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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Benjamin Logan Local School District
Logan County
4740 County Road 26
Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

To the Board of Education:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Benjamin Logan Local School District, Logan County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis Note 2 describes. This responsibility includes determining that the cash accounting basis is acceptable for the circumstances. Management is also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Benjamin Logan Local School District, Logan County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with the accounting basis described in Note 2.

Accounting Basis

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. We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis applied to these statements. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Matters

Supplemental Information

Our audit was conducted to opine on the financial statements taken as a whole.

The Schedule of Federal Award Receipts and Expenditures presents additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations and is also not a required part of the financial statements.

The schedule is management's responsibility, and derives from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. We subjected this schedule to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements. We also applied certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling this schedule directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, this schedule is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Information

We applied no procedures to Management's Discussion & Analysis, or to the schedules of net pension liabilities and pension contributions as listed in the table of contents. Accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 17, 2016, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Dave Yost
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

February 17, 2016

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015
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The management's discussion and analysis of the Benjamin Logan 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, 2015, within the limitations of the District's cash basis of accounting. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the cash-basis financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2015 are as follows:

- The total net cash position of the District decreased \$335,602 or 4.60% from fiscal year 2014.
- General cash receipts accounted for \$16,381,994 or 79.90% of total governmental activities cash receipts. Program specific cash receipts accounted for \$4,120,917 or 20.10% of total governmental activities cash receipts.
- The District had \$20,838,513 in cash disbursements related to governmental activities; \$4,120,917 of these cash disbursements were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General cash receipts (primarily taxes) of \$16,381,994 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- The District's major fund is the general fund. The general fund had cash receipts of \$17,952,125 in 2015. The cash disbursements of the general fund, totaled \$17,142,811 in 2015. The general fund's fund cash balance increased \$809,314 from a balance of \$5,233,514 to \$6,042,828.

Using this Cash Basis Basic Financial Statements (BFS)

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

The statement of net position - cash basis and statement of activities - cash basis provide information about the activities of the whole District, presenting an aggregate view of the District's cash basis finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the District, there is one major governmental fund.

Reporting the District as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

The statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis answer the question, "How did we do financially during 2015?" These statements include *only net cash assets* using the *cash basis of accounting*, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). This basis of accounting takes into account only the current year's receipts and disbursements if the cash is actually received or paid.

These two statements report the District's net position and changes in those assets on a cash basis. This change in net cash assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the cash basis financial position of the District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

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Non-financial factors include the District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, mandated federal and state programs and other factors.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not collected) and 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. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

In the statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis, the governmental activities include District's programs and services including instruction; support services such as operation and maintenance of plant and pupil transportation; non-instructional services such as extracurricular activities; and food service operations.

The statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis can be found on pages 13-14 of this report.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major governmental fund is the general fund. The analysis of the District's major governmental fund begins on page 10.

Governmental Funds

All of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than GAAP. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer cash basis financial resources that can be readily spent to finance various District programs. Since the District is reporting on the cash basis of accounting, there are no differences in the net cash position and fund cash balances or changes in net cash position and changes in fund cash balances. Therefore, no reconciliation is necessary between such financial statements. The governmental fund statements can be found on pages 15-16 of this report.

The District's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a cash basis. The budgetary statement for the general fund is presented to demonstrate the District's compliance with annually adopted budgets. The budgetary statement can be found on page 17 of this report.

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Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. The District's only fiduciary fund is an agency fund. Only the cash held at year end for these funds is reported on page 18.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 19-43 of this report.

Required Supplementary Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the District's net pension liability. The required supplementary information can be found on pages 45 through 49 of this report.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Recall that the statement of net position - cash basis provides the perspective of the District as a whole.

The table below provides a summary of the District's net position for 2015 and 2014.

Net Position		
	Governmental Activities 2015	Governmental Activities 2014
Assets:		
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$6,953,658	\$7,289,264
Cash in segregated accounts	3,194	3,190
Total assets	<u>6,956,852</u>	<u>7,292,454</u>
Net Position:		
Restricted	914,024	2,058,940
Unrestricted	6,042,828	5,233,514
Total net position	<u>\$6,956,852</u>	<u>\$7,292,454</u>

The total net position of the District decreased \$335,602, which represents a 4.60% decrease over fiscal year 2014.

The balance of government-wide unrestricted net position of \$6,042,828 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

The table below shows the changes in net cash position for fiscal year 2015 and 2014.

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Change in Net Position

	Governmental Activities 2015	Governmental Activities 2014
Cash Receipts:		
Program cash receipts:		
Charges for services	\$2,085,544	\$2,095,325
Operating grants, contributions and interest	2,035,373	1,613,130
Total program cash receipts	<u>4,120,917</u>	<u>3,708,455</u>
General cash receipts:		
Property and other taxes	8,173,614	7,857,694
Unrestricted grants	7,646,892	7,930,111
Sale of bonds		1,925,000
Sale of tax anticipation notes	306,000	
Premium on bonds		97,328
Investment earnings	19,435	21,054
Other	236,053	282,184
Total general cash receipts	<u>16,381,994</u>	<u>18,113,371</u>
Total cash receipts	<u>20,502,911</u>	<u>21,821,826</u>
Cash Disbursements:		
Instruction:		
Regular	7,005,124	6,927,977
Special	2,446,797	2,435,935
Vocational	462,623	448,921
Other	1,443,460	1,273,970
Support services:		
Pupil	797,949	803,288
Instructional staff	497,738	400,920
Board of education	110,345	57,419
Administration	1,455,876	1,442,756
Fiscal	460,685	503,789
Operations and maintenance	3,100,700	2,699,371
Pupil transportation	1,362,170	1,256,703
Central	239,201	257,693
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Other non-instructional services	21,778	29,176
Food service operations	626,338	676,757
Extracurricular	487,730	497,178
Facilities acquisition and construction	13,423	53,922
Debt service:		
Principal retirement	251,200	
Interest and fiscal charges	55,376	72,688
Total cash disbursements	<u>\$20,838,513</u>	<u>\$19,838,463</u>

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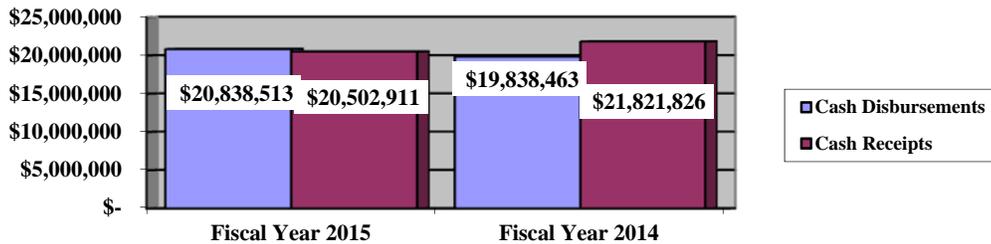
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Governmental Activities

Governmental assets decreased by \$335,602 in 2015 from 2014. Total governmental disbursements of \$20,838,513 were offset by program receipts of \$4,120,917 and general receipts of \$16,381,994. Program receipts supported 19.78% of the total governmental disbursements.

The primary sources of receipts for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, and grants and entitlements. These receipt sources represent 77.16% of total governmental receipts. Real estate property is reappraised every six years.

Governmental Activities - Total Cash Receipts vs. Total Cash Disbursements



Governmental Activities

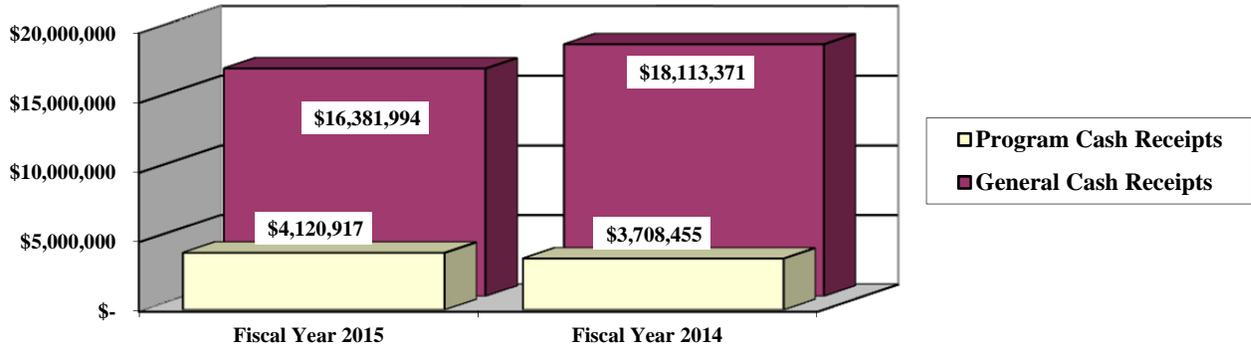
	Total Cost of Services 2015	Net Cost of Services 2015	Total Cost of Services 2014	Net Cost of Services 2014
Cash disbursements:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$7,005,124	\$5,539,800	\$ 6,927,977	\$5,455,415
Special	2,446,797	988,913	2,435,935	1,398,852
Vocational	462,623	394,447	448,921	375,556
Other	1,443,460	1,443,460	1,273,970	1,273,970
Support services:				
Pupil	797,949	664,538	803,288	613,534
Instructional staff	497,738	487,731	400,920	367,110
Board of education	110,345	110,345	57,419	55,620
Administration	1,455,876	1,361,695	1,442,756	1,381,708
Fiscal	460,685	460,685	503,789	503,789
Operations and maintenance	3,100,700	3,100,500	2,699,371	2,699,371
Pupil transportation	1,362,170	1,328,385	1,256,703	1,248,018
Central	239,201	233,801	257,693	252,293
Operation of non- instructional services:				
Other non- instructional services	21,778	(9,469)	29,176	17,464
Food service operations	626,338	(62,150)	676,757	(14,214)
Extracurricular	487,730	354,916	497,178	374,912
Facilities acquisition and construction	13,423	13,423	53,922	53,922
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	251,200	251,200		
Interest and fiscal charges	55,376	55,376	72,688	72,688
Total	\$20,838,513	\$16,717,596	\$19,838,463	\$16,130,008

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The dependence upon general cash receipts for governmental activities is apparent; with 80.22% of cash disbursements supported through taxes and other general cash receipts during 2015.

Governmental Activities - General and Program Cash Receipts



Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The District's governmental funds are accounted for using the cash basis of accounting.

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund cash balance of \$6,956,852, which is \$335,602 lower than last year's total balance of \$7,292,454. The schedule below indicates the fund cash balance and the total change in fund cash balance as of June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, for all major and non-major governmental funds.

	Fund Balance June 30, 2015	Fund Balance June 30, 2014	Change
Major funds:			
General	\$6,042,828	\$5,233,514	\$809,314
Other non-major governmental funds	914,024	2,058,940	(1,144,916)
Total	\$6,956,852	\$7,292,454	(\$335,602)

General Fund

The general fund had cash receipts of \$17,952,125 in 2015. The cash disbursements of the general fund, totaled \$17,142,811 in 2015. The general fund's cash balance increased \$809,314 from a balance of \$5,233,514 to \$6,042,828.

The table that follows assists in illustrating the cash receipts of the general fund.

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	2015 Amount	2014 Amount	Percentage Change
Cash Receipts:			
Taxes	\$7,657,771	\$7,337,917	4.36 %
Tuition	1,269,875	1,281,947	(0.94) %
Transportation fees	25,409	22,795	11.47 %
Earnings on investments	19,435	21,054	(7.69) %
Other local revenues	467,599	558,577	(16.29) %
Intergovernmental - State	8,512,036	8,401,427	1.32 %
Total	\$17,952,125	\$17,623,717	1.86 %

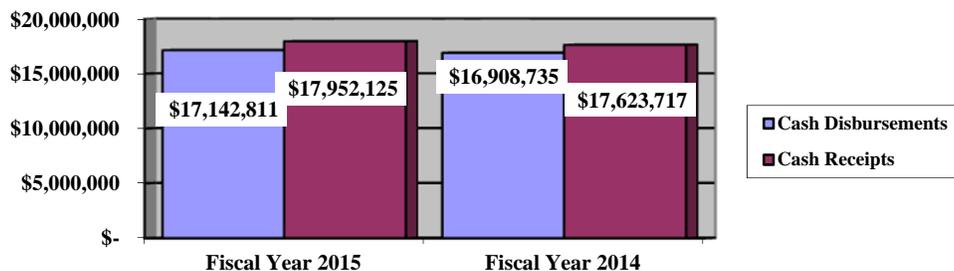
The District's general fund cash receipts increased \$328,408 or 1.86%. Property taxes increased \$319,854 or 4.36%. This increase was due to large assessed values and better tax collections compared to the previous fiscal year.

The table that follows assists in illustrating the disbursements of the general fund.

	2015 Amount	2014 Amount	Percentage Change
Cash Disbursements:			
Instruction	\$10,681,604	\$10,394,869	2.76 %
Support services and operation of non-instructional services	6,093,896	6,147,826	(0.88) %
Extracurricular	367,311	366,040	0.35 %
Total	\$17,142,811	\$16,908,735	1.38 %

The District's general fund cash disbursements increased \$234,076 or 1.38%. The largest increase was in the area of instruction which increased \$286,735 or 2.76%. This increase was primarily due in wage and benefit increases given to employees.

General Fund - Total Cash Receipts vs. Total Cash Disbursements



Budgeting Highlights - General Fund

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.

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For the general fund, final budget basis receipts and other financing sources did not change from the original budget estimates of \$15,025,241. Actual cash receipts of \$15,943,174 were more than final budget estimates by \$917,933. The final budget basis disbursements were \$16,661,906 were the same as original budget basis disbursements. The actual budgetary basis disbursements of \$16,019,909 were \$641,997 less than the final budget estimates.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The District does not record capital assets in the accompanying cash basis basic financial statements, but records payments for capital assets as disbursements.

Debt Administration

The District had the following long-term obligations outstanding at June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	Governmental Activities 2015	Governmental Activities 2014
Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2014:		
Various Purpose - HB 264	\$1,445,000	\$1,605,000
Air Conditioning	290,000	320,000
Tax Anticipation Notes, Series 2015	244,800	
Total long-term obligations	<u>\$1,979,800</u>	<u>\$1,925,000</u>

Current Financial Related Activities

The challenge for all school districts is to provide a quality education with limited revenue growth. This is even more challenging for a rural district such as Benjamin Logan Local Schools. With mainly one industry, whose Tangible Personal Property tax is being replaced with the House Bill 66 approved Commercial Activity Tax (CAT) that flows through the State, the District must rely on local taxes and State support even further for future revenue growth. The five-year forecast is predicting a slight surplus for fiscal year 2015. With the passage of the current state budget, the District is very concerned about losing Tangible Personal Tax replacement dollars in Fiscal Year 2017.

The District has been an effective school district over the last five years, which is among the top 15% of schools statewide. This academic success has been achieved by staff and administration dedication to improvement, an increase in professional development, and community support.

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 show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Treasurer, Benjamin Logan Local School District, 4740 County Road 26, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311-9532.

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$6,953,658
Cash in segregated accounts	3,194
Total assets	<u>6,956,852</u>
Net cash position:	
Restricted for:	
Capital projects	452,641
Debt service	25,064
Federally funded programs	23,786
Student activities	27,746
Other purposes	384,787
Unrestricted	6,042,828
Total net cash position	<u>\$6,956,852</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>Program Cash Receipts</u>			<u>Net Revenue (Expense)</u>
	<u>Cash Disbursements</u>	<u>Charges for Services and Sales</u>	<u>Operating Grants, Contributions and Interest</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Governmental activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$7,005,124	\$1,340,068	\$125,256	(\$5,539,800)
Special	2,446,797	28,209	1,429,675	(988,913)
Vocational	462,623		68,176	(394,447)
Other	1,443,460			(1,443,460)
Support services:				
Pupil	797,949	133,411		(664,538)
Instructional staff	497,738		10,007	(487,731)
Board of education	110,345			(110,345)
Administration	1,455,876		94,181	(1,361,695)
Fiscal	460,685			(460,685)
Operations and maintenance	3,100,700	200		(3,100,500)
Pupil transportation	1,362,170	25,216	8,569	(1,328,385)
Central	239,201		5,400	(233,801)
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Other non-instructional services	21,778		31,247	9,469
Food service operations	626,338	439,596	248,892	62,150
Extracurricular activities	487,730	118,844	13,970	(354,916)
Facilities acquisition and construction	13,423			(13,423)
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	251,200			(251,200)
Interest and fiscal charges	55,376			(55,376)
Total governmental activities	<u>\$20,838,513</u>	<u>\$2,085,544</u>	<u>\$2,035,373</u>	<u>(16,717,596)</u>
General cash receipts:				
Property taxes levied for:				
General purposes				6,296,047
Capital outlay				515,843
Emergency levy				1,361,724
Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs				7,646,892
Proceeds of tax anticipation notes				306,000
Investment earnings				19,435
Miscellaneous				236,053
Total general receipts				<u>16,381,994</u>
Change in net cash position				(335,602)
Net cash position at beginning of year				<u>7,292,454</u>
Net cash position at end of year				<u>\$6,956,852</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2015**

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$6,042,828	\$910,830	\$6,953,658
Cash in segregated accounts		3,194	3,194
Total assets	6,042,828	914,024	6,956,852
Fund cash balances:			
Restricted:			
Debt service		25,064	25,064
Capital improvements		452,641	452,641
Food service operations		87,037	87,037
Special education		17,823	17,823
Targeted academic assistance		5,713	5,713
Other purposes		298,000	298,000
Discretionary restricted		27,746	27,746
Committed:			
Termination benefits	226,235		226,235
Assigned:			
Student instruction	36,447		36,447
Student and staff support	172,697		172,697
Other purposes	17,750		17,750
Unassigned	5,589,699		5,589,699
Total fund cash balances	\$6,042,828	\$914,024	\$6,956,852

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Cash receipts:			
From local sources:			
Property taxes	\$7,657,771	\$515,843	\$8,173,614
Tuition	1,269,875		1,269,875
Transportation fees	25,409		25,409
Earnings on investments	19,435	397	19,832
Charges for services		439,596	439,596
Extracurricular	133,411	119,118	252,529
Classroom materials and fees	97,935		97,935
Rental income	200		200
Contributions and donations	21,633	9,120	30,753
Other local revenues	214,420	87,103	301,523
Intergovernmental - state	8,512,036	82,069	8,594,105
Intergovernmental - federal		991,540	991,540
Total cash receipts	17,952,125	2,244,786	20,196,911
Cash disbursements:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	6,912,748	92,376	7,005,124
Special	1,875,273	571,524	2,446,797
Vocational	450,123	12,500	462,623
Other	1,443,460		1,443,460
Support services:			
Pupil	780,909	17,040	797,949
Instructional staff	486,566	11,172	497,738
Board of education	110,345		110,345
Administration	1,363,343	92,533	1,455,876
Fiscal	447,557	13,128	460,685
Operations and maintenance	1,391,459	1,709,241	3,100,700
Pupil transportation	1,279,916	82,254	1,362,170
Central	233,801	5,400	239,201
Operation of non-instructional services:			
Other operation of non-instructional		21,778	21,778
Food service operations		626,338	626,338
Extracurricular activities	367,311	120,419	487,730
Facilities acquisition and construction		13,423	13,423
Debt service:			
Principal retirement		251,200	251,200
Interest and fiscal charges		55,376	55,376
Total cash disbursements	17,142,811	3,695,702	20,838,513
Excess (deficiency) of cash receipts over (under) cash disbursements	809,314	(1,450,916)	(641,602)
Other financing sources (uses):			
Proceeds of tax anticipation notes		306,000	306,000
Transfers in		307,000	307,000
Transfers (out)		(307,000)	(307,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)		306,000	306,000
Net change in fund cash balances	809,314	(1,144,916)	(335,602)
Fund cash balances at beginning of year	5,233,514	2,058,940	7,292,454
Fund cash balances at end of year	\$6,042,828	\$914,024	\$6,956,852

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			Variance with Final Budget
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive (Negative)</u>
Budgetary basis receipts:				
From local sources:				
Property taxes	\$5,920,000	\$5,920,000	\$6,296,047	\$376,047
Tuition	1,355,000	1,355,000	1,269,875	(85,125)
Transportation fees	22,000	22,000	25,409	3,409
Earnings on investments	21,000	21,000	19,435	(1,565)
Classroom materials and fees	84,000	84,000	97,852	13,852
Rental income	5,000	5,000	200	(4,800)
Other local revenues	73,500	73,500	98,257	24,757
Intergovernmental - state	7,466,741	7,466,741	8,019,936	553,195
Total budgetary basis receipts	<u>14,947,241</u>	<u>14,947,241</u>	<u>15,827,011</u>	<u>879,770</u>
Budgetary basis disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	6,418,647	6,405,928	6,031,842	374,086
Special	1,367,350	1,369,075	1,354,936	14,139
Vocational	482,090	480,759	450,123	30,636
Other	1,364,016	1,360,250	1,443,460	(83,210)
Support services:				
Pupil	663,157	661,326	618,973	42,353
Instructional staff	528,589	549,130	489,207	59,923
Board of education	63,977	74,800	112,345	(37,545)
Administration	1,435,418	1,433,955	1,338,206	95,749
Fiscal	456,545	455,285	412,879	42,406
Operations and maintenance	1,714,191	1,709,458	1,461,933	247,525
Pupil transportation	1,403,535	1,399,660	1,293,841	105,819
Central	260,409	259,690	212,853	46,837
Extracurricular activities	463,871	462,590	367,311	95,279
Debt service:				
Principal	40,111	40,000		40,000
Total budgetary basis disbursements	<u>16,661,906</u>	<u>16,661,906</u>	<u>15,587,909</u>	<u>1,073,997</u>
Excess (deficiency) of budgetary basis receipts over (under) budgetary basis disbursements	<u>(1,714,665)</u>	<u>(1,714,665)</u>	<u>239,102</u>	<u>1,953,767</u>
Other financing sources (uses):				
Refund of prior year's expenditures	75,000	75,000	110,520	35,520
Transfers (out)			(432,000)	(432,000)
Sale of capital assets	3,000	3,000	5,643	2,643
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>78,000</u>	<u>78,000</u>	<u>(315,837)</u>	<u>(393,837)</u>
Net change in fund cash balance	(1,636,665)	(1,636,665)	(76,735)	1,559,930
Fund cash balance at beginning of year	4,261,559	4,261,559	4,261,559	
Prior year encumbrances appropriated	107,116	107,116	107,116	
Fund cash balance at end of year	<u>\$2,732,010</u>	<u>\$2,732,010</u>	<u>\$4,291,940</u>	<u>\$1,559,930</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
FIDUCIARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>Agency</u>
Assets:	
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$123,231</u>
Net cash position:	
Held for student activities	<u>\$123,231</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Benjamin Logan Local School District (the District) is organized under Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. The District operates under a locally elected Board form of government consisting of five members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. The District provides educational services as authorized by State statute and/or federal guidelines.

The District was established in 1969 through the consolidation of existing land areas and school districts. The District serves an area of approximately 225 square miles, 201 square miles in Logan County, 18 square miles in Hardin County, and six square miles in Union County. It is located in Logan County and includes the Villages of Belle Center, Rushsylvania, Valley High, Middleburg, West Mansfield, Zanesfield, and East Liberty. The District is staffed by 86 non-certified employees and 131 certified full-time teaching personnel who provide services to 1,714 students and other community members. The District currently operates three instructional buildings and a garage building.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed in Note 2.B., these financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In cases where these cash basis statements contain items that are the same as, or similar to, those items in financial statements prepared in conformity with GAAP, similar informative disclosures are provided.

A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units" and GASB Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government and component units. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's Governing Board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary government's financial statements incomplete or misleading. 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).

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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

1. Jointly Governed Organizations

Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO)

The District is a participant in the Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO), which is a computer consortium. WOCO is an association of various public school districts within the boundaries of Auglaize, Champaign, Hardin, Logan, Shelby, and Miami 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 of member school districts. Each of the governments of these districts supports WOCO based upon a per pupil charge dependent on the software package utilized. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, the District does not have an equity interest in WOCO, as the residual interest in net resources of the joint venture upon dissolution is not equivalent to an equity interest. WOCO is governed by a board of directors consisting of the superintendents of the member school districts and the degree of control is limited to the representation on the board. Financial information can be obtained from Donn Walls, who serves as Director, at 129 East Court Street, Sidney, Ohio 45365.

Ohio Hi-Point Career Center

The Ohio Hi-Point Career Center is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. The Vocational School is governed by a board of education that consists of a representative from each participating school district and its degree of control is limited to its representation on the board. To obtain financial information write to the Ohio Hi-Point Career Center, Eric Adelsberger, who serves as Treasurer, at 2280 State Route 540, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311.

Logan County Education Foundation

The Logan County Education Foundation was established to secure and distribute contributions from individuals, corporations, and foundations for the benefit of students within the county. The Foundation promotes, sponsors, and encourages the pursuit of excellence in education for students. The Foundation is managed by a Board of Trustees composed of six trustees from each school district. These trustees are nominated by their local school boards including Bellefontaine City School District, Benjamin Logan Local School District, Indian Lake Local School District, and Riverside Local School District. The Executive Board is comprised of the Logan County Educational Service Center Superintendent representing the three local school districts and the Bellefontaine City School District Superintendent representing the city school district. Financial information can be obtained by contacting Keith Thomas, who serves as Financial Advisor, 121 S. Opera Street, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311.

2. Insurance Purchasing Pools

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program

The District participates in a group-rating plan for workers' compensation as established under Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (the "Program") was established through the Ohio School Boards Association ("OSBA") as an insurance purchasing pool.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The Program's business and affairs are conducted by a three-member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designees, serves as coordinator of the Program. Each year, the participants pay an enrollment fee to the Program to cover the costs of administering the Program.

Logan County School Employee Consortium

The District participates in the Logan County School Employee Consortium (the Consortium); a public entity shared risk pool consisting of one educational service center, one joint vocational school district, and three local school districts. The District pays monthly premiums to the Consortium for employee medical benefits. The Consortium is responsible for the payment of all Consortium liabilities to its employees, dependents, and designated beneficiaries accruing as a result of withdrawal. The Treasurer of the District is the Recording Secretary of the Consortium.

3. Related Organization

Belle Center Free Public Library

The Belle Center Free Public Library (the "Library") is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio created under Chapter 3375 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Library is governed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the District Board of Education. The Board of Trustees possesses its own contracting and budgeting authority, hires and fires personnel and does not depend on the District for operational subsidies. Although the District does serve as the taxing authority and may issue tax related debt on behalf of the Library, its role is limited to a ministerial function. The determination to request approval of a tax, the rate and the purpose are discretionary decisions made solely by the Board of Trustees. Financial information can be obtained from the Belle Center Free Public Library, Judy Pockras, Fiscal Officer, at 103 South Elizabeth Street, PO Box 336, Belle Center, Ohio 44310.

B. Basis of Accounting

Although required by Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with GAAP, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than GAAP. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

Budgetary presentations report budgetary cash disbursements when a commitment is made (i.e. when an encumbrance is approved). The difference between disbursements reported in the fund and entity wide statements and disbursements reported in the budgetary statements are due to current year encumbrances being added to disbursements reported on the budgetary statements. These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in the preceding paragraph.

C. Fund Accounting

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

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)**

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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 following are the District's major governmental funds:

General fund -The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Other governmental funds of the District are used to account for (a) specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to an expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects, (b) financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest and (c) financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

2. Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net cash assets and changes in net cash 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 cash assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the District's own programs. The District does not have any trust or private purpose trust funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's agency fund accounts for student activities.

D. Basis of Presentation

1. Government-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The government-wide statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. These disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are 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 and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts which are not classified as program receipts are presented as general receipts of the District. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing on the cash basis or draws from the general receipts of the District.

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)**

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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

E. Budgets

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriation resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified.

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 fund level for all funds. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education. Budgetary allocations below the legal level within all funds are made by the District 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.

F. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements. A portion of cash and cash equivalents held within the athletic department of the District is recorded as "cash in segregated accounts".

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)**

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

During fiscal year 2015, investments were limited to certificates of deposit, Farm Federal Credit Bank (FFCB) securities, a U.S. Government money market and investments in the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (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 shares prices, which is the price the investment could be sold for on June 30, 2015.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. By policy of the Board of Education, investment earnings are assigned to the general fund. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2015 amounted to \$19,435, which includes \$7,415 assigned from other funds.

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

G. Equity Classifications

1. Government - wide Statements

Equity is classified as Net Position, and displayed in separate components:

- a. Restricted Net Position** - Consists of net position with constraints places on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments, or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation adopted by the school district. Net Position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, school supplies, and for student scholarships. As of June 30, 2015, the District had no net position restricted by enabling legislation.
- b. Unrestricted Net Position** - All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted".

2. Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund Equity is classified as fund cash balance, and displayed in separate components:

The District reports classifications of fund cash balance based on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. The following categories may be used:

Non-spendable - amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally required to be maintained intact.

Restricted - amounts that have constraints placed on the use of resources that are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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(Continued)**

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Committed - amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District's highest level of decision-making authority, the Board of Education.

Assigned - amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. Assigned amounts include those approved through the District's formal purchasing procedure by the Treasurer. Through the District's purchasing policy, the Board of Education has given the Treasurer the authority to constrain monies for intended purposes.

Unassigned - residual fund balance within the general fund that is in spendable form that is not restricted, committed, or assigned.

The District applies restricted resources first when a disbursement is incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted fund cash balance is available. The District considers committed, assigned, and unassigned fund cash balances, respectively, to be spent when disbursements are incurred for purposes for which any of the unrestricted fund cash balance classifications could be used.

H. Capital Assets

Acquisition of property, plant, and equipment purchased are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements under the cash basis of accounting. Depreciation has not been reported for any capital assets.

I. Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

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.

J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Districts recognizes disbursements for employer contributions to cost-sharing plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 9 and 10, employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and postretirement health care benefits.

K. Long-Term Obligations

Bonds and other long-term obligations are not recognized as a liability in the financial statements under the cash basis of accounting. These statements report proceeds of debt when cash is received, and debt service disbursements for debt principal payments.

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)**

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

L. Interfund Activity

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 loans are reported as advances-in and advances-out. Advances are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. Interfund transfers and advances 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 basic financial statements. Interfund activity between governmental funds are eliminated on the statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis.

M. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2015.

N. Receipts and Disbursements

Program Receipts

In the statement of activities, receipts that are derived directly from each activity or from parties outside the District's taxpayers are reported as program receipts. The District has the following program receipts: charges for services and operating grants, contributions, and interest. All other governmental receipts are reported as general. All taxes are classified as general receipts even if restricted for a specific purpose.

O. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension systems report investments at fair value.

3. ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. 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 position / 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.

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(Continued)**

3. ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE (Continued)

B. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2015, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27", GASB Statement No. 69 "Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations", and GASB Statement No. 71, "Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68".

GASB Statement No. 68 improves the accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 affected the District's pension plan disclosures, as presented in Note 9 to the financial statements, and added required supplementary information which is presented following the notes to basic financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 69 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations. The Statement improves the decision usefulness of financial reporting by requiring that disclosures be made by governments about combination arrangements in which they engage and for disposals of government operations. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 69 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 71 improves the accounting and financial reporting by addressing an issue in GASB Statement No. 68, concerning transition provisions related to certain pension contributions made to defined benefit pension plans prior to implementation of that Statement by employers and non-employer contributing entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 71 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

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

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

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

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one-hundred- eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time;
8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies; and,
9. High grade commercial paper in an amount not to exceed 5 percent of the District's total average portfolio.

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

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

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

A. Cash in Segregated Accounts

At fiscal year-end, \$3,194 was maintained in a checking account that the District established for funds related to athletics. This depository account is included in the total amount of "Deposits with Financial Institutions".

B. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2015, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$6,386,097. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2015, \$1,538,537 of the District's bank balance of \$6,500,700 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$4,962,163 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the District. The District has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments.

C. Investments

As of June 30, 2015, the District had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Investment Maturities</u>	
		<u>6 months or less</u>	<u>Greater than 24 months</u>
STAR Ohio	\$167,093	\$167,093	
U.S. Government money market	276,893	276,893	
FFCB	250,000		\$250,000
Total	<u>\$693,986</u>	<u>\$443,986</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>

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

Credit Risk: The District's investments in federal agency securities were rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively. Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio and the governmental money market an AAAM money market rating. STAR Ohio must maintain the highest letter or numerical rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The District's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk beyond the adherence to all relevant sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

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4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The federal agency securities are exposed to custodial credit risk in that they are uninsured, unregistered and held by the counterparty's trust department or agent, but not in the District's name. The District has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the District at June 30, 2015:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
STAR Ohio	\$167,093	24.08
U.S. Government money market	276,893	39.90
FFCB	250,000	36.02
Total	<u>\$693,986</u>	<u>100.00</u>

D. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the note above to cash as reported on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2015:

<u>Cash per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$6,386,097
Investments	693,986
Total	<u>\$7,080,083</u>

<u>Cash per statement of net position</u>	
Governmental activities	\$6,956,852
Agency funds	123,231
Total	<u>\$7,080,083</u>

5. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2015, consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

<u>Transfers from non-major governmental fund to:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Non-major governmental fund	<u>\$307,000</u>

Transfers are used to move cash receipts from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to disburse them and to use unrestricted cash receipts collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The transfer of \$307,000 from the permanent improvement fund (a non-major governmental fund) to the debt service fund (a non-major governmental fund) was to make principal and interest payments.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no transfers are reported on the statement of activities.

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6. PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property and public utility property. Real property tax revenues received in calendar year 2015 represent the collection of calendar year 2014 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2015 were levied after April 1, 2014, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2014, 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 property tax revenues received in calendar year 2015 represent the collection of calendar year 2014 taxes. Public utility real and personal property taxes received in calendar year 2015 became a lien on December 31, 2013, were levied after April 1, 2014, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Logan, Hardin and Union Counties. The County Auditors periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2015, are available to finance fiscal year 2015 operations. The amount of second-half real property taxes available for advance at fiscal year-end can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2015 taxes were collected are:

	2014 Second Half Collections		2015 First Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$313,733,220	96.59	\$324,822,460	96.62
Public utility personal	11,070,930	3.41	11,356,070	3.38
Total	<u>\$324,804,150</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$336,178,530</u>	<u>100.00</u>

Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for:

General operations	\$33.70	\$33.40
Permanent improvement	2.00	2.00

7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

During the fiscal year 2015, the following changes occurred in the District's long-term obligations:

	Balance Outstanding 6/30/2014	Additions	Reductions	Balance Outstanding 6/30/2015	Amounts Due in One Year
Governmental activities:					
Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2014:					
Various Purpose - HB 264	\$1,605,000		(\$160,000)	\$1,445,000	\$150,000
Air Conditioning	320,000		(30,000)	290,000	30,000
Tax Anticipation Notes, Series 2015		\$306,000	(61,200)	244,800	61,200
Total governmental activities	<u>\$1,925,000</u>	<u>\$306,000</u>	<u>(\$251,200)</u>	<u>\$1,979,800</u>	<u>\$241,200</u>

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7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2014 - On March 25, 2014, the District issued \$1,925,000 in general obligation bonds this was a consolidated issue to combine two separate series of bonds. The bonds were issued to finance costs of (a) installing heating and air conditioning systems in school buildings and other facilities for District purposes and improving and equipping their sites (\$320,000), and (b) constructing, renovating, rehabilitating, furnishing, equipping and improving District buildings and facilities to conserve energy (\$1,605,000). The principal and interest payments are made from the debt service fund (a non-major governmental fund).

The bonds were issued for a ten year period with a final maturity of December 1, 2014. The bond issue consists entirely of current interest serial bonds at an interest rate of 1.0% to 4.0% for an approximate yield to maturity of 0.22% to 2.65%.

The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Series 2014 Bonds:

Fiscal Year	Various Purpose - HB 264			Air Conditioning		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$150,000	\$33,100	\$183,100	\$30,000	\$6,700	\$36,700
2017	150,000	31,600	181,600	30,000	6,400	36,400
2018	155,000	29,688	184,688	30,000	6,025	36,025
2019	155,000	27,363	182,363	30,000	5,575	35,575
2020	160,000	25,000	185,000	30,000	5,125	35,125
2021 - 2024	675,000	53,700	728,700	140,000	10,850	150,850
Total	<u>\$1,445,000</u>	<u>\$200,451</u>	<u>\$1,645,451</u>	<u>\$290,000</u>	<u>\$40,675</u>	<u>\$330,675</u>

Tax Anticipation Notes, Series 2015: During fiscal year 2015, the District issued \$306,000 in tax anticipation notes for capital improvements throughout the District. The notes were issued for a five year period with a final maturity date of December 1, 2018. The notes carry an interest rate of 2.90%. Principal and interest payments are made from the debt service fund (a non-major governmental fund).

The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Series 2015 Notes:

Fiscal Year	Tax Anticipation Notes		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$61,200	\$6,212	\$67,412
2017	61,200	4,437	65,637
2018	61,200	2,662	63,862
2019	61,200	887	62,087
Total	<u>\$244,800</u>	<u>\$14,198</u>	<u>\$258,998</u>

The District's total voted debt margin was \$28,546,204 with an un-voted debt margin of \$336,179 at June 30, 2015.

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8. RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Property and Liability

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. The District maintains comprehensive commercial insurance coverage for real property, building contents, and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. Real property and contents are fully insured. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

The District's comprehensive commercial insurance coverage for real property and building contents has a liability limit of \$63,541,016 and a 100 percent coinsurance.

The District's fleet insurance has a liability limit of \$1,000,000, and \$5,000 for medical payments. The policy includes a \$1,000 deductible for comprehensive and collision coverage.

The District also has a \$1,000,000 general liability policy per occurrence/\$2,000,000 per aggregate, with an overall excess liability policy (umbrella) for a total limit of \$5,000,000.

B. Employee Benefits

The District's health insurance is provided through Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, the insurance provider for the Logan County Schools Benefit Plan Association. The District's vision plan is provided through Vision Service Plan (VSP). The District's dental plan is provided through Coresource. The District's life plan is provided through Sun America. Medical benefits are provided through the Logan County School Employee Consortium.

C. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2015, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 2.A). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. 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 GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate.

9. PENSION PLANS

A. Net Pension Liability

For fiscal year 2015, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions" and GASB Statement No. 71, "Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68" were effective. These GASB pronouncements had no effect on beginning net position as reported June 30, 2014, as the net pension liability is not reported in the accompanying financial statements. The net pension liability has been disclosed below.

Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The net pension liability represents the District's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

B. Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description - District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 *	Eligible to Retire on or after August 1, 2017
Full benefits	Any age with 30 years of service credit	Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit
Actuarially reduced benefits	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on year of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 13.18 percent. The remaining 0.82 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution rate was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$316,064 for fiscal year 2015.

C. Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio)

Plan Description - District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS Ohio. 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 includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS Ohio's fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. With certain exceptions, the basic benefit is increased each year by two percent of the original base benefit. For members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, the first two percent is paid on the fifth anniversary of the retirement benefit. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five year of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 25 years of service, or 30 years of service regardless of age. Age and service requirements for retirement will increase effective August 1, 2015, and will continue to increase periodically until they reach age 60 with 35 years of service or age 65 with five year of service on August 1, 2026.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. 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.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are allocated among investment choices by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of services. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50.

New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS Ohio plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS Ohio bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS Ohio has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit that apply for disability 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 - Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. The statutory maximum employee contribution rate was increased one percent July 1, 2014, and will be increased one percent each year until it reaches 14 percent on July 1, 2016. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, plan members were required to contribute 12 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2015 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS Ohio was \$1,132,544 for fiscal year 2015.

D. Net Pension Liability

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS Ohio</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$3,966,109	\$18,034,336	\$22,000,445
Proportion of the net pension liability	0.078367%	0.07414379%	

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

E. Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2014, are presented below:

Wage inflation	3.25 percent
Future salary increases, including inflation	4.00 percent to 22 percent
COLA or ad hoc COLA	3 percent
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal

For post-retirement mortality, the table used in evaluating allowances to be paid is the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table set back one year for both men and women. Special mortality tables are used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed June 30, 2010.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted averaged of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	1.00 %	0.00 %
US Stocks	22.50	5.00
Non-US Stocks	22.50	5.50
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	10.00
Real Assets	10.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	15.00	7.50
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate - The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.75 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.75 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$5,658,459	\$3,966,109	\$2,542,697

F. Actuarial Assumptions - STRS Ohio

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75 percent
Projected salary increases	2.75 percent at age 70 to 12.25 percent at age 20
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA)	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year; for members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, 2 percent COLA paid on fifth anniversary of retirement date.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89 and not set back from age 90 and above.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

The 10 year expected real rate of return on pension plan investments was determined by STRS Ohio's investment consultant by developing best estimates of expected future real rates of return for each major asset class. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Domestic Equity	31.00 %	8.00 %
International Equity	26.00	7.85
Alternatives	14.00	8.00
Fixed Income	18.00	3.75
Real Estate	10.00	6.75
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	3.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2014. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, STRS Ohio's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2014. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2014.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.75 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$25,818,118	\$18,034,336	\$11,451,875

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10. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. School Employees Retirement System

Health Care Plan Description - The District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 45 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians' fees through several types of plans including HMO's, PPO's, Medicare Advantage, and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Health care is financed through a combination of employer contributions and retiree premiums, copays and deductibles on covered health care expenses, investment returns, and any funds received as a result of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. 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.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required basic benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. For fiscal year 2015, 0.82 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, pro-rated according to service credit earned. For fiscal year 2015, this amount was \$20,450. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2015, the District's surcharge obligation was \$39,871.

The School District's contributions for health care (excluding surcharge) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$18,865, \$3,290, and \$3,831, respectively. For fiscal year 2015, 91.03 percent has been contributed. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2014 and 2013.

B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

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

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10. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 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. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. All benefit recipients, for the most recent year, pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For fiscal year 2015, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care. The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$0, \$76,090, and \$78,471, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.

11. CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

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

B. Litigation

The District is involved in no material litigation as either plaintiff or defendant.

C. Foundation Funding

School district Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Effective for the 2014-2015 school year, traditional school districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the District, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, ODE has not finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2015 Foundation funding for the District; therefore, the financial statement impact is not determinable at this time. ODE and management believe this will result in either a receivable to or liability of the District.

12. STATUTORY RESERVES

The District is required by State law to annually set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statutory formula, 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 year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. This amount must be carried forward to be used for the same purpose in future years. Expenditures exceeding the set-aside requirement may not be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

The following cash-basis information describes the change in the fiscal year-end set-aside amount for capital improvements. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

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12. STATUTORY RESERVES (Continued)

	Capital Improvements
Set-aside balance June 30, 2014	
Current year set-aside requirement	\$306,302
Current year offsets	(306,302)
Total	\$0
Balance carried forward to fiscal year 2016	\$0
Set-aside balance June 30, 2015	\$00

13. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balances on the cash basis, the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The budgetary comparison schedule presented for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budget basis and the cash basis is (1) outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budget) rather than assigned fund balance (cash) and (2) certain funds are included in the general fund on a cash-basis but budgeted as special revenue funds on a budget-basis.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the cash basis statement to the budgetary basis statement for the general fund:

Net Change in Fund Balance	
	General fund
Cash basis	\$809,314
Funds budgeted elsewhere **	(754,040)
Adjustment for encumbrances	(132,009)
Budget basis	(\$76,735)

** As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting", certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund on a cash basis. This includes the rotary fund, uniform school supplies fund, the emergency levy fund, the public school support fund and the management information systems fund.

14. COMMITMENTS

The District utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reservations of fund balance for subsequent-year expenditures and may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the District's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

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14. COMMITMENTS (Continued)

Fund	Year-End Encumbrances
General	\$143,841
Other governmental	35,326
Total	\$179,167

15. CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

As of June 30, 2015, the District was obligated for the following contracts related to the HB 264 energy conservation project:

Contractor	Contract Amount	Payments as of 06/30/15	Contract Balance 06/30/15
H.E.A.T., Inc.	\$1,605,613	\$1,575,025	\$30,588
H&S Asphalt	140,668		140,668
Total	\$1,746,281	\$1,575,025	\$171,256

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SCHEDULE OF OTHER INFORMATION

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF
THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO**

LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS*

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.07836700%	0.07836700%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$3,966,109	\$4,660,234
District's covered-employee payroll	\$2,257,600	\$2,277,179
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	175.68%	204.65%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	71.70%	65.52%

* The amounts present each fiscal year were determined as of 6/30 of the previous fiscal year.

Note: Information prior to fiscal year 2014 was unavailable.

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SCHEDULE OF OTHER INFORMATION

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF
THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO**

LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS*

	2015	2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.07414379%	0.07414379%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$18,034,336	\$21,482,383
District's covered-employee payroll	\$8,089,600	\$7,575,450
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	222.93%	283.58%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	74.70%	69.30%

* The amounts present each fiscal year were determined as of 6/30 of the previous fiscal year.

Note: Information prior to fiscal year 2014 was unavailable.

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SCHEDULE OF OTHER INFORMATION

**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO**

LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$316,064	\$318,805
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(316,064)</u>	<u>(318,805)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$2,257,600	\$2,277,179
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	14.00%	14.00%

Note: Information prior to fiscal year 2014 was unavailable.

**BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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SCHEDULE OF OTHER INFORMATION

**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO**

LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$1,132,544	\$1,060,563
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(1,132,544)</u>	<u>(1,060,563)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$8,089,600	\$7,575,450
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	14.00%	14.00%

Note: Information prior to fiscal year 2014 was unavailable.

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**NOTES TO THE OTHER INFORMATION
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SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2014 and 2015. See the notes to the basic financials for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO

Changes in benefit terms: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal year

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal year 2014 and 2015. See the notes to the basic financials for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.

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LOGAN COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

FEDERAL GRANTOR Pass Through Grantor Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Receipts	Non-Cash Receipts	Disbursements	Non-Cash Disbursements
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>					
Child Nutrition Cluster:					
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution)					
National School Lunch Program	10.555		\$24,345		\$24,345
Cash Assistance:					
National School Lunch Program	10.555	\$195,122		\$195,122	
School Breakfast Program	10.553	\$41,532		\$41,532	
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		236,654	24,345	236,654	24,345
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture		236,654	24,345	236,654	24,345
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION					
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>					
Title 1 Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	352,161		357,732	
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	321,382		315,759	
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	67,496		66,925	
ARRA Race to Top Incentive Grants	84.395	13,846		18,260	
Total U. S. Department of Education		754,885		758,676	
Total Federal Financial Assistance		\$991,539	\$24,345	\$995,330	\$24,345

The accompanying notes to this schedule are an integral part of this schedule.

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**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

NOTE A - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures Schedule (the Schedule) reports the District's federal award programs' receipts and disbursements. The Schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

NOTE B - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER

The District commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the District assumes it expends federal monies first.

NOTE C – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM

The District reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the entitlement value. The District allocated donated food commodities to the respective program that benefitted from the use of those donated food commodities.



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

Benjamin Logan Local School District
Logan County
4740 County Road 26
Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Benjamin Logan Local School District, Logan County, (the District) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 17, 2016, wherein we noted the District uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

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 a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a significant deficiency. We consider finding 2015-001 to be a significant deficiency.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether 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, opining 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 instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2015-001 and 2015-002.

Entity's Response to Findings

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

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Dave Yost
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

February 17, 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Benjamin Logan Local School District
Logan County
4740 County Road 26
Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

To the Board of Education:

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

We have audited the Benjamin Logan Local School District's (the District) compliance with the applicable requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that could directly and materially affect Benjamin Logan Local School District's major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The *Summary of Auditor's Results* in the accompanying schedule of findings identifies the District's major federal program.

Management's Responsibility

The District's Management is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal program.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on the District's compliance for the District's major federal program based on our audit of the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. Our compliance audit followed auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards for financial audits included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. These standards and OMB Circular A-133 require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our compliance opinion on the District's major program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance.

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Benjamin Logan Local School District complied, in all material respects with the compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect its major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

The District's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our compliance audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with the applicable requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program, to determine our auditing procedures appropriate for opining on each major federal program's compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or to timely detect and correct, noncompliance with a federal program's applicable compliance requirement. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement will not be prevented, or timely detected and corrected. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with federal program's applicable compliance requirement that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

This report only describes the scope of our internal control over compliance tests and the results of this testing based on OMB Circular A-133 requirements. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Dave Yost
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

February 17, 2016

**BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
LOGAN COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .505
JUNE 30, 2015**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	Yes
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	Yes
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under § .510(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies CFDA #84.010
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 300,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee?	Yes

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

FINDINGS NUMBER 2015-001

Noncompliance Citation / Significant Deficiency

Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.15 states that in addition to transfers authorized by § 5705.14, the taxing authority of any political subdivision may, in the manner provided for in this section and in § 5705.16, transfer from one fund to another any public funds under its supervision by passing a resolution from a majority of the board and obtaining the approval of the Tax Commissioner and the Court of Common Pleas.

The District transferred \$10,000 from the Special Revenue Raider Care Latchkey Program Fund 020 to the Special Revenue Public School Support Fund 018. The transfer was done because the District wanted to utilize the excess funds in the School Support Fund. The District did not obtain approval of the Tax Commissioner and Court of Common Pleas for the transfer.

The accounting records were adjusted in fiscal year 2016 to reverse this transfer.

The District should implement procedures to help assure that transfers are made in accordance with the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code.

OFFICIALS' RESPONSE: The District has since reversed the transfer in fiscal year 2016

FINDING NUMBER 2015-002

Noncompliance Citation

Ohio Rev. 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 Rev. Code § 117.38.

Ohio Adm. Code § 117-2-03 (B) requires all school districts to file annual financial reports in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The District prepared its financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code §117.38 the District may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report.

The District should prepare its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles to provide users with more complete and meaningful financial statements.

OFFICIALS' RESPONSE:

The Board of Education has elected not to prepare its annual financial reports in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) due to the projected cost savings of \$10,000, in accordance with past practices.

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None

**BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
LOGAN COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .315 (b)
JUNE 30, 2015**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2014-001	Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 & Ohio Admin. Code Section 117-2-03(B) – Failed to file financial statements in accordance with GAAP	No	Repeated as Finding Number 2015-002

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BENJAMIN LOGAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

LOGAN 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
APRIL 7, 2016**