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the District prior to June 30.

The District receives property taxes from Hancock, Seneca and Wyandot Counties. 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, 2011, are available to finance fiscal year 2011 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent. The amount available as an advance can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2011 taxes were collected are:

	2010 Second- Half Collections		2011 First- Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential	\$29,149,480	95%	\$33,541,580	95%
Industrial/Commercial	870,010	3%	849,840	2%
Public Utility	794,710	2%	853,330	3%
Total Assessed Value	\$30,814,200	100%	\$35,244,750	100%
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$45.53		\$44.22	

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

8. INCOME TAX

The District levies a voted tax of 1 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2006, and would continue for five years; however, in May 2010 the voters renewed the income tax at 1 percent for a continuing period of time. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file and annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the General Fund.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT

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 2011, the District participated in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA), an insurance purchasing pool. Each participant enters into an individual agreement with SORSA for insurance overage and pays annual premiums to SORSA based on the types and limits of coverage and deductibles selected by the participant.

Coverage provided is as follows:	
Buildings and Contents (\$1,000 Deductible)	<u>*************************************</u>
General Liability	
Per Occurrence	1,000,000-12,000,000
Aggregate	12,000,000
Automobile Liability	12,000,000

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

The District participates in the Ohio School Board Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. 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. Participants in the GRP are placed on tiers according to their loss history. Participants with low loss histories are rewarded with greater savings than participants with higher loss histories. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the state based on the rate for its GRP tier rather than its individual rate. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of CompManagement Health Systems, Inc. provides administrative, cost control, assistance with safety programs, and actuarial services to the GRP.

The District participates in the Hancock County Schools Health Benefit Fund (the Fund), a public entity shared risk pool consisting of seven local school districts, the Hancock County Educational Service Center, and the Blanchard Valley Board of Mental Retardation/Development Disabilities. The District pays monthly premiums to the Fund for employee medical, dental, and vision insurance benefits. The Fund is responsible for the management and operation of the program. Upon withdrawal from the Fund, a participant is responsible for the payment of all Fund liabilities to its employees, dependents, and designated beneficiaries accruing as a result of withdrawal.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

A. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description - The District contributes to 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 the State Teachers Retirement System of 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 Plan (DBP), a Defined Contribution Plan (DCP), and a Combined Plan (CP). The DBP offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service or on 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 DCP 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 fifty and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal. The CP offers features of both the DBP and the DCP. In the CP, 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 DBP. The DBP portion of the CP payment is payable to a member on or after age sixty; the DCP portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age fifty. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DBP or CP 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 DCP who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DCP 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, 2011, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the STRS Ohio 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 contribution for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 was \$142,810, \$129,300, and \$132,970 respectively; 83 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009. Contributions to the DCP and CP for fiscal year 2011 were \$473 made by the District and \$338 made by the plan members.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

B. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement 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 stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District was 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 2011, 11.81 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, 2011, 2010, and 2009 was \$48,255, \$52,833, and \$37,706 respectively; 37 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

11. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description - The District contributes to a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit Health Care 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 STRS Ohio's financial report which may be obtained by calling (888) 227-7877 or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at www.strsoh.org.

Funding Policy - Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Health Care 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 Health Care Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for postemployment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For fiscal year 2011, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The District's contribution for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 was \$11,022, \$10,074, and \$10,258 respectively; 83 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

11. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

B. School Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The District contributes to two cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) for classified 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 SERS 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 the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each fiscal 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 fiscal year 2011, 1.43 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined amount. For fiscal year 2011, the surcharge amount was \$6,504.

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 contribution for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 was \$5,843, \$1,902, and \$17,256 respectively; 37 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare Part B Fund. For fiscal year 2011, this actuarially required allocation was .76 percent of covered payroll. The District's contribution for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 was \$3,105, \$3,142, and \$3,111 respectively; 37 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2011 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2010 and 2009.

12. OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A. Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to classified employees and administrators upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

12. OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (Continued)

Teachers, administrators, and classified employees earn sick leave at a rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of one hundred eighty-five days for teachers and one hundred eighty for non-teaching personnel. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fourth of accrued, but unused sick leave credit to a maximum of thirty days. Teachers receive an additional severance payment, of up to thirty days, for accumulated sick leave in excess of one hundred eighty-five days.

B. Health Care Benefits

The District provides medical, dental, and vision insurance to all employees through the Hancock County Schools Health Benefit Fund. Depending upon the plan chosen, the employees share the cost of the monthly premium with the Board. The premium varies with employee depending on the terms of the union contract.

13. FUND BALANCE

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds.

The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Fund Balance	General	Permanent Improvement	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
Restricted for:		<u> </u>		
Textbook Set-Aside	\$72,855			\$72,855
Capital Improvements		\$122,560	\$60	122,620
Regular Instruction			39,693	39,693
Athletics and Music			37,279	37,279
Food Service Operations			25,555	25,555
Library			1,000	1,000
Playground Equipment			1,000	1,000
Total Restricted	72,855	122,560	104,587	300,002
Committed for:				
Termination Benefits	70,297			70,297
Assigned for:				
Extracurricular Activities	1,500			1,500
Educational Activities	6,267			6,267
Unpaid Obligations	38,838			38,838
Total Assigned	46,605			46,605
Unassigned:	2,204,484			2,204,484
Total Fund Balance	\$2,394,241	\$122,560	\$104,587	\$2,621,388

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (Continued)

14. SET-ASIDE CALCULATIONS AND FUND RESERVES

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

The following cash basis information describes the changes in the fund balance reserves for textbooks and capital improvements during fiscal year 2011.

	Textbooks	Capital Improvements
Balance June 30, 2010	\$66,947	
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	36,153	\$36,153
Current Year Offsets		(36,153)
Qualifying Disbursements	(30,245)	
Balance June 30, 2011	\$72,855	

15. 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, 2011.

B. Litigation

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

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

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County 301 South East Street, P.O. Box 250 Vanlue, Ohio 45890-0250

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 Vanlue Local School District, Hancock County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 23, 2012, wherein we noted the District prepared its financial statement on the cash basis. We also noted the District implemented Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". 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.

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.

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

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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 we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2011-001.

We also noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the District's management in a separate letter dated February 23, 2012.

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

Dave Yost Auditor of State

February 23, 2012

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2011

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

FINDING NUMBER 2011-001

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 further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Revised Code § 117.38.

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, the District prepares its financial statements in a cash format which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 117.38 the District may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report. We recommend the District prepare its statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Officials' Response:

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

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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDING JUNE 30, 2011

Finding	Finding	Fully	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
Number	Summary	Corrected?	
2010-001	Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) for not filing GAAP financial statements.	No	Reissued in this report as finding 2011-001.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURE

Vanlue Local School District Hancock County 301 South East Street, P.O. Box 250 Vanlue, Ohio 45890-0250

To the Board of Education:

Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.53 states "the auditor of state shall identify whether the school district or community school has adopted an anti-harassment policy in accordance with Section 3313.666 of the Revised Code. This determination shall be recorded in the audit report. The auditor of state shall not prescribe the content or operation of any anti-harassment policy adopted by a school district or community school."

Accordingly, we have performed the procedure enumerated below, which was agreed to by the Board, solely to assist the Board in evaluating whether Vanlue Local School District (the District) has updated its anti-harassment policy in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.666. Management is responsible for complying with this requirement. This agreed-upon procedure engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of this procedure is solely the responsibility of the Board. Consequently; we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedure described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

We noted the Board amended its anti-harassment policy at its meeting on January 10, 2011 to include violence within a dating relationship within its definition of harassment, intimidation or bullying.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance with the anti-harassment policy. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

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

Dave Yost Auditor of State

February 23, 2012





VANLUE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HANCOCK COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED MARCH 8, 2012