

**NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY**



SINGLE AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

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Board of Education
Northwest Local School District
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Northwest Local School District, Hamilton County, prepared by Plattenburg & Associates, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

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

Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

April 18, 2025

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**NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

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**NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

FEDERAL GRANTOR <i>Pass Through Grantor</i> Program / Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Pass Through Entity Identifying Number	Total Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution):			
National School Lunch Program	10.555	3L60	\$342,073
Cash Assistance:			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	3L70	1,115,602
COVID - 19 National School Lunch Program	10.555	3L60	214,063
National School Lunch Program	10.555	3L60	<u>2,527,708</u>
Total - National School Lunch Program			2,741,771
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>4,199,446</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>4,199,446</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>			
Special Education Cluster:			
Special Education-Grants to States	84.027	3M20	2,908,998
COVID-19 Special Education-Grants to States	84.027X	3IA0	48,017
Special Education-Preschool Grants	84.173	3C50	<u>79,021</u>
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>3,036,036</u>
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	3M00	3,310,103
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	3Y70	111,839
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	3Y60	436,914
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	3HI0	307,236
COVID - 19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	3HS0	20,725
COVID - 19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425U	3HS0	<u>6,391,467</u>
Total Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund			<u>6,412,192</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>13,614,320</u>
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY</u>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Facilities Construction Commission:</i>			
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	5CV3	400,000
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury			<u>400,000</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u><u>\$18,213,766</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

**NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
HAMILTON COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Northwest Local School District (the School District) under programs of the federal government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the School District.

NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE C – INDIRECT COST RATE

The School District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE D - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER

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

NOTE E – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM

The School District reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the fair value.

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

Board of Education
Northwest Local School District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Northwest Local School District (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2024.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.
Cincinnati, Ohio
December 13, 2024

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER COMPLIANCE AND ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Board of Education
Northwest Local School District

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Northwest Local School District's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the District, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on 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, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *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 type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2024, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.
Cincinnati, Ohio
December 13, 2024

**NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor’s report issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
- Significant Deficiency(s) identified? None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major federal programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? No
- Significant Deficiency(s) identified? None reported

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? No

Identification of major federal programs:

Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies ALN 84.010
Nutrition Cluster
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ALN 21.027

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? No

Section II – Findings Related to the Financial Statements Required to be reported in Accordance with GAGAS

None

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None

**NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Finding Corrected	Explanation
2023-001	Financial statement preparation process and procedures (reporting bonds and cash with fiscal agent).	Yes	The District corrected this issue.

NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Cincinnati, OH



For The Year
Ending in
June 30, 2024



ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT



Building Pathways To Success

Northwest Local School District
Cincinnati, Ohio

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Prepared by the
Office of the Treasurer
Amy M. Wells, CFO/Treasurer

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



BOARD:

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Jim Detzel, Member

Christopher Heather, Member

Darrell Yater, Superintendent

Amy M. Wells, CFO/Treasurer

December 13, 2024

**To The Citizens and Board of Education
of the Northwest Local School District:**

The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Northwest Local School District (School District) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 is hereby submitted. This report, prepared by the Treasurer's office, includes an opinion from the independent auditor, Plattenburg & Associates, Inc. and conforms to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental entities. The responsibility for both the accuracy of the data presented and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, is with the School District. This report will provide the taxpayers of the Northwest Local School District with comprehensive financial data in a format which will enable them to gain an understanding of the School District's financial affairs. Copies will be available upon request to taxpayers, financial rating services, banking institutions, and other interested parties. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is also available on the Treasurer's page on the Northwest Local School District website (<http://www.nwlsd.org>).

The School District provides a full range of traditional and non-traditional educational programs and services. These include elementary and secondary curriculum offerings at the general, college preparatory, and career technical levels; a broad range of co curricular and extracurricular activities; adult and community education offerings; special education programs and facilities; and community recreational facilities.

The School District receives pass through grants from the State and distributes these grants to parochial/private schools located within the School District. This activity is included within the School District's financial records as the Auxiliary Services Special Revenue Fund because of the School District's administrative involvement in the program. The parochial/private schools served are Our Lady of Grace, St. Bernard, St. Ignatius, St. James, St. Joseph Villa, and St. John Elementary Schools, LaSalle High School, Heaven's Treasures Academy, and Beautiful Savior Lutheran School. While these organizations share operations and services similar to the School District, each is a legally separate and distinct entity. Because of their independent nature, none of these organizations are included in this report.

ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

The School District is located in southwestern Ohio, in a suburb of Cincinnati, in the northwest part of Hamilton County. Our School District is comprised of three Townships – Colerain, Green, and Springfield – as the backbone of most of our schools. Approximately 71 percent of the School District's tax base is residential properties with very little agriculture; the remainder is composed of a wide range of manufacturing, commercial, and other business properties. The overall economic outlook for the area is stagnant under the current economic conditions. Unemployment rates are consistent with national averages. Real estate values are lower than anticipated while optimism for recovery is growing.

With the School District located in a large metropolitan area, many of the residents are employed in or near the School District. With many large employers such as Kroger, Proctor & Gamble Co., Children's Hospital, and many more, employment opportunities exist in many job fields. On average our residents have above average household incomes, thus giving us opportunities for additional financial support. This support was proven by the passage of an operating levy renewal in May 2017, and a new levy in November 2019.

Although we have realized declining enrollment over the years, this decline has slowed with the potential of increasing once again. Many of our residents are life-long and their children may follow the same tradition of staying in the community. Some of our population data is showing an upward trend in our public education student population. We share our School District boundaries with nine non-public schools with many more within a thirty minute commute thus allowing for a transient school population.

The School District is continually challenged by the responsibility bestowed upon it by the community at large. We are always striving to provide the very best opportunities to every student, while carefully guarding the School District's resources.

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ITS FACILITIES

The School District is located in Hamilton County, approximately 12 miles from downtown Cincinnati, Ohio, and covers an area of 56 square miles. It serves pupils from Colerain, Green, and Springfield Townships, with Colerain Township serving as its nucleus. Since 1960, the growth pattern in the School District has been steady.

The School District now houses 8,282 students in two high schools, three middle schools, five elementary schools, one preschool, and two career centers. Each high school has an on-campus career center offering such programs as word processing, accounting and computing, data processing, diesel mechanics, machine tool technology, facilities management, and electronics offered by Butler Tech. Students also can attend off-site career technical programs offered by Butler Tech.

<i>Constructed</i>	<i>School/Address</i>	<i>June 2024 Enrollment</i>
1923	Colerain Elementary 4850 Poole Road	675
1932	Colerain Middle School 4700 Poole Road	552
2018	Struble Elementary 2760 Jonrose Avenue	812
2018	Taylor Elementary 3173 Springdale Road	775
1961	White Oak Middle School 3130 Jessup Road	714
2018	Pleasant Run Elementary 11765 Hamilton Avenue	818
1964	Colerain High School 8801 Cheviot Road	1,793
1969	Pleasant Run Middle 11770 Pippin Road	643
1972	Northwest High School 10761 Pippin Road	916

<i>Constructed</i>	<i>School/Address</i>	<i>June 2024 Enrollment</i>
2000	Monfort Heights Elementary 3711 West Fork Road	584

Houston Elementary School is closed. It is now the Houston Early Learning Center and Conference Center.

With the new approved bond levy, Welch and Taylor were combined, as well as Weigel and Struble, to bring all elementary buildings to K through 5 buildings. Welch and Weigel were closed for school starting August 2018.

ORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board of Education is a 5 member body politic and corporate, as defined by Section 3313.02 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Board serves as the taxing authority, contracting body, and policy maker, and ensures that all the general laws of the State of Ohio are followed in the expenditures of the School District's tax dollars and approves the annual appropriation resolution and tax budget.

The Board members represent a cross section of professions in the community. The board members on June 30, 2024 were as follows:

<i>Board Member</i>	<i>Began Service</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
Mark Gilbert	January 2018	December 2026
Nancy Slatter	January 2024	December 2028
Jim Detzel	January 2024	December 2028
Nicole Taulbee	January 2022	December 2026
Christopher Heather	January 2022	December 2026

The Superintendent is the Chief Executive Officer of the School District, responsible directly to the Board for all educational and support operations. Mr. Darrell Yater was appointed as Superintendent effective July 1, 2021. Mr. Yater began teaching in the district in 2000 at White Oak Middle School. During his tenure with the district, he served as a teacher, curriculum specialist, building administrator, and district administrator in Curriculum, Special Education, and Human Resources. Mr. Yater obtained his Bachelor and Master degrees from Miami University, continued education and licensures from Xavier University, and served as an adjunct professor at Xavier University. The Treasurer is the Chief Financial Officer of the School District, responsible directly to the Board of Education for maintaining all financial records, issuing all payments, maintaining custody of all School District funds and assets, and investing idle funds as specified by Ohio Law. Ms. Amy M. Wells was appointed the CFO/Treasurer of the School District in January 2015. Prior to becoming the School District's Treasurer, Ms. Wells was the CFO/Treasurer for Bethel-Tate Local School District from 2004 to 2014. Additionally, Ms. Wells was an auditor for the Auditor of the State of Ohio from 1996 to 2003. Ms. Wells holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Management from the University of Cincinnati and is a Certified Public Accountant and Certified Business Manager.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

The School District currently has approximately 1,141 employees. During the 2024 fiscal year, the School District paid \$58,525,799 in salaries and wages and \$19,541,061 in fringe benefits, such as retirement contributions, Medicare taxes, workers' compensation, and life, dental and health benefits, from its General Fund.

The School District's teachers are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Northwest Association of Educators (NAE). The School District has a three year collective bargaining agreement with NAE which expires June 30, 2027. The School District's transportation employees are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Ohio Association of Public School Employees (OAPSE). The School District has a three year collective bargaining agreement with OAPSE which expires June 30, 2027.

SERVICES PROVIDED

The School District provides a wide variety of educational and support services, as mandated by the Ohio Revised Code or board directives.

Transportation is provided for approximately 4,509 students each day. The School District fleet of 77 buses travels over 5,928 miles each day transporting 57 school bus routes to 24 different sites. In addition to making more than 434 daily runs, the department transported both public and non-public students on over 640 extracurricular trips during the year.

The food service department served approximately 825,251 plate lunches. This is accomplished through the full operation of 10 kitchens. Beginning in the school year 2015, a reimbursable breakfast program became available in all of the School District's schools.

In addition to transportation and school lunch support services, students in the School District also receive guidance, psychological, and limited health services free of charge. The guidance services are designed to help students match their natural skills with vocational and/or academic programs to help them achieve their full potential in life. Psychological services include the testing and identification of students for special education programs.

Limited health services are provided by health assistants at each of the school sites under the supervision of a licensed school nurse.

The School District offers regular instructional programs daily to students in grades K through 12. There are 669 full-time equivalency students in the specific trades through career technical education. Over 1,717 students receive special services due to physical or mental handicapping conditions. In grades 4 through 8, approximately 574 students participated in the gifted program. The School District presented 665 high school diplomas in 2024.

MAJOR CURRENT AND FUTURE INITIATIVES

The following is the Mission Statement of the Board that is the guiding force for all initiatives acted upon by the Board:

Mission

The Northwest Local School District will create a responsive learning community where all students are valued, challenged, and guided along a pathway to success.

Beliefs

- We believe students and staff excel best when they feel welcomed in the building, safe in their classrooms and trustful of each other
- We believe all students and staff can learn and deserve opportunities to show and achieve success
- We believe valuing diversity and working to understand one another is vital and important
- We believe a high priority should be placed on providing holistic support to ensure success for all
- We believe building and maintaining collaborative relationships with community members is foundational to teaching and learning in NWLSD

Vision

Teaching and learning in the Northwest Local Schools will:

- Provide learning experiences that empower students to contribute to a future not yet imagined
- Inspire learners to adapt, be resilient, collaborate and problem solve
- Create a supportive social emotional culture
- Provide a foundation to cultivate healthy relationships

Goal 1: Instruction

Goal:

- By the end of the 2026-27 school year, the District will reach an overall rating of 4 or more stars on the state report card which indicates we are exceeding state standards.

Areas of Focus:

- Ensure that all classrooms have clear learning targets and learning tasks that are aligned to the rigor level required by state standards
- Ensure that all teachers provide regular opportunities for students to process academic content with their peers using intentionally designed structures.
- Ensure that all teachers and all students monitor and track progress toward the learning target.

Goal 2: Student Behavior

Goal

- By the end of the 2026-27 school year, the District will foster safe, consistent classroom learning environments through the implementation of high behavioral expectations as evidenced by all classrooms obtaining a minimum score of a 4 on a rubric measuring classroom environment and student behavior

Areas of Focus:

- Define common expectations for Classroom Environment and Student Behavior
- Establish a unified model of school-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS)
- Monitor, support, and develop teachers' implementation of expected classroom management practices

Goal 3: Attendance

Goal

- By the end of the 2026-27 school year, the District will reduce chronic absenteeism among students by 15%.

Areas of Focus:

- Establish proactive attendance monitoring measures and strategies
- Implement early, targeted truancy interventions to address students who are demonstrating a pattern of non-attendance prior to the student reaching established benchmark indicators for chronic absenteeism
- Develop meaningful engagement and communication with families to explain attendance policies, the importance of attendance, and the impact of chronic absenteeism

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

The Northwest Local School District offers rigorous academic programs and relevant educational experiences to ensure that our students are future ready. Our goal is to empower students to achieve success and exceed their ambitious expectations. A variety of educational opportunities are available for students including: College Credit Plus (CCP), Advanced Placement (AP) courses, Honors courses, gifted programs, special education services, intervention services, career technical programs offered on and off-campus in partnership with Butler Tech, work-based learning opportunities, and afterschool and summer programming. The Northwest Local School District strives to know every student by name, story, strength and need. Our strategic objectives around student achievement are to create a learning experience that is rigorous and engaging for all students, raise academic achievement across State and District measures of success through a relentless focus on literacy (reading, writing, listening, speaking, thinking and viewing) across all subject areas, and to facilitate student ownership of learning through personalized and differentiated instruction. We continue to improve professional learning experiences for teachers by creating opportunities for collaborative and intentional planning and by focusing on strategies that can immediately be implemented in the classroom. NWLSD has prioritized job-embedded professional development strategies such as instructional coaching for teachers to strengthen instructional practices in all classrooms.

The District has adopted the Ohio Learning Standards and is working to increase the overall rigor of curriculum, instruction and assessment. New courses continue to be added to the high school Program of Study in an effort to offer coursework that is relevant and engaging for our students. A common District model of instruction is defined and used to increase engagement, academic rigor, equity and student agency and ownership of learning. Instruction in all classrooms will be monitored systematically by building and district instructional teams beginning this school year using a continuum that builds toward our expectations for instruction and classroom environment in all classrooms. All NWLSD students K-12 are provided with a computer, allowing for expanded access to learning resources and further personalization of learning and assessment. STEM opportunities are being expanded for staff and students through the Title IV grant. Teachers throughout the district are using engaging language arts materials designed to promote mastery of the Ohio Learning Standards. A new resource that is fully aligned to the Science of Reading will be used by all teachers of students in grades K-5. All returning teachers in grades K-3, as well as our elementary intervention specialists, have completed graduate level study of the science of teaching reading and many of our teachers are also trained in Orton-Gillingham. Teachers and Administrators at all levels are actively engaged in completing Ohio's Science of Reading coursework and will be finished by June of 2025. Teachers at all levels, have worked closely with math consultants and coaches from Hamilton County Educational Service Center (HCESC) for several years and have refined instructional practices to increase student engagement and problem solving skills. A new math program was adopted by the District for the 2022-23 school year and is being implemented in grades 2-5. A new math resource was also adopted for grades 6-9 and implementation began in the 2020-21 school year. A number of intervention programs are being implemented to assist students in their learning of the academic content standards, particularly in the areas of reading and mathematics. Title I Reading and Math Specialists work in collaboration with classroom teachers in using data to plan programming for at-risk learners. Our three middle schools utilize Title I instructional coaches to provide job embedded professional development to teachers. Using Federal funding, a district literacy coach, data and assessment coach, and model of instruction coach were hired to assist teachers with implementing data-driven instruction and maintaining a relentless focus on literacy across grade levels, while fully utilizing our defined model of instruction.

As a district, we work to ensure that all decisions are data-driven. Student academic progress is monitored regularly using a combination of formative and summative assessments. Common reading and math assessments (NWEA-MAP) are administered three times per year in grades K-8. Members of the district's Curriculum Department continue to work with teachers to develop high-quality common assessments to guide instruction and monitor progress toward mastery of state standards. The data from these assessments are reviewed by Teacher-Based Teams (TBTs) and are used to refine teaching and provide intervention and enrichment for students. The Northwest Local School District remains focused on its goal of driving student achievement upward and continues to critically evaluate programming to ensure that the needs of all students are met.

BUSINESS-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Partners in Education is a program that brings together businesses and schools in order to address specific educational needs. The business-school partnerships are formal, voluntary relationships between one school and one business. Partnerships match available resources with identified needs to meet mutually agreed upon goals and objectives.

Partnerships provide opportunities for students to understand how the basic skills they learn in school are applied in the business world. However, it is not just the schools that benefit from partnerships. Businesses and their employees also gain from this special relationship, as many schools reciprocate with their own projects which help their corporate or industrial partners. Partnerships also give those in the business community insight into the workings of the school and a better understanding of the needs of the educational system.

LONG-RANGE BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE PLANS

The School District maintains a five year building maintenance program. This program is generated through input provided by each building administrator in an annual preventive maintenance checklist. This five-year plan provides the School District direction for implementing maintenance and renovation projects and contributes to the financial planning and projection of costs for these projects.

In 2014 the district created an \$86 million Master Facility Plan that determined what schools need renovation versus complete replacement based upon needs and costs. In November, 2015, the community approved a combined bond/operating levy for \$76 million towards the completion of the \$86 million project. \$10 million of Unreserved General Fund monies will be used to complete the project. Also in 2015, the District began the Master Facility projects process by securing legal counsel and criteria architect in order to create the necessary Program of Requirements (POR) which would guide the District throughout the selection process and in ultimately securing Skanska/Megen and SHP as the design/builder. Design proceeded through much of 2016 with groundbreaking occurring in October of the same year. The first projects completed in 2016 were the electrical upgrades and installation of commercial window air conditioners in all classrooms at Colerain Elementary and Middle Schools. In 2017, chilled water piping, coil installation as well as a new chiller plant was completed providing air conditioning to the entire building at White Oak Middle School. Also completed was the electrical service upgrade at Colerain High School which allowed for the installation of a chilled water system in the summer of 2018. Also completed the summer of 2018 was the installation of a chilled water system and a hot water heating system replacing the all-electric heating system at Pleasant Run Middle School. Various sidewalks and pavement improvements were also made throughout the District, but especially at Pleasant Run Middle School and Colerain High School. The three new Elementary Schools opened on time in August of 2018. In the spring of 2019, air conditioning was added to the band and science rooms and repair of a landslide near the baseball field at Colerain High School was completed. Upon completion of the final projects of the Master Facility Plan, classrooms in all buildings are now air conditioned.

Also completed in 2019, was the repaving, sealing and restriping at the Northwest High school after an extensive traffic study was performed in order to correct existing traffic flow issues. Various other maintenance issues were undertaken such as boiler repair projects, roofing repairs, etc.

In 2020 our focus was on several safety issues which included sidewalk repairs/replacements at Colerain High School, Houston Early Learning Center, White Oak Middle School, Monfort Heights Elementary School and a newly added sidewalk leading to the Taylor Elementary School. Parking lot repairs, sealing and striping was also completed at the White Oak Middle School. Also completed was a drainage project at the Weigel facility in order to prevent property damage to the adjacent property. Future plans are to focus on roofing repairs/replacement throughout the District.

In 2021, the District completed re-roofing sections of Pleasant Run Middle School and the Houston Early Learning Center. This work consumes roughly two-thirds of the annual permanent improvement budget. Additionally, the District completed the repair of the pedestrian bridge at Struble Elementary School, Intercom system replacements at Houston Early Learning Center and Pleasant Run Middle School. Also completed was the renovation of the media center/library at the Monfort Heights Elementary School to allow for six additional learning spaces for student intervention, etc.

In May of 2021, the District engaged with Energy Optimizers USA in a State term pricing agreement using ESSER funds to repair, replace and install various pieces of HVAC equipment for throughout the District in order to control and monitor our indoor air quality (IAQ) as well as other mechanical systems to aid in building sanitation to decrease the spread of viruses and germs. Some of these items were as follows: Districtwide building automation system (BAS), Districtwide Plasma PURE Bi-Polar ionization devices, humidification at the three new Elementary Schools, Green Team Energy Education and Awareness Program, Kitchen Enhancements, chiller replacement at Monfort Heights Elementary School and hot water heating (hydronic) boilers at Monfort Heights Elementary School, Houston Early Learning Center as well as domestic hot water boilers at Colerain High School. Pleasant Run Middle School. Monfort Heights Elementary School and Houston Early Learning Center.

In the winter of 2021, the floor of the weight lifting room at Colerain High School sustained damage from the dropping of weights. It was decided to relocate this activity to a former storage area by the stadium. Once the floor was repaired, the District determined that the space would be better utilized as a media center which can also be a flexible space used for other purposes. The current media center will then be made into two new classrooms. This work is scheduled to bid in late October of 2022 and begin construction in November.

In May of 2021, the District began the updating of the 2014 Master Facility Plan with a student survey followed by the first of two community forums in August. In June and July, two teams were formed consisting of students, parents, staff, administrator and community members. These two teams were the Educational Visioning Team (EVT) and the Community Advisory Team (CAT). While the EVT's focus was on the instructional needs for space, the CAT's focus was on the more physical needs and financial responsibility aspects of the planning process. The teams met in alternating weeks from August through September. In October, the District held the second community forum, followed by another survey which resulted in almost 3,500 responses. The CAT met for the last time in late October to review all previous information collected, plus the results of the survey. With all of the information gathered, the CAT presented the recommended plan to the Board of Education on November 3rd. The Board of Education then approved the recommendation to move forward with a bond issue in November of 2022 as the previous 1997 bonds for the construction of the Monfort Heights Elementary School and other renovations roll off in December of 2022. If passed, this bond issue will provide for the renovation of Monfort Heights Elementary School, replacement of the Houston Early Learning Center and the Colerain Elementary School with a new PK-5 facility as well as the replacement of the Pleasant Run, Colerain and White Oak Middle Schools with two larger 6-8 facilities. This would leave only the two High Schools to be replaced in a third phase in order to bring ALL district facilities up to date and would provide equity across the District for ALL students.

In the summer of 2022, the District completed the partial demolition of the formerly Anne Weigel Elementary School due to extensive roof damage and the high cost of repair. This portion of the building was slated for demolition at the end of the new building construction in 2018, however, the decision was made to retain this space for use by a couple of the District's alternative programs. These alternative programs were relocated to the Houston Early Learning Center.

In May of 2024, Colerain Elementary experienced a facility issue consisting of an area of bricks pulling away from the exterior wall and falling off the building. Upon inspection, other areas of the building were in similar condition and at risk of a comparable event. Immediate steps were taken to ensure the safety of students, staff, and families during the final days of school. Efforts were made to update the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) on the status of the building and the need for consideration into a project. Additionally, on June 3, 2024, the Board of Education approved a catastrophic building failure plan that outlined the District's response in the event a section of a building became unusable, one entire building became unusable, or multiple buildings became unusable. This also allowed the District to utilize general cash fund reserves above the 3% partnership but maintaining a cash reserve balance of no less than 2 months. Since then, OFCC agreed to move the district into a co-funded project that would allow the NWLSD to initiate the building of a new Colerain Elementary school based on our master facility plan.

As previously discussed, the District's Master Facility plan was completed and put on the ballot twice (November and May) with failure being the outcome in both. In June of 2023, the District gathered members of the Master Facility Planning Committee once again to explore the wants and needs of the community. One important goal of

the committee will be to identify if the community favors a one or two high school model. This will help in identifying the entire plan from start to finish and allow the committee to identify the new phasing needed in order to move forward.

As of now, until the MFP can be determined, the District is only performing necessary repairs as it relates to warm, safe and dry to support daily operations. We are, however, utilizing the maintenance set-a-side (.5 mil) fund as required by the OFCC for preventive maintenance of the three newer elementary schools and Monfort Heights Elementary. For the summer of 2023 we will be crack filling, sealing and restriping the lots at these three buildings as well as performing some basin repair and milling and repaving of the entrance to Taylor Elementary.

Following the failure to pass a bond issue in 2023, the District went back to the drawing board with a new master facilities committee. This process was completed with the biggest differences from the previous plan being the combination of the two high schools into one and pulling the Monfort Heights renovation off the plan. The new plan was submitted to the OFCC.

In the summer of 2024, the Colerain Elementary School experienced an issue of delamination of the brick in several areas of the oldest wing of the building. Many bricks fell from the west elevation of the 1923 section of the building leading to an evaluation of the entire facade of both Colerain Elementary and Middle Schools. A plan to temporarily mitigate all issues found at both buildings was developed and corrective work began immediately as this was declared an emergency by the Board of Education. During this time, the District contacted OFCC and requested assistance. The OFCC made an offer to the District to enter into the CFAP (Co-funded) program to build a new building. The Board of Education accepted the offer and is currently in the process of working toward replacing the building which is tentatively planned for the 2027/2028 school year.

Other projects being completed during the summer of 2024 are the addition of new sewer, water and fire protection lines from Poole Rd to the existing stadium facilities at Colerain High School, the addition of asphalt and replacement of concrete around the flagpole area at Colerain High School, the demolition of the existing failed septic system and addition of a new sewer lateral at the transportation facility, installation of new playground equipment and surfacing at the Houston Early Learning Center, Relocation of playground equipment from the Houston Early Learning Center to the existing Colerain Elementary School and water main repairs at White Oak Middle School.

INTERNAL ACCOUNTING AND BUDGETARY CONTROL

In developing the School District's accounting system, much consideration was given to the adequacy of internal accounting controls. Internal accounting controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding: (1) the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and (2) the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance is based on the assumption that the cost of internal accounting controls should not exceed the benefits expected to be derived from implementation.

The School District utilizes a fully automated accounting system as well as an automated system of control for capital assets and payroll. These systems, coupled with the manual auditing of each voucher prior to payment, ensures that the financial information generated is both accurate and reliable.

All funds, other than the custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. At the beginning of each fiscal year, the Board adopts either a temporary appropriation measure or a permanent appropriation measure for that fiscal year. If a temporary appropriation is first adopted, the permanent appropriation measure must be adopted within three months.

Annual appropriations may not exceed the County Budget Commission's official estimate of resources. The County Auditor must certify that the Board's appropriation measures, including any supplements or amendments, do not exceed the amount set forth in the latest of those official estimates.

All disbursements and transfers of cash between funds require appropriation authority from the Board. Budgets are managed at the object account level within a function and fund. All purchase order requests must be approved by the individual program managers and certified by the Treasurer and Business Manager. Necessary funds are then encumbered and purchase orders are released to vendors.

The accounting system used by the School District provides interim financial reports which detail fiscal year-to-date expenditures and encumbrances versus the original appropriation plus any additional appropriations made to date. In addition to interim financial statements, each program manager is furnished monthly reports showing the status of the budget accounts for which he or she is responsible. Each program manager may request additional financial reports during the month when necessary.

As an additional safeguard, all employees involved with receiving and depositing funds are covered by a blanket bond and certain individuals in policy-making roles are covered by a separate, higher bond.

The basis of accounting and the various funds utilized by the School District are fully described in the notes to the basic financial statements. Additional information on the School District's budgetary accounts can also be found in the notes to the basic financial statements.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The School District's accounting system is organized on a "fund" basis. Each fund is a distinct, self-balancing entity. Records for general governmental operations are maintained on a budgetary basis system of accounting as prescribed by State statute. Budgetary basis accounting differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Government-wide financial statements – These statements are prepared on an accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the basis of accounting followed by businesses.

Fund financial statements – These statements present information for individual major funds rather than by fund type. Nonmajor funds are presented in total in one column. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting and include a reconciliation to the governmental activities accrual information presented in the government-wide financial statements. Fiduciary and proprietary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

Statements of budgetary comparisons – These statements present comparisons of actual information to the legally adopted budget. The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances.

As part of this report, management is responsible for preparing a Management's Discussion and Analysis of the School District. This discussion follows this letter of transmittal, providing an assessment of the School District's finances for 2024 and the outlook for the future.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT

Provisions of State statute require that the School District's financial statements be subjected to an annual examination by an independent auditor. Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.'s unmodified opinion rendered on the School District's basic financial statements, combining statements, and individual fund schedules, is included in the financial section of this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Pursuant to statute, the State prescribes a uniform accounting system to standardize accounting classification and financial reporting for all units of local education agencies in Ohio. The School District adopted and has been in conformance with that system effective with its annual financial report since the 1979 calendar year.

AWARDS

GFOA Certificate of Achievement

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement to the School District for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The Certificate of Achievement is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government financial reports. The School District has received this award annually since fiscal year 1991.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards. Such reports must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement program requirements, and we are submitting it to the GFOA.

ASBO Certificate of Excellence

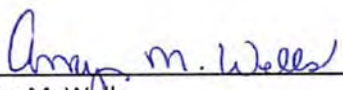
The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) awards a Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting to school districts that publish Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports which substantially conform to the principles and standards of financial reporting as recommended and adopted by the Association of School Business Officials. The award is granted only after an intensive review of the financial report by an expert panel of certified public accountants and practicing school business officials.

The School District received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year June 30, 2023. The School District has received this award annually since fiscal year 1991. The School District believes that the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for fiscal year June 30, 2024, which will be submitted to ASBO for review, will conform to ASBO's principles and standards.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The preparation of the 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Northwest Local School District was made possible by the combined efforts of the School District's Treasurer's Office and Plattenburg & Associates, Inc. The publication of this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the School District is a major step in reinforcing the accountability of the School District to the taxpayers of the community.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy M. Wells
CFO/Treasurer



Darrell Yater
Superintendent

Principal Officials as of June 30, 2024

Elected Officials

Nicole Taulbee	President, Board of Education
Mark Gilbert	Vice President, Board of Education
Nancy Slattery	Board Member
Jim Detzel	Board Member
Christopher Heather	Board Member

Central Office Supports Administrators

Darrell Yater	Superintendent
Amy M. Wells	CFO/Treasurer
Elizabeth Whitt	Assistant Treasurer
Chris McKee	Director of Business Operations
Brenda Miller	Director of Curriculum
Lori Riehle	Asst. Director of Curriculum
Emily Doblinger	Asst. Director of Curriculum
Dustin Gehring	Director of Student Services
Bradley Watkins	Director of Special Education

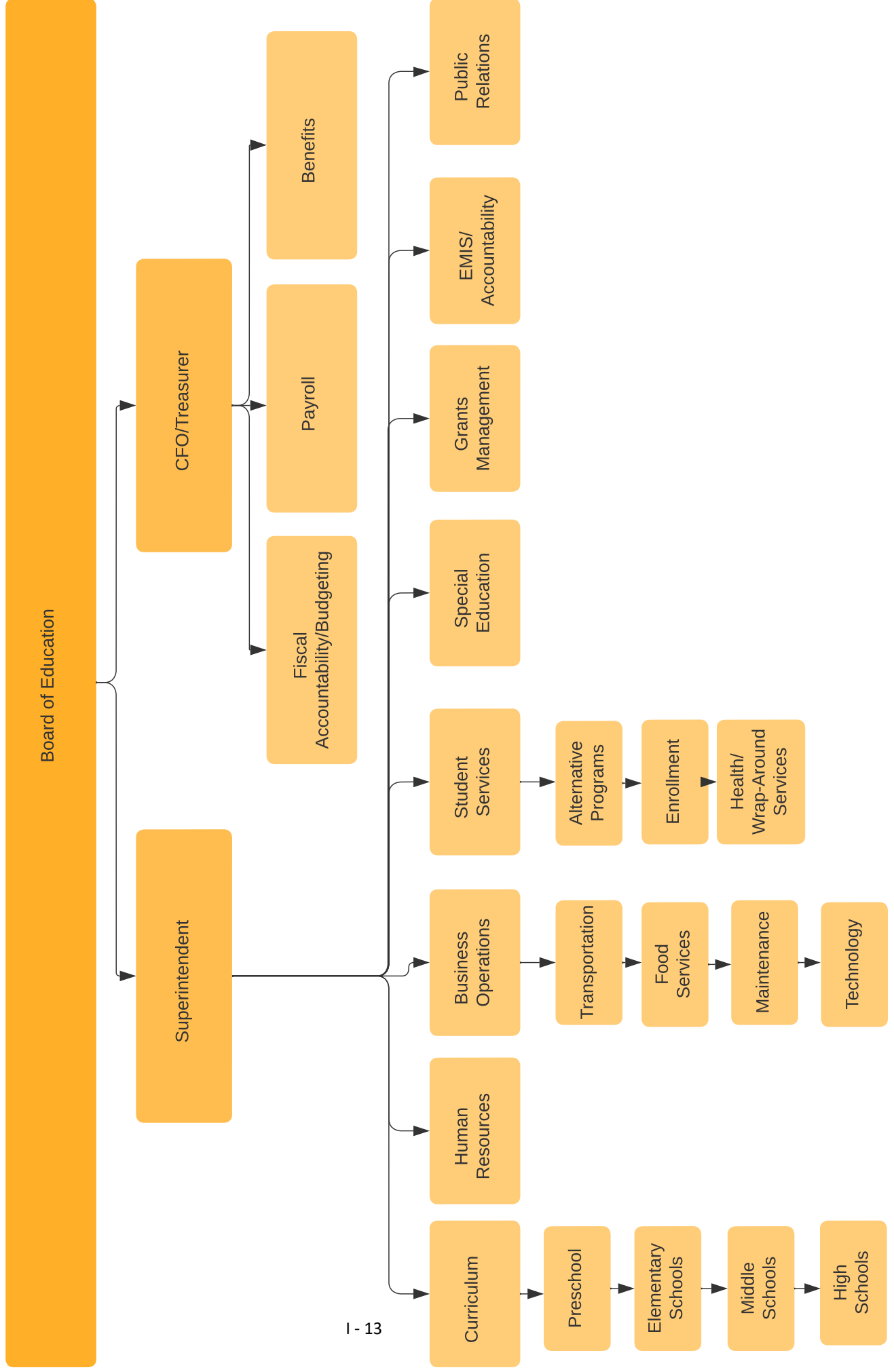
District Supervisors and Coordinators

Mary Barnaclo	Special Education	Amy Gautreaux	Special Education
Chuck Bostic	Maintenance	Allison McWilliams	Human Resources
Jenny Blust	Federal Programs	Chevonne Neal	Special Education
Keva Brice	District Nurse	Yolanda Palmer	Transportation
Clare Bunning	Benefits & Finance	Andy Phelps	Curriculum
Jennifer Campbell	Payroll	Matt Piening	Enrollment & Attendance Svcs
Korinne Conder	EMIS/Accountability	Kaitlyn Randall	Special Education
Lyndsey Creecy	Public Relations	Brian Redden	Transportation
Matt Fischer	Technology	Lisa Robison	Food Services

Building Administration

David Berry	Matthew Haws	Casey Scherz
Colin Climer	Damien Johnson	Michael Stevens
Andrea Childress	Erin Kinney-Levin	Matt Stoinoff
Erin Davis	Sarah McMullen	Jemel Weathers
Allison Driesbach	David Meadows	
Anthony Gaines	Ali Moore	
Karen Grayson	Walter Rischmann	
Kristin Grote	Sean Ryan	
Nadia Hall	Gina Sansone	

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June 30, 2023

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Executive Director/CEO



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**The Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting
is presented to**

Northwest Local School District

**for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023.**

The district report meets the criteria established for
ASBO International's Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Ryan S. Stechschulte'.

Ryan S. Stechschulte
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'James M. Rowan'.

James M. Rowan, CAE, SFO
CEO/Executive Director

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FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Education
Northwest Local School District

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Northwest Local School District (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison schedule and schedules of pension information and other postemployment information to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and the schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical section but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 13, 2024, 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. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's 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.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.

Plattenburg & Associates, Inc.
Cincinnati, Ohio
December 13, 2024

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024
(Unaudited)

The discussion and analysis of Northwest Local School District's (the School District's) financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the transmittal letter, notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

- General revenues accounted for \$116,144,066, or 79%, of total revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, grants and contributions, accounted for \$31,277,248, or 21%, of total revenues of \$147,421,314.
- The School District had \$133,321,118 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$31,277,248 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$116,144,066 were also used to provide for these programs.

Overview of the Financial Statements

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

The statement of net position and statement of activities provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate view of the School District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

The fund financial statements also look at the School District's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. The general fund, permanent improvement fund and building fund are the major funds of the School District.

Governmental-wide Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about the School District is "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2024?" The government-wide financial statements answer this question. These statements include all assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader whether the financial position, for the School District as a whole, has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, both financial and non-financial. Non-financial factors include the School District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

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In the government-wide financial statements, the School District presents:

- **Government Activities** – The School District's programs and services are reported here and include instruction, support services, operation of non-instructional services, extracurricular activities and interest and fiscal charges.

Fund Financial Statements

Information about the School District's major funds is presented in the fund financial statements (see table of contents). Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the School District's major funds. The School District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the School District's most significant funds.

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

Proprietary Funds – The School District maintains a proprietary fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the School District's various functions. The School District's internal service fund accounts for self-insured workers compensation. The proprietary fund uses the accrual basis of accounting.

Fiduciary Funds – The School District does not have fiduciary funds.

The School District as a Whole

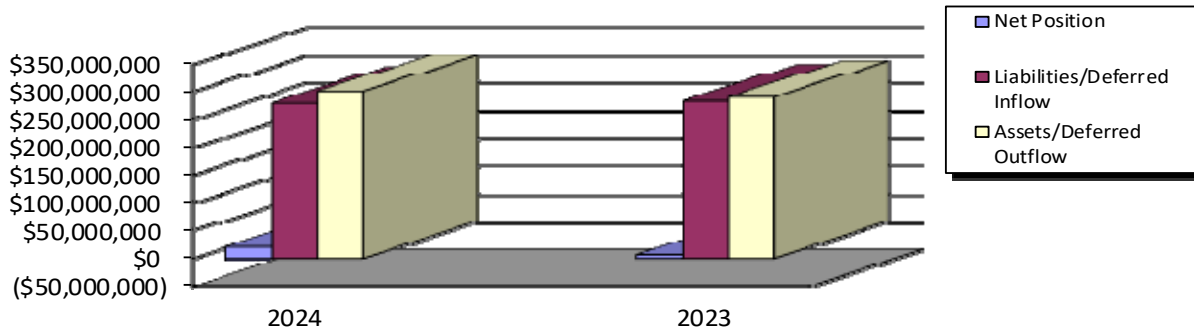
As stated previously, the statement of net position looks at the School District as a whole. Table I provides a summary of the School District's net position for fiscal year 2024 compared to fiscal year 2023:

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Table 1
Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Assets:		
Current and Other Assets	\$169,720,860	\$146,685,467
Net OPEB Asset	7,463,601	10,115,958
Capital Assets, Net	98,476,811	103,599,058
Total Assets	275,661,272	260,400,483
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
OPEB	3,808,783	2,318,970
Pension	20,634,536	27,030,377
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	24,443,319	29,349,347
Liabilities:		
Other Liabilities	14,572,817	14,632,620
Long-Term Liabilities	193,794,502	200,071,855
Total Liabilities	208,367,319	214,704,475
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Property Taxes	42,643,736	36,635,568
Grants and Other Taxes	5,910,424	4,508,324
Deferred Gain on Refunding	689,184	720,510
OPEB	12,819,075	16,063,120
Pension	8,858,776	10,401,952
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	70,921,195	68,329,474
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,965,757	23,059,797
Restricted	25,576,227	28,379,989
Unrestricted	(24,725,907)	(44,723,905)
Total Net Position	\$20,816,077	\$6,715,881



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Current and other assets increased due to an increase in property tax receivable. Decreases in capital assets are the result of depreciation expense and disposals exceeding current year additions. Deferred outflows of resources decreased as a result of changes related to the net pension and net other post employment benefits liabilities.

Other liabilities remained rather consistent with the prior year only decreasing slightly. Long-term liabilities decreased from the prior year, due to the changes related to the net pension liability. Deferred inflows of resources increased due to an increase in amounts related to property taxes and grants and other taxes.

At year-end, capital assets represented 36% of total assets. Capital assets include land, buildings and improvements, furniture, equipment, and vehicles. Net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2024 was \$19,965,757. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the School District's net investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the School District's net position, \$25,576,227, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they must be used. The external restriction will not affect the availability of fund resources for future use. Continued budget reductions contributed to the increase in the School District's net position.

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

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Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Revenues:		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$4,604,757	\$4,308,067
Operating Grants, Contributions	26,672,491	28,824,057
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	70,037,874	60,748,109
Grants and Entitlements	33,234,940	29,010,864
Other	12,871,252	10,473,983
Total Revenues	147,421,314	133,365,080
Program Expenses:		
Instruction	70,173,330	70,305,622
Support Services:		
Pupil and Instructional Staff	22,172,015	19,843,229
School Administration, General		
Administration, Fiscal and Business	10,427,202	8,187,426
Operations and Maintenance	9,019,204	7,776,935
Pupil Transportation	7,669,583	7,366,191
Central	1,343,540	1,325,767
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,647,244	7,876,004
Extracurricular Activities	2,197,131	1,852,098
Interest and Fiscal Charges	2,671,869	2,796,018
Total Program Expenses	133,321,118	127,329,290
Change in Net Position	14,100,196	6,035,790
Net Position - Beginning of Year	6,715,881	680,091
Net Position - End of Year	\$20,816,077	\$6,715,881

The School District revenues are mainly from two sources. Property taxes levied for general, capital outlay, and debt service purposes and grants and entitlements comprised 70% of the School District's revenues for governmental activities.

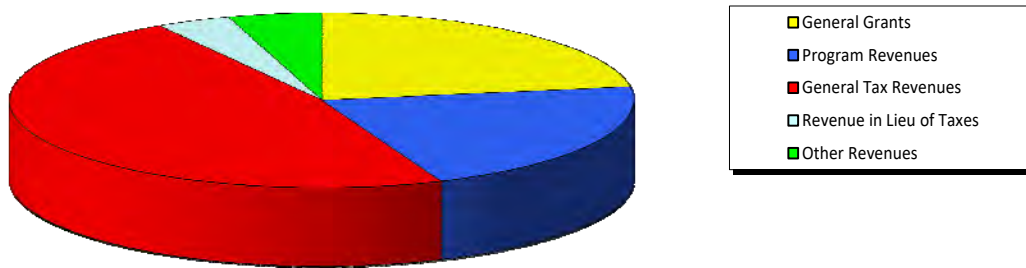
The School District depends greatly on property taxes as a revenue source. The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for operating funds. The overall revenues generated by a levy will not increase solely as a result of inflation. As an example, a homeowner with a home valued at \$100,000 and taxed at 1.0 mill would pay \$35.00 annually in taxes. If three years later the home were reappraised and increased to \$200,000 (and the inflationary increase in value is comparable to other property owners) the effective tax rate would become 0.5 mills and the owner would still pay \$35.00.

Thus Ohio school districts dependent upon property taxes are hampered by a lack of revenue growth and must regularly return to the voters to maintain a constant level of service. Property taxes made up about 48% of revenue for governmental activities for the School District in fiscal year 2024. The School District's reliance upon tax revenues is demonstrated by the following graph:

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Governmental Activities
Revenue Sources

Revenues	2024	Percentage
General Grants	\$33,234,940	22.54%
Program Revenues	31,277,248	21.22%
General Tax Revenues	70,037,874	47.51%
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	5,702,688	3.87%
Other Revenues	7,168,564	4.86%
Total Revenue Sources	<u>\$147,421,314</u>	<u>100.0%</u>



Revenues increased mainly due to an increase in property tax revenues and investment earnings (other revenues) received during the year. Property tax revenues increased during the year due to the revised and increased property tax values for real property (tax bills) from the County Auditor. Some of the increases in property taxes are the result of mandatory updates (revaluations) by the County Auditor, while other increases are the result of recent property sales in the area. The increase in investment earnings (other revenues) is due to favorable market conditions during the fiscal year.

Instruction comprises 53% of governmental program expenses. Support services expenses were 38% of governmental program expenses. Interest and all other expenses were 9%. Interest expense was attributable to the outstanding borrowings for capital projects. The overall expenses for the District increased primarily due to changes related to the net pension and other post employment benefits liabilities.

Governmental Activities

The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services for government activities. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted state entitlements.

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Table 3
Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Instruction	\$70,173,330	\$70,305,622	(\$56,605,640)	(\$54,889,281)
Support Services:				
Pupil and Instructional Staff	22,172,015	19,843,229	(15,314,186)	(13,444,828)
School Administrative, General				
Administration, Fiscal and Business	10,427,202	8,187,426	(9,285,119)	(7,114,179)
Operations and Maintenance	9,019,204	7,776,935	(8,299,068)	(6,840,295)
Pupil Transportation	7,669,583	7,366,191	(7,053,954)	(6,480,245)
Central	1,343,540	1,325,767	(1,343,540)	(1,325,767)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,647,244	7,876,004	172,204	(59,338)
Extracurricular Activities	2,197,131	1,852,098	(1,642,698)	(1,247,215)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	2,671,869	2,796,018	(2,671,869)	(2,796,018)
Total Expenses	<u>\$133,321,118</u>	<u>\$127,329,290</u>	<u>(\$102,043,870)</u>	<u>(\$94,197,166)</u>

The School District's Funds

The School District has three major governmental funds: the general fund, permanent improvement fund and building fund. Assets of these funds comprised \$149,206,787 (89%) of the \$168,375,606 total governmental fund assets.

General Fund – The School District's fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$43,784,028, including \$41,895,599 of unassigned balance. The primary reason for the \$15,999,987 decrease in fund balance was due to a transfer out to the Permanent Improvement fund and Building fund. The transfers out of the General Fund were made so that the District can complete multiple capital and improvement projects related to the Master Facilities Plan within the District.

Permanent Improvement Fund – The School District's fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$20,240,766. The primary reason for the \$12,174,450 increase in fund balance was due to the transfer in from the General fund. The transfer in from the General fund is to complete capital and improvement projects related to the Master Facilities Plan within the District.

Building Fund – The School District's fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$23,433,840. The primary reason for the \$20,287,180 increase in fund balance was due to the transfer in from the General fund. The transfer in from the General fund is to complete capital and improvement projects related to the Master Facilities Plan within the District.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The School 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.

The School District uses site-based budgeting and the budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management. During the course of the year, the School District revised the budget in an attempt to deal with changes in revenues and expenditures.

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For the general fund, final budgeted revenue (including other financing sources) was \$112,827,459, compared to original budget estimates (including other financing sources) of \$124,440,756. Of the \$11,613,297 decrease, most was due to decreases in estimates of property tax collections throughout the year as well as a decrease of expected intergovernmental revenue.

For the general fund, the final appropriations (including other financing uses) were \$133,846,537, and the original appropriations (including other financing uses) were \$104,011,300. This represents a \$29,835,237 difference in appropriations. The variance in appropriations versus expenditures was expected, giving authority to a greater range of appropriations, knowing that other internal controls will only allow those expenditures, when entirely necessary, coupled with legislative authority by consent of the Board of Education. The Administration and Board of Education have made additional dollars available in many categories in order to facilitate the educational needs of the School District as they arise. With the School District's tight internal controls, additional monies are appropriated in order to allow those individuals in charge to be creative in meeting their students' educational needs. The School District believes that appropriations should be prepared to operate in the best manner to meet the needs of those being educated. It is the School District's goal to allow funds to fully supplement the educational structure doing so in an effective and efficient manner. Judgment is used to value, educationally, the cash outlay for the benefit given. Both the Superintendent and the Treasurer of the School District have hands-on oversight of all School District purchases prior to approval.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the School District had \$98,476,811 invested in land, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, and lease assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Table 4 shows fiscal year 2024 balances compared to fiscal year 2023.

Table 4
Capital Assets at Year End
(Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Land	\$3,677,217	\$3,677,217
Construction in Progress	202,570	263,889
Buildings and Improvements	87,763,393	92,891,096
Furniture and Equipment	6,581,351	6,410,184
Lease Assets	252,280	356,672
Total Net Capital Assets	<u>\$98,476,811</u>	<u>\$103,599,058</u>

See note 7 to the basic financial statements for more details on the School District's capital asset

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Debt

At June 30, 2024 the School District had \$78,143,874 in bonds outstanding, \$2,201,178 due within one year.

Table 5
Outstanding Debt at Year End

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
2022 LTGO Refunding Bonds	\$1,117,000	\$1,374,000
2020 Refunding Bonds:		
Current Interest	26,715,000	27,075,000
Capital Appreciation Bonds - Principal Only	625,000	625,000
Capital Appreciation Bonds - Interest Only	524,574	380,304
2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds	410,000	510,000
2013 Certificates of Participation	2,655,000	3,055,000
2015 School Improvement Bonds	32,920,000	33,715,000
2016 School Improvement Bonds	9,200,000	9,200,000
Premium on Bonds:		
2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds	6,882	8,946
2013 Certificates of Participation	30,288	36,150
2016 School Improvement Bonds	289,567	311,017
2020 Refunding Bonds	3,393,996	3,548,268
Lease Liability	256,567	360,370
Total Outstanding Debt at Year End	<u>\$78,143,874</u>	<u>\$80,199,055</u>

See note 12 to the basic financial statements for further details on the School District's debt.

For the Future

The School District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. We have received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting and the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) Certificate of Excellence on Financial Reporting since 1991.

All of the School District's financial abilities and expertise is needed to meet the challenges of the future. With careful planning and monitoring of the School District's finances, as well as continued support of the community to increase revenue, the School District's management team is confident that the School District will continue to provide a quality education for our students while providing a secure financial future.

Contacting the School District's Financial Management

This report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Treasurer's Office at Northwest Local School District, 3240 Banning Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45239.

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$88,659,185
Restricted Cash and Investments	16,206
Receivables (Net):	
Taxes	72,832,675
Accounts	186,985
Interest	287,174
Intergovernmental	7,409,271
Prepays	257,300
Inventory	72,064
Net OPEB Asset	7,463,601
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	3,879,787
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	94,597,024
Total Assets	275,661,272
Deferred Outflows of Resources:	
Pension	20,634,536
OPEB	3,808,783
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	24,443,319
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	999,937
Accrued Wages and Benefits	12,732,723
Contracts Payable	224,529
Retainage Payable	16,206
Accrued Interest Payable	213,962
Unearned Revenue	36,420
Claims Payable	349,040
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	3,169,892
Due In More Than One Year	
Net Pension Liability	103,524,930
Net OPEB Liability	6,404,152
Other Amounts	80,695,528
Total Liabilities	208,367,319
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Property Taxes	42,643,736
Grants and Other Taxes	5,910,424
Deferred Gain on Refunding	689,184
Pension	8,858,776
OPEB	12,819,075
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	70,921,195
Net Position:	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,965,757
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	7,623,938
Capital Outlay	3,545,011
Food Service	5,125,937
Special Trust	172,522
Student Activities	747,106
Auxiliary Services	185,552
State Funded Programs	545,469
Net OPEB Asset	7,463,601
Other Purposes	12,912
Endowment:	
Expendable	75,179
NonExpendable	79,000
Unrestricted	(24,725,907)
Total Net Position	\$20,816,077

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Charges for	Operating Grants	Revenue and
	Expenses	Services and Sales	and Contributions	Changes in Net Position
				Governmental
				Activities
Governmental Activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$43,466,578	\$1,246,235	\$2,170,112	(\$40,050,231)
Special	23,432,375	1,017,987	7,847,948	(14,566,440)
Vocational	12,055	0	0	(12,055)
Other	3,262,322	267,328	1,018,080	(1,976,914)
Support Services:				
Pupil	15,484,616	0	2,390,790	(13,093,826)
Instructional Staff	6,687,399	0	4,467,039	(2,220,360)
General Administration	64,813	0	0	(64,813)
School Administration	7,031,433	0	1,142,083	(5,889,350)
Fiscal	2,811,506	0	0	(2,811,506)
Business	519,450	0	0	(519,450)
Operations and Maintenance	9,019,204	701,156	18,980	(8,299,068)
Pupil Transportation	7,669,583	69,828	545,801	(7,053,954)
Central	1,343,540	0	0	(1,343,540)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,647,244	747,790	7,071,658	172,204
Extracurricular Activities	2,197,131	554,433	0	(1,642,698)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	2,671,869	0	0	(2,671,869)
Total Governmental Activities	\$133,321,118	\$4,604,757	\$26,672,491	(102,043,870)
General Revenues:				
Property Taxes Levied for:				
General				62,509,768
Debt Service				3,526,879
Capital Outlay				4,001,227
Grants and Entitlements, Not Restricted				33,234,940
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes				5,702,688
Unrestricted Contributions				416,905
Investment Earnings				4,304,992
Other Revenues				2,446,667
Total General Revenues				116,144,066
Change in Net Position				14,100,196
Net Position - Beginning of Year				6,715,881
Net Position - End of Year				\$20,816,077

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024

	General	Permanent Improvement	Building	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$31,073,454	\$18,791,320	\$23,651,289	\$13,707,616	\$87,223,679
Restricted Cash and Investments	0	0	16,206	0	16,206
Receivables (Net):					
Taxes	64,860,404	4,157,076	0	3,815,195	72,832,675
Accounts	125,436	6,250	0	55,299	186,985
Interest	247,738	0	19,638	19,798	287,174
Intergovernmental	5,537,666	0	372,758	1,498,847	7,409,271
Interfund	90,252	0	0	0	90,252
Prepays	257,300	0	0	0	257,300
Inventory	0	0	0	72,064	72,064
Total Assets	102,192,250	22,954,646	24,059,891	19,168,819	168,375,606
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	636,837	96,804	0	260,975	994,616
Accrued Wages and Benefits	11,141,352	0	0	1,591,371	12,732,723
Compensated Absences	278,544	0	0	32,032	310,576
Contracts Payable	0	0	224,529	0	224,529
Retainage Payable	0	0	16,206	0	16,206
Interfund Payable	0	0	0	90,252	90,252
Unearned Revenue	0	0	0	36,420	36,420
Total Liabilities	12,056,733	96,804	240,735	2,011,050	14,405,322
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Property Taxes	40,655,404	2,617,076	0	2,460,195	45,732,675
Investments	158,419	0	12,558	12,371	183,348
Grants and Other Taxes	5,537,666	0	372,758	589,138	6,499,562
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	46,351,489	2,617,076	385,316	3,061,704	52,415,585
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable	257,300	0	0	79,000	336,300
Restricted	0	0	3,532,453	14,659,740	18,192,193
Committed	0	10,504,325	0	0	10,504,325
Assigned	1,631,129	9,736,441	19,901,387	0	31,268,957
Unassigned	41,895,599	0	0	(642,675)	41,252,924
Total Fund Balances	43,784,028	20,240,766	23,433,840	14,096,065	101,554,699
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	\$102,192,250	\$22,954,646	\$24,059,891	\$19,168,819	\$168,375,606

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balance to
Net Position of Governmental Activities
June 30, 2024

Total Governmental Fund Balance	\$101,554,699
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Capital assets used in the operation of Governmental Funds	98,476,811
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Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.

Delinquent Property Taxes	3,088,939	
Interest	183,348	
Intergovernmental	<u>589,138</u>	
		3,861,425

An internal service fund is used by management to charge back costs to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of net position.

Internal Service Net Position	1,081,145
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In the statement of net position interest payable is accrued when incurred; whereas, in the governmental funds interest is reported as a liability only when it will require the use of current financial resources.

(213,962)

Some liabilities reported in the statement of net position do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in governmental funds.

Compensated Absences	(5,410,970)
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Deferred gain on refunding associated with long-term liabilities that are not reported in the funds.

(689,184)

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	20,634,536	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	(8,858,776)	
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	3,808,783	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	<u>(12,819,075)</u>	
		2,765,468

Long-term liabilities and net OPEB assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Net OPEB Asset	7,463,601	
Net Pension Liability	(103,524,930)	
Net OPEB Liability	(6,404,152)	
Other Amounts	<u>(78,143,874)</u>	
		(180,609,355)

Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$20,816,077</u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General	Permanent Improvement	Building	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property and Other Taxes	\$62,365,914	\$3,966,035	\$0	\$3,541,304	\$69,873,253
Tuition and Fees	2,466,563	0	0	0	2,466,563
Investment Earnings	3,650,580	1,121	189,864	280,079	4,121,644
Intergovernmental	39,005,745	472,083	0	20,505,364	59,983,192
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	624,321	624,321
Charges for Services	19,061	0	0	747,790	766,851
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	5,550,343	1,025	152,345	0	5,703,713
Gifts and Donations	21,601	170,000	0	225,304	416,905
Other Revenues	2,724,466	68,750	268,113	217,436	3,278,765
Total Revenues	115,804,273	4,679,014	610,322	26,141,598	147,235,207
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	37,772,347	657,229	0	1,358,442	39,788,018
Special	19,908,639	3,838	0	3,787,505	23,699,982
Vocational	12,039	0	0	0	12,039
Other	1,647,228	0	0	1,693,035	3,340,263
Support Services:					
Pupil	13,800,796	0	0	1,800,051	15,600,847
Instructional Staff	2,382,135	0	0	4,291,922	6,674,057
General Administration	65,755	0	0	0	65,755
School Administration	5,810,605	0	0	1,163,247	6,973,852
Fiscal	2,579,703	49,274	3,283	47,727	2,679,987
Business	480,937	0	0	0	480,937
Operations and Maintenance	8,466,674	0	0	433,403	8,900,077
Pupil Transportation	5,824,799	360,256	0	116,830	6,301,885
Central	1,262,530	10,390	0	0	1,272,920
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	70,743	0	0	7,291,735	7,362,478
Extracurricular Activities	1,387,695	0	0	668,666	2,056,361
Capital Outlay	163,715	528,861	319,859	204,890	1,217,325
Debt Service:					
Principal Retirement	103,803	757,000	0	1,155,000	2,015,803
Interest and Fiscal Charges	4,117	137,716	0	2,606,598	2,748,431
Total Expenditures	101,744,260	2,504,564	323,142	26,619,051	131,191,017
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	14,060,013	2,174,450	287,180	(477,453)	16,044,190
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In	0	10,000,000	20,000,000	60,000	30,060,000
Transfers (Out)	(30,060,000)	0	0	0	(30,060,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(30,060,000)	10,000,000	20,000,000	60,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	(15,999,987)	12,174,450	20,287,180	(417,453)	16,044,190
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as Previously Presented	59,784,015	0	0	25,726,494	85,510,509
Change within Financial Reporting Entity (Nonmajor to Major Fund)	0	8,066,316	3,146,660	(11,212,976)	0
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as Adjusted or Restated	59,784,015	8,066,316	3,146,660	14,513,518	85,510,509
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$43,784,028	\$20,240,766	\$23,433,840	\$14,096,065	\$101,554,699

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds \$16,044,190

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital asset additions as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount of the difference between capital asset additions and depreciation in the current period.

Capital assets used in governmental activities	1,275,895	
Depreciation Expense	(6,398,142)	
		(5,122,247)

Governmental funds report district pension and OPEB contributions as expenditures. However in the Statement of Activities, the cost of pension and OPEB benefits earned net of employer contributions are reported as pension and OPEB expense.

Pension Contributions	8,925,000	
Pension Expense	(8,178,080)	
OPEB Contributions	274,606	
OPEB Expense	1,324,632	
		2,346,158

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.

Delinquent Property Taxes	164,621	
Interest	183,348	
Intergovernmental	(161,862)	
		186,107

Repayment of bond and lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. 2,015,803

In the statement of activities interest expense is accrued when incurred; whereas, in governmental funds an interest expenditure is reported when due. 5,858

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Compensated Absences	(882,470)	
Amortization of Bond Premium	183,648	
Amortization of Deferred Gain on Refunding	31,326	
Bond Accretion	(144,270)	
		(811,766)

The internal service fund used by management to charge back costs to individual funds is not reported in the entity-wide statement of activities. Governmental fund expenditures and the related internal service fund revenues are eliminated. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service fund is allocated among the governmental activities.

Change in Net Position - Internal Service Funds		(563,907)
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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$14,100,196
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Statement of Net Position
Internal Service Fund
June 30, 2024

	Workers' Compensation Fund
Current Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	<u>\$1,435,506</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,435,506</u>
Liabilities:	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	5,321
Claims Payable	<u>349,040</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>354,361</u>
Net Position:	
Unrestricted	<u>1,081,145</u>
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$1,081,145</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position
Internal Service Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Workers' Compensation Fund
Operating Revenues:	
Charges for Services	\$278,088
Total Operating Revenues	278,088
Operating Expenses:	
Fringe Benefits	158,053
Purchased Services	99,976
Materials and Supplies	15,000
Claims	568,966
Total Operating Expenses	841,995
Change in Net Position	(563,907)
Net Position - Beginning of Year	1,645,052
Net Position - End of Year	\$1,081,145

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Statement of Cash Flows
Internal Service Fund
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Workers' Compensation Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Interfund Services Provided	\$278,088
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(272,149)
Cash Payments for Claims	<u>(387,722)</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>(381,783)</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(381,783)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	<u>1,817,289</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	<u><u>1,435,506</u></u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	
Operating Income (Loss)	(563,907)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	
Increase (Decrease) in Payables	5,321
Increase (Decrease) in Claims Payables	<u>176,803</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u><u>(\$381,783)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Note 1 – Description of the School District

The Northwest Local School District (School District) operates under current standards as prescribed by the Ohio State Board of Education as provided in Division (d) of Section 3301.07 and Section 119.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. Presently, the School District operates under a locally elected 5 member Board of Education (Board) as defined by Section 3313.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The Board serves as the taxing authority, contracting body, policy maker, and ensures that all other general laws of the State of Ohio are followed in the expenditures of the School District's tax dollars. The Board also approves the annual appropriation resolution and tax budget.

The School District services an area of 56 square miles, including all of Colerain Township, and portions of the City of Forest Park, City of North College Hill, Green Township and Springfield Township. The School District is 99 percent in Hamilton County, and a small area is in Ross Township, Butler County, on its northern boundary line.

The School District currently has approximately 8,282 students enrolled in five elementary schools, three middle schools, and two senior high schools. The School District has two career centers serving junior and senior students. There are 1,141 full time and part-time employees to provide services to the students. The School District is the 2nd largest public school district in Hamilton County and the 21st largest of all school districts in Ohio.

Reporting Entity

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

Parochial/Private Schools – Within the School District, Our Lady of Grace, St. Bernard, St. Ignatius, St. James, St. Joseph Villa, and St. John Elementary Schools, and LaSalle High School are operated through the Cincinnati Catholic Diocese; Heaven's Treasures Academy and Beautiful Savior Lutheran are operated as a private school. Current State legislation provides funding to these schools. The monies are received and disbursed on behalf of the schools by the School District Treasurer, as directed by the School District's administration. The activities of these State monies by the School District are reflected in a special revenue fund for financial reporting purposes because the School District has administrative responsibility.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the School District is financially accountable. The School District is financially accountable for an organization if the School District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the School District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the School District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the School District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the School District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the School District in that the School District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes, and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the School District. The School District has no component units.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The School District participates in three jointly governed organizations. These organizations are presented in note 15 to the basic financial statements. These organizations are Southwest Ohio Computer Association, Butler Technology and Career Development School, and Southwest Ohio Organization of School Health.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the School District's accounting policies are described below.

Basis of Presentation

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

Government-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the School District. The activity of the internal service fund is eliminated to avoid "doubling up" revenues and expenses. Interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation. The government-wide financial statements usually distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. The School District, however, has no business-type activities.

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

Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. The internal service fund is presented on the face of the proprietary fund statements.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Fund Accounting

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

Governmental Funds

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

General Fund – The general fund is the operating fund of the School District and is used to account for and report all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the School District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Permanent Improvement Fund – The permanent improvement fund is used to account for all transactions related to the acquiring, constructing, or improving of the infrastructure of buildings and grounds through permanent improvements.

Building Fund – The building fund is used to account for and report all transactions related to school improvement bond proceeds and uses. These bonds were issued for the purpose of paying costs of new construction, improvements, renovations, and additions to school facilities and providing equipment, furnishings, and other improvements.

The nonmajor governmental funds of the School District account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position and cash flows. Proprietary funds are classified as enterprise or internal service; the School District has no enterprise funds. The School District created an internal service fund for the operation of its self-insured workers' compensation activities which began in fiscal year 2012.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and custodial funds. The School District does not have any fiduciary funds.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the School District are included on the statement of net position. The statement of activities presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position.

Fund Financial Statements

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

Like the government-wide statements, all proprietary funds are accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of fund net position. The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net position presents increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements and the financial statements of the proprietary funds are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual bases of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred inflows/outflows of resources, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

Revenues – Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. “Measurable” means that the amount of the transaction can be determined and “available” means that the resources are collectible within the current fiscal year, or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the School District, available means expected to be received within 60 days of fiscal year-end.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, included property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (see note 5). Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the School District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at year-end: property taxes available for advance, tuition and fees, rental, miscellaneous, charges for services, donations, extracurricular, grants and interest revenue.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School District has deferred outflows of resources that are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for pension and other post-employment benefits (OPEB). The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in notes 9 and 10.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized until that time. For the School District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, grants and other taxes, deferred gain on refunding, investments, pension and OPEB. Property taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2024, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2025 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow on both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental funds balance sheet. Grants and other taxes have been recorded as deferred inflows on both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental fund financial statements. Investment earnings have been recorded as deferred inflows on the governmental fund financial statements. Deferred gains on refunding have been recorded as deferred inflows on the government-wide statement of net position. The School District has deferred inflows of resources that are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for pension and OPEB. The deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are explained in notes 9 and 10.

Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

During fiscal year 2024, the School District invested in money market funds, municipal bonds, negotiable certificates of deposit, commercial paper, the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), and federal government agency securities. Investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices, except for mutual funds, which are based on current share price, and 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 has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The School District measures its investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

There were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, 24 hours advance notice is appreciated for deposits and withdrawals of \$100 million or more. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$250 million per day, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$250 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund, permanent improvement fund and building fund during fiscal year 2024 amounted to \$3,650,580, \$1,121 and \$189,864, respectively. The School District also credited interest to nonmajor governmental funds in the amount of \$280,079.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents.

Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions. Restricted assets in the nonmajor governmental funds are amounts held for retainage.

Interfund Balances

On the fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivable/payable". Interfund balances are eliminated on the statement of net position.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Inventory

Inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-out basis and are expended/expensed when used. Inventories consist of purchased food held for resale.

Lease Assets

A lease asset is a lessee's right to use an asset over the life of a lease. The asset is calculated as the initial amount of the lease liability, plus any lease payments made to the lessor before the lease commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred, minus any lease incentives received. The amortization period of the lease asset is from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the lease term or the end of the useful life of the asset. At the termination of the lease, the lease asset and associated lease liability are removed from the books of the lessee. The difference between the two amounts is accounted for as a gain or loss at that time.

Capital Assets

All capital assets of the School District are those general capital assets related to governmental activities. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

Capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost, which is determined by indexing the current replacement cost back to the year of acquisition) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) and a useful life of five years or more. The School District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Buildings and Improvements	10-50 years
Furniture, Equipment and Vehicles	5-10 years

Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the School District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The School District records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all employees with more than one year of service.

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Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the School District has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year-end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the School District's termination policy. The School District records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for all employees after 20 years of current service with the School District. The entire compensated absences liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as a liability and expenditures to the extent payments come due each period upon the occurrence of employee resignations and retirements. These amounts are recorded in the account "matured compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees will be paid.

Pension/OPEB

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

Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the governmental funds. However, compensated absences and net pension/OPEB liability that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current fiscal year. Bonds that will be paid from governmental funds are recognized as an expenditure and liability in the governmental fund financial statements when due.

Fund Balance

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

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

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

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

Assigned – Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the School District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. These amounts are assigned by the School District Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the School District Board of Education, delegated that authority by state statute. State statute authorizes the Treasurer to assign fund balance purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

Unassigned – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit fund balance.

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

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between all other elements on the statement of net position. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for the special trust, career consultant grant, athletics, an endowment, and state and federal grants.

The School District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Internal Activity

Transfers within governmental activities are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements. Internal allocations of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function are eliminated on the statement of activities. Interfund payments for services provided and used are not eliminated.

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

Budgetary Process

All funds, other than the custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriation resolution and the certificate of estimated resources, 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 amounts that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of budgetary control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level. The Treasurer has been authorized to allocate Board appropriations to the function and object level within each fund.

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

Since the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance presented in the basic financial statements for the general fund presents budgetary comparisons at a greater level of detail than the legal level of control established by the Board of Education, no additional schedules are necessary to demonstrate budgetary compliance.

Bond Premiums and Compounded Interest on Capital Appreciation Bonds

For governmental activities, bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight-line method since the results are not significantly different from the effective interest method. Capital appreciation bonds are accreted each fiscal year for the compounded interest accrued during the fiscal year. Bond premiums and the compounded interest on the capital appreciation bonds are presented as an addition to the face amount of the bonds payable.

On the governmental fund financial statements, bond premiums are recognized in the period in which the bonds were issued. Accretion on the capital appreciation bonds is not reported. Interest on the capital appreciation bonds is recorded as an expenditure when the debt becomes due.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the School District, these revenues are interfund charges for services for workers'

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compensation self-insurance. Operating expenses are the necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the fund. Revenues and expenses that do not meet these definitions are reported as non-operating.

Estimates

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

Note 3 – Accountability

At June 30, 2024, the following funds had a deficit fund balance:

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
IDEA-B Special Education	\$79,661
Title I	274,845
Title II-A	22,846
ESSER	219,819
Public School Preschool	36,068
Early Childhood Special Education	2,321
Drug Free Schools/Title IV Part A	7,115

The general fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances; however, this is done when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

Monies held by the School District are classified by state statute into three categories.

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

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

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

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

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1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage 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 the fair 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 the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days.
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met.
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions.
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days) in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met.

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. Except as noted above, an investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the School District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. As of June 30, 2024, \$4,541,189 of the School District's bank balance of \$4,793,298 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized.

The School District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by:

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Eligible securities pledged to the School District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose fair value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured; or

Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total fair value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

Investments

As of June 30, 2024, the School District had the following investments:

Investment Type	Fair Value	Fair Value Hierarchy	Weighted Average Maturity (Years)
Money Market Funds	\$652,771	N/A	0.00
Federal Farm Credit Bank	2,844,118	Level 2	1.99
Federal Home Loan Bank	7,910,838	Level 2	1.94
Federal Home Loan Mortgage	2,908,728	Level 2	1.81
Federal National Mortgage Association	509,954	Level 2	2.47
US Treasury Notes	3,873,476	Level 2	1.94
Negotiable CDs	17,408,298	Level 2	1.52
Commercial Paper	14,887,254	Level 2	0.24
Municipal Bonds	6,610,998	N/A	2.23
STAR Ohio	27,734,952	Amortized Cost	0.11
Total Fair Value	<u>\$85,341,387</u>		
Portfolio Weighted Average Maturity			1.04

The School District categorizes its fair value measurements with the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The Hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Inputs to the valuation techniques used in fair the measurement for Level 2 include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The above table identifies the District's recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2024. STAR Ohio is reported at its share price (net asset value per share).

Interest Rate Risk – In accordance with the investment policy, to the extent possible, the Treasurer attempts to match the School District's investments with anticipated cash flow requirements. Unless matched to a specific cash flow requirement, the Treasurer will not directly invest in securities maturing more than five years from the date of purchase.

Credit Risk – It is the School District's policy to limit its investments that are not obligations of the U.S. Government or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government to investments which have the highest credit quality rating issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The School District's negotiable certificates of deposit are not rated but are insured by the FDIC as disclosed in the deposits section above.

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Concentration of Credit Risk – The School District’s investment policy places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

Custodial Credit Risk – The risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the School District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. All of the School District’s securities are either insured and registered in the name of the School District or at least registered in the name of the School District.

Note 5 – Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District’s fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the School 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 and public utility property located in the School District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar year 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2024 were levied after April 1, 2023, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2023, 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 semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar year 2024 represents collections of calendar year 2023 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2024 became a lien December 31, 2022, were levied after April 1, 2023 and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The School District receives property taxes from Hamilton County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2024, are available to finance fiscal year 2025 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property and public utility property taxes that are measurable as of June 30, 2024 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year-end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to deferred inflows-property taxes.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2024 was \$24,205,000 in the general fund, \$1,540,000 in the permanent improvement fund and \$1,355,000 in the nonmajor governmental funds. On a full accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis the revenue has been reported as deferred inflows-unavailable revenue.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2024 taxes were collected are:

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	2023 Second Half Collections		2024 First Half Collections	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$1,683,666,170	95.77%	\$2,251,209,290	96.37%
Public utility personal	<u>74,306,920</u>	<u>4.23%</u>	<u>84,703,350</u>	<u>3.63%</u>
Total	<u><u>\$1,757,973,090</u></u>	<u><u>100%</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,335,912,640</u></u>	<u><u>100%</u></u>

Note 6 – Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2024 consisted of taxes, intergovernmental, accounts, interest and interfund. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs, and the current fiscal year guarantee of federal funds. All receivables, except for delinquent property taxes, are expected to be collected within one year. Property taxes, although ultimately collectible, include some portion of delinquencies that will not be collected within one year.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Intergovernmental Receivables</u>
Major Fund:	
General	\$5,537,666
Building	372,758
Non-Major Governmental Funds	
Public School Preschool	96,782
IDEA-B special Education	210,270
Title III	2,858
Title I	507,832
Early Childhood Special Education	3,817
Title II-A	39,770
Title I Supplemental School	50,177
ESSER	466,732
Drug Free Schools	<u>120,609</u>
Total Nonmajor Funds	<u>1,498,847</u>
Total	<u><u>\$7,409,271</u></u>

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Note 7 – Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deductions	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$3,677,217	\$0	\$0	\$3,677,217
Construction in progress	263,889	241,137	302,456	202,570
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>3,941,106</u>	<u>241,137</u>	<u>302,456</u>	<u>3,879,787</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	149,742,326	16,500	0	149,758,826
Equipment	17,641,229	1,320,714	0	18,961,943
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>167,383,555</u>	<u>1,337,214</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>168,720,769</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Buildings and improvements	56,851,230	5,144,203	0	61,995,433
Equipment	11,231,045	1,149,547	0	12,380,592
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>68,082,275</u>	<u>6,293,750</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>74,376,025</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$103,242,386</u>	<u>(\$4,715,399)</u>	<u>\$302,456</u>	<u>\$98,224,531</u>
Lease Assets:				
Equipment	\$1,088,921	\$0	\$0	\$1,088,921
Total Lease Asset, being depreciated	<u>1,088,921</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,088,921</u>
Less: Accumulated Amortization	<u>732,249</u>	<u>104,392</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>836,641</u>
Total Lease Asset, net	<u>356,672</u>	<u>(104,392)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>252,280</u>
Total Capital Assets, net	<u>\$103,599,058</u>	<u>(\$4,819,791)</u>	<u>\$302,456</u>	<u>\$98,476,811</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Regular	\$4,081,759
Special	44,114
Vocational	1,777
Support services:	
Pupil	6,365
Instructional Staff	9,290
Administration	11,053
Fiscal	43,450
Business	36,795
Operations and Maintenance	205,533
Pupil Transportation	1,453,821
Central	11,932
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	312,831
Extracurricular Activities	179,422
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$6,398,142</u>

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Note 8 – Risk Management

Property and Liability

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the School District contracted with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company for property and general liability insurance.

All liability insurance is protected by Liberty Mutual with \$1,000,000 each occurrence with a \$3,000,000 excess/umbrella limit. Vehicles are covered by Liberty Mutual with a deductible for comprehensive collision of actual cash value or cost of repair, whichever is less. Public officials' insurance is provided by Liberty Mutual. The Treasurer is covered by the District insurance policy in the amount of \$500,000.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There was no significant change in insurance coverage from last fiscal year except for the addition of cyber liability coverage through World Risk Management on a Master Cyber Liability Policy.

Workers' Compensation

Beginning in July 2011, the School District began to self-insure its workers' compensation costs. Expenses for claims are recorded on the current cash basis. The School District accounts for the activities of this program in an internal service fund in accordance with GASB No. 10. The School District utilizes the services of Hunter Consulting, the third party administrator, to review, process, and pay employee claims. The School District also maintains excess insurance coverage which would pay the portion of claims that exceeds \$400,000 per occurrence for all employees.

Incurred but not reported claims and premium of \$349,040 have been accrued as a liability at June 30, 2024, based on an estimate by Hunter Consulting. The claims liability reported in the workers' compensation internal service fund at June 30, 2024 is based on the requirement of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires that a liability for unpaid claims costs, including estimates of costs relating to incurred but not reported claims, be reported. The estimate was not affected by incremental claim adjustment expenses and does not include other allocated or unallocated claims adjustment expenses.

Changes in self-insurance workers' compensation claims liability for 2023 and 2024 were:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Current Year Claims</u>	<u>Claim Payments</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2023	\$177,081	\$213,605	\$218,449	\$172,237
2024	172,237	564,525	387,722	349,040

Note 9 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions/OPEB are provided to an

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employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) represent the District’s proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) 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 these estimates 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/OPEB are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees’ services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system’s board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients.

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 10 for the required OPEB disclosures.

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, 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:

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	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 years 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.

An individual whose benefit effective date is before April 1, 2018, is eligible for a cost of living adjustment (COLA) on the first anniversary date of the benefit. New benefit recipients must wait until the fourth anniversary of their benefit for COLA eligibility. The COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit. The COLA is indexed to the percentage increase in the CPI-W, not to exceed 2.5 percent and with a floor of 0 percent. A three-year COLA suspension was in effect for all benefit recipients for the years 2018, 2019, and 2020. The Retirement Board approved a 2.5 percent COLA for calendar year 2023.

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, 2024, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. For fiscal year 2024, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$2,222,520 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$172,080 is reported as accrued wages and benefits.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description

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

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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 is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. In April 2017, the Retirement Board made the decision to reduce COLA granted on or after July 1, 2017, to 0 percent upon a determination by its actuary that it was necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the retirement system. Benefit recipients' base benefit and past cost-of living increases are not affected by this change. Effective July 1, 2022, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 3 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2023 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2018. Effective July 1, 2023, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 1 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2024 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2019. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3307.67(E) the STRS Ohio Retirement Board may adjust the COLA upon a determination by the board's actuary that a change will not materially impair the fiscal integrity of the system or is necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the system. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 34 years of service credit at any age.

Eligibility changes for DB Plan members who retire with actuarially reduced benefits will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility will be five years of qualifying service credit and age 60, or 30 years of service credit regardless of age.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 11.09 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices offered by STRS. The remaining 2.91 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.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate is deposited into the member's DC account and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member 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 service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age fifty and after termination of employment.

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 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 bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

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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. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. 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 2024 employer and employee contribution rate of 14 percent was equal to the statutory maximum rates. For 2024, the full employer contribution was allocated to pension.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$6,702,480 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$1,212,380 is reported as accrued wages and benefits.

Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, 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 contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$20,882,464	\$82,642,467	\$103,524,930
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability:			
Current Measurement Date	0.37792790%	0.38375995%	
Prior Measurement Date	<u>0.41185370%</u>	<u>0.39067823%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	-0.03392580%	-0.00691828%	
Pension Expense	\$699,926	\$7,478,154	\$8,178,080

At June 30 2024, reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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	SERS	STRS	Total
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$897,575	\$3,012,970	\$3,910,545
Changes of assumptions	147,922	6,806,055	6,953,977
Changes in employer proportionate share of net pension liability	0	845,014	845,014
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,222,520	6,702,480	8,925,000
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$3,268,017</u>	<u>\$17,366,519</u>	<u>\$20,634,536</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$183,387	\$183,387
Changes of assumptions	0	5,123,003	5,123,003
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	293,520	247,682	541,202
Changes in employer proportionate share of net pension liability	1,871,097	1,140,087	3,011,184
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$2,164,617</u>	<u>\$6,694,159</u>	<u>\$8,858,776</u>

\$8,925,000 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	SERS	STRS	Total
2025	(\$869,492)	(\$416,236)	(\$1,285,728)
2026	(1,275,609)	(2,809,328)	(4,084,937)
2027	1,010,424	7,923,648	8,934,072
2028	15,557	(728,204)	(712,647)
Total	<u>(\$1,119,120)</u>	<u>\$3,969,880</u>	<u>\$2,850,760</u>

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. Future benefits for all current plan members were projected through 2137.

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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, 2023 and compared with June 30, 2022, are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25% to 13.58%	3.25% to 13.58%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	2.00%, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement	2.00%, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of system expenses	7.00% net of system expenses
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weight Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined by 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 an arithmetic weighted average 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. As of June 30, 2023:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00%	0.75%
US Equity	24.75%	4.82%
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50%	5.19%
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75%	5.98%
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00%	2.24%
Private Equity	12.00%	7.49%
Real Estate/Real Assets	17.00%	3.70%
Private Debt/Private Credit	5.00%	5.64%
Total	100.00%	

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Discount Rate

The total pension liability for 2023 was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent. The discount rate determination did not use a municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employers would contribute the actuarially determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 21-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The actuarially determined contribution rate for fiscal year 2023 was 14 percent. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.00 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. The annual money weighted rate of return, calculated as the internal rate of return on pension plan investments, for fiscal year 2023 was 6.90 percent.

Sensitivity of the 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 7.00 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 (6.00 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Discount Rate 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$30,821,448	\$20,882,464	\$12,510,761

Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Report Date

Governor DeWine signed HB33 in July 2023 authorizing SERS to implement a Contribution Based Benefit Cap beginning August 1, 2024. Any effect on the net pension liability is unknown.

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation compared to those used in the June 30, 2022, actuarial valuation are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Projected Salary Increases	From 2.50% to 8.50% based on service	From 2.50% to 8.50% based on age
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of investments expense, including inflation	7.00% net of investments expense, including inflation
Discount Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Payroll Increases	3.00%	3.00%
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.00%	0.00%

Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95

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percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation *</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Rate of Return **</u>
Domestic Equity	26.00%	6.60%
International Equity	22.00%	6.80%
Alternatives	19.00%	7.38%
Fixed Income	22.00%	1.75%
Real Estate	10.00%	5.75%
Liquidity Reserves	<u>1.00%</u>	1.00%
Total	<u><u>100.00%</u></u>	

* Final target weights reflected October 1, 2022.

** 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25%, and is net of investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that 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. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the 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 7.00 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 (6.00 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate:

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	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Discount Rate 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$127,085,822	\$82,642,467	\$45,055,549

Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Report Date

In March 2024, the STRS Board made the eligibility rule requiring 34 years of service for an unreduced retirement permanent, effective June 1, 2024. Eligibility for a reduced retirement benefit has been lowered from 30 to 29 years of service. The effect of these changes on the net pension liability is currently unknown.

Note 10 - Defined Benefit OPEB Plans

See Note 9 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

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 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. The following types of credit purchased after January 29, 1981, do not count toward health care coverage eligibility: military, federal, out-of-state, municipal, private school, exempted, and early retirement incentive credit. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

The Health Care program is financed through a combination of employer contributions, recipient premiums, investment returns, and any funds received on behalf of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. The System's goal is to maintain a health care reserve account with a 20-year solvency period in order to ensure that fluctuations in the cost of health care do not cause an interruption in the program. However, during any period in which the 20-year solvency period is not achieved, the System shall manage the Health Care Fund on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

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Funding Policy

State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2024, no allocation was made to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2024, this amount was \$30,000. 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 2024, the District's surcharge obligation was \$274,606.

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14.00% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$274,606 for fiscal year 2024.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description

The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered 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 partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Health care premiums were reduced by a Medicare Part B premium credit beginning in 2023. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy

Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary 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 pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

Net OPEB Liabilities (Assets), OPEB Expense (Income), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) was based on the District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

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	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$6,404,152	\$0	\$6,404,152
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)	0	(7,463,601)	(7,463,601)
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset:			
Current Measurement Date	0.38873230%	0.38375995%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.42178390%	0.39067823%	
Change in Proportionate Share	-0.03305160%	-0.00691828%	
OPEB Expense	(\$988,509)	(\$336,124)	(\$1,324,633)

At June 30 2024, reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	SERS	STRS	Total
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$13,342	\$11,635	\$24,977
Changes of assumptions	2,165,432	1,099,496	3,264,928
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	49,634	13,320	62,954
Changes in employer proportionate share of net OPEB liability	50,744	130,574	181,318
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	274,606	0	274,606
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$2,553,758</u>	<u>\$1,255,025</u>	<u>\$3,808,783</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$3,302,859	\$1,138,397	\$4,441,256
Changes of assumptions	1,818,841	4,924,378	6,743,219
Changes in employer proportionate share of net OPEB liability	1,633,570	1,030	1,634,600
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$6,755,270</u>	<u>\$6,063,805</u>	<u>\$12,819,075</u>

\$274,606 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability (adjustment to net OPEB asset) in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	SERS	STRS	Total
2025	(\$1,266,681)	(\$2,105,687)	(\$3,372,368)
2026	(1,126,265)	(984,338)	(2,110,603)
2027	(758,264)	(376,313)	(1,134,577)
2028	(500,252)	(515,269)	(1,015,521)
2029	(393,674)	(471,812)	(865,486)
Thereafter	(430,982)	(355,361)	(786,343)
Total	<u>(\$4,476,118)</u>	<u>(\$4,808,780)</u>	<u>(\$9,284,898)</u>

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Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each 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 terminations). 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 OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2023, compared with June 30, 2022, are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Future Salary Increases, Including Inflation	3.25% to 13.58%	3.25% to 13.58%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of investment expense	7.00% net of investment expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Fiduciary Net Position is Projected to be Depleted	2048	2044
Municipal Bond Index Rate:		
Measurement Date	3.86%	3.69%
Prior Measurement Date	3.69%	1.92%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR), net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:		
Measurement Date	4.27%	4.08%
Prior Measurement Date	4.08%	2.27%
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	6.75% to 4.40%	7.00% to 4.40%

Mortality rates among healthy retirees were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among

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disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Mortality rates for contingent survivors were based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5 percent for males and adjusted 122.5 percent for females. Mortality rates for actives is based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table. Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2016 through 2020, and was adopted by the Board on April 15, 2021. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a long-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.00 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average 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. As of June 30, 2023:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00%	0.75%
US Equity	24.75%	4.82%
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50%	5.19%
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75%	5.98%
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00%	2.24%
Private Equity	12.00%	7.49%
Real Estate/Real Assets	17.00%	3.70%
Private Debt/Private Credit	5.00%	5.64%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2023, was 4.27 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2023, was 4.08 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the contribution rate of 1.50 percent of projected covered payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and no contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be depleted in 2048 by SERS'actuaries. The Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the single equivalent interest rate for both the June 30, 2022, and the June 30, 2023,

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total OPEB liability. The Municipal Bond Index Rate is the single rate that will generate a present value of benefit payments equal to the sum of the present value determined by the long-term expected rate of return, and the present value determined by discounting those benefits after the date of depletion. The Municipal Bond Index Rate was 3.86 percent at June 30, 2023, and 3.69 percent at June 30, 2022.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates

The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.27%) and higher (5.27%) than the current discount rate (4.27%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%) and higher (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (3.27%)	Current Discount Rate (4.27%)	1% Increase (5.27%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$8,186,337	\$6,404,152	\$4,998,825
	1% Decrease (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%)	Current Trend Rate (6.75% decreasing to 4.40%)	1% Increase (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$4,704,909	\$6,404,152	\$8,655,878

Changes Between Measurement Date and Reporting Date

In September 2023, the SERS Board changed minimum compensation to \$30,000 from \$25,000 for purposes of the surcharge. Any effect on the net OPEB liability is unknown.

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation compared to the prior year are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3.00%	3.00%
Discount Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Health Care Cost Trends:		
Medical		
Pre-Medicare	7.50% initial, 4.14% ultimate	7.50% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Medicare	-10.94% initial, 4.14% ultimate	-68.78% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Prescription Drug		
Pre-Medicare	-11.95% initial, 4.14% ultimate	9.00% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Medicare	1.33% initial, 4.14% ultimate	-5.47% initial, 3.94% ultimate

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Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

Healthy retirees post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020; pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation *</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Rate of Return **</u>
Domestic Equity	26.00%	6.60%
International Equity	22.00%	6.80%
Alternatives	19.00%	7.38%
Fixed Income	22.00%	1.75%
Real Estate	10.00%	5.75%
Liquidity Reserves	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

* Final target weights reflected at October 1, 2022.

** 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25%, and is net of investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actual rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed STRS continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected health care costs to determine the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset) to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate

The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher

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(8.00 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$6,316,961)	(\$7,463,601)	(\$8,462,202)
	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
Proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$8,508,541)	(\$7,463,601)	(\$6,204,988)

Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Reporting date

In March, 2024, the STRS Board made changes to the eligibility for the maximum health care premium subsidy, going into effect initially with the January 2025 benefit. In May, 2024, the Board aligned the eligibility for the health care premium subsidy with the changes to pension eligibility made in March 2024. The effect on the net OPEB liability (asset) is unknown at this time.

Note 11 – Employee Benefits

Compensated Absences

The School District reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences." Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the School District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The School District records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time, when earned, for all employees with more than one year of service.

Employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month of employment (up to 15 days per year). Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 250 days for certified employees, 262 days for administrators and up to 272 days for non-certified employees according to their job classification.

The School District's policies regarding compensated absences are determined by state laws and/or negotiated agreements. In summary, the policies are as follows:

<u>Vacation</u>	<u>Certified</u>	<u>Administrators</u>	<u>Non-Certificated</u>
How Earned	Not Eligible	15-20 days per service year depending on contract year	10-20 days for each length of service
Maximum Accumulation	Not Applicable	60 to 80 days	40 to 80 days

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Termination Entitlement	Not Applicable	As earned	As earned
<u>Sick Leave</u>			
How Earned	1.25 days per month of employment (15 days per year)	1.25 days per month of employment (15 days per year)	1.25 days per month of employment (15 days per year)
Maximum Accumulation	250 days	262 days	250 to 272 days According to job classification
Vested	As Earned	As Earned	As Earned
Termination Entitlement	Per contract	Per contract/policy	Per contract/policy

Insurance

The School District has elected to provide employee medical/surgical benefits through Anthem. The employees share the cost of the monthly premium with the Board. The premium varies with each employee depending on the terms of the union contract.

The School District provides dental insurance to eligible employees through Metlife. The School District provides voluntary life and vision insurance at employee's expense. The School District provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to most employees through VOYA.

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Note 12 – Long-Term Liabilities

The change in the School District's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2024 consists of the following:

	Beginning Principal Balance	Additions	Deductions	Ending Principal Balance	Due In One Year
Governmental Activities:					
2022 LTGO Refunding Bonds	\$1,374,000	\$0	\$257,000	\$1,117,000	\$266,000
2020 Refunding Bonds:					
Current Interest Bonds	27,075,000	0	360,000	26,715,000	370,000
Capital Appreciation Bonds - Principal Only	625,000	0	0	625,000	0
Capital Appreciation Bonds - Interest Only	380,304	144,270	0	524,574	0
General Obligation Bonds:					
2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds	510,000	0	100,000	410,000	100,000
2015 School Improvement Bonds	33,715,000	0	795,000	32,920,000	950,000
2016 School Improvement Bonds	9,200,000	0	0	9,200,000	0
2013 Certificates of Participation (COP)	3,055,000	0	400,000	2,655,000	410,000
Premiums:					
2020 Refunding Bonds	3,548,268	0	154,272	3,393,996	0
2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds	8,946	0	2,064	6,882	0
2016 School Improvement Bonds	311,017	0	21,450	289,567	0
2013 Certificates of Participation	36,150	0	5,862	30,288	0
Subtotal Bonds and COP	79,838,685	144,270	2,095,648	77,887,307	2,096,000
Lease Liability	360,370	0	103,803	256,567	105,178
Subtotal Bonds, COP, and Lease Liability	80,199,055	144,270	2,199,451	78,143,874	2,201,178
Compensated Absences	4,826,396	1,734,073	838,923	5,721,546	968,714
Net Pension Liability	109,124,514	0	5,599,584	103,524,930	0
Net OPEB Liability	5,921,890	482,262	0	6,404,152	0
Total Long-Term Obligations	<u>\$200,071,855</u>	<u>\$2,360,605</u>	<u>\$8,637,958</u>	<u>\$193,794,502</u>	<u>\$3,169,892</u>

Refunding

On July 13, 2022, the District issued \$1,471,000 LTGO Refunding Bonds (with \$2,598,152 from the Mandatory Sinking Fund) with an interest rate of 3.34% to refund \$4,000,000 of the District's outstanding 2013 Energy Conservation Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds which are Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB) with interest rates of 3.75%. The net proceeds of \$4,043,138 (after payment of underwriting fees, insurance and other issuance costs) were used to purchase U.S. government securities. Those securities were deposited into an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide all future debt service payments on the three bond issues. As a result, \$4,000,000 of the 2013 Energy Conservation Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds which are Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB) are considered to be defeased and the related liability for those bonds have been removed from the Statement of Net Position. The Energy Conservation Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds which are Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB) were defeased by placing the proceeds of the new bonds in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the old bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and the liability for the defeased bonds are not included on the District's financial statements.

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On November 1, 2019 the District issued \$28,040,000 in Serial/Term Bonds and \$625,000 in Capital Appreciation Bonds with an interest rate between 2.742% and 3.523%, which was used to partially refund \$28,665,000 of the outstanding 2015 School Improvements Bonds with an interest rate of 5.00%. The refunded 2015 School Improvements Bonds to reduce its total debt service payments by \$3,765,663 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present value of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$2,520,304.

On October 29, 2012, the School District issued \$1,390,000 Energy Conservation Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds which are Bank Qualified. The bonds are being issued for the purpose of financing the energy conservation measures. The bonds were issued at a rate of 2 percent, with a maturity at December 1, 2027. Payment of principal and interest relating to this liability is recorded as expenditures in the permanent improvement fund.

On September 1, 2012, the School District issued \$6,500,000 Certificates of Participation (COPs) to finance the renovation of Colerain High School and Northwest High School to facilitate a Geophysics STEM program at each location. The COPs issuance included a premium of \$99,655, which will be amortized over the life of the COPs. The COPs were issued through a series of lease agreements and trust indentures in accordance with Section 3313.375 of the Ohio Revised Code. The COPs have been designated to be "qualified tax exempt obligations" within the meaning of 265(b)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with the lease terms, the project assets are leased from the PS&W Holding Company. The COPs were issued through a series of annual leases with an initial lease term of 18 years which includes the right to renew for 17 successive one-year terms through December 1, 2029 with a termination date of December 1, 2029 subject to annual appropriations. To satisfy the trustee requirements, the School District is required to make annual base rent payments, subject to the lease terms and appropriations, annually. The base rent includes an interest component that begins at 2 percent. The School District has the option to purchase the renovations in whole or in part, on or after December 1, 2022, at a redemption price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

On December 10, 2015, the School District issued \$66,800,000 School Improvement Unlimited Tax General Obligation Bonds which are Non-Bank Qualified. The bonds are being issued for the purpose of paying the costs of new construction, improvements, renovations, and additions to school facilities and providing equipment furnishings, and site improvements therefore. The bonds were issued at rates ranging from 1.5 to 5 percent, with a maturity of December 1, 2050. This issuance is comprised of \$17,640,000 in serial bonds and \$49,160,000 in term bonds. The term bonds are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity.

The term bonds maturing on December 1, 2040 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to maturity from funds plus accrued interest to the date of redemption in the following principal amounts and in each of the following years:

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<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u> <u>to be Redeemed</u>
2035	\$5,000
2036	30,000
2037	240,000
2038	340,000
2039	2,450,000
2040	2,705,000
2041	<u>2,850,000</u>
Total	<u><u>\$8,620,000</u></u>

The term bonds maturing on December 1, 2045 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to maturity from funds plus accrued interest to the date of redemption in the following principal amounts and in each of the following years:

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u> <u>to be Redeemed</u>
2042	\$3,000,000
2043	3,290,000
2044	3,465,000
2045	3,645,000
2046	<u>3,970,000</u>
Total	<u><u>\$17,370,000</u></u>

The term bonds maturing on December 1, 2050 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to maturity from funds plus accrued interest to the date of redemption in the following principal amounts and in each of the following years:

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u> <u>to be Redeemed</u>
2047	\$4,180,000
2048	4,355,000
2049	4,680,000
2050	4,875,000
2051	<u>5,080,000</u>
Total	<u><u>\$23,170,000</u></u>

Payment of principal and interest relating to this liability is recorded as expenditures in the bond retirement fund.

On January 14, 2016, the School District issued \$9,200,000 School Improvement Unlimited Tax General Obligation Bonds which are Bank Qualified. The bonds are being issued for the purpose of paying the costs of new construction, improvements, renovations, and additions to school facilities and

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providing equipment furnishings, and site improvements therefor. The bonds were issued at rates ranging from 3 to 4 percent, with a maturity of December 1, 2037. These serial bonds are not subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity. Payment of principal and interest relating to this liability is recorded as expenditures in the debt service fund.

Lease liability will be retired from the general fund. Compensated absences liabilities will be paid from the general, food services, auxiliary service, IDEA-B special education, title I school improvement stimulus A, and title I funds for governmental activities. Net pension liability and net OPEB liability represent the long-term portion of the accrued liability associated with STRS and SERS pension liabilities. These items will be repaid from the funds from which the employees work to whom the liability is associated with or the General Fund if no such funds are available.

Annual base rent requirements to retire the certificates of participation outstanding at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	2013 Certificates of Participation Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$410,000	\$73,216	\$483,216
2026	425,000	60,691	485,691
2027	435,000	48,118	483,118
2028	450,000	35,281	485,281
2029	460,000	21,744	481,744
2030	475,000	7,422	482,422
Total	<u>\$2,655,000</u>	<u>\$246,472</u>	<u>\$2,901,472</u>

The following is a summary of the School District's future annual debt service requirements for Bonds:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$100,000	\$8,750	\$108,750
2026	100,000	6,500	106,500
2027	105,000	3,938	108,938
2028	105,000	1,312	106,312
Total	<u>\$410,000</u>	<u>\$20,500</u>	<u>\$430,500</u>

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Fiscal Year Ending June 30	2015 School Improvement			2016 School Improvement		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$950,000	\$1,301,788	\$2,251,788	\$0	\$335,650	\$335,650
2026	1,005,000	1,252,913	2,257,913	0	335,650	335,650
2027	1,060,000	1,201,288	2,261,288	0	335,650	335,650
2028	1,230,000	1,144,038	2,374,038	0	335,650	335,650
2029	0	1,113,288	1,113,288	0	335,650	335,650
2030-2034	5,505,000	5,130,238	10,635,238	1,300,000	1,658,750	2,958,750
2035-2039	0	4,634,000	4,634,000	7,900,000	626,325	8,526,325
2040-2044	0	4,634,000	4,634,000	0	0	0
2045-2049	13,215,000	3,861,100	17,076,100	0	0	0
2050-2051	9,955,000	402,300	10,357,300	0	0	0
Total	<u>\$32,920,000</u>	<u>\$24,674,950</u>	<u>\$57,594,950</u>	<u>\$9,200,000</u>	<u>\$3,963,325</u>	<u>\$13,163,325</u>

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	2020 Refunding Bonds			2020 Capital Appreciation Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$370,000	\$913,673	\$1,283,673	\$0	\$0	\$0
2026	380,000	901,485	1,281,485	0	0	0
2027	395,000	888,891	1,283,891	0	0	0
2028	405,000	875,891	1,280,891	0	0	0
2029	1,720,000	841,360	2,561,360	0	0	0
2030-2034	3,460,000	3,703,546	7,163,546	0	0	0
2035-2039	2,525,000	6,000,655	8,525,655	230,000	2,500,000	2,730,000
2040-2044	9,960,000	8,357,631	18,317,631	395,000	5,400,000	5,795,000
2045-2046	7,500,000	268,981	7,768,981	0	0	0
Total	<u>\$26,715,000</u>	<u>\$22,752,113</u>	<u>\$49,467,113</u>	<u>\$625,000</u>	<u>\$7,900,000</u>	<u>\$8,525,000</u>

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	2022 LTGO Refunding Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$266,000	\$37,308	\$303,308
2026	274,000	28,423	302,423
2027	284,000	19,272	303,272
2028	293,000	9,786	302,786
Total	<u>\$1,117,000</u>	<u>\$94,789</u>	<u>\$1,211,789</u>

Note 13 - Lease Liability – Lease Assets

The School District has entered into contracts that convey the control of the right to use their nonfinancial assets (the underlying assets) for copiers (both in 2018 and 2022) as specified in the contracts for a period of time. The basis and terms of the each contract is 5 years.

During the period, there were no outflows of resources recognized for variable payments not previously included in the measurement of the lease liability. Also, there were no outflows of resources recognized for other payments, such as residual value guarantees or termination penalties, not previously included in the measurement of the lease liability during the period. There were no commitments under leases before the commencement of the lease term.

Principal and interest amounts for the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

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Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$105,178	\$2,742	\$107,920
2026	106,569	1,351	107,920
2027	44,820	147	44,967
	<u>\$256,567</u>	<u>\$4,240</u>	<u>\$260,807</u>

Note 14 – Interfund Activity

As of June 30, 2024, receivable and payables that resulted from various interfund transactions were as follows:

	Interfund	
	Receivable	Payable
General Fund	\$90,252	\$0
Other Governmental Funds	0	90,252
Total All Funds	<u>\$90,252</u>	<u>\$90,252</u>

Interfund balances at June 30, 2024 consisted of the above amounts and represent charges for services or reimbursable expenses. These remaining balances resulted from the time lag between dates that (1) interfund goods or services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting records and (3) payments between funds are made. All advances are expected to be paid within one year.

Transfers made during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	Transfers	
	In	Out
General Fund	\$0	\$30,060,000
Permanent Improvement Fund	10,000,000	0
Building Fund	20,000,000	0
Other Governmental Funds	60,000	0
Total All Funds	<u>\$30,060,000</u>	<u>\$30,060,000</u>

Transfers are made to move unrestricted balances to support programs and projects accounted for in other funds.

Note 15 – Jointly Governed Organizations

Southwest Ohio Computer Association

The School District is a participant in the Southwest Ohio Computer Association (SWOCA), a computer consortium. SWOCA is a jointly governed organization among a seven county consortium of 43 Ohio school districts. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to the administrative and instructional functions of the member school districts. Each member of the consortium supports SWOCA based upon a per pupil charge dependent upon the software package utilized. SWOCA is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of the superintendents and treasurers of member school districts. The Board

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exercises total control over the operations of SWOCA including budgeting, appropriating, contracting, and designating management. The Board consists of one representative from each of the participating 43 school districts. The School District paid SWOCA \$261,424 for services provided during the fiscal year. The financial statements for SWOCA are available at 3603 Hamilton-Middletown Road, Hamilton, Ohio 45011.

Butler Technology and Career Development School

The Butler Technology and Career Development School is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board, consisting of one representative from each participating school district's elected board, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. Accordingly, the Butler Technology and Career Development School is not part of the School District and its operations are not included as part of the reporting entity. The Board exercises total control over the operations of the Butler Technology and Career Development School including budgeting, appropriating, contracting, and designating management. To obtain financial information, write to Butler Technology and Career Development at 3603 Hamilton-Middletown Road, Hamilton, Ohio 45011.

Southwest Ohio Organization of School Health

The School District is a participant in the Southwest Ohio Organization of School Health (SWOOSH) Council of Government. This cooperative's purpose is to maximize benefits and/or reduce cost of medical, prescription drug, vision, dental, life and/or other group insurance coverage. The initial members were Forest Hills Local School District, Indian Hill Exempted Village School District, Lebanon City School District, Milford Exempted Village School District, Northwest Local School District, West Clermont Local School District, and Winton Woods City School District. Each member district has one representative and districts exceeding 500 members will receive an additional representative. The Board exercises total control over the operations of SWOOSH including budgeting, appropriating, contracting, and designating management. Each School District's degree of control is limited to its representation on the Board.

Note 16 – Set-Asides

The School District is required by state statute to annually set aside in the general fund an amount based on a statutory formula for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by year-end or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the fiscal year must be held in cash at year-end and carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future fiscal years. The following cash basis information describes the change in the year-end set-aside amounts for capital acquisition. Disclosure of this information is required by state statute.

	Capital Acquisition
Set-aside balance June 30, 2023	\$0
Current year set-aside requirement	1,768,188
Current year qualifying expenditures	(1,885,652)
Total	(117,464)
Balance carried forward to fiscal year 2025	0
Set-aside balance June 30, 2024	\$0

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The School District had offsets and qualifying disbursements during the fiscal year that reduced the capital acquisitions set-aside amount below zero. The extra amount for capital acquisitions may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirement of future fiscal years. The negative amount is therefore not presented as being carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Note 17 – Donor-Restricted Endowments

The School District's Endowment includes donor-restricted endowments. The restricted net position amount of \$75,179 represents the expendable portion of the endowment. The \$79,000 represents the nonexpendable amount. State law permits the Board of Education to appropriate, for purposes consistent with the endowment's intent, net appreciation, realized and unrealized, unless the endowment terms specify otherwise.

Note 18 – Fund Balances

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and nonmajor governmental funds are presented below:

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<u>Fund Balances</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Permanent Improvement</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Nonspendable:					
Endowment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$79,000	\$79,000
Prepays	257,300	0	0	0	257,300
Total Nonspendable	257,300	0	0	79,000	336,300
Restricted for:					
Food Service	0	0	0	5,248,518	5,248,518
Special Trust	0	0	0	173,529	173,529
Career Consultant Grant	0	0	0	12,912	12,912
Athletic	0	0	0	609,873	609,873
Auxiliary Service	0	0	0	188,992	188,992
Student Wellness and Success	0	0	0	547,879	547,879
Student Activity	0	0	0	137,251	137,251
Endowment	0	0	0	75,179	75,179
Debt Service	0	0	0	7,665,607	7,665,607
Building	0	0	3,532,453	0	3,532,453
Total Restricted	0	0	3,532,453	14,659,740	18,192,193
Committed to:					
Permanent Improvement	0	10,504,325	0	0	10,504,325
Total Committed	0	10,504,325	0	0	10,504,325
Assigned to:					
Purchases on Order	1,496,415	0	0	0	1,496,415
Permanent Improvement	0	9,736,441	0	0	9,736,441
Building	0	0	19,901,387	0	19,901,387
Public Schools	134,714	0	0	0	134,714
Total Assigned	1,631,129	9,736,441	19,901,387	0	31,268,957
Unassigned (Deficit)	41,895,599	0	0	(642,675)	41,252,924
Total Fund Balance	\$43,784,028	\$20,240,766	\$23,433,840	\$14,096,065	\$101,554,699

Purchases on order (assigned) for the District will be used for \$564,649 for instruction, \$776,591 for support services, \$140,235 for capital improvements and \$14,940 for operation of non-instructional services.

Note 19 – Construction and Other Commitments

The District utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year end may be reported as part of restricted, committed or assigned classifications of fund balance.

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At year end, the District's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

Fund	Remaining Commitment
General Fund	\$2,133,252
Permanent Improvement Fund	552,478
Building Fund	673,882
Non-Major Governmental Funds	398,794
Total	<u>\$3,758,406</u>

Note 20 – Contingent Liabilities

Grants

The School District received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the general fund or other applicable funds. However, the effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the School District at June 30, 2024, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time.

School Foundation

School District foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. The Department of Education & Workforce's (DEW) is legislatively required to adjust/reconcile funding as enrollment information is updated by schools throughout the State, which can extend past the fiscal year end. The final adjustment was not material and is not reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

Litigation

The School District's attorney estimates that all other potential claims against the District not covered by insurance resulting from all other litigation would not materially affect the financial statements of the School District.

Note 21 – Tax Abatements

As of June 30, 2024, the School District provides tax abatements through three programs – Enterprise Zone Agreements, Tax Increment Financing Agreements, and Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Agreements. The District's property tax revenues were reduced by \$442,548 for 2024 due to the following agreements:

Enterprise Zone Agreements

Enterprise Zones, as defined in the Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.61-.69, are designated areas of land in which businesses can receive tax incentives in the form of tax exemptions on eligible new investments. The amount and term of the tax exemption are negotiated between local officials and the company, and

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the agreement is then approved by the Board of Education in the form of legislation. The Enterprise Zone law permits local governments to offer incentives of exemption of real and/or personal property assessed values of up to 75% for up to ten years, or an average of 60% over the term of the agreement on new investment in buildings, machinery/equipment, and inventory and improvements to existing land and buildings for a specific project. Maximum exemption levels may be exceeded and may be up to 100% exemption for up to fifteen years with approval by the affect Board of Education. Tax incentive review councils shall annually submit a copy of the written recommendations required by division (C) (1) of section 5709.85 of the Revised Code to the director of the development services agency. There were no improvements to be abated under the Enterprise Agreement program in 2024.

Tax Increment Financing Agreements

Section 5709.73 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes townships to grant tax increment financing real property tax exemptions for improvements declared to be for a public purpose, which exemptions exempt from taxation the increase in the value of the parcel of property after the effective date of the resolution granting such exemption (the "Increased Value"). Section 5709.74 of the Ohio Revised Code further authorizes a township to require owners of improvements subject to a tax increment financing tax exemption to make semi-annual payments to the township in lieu of taxes ("Service Payments in Lieu of Taxes"), which payments are approximately equivalent to the amount of real property tax which would be payable on the increase in the value of the parcel of property but for the exemption from Taxation. Section 5709.75 of the Ohio Revised Code further requires a township receiving payments in lieu of taxes to create a public improvement tax increment equivalent fund (the "Tax Increment Equivalent Fund") for deposit of the entire amount of such payments, to be used to pay the costs of public infrastructure improvements benefiting the parcels subject to the tax increment financing tax exemption and, if provided, to make payments to school districts impacted by such exemption from taxation.

On January 16, 2015 Colerain Township notified the School District of its intent to grant an exemption (the "TIF Exemption"), as authorized by Section 5709.73 of the Ohio Revised Code, for improvements to certain real property located within the boundaries of the Township and the School District, which parcels of real property by using the Service Payments in Lieu of Taxes to pay for or finance the acquisition and/or construction of public improvements that are necessary for or as a result of the development of the Exempted Property (the "Public Improvements") in order to induce the owners of a fee interest in all or any portion of the Exempted Property (the "Property Owners") to re-develop the Exempted Property.

On January 20, 2015, the Board of Education of the School District passed a resolution approving the TIF Exemption on the condition that the parties hereto enter into this Agreement and authorized the execution of this Agreement. The exemption allows for the following provisions:

- (a) As provided in the School District Resolution, the School District approves the TIF Exemption for up to one hundred percent (100%) of the Increased Value to the Exempted Property for a period of up to twenty (20) years, commencing with the 2017 tax year and ending no later than the tax year ending December 31, 2035.
- (b) During any year, or any portion thereof, in which this Agreement is in effect, the Company, its successors, transferees, and assigns, shall pay to the School District and Butler Technology and Career Development Schools ("Butler Tech") an amount equal to the respective amount of real property taxes the School District and Butler Tech should receive from the property set forth in designated properties during collection year 2015 minus the amount of real estate taxes the School District and Butler Tech respectively receive from the Hamilton County Auditor for

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the designated properties. The parties anticipate that few, if any, payments will be required.

- (c) Upon termination of the TIF Exemption, any funds remaining in the Tax Increment Equivalent Fund ("Increment Fund Balance") shall be paid to or retained by the School District, the Township and Butler Tech on a proportionate basis according to the following formula:
- (i) School District: an amount equal to the Increment Fund Balance multiplied by the quotient of the School District's effective millage rate divided by the sum of the effective millage rates of the School District, the Township, and Butler Tech (the "Combined Millage"); and
 - (ii) Township: an amount equal to the Increment Fund Balance multiplied by the quotient of the Township's effective millage rate divided by the Combined Millage; and
 - (iii) Butler Tech: an amount equal to the Increment Fund Balance multiplied by the quotient of the Butler Tech's effective millage rate divided by the Combined Millage.
- (d) In determining the amount of the Service Payments in Lieu of Taxes required by the Township pursuant to Section 5709.74 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is expressly agreed and relied upon that the value of the Exempted Property which shall be exempt under Sections 5709.73 through 5709.75 of the Ohio Revised Code shall be the increase in value of the parcels from and after the date that the Township Resolution granting the TIF Exemption was adopted by the Township, regardless of the date on which the exemption from real property taxation is certified to the Hamilton County Auditor by the Tax Commissioner of the State of Ohio and regardless of the years for which such exemption is claimed.

Community Reinvestment Area Agreements

Ohio's Community Reinvestment Area Program was created in 1977 and revised in 1994 in sections 3735.65-70 of the Ohio Revised Code, to promote revitalization in depressed areas by offering property tax exemptions for any increased property valuation that would result from renovation of existing structures or new construction activities within the area. The program can be used to encourage historic preservation, residential rehabilitation, or new residential construction and/or as an economic development tool to encourage commercial and industrial renovation or expansion and new construction. The local government determines the need for a CRA based on the number and extent of properties in disrepair. Once they make the decision to establish as CRA, they will then decide the size, number of areas, and the term and extend of the real property exemptions. Below are four steps that must be followed per the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for approval of a CRA area:

1. Conduct a Housing Survey of the structures within the proposed area. The results must support the finding that the area is in need of renovation. The survey is conducted by driving around the targeted CRA area, taking pictures of the affected properties, and documenting the addresses of the affected properties in disrepair. The results of the survey should show that a significant number, or at least 20%, of the properties in the targeted area are in need of rehabilitation.
2. Adopted local legislation must contain the statement that the area is one in which "housing facilities or structures of historical significance are located, and new housing construction and repair of existing facilities or structures are discouraged." The legislation also defines the

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proposed area and includes the incentive rate and term for both residential and business projects.

3. The entire legislation must then be published in a local publication once a week for two consecutive weeks for public comment.
4. Prepare the Ohio CRA Petition for Area Certification and submit the petition to the ODOT with a copy of the legislation, the survey, and a map of the proposed area.

There were no improvements to be abated under the Enterprise Zone Agreement program in 2024. The School District abated property taxes to companies providing retail space, a large grocery retailer, corporate headquarters, utility company and housing development totaling approximately \$409,702 under the Tax Increment Financing Agreement and approximately \$87,211 to companies providing retail space and recreation under the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) abatement agreements during 2024.

Note 22 – Implementation of New Accounting Principles

New Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2024, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections; and portions of GASB Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022.

GASB Statement No. 100 enhances accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 100 is presented on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 99 addresses a variety of topics and includes clarification of provisions related to accounting and reporting of leases under GASB Statement No. 87, provides extension of the period which the London Interbank Offered Rate is considered appropriate benchmark interest rate, guidance on disclosure of nonmonetary transaction, accounting for pledges of future revenues when resources are not received by the pledging government under GASB Statement No. 48, and terminology updates related to certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 63 and No. 53. These topics under GASB Statement No. 99 provisions were implemented in a prior year.

Other topics in GASB Statement No. 99 includes classification of other derivative instruments within the scope of GASB Statement No. 53, clarification of provisions related to accounting and reporting of Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships under GASB Statement No. 94, and clarification of provisions to accounting and reporting of subscription-based information technology arrangements under GASB Statement No. 96. These topics under GASB Statement No. 99 provisions were implemented and did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2024	0.37792790%	\$20,882,464	\$14,994,829	139.26%	76.06%
2023	0.41185370%	22,276,252	15,383,643	144.80%	75.82%
2022	0.44155640%	16,292,151	15,241,393	106.89%	82.86%
2021	0.45705950%	30,230,878	16,023,500	188.67%	68.55%
2020	0.46277310%	27,688,526	15,875,733	174.41%	70.85%
2019	0.45581640%	26,105,449	15,373,978	169.80%	71.36%
2018	0.47106630%	28,145,171	15,353,314	183.32%	69.50%
2017	0.43729230%	32,005,761	12,863,536	248.81%	62.98%
2016	0.42730900%	24,382,666	12,638,012	192.93%	69.16%
2015	0.41802100%	21,155,805	12,404,293	170.55%	71.70%

(1) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net Pension Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$2,222,520	(\$2,222,520)	\$0	\$15,875,143	14.00%
2023	2,099,276	(2,099,276)	0	14,994,829	14.00%
2022	2,153,710	(2,153,710)	0	15,383,643	14.00%
2021	2,133,795	(2,133,795)	0	15,241,393	14.00%
2020	2,243,290	(2,243,290)	0	16,023,500	14.00%
2019	2,143,224	(2,143,224)	0	15,875,733	13.50%
2018	2,075,487	(2,075,487)	0	15,373,978	13.50%
2017	2,149,464	(2,149,464)	0	15,353,314	14.00%
2016	1,800,895	(1,800,895)	0	12,863,536	14.00%
2015	1,665,690	(1,665,690)	0	12,638,012	13.18%

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2024	0.38375995%	\$82,642,467	\$51,959,143	159.05%	80.02%
2023	0.39067823%	86,848,263	50,909,300	170.59%	78.88%
2022	0.38914565%	49,755,769	47,906,057	103.86%	87.78%
2021	0.38513897%	93,189,927	48,371,314	192.66%	75.48%
2020	0.37679142%	83,325,158	42,751,629	194.91%	77.40%
2019	0.36186449%	79,565,876	41,596,686	191.28%	77.31%
2018	0.35159368%	83,521,832	40,401,207	206.73%	75.30%
2017	0.35574589%	119,078,873	39,060,100	304.86%	66.80%
2016	0.35493970%	98,094,951	37,246,864	263.36%	72.10%
2015	0.34836811%	84,735,181	35,770,631	236.88%	74.70%

(1) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

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Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net Pension Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$6,702,480	(\$6,702,480)	\$0	\$47,874,857	14.00%
2023	7,274,280	(7,274,280)	0	51,959,143	14.00%
2022	7,127,302	(7,127,302)	0	50,909,300	14.00%
2021	6,706,848	(6,706,848)	0	47,906,057	14.00%
2020	6,771,984	(6,771,984)	0	48,371,314	14.00%
2019	5,985,228	(5,985,228)	0	42,751,629	14.00%
2018	5,823,536	(5,823,536)	0	41,596,686	14.00%
2017	5,656,169	(5,656,169)	0	40,401,207	14.00%
2016	5,468,414	(5,468,414)	0	39,060,100	14.00%
2015	5,214,561	(5,214,561)	0	37,246,864	14.00%

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability
2024	0.38873230%	\$6,404,152	\$14,994,829	42.71%	30.02%
2023	0.42178390%	5,921,890	15,383,643	38.49%	30.34%
2022	0.44668950%	8,453,965	15,241,393	55.47%	24.08%
2021	0.45035370%	9,787,660	16,023,500	61.08%	18.17%
2020	0.47098780%	11,844,353	15,875,733	74.61%	15.57%
2019	0.46353820%	12,859,802	15,373,978	83.65%	13.57%
2018	0.47870150%	12,847,091	15,353,314	83.68%	12.46%
2017	0.43729230%	13,644,764	12,863,536	106.07%	11.49%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

(2) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net OPEB Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Nine Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution (2)	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$274,606	(\$274,606)	\$0	\$15,875,143	1.73%
2023	283,325	(283,325)	0	14,994,829	1.89%
2022	278,823	(278,823)	0	15,383,643	1.81%
2021	247,190	(247,190)	0	15,241,393	1.62%
2020	176,105	(176,105)	0	16,023,500	1.10%
2019	351,560	(351,560)	0	15,875,733	2.21%
2018	332,234	(332,234)	0	15,373,978	2.16%
2017	224,987	(224,987)	0	15,353,314	1.47%
2016	224,987	(224,987)	0	12,863,536	1.75%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2016 is not available.

(2) Includes surcharge.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	District's Proportion of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB (Asset)/Liability
2024	0.38375995%	(\$7,463,601)	\$51,959,143	(14.36%)	168.52%
2023	0.39067823%	(10,115,958)	50,909,300	(19.87%)	230.73%
2022	0.38914565%	(8,204,818)	47,906,057	(17.13%)	174.73%
2021	0.38513897%	(6,768,815)	48,371,314	(13.99%)	182.13%
2020	0.37679142%	(6,240,569)	42,751,629	(14.60%)	174.74%
2019	0.36186449%	(5,814,792)	41,618,114	(13.97%)	176.00%
2018	0.35159368%	13,717,888	40,401,207	33.95%	47.10%
2017	0.35574589%	18,803,321	39,060,100	48.14%	37.30%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

(2) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Contributions for Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Nine Fiscal Years (1)

Year	District's Contractually Required Contribution	District's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	District's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Payroll	District's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$47,874,857	0.00%
2023	0	0	0	51,959,143	0.00%
2022	0	0	0	50,909,300	0.00%
2021	0	0	0	47,906,057	0.00%
2020	0	0	0	48,371,314	0.00%
2019	0	0	0	42,751,629	0.00%
2018	0	0	0	41,596,686	0.00%
2017	0	0	0	40,401,207	0.00%
2016	0	0	0	39,060,100	0.00%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2016 is not available.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$66,758,429	\$60,528,272	\$60,605,914	\$77,642
Tuition and Fees	2,480,539	2,249,045	2,251,930	2,885
Investment Earnings	3,389,295	3,072,993	3,076,935	3,942
Intergovernmental	42,965,481	38,955,775	39,005,745	49,970
Other Revenues	8,736,861	7,921,503	7,931,664	10,161
Total Revenues	124,330,605	112,727,588	112,872,188	144,600
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	29,501,256	37,963,577	37,580,871	382,706
Special	15,391,285	19,806,216	19,606,552	199,664
Vocational	32,999	42,465	42,037	428
Other	1,330,189	1,711,749	1,694,493	17,256
Support Services:				
Pupil	10,912,641	14,042,889	13,901,325	141,564
Instructional Staff	1,935,152	2,490,243	2,465,139	25,104
General Administration	54,660	70,339	69,630	709
School Administration	4,480,430	5,765,624	5,707,502	58,122
Fiscal	2,055,300	2,644,855	2,618,193	26,662
Business	409,702	527,224	521,909	5,315
Operations and Maintenance	7,003,338	9,012,218	8,921,367	90,851
Pupil Transportation	4,801,869	6,179,266	6,116,974	62,292
Central	1,008,394	1,297,647	1,284,566	13,081
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	54,746	70,450	69,740	710
Extracurricular Activities	1,169,048	1,504,384	1,489,219	15,165
Capital Outlay	142,625	183,536	181,686	1,850
Total Expenditures	80,283,634	103,312,682	102,271,203	1,041,479
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	44,046,971	9,414,906	10,600,985	1,186,079
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	46,876	42,501	42,556	55
Advances In	41,245	37,396	37,444	48
Advances (Out)	(44,261)	(56,957)	(56,383)	574
Transfers In	22,030	19,974	20,000	26
Transfers (Out)	(23,683,405)	(30,476,898)	(30,169,664)	307,234
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(23,617,515)	(30,433,984)	(30,126,047)	307,937
Net Change in Fund Balance	20,429,456	(21,019,078)	(19,525,062)	1,494,016
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	47,782,273	47,782,273	47,782,273	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$68,211,729	\$26,763,195	\$28,257,211	\$1,494,016

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

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Note 1 – Budgetary Process

While the School District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance-budget (non-GAAP basis) and actual for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are that:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
3. Encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than as restricted, committed, or assigned fund balance (GAAP basis).
4. The change in fair value of investments is not included on the budget basis operating statement. This amount is included on the GAAP basis operating statement.
5. Advances in and advances out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions (GAAP basis).
6. Budgetary revenues and expenditures of the uniform school supplies and public school support special revenue funds are reported within the general fund for GAAP presentation purposes.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis to the budgetary basis for the general fund.

Net Change in Fund Balance

	General Fund
GAAP Basis	(\$15,999,987)
Revenue Accruals	(2,932,085)
Expenditure Accruals	1,146,431
Proceeds from the Sale of Capital Assets	42,556
Transfers (In)	20,000
Transfers (Out)	(109,664)
Advances (In)	37,444
Advances (Out)	(56,383)
Encumbrances	(1,673,374)
Budget Basis	<u>(\$19,525,062)</u>

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Note 2 - Net Pension Liability

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2023-2024: There were no changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement period.

2022: Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) increased from 0.50% to 2.50%.

2020-2021: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for this fiscal year.

2019: With the authority granted the Board under Senate Bill 8, the Board has enacted a three year COLA delay for future benefit recipients commencing benefits on or after April 1, 2018.

2018: SERS changed from a fixed 3.00% annual increase to a Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) based on the changed in the Consumer Price Index Index (CPI-W), with a cap of 2.50% and a floor of 0.00%.

2014-2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

Changes in Assumptions:

2023-2024: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) was increased from 2.00% to 2.50% for calendar year 2024.

2022: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.00% to 2.40%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 3.50% to 1.75%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was increased from 0.50% to 0.85%,
- (4) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) was reduced from 2.50% to 2.00%,
- (5) The discount rate was reduced from 7.50% to 7.00%,
- (6) Rates of withdrawal, compensation, participation, spouse coverage assumption, retirement, and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, and,
- (7) Mortality among active members, service retirees and beneficiaries, and disabled members were updated.

2018-2021: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2017: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%,
- (4) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience,
- (5) Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females,
- (6) Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates,

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- (7) Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement, and
- (8) The discount rate was reduced from 7.75% to 7.50%.

2014-2016: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2019-2024: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

2018: STRS decreased the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to zero.

2014-2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

Changes in Assumptions:

2024: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2023: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table:
 - a. Adjusted 110.0% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (2) Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table:
 - a. Adjusted 95.0% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (3) Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table:
 - a. Projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (4) Projected salary increases changed from 2.50% to 12.50% to 2.50% to 8.50%

2022: There were changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date, which the discount rate was adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45%.

2019-2021: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2018: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%,
- (2) The inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%,
- (3) The payroll growth assumption was lowered to 3.00%,
- (4) Total salary increases rate was lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, in addition to a decrease of 0.25% due to lower inflation,
- (5) The healthy and disabled mortality assumptions were updated to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016, and

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- (6) Rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience.

2014-2017: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

Note 3 - Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2024: Effective January 1, 2024, the non-Medicare disability health care subsidy amounts will change to reflect amounts equal to that of service retirees by years of service.

2017-2023: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

Changes in Assumptions:

2024: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 4.08%
 - Measurement Date 4.27%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.69%
 - Measurement Date 3.86%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 4.08%
 - Measurement Date 4.27%
- (4) The assumption for percent of pre-Medicare eligible retirees who choose the Wraparound plan increased from 10% to 20%.
- (5) The health care trend assumption on retiree premiums was updated to not apply trend to the \$35 surcharge.
- (6) The morbidity factors were updated based on the Society of Actuaries' June 2013 research report Health Care Costs—From Birth to Death by Dale Yamamoto and from the ASOP 6 practice note developed by the American Academy of Actuaries.
- (7) An assumption was added to assume that 15% of pre-65 retirees who waive will elect coverage upon Medicare eligibility.

2023: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 2.27%
 - Measurement Date 4.08%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 1.92%
 - Measurement Date 3.69%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 2.27%
 - Measurement Date 4.08%
- (4) Health care trend rates were updated.

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2022: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 2.63%
 - Measurement Date 2.27%
- (2) Investment Rate of Return:
 - Prior Measurement Date 7.50%
 - Measurement Date 7.00%
- (3) Assumed Rate of Inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.00%
 - Measurement Date 2.40%
- (4) Payroll Growth Assumption:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.50%
 - Measurement Date 1.75%
- (5) Assumed Real Wage Growth:
 - Prior Measurement Date 0.50%
 - Measurement Date 0.85%
- (6) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 2.45%
 - Measurement Date 1.92%
- (7) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 2.63%
 - Measurement Date 2.27%
- (8) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience.
- (9) Rate of health care participation for future retirees and spouses was updated to reflect recent.
- (10) Mortality among active members was updated to the following:
 - a. PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table.
- (11) Mortality among service retired members was updated to the following:
 - a. PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females.
- (12) Mortality among beneficiaries was updated to the following:
 - a. PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5% for males and adjusted 122.5% for females.
- (13) Mortality among disabled member was updated to the following:
 - a. PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females.
- (14) Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

2021: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.22%
 - Measurement Date 2.63%

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- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.13% |
| Measurement Date | 2.45% |
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.22% |
| Measurement Date | 2.63% |

2020: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.70% |
| Measurement Date | 3.22% |
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.62% |
| Measurement Date | 3.13% |
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.70% |
| Measurement Date | 3.22% |

2019: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.63% |
| Measurement Date | 3.70% |
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.56% |
| Measurement Date | 3.62% |
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.63% |
| Measurement Date | 3.70% |

2018: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- | | |
|------------------|-------|
| Fiscal Year 2018 | 3.63% |
| Fiscal Year 2017 | 2.98% |
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- | | |
|------------------|-------|
| Fiscal Year 2018 | 3.56% |
| Fiscal Year 2017 | 2.92% |
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- | | |
|------------------|-------|
| Fiscal Year 2018 | 3.63% |
| Fiscal Year 2017 | 2.98% |

2017: The following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%,

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- (4) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience,
- (5) Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females,
- (6) Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates, and
- (7) Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2024: Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024. The change in the subsidy percentage and the base amount for all retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (NME) participants, from 2.2% per year in last year's valuation to 2.5% per year, capped at 75%, as well as the unfreezing of the NME subsidy, the removal of the 6% cap on the year over year subsidy increase for Medicare Eligible (ME) participants, the changes in deductible and office visits copays for Aetna's Medicare Advantage plan, and updates in the medical and PBM vendor contracts. In addition, there were benefit changes related to the change in eligibility for unreduced Pension benefits.

2023: Salary increase rates were updated based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021 and were changed from age based to service based. Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

2022: The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022 from 2.055% to 2.100%. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2022. The Medicare Part D subsidy was updated to reflect it is expected to be negative in CY2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

2021: There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year end 2021 premium based on June 30, 2020 enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984% to 2.055% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

2020: There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were trended to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to reflect the current price renewals. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2020 from 1.944% to 1.984% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2020. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021.

2019: The subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was increased from 1.900% to 1.944% per year of service effective January 1, 2019. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2019 and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020. The Board is extending the current Medicare Part B partial reimbursement program for one year. Under this program, benefit recipients currently enrolled in the

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STRS Ohio Health Care Program and Medicare Part B receive \$29.90 per month to reimburse a portion of the Medicare Part B premium. The reimbursement was set to be reduced to \$0 beginning January 1, 2020. This impacts about 85,000 benefit recipients.

2018: The subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.10% to 1.90% per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2019.

2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for this fiscal year.

Changes in Assumptions:

2024: Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024. The change in the subsidy percentage and the base amount for all retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (NME) participants, from 2.2% per year in last year's valuation to 2.5% per year, capped at 75%, as well as the unfreezing of the NME subsidy, the removal of the 6% cap on the year over year subsidy increase for Medicare Eligible (ME) participants, the changes in deductible and office visits copays for Aetna's Medicare Advantage plan, and updates in the medical and PBM vendor contracts. In addition, there were benefit changes related to the change in eligibility for unreduced Pension benefits.

2023: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2022: There were changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date, which the discount rate was adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45%.

2021: There were changes in assumptions during the measurement year, which decreased the total OPEB liability by approximately \$0.26 billion. The assumption changes included changes in healthcare costs and trends.

2020: There were changes in assumptions during the measurement year, which increased the total OPEB liability by approximately \$0.04 billion. The assumption changes included changes in healthcare costs and trends.

2019: The discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13% to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB). Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated.

2018: The discount rate was increased from 3.26% to 4.13% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB) and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

2017: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for this fiscal year.

COMBINING STATEMENTS AND INDIVIDUAL FUND SCHEDULES

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Permanent Improvement - To account for all transactions related to the acquiring, constructing, or improving of the infrastructure of buildings and grounds through permanent improvements.

Building - The Building Fund is used to account for all transactions related to all special bond funds in the School District. Proceeds from the issuance of bonds are paid into this fund.

The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance are included in the Basic Financial Statements. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) for both of the funds listed above follows this page.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Permanent Improvement Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$2,844,885	\$3,651,538	\$3,651,035	(\$503)
Investment Earnings	20	25	25	0
Intergovernmental	401,938	515,904	515,833	(71)
Other Revenues	147,874	191,180	189,776	(1,404)
Total Revenues	3,394,717	4,358,647	4,356,669	(1,978)
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	1,306,788	1,290,298	967,987	322,311
Special	5,181	5,116	3,838	1,278
Support Services:				
Fiscal	66,520	65,681	49,274	16,407
Pupil Transportation	486,348	480,210	360,256	119,954
Central	14,569	14,385	10,792	3,593
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	24,377	24,069	18,057	6,012
Capital Outlay	1,318,357	1,301,720	976,556	325,164
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	757,000	757,000	757,000	0
Interest and Fiscal Charges	450,872	435,630	137,716	297,914
Total Expenditures	4,430,012	4,374,109	3,281,476	1,092,633
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(1,035,295)	(15,462)	1,075,193	1,090,655
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers In	0	10,000,000	10,000,000	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	10,000,000	10,000,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,035,295)	9,984,538	11,075,193	1,090,655
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	7,163,651	7,163,651	7,163,651	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$6,128,356	\$17,148,189	\$18,238,844	\$1,090,655

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Building Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:				
Investment Earnings	\$151,887	\$109,969	\$243,908	\$133,939
Other Revenues	94,869	68,687	152,345	83,658
Total Revenues	246,756	178,656	396,253	217,597
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Support Services:				
Fiscal	1,376	3,419	3,283	136
Capital Outlay	322,406	801,081	769,212	31,869
Total Expenditures	323,782	804,500	772,495	32,005
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(77,026)	(625,844)	(376,242)	249,602
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	3,244	265,253	268,113	2,860
Transfers In	0	20,000,000	20,000,000	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	3,244	20,265,253	20,268,113	2,860
Net Change in Fund Balance	(73,782)	19,639,409	19,891,871	252,462
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	3,145,624	3,145,624	3,145,624	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$3,071,842	\$22,785,033	\$23,037,495	\$252,462

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The term *proceeds of specific revenue sources* establishes that one or more specific restricted or committed revenues should be the foundation for a special revenue fund.

Debt Service Fund

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of general obligation bond principal and interest and certain other long-term obligations from governmental resources when the School District is obligated in some manner for the payment.

Permanent Fund

The Permanent Fund accounts for resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not principal, may be used for purposes that support the School District's programs, that is, for the benefit of the School District, or its citizenry.

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Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Nonmajor Debt Service Fund	Nonmajor Permanent Fund	Total Other (Nonmajor) Governmental Funds
Assets:				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$7,245,137	\$6,308,752	\$153,727	\$13,707,616
Receivables (Net):				
Taxes	0	3,815,195	0	3,815,195
Accounts	55,299	0	0	55,299
Interest	14,200	5,146	452	19,798
Intergovernmental	1,498,847	0	0	1,498,847
Inventory	72,064	0	0	72,064
Total Assets	<u>8,885,547</u>	<u>10,129,093</u>	<u>154,179</u>	<u>19,168,819</u>
Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	260,975	0	0	260,975
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,591,371	0	0	1,591,371
Compensated Absences	32,032	0	0	32,032
Interfund Payable	90,252	0	0	90,252
Unearned Revenue	36,420	0	0	36,420
Total Liabilities	<u>2,011,050</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,011,050</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:				
Property Taxes	0	2,460,195	0	2,460,195
Investments	9,080	3,291	0	12,371
Grants and Other Taxes	589,138	0	0	589,138
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>598,218</u>	<u>2,463,486</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,061,704</u>
Fund Balances:				
Nonspendable	0	0	79,000	79,000
Restricted	6,918,954	7,665,607	75,179	14,659,740
Unassigned	(642,675)	0	0	(642,675)
Total Fund Balances	<u>6,276,279</u>	<u>7,665,607</u>	<u>154,179</u>	<u>14,096,065</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	<u>\$8,885,547</u>	<u>\$10,129,093</u>	<u>\$154,179</u>	<u>\$19,168,819</u>

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	Nonmajor Debt Service Fund	Formerly Non-Major Capital Projects Fund	Nonmajor Permanent Fund	Total Other (Nonmajor) Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property and Other Taxes	\$0	\$3,541,304		\$0	\$3,541,304
Investment Earnings	218,194	54,273		7,612	280,079
Intergovernmental	20,430,663	74,701		0	20,505,364
Extracurricular Activities	624,321	0		0	624,321
Charges for Services	747,790	0		0	747,790
Gifts and Donations	217,304	0		8,000	225,304
Other Revenues	216,359	1,077		0	217,436
Total Revenues	22,454,631	3,671,355		15,612	26,141,598
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	1,358,442	0		0	1,358,442
Special	3,787,505	0		0	3,787,505
Other	1,691,783	0		1,252	1,693,035
Support Services:					
Pupil	1,800,051	0		0	1,800,051
Instructional Staff	4,291,922	0		0	4,291,922
School Administration	1,163,247	0		0	1,163,247
Fiscal	0	47,727		0	47,727
Operations and Maintenance	433,403	0		0	433,403
Pupil Transportation	116,830	0		0	116,830
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,262,735	0		29,000	7,291,735
Extracurricular Activities	668,666	0		0	668,666
Capital Outlay	204,890	0		0	204,890
Debt Service:					
Principal Retirement	0	1,155,000		0	1,155,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	0	2,606,598		0	2,606,598
Total Expenditures	22,779,474	3,809,325		30,252	26,619,051
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(324,843)	(137,970)		(14,640)	(477,453)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In	60,000	0		0	60,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	60,000	0		0	60,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	(264,843)	(137,970)		(14,640)	(417,453)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as Previously Presented	6,541,122	7,803,577	11,212,976	168,819	25,726,494
Change within Financial Reporting Entity (Nonmajor to Major Fund)	0	0	(11,212,976)	0	(11,212,976)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as Adjusted or Restated	6,541,122	7,803,577	0	168,819	14,513,518
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$6,276,279	\$7,665,607	\$0	\$154,179	\$14,096,065

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Fund Descriptions

Food Service - To account for all revenues and expenses related to the provision of food services, including breakfast and lunch, for the School District students and staff.

Special Trust - To account for and report donations restricted for purposes that are beneficial to the overall operation of the School District.

Other Grants - To account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, except for state and federal grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Athletic - To account and report those restricted revenues from student activity programs which have student participation in the activity but do not have student management in the programs. This fund includes athletic programs as well as the band, cheerleaders, drama clubs and other similar types of activities.

Auxiliary Service - To account for state funds which provide services and materials to students attending non-public schools within the boundaries of the School District as provided by state law

Public School Preschool - This program, Section 619 of Public Law 99-457, addresses the improvement and expansion of services for handicapped children ages three (3) through five (5) years.

Miscellaneous State - To account for state funds that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

IDEA-B Special Education - To account for and report restricted federal funds for the provision of full educational opportunities to handicapped children at the preschool, elementary and secondary levels. Also, to assist in the training of teachers, supervisors and other specialists in providing educational services to the handicapped.

Title III - Federal grant used to account for federal monies provided to support the District's ESL population.

Title I - To account for federal funds for services provided to meet the special educational needs of educationally deprived children.

Early Childhood Special Education - To account for and report federal funds restricted to provide programs to handicapped preschool children.

Title II-A - To account for and report federal funds restricted to assisting in the cost of personnel hired to reduce class size in kindergarten through third grade.

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Fund Descriptions (Continued)

Miscellaneous Federal – To account for various monies received through state agencies from the federal government or directly from the federal government which are not classified elsewhere.

Data Communication – To account for State funds appropriated for Ohio Educational Computer Network Connections.

Vocational Education Enhancement – To account for and report restricted state monies which support vocational education enhancements that expand the number of students enrolled in tech programs, and also enables students to develop career plans, to identify initial educational and career goals, and to develop a career passport which provides a clear understanding of the student's knowledge, skills and credentials to present to future employers, universities, and other training institutes. This fund is also used to replace or update equipment essential for the instruction of students in job skills taught as part of a vocational program or programs approved for such instruction by the State Board of Education.

Title I Supplemental School - To help schools improve the teaching and learning of children failing, or most at risk of failing to meet challenging State achievement standards.

Student Wellness and Success - A fund used to account for student mental health services, mentoring programs, or child welfare involved youth, etc.

ESSER - A fund used to provide emergency relief grants to school districts related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Restrictions include, but are not limited to, providing for coordination of preparedness and response efforts, training and professional development of staff, planning and coordination during long-term closure, and purchasing technology for students.

Student Activity - To account for those student activity programs which have student participation in the activity and have students involved in the management of the program. This fund includes activities which consist of a student body, student president, student treasurer, and faculty advisor.

Title IV, Part A - This program is intended to improve students' academic achievement by increasing the capacity of states, local education agencies (LEAs), schools, and local communities to (1) provide all students with access to a well-rounded education, (2) improve school conditions for student learning, and (3) improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
June 30, 2024

	Food Service	Special Trust	Other Grants	Athletic	Auxiliary Service
Assets:					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$5,523,927	\$123,110	\$12,912	\$633,078	\$193,551
Receivables (Net):					
Accounts	345	52,642	0	2,297	0
Interest	12,858	0	0	0	1,342
Intergovernmental	0	0	0	0	0
Inventory	72,064	0	0	0	0
Total Assets	<u>5,609,194</u>	<u>175,752</u>	<u>12,912</u>	<u>635,375</u>	<u>194,893</u>
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	32,096	2,119	0	25,500	11
Accrued Wages and Benefits	312,818	0	0	0	4,588
Compensated Absences	7,540	104	0	2	444
Interfund Payable	0	0	0	0	0
Unearned Revenue	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	<u>352,454</u>	<u>2,223</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25,502</u>	<u>5,043</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Investments	8,222	0	0	0	858
Grants and Other Taxes	0	0	0	0	0
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>8,222</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>858</u>
Fund Balances:					
Restricted	5,248,518	173,529	12,912	609,873	188,992
Unassigned	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fund Balances	<u>5,248,518</u>	<u>173,529</u>	<u>12,912</u>	<u>609,873</u>	<u>188,992</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	<u>\$5,609,194</u>	<u>\$175,752</u>	<u>\$12,912</u>	<u>\$635,375</u>	<u>\$194,893</u>

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
June 30, 2024

	Public School Preschool	Miscellaneous State	IDEA-B Special Education	Title III	Title I
Assets:					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$0	\$36,420	\$0	\$0	\$0
Receivables (Net):					
Accounts	0	0	0	0	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental	96,782	0	210,270	2,858	507,832
Inventory	0	0	0	0	0
Total Assets	96,782	36,420	210,270	2,858	507,832
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	0	0	800	2,640	23,396
Accrued Wages and Benefits	75,500	0	204,237	0	455,046
Compensated Absences	1,122	0	5,233	0	9,548
Interfund Payable	20,160	0	0	218	68,357
Unearned Revenue	0	36,420	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	96,782	36,420	210,270	2,858	556,347
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Investments	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Other Taxes	36,068	0	79,661	0	226,330
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	36,068	0	79,661	0	226,330
Fund Balances:					
Restricted	0	0	0	0	0
Unassigned	(36,068)	0	(79,661)	0	(274,845)
Total Fund Balances	(36,068)	0	(79,661)	0	(274,845)
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	\$96,782	\$36,420	\$210,270	\$2,858	\$507,832

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
June 30, 2024

	Early Childhood Special Education	Title II-A	Miscellaneous Federal	Data Communication	Vocational Education Enhancement
Assets:					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$89	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Receivables (Net):					
Accounts	0	0	0	0	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental	3,817	39,770	0	0	0
Inventory	0	0	0	0	0
Total Assets	<u>3,906</u>	<u>39,770</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	0	1,824	0	0	0
Accrued Wages and Benefits	4,374	40,130	0	0	0
Compensated Absences	21	1,029	0	0	0
Interfund Payable	0	1,320	0	0	0
Unearned Revenue	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	<u>4,395</u>	<u>44,303</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Investments	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Other Taxes	<u>1,832</u>	<u>18,313</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>1,832</u>	<u>18,313</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balances:					
Restricted	0	0	0	0	0
Unassigned	<u>(2,321)</u>	<u>(22,846)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>(2,321)</u>	<u>(22,846)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	<u>\$3,906</u>	<u>\$39,770</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
June 30, 2024

	Title I Supplemental School	Student Wellness and Success	ESSER	Student Activity	Title IV, Part A
Assets:					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$0	\$579,071	\$5,743	\$137,236	\$0
Receivables (Net):					
Accounts	0	0	0	15	0
Interest	0	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental	50,177	0	466,732	0	120,609
Inventory	0	0	0	0	0
Total Assets	50,177	579,071	472,475	137,251	120,609
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	49,980	0	2,000	0	120,609
Accrued Wages and Benefits	0	30,943	463,735	0	0
Compensated Absences	0	249	6,740	0	0
Interfund Payable	197	0	0	0	0
Unearned Revenue	0	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	50,177	31,192	472,475	0	120,609
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Investments	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Other Taxes	0	0	219,819	0	7,115
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	0	0	219,819	0	7,115
Fund Balances:					
Restricted	0	547,879	0	137,251	0
Unassigned	0	0	(219,819)	0	(7,115)
Total Fund Balances	0	547,879	(219,819)	137,251	(7,115)
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	\$50,177	\$579,071	\$472,475	\$137,251	\$120,609

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Balance Sheet
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
June 30, 2024

	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$7,245,137
Receivables (Net):	
Accounts	55,299
Interest	14,200
Intergovernmental	1,498,847
Inventory	72,064
Total Assets	<u>8,885,547</u>
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	260,975
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,591,371
Compensated Absences	32,032
Interfund Payable	90,252
Unearned Revenue	36,420
Total Liabilities	<u>2,011,050</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Investments	9,080
Grants and Other Taxes	589,138
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>598,218</u>
Fund Balances:	
Restricted	6,918,954
Unassigned	(642,675)
Total Fund Balances	<u>6,276,279</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	<u>\$8,885,547</u>
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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Food Service	Special Trust	Other Grants	Athletic	Auxiliary Service
Revenues:					
Investment Earnings	\$196,292	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,902
Intergovernmental	4,230,697	0	0	0	1,873,689
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	561,763	0
Charges for Services	747,790	0	0	0	0
Gifts and Donations	0	47,970	33,750	93,709	0
Other Revenues	23,986	191,976	0	397	0
Total Revenues	5,198,765	239,946	33,750	655,869	1,895,591
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	0	18,115	2,424	0	0
Special	0	215,010	3,199	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	23,291
Support Services:					
Pupil	0	2,103	18,400	0	0
Instructional Staff	0	1,100	0	0	0
School Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Operations and Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0
Pupil Transportation	0	909	0	89,962	0
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,772,815	4,235	0	0	1,644,909
Extracurricular Activities	0	4,000	1,000	564,950	0
Capital Outlay	57,582	0	0	92,241	55,067
Total Expenditures	4,830,397	245,472	25,023	747,153	1,723,267
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	368,368	(5,526)	8,727	(91,284)	172,324
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In	0	0	0	60,000	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0	60,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	368,368	(5,526)	8,727	(31,284)	172,324
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	4,880,150	179,055	4,185	641,157	16,668
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$5,248,518	\$173,529	\$12,912	\$609,873	\$188,992

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Public School Preschool	Miscellaneous State	IDEA-B Special Education	Title III	Title I
Revenues:					
Investment Earnings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	421,510	44,115	2,926,271	107,721	3,215,570
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Charges for Services	0	0	0	0	0
Gifts and Donations	0	0	0	0	0
Other Revenues	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	<u>421,510</u>	<u>44,115</u>	<u>2,926,271</u>	<u>107,721</u>	<u>3,215,570</u>
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	426,228	0	0	0	0
Special	0	0	961,730	20,741	1,984,630
Other	0	23,399	0	0	0
Support Services:					
Pupil	6,599	0	686,821	4,557	0
Instructional Staff	0	0	4,825	63,141	899,375
School Administration	0	0	862,123	0	124,562
Operations and Maintenance	0	20,716	0	0	0
Pupil Transportation	0	0	5,002	0	20,957
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	0	398,492	18,648	232,203
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	<u>432,827</u>	<u>44,115</u>	<u>2,918,993</u>	<u>107,087</u>	<u>3,261,727</u>
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(11,317)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,278</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>(46,157)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(11,317)	0	7,278	634	(46,157)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	(24,751)	0	(86,939)	(634)	(228,688)
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>(\$36,068)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$79,661)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$274,845)</u>

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Early Childhood Special Education	Title II-A	Miscellaneous Federal	Data Communication	Vocational Education Enhancement
Revenues:					
Investment Earnings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	77,771	386,493	400,000	19,975	211
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Charges for Services	0	0	0	0	0
Gifts and Donations	0	0	0	0	0
Other Revenues	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	77,771	386,493	400,000	19,975	211
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	0	0	0	19,975	0
Special	29,313	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Support Services:					
Pupil	419	0	0	0	0
Instructional Staff	0	318,894	0	0	211
School Administration	50,267	0	0	0	0
Operations and Maintenance	0	0	400,000	0	0
Pupil Transportation	0	0	0	0	0
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	85,623	0	0	0
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	79,999	404,517	400,000	19,975	211
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(2,228)	(18,024)	0	0	0
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	(2,228)	(18,024)	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	(93)	(4,822)	0	0	0
Fund Balance - End of Year	(\$2,321)	(\$22,846)	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Title I Supplemental School	Student Wellness and Success	ESSER	Student Activity	Title IV, Part A
Revenues:					
Investment Earnings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	172,712	0	6,144,358	0	409,570
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	62,558	0
Charges for Services	0	0	0	0	0
Gifts and Donations	0	0	0	41,875	0
Other Revenues	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenues	172,712	0	6,144,358	104,433	409,570
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	0	0	808,329	0	83,371
Special	161,743	21,124	389,921	94	0
Other	0	611,492	1,033,601	0	0
Support Services:					
Pupil	0	260,000	788,188	0	32,964
Instructional Staff	1,997	0	2,808,051	0	194,328
School Administration	0	0	126,295	0	0
Operations and Maintenance	0	0	12,687	0	0
Pupil Transportation	0	0	0	0	0
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	0	0	0	0	105,810
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	0	98,716	0
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	163,740	892,616	5,967,072	98,810	416,473
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	8,972	(892,616)	177,286	5,623	(6,903)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers In	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0	0	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	8,972	(892,616)	177,286	5,623	(6,903)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	(8,972)	1,440,495	(397,105)	131,628	(212)
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$0	\$547,879	(\$219,819)	\$137,251	(\$7,115)

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Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds
Revenues:	
Investment Earnings	\$218,194
Intergovernmental	20,430,663
Extracurricular Activities	624,321
Charges for Services	747,790
Gifts and Donations	217,304
Other Revenues	216,359
Total Revenues	22,454,631
Expenditures:	
Current:	
Instruction:	
Regular	1,358,442
Special	3,787,505
Other	1,691,783
Support Services:	
Pupil	1,800,051
Instructional Staff	4,291,922
School Administration	1,163,247
Operations and Maintenance	433,403
Pupil Transportation	116,830
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,262,735
Extracurricular Activities	668,666
Capital Outlay	204,890
Total Expenditures	22,779,474
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(324,843)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):	
Transfers In	60,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	60,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	(264,843)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	6,541,122
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$6,276,279
	(Concluded)

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	Food Service Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Investment Earnings	\$162,851	\$159,700	(\$3,151)
Intergovernmental	4,002,588	3,925,143	(77,445)
Charges for Services	763,150	748,384	(14,766)
Other Revenues	24,558	24,083	(475)
Total Revenues	4,953,147	4,857,310	(95,837)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	5,005,988	4,488,417	517,571
Total Expenditures	5,005,988	4,488,417	517,571
Net Change in Fund Balance	(52,841)	368,893	421,734
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	5,078,996	5,078,996	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$5,026,155	\$5,447,889	\$421,734

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	Special Trust Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Other Revenues	\$316,562	\$187,399	(\$129,163)
Total Revenues	316,562	187,399	(129,163)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	20,894	19,592	1,302
Special	229,298	215,008	14,290
Support Services:			
Pupil	3,012	2,824	188
Instructional Staff	1,413	1,325	88
Pupil Transportation	969	909	60
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,803	4,504	299
Extracurricular Activities	4,266	4,000	266
Total Expenditures	264,655	248,162	16,493
Net Change in Fund Balance	51,907	(60,763)	(112,670)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	179,063	179,063	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$230,970	\$118,300	(\$112,670)

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	Other Grants Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Other Revenues	\$38,750	\$33,750	(\$5,000)
Total Revenues	38,750	33,750	(5,000)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	2,545	2,424	121
Special	3,359	3,199	160
Support Services:			
Pupil	20,056	19,100	956
Extracurricular Activities	1,050	1,000	50
Total Expenditures	27,010	25,723	1,287
Net Change in Fund Balance	11,740	8,027	(3,713)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	4,184	4,184	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$15,924	\$12,211	(\$3,713)

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Athletic Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Extracurricular Activities	\$819,426	\$561,732	(\$257,694)
Other Revenues	137,298	94,120	(43,178)
Total Revenues	956,724	655,852	(300,872)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support Services:			
Pupil Transportation	94,997	89,962	5,035
Extracurricular Activities	711,771	674,049	37,722
Total Expenditures	806,768	764,011	42,757
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	149,956	(108,159)	(258,115)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers In	87,525	60,000	(27,525)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	87,525	60,000	(27,525)
Net Change in Fund Balance	237,481	(48,159)	(285,640)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	640,970	640,970	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$878,451	\$592,811	(\$285,640)

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	Auxiliary Service Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Investment Earnings	\$16,859	\$16,665	(\$194)
Intergovernmental	1,895,514	1,873,689	(21,825)
Total Revenues	1,912,373	1,890,354	(22,019)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Other	24,101	23,437	664
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	1,910,748	1,858,102	52,646
Total Expenditures	1,934,849	1,881,539	53,310
Net Change in Fund Balance	(22,476)	8,815	31,291
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	187,588	187,588	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$165,112	\$196,403	\$31,291

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	Public School Preschool Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$529,381	\$388,838	(\$140,543)
Total Revenues	529,381	388,838	(140,543)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	422,509	402,390	20,119
Support Services:			
Pupil	6,929	6,599	330
Total Expenditures	429,438	408,989	20,449
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	99,943	(20,151)	(120,094)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances In	27,446	20,160	(7,286)
Advances (Out)	(9)	(9)	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	27,437	20,151	(7,286)
Net Change in Fund Balance	127,380	0	(127,380)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$127,380	\$0	(\$127,380)

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Miscellaneous State Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$72,841	\$36,420	(\$36,421)
Total Revenues	72,841	36,420	(36,421)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Other	24,569	23,399	1,170
Support Services:			
Operations and Maintenance	21,752	20,716	1,036
Total Expenditures	46,321	44,115	2,206
Net Change in Fund Balance	26,520	(7,695)	(34,215)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	44,115	44,115	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$70,635	\$36,420	(\$34,215)

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	IDEA-B Special Education Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$3,235,509	\$2,958,777	(\$276,732)
Total Revenues	3,235,509	2,958,777	(276,732)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	1,031,668	977,524	54,144
Support Services:			
Pupil	738,823	700,048	38,775
Instructional Staff	5,092	4,825	267
School Administration	905,745	858,210	47,535
Pupil Transportation	6,156	5,833	323
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	434,160	411,375	22,785
Total Expenditures	3,121,644	2,957,815	163,829
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	113,865	962	(112,903)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances In	2	2	0
Advances (Out)	(1,862)	(1,764)	98
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,860)	(1,762)	98
Net Change in Fund Balance	112,005	(800)	(112,805)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$112,005	(\$800)	(\$112,805)

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	Title III Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$125,862	\$113,863	(\$11,999)
Total Revenues	125,862	113,863	(11,999)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	22,410	20,742	1,668
Support Services:			
Pupil	12,909	11,949	960
Instructional Staff	68,215	63,140	5,075
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	20,147	18,648	1,499
Total Expenditures	123,681	114,479	9,202
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	2,181	(616)	(2,797)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances In	241	218	(23)
Advances (Out)	(2,422)	(2,242)	180
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(2,181)	(2,024)	157
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	(2,640)	(2,640)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$0	(\$2,640)	(\$2,640)

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	Title I Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$3,719,071	\$3,145,701	(\$573,370)
Total Revenues	3,719,071	3,145,701	(573,370)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	2,029,402	1,926,211	103,191
Support Services:			
Instructional Staff	948,174	899,961	48,213
School Administration	130,440	123,807	6,633
Pupil Transportation	22,080	20,957	1,123
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	244,541	232,107	12,434
Total Expenditures	3,374,637	3,203,043	171,594
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	344,434	(57,342)	(401,776)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances In	40,772	34,486	(6,286)
Advances (Out)	(612)	(581)	31
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	40,160	33,905	(6,255)
Net Change in Fund Balance	384,594	(23,437)	(408,031)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	4	4	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$384,598	(\$23,433)	(\$408,031)

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	Early Childhood Special Education Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$82,927	\$79,110	(\$3,817)
Total Revenues	82,927	79,110	(3,817)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	29,735	28,335	1,400
Support Services:			
Pupil	440	419	21
School Administration	52,752	50,267	2,485
Total Expenditures	82,927	79,021	3,906
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	0	89	89
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances (Out)	0	0	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	89	89
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$0	\$89	\$89

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	Title II-A Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$505,144	\$435,593	(\$69,551)
Total Revenues	505,144	435,593	(69,551)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support Services:			
Instructional Staff	385,819	339,024	46,795
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	120,857	106,198	14,659
Total Expenditures	506,676	445,222	61,454
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(1,532)	(9,629)	(8,097)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances In	1,532	1,321	(211)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,532	1,321	(211)
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	(8,308)	(8,308)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$0	(\$8,308)	(\$8,308)

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	Miscellaneous Federal Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$400,000	\$0	(\$400,000)
Total Revenues	400,000	0	(400,000)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support Services:			
Operations and Maintenance	400,000	400,000	0
Total Expenditures	400,000	400,000	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	(400,000)	(400,000)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	400,000	400,000	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$400,000	\$0	(\$400,000)

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	Data Communication Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$19,975	\$19,975	\$0
Total Revenues	19,975	19,975	0
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	19,975	19,975	0
Total Expenditures	19,975	19,975	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	0	0
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$0	\$0	\$0

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	Vocational Education Enhancement Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$3,372	\$3,372	\$0
Total Revenues	3,372	3,372	0
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support Services:			
Instructional Staff	3,372	3,372	0
Total Expenditures	3,372	3,372	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	0	0
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$0	\$0	\$0

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	Title I Supplemental School Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$187,663	\$130,297	(\$57,366)
Total Revenues	187,663	130,297	(57,366)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	185,867	178,477	7,390
Support Services:			
Instructional Staff	2,080	1,997	83
Total Expenditures	187,947	180,474	7,473
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(284)	(50,177)	(49,893)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances In	284	197	(87)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	284	197	(87)
Net Change in Fund Balance	0	(49,980)	(49,980)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$0	(\$49,980)	(\$49,980)

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Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Student Wellness and Success Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenues	0	0	0
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	22,180	21,124	1,056
Other	633,557	603,388	30,169
Support Services:			
Pupil	273,000	260,000	13,000
Total Expenditures	928,737	884,512	44,225
Net Change in Fund Balance	(928,737)	(884,512)	44,225
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	1,463,585	1,463,585	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$534,848	\$579,073	\$44,225

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	ESSER Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$6,968,200	\$6,450,779	(\$517,421)
Total Revenues	6,968,200	6,450,779	(517,421)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	1,256,894	1,193,391	63,503
Special	479,896	455,650	24,246
Other	1,077,135	1,022,714	54,421
Support Services:			
Pupil	823,684	782,068	41,616
Instructional Staff	2,976,014	2,825,654	150,360
School Administration	131,388	124,750	6,638
Operations and Maintenance	15,551	14,765	786
Total Expenditures	6,760,562	6,418,992	341,570
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	207,638	31,787	(175,851)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Advances (Out)	(34,593)	(32,845)	1,748
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(34,593)	(32,845)	1,748
Net Change in Fund Balance	173,045	(1,058)	(174,103)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$173,045	(\$1,058)	(\$174,103)

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Student Activity Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Extracurricular Activities	\$158,956	\$62,578	(\$96,378)
Other Revenues	106,368	41,875	(64,493)
Total Revenues	265,324	104,453	(160,871)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Special	99	94	5
Extracurricular Activities	104,492	99,518	4,974
Total Expenditures	104,591	99,612	4,979
Net Change in Fund Balance	160,733	4,841	(155,892)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	131,596	131,596	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$292,329	\$136,437	(\$155,892)

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Title IV Part A Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$493,710	\$307,236	(\$186,474)
Total Revenues	493,710	307,236	(186,474)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	89,265	83,371	5,894
Support Services:			
Pupil	35,294	32,964	2,330
Instructional Staff	228,167	213,102	15,065
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	123,324	115,181	8,143
Total Expenditures	476,050	444,618	31,432
Net Change in Fund Balance	17,660	(137,382)	(155,042)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	0	0	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$17,660	(\$137,382)	(\$155,042)

NONMAJOR DEBT SERVICE FUND

Fund Description

Debt Service Fund - To account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The debt service fund should be used to report resources if legally mandated (i.e. debt payable from property taxes). Financial resources that are being accumulated for principal and interest maturing in future years also should be reported in the debt service fund.

The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditure and Changes in Fund Balances are included in the Non Major Governmental Fund combining financial statements. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) follows this page.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Debt Service Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$3,723,928	\$3,646,304	(\$77,624)
Investment Earnings	65,279	63,918	(1,361)
Intergovernmental	76,291	74,701	(1,590)
Other Revenues	1,100	1,077	(23)
Total Revenues	3,866,598	3,786,000	(80,598)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support Services:			
Fiscal	47,727	47,727	0
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	2,606,598	2,606,598	0
Interest and Fiscal Charges	1,155,000	1,155,000	0
Total Expenditures	3,809,325	3,809,325	0
Net Change in Fund Balance	57,273	(23,325)	(80,598)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	6,343,577	6,343,577	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$6,400,850	\$6,320,252	(\$80,598)

FORMERLY-NONMAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Fund Descriptions

Permanent Improvement - To account for all transactions related to the acquiring, constructing, or improving of the infrastructure of buildings and grounds through permanent improvements.

Building - The Building Fund is used to account for all transactions related to all special bond funds in the School District. Proceeds from the issuance of bonds are paid into this fund.

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Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Nonmajor Capital Projects Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Formerly Non-Major Permanent Improvement	Formerly Non-Major Building	Total Nonmajor Capital Projects Funds
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as Previously Presented	\$8,066,316	\$3,146,660	\$11,212,976
Change within Financial Reporting Entity (Nonmajor to Major Fund)	(8,066,316)	(3,146,660)	(11,212,976)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year, as Adjusted or Restated	0	0	0
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$0	\$0	\$0

NONMAJOR PERMANENT FUND

Fund Description

Endowment - To account for and report the financial resources that are restricted. Only the income earned can be used for specific purposes.

The School District has only one nonmajor permanent fund for the current fiscal year. The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance are included in the Combining Financial Statements. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) follows this page.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Endowment Fund		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Investment Earnings	\$8,270	\$5,619	(\$2,651)
Gifts and Donations	11,775	8,000	(3,775)
Total Revenues	20,045	13,619	(6,426)
Expenditures:			
Support Services:			
Pupil	1,697	1,252	445
Extracurricular Activities	39,303	29,000	10,303
Total Expenditures	41,000	30,252	10,748
Net Change in Fund Balance	(20,955)	(16,633)	4,322
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	171,370	171,370	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$150,415	\$154,737	\$4,322

OTHER GENERAL FUNDS

With the implementation of GASB Statement No. 54, certain funds that the School District prepares legally adopted budgets for no longer meet the definition to be reported as Special Revenue funds and have been included with the General Fund in the governmental fund financial statements. The School District has only presented the budget schedules for these funds.

Fund Descriptions

Uniform School Supplies - To account for and report the purchase and sale of school supplies, such as workbooks, adopted by the Board of Education.

Public School Support - To account for specific local revenue sources (other than taxes) generated by individual school buildings (i.e. sales of pictures, profits from vending machines, etc.). Expenditures include field trips, materials, equipment and other items to supplement co-curricular and extra-curricular programs. This fund is only presented for budgetary purposes.

Severance - A fund in which cash may be accumulated for paying termination benefits or for paying salaries when the number of pay periods exceeds the usual and customary for a year.

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Uniform School Supplies Fund (1)		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Tuition and Fees	\$255,179	\$256,581	\$1,402
Other Revenues	127	128	1
Total Revenues	255,306	256,709	1,403
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	360,552	343,291	17,261
Total Expenditures	360,552	343,291	17,261
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(105,246)	(86,582)	18,664
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers In	89,174	89,664	490
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	89,174	89,664	490
Net Change in Fund Balance	(16,072)	3,082	19,154
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	454,059	454,059	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$437,987	\$457,141	\$19,154

(1) - This fund is included in General Fund in GAAP Statements but not for Budgetary Statements

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Public School Support Fund (1)		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Tuition and Fees	\$3,427	\$1,607	(\$1,820)
Other Revenues	140,229	65,752	(74,477)
Total Revenues	143,656	67,359	(76,297)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	35,228	33,550	1,678
Special	4,674	4,451	223
Support Services:			
Pupil	21,801	20,763	1,038
Instructional Staff	3,107	2,959	148
School Administration	549	523	26
Operations and Maintenance	730	695	35
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,829	4,599	230
Total Expenditures	70,918	67,540	3,378
Net Change in Fund Balance	72,738	(181)	(72,919)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	133,334	133,334	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$206,072	\$133,153	(\$72,919)

(1) - This fund is included in General Fund in GAAP Statements but not for Budgetary Statements

Northwest Local School District, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Severance Fund (1)		
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:			
Other Revenues	\$700,000	\$544,337	(\$155,663)
Total Revenues	700,000	544,337	(155,663)
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	614,683	565,706	48,977
Special	114,503	105,380	9,123
Other	10,333	9,510	823
Support Services:			
Pupil	104,330	96,017	8,313
School Administration	58,935	54,239	4,696
Operations and Maintenance	25,445	23,418	2,027
Pupil Transportation	12,225	11,251	974
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	12,316	11,335	981
Total Expenditures	952,770	876,856	75,914
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(252,770)	(332,519)	(79,749)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(252,770)	(332,519)	(79,749)
Fund Balance Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	967,804	967,804	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$715,034	\$635,285	(\$79,749)

(1) - This fund is included in General Fund in GAAP Statements but not for Budgetary Statements

STATISTICAL SECTION

STATISTICAL SECTION NARRATIVE

This part of the District's annual comprehensive financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the District's overall financial health.

Contents

Financial Trends - These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the District's financial position has changed over time.

Revenue Capacity - These schedules contain information to help the reader understand and assess the factors affecting the District's ability to generate its most significant local revenue source(s), the property tax.

Debt Capacity - These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the District's current levels of outstanding debt and the District's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

Economic and Demographic Information - These schedules offer economic and demographic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the District's financial activities take place and to provide information that facilitates comparisons of financial information over time and among governments.

Operating Information - These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the District's financial report relates to the services the District provides and the activities it performs.

Sources - Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the annual comprehensive financial reports for the relevant year.

Northwest Local School District
Net Position by Component
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 1

	2015	2016	2017 (1)	2018	2019
Governmental activities					
Invested in capital assets, Net of related debt	\$8,822,606	\$7,242,252	\$10,789,591	\$12,179,024	\$18,776,515
Restricted/Endowment	3,612,634	11,483,201	22,153,651	24,156,927	19,755,504
Unrestricted	(62,206,286)	(65,441,784)	(109,469,400)	(65,390,143)	(65,676,966)
Total Net Position	<u>(\$49,771,046)</u>	<u>(\$46,716,331)</u>	<u>(\$76,526,158)</u>	<u>(\$29,054,192)</u>	<u>(\$27,144,947)</u>

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(1) Implemented GASB 75 in fiscal year 2018
and 2017 was restated.

(2) Implemented GASB 84 in fiscal year 2021
and 2020 was restated.

(3) Fiscal year 2022 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Net Position by Component
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 1

	2020 (2)	2021	2022 (3)	2023	2024
Governmental activities					
Invested in capital assets, Net of related debt	\$17,888,547	\$21,195,358	\$22,439,785	\$23,059,797	\$19,965,757
Restricted/Endowment	16,555,691	16,728,729	20,155,214	28,379,989	25,576,227
Unrestricted	(82,086,627)	(58,907,506)	(41,914,908)	(44,723,905)	(24,725,907)
Total Net Position	<u>(\$47,642,389)</u>	<u>(\$20,983,419)</u>	<u>\$680,091</u>	<u>\$6,715,881</u>	<u>\$20,816,077</u>

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Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Expenses, Program Revenues
and Net (Expense)/Revenue
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 2

	2015	2016	2017 (1)	2018	2019
Expenses					
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction	\$55,737,691	\$58,190,257	\$64,489,519	\$33,527,375	\$62,456,841
Pupil	5,570,842	5,527,800	6,302,836	4,570,172	9,052,837
Instructional Staff	3,286,238	2,977,984	2,959,011	1,159,708	2,454,682
General Administration	123,176	144,646	151,755	61,322	34,029
School Administration	5,504,484	6,366,536	7,653,534	2,788,600	4,634,854
Fiscal	1,849,298	1,900,112	2,105,865	1,427,896	1,773,162
Business	423,051	264,876	330,482	143,576	344,648
Operation and Maintenance	7,085,017	6,532,591	7,330,410	5,084,771	7,465,266
Pupil Transportation	5,805,654	5,175,348	6,147,488	4,175,383	7,455,495
Central	1,312,068	1,257,223	1,506,627	708,518	1,161,064
Operation of Non-instructional Services	7,822,810	7,252,128	8,054,834	5,331,880	8,242,009
Extracurricular Activities	1,730,914	1,677,146	2,013,256	1,810,283	2,016,145
Interest on Long-Term Debt	949,047	2,206,248	3,593,583	3,592,491	3,537,551
Issuance Costs	0	606,306	0	0	0
Total Government Expenses	97,200,290	100,079,201	112,639,200	64,381,975	110,628,583
Program Revenues					
Governmental Activities:					
Charges for Services					
Instruction	2,116,708	1,563,368	4,649,028	2,749,983	1,642,983
Pupil	378,621	130,373	195,652	253,120	0
Instructional Staff	0	65,553	81,982	84,753	0
General Administration	0	3,566	5,073	3,198	0
School Administration	0	138,386	230,318	256,973	114,930
Fiscal	0	42,824	64,208	78,115	0
Business	0	6,323	10,976	12,681	0
Operation and Maintenance	909,130	146,998	235,858	272,563	652,154
Pupil Transportation	34,032	230,065	289,135	341,133	105,840
Central	0	30,018	50,207	61,673	0
Operation of Non-instructional Services	1,192,773	1,304,822	1,254,152	1,243,517	1,050,007
Extracurricular Activities	379,183	393,410	669,947	670,206	588,706
Operating Grants and Contributions	15,624,474	15,675,545	16,676,393	16,380,808	17,206,958
Capital Grants and Contributions	0	686,733	827,195	700,924	0
Total Government Revenues	20,634,921	20,417,984	25,240,124	23,109,647	21,361,578
Net (Expense)/Revenue					
Total Government Net Expense	<u>(\$76,565,369)</u>	<u>(\$79,661,217)</u>	<u>(\$87,399,076)</u>	<u>(\$41,272,328)</u>	<u>(\$89,267,005)</u>

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and 2020 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Expenses, Program Revenues
and Net (Expense)/Revenue
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 2

	2020 (2)	2021	2022	2023	2024
Expenses					
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction	\$75,933,264	\$74,033,042	\$62,445,980	\$70,305,622	\$70,173,330
Pupil	10,858,140	12,954,945	13,120,487	14,038,156	15,484,616
Instructional Staff	3,097,669	3,698,490	6,523,595	5,805,073	6,687,399
General Administration	85,711	38,983	40,428	61,409	64,813
School Administration	6,761,185	6,694,213	6,955,101	5,251,465	7,031,433
Fiscal	2,232,053	2,268,937	2,632,063	2,410,179	2,811,506
Business	413,548	400,465	343,453	464,373	519,450
Operation and Maintenance	7,141,418	8,517,653	7,143,962	7,776,935	9,019,204
Pupil Transportation	7,005,998	6,583,926	6,995,047	7,366,191	7,669,583
Central	1,486,259	1,290,273	768,222	1,325,767	1,343,540
Operation of Non-instructional Services	8,185,400	8,936,217	6,917,575	7,876,004	7,647,244
Extracurricular Activities	2,342,008	2,129,448	2,420,276	1,852,098	2,197,131
Interest on Long-Term Debt	3,509,356	2,835,736	2,680,609	2,796,018	2,671,869
Issuance Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Total Government Expenses	129,052,009	130,382,328	118,986,798	127,329,290	133,321,118
Program Revenues					
Governmental Activities:					
Charges for Services					
Instruction	1,978,109	1,986,054	2,378,634	2,181,092	2,531,550
Pupil	0	0	0	0	0
Instructional Staff	0	0	0	0	0
General Administration	0	0	0	0	0
School Administration	89,439	189,584	215,162	0	0
Fiscal	0	0	0	0	0
Business	0	0	0	0	0
Operation and Maintenance	677,593	640,460	642,233	615,412	701,156
Pupil Transportation	67,599	46,162	78,330	88,863	69,828
Central	0	0	0	0	0
Operation of Non-instructional Services	637,982	148,703	250,948	817,817	747,790
Extracurricular Activities	486,534	307,413	583,418	604,883	554,433
Operating Grants and Contributions	20,648,425	28,156,595	34,948,663	28,824,057	26,672,491
Capital Grants and Contributions	0	0	0	0	0
Total Government Revenues	24,585,681	31,474,971	39,097,388	33,132,124	31,277,248
Net (Expense)/Revenue					
Total Government Net Expense	(\$104,466,328)	(\$98,907,357)	(\$79,889,410)	(\$94,197,166)	(\$102,043,870)

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(1) Implemented GASB 75 in fiscal year 2018
and 2017 was restated.

(2) Implemented GASB 84 in fiscal year 2021
and 2020 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
General Revenues and Total Change in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 3

	2015	2016	2017 (1)	2018	2019
Net (Expense)/Revenue					
Total Government Net Expense	(\$76,565,369)	(\$79,661,217)	(\$87,399,076)	(\$41,272,328)	(\$89,267,005)
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position					
Governmental Activities:					
Property Taxes Levied for					
General Purposes	44,020,483	37,571,044	45,511,477	42,740,419	42,619,923
Debt Service	1,668,331	5,112,378	6,070,206	5,658,589	5,073,962
Capital Outlay	2,452,865	2,311,390	2,381,592	2,664,663	2,661,587
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted	34,089,574	32,581,232	31,749,577	32,377,875	33,660,593
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	3,881,320	3,635,600	3,399,242	3,947,558	4,181,074
Unrestricted Contributions	255,556	114,020	156	0	181,615
Gain on Sale of Assets	0	758	5,112	57,835	0
Investment Earnings	242,400	584,226	84,652	510,473	1,703,503
Other Revenues	759,066	805,284	571,280	786,882	1,967,967
Total Government Activities	87,369,595	82,715,932	89,773,294	88,744,294	92,050,224
Change in Net Position	\$10,804,226	\$3,054,715	\$2,374,218	\$47,471,966	\$2,783,219

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and 2020 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
General Revenues and Total Change in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 3

	2020 (2)	2021	2022	2023	2024
Net (Expense)/Revenue					
Total Government Net Expense	(\$104,466,328)	(\$98,907,357)	(\$79,889,410)	(\$94,197,166)	(\$102,043,870)
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position					
Governmental Activities:					
Property Taxes Levied for					
General Purposes	38,176,465	74,596,902	56,222,786	54,087,187	62,509,768
Debt Service	3,491,864	7,204,350	5,365,236	3,505,884	3,526,879
Capital Outlay	1,902,655	3,978,930	3,071,590	3,155,038	4,001,227
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted	31,992,989	33,377,182	30,211,386	29,010,864	33,234,940
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	4,368,521	4,564,937	5,004,803	5,141,693	5,702,688
Unrestricted Contributions	156,492	240,057	163,103	152,708	416,905
Gain on Sale of Assets	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Earnings	1,434,809	171,697	(913,738)	1,695,495	4,304,992
Other Revenues	1,571,117	1,432,272	2,239,602	3,484,087	2,446,667
Total Government Activities	83,094,912	125,566,327	101,364,768	100,232,956	116,144,066
Change in Net Position	(\$21,371,416)	\$26,658,970	\$21,475,358	\$6,035,790	\$14,100,196

(Concluded)

(1) Implemented GASB 75 in fiscal year 2018
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(2) Implemented GASB 84 in fiscal year 2021
and 2020 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Fund Balances
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 4

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
General Fund					
Nonspendable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Committed	11,000	400,062	194,149	240,030	0
Assigned	458,064	8,832,585	7,799,073	5,849,671	5,200,927
Unassigned	50,374,983	39,592,115	33,985,931	34,986,166	29,299,244
Total General Fund	<u>50,844,047</u>	<u>48,824,762</u>	<u>41,979,153</u>	<u>41,075,867</u>	<u>34,500,171</u>
All Other Governmental Funds					
Nonspendable	146,298	79,000	79,000	79,000	79,000
Restricted	3,046,376	86,994,707	84,013,301	29,376,031	15,510,112
Committed	5,706,281	3,445,759	4,076,403	4,580,642	4,911,262
Assigned	0	0	0	0	0
Unassigned (Deficit)	(281,172)	(255,273)	(349,355)	(269,321)	(326,470)
Total all Other Governmental Funds	<u>\$8,617,783</u>	<u>\$90,264,193</u>	<u>\$87,819,349</u>	<u>\$33,766,352</u>	<u>\$20,173,904</u>

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(2) Fiscal year 2022 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Fund Balances
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 4

	2020 (1)	2021	2022 (2)	2023	2024
General Fund					
Nonspendable	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$257,300
Committed	0	0	0	0	0
Assigned	279,335	735,074	3,077,001	1,160,560	1,631,129
Unassigned	21,454,425	48,117,387	48,437,366	58,623,455	41,895,599
Total General Fund	<u>21,733,760</u>	<u>48,852,461</u>	<u>51,514,367</u>	<u>59,784,015</u>	<u>43,784,028</u>
All Other Governmental Funds					
Nonspendable	79,000	79,000	79,000	79,000	79,000
Restricted	14,423,617	6,803,858	22,472,210	18,333,394	18,192,193
Committed	4,350,582	6,581,432	6,932,366	8,066,316	10,504,325
Assigned	0	0	0	0	29,637,828
Unassigned (Deficit)	(335,935)	(1,414,839)	(2,506,535)	(752,216)	(642,675)
Total all Other Governmental Funds	<u>\$18,517,264</u>	<u>\$12,049,451</u>	<u>\$26,977,041</u>	<u>\$25,726,494</u>	<u>\$57,770,671</u>

(Concluded)

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year 2021 and 2020 was restated.

(2) Fiscal year 2022 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Revenues
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 5

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Revenues:					
Property Taxes	\$48,648,693	\$45,642,244	\$53,482,629	\$50,911,913	\$50,494,982
Tuition and Fees	2,116,708	1,140,812	2,330,572	2,708,594	1,639,998
Investment Earnings	231,500	1,168,549	738,558	1,124,293	1,641,291
Intergovernmental	50,347,957	47,714,254	48,402,747	48,899,229	50,766,662
Extracurricular Activities	661,936	480,624	737,786	706,119	694,546
Charges for Services	1,571,394	1,781,843	4,033,189	1,865,727	1,048,280
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	3,881,320	3,635,600	3,399,242	3,947,558	4,181,167
Rent	660,409	652,427	634,989	747,475	0
Gifts and Donations	255,556	402,907	299,362	231,983	29,426
Other Revenues	759,066	805,284	571,280	728,827	2,957,935
Total Revenues	<u>\$109,134,539</u>	<u>\$103,424,544</u>	<u>\$114,630,354</u>	<u>\$111,871,718</u>	<u>\$113,454,287</u>

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Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Revenues
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 5

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues:					
Property Taxes	\$42,546,060	\$85,310,775	\$64,319,309	\$61,112,935	\$69,873,253
Tuition and Fees	1,974,369	1,982,489	2,353,825	2,339,856	2,466,563
Investment Earnings	1,433,597	192,406	(921,514)	1,744,986	4,121,644
Intergovernmental	51,804,188	62,398,041	63,489,468	59,196,315	59,983,192
Extracurricular Activities	554,133	353,599	661,851	693,879	624,321
Charges for Services	637,665	96,525	250,261	817,812	766,851
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	4,368,521	4,564,937	4,953,170	5,139,317	5,703,713
Rent	0	0	0	0	0
Gifts and Donations	0	127,000	0	0	416,905
Other Revenues	2,494,433	2,426,707	3,368,727	4,282,458	3,278,765
Total Revenues	<u>\$105,812,966</u>	<u>\$157,452,479</u>	<u>\$138,475,097</u>	<u>\$135,327,558</u>	<u>\$147,235,207</u>

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Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Expenditures
and Debt Service Ratio
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 6

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Expenditures					
Instruction	\$57,710,898	\$56,737,953	\$59,780,478	\$61,622,025	\$65,802,854
Pupil	5,640,673	5,634,276	6,090,776	6,212,281	9,389,788
Instructional Staff	3,429,009	3,067,267	2,773,811	2,418,517	2,805,638
General Administration	123,828	144,657	151,750	73,439	42,682
School Administration	5,875,866	6,320,105	7,027,336	6,991,218	5,913,374
Fiscal	1,925,220	1,905,630	1,982,531	1,951,729	1,883,901
Business	421,010	310,861	307,024	312,124	375,973
Operation and Maintenance	7,087,307	6,604,914	6,951,805	6,676,528	7,762,126
Pupil Transportation	5,707,840	5,081,954	5,392,819	5,743,018	6,590,044
Central	1,345,689	1,301,175	1,370,815	1,438,593	1,353,992
Operation of Non-instructional Services	7,837,697	7,348,485	7,739,142	6,626,409	8,380,666
Extracurricular Activities	1,789,058	1,691,507	1,924,321	2,173,351	2,139,821
Capital Outlay	2,325,834	4,753,358	15,688,400	58,429,307	14,504,657
Debt Service					
Principal	1,890,000	2,190,307	2,902,822	2,943,494	2,936,404
Interest and Fiscal Charges	1,011,744	2,085,055	3,842,089	3,840,765	3,789,015
Issuance Costs	0	606,306	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	<u>\$104,121,673</u>	<u>\$105,783,810</u>	<u>\$123,925,919</u>	<u>\$167,452,798</u>	<u>\$133,670,935</u>

Debt Service as a Percentage of					
Noncapital Expenditures	2.88%	4.44%	6.23%	6.22%	5.66%

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(1) Implemented GASB 84 in fiscal year 2021
and 2020 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Expenditures
and Debt Service Ratio
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 6

	2020 (1)	2021	2022	2023	2024
Expenditures					
Instruction	\$67,991,699	\$67,310,053	\$68,243,841	\$63,974,361	\$66,840,302
Pupil	9,649,041	13,003,387	14,056,654	14,138,973	15,600,847
Instructional Staff	2,951,398	3,459,054	6,842,708	5,796,348	6,674,057
General Administration	82,546	36,004	46,164	61,722	65,755
School Administration	5,937,491	6,149,118	7,243,805	5,468,952	6,973,852
Fiscal	2,048,215	2,141,886	2,340,996	2,346,532	2,679,987
Business	369,624	378,353	357,908	447,020	480,937
Operation and Maintenance	6,674,027	8,060,010	7,421,841	7,658,309	8,900,077
Pupil Transportation	5,715,926	5,290,816	6,053,220	5,939,870	6,301,885
Central	1,339,284	1,185,649	922,328	1,300,503	1,272,920
Operation of Non-instructional Services	7,699,468	8,456,890	6,974,497	7,586,780	7,362,478
Extracurricular Activities	2,013,453	1,851,526	2,490,617	1,678,617	2,056,361
Capital Outlay	1,279,930	3,377,911	4,271,104	2,824,048	1,217,325
Debt Service					
Principal	3,092,586	3,500,837	3,833,324	3,744,643	2,015,803
Interest and Fiscal Charges	3,451,300	3,014,141	2,849,168	2,840,886	2,748,431
Issuance Costs	301,808	0	0	26,014	0
Total Expenditures	<u>\$120,597,796</u>	<u>\$127,215,635</u>	<u>\$133,948,175</u>	<u>\$125,833,578</u>	<u>\$131,191,017</u>

Debt Service as a Percentage of Noncapital Expenditures	5.50%	5.30%	5.12%	5.36%	3.67%
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(1) Implemented GASB 84 in fiscal year 2021
and 2020 was restated.

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Other Financing
Sources and Uses and Net Change
in Fund Balances
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 7

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$0	\$758	\$5,112	\$57,835	\$48,504
Issuance Of Leases	0	178,866	0	566,962	0
Payments to Refunded Bonds Escrow Agent	0	(8,913,295)	0	0	0
Proceeds of Refunding Bonds	0	8,655,000	0	0	0
Bonds Issued	0	76,000,000	0	0	0
Premium on Bonds Issued	0	6,065,062	0	0	0
Transfers in	60,000	60,000	10,060,000	60,000	60,000
Transfers out	(60,000)	(60,000)	(10,060,000)	(60,000)	(60,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	81,986,391	5,112	624,797	48,504
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$5,012,866	\$79,627,125	(\$9,290,453)	(\$54,956,283)	(\$20,168,144)

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Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Governmental Funds - Other Financing
Sources and Uses and Net Change
in Fund Balances
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 7

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$59,971	\$297,589	\$58,918	\$97,259	\$0
Issuance Of Leases	0	0	521,959	0	0
Payments to Refunded Bonds Escrow Agent	(32,374,276)	0	0	(4,043,138)	0
Proceeds of Refunding Bonds	28,665,000	0	0	1,471,000	0
Bonds Issued	0	0	0	0	0
Premium on Bonds Issued	4,011,084	0	0	0	0
Transfers in	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	30,060,000
Transfers out	(60,000)	(60,000)	(60,000)	(60,000)	(30,060,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	361,779	297,589	580,877	(2,474,879)	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	(\$14,423,051)	\$30,534,433	\$5,107,799	\$7,019,101	\$16,044,190
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Source: School District Records

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Northwest Local School District
Assessed Value and Estimated Actual Value of Taxable Property
Last Ten Calendar Years
Schedule 8

Collection Year	Assessed Value (1)		Total		
	Real Property	Public Utilities Personal	Assessed Value (a)	Estimated Actual Value	Direct Rate
2014	\$1,384,139,410	\$47,404,440	\$1,431,543,850	\$4,902,772,829	59.57
2015	1,387,706,210	49,276,380	1,436,982,590	4,950,402,486	58.87
2016	1,407,201,070	50,549,360	1,457,750,430	5,031,561,686	58.87
2017	1,454,214,410	53,811,960	1,508,026,370	5,231,137,514	58.48
2018	1,459,216,850	58,160,700	1,517,377,550	4,227,351,700	58.48
2019	1,460,147,060	60,909,390	1,521,056,450	4,232,758,133	65.35
2020	1,676,605,620	65,502,930	1,742,108,550	4,855,804,701	63.96
2021	1,675,904,760	69,474,360	1,745,379,120	4,857,773,674	63.96
2022	1,683,666,170	74,306,920	1,757,973,090	4,884,781,691	62.67
2023	2,251,209,290	84,703,350	2,335,912,640	6,516,729,893	59.49

(1) Assessed values shown in this schedule will not agree to amounts in the notes to the financial statements, since the schedules are shown on a calendar year basis, which is consistent with the method county auditors maintain this

Note:

The assessed value of real property (including public utility real property) is 35 percent of estimated true value. Personal property tax is assessed on all tangible personal property used in business in Ohio. The assessed value of public utility personal property ranges from 25 percent of true value for railroad property to 88 percent for electric transmission and distribution property. General business tangible personal property is assessed at 25 percent for everything except inventories, which are assessed at 23 percent. Property is assessed annually.

Source: Hamilton County Auditor

Northwest Local School District
Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates
Last Ten Calendar Years
Schedule 9

Calendar Year	District Direct Rates			Overlapping Rates				
	General Purpose	Debt	Total	Butler Tech	Cincinnati- Hamilton Library	Hamilton County Parks	Metro Parks of Butler Co	Hamilton County
2014	58.21	1.36	59.57	1.93	1.00	1.03	0.50	18.85
2015	54.69	4.18	58.87	1.93	1.00	1.03	0.50	18.85
2016	54.80	4.07	58.87	1.93	1.00	1.03	0.50	18.85
2017	54.58	3.90	58.48	1.93	1.00	1.03	0.70	18.85
2018	54.58	3.90	58.48	1.93	1.00	1.03	0.70	19.16
2019	62.01	3.34	65.35	1.93	2.00	1.03	0.70	21.14
2020	60.62	3.34	63.96	1.93	2.00	1.03	0.70	21.14
2021	60.74	3.22	63.96	1.93	2.00	1.03	0.70	20.90
2022	59.45	3.22	62.67	1.93	2.00	1.98	0.70	21.28
2023	56.27	3.22	59.49	1.93	2.00	1.98	0.70	21.28

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Note:

Rates may only be raised by obtaining the approval of a majority of the voters at a public election.

Source: Hamilton County Auditor

Northwest Local School District
Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates
Last Ten Calendar Years
Schedule 9

Overlapping Rates						
Butler County	City of Fairfield	City of Forest Park	City of North College Hill	Colerain Township	Green Township	Springfield Township
9.72	5.94	11.08	11.58	18.26	11.71	23.80
9.72	5.94	11.08	11.58	20.21	14.66	23.80
9.72	5.94	16.83	11.58	20.21	14.66	23.80
9.72	8.44	16.83	11.58	20.21	14.66	23.80
9.72	8.44	16.83	14.78	20.21	14.66	23.80
9.72	8.44	16.83	14.78	20.21	14.66	23.80
9.72	8.44	16.83	14.78	20.21	14.66	23.80
9.72	8.44	16.83	23.58	23.21	14.66	28.80
9.72	10.54	16.83	23.58	23.21	19.61	28.80
9.28	10.54	16.83	23.58	23.21	19.61	28.80

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Note:

Rates may only be raised by obtaining the approval of a majority of the voters at a public election.

Source: Hamilton County Auditor

Northwest Local School District
Principal Property Tax Payers - Hamilton County
Current Year and Nine Years Ago
Schedule 10

Taxpayer	2023 (1)	
	Taxable Assessed Value	Percentage of Total Taxable Value
Duke Energy Ohio Inc.	\$80,903,080	3.46%
TKG Colerain Town Center LLC	10,580,920	0.45%
Rumpke Sanitary Landfill INC	8,333,780	0.36%
Stone Creek Retail LLC	7,899,440	0.34%
T Northgate Mall LLC	7,185,820	0.31%
Northwest Woods LLC	7,141,580	0.31%
Mercy Hospitals West	6,874,890	0.29%
8403 Colerain Avenue LLC	6,207,840	0.27%
Parkton Apartments of Cincinnati	6,170,560	0.26%
Meijer Stores Limited Partnership	4,927,610	0.21%
Total Principal Taxpayers	146,225,520	6.27%
All Other Taxpayers	2,189,687,120	93.73%
Total All Taxpayers	\$2,335,912,640	100.00%

Taxpayer	2014 (1)	
	Taxable Assessed Value	Percentage of Total Taxable Value
Duke Energy Ohio Inc.	\$43,681,770	3.05%
TKG Colerain Towne Center	\$10,540,950	0.74%
T Northgate Mall LLC	6,894,760	0.48%
Rumpke Sanitary Landfill INC	6,500,280	0.45%
Mercy Hospitals West	6,102,540	0.43%
8403 Colerain Ave LLC	5,261,300	0.37%
Prospect Square 07 A LLC	4,097,760	0.29%
The Procter & Gamble Co.	3,571,970	0.25%
Northwest Woods LLC	3,571,970	0.25%
Lees Crossing LLC	3,466,180	0.24%
Total Principal Taxpayers	93,689,480	6.54%
All Other Taxpayers	1,337,854,370	93.46%
Total All Taxpayers	\$1,431,543,850	100.00%

Source: Hamilton County Auditor

(1) - Denotes calendar year

Northwest Local School District
Property Tax Levies and Collections
Last Ten Calendar Years
Schedule 11

Calendar Year	Taxes Levied for the Calendar Year (1)	Collected within the Calendar Year of the Levy		Collections in Subsequent Years (2)	Total Collections to Date	
		Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Levy
2014	\$58,269,300	\$54,983,676	94.36%	\$1,471,776	\$56,455,452	96.89%
2015	56,768,245	54,449,775	95.92%	1,174,641	55,624,416	97.99%
2016	57,899,911	55,104,909	95.17%	1,170,527	56,275,436	97.19%
2017	58,668,729	55,669,254	94.89%	1,223,242	56,892,496	96.97%
2018	58,054,754	55,312,153	95.28%	1,105,875	56,418,028	97.18%
2019	67,984,729	66,783,094	98.23%	1,194,157	67,977,251	99.99%
2020	70,786,081	69,234,138	97.81%	1,233,102	70,467,240	99.55%
2021	70,721,188	69,208,952	97.86%	1,226,802	70,435,754	99.60%
2022	69,399,068	67,750,215	97.62%	1,648,853	69,399,068	100.00%
2023	79,143,850	77,470,791	97.89%	1,673,059	79,143,850	100.00%

(1) Current levied and current tax collections do not include rollback and homestead amounts.

(2) The County's current reporting system does not track delinquency tax collections by tax year. Outstanding delinquencies are tracked in total by the date the parcel is first certified delinquent. Penalties and interest are applied to the total outstanding delinquent balance. The presentation will be updated as new information becomes available.

Source: Hamilton County Auditor

Northwest Local School District
Outstanding Debt by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 12

Fiscal Year	General Obligation Bonds (1)	Less:	Net General Bonded Debt	Ratio of Net Bonded Debt to Estimated Actual Value	Net Bonded Debt Per Capita
		Restricted for Debt Service (2)			
2015	\$13,589,646	\$1,855,259	\$11,734,387	0.24%	\$158
2016	93,810,959	9,413,394	84,397,565	1.70%	1,124
2017	91,394,352	9,991,857	81,402,495	1.62%	1,084
2018	89,137,745	10,314,758	78,822,987	1.51%	1,050
2019	86,761,138	9,702,211	77,058,927	1.82%	1,027
2020	83,789,177	7,994,332	75,794,845	1.79%	1,010
2021	80,994,548	9,928,700	71,065,848	1.46%	965
2022 (4)	77,953,767	9,844,473	68,109,294	1.40%	925
2023	76,228,589	7,768,953	68,459,636	1.40%	930
2024	74,785,137	7,623,938	67,161,199	1.03%	912

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(1) Does not include 2013 QZAB Bonds, 2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds, 2013 Certificates of Participation and Lease Liability

(2) Amount from Statement of Net Position

(3) Personal Income information provided by Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic
Accounts for Warren County

(4) Fiscal year 2022 was restated.

n/a - Information not available

Source: School District Records

Northwest Local School District
Outstanding Debt by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 12

Other Debt Obligations				Total Outstanding Debt Obligations	Percentage of Personal Income (3)	Per Capita
QZAB and Tax-Exempt Bonds	Notes Payable	Certificates of Participation	Lease Liability			
\$4,715,458	\$0	\$5,978,046	\$0	\$24,283,150	0.06%	\$326
4,358,394	148,559	5,642,184	0	103,960,096	0.24%	1,385
4,001,330	115,737	5,301,322	0	100,812,741	0.23%	1,343
3,644,266	459,205	4,950,460	0	98,191,676	0.21%	1,308
3,287,202	367,801	4,594,598	0	95,010,739	0.19%	1,266
2,930,138	255,215	4,233,736	0	91,208,266	0.17%	1,215
2,568,074	139,378	3,862,874	0	87,564,874	0.15%	1,189
4,616,010	20,196	3,482,012	483,013	86,554,998	0.15%	1,176
518,946	0	3,091,150	360,370	80,199,055	0.13%	1,089
416,882	0	2,685,288	256,567	78,143,874	n/a	1,061

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(1) Does not include 2013 QZAB Bonds, 2013 Tax-Exempt Bonds, 2013 Certificates of Participation and Lease Liability

(2) Amount from Statement of Net Position

(3) Personal Income information provided by Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic
Accounts for Warren County

(4) Fiscal year 2022 was restated.

n/a - Information not available

Source: School District Records

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Northwest Local School District
Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt
As of June 30, 2024
Schedule 13

Governmental Unit	Debt Outstanding	Estimated Percentage Applicable (1)	Estimated Share of Direct and Overlapping Debt
Overlapping Debt:			
Butler County	\$18,486,960	0.03%	\$5,546
Hamilton County	124,816,000	8.13%	10,147,541
City of Fairfield	6,000,000	0.00%	0
City of Forest Park	10,313,000	8.12%	837,416
City of North College Hill	436,000	1.21%	5,276
Fairfield Township	1,465,000	0.51%	7,472
Springfield Township	3,724,000	12.79%	476,300
Butler Technology and Career Center Jt. Voc. District	6,304,000	15.08%	950,643
Subtotal Overlapping Debt	171,544,960		12,430,194
District Direct Debt	78,143,874	100.00%	78,143,874
Total Direct and Overlapping Debt	\$249,688,834		\$90,574,068

(1) Percentages were determined by dividing the assessed valuation of the overlapping government located within the boundaries of the School District by the total assessed valuation of the government.

Source: Ohio Municipal Advisory Council

Northwest Local School District
Legal Debt Margin Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 14

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Debt Limit	\$128,838,947	\$129,328,433	\$131,197,539	\$135,722,373	\$135,722,373
Total Net Debt Applicable to Limit (1)	<u>21,418,138</u>	<u>82,912,467</u>	<u>79,848,975</u>	<u>77,165,234</u>	<u>84,780,000</u>
Legal Debt Margin (1)	<u>\$107,420,809</u>	<u>\$46,415,966</u>	<u>\$51,348,564</u>	<u>\$58,557,139</u>	<u>\$50,942,373</u>
Total Net Debt Applicable to the Limit as a Percentage of Debt Limit	16.62%	64.11%	60.86%	56.86%	62.47%

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(1) Source of information:
Ohio Municipal Advisory Council (OMAC)

Northwest Local School District
Legal Debt Margin Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 14

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Current Fiscal Year

Assessed Value (1)	\$2,335,912,640
Debt Limit (9% of Assessed Value)	210,232,138
Debt Applicable to Limit (1)	70,987,000
Legal Debt Margin (1)	<u>\$139,245,138</u>

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Debt Limit	\$136,895,081	\$156,789,770	\$157,084,121	\$158,217,578	\$210,232,138
Total Net Debt Applicable to Limit (1)	<u>77,295,000</u>	<u>74,275,000</u>	<u>70,995,000</u>	<u>72,499,000</u>	<u>70,987,000</u>
Legal Debt Margin (1)	<u>\$59,600,081</u>	<u>\$82,514,770</u>	<u>\$86,089,121</u>	<u>\$85,718,578</u>	<u>\$139,245,138</u>
Total Net Debt Applicable to the Limit as a Percentage of Debt Limit	56.46%	47.37%	45.20%	45.82%	33.77%

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(1) Source of information:
Ohio Municipal Advisory Council (OMAC)

Northwest Local School District
Demographic and Economic Statistics
Last Ten Calendar Years
Schedule 15

Calendar Year	Population (1)	Personal Income (Thousands of Dollars) (2)	Per Capita Personal Income (3)	Unemployment Rate (4)
2015	74,442	\$42,060,595	\$52,081	4.4%
2016	75,068	42,669,035	52,081	4.4%
2017	75,068	43,251,503	53,456	4.7%
2018	75,068	46,331,959	56,931	4.5%
2019	75,068	49,439,814	59,587	4.0%
2020	75,068	52,328,248	63,022	7.8%
2021	73,619	57,557,999	69,556	3.8%
2022	73,619	59,210,201	71,767	3.9%
2023	73,619	62,718,178	75,833	3.6%
2024	73,619	n/a	n/a	3.2%

Sources:

(1) Population estimates provided by U.S. Census Bureau

(2) Bureau of Economic Analysis Data. Information for Hamilton County

(3) State of Ohio Bureau of Employment Services Annual averages. Information for Hamilton County

(4) Ohio Department of Job and Family Services - Office of Workforce Development - Bureau of Labor Market Information -- Annual Average (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

n/a - Information not available

Northwest Local School District
Major Employers
Calendar Years 2023 and 2014
Schedule 16

2023			
Major Employers	Type	Number of Employees	Employer's Percentage of Total Employment
The Kroger Co	Trade	20,000	0.88%
Children's Hospital Medical Center	Medical	18,502	0.82%
Tri-Health Inc	Serv	12,096	0.53%
University of Cincinnati	Education	11,141	0.49%
St. Elizabeth Healthcare	Medical	10,353	0.46%
UC Health	Medical	9,816	0.43%
The Procter and Gamble Co	Mfg	9,700	0.43%
General Electric	Mfg	7,500	0.33%
Mercy Health	Medical	7,500	0.33%
Fifth Third Bancorp	Finance	7,000	0.31%
Total		113,608	5.02%
Total Metropolitan Statistical Area		2,261,665	

2014			
Major Employers	Type	Number of Employees	Employer's Percentage of Total Population
The Kroger Co	Trade	20,260	0.96%
University of Cincinnati	Education	15,651	0.75%
Cincinnati Children's Hospital	Medical	13,967	0.67%
Procter & Gamble Co	Mfg	12,000	0.57%
TriHealth Inc.	Serv	11,000	0.52%
UC Health	Medical	10,000	0.48%
Mercy Health Partners	Medical	8,956	0.43%
GE Aviation	Mfg	7,600	0.36%
Archdiocese of Cincinnati	Medical	7,500	0.36%
St Elizabeth Healthcare	Medical	7,423	0.35%
Total		114,357	5.45%
Total Metropolitan Statistical Area		2,100,000	

Source: City of Cincinnati Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for 2014 and 2023

Northwest Local School District
Full-Time Equivalent District Employees by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 17

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Office/Administration:					
Administrative Assistant	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Assistant, Deputy/Associate Superintendant	1.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0
Assistant Principal	11.0	13.0	16.0	16.0	14.5
Principal	10.0	14.0	0.0	13.0	13.5
Superintendant	1.0	2.0	12.0	1.0	1.0
Supervisor/Manager	8.0	7.0	1.0	20.1	18.5
Treasurer	1.5	1.0	9.0	1.0	1.0
Coordinator	0.0	1.3	1.0	3.0	3.3
Education Administrative Specialist	8.0	13.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
Director	2.0	2.0	10.0	8.0	7.3
Other Official/Administrative	0.0	1.0	2.0	0.0	1.0
Total Office/Administration	42.5	55.3	51.3	63.1	62.1
Professional Education:					
Curriculum Specialist	5.5	4.5	3.5	5.5	8.0
Counseling	12.0	15.0	16.0	14.0	19.0
Librarian/Media	3.0	6.0	7.0	5.0	4.0
Remedial Specialist	0.0	8.0	7.0	17.0	13.0
Tutor/Small Group Instructor	104.7	111.0	111.5	99.4	49.8
Special Education Supplemental Service Teacher	31.5	29.9	41.6	67.8	67.3
Teacher Mentor/Evaluator	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Teacher	440.6	464.5	459.5	435.4	459.5
Other Professional - Educational	20.5	29.0	25.5	24.5	8.3
Total Professional Education	617.8	668.9	671.6	668.5	628.8
Professional - Other					
Accounting	3.0	4.0	4.0	9.0	8.5
Dietitian/Nutritionist	1.0	2.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
Phsycologist	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Registered Nursing	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.7	12.7
Social Work	1.0	1.0	3.0	2.0	1.0
Speech and Language Therapist	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Professional - Other	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Professional - Other	8.0	9.0	10.0	13.7	22.2
Technical					
Computer Operating	6.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	5.0
Practical Nursing	14.4	16.5	15.5	13.3	3.0
Library Aide	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.7
Instructional Paraprofessional	37.9	38.4	56.9	177.1	153.5
Other Technical	3.0	3.0	2.0	20.3	20.2
Total Technical	67.3	69.9	86.4	220.8	188.4
Office/Clerical					
Bookkeeping	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.0	27.6
Clerical	58.7	61.7	59.9	25.2	20.5
Messenger	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.6
Teaching Aide	20.7	18.9	22.8	6.9	0.0
Telephone Operator	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.0
Parent Mentor	2.6	2.6	2.6	1.0	1.0
Other Office/Clerical	4.6	3.4	2.9	5.9	4.9
Total Office/Clerical	86.6	86.6	88.2	67.6	56.6

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Northwest Local School District
Full-Time Equivalent District Employees by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 17

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Office/Administration:					
Administrative Assistant	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9
Assistant, Deputy/Associate Superintendant	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Assistant Principal	13.0	13.0	14.1	15.4	16.0
Principal	13.0	13.0	12.0	10.8	10.8
Superintendant	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Supervisor/Manager	18.0	19.0	23.9	22.4	20.7
Treasurer	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Coordinator	1.0	1.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
Education Administrative Specialist	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Director	5.0	5.0	6.0	8.0	8.0
Other Official/Administrative	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Office/Administration	54.0	55.0	59.3	59.6	58.4
Professional Education:					
Curriculum Specialist	6.0	7.0	9.0	8.0	8.0
Counseling	23.0	23.0	32.0	32.0	32.0
Librarian/Media	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Remedial Specialist	16.0	2.0	22.8	22.9	20.4
Tutor/Small Group Instructor	41.0	40.0	20.7	20.1	18.0
Special Education Supplemental Service Teacher	69.0	76.0	89.7	80.5	80.1
Teacher Mentor/Evaluator	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Teacher	441.0	451.0	471.0	470.1	446.0
Other Professional - Educational	14.0	14.0	23.7	22.4	23.3
Total Professional Education	612.0	615.0	670.8	658.0	629.7
Professional - Other					
Accounting	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.5	9.9
Dietitian/Nutritionist	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Phsyscologist	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Registered Nursing	11.7	11.8	10.7	10.5	10.9
Social Work	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0
Speech and Language Therapist	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Professional - Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Professional - Other	21.7	21.8	20.7	22.1	21.8
Technical					
Computer Operating	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	6.5
Practical Nursing	8.0	6.2	7.3	4.0	4.0
Library Aide	7.0	7.0	6.7	8.0	7.9
Instructional Paraprofessional	121.1	125.8	138.6	119.7	116.1
Other Technical	19.0	20.0	19.9	18.2	16.5
Total Technical	160.1	164.0	177.4	155.0	150.9
Office/Clerical					
Bookkeeping	26.0	25.0	25.6	25.5	23.9
Clerical	17.0	17.0	16.8	16.5	18.7
Messenger	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Teaching Aide	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Telephone Operator	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Parent Mentor	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Office/Clerical	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Office/Clerical	44.6	42.6	43.1	42.6	43.2

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Northwest Local School District
Full-Time Equivalent District Employees by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 17 (continued)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Crafts and Trades					
Electrician	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Maintenance	6.0	7.0	6.0	11.0	8.0
Mechanic	6.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	4.7
Plumbing	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
Foreman	5.0	5.0	5.3	12.1	11.0
Other Crafts and Trades	2.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
Total Crafts and Trades	21.0	21.0	19.3	29.1	23.7
Transportation					
Vehicle Operating (buses)	57.2	56.1	57.5	60.5	4.3
Vehicle Operating (other than buses)	1.4	3.0	3.0	5.5	51.3
Total Transportation	58.6	59.1	60.5	66.1	55.6
Service Worker/Laborer					
Attendance Officer	1.7	2.9	3.5	0.0	0.0
Custodian	47.0	49.0	47.5	35.9	38.8
Food Service	61.8	64.9	62.6	70.8	59.7
Guard/Watchman	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Monitoring	11.2	11.9	13.3	7.6	0.6
Attendant	101.2	106.8	117.9	21.5	9.6
Total Service Worker/Laborer	222.9	235.5	244.8	135.7	109.1
Total Employees	1,124.7	1,205.3	1,232.1	1,264.5	1,146.6

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Source: School District records

Northwest Local School District
Full-Time Equivalent District Employees by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 17 (continued)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Crafts and Trades					
Electrician	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Maintenance	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
Mechanic	4.0	4.0	1.9	0.9	2.8
Plumbing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Foreman	10.3	11.0	11.6	12.3	12.0
Other Crafts and Trades	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Crafts and Trades	<u>21.3</u>	<u>22.0</u>	<u>20.4</u>	<u>20.3</u>	<u>21.8</u>
Transportation					
Vehicle Operating (buses)	4.0	4.5	50.6	47.0	41.9
Vehicle Operating (other than buses)	50.7	50.3	4.2	3.6	4.1
Total Transportation	<u>54.7</u>	<u>54.8</u>	<u>54.8</u>	<u>50.6</u>	<u>46.0</u>
Service Worker/Laborer					
Attendance Officer	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Custodian	37.0	35.9	35.5	34.7	33.5
Food Service	46.0	51.5	54.8	53.5	54.3
Guard/Watchman	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.8
Monitoring	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Attendant	9.0	9.3	7.3	6.9	6.4
Total Service Worker/Laborer	<u>93.5</u>	<u>98.7</u>	<u>99.5</u>	<u>97.2</u>	<u>96.9</u>
Total Employees	<u>1,061.9</u>	<u>1,073.9</u>	<u>1,146.1</u>	<u>1,105.3</u>	<u>1,068.7</u>

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Source: School District records

Northwest Local School District
Operating Statistics
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 18

Fiscal Year	Enrollment	Operating Expenditure (1)	Cost Per Pupil (2)	Percentage Change	Expenses (3)
2015	9,080	\$98,894,095	\$10,891	9.70%	\$97,200,290
2016	8,930	96,148,784	10,767	-1.14%	100,079,201
2017	8,723	101,492,608	11,635	8.06%	112,639,200
2018	8,805	102,239,232	11,611	-0.20%	64,381,975
2019	8,933	116,229,874	13,011	12.06%	111,502,557
2020	8,906	112,581,026	12,641	-2.85%	129,160,863
2021	8,251	117,322,746	14,219	12.48%	130,382,328
2022	8,479	122,994,579	14,506	2.02%	118,986,798
2023	8,513	116,397,987	13,673	-5.74%	127,329,290
2024	8,282	125,209,458	15,118	10.57%	133,321,118

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(1) Operating Expenditure is Total Expenditures minus Capital Outlay and Debt Service from Schedule 6

(2) Operating Expenditure by Enrollment

(3) Expenses are Total Expenses from Schedule 2

(4) Expenses by Enrollment

(5) Special Education Supplemental Service Teacher and Teacher Counts from Schedule 17

Source: School District records

Northwest Local School District
Operating Statistics
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 18

Cost Per Pupil (4)	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff (5)	Pupil- Teacher Ratio	Percentage of Students Receiving Free or Reduced-Price Meals
\$10,705	5.26%	472.10	19.2	45.00%
11,207	4.69%	495.40	18.0	52.00%
12,913	15.22%	501.10	17.4	54.00%
7,312	-43.37%	503.19	17.5	51.00%
12,482	70.71%	526.74	17.0	51.00%
14,503	16.19%	510.00	17.5	47.00%
15,802	8.96%	527.00	15.7	47.00%
14,033	-11.19%	560.70	15.1	40.55%
14,957	6.58%	550.57	15.5	49.62%
16,098	7.63%	526.04	15.7	60.86%

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(2) Operating Expenditure by Enrollment

(3) Expenses are Total Expenses from Schedule 2

(4) Expenses by Enrollment

(5) Special Education Supplemental Service Teacher and Teacher Counts from Schedule 17

Source: School District records

Northwest Local School District
School Building Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 19

School	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Elementary					
Colerain Elementary - 1923					
Square feet	84,934	84,934	84,934	84,934	84,934
Capacity (1)	850	850	850	850	850
Enrollment	942	944	904	945	616
Bevis Elementary - 1970					
Square feet	48,640	48,640	48,640	48,640	48,640
Capacity (1)	600	600	600	600	600
Enrollment	0	0	0	0	0
Houston Elementary - 1966					
Square feet	62,826	62,826	62,826	62,826	62,826
Capacity (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Enrollment	0	0	0	0	0
Monfort Heights Elementary - 2000					
Square feet	76,787	76,787	76,787	76,787	76,787
Capacity (1)	700	700	700	700	700
Enrollment	651	659	671	699	639
Pleasant Run Elementary - 1961					
Square feet	54,751	54,751	54,751	54,751	102,423
Capacity (1)	575	575	575	575	1,180
Enrollment	514	497	462	500	879
Struble Elementary - 1959					
Square feet	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	102,423
Capacity (1)	376	376	376	376	1,180
Enrollment	439	425	429	420	957
Taylor Elementary - 1960					
Square feet	56,262	56,262	56,262	56,262	102,423
Capacity (1)	525	525	525	525	1,180
Enrollment	575	571	562	564	890
Weigel Elementary - 1965					
Square feet	55,057	55,057	55,057	55,057	55,057
Capacity (1)	500	500	500	500	500
Enrollment	424	424	450	453	0
Welch Elementary - 1977					
Square feet	46,800	46,800	46,800	46,800	0
Capacity (1)	425	425	425	425	0
Enrollment	494	493	425	366	0

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Northwest Local School District
School Building Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 19

School	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Elementary					
Colerain Elementary - 1923					
Square feet	84,934	84,934	84,934	84,934	84,934
Capacity (1)	850	850	850	850	850
Enrollment	618	577	570	594	675
Bevis Elementary - 1970					
Square feet	48,640	48,640	48,640	48,640	48,640
Capacity (1)	600	600	600	600	600
Enrollment	0	0	0	0	0
Houston Elementary - 1966					
Square feet	62,826	62,826	62,826	62,826	62,826
Capacity (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Enrollment	0	0	0	0	0
Monfort Heights Elementary - 2000					
Square feet	76,787	76,787	76,787	76,787	76,787
Capacity (1)	700	700	700	700	700
Enrollment	586	538	503	500	584
Pleasant Run Elementary - 1961					
Square feet	102,423	102,423	102,423	102,423	102,423
Capacity (1)	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,180
Enrollment	852	836	898	934	818
Struble Elementary - 1959					
Square feet	102,423	102,423	102,423	102,423	102,423
Capacity (1)	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,180
Enrollment	937	870	842	895	812
Taylor Elementary - 1960					
Square feet	102,423	102,423	102,423	102,423	102,423
Capacity (1)	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,180
Enrollment	891	826	803	823	775
Weigel Elementary - 1965					
Square feet	55,057	55,057	55,057	55,057	55,057
Capacity (1)	500	500	500	500	500
Enrollment	0		0	0	0
Welch Elementary - 1977					
Square feet	0	0	0	0	0
Capacity (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Enrollment	0	0	0	0	0

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Northwest Local School District
School Building Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 19 (continued)

School	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Junior High School					
Colerain Middle - 1932					
Square feet	77,591	77,591	77,591	77,591	77,591
Capacity (1)	675	675	675	675	675
Enrollment	595	568	573	583	630
Pleasant Run Middle - 1969					
Square feet	108,230	108,230	108,230	108,230	108,230
Capacity (1)	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
Enrollment	709	707	710	731	765
White Oak Middle - 1961					
Square feet	81,950	81,950	81,950	81,950	81,950
Capacity (1)	735	735	735	735	735
Enrollment	754	759	728	737	772
High School					
Colerain High - 1964					
Square feet	193,768	193,768	193,768	193,768	193,768
Capacity (1)	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Enrollment	1,976	1,908	1,912	1,929	1,897
Northwest High - 1972					
Square feet	163,345	163,345	163,345	163,345	163,345
Capacity (1)	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250
Enrollment	1,007	975	897	878	888

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Northwest Local School District
School Building Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
Schedule 19 (continued)

School	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Junior High School					
Colerain Middle - 1932					
Square feet	77,591	77,591	77,591	77,591	77,591
Capacity (1)	675	675	675	675	675
Enrollment	624	580	545	584	552
Pleasant Run Middle - 1969					
Square feet	108,230	108,230	108,230	108,230	108,230
Capacity (1)	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
Enrollment	743	765	723	702	643
White Oak Middle - 1961					
Square feet	81,950	81,950	81,950	81,950	81,950
Capacity (1)	735	735	735	735	735
Enrollment	815	767	713	719	714
High School					
Colerain High - 1964					
Square feet	193,768	193,768	193,768	193,768	193,768
Capacity (1)	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
Enrollment	1,937	1,683	1,847	1,827	1,793
Northwest High - 1972					
Square feet	163,345	163,345	163,345	163,345	163,345
Capacity (1)	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250
Enrollment	903	809	873	935	916

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