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LAKEVIEW LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRUMBULL COUNTY

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024





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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Lakeview Local School District, Trumbull County, prepared by BHM CPA Group, 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. Lakeview Local School District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

KEITH FABER  
Ohio Auditor of State

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Chief Deputy Auditor

February 04, 2026

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Lakeview Local School District  
Trumbull County  
300 Hillman Drive  
Cortland, Ohio 44410

To the Board of Education:

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### ***Opinions***

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lakeview Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio (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 accompanying 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 Lakeview Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with the 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 (GAAS) 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 the 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 GAAS 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 GAAS 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, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions 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 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not 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 Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 31, 2025, 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.

*BHM CPA Group*

BHM CPA Group, Inc.  
Portsmouth, Ohio  
July 31, 2025

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It is a pleasure to present to you the financial picture of Lakeview Local School District (the “School District”). Included in these first few paragraphs and tables is the management’s view of how our School District is currently performing. It is intended that this presentation be an objective and easily read analysis of the overall financial condition of our School District. Please consider our comments along with the financial statements and notes to fully understand our School District’s finances.

### **Financial Highlights**

- Net position increased in fiscal year 2024 due mainly to increases in cash and cash equivalents, as well as changes in the net pension liability and related deferred outflows and inflows of resources. The decrease in capital assets was attributable to annual depreciation/amortization outpacing current year additions.
- The School District’s enrollment decreased slightly from 1,527 students in fiscal year 2023 to 1,515 students in fiscal year 2024.
- The School District purchased a band audio system upgrade and a new chiller for the high school in fiscal year 2024.
- The School District’s outstanding long-term obligations consist of the unlimited tax general obligation bonds, a financed purchase and leases.

### **Using this Annual Financial Report**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes pertaining 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 explain 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 non-major funds presented in total in one column. The most significant funds of the School District are the general fund and the bond retirement debt service fund.

### **Reporting the School District as a Whole**

#### *Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities*

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the School District to provide programs and activities, the view of the School District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, “How did we do financially during 2024?” The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include *all non-fiduciary 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. Accrual accounting takes into account all of the current year’s revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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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 that, for the School District as a whole, the *financial position* of the School District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, the School District's performance, required educational programs, demographic and socio-economic factors, the willingness of the community to support the School District and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, all of the School District's programs are classified as governmental activities. All programs and services of the School District are reported here including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, food service operation and extracurricular activities.

### **Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds**

#### *Fund Financial Statements*

The analysis of the School District's major governmental funds begins on page 11. Fund financial reports 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. The School District's major governmental funds are the general fund and the bond retirement debt service fund.

#### *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 that are available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using the *modified accrual* accounting method that 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.

***Fiduciary Funds*** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the School District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources from these funds are not available to support the School District's programs. These funds use the accrual basis of accounting. The School District's only fiduciary fund is custodial.

### **The School District as a Whole**

Recall that the *Statement of Net Position* provides the perspective of the School District as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of net position as of June 30, 2024 as compared to June 30, 2023.

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(Table 1)  
 Net Position  
 Governmental Activities

	2024	2023	Change
<b>Assets</b>			
Current and Other Assets	\$19,172,555	\$15,413,950	\$3,758,605
Net OPEB Asset	1,178,411	1,653,467	(475,056)
Capital Assets, Net	<u>28,111,218</u>	<u>28,579,062</u>	<u>(467,844)</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>48,462,184</u>	<u>45,646,479</u>	<u>2,815,705</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Pension	3,120,418	3,985,033	(864,615)
OPEB	<u>568,909</u>	<u>340,844</u>	<u>228,065</u>
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<u>3,689,327</u>	<u>4,325,877</u>	<u>(636,550)</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Current Liabilities	2,129,818	1,806,163	(323,655)
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due within One Year	619,535	535,481	(84,054)
Due in More than One Year:			
Net Pension Liability	16,037,066	17,460,010	1,422,944
Net OPEB Liability	917,362	868,388	(48,974)
Other Amounts	<u>22,772,423</u>	<u>22,993,887</u>	<u>221,464</u>
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>42,476,204</u>	<u>43,663,929</u>	<u>1,187,725</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Property Taxes	11,526,059	9,611,876	(1,914,183)
Pension	1,990,994	1,891,167	(99,827)
OPEB	<u>2,007,215</u>	<u>2,526,857</u>	<u>519,642</u>
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>15,524,268</u>	<u>14,029,900</u>	<u>(1,494,368)</u>
<b>Net Position</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	6,526,102	6,744,915	(218,813)
Restricted for:			
Capital Projects	1,381,389	1,329,175	52,214
Debt Service	291,851	251,291	40,560
OPEB Plans	1,178,411	352,507	825,904
Other Purposes	1,210,063	1,028,764	181,299
Unrestricted (Deficit)	<u>(16,436,777)</u>	<u>(17,428,125)</u>	<u>991,348</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u>(\$5,848,961)</u>	<u>(\$7,721,473)</u>	<u>\$1,872,512</u>

The net pension liability (NPL) is one of the largest single liabilities reported by the School District at June 30, 2024. GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the “employment exchange” – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and other postemployment benefits. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee, and should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, the School District is not responsible for certain key

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factors affecting the balance of these liabilities. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by State statute. A change in these caps requires action of both Houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by State statute. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension/OPEB asset/liability. As explained above, changes in benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of these liabilities, but are outside the control of the local government. In the event that contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension/OPEB asset/liability are satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. For the School District, total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceed total assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$5,848,961 in fiscal year 2024 and \$7,721,473 in fiscal year 2023.

A large portion of the School District's net position reflects "Net Investment in Capital Assets" (i.e. land, buildings, improvements, furniture, fixtures, vehicles, lease equipment and subscriptions) less any related debt to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The School District uses these capital assets to provide services to its students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the School District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The School District continues to provide the services that the School District residents expect while maintaining the costs of providing those services. The most dramatic changes were to current assets, capital assets, net and the net pension/OPEB asset/liability as noted previously. Current assets increased due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents resulting from an increase in property taxes revenue as the School District saw an increase in assessed values. Capital assets decreased due to annual depreciation/amortization exceeding the current year additions. Other long-term liabilities decreased by principal payments on debt obligations during the fiscal year.

In order to further understand what makes up the changes in net position for the current year, the following table gives readers further details regarding the results of activities for fiscal years 2024 and 2024.

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(Table 2)  
 Changes in Net Position  
 Governmental Activities

	2024	2023	Change
<i>Program Revenues</i>			
Charges for Services and Sales	\$858,698	\$797,370	\$61,328
Operating Grants, Contributions and Interest	1,999,007	2,389,692	(390,685)
Capital Grants and Contributions	16,565	0	16,565
<i>Total Program Revenues</i>	<u>2,874,270</u>	<u>3,187,062</u>	<u>(312,792)</u>
<i>General Revenues</i>			
Property Taxes	10,868,186	9,515,894	1,352,292
Grants and Entitlements	7,526,810	7,104,741	422,069
Unrestricted Contributions	20,939	11,751	9,188
Investment Earnings/Interest	270,592	164,106	106,486
Miscellaneous	59,045	27,864	31,181
<i>Total General Revenues</i>	<u>18,745,572</u>	<u>16,824,356</u>	<u>1,921,216</u>
<b><i>Total Revenues</i></b>	<b><u>21,619,842</u></b>	<b><u>20,011,418</u></b>	<b><u>1,608,424</u></b>
<i>Program Expenses</i>			
Instruction	11,111,049	11,458,544	347,495
Support Services:			
Pupils	878,887	832,811	(46,076)
Instructional Staff	355,034	328,189	(26,845)
Board of Education	55,100	60,644	5,544
Administration	1,744,538	1,763,617	19,079
Fiscal	429,457	438,232	8,775
Business	36,873	58,689	21,816
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,630,313	2,163,543	533,230
Pupil Transportation	957,991	596,470	(361,521)
Central	288,846	279,604	(9,242)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,183	923	(3,260)
Operation of Food Service	649,961	600,283	(49,678)
Extracurricular Activities	753,862	778,851	24,989
Interest	851,236	862,346	11,110
<b><i>Total Program Expenses</i></b>	<b><u>19,747,330</u></b>	<b><u>20,222,746</u></b>	<b><u>475,416</u></b>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	1,872,512	(211,328)	2,083,840
<i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>	<u>(7,721,473)</u>	<u>(7,510,145)</u>	<u>(211,328)</u>
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>	<u>(\$5,848,961)</u>	<u>(\$7,721,473)</u>	<u>\$1,872,512</u>

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***Governmental Activities***

The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for operating funds. The overall revenue generated by a voted levy does not increase solely as a result of inflation. It increases as a result of new construction or collection from a new voted levy. Although school districts experience inflationary growth in expenses, tax revenue does not keep pace with the increased expenses due to House Bill 920. 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 this inflationary increase in value is comparable to other property owners) the effective tax rate would become .5 mills and the owner would still pay \$35.00 and the School District would collect the same dollar value the levy generated in the year it passed. The 10 percent rollback on all residential/agricultural property and the 2.5 percent rollback on all owner occupied homes would reduce the amount of taxes paid. Thus 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.

Revenue is divided into two major components: program revenues and general revenues. Program revenues are defined as fees, restricted grants and charges for services that are program specific. General revenues include taxes and unrestricted grants such as State Foundation support.

Program revenues decreased for governmental activities in fiscal year 2024 attributable to lower operating grants, contributions and interest due to a reduction in COVID related grants provided to the School District. This decrease was partially offset by an increase in charges for services resulting from higher food service charges and an increase in extracurricular activities revenue. General revenues increased in fiscal year 2024 resulting mainly from increases in State Foundation funding and property taxes due to an increase in assessed values. Investment earnings/interest revenue increased due to higher cash balances and an upturn in economic conditions, resulting in a greater return on investments.

The *Statement of Activities* shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services for 2024 compared to 2023. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State entitlements.

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(Table 3)  
 Total and Net Cost of Program Services  
 Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services 2024	Net Cost of Services 2024	Total Cost of Services 2023	Net Cost of Services 2023
Instruction	11,111,049	9,610,353	\$11,458,544	\$9,747,007
Support Services:				
Pupils and Instructional Staff	1,233,921	1,021,374	1,161,000	942,360
Board of Education and Administration	1,799,638	1,799,638	1,824,261	1,824,261
Fiscal and Business	466,330	466,330	496,921	496,921
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,630,313	1,578,261	2,163,543	1,912,004
Pupil Transportation	957,991	957,651	596,470	595,820
Central	288,846	282,853	279,604	274,204
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,183	4,183	923	923
Operation of Food Service	649,961	(24,351)	600,283	(34,727)
Extracurricular Activities	753,862	325,532	778,851	414,565
Interest	851,236	851,236	862,346	862,346
<i>Total Expenses</i>	<i>\$19,747,330</i>	<i>\$16,873,060</i>	<i>\$20,222,746</i>	<i>\$17,035,684</i>

The School District's dependence upon general revenues for governmental activities is apparent from Table 3. The majority of expenses are supported through taxes and other general revenues.

### **The School District's Funds**

Information about the School District's major funds, the general fund and bond retirement debt service fund, starts with the balance sheet. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The general fund balance increased due mainly to an increase in property taxes revenue due to an increase in assessed values as well as higher investment earnings/interest revenue. The bond retirement fund saw an increase in fund balance as the levy proceeds and corresponding homestead and rollback collections continued to outpace annual debt payments.

### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The School District's appropriations are prepared according to Ohio law and are based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The general fund is the most significant fund and is appropriated at the fund level.

For the general fund, actual revenues were less than the final estimated revenues. This change was mainly attributed to less than estimated intergovernmental revenues.

Actual expenditures were under final budgeted appropriations as a result of careful monitoring and budgeting on the School District's part to keep expenditures down.

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## **Capital Assets and Debt**

### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets decreased during fiscal year 2024 due to annual depreciation/amortization exceeding current year additions. Current year additions included a new chiller at the high school and a band audio system upgrade. For more information about the School District's capital assets, see Note 12 to the basic financial statements.

### **Debt**

For fiscal year 2024, the School District's debt obligations consisted of the 2015 unlimited tax bonds, a financed purchase and leases payable. In 2015, the School District issued \$23,815,000 in voted general obligation bonds for the purpose of constructing a new elementary/middle school. The School District has a financed purchase agreement for a school bus. The School District has lease agreements for copiers. The School District's overall debt margin was \$15,971,950 with an unvoted debt margin of \$410,114 at June 30, 2024. For more information about the School District's debt obligations, see Note 13 to the basic financial statements.

### **Current Issues**

***The Community*** The Lakeview Local School District is a suburban residential community; it encompasses more than twenty-five square miles and serves the City of Cortland and Bazetta Township, located in Trumbull County, Ohio, which is in the northeast area of the State. Lakeview Local School District is in transition; our demographics are changing, and we are experiencing a shrinking economic base. Approximately thirty percent of our students are on free/reduced lunch. This is a significant increase over the past few years. School District facilities include Lakeview High School (grades 9-12) the Lakeview PK-8 School (grades PK-8), athletic fields (baseball, soccer, football), two running tracks (one of which is all weather), a maintenance garage, a transportation garage, and an outdoor land laboratory. Lakeview High School has been recognized by U.S. News and World Report's High Schools of Distinction as a Silver Level for academic achievement. Lakeview High School is a comprehensive high school enrolling approximately 600 students in grades nine through twelve. The high school opened in the fall of 1961 and an addition was added to the south end of the building in 1971. The 1995 additions and renovations include a media/technology complex, auditorium, art complex, and student parking lot.

***College Attendance History*** Lakeview students continuing their education after high school have attended schools such as: US Merchant Marine Academy, Miami University, University of Pittsburgh, Ohio State University, University of Toledo, University of Cincinnati, Cleveland State University, among other quality public, private, career and technical schools.

***Athletic Programs*** With 18 varsity sports, Lakeview High School is a member of the NE-8 Conference. Lakeview has won 40+ league titles (NE-8, AAC, & TAC-8) and OHSAA District titles in Boys/Girls Soccer, Boys Cross Country, and Boys/Girls Track and Field. Lakeview High School has sent scholarship athletes on to bowling, cross-country, football, basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, swimming, and track teams. Of our alumni, one is also a professional women's golfer on the LPGA and another is a former NFL football player.

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*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024*  
*Unaudited*

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**Fine Arts Programs** Lakeview High School also has award-winning instrumental, visual, and vocal music programs. Both our Choir and Band have won several Superior ratings at the Ohio Music Educators' Association District, Regional, and State Music Contests. Our Marching Band has been featured at Youngstown State University and has performed in Chicago and Disney World. Lakeview has also produced many music majors, band, and choir teachers over the years. In August 2011, one of our grads was a technical theater assistant at Julliard. Our visual arts program competes in various local and regional art shows throughout the school year. Several of our art students win college scholarships and our Drama Club has also worked on several musicals and plays, each performance entertaining parents and community members alike.

**Our Staff and Students** Our staff is committed to excellence, as they work to prepare our students to achieve their future educational and career goals. 86 percent of our staff has a Master's degree and 100 percent of our courses are taught by teachers who are certified in the subject area. Our students are encouraged to strive for excellence every day: in the classroom, on the athletic fields, and in the community. As our students work to begin their future, they leave Lakeview ready to face the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy.

**College Credit Plus Program** We offer several college courses taught by college faculty based in our high school. We partner with Youngstown State University, Eastern Gateway Community College, and Kent State Trumbull.

#### **Contacting the School District's Financial Management**

These financial reports and discussions are designed to provide our students, citizens, taxpayers, and creditors with a complete disclosure of the School District's finances and to demonstrate a high degree of accountability for the public dollars entrusted to us. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, please write to the Treasurer, Lakeview Local School District, 300 Hillman Drive, Cortland, Ohio 44410 or call (330) 638-1060.

**Lakeview Local School District**

*Statement of Net Position*

*June 30, 2024*

	Governmental Activities
<b>Assets</b>	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$5,881,815
Accounts Receivable	1,960
Intergovernmental Receivable	1,142,767
Prepaid Items	21,493
Inventory Held for Resale	20,627
Materials and Supplies Inventory	29,576
Property Taxes Receivable	12,074,317
Net OPEB Asset (See Note 17)	1,178,411
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	510,300
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	<u>27,600,918</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>48,462,184</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Pension	3,120,418
OPEB	<u>568,909</u>
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<u>3,689,327</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	175,832
Contracts Payable	101,100
Accrued Wages Payable	1,272,223
Intergovernmental Payable	363,771
Matured Leases Payable	3,483
Matured Interest Payable	399
Accrued Interest Payable	142,829
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	51,778
Matured Special Termination Benefits Payable	5,000
Unearned Revenue	13,403
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	619,535
Due In More Than One Year:	
Net Pension Liability (See Note 16)	16,037,066
Net OPEB Liability (See Note 17)	917,362
Other Amounts	<u>22,772,423</u>
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>42,476,204</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Property Taxes	11,526,059
Pension	1,990,994
OPEB	<u>2,007,215</u>
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>15,524,268</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	6,526,102
Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	1,381,389
Debt Service	291,851
OPEB Plans	1,178,411
Other Purposes	1,210,063
Unrestricted (Deficit)	<u>(16,436,777)</u>
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<u><u>(\$5,848,961)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Lakeview Local School District**  
*Statement of Activities*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024*

	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants, Contributions and Interest	Capital Grants and Contributions	
			Governmental Activities		
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Instruction:					
Regular	\$8,195,913	\$69,461	\$311,529	\$0	(\$7,814,923)
Special	2,904,902	21,221	1,098,390	0	(1,785,291)
Student Intervention Services	10,234	95	0	0	(10,139)
Support Services:					
Pupils	878,887	0	95,726	0	(783,161)
Instructional Staff	355,034	0	116,821	0	(238,213)
Board of Education	55,100	0	0	0	(55,100)
Administration	1,744,538	0	0	0	(1,744,538)
Fiscal	429,457	0	0	0	(429,457)
Business	36,873	0	0	0	(36,873)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,630,313	7,152	28,335	16,565	(1,578,261)
Pupil Transportation	957,991	0	340	0	(957,651)
Central	288,846	0	5,993	0	(282,853)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,183	0	0	0	(4,183)
Operation of Food Services	649,961	339,676	334,636	0	24,351
Extracurricular Activities	753,862	421,093	7,237	0	(325,532)
Interest	851,236	0	0	0	(851,236)
<i>Totals</i>	<i><u>\$19,747,330</u></i>	<i><u>\$858,698</u></i>	<i><u>\$1,999,007</u></i>	<i><u>\$16,565</u></i>	<i><u>(16,873,060)</u></i>
 <b>General Revenues</b>					
Property Taxes Levied for:					
General Purposes					9,214,317
Classroom Facilities Maintenance					133,378
Debt Service					1,224,233
Capital Outlay					296,258
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs					
					7,526,810
Unrestricted Contributions					20,939
Investment Earnings/Interest					270,592
Miscellaneous					59,045
<i>Total General Revenues</i>					
					<i><u>18,745,572</u></i>
Change in Net Position					
					1,872,512
<i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>					
					<i><u>(7,721,473)</u></i>
<i>Net Position End of Year</i>					
					<i><u>(\$5,848,961)</u></i>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Lakeview Local School District**

*Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2024*

	General	Bond Retirement	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,561,618	\$679,311	\$2,640,886	\$5,881,815
Accounts Receivable	0	0	1,960	1,960
Intergovernmental Receivable	32,288	0	1,110,479	1,142,767
Interfund Receivable	1,040,085	0	0	1,040,085
Prepaid Items	20,965	0	528	21,493
Inventory Held for Resale	0	0	20,627	20,627
Materials and Supplies Inventory	24,751	0	4,825	29,576
Property Taxes Receivable	10,295,948	1,316,386	461,983	12,074,317
<i>Total Assets</i>	<b>\$13,975,655</b>	<b>\$1,995,697</b>	<b">\$4,241,288</b">	<b>\$20,212,640</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$131,991	\$0	\$43,841	\$175,832
Contracts Payable	0	0	101,100	101,100
Accrued Wages Payable	1,128,330	0	143,893	1,272,223
Intergovernmental Payable	336,833	0	26,938	363,771
Matured Leases Payable	3,483	0	0	3,483
Matured Interest Payable	399	0	0	399
Interfund Payable	0	0	1,040,085	1,040,085
Matured Compensated Absences Payable	51,778	0	0	51,778
Matured Special Termination Benefits Payable	5,000	0	0	5,000
Unearned Revenue	0	0	13,403	13,403
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<b>1,657,814</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,369,260</b>	<b>3,027,074</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>				
Property Taxes	9,833,548	1,252,328	440,183	11,526,059
Unavailable Revenue	450,925	57,995	564,697	1,073,617
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<b>10,284,473</b>	<b>1,310,323</b>	<b>1,004,880</b>	<b>12,599,676</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>				
Nonspendable	45,716	0	5,353	51,069
Restricted	0	685,374	2,458,110	3,143,484
Assigned	1,259,039	0	0	1,259,039
Unassigned (Deficit)	728,613	0	(596,315)	132,298
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<b>2,033,368</b>	<b>685,374</b>	<b>1,867,148</b>	<b>4,585,890</b>
<i>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances</i>	<b>\$13,975,655</b>	<b>\$1,995,697</b>	<b>\$4,241,288</b>	<b>\$20,212,640</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Lakeview Local School District**  
*Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to  
 Net Position of Governmental Activities*  
*June 30, 2024*

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<b>Total Governmental Fund Balances</b>	\$4,585,890
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:</i>	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	28,111,218
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are reported as unavailable revenue in the funds.	
Delinquent Property Taxes	496,369
Intergovernmental	544,960
Tuition and Fees	<u>32,288</u>
Total	1,073,617
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due.	(142,829)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	
General Obligation Bonds	(21,623,689)
Financed Purchase	(71,187)
Leases Payable	(77,318)
Compensated Absences	<u>(1,619,764)</u>
Total	(23,391,958)
The net pension liability and net OPEB asset/liability is not due and payable in the current period; therefore, the asset/liability and related deferred inflows/outflows are not reported in governmental funds.	
Net OPEB Asset	1,178,411
Deferred Outflows - Pension	3,120,418
Deferred Outflows - OPEB	568,909
Net Pension Liability	(16,037,066)
Net OPEB Liability	(917,362)
Deferred Inflows - Pension	(1,990,994)
Deferred Inflows - OPEB	<u>(2,007,215)</u>
Total	<u>(16,084,899)</u>
<i>Net Position of Governmental Activities</i>	<u><u>(\$5,848,961)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Lakeview Local School District**  
*Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances*  
*Governmental Funds*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024*

	General	Bond Retirement	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				
Property Taxes	\$9,168,759	\$1,224,396	\$428,525	\$10,821,680
Intergovernmental	7,922,746	34,288	1,157,782	9,114,816
Investment Earnings/Interest	270,592	0	14,806	285,398
Tuition and Fees	113,786	0	0	113,786
Extracurricular Activities	140,549	0	280,544	421,093
Contributions and Donations	20,939	0	31,857	52,796
Charges for Services	0	0	339,676	339,676
Rentals	7,152	0	0	7,152
Miscellaneous	59,705	0	0	59,705
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<i>17,704,228</i>	<i>1,258,684</i>	<i>2,253,190</i>	<i>21,216,102</i>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	7,321,774	0	312,250	7,634,024
Special	2,225,084	0	708,497	2,933,581
Student Intervention Services	10,234	0	0	10,234
Support Services:				
Pupils	780,977	0	89,373	870,350
Instructional Staff	261,153	0	112,190	373,343
Board of Education	55,100	0	0	55,100
Administration	1,837,529	0	0	1,837,529
Fiscal	464,623	19,381	6,885	490,889
Business	15,263	0	0	15,263
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,613,005	0	325,619	1,938,624
Pupil Transportation	924,359	0	360	924,719
Central	289,553	0	5,993	295,546
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	4,183	0	0	4,183
Operation of Food Services	0	0	640,567	640,567
Extracurricular Activities	430,196	0	245,704	675,900
Capital Outlay	7,994	0	158,040	166,034
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	28,636	350,000	28,764	407,400
Interest	2,656	861,350	0	864,006
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<i>16,272,319</i>	<i>1,230,731</i>	<i>2,634,242</i>	<i>20,137,292</i>
<i>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</i>	<i>1,431,909</i>	<i>27,953</i>	<i>(381,052)</i>	<i>1,078,810</i>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Inception of Subscription	7,994	0	28,764	36,758
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<i>1,439,903</i>	<i>27,953</i>	<i>(352,288)</i>	<i>1,115,568</i>
<i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>	<i>593,465</i>	<i>657,421</i>	<i>2,219,436</i>	<i>3,470,322</i>
<i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>	<i>\$2,033,368</i>	<i>\$685,374</i>	<i>\$1,867,148</i>	<i>\$4,585,890</i>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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

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**Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds** \$1,115,568

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation/amortization expense. This is the amount by which depreciation/amortization exceeded capital outlay in the current period.

Capital Asset Additions	399,252
Current Year Depreciation/Amortization	<u>(867,096)</u>
Total	(467,844)

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

Delinquent Property Taxes	46,506
Intergovernmental	380,903
Tuition and Fees	(23,009)
Miscellaneous	<u>(660)</u>
Total	403,740

Other financing sources in the governmental funds, such as inception of subscription, increase long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. (36,758)

Repayment of long-term obligations are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net position. 407,400

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 the governmental funds.

Accrued Interest	1,459
Amortization of Premium	<u>11,311</u>
Total	12,770

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. (244,543)

Contractually required contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of net position reports these amounts as deferred outflows.

Pension	1,420,479
OPEB	<u>37,835</u>
Total	1,458,314

Except for amounts reported deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) are reported as pension/OPEB expense in the statement of activities.

Pension	(961,977)
OPEB	<u>185,842</u>
Total	<u>(776,135)</u>

*Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities* \$1,872,512

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Lakeview Local School District**  
*Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes  
 In Fund Balance - Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual  
 General Fund*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024*

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	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	
<b>Revenues</b>				
Property Taxes	\$8,455,619	\$8,852,802	\$9,147,133	\$294,331
Intergovernmental	7,178,312	8,388,194	7,925,251	(462,943)
Interest	249,109	184,612	270,592	85,980
Tuition and Fees	104,752	130,337	112,290	(18,047)
Extracurricular Activities	129,390	152,768	140,549	(12,219)
Contributions and Donations	14,396	1,418	15,638	14,220
Rentals	6,584	648	7,152	6,504
Miscellaneous	3,856	23,801	47,753	23,952
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>16,142,018</u>	<u>17,734,580</u>	<u>17,666,358</u>	<u>(68,222)</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	7,482,638	7,352,477	7,285,958	66,519
Special	2,578,329	2,436,851	2,307,049	129,802
Student Intervention Services	19,581	20,025	10,234	9,791
Support Services:				
Pupils	983,846	933,585	789,918	143,667
Instructional Staff	298,074	304,840	283,462	21,378
Board of Education	46,250	55,100	55,100	0
Administration	1,799,223	1,840,061	1,839,965	96
Fiscal	507,708	519,232	493,017	26,215
Business	54,538	55,776	47,468	8,308
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	1,805,785	2,419,365	2,419,365	0
Pupil Transportation	1,187,566	1,214,521	1,129,548	84,973
Central	346,814	346,886	321,495	25,391
Extracurricular Activities	512,532	524,165	442,108	82,057
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>17,622,884</u>	<u>18,022,884</u>	<u>17,424,687</u>	<u>598,197</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(1,480,866)	(288,304)	241,671	529,975
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	1,937,567	1,937,567	1,937,567	0
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	22,884	22,884	22,884	0
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$479,585</u>	<u>\$1,672,147</u>	<u>\$2,202,122</u>	<u>\$529,975</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Lakeview Local School District**  
*Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position*  
*Custodial Fund*  
*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024*

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**Additions**

Extracurricular Activities	\$1,460
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**Deductions**

Distributions to Ohio High School Athletic Association	<u>1,460</u>
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<i>Change in Net Position</i>	0
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<i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>	<u>0</u>
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<i>Net Position End of Year</i>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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

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## **Note 1 - Description of the School District and Reporting Entity**

Lakeview Local School District (the “School District”) is organized under Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. The School District operates under a locally elected five-member Board form of government and provides educational services as mandated by State and federal agencies. The Board of Education controls the School District’s two instructional/support facilities staffed by 60 classified employees, 101 certificated full and part-time employees, and 10 administrators who provide services to 1,515 students and other community members.

### *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 primary government of the School District consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For Lakeview Local School District, this includes the agencies and departments that provide the following services: general operations, food service and student related activities of the School District.

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 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 primary government. The School District has no component units.

The School District participates in three public entity pools and two jointly governed organizations. These organizations are the Ohio School Boards Association Workers’ Compensation Group Rating Program, Ohio School Plan, the Trumbull County School Employees Insurance Benefits Consortium, the Trumbull Career and Technical Center and the Northeast Ohio Management Information Network. These organizations are presented in Notes 14 and 15 to the basic financial statements.

## **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 more 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.

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

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**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 primary government. These 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 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 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. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

### **Fund Accounting**

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

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

**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 and reported 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.

**Bond Retirement Fund** The bond retirement fund accounts for and reports property tax revenues that are restricted for payment of principal and interest on general obligation debt.

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

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**Fiduciary Fund Type** Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into the following four classifications: pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and custodial funds. Trust funds are distinguished from custodial funds by the existence of a trust agreement or equivalent arrangements that has certain characteristics. The School District does not have any trust funds. Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in a trust fund. The School District's only custodial fund accounts for monies received for athletic tournaments held on behalf of the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

#### **Measurement Focus**

**Government-wide Financial Statements** The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all 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 (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., 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 deferred outflows of resources 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 (e.g., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (e.g., 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, fiduciary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of fund net position. In fiduciary funds, a liability to the beneficiaries of fiduciary activity is recognized when an event has occurred that compels the government to disburse fiduciary resources. Fiduciary fund liabilities other than those to beneficiaries are recognized using the economic resources measurement focus.

Fiduciary funds present a statement of changes in fiduciary net position which reports additions to and deductions from the custodial fund.

#### **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 statements presented for the fiduciary fund 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 basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred outflows/inflows 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. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the School District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year-end.

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Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied (See Note 10). 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 fiscal year-end: property taxes available as an advance, interest, tuition, grants, fees and rentals.

***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 represent 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. For the School District, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the government-wide statement of net position for pension and OPEB plans. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are explained in Notes 16 and 17.

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, pension, OPEB, and unavailable revenue. 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 governmental fund financial statements. Unavailable revenue is reported only on the governmental funds balance sheet and represents receivables which will not be collected within the available period. For the School District, unavailable revenue includes delinquent property taxes, intergovernmental revenues, tuition and fees and miscellaneous revenue. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available. The details of these unavailable revenues are identified on the Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position of Governmental Activities fund on page 17. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. (See Notes 16 and 17).

***Expenses/Expenditures*** On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities used during the year is reported on the operating statement as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental revenue. Unused donated commodities are reported as inventory held for resale.

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 governmental funds.

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***Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)***

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability (asset), 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.

***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this 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". The School District had no investments during the fiscal year or at fiscal year-end.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund. Investment earnings/interest credited to the general fund during 2024 amounted to \$270,592 which includes \$146,297 assigned from other School District funds.

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.

***Prepaid Items***

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2024, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method by recording a current asset for the prepaid amount and reflecting the expenditure/expense in the year in which the services are consumed.

***Inventory***

Inventories of supplies are reported at cost on a first-in, first out basis and inventories held for resale are presented at the lower of cost or market value and donated commodities are presented at their entitlement value. Inventories are expended/expensed when used. Inventories consist of materials and supplies held for consumption and purchased food held for resale.

***Capital Assets***

The School District's only capital assets are general capital assets. 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.

All capital assets (except for intangible right-to-use lease assets and subscription assets which are discussed below) are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values as of the date received. The School District's capitalization threshold is \$5,000. 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.

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

Description	Estimated Lives
<b>Tangible Assets</b>	
Land Improvements	20 years
Buildings and Improvements	50 years
Furniture and Fixtures	5 - 30 years
Vehicles	8 years
<b>Intangible Right to Use Assets</b>	
Intangible Right to Use - Equipment	5 years
Intangible Right to Use - Subscriptions	3 years

The School District is reporting intangible right to use assets related to lease assets and subscription assets. The lease assets include equipment and represent nonfinancial assets which are being utilized for a period of time through leases from another entity. Subscription assets represent intangible right to use assets related to the use of another party's IT software. These intangible right to use assets are being amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the lease/subscription term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

#### ***Leases Payable***

The School District serves as lessee in various noncancelable leases. At the commencement of a lease, the School District initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset. Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

#### ***Subscription Payable***

The School District is reporting Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs) for various noncancelable IT software contracts. At the commencement of the subscription term, the School District initially measures the subscription liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the subscription term. Subsequently, the subscription liability is reduced by the principal portion of subscription payments made. The subscription asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the subscription liability, adjusted for subscription payments made at the commencement of the subscription term, plus certain initial implementation costs. Subsequently, the subscription asset is amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the subscription term or the useful life of the underlying IT asset. Subscription assets are reported with other capital assets and subscription payables are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position. The subscriptions were fully paid off in fiscal year 2024.

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***Interfund Balances***

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

***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 employer 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.

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 with more than one year of service.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

On the governmental fund financial statements, compensated absences are recognized as a liability and expenditure 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 funds from which the employee who has accumulated unpaid leave is paid.

***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, and are reported as obligations of the funds; however, claims and judgments and compensated absences 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. Net pension/OPEB liabilities should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits. Bonds, financed purchase and leases payable are recognized as a liability on the governmental fund financial statements when due.

***Bond Premiums***

On the government-wide financial statements, bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight line method. Bond premiums are presented as an increase of the face amount of the general obligation bonds payable. On the fund financial statements, bond premiums are received in the year the bonds are issued. Under Ohio law, premiums on the original issuance of debt are to be deposited to the bond retirement fund to be used for debt retirement and are precluded from being applied to the project fund.

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***Unearned Revenue***

Unearned revenue represents amounts under the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting for which asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not yet been met because such amounts have not yet been earned. The School District recognizes unearned revenue for intergovernmental revenue from grants received before the eligibility requirements are met.

***Fund Balance***

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the School 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 spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in 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.

***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 includes the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. These assigned balances are established by the School District Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the School District Board of Education or by State statute. State statute authorizes the Treasurer to assign fund balances for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated. The Board of Education assigned fund balance for school support.

***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 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.

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***Net Position***

Net position represents the difference between all other elements in a statement of financial position. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization, 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 their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. Restricted net position for OPEB plans represents the corresponding restricted asset amounts held in trust by the OPEB plans for future benefits. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, instruction, support services and extracurricular activities.

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

***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.

***Budgetary Data***

All funds, except 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, 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 set annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board of Education at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary modifications at this level require a resolution of the Board of Education. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level are made by the Treasurer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the School District Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original and final budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts in the certificate when the original and final appropriations were adopted.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment by the Board throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations may not exceed estimated revenues. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried over from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

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**Note 3 – 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 government funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

Fund Balances	General	Bond Retirement	Other Governmental Funds	Total
<b><i>Nonspendable</i></b>				
Prepaid Items	\$20,965	\$0	\$528	\$21,493
Materials and Supplies Inventory	24,751	0	4,825	29,576
<i>Total Nonspendable</i>	<i>45,716</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>5,353</i>	<i>51,069</i>
<b><i>Restricted for</i></b>				
Athletics and Music	0	0	84,054	84,054
School Maintenance	0	0	672,856	672,856
College Scholarships	0	0	16,892	16,892
Food Service	0	0	335,250	335,250
Instructional Programs	0	0	21,522	21,522
Student Activities	0	0	77,358	77,358
Debt Service Payments	0	685,374	0	685,374
Capital Improvements	0	0	1,250,178	1,250,178
<i>Total Restricted</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>685,374</i>	<i>2,458,110</i>	<i>3,143,484</i>
<b><i>Assigned to</i></b>				
School Support	19,762	0	0	19,762
Purchases on Order:				
Instruction	50,566	0	0	50,566
Support Services	1,174,711	0	0	1,174,711
Extracurricular Activities	14,000	0	0	14,000
<i>Total Assigned</i>	<i>1,259,039</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1,259,039</i>
<b><i>Unassigned (Deficit)</i></b>	<b><i>728,613</i></b>	<b><i>0</i></b>	<b><i>(596,315)</i></b>	<b><i>132,298</i></b>
<b><i>Total Fund Balances</i></b>	<b><i>\$2,033,368</i></b>	<b><i>\$685,374</i></b>	<b><i>\$1,867,148</i></b>	<b><i>\$4,585,890</i></b>

**Note 4 - Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

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 presented for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are:

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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 a restricted, committed or assigned fund balance.
4. Budgetary revenues and expenditures of the uniform school supplies and public school support funds are classified to the general fund for GAAP reporting.

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

Net Change in Fund Balance

GAAP Basis	\$1,439,903
Net Adjustment for Revenue Accruals	(27,115)
Net Adjustment for Expenditure Accruals	186,877
<b>Perspective Differences:</b>	
Uniform School Supplies	1,445
Public School Support	1,033
Encumbrances	<u>(1,360,472)</u>
Budget Basis	<u><u>\$241,671</u></u>

### **Note 5 – Accountability**

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

	<u>Amount</u>
<b><i>Other Governmental Funds:</i></b>	
Elementary Secondary School Emergency Relief	\$490,833
Title I	41,716
IDEA, Part B Special Education	41,194
Title II-A	22,572

These deficits are the result of the recognition of payables in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as well as short-term interfund loans from the general fund needed for operations until the receipt of grant monies. The general fund provides transfers to cover deficit balances; however, this is done when cash is needed rather than when accruals occur.

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## **Note 6 - Deposits and Investments**

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

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on 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 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.

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions 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.

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

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, 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 market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and 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;

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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. The investment in commercial paper notes of a single issuer shall not exceed in the aggregate five percent of interim moneys available for investment at the time of purchase.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

### **Note 7 – Receivables**

Receivables at June 30, 2024, consisted of taxes, accounts, interfund and intergovernmental receivables arising from entitlements and tuition fees. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds. 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>Amount</u>
Elementary Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant	\$490,833
Title VI-B Grant	341,390
Title I Grant	195,964
Title II-A Grant	49,809
School Foundation Adjustments	32,288
Title IV-A Grant	25,070
IDEA Preschool Grant	7,413
<b><i>Total Governmental Activities</i></b>	<b><u>\$1,142,767</u></b>

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## **Note 8 - Interfund Balances**

Interfund balances at June 30, 2024, consist of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

Interfund Payable	Interfund Receivable
	General Fund
<b>Other Governmental Funds:</b>	
Elementary Secondary School Emergency Relief	\$459,704
Title VI-B	319,391
Title I	171,957
Title II-A	56,550
Title IV-A	25,070
IDEA - Early Childhood	7,413
<i>Total</i>	<i><u>\$1,040,085</u></i>

Interfund receivables/payables of \$1,040,085 between the general fund and various other special revenue funds are due to the timing of the receipt of grant monies. The general fund provides temporary funding of the programs until the grant dollars are received.

## **Note 9 - Contingencies**

### *Grants*

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

### *School Foundation*

School District foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (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. As of the date of this report, all DEW adjustments for fiscal year 2024 have been finalized.

### *Litigation*

The School District is not a party to any legal proceedings for fiscal year 2024.

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## **Note 10 - Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District 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 law at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenues received in calendar year 2024 represent the collection of calendar year 2023 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2024 became a lien on December 31, 2022, were levied after April 1, 2023, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at thirty-five percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The School District receives property taxes from Trumbull 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 2024 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 which 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 were levied to finance current fiscal year operations are 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 of resources – property taxes. On the accrual basis, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue while on the modified accrual basis the revenue has been reported as deferred inflows of resources – unavailable revenue.

The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2024 was \$43,763 in the general fund, \$654 in the classroom facilities maintenance fund, \$6,063 in the bond retirement fund and \$1,409 in the permanent improvement fund. The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2023 was \$22,137 in the general fund, \$370 in the classroom facilities maintenance fund, \$3,451 in the bond retirement fund and \$735 in the permanent improvement fund.

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

	2023 Second Half Collections		2024 First Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Residential/Agricultural and Other Real Estate	\$295,696,650	95.59 %	\$395,230,600	96.37 %
Public Utility Personal	13,654,500	4.41	14,883,450	3.63
Total	<u>\$309,351,150</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>\$410,114,050</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation		\$48.95		\$45.85

During fiscal year 2024, the tax rate decreased due to an increase in property tax values in the School District. The increase in property tax values caused the emergency levy rates to decrease so that these levies would meet their collection amounts.

### ***Tax Abatement***

For fiscal year 2024, the School District's property taxes were reduced by \$9,887 under enterprise zone agreements entered into by Warren Township.

## **Note 11 - Other Employee Benefits**

### ***Compensated Absences***

The criteria for determining vacation and sick leave benefits are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Classified employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per fiscal year, depending upon length of service. Accumulated, unused vacation time is paid to classified employees and administrators upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time. Teachers, administrators and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated to a maximum of 340 days for all personnel. Upon retirement, payment is made for one-fourth of accrued, but unused sick leave credit to a maximum of 85 days for classified employees, teachers and administrators. Employees are given four days of personal leave at the beginning of the fiscal year. Upon retirement, all unused personal leave is converted to sick leave.

### ***Life Insurance Benefits***

The School District provides life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance of \$50,000 to all full time employees through the ReliaStar Life Insurance Company.

### ***Retirement Incentives***

Per the negotiated agreement, employees who are eligible to retire under STRS or a comparable retirement system shall receive a \$2,500 bonus provided the employee submits a letter of retirement by October 1. The bonus will be reduced to \$2,000 if the employee submits a letter of retirement between October 2 and November 1. The bonus will be reduced to \$1,000 for any employee who submits a letter of retirement after November 1. The School District had one employee participate in fiscal year 2024.

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**Note 12 – Capital Assets**

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

	Balance 6/30/2023	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/2024
<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
<i>Nondepreciable Capital Assets</i>				
Land	<u>\$510,300</u>	\$0	\$0	<u>\$510,300</u>
<i>Depreciable Capital Assets</i>				
<i>Tangible Assets</i>				
Land Improvements	2,878,285	0	0	2,878,285
Buildings and Improvements	33,381,083	345,865	0	33,726,948
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	635,385	16,629	0	652,014
Vehicles	<u>1,836,371</u>	0	0	<u>1,836,371</u>
<i>Total Tangible Assets</i>	<u>38,731,124</u>	362,494	0	<u>39,093,618</u>
<i>Intangible Right to Use</i>				
<i>Lease Assets</i>				
Intangible Right to Use - Equipment	108,051	0	0	108,051
<i>Subscription Assets</i>				
Intangible Right to Use - Subscription	<u>12,708</u>	36,758	0	<u>49,466</u>
<i>Total Depreciable Capital Assets</i>	<u>38,851,883</u>	399,252	0	<u>39,251,135</u>
<i>Less Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization</i>				
<i>Depreciation</i>				
Land Improvements	(1,617,132)	(91,980)	0	(1,709,112)
Buildings and Improvements	(7,524,307)	(621,596)	0	(8,145,903)
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	(418,119)	(23,874)	0	(441,993)
Vehicles	<u>(1,185,048)</u>	(91,021)	0	<u>(1,276,069)</u>
<i>Total Depreciation</i>	<u>(10,744,606)</u>	(828,471)	0	<u>(11,573,077)</u>
<i>Amortization</i>				
<i>Intangible Right to Use</i>				
<i>Lease Assets</i>				
Intangible Right to Use - Equipment	(32,415)	(21,610)	0	(54,025)
<i>Subscription Assets</i>				
Intangible Right to Use - Subscription	<u>(6,100)</u>	(17,015)	0	<u>(23,115)</u>
<i>Total Intangible Right to Use Assets</i>	<u>(38,515)</u>	(38,625)	0	<u>(77,140)</u>
<i>Total Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization</i>	<u>(10,783,121)</u>	(867,096)	0	<u>(11,650,217)</u>
<i>Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net</i>	<u>28,068,762</u>	(467,844)	0	<u>27,600,918</u>
<i>Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net</i>	<u>\$28,579,062</u>	(\$467,844)	\$0	<u>\$28,111,218</u>

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\* Depreciation/Amortization expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

	Depreciation	Amortization	Total
Instruction:			
Regular	\$614,485	\$16,102	\$630,587
Support Services:			
Business	0	21,610	\$21,610
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,430	0	\$2,430
Pupil Transportation	95,668	0	\$95,668
Central	0	913	\$913
Operation of Food Services	31,425	0	\$31,425
Extracurricular Activities	84,463	0	\$84,463
Total Depreciation/Amortization Expense	<u><u>\$828,471</u></u>	<u><u>\$38,625</u></u>	<u><u>\$867,096</u></u>

### Note 13 – Long-Term Obligations

Changes in long-term obligations of the School District during fiscal year 2024 were as follows:

	Principal			Principal	Amount			
	Outstanding			June 30, 2023				
<b>Governmental Activities</b>								
<b>General Obligation Bonds</b>								
2015 Unlimited Tax Bonds								
Serial Bonds - 1.00 to 4.00%	\$6,240,000		\$0	\$350,000	\$5,890,000			
Current Interest Term Bonds - 3.625 to 5.00%	15,425,000		0	0	15,425,000			
Premium	320,000		0	11,311	308,689			
<i>Total General Obligation Bonds</i>	<u><u>21,985,000</u></u>		<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>361,311</u></u>	<u><u>21,623,689</u></u>			
<b>Other Long-Term Obligations</b>								
Net Pension Liability:								
SERS	3,264,550		0	275,699	2,988,851			
STRS	14,195,460		0	1,147,245	13,048,215			
<i>Total Net Pension Liability</i>	<u><u>17,460,010</u></u>		<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>1,422,944</u></u>	<u><u>16,037,066</u></u>			
Net OPEB Liability:								
SERS	868,388		48,974	0	917,362			
Financed Purchase - From Direct Borrowings	71,187		0	0	71,187			
Leases Payable	97,960		0	20,642	77,318			
Subscription Payable	0		36,758	36,758	0			
Compensated Absences	1,375,221		374,378	129,835	1,619,764			
<i>Total Other Long-Term Obligations</i>	<u><u>19,872,766</u></u>		<u><u>423,352</u></u>	<u><u>1,573,421</u></u>	<u><u>18,722,697</u></u>			
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>								
<b>Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<u><u>\$41,857,766</u></u>		<u><u>\$423,352</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,934,732</u></u>	<u><u>\$40,346,386</u></u>			
					<u><u>\$619,535</u></u>			

In 2015, the School District issued \$23,815,000 in voted general obligation bonds, which included serial and term bonds in the amounts of \$8,390,000 and \$15,425,000, respectively. The general obligation bonds were issued for the purpose of constructing a new elementary/middle school to replace two existing ones. The bonds were issued for a thirty-seven year period with a final maturity at December 1, 2052.

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The term bonds mature on November 1, 2040, 2044 and 2052 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption as follows:

Year	Issue		
	\$3,470,000	\$3,320,000	\$8,635,000
2037	\$645,000	\$0	\$0
2038	670,000	0	0
2039	690,000	0	0
2040	720,000	0	0
2042	0	770,000	0
2043	0	810,000	0
2044	0	850,000	0
2046	0	0	935,000
2047	0	0	975,000
2048	0	0	1,015,000
2049	0	0	1,055,000
2050	0	0	1,095,000
2051	0	0	1,140,000
2052	0	0	1,185,000
Total mandatory sinking fund payment:	2,725,000	2,430,000	7,400,000
Amount due at stated maturity	745,000	890,000	1,235,000
Total	<u>\$3,470,000</u>	<u>\$3,320,000</u>	<u>\$8,635,000</u>
<i>Stated Maturity</i>	11/1/2040	11/1/2044	11/1/2052

General obligation bonds will be paid from the debt service fund. Compensated absences will be paid from the general fund and food service special revenue fund. There are no repayment schedules for the net pension/OPEB liabilities. However, employer pension and OPEB contributions are made from following funds: the general fund and the food service, title VI-B and title I special revenue funds. For additional information related to the net pension/OPEB liabilities see Notes 16 and 17. The subscriptions payable were paid from the general fund and the elementary and secondary school emergency relief special revenue fund.

**Financed Purchase** – During 2022, the School District entered in a financed purchase agreement for a school bus in the amount of \$175,210 to be paid from the permanent improvement fund.

The overall debt margin of the School District as of June 30, 2024 was \$15,971,950 with an unvoted debt margin of \$410,114. Principal and interest requirements to retire the general obligation bonds and financed purchase outstanding at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

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Governmental Activities			
	General Obligation Bonds		From Direct Borrowings
	2015 Unlimited Tax		Financed Purchase
	Principal	Interest	Principal
2025	\$375,000	\$849,475	\$35,004
2026	390,000	836,125	36,183
2027	400,000	822,275	0
2028	435,000	805,575	0
2029	455,000	787,775	0
2030 - 2034	2,610,000	3,669,857	0
2035 - 2039	3,230,000	3,123,359	0
2040 - 2044	3,895,000	2,432,309	0
2045 - 2049	4,870,000	1,438,850	0
2050 - 2053	<u>4,655,000</u>	<u>381,700</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u><u>\$21,315,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$15,147,300</u></u>	<u><u>\$71,187</u></u>
			<u><u>\$3,619</u></u>

**Lease Payable** - The School District entered into lease agreements for copiers. The future lease payments were discounted based on the interest rate implicit in the lease or using the School District's incremental borrowing rate. This discount is being amortized using the interest method over the life of the lease. These leases will be paid from the general fund. A summary of the principal and interest amounts for the remaining leases is as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest
2025	\$21,270	\$2,029
2026	21,917	1,382
2027	22,583	715
2028	<u>11,548</u>	<u>101</u>
Total	<u><u>\$77,318</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,227</u></u>

## Note 14 – Public Entity Pools

### Insurance Purchasing Pool

**Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program** The School District participates in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

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**Ohio School Plan** The Ohio School Plan (the Plan) is a shared liability, property and fleet insurance risk pool which is governed by a board of thirteen school superintendents, business managers and treasurers. OSBA, BASA and OASBO executive directors serve as ex-officio members. Approximately 280 educational entities are members of the Plan. The Plan's board elects officers for two-year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the Plan. All Plan revenues are generated from charges for services. For more information write to the Ohio School Plan, Hylant Administrative Services, 811 Madison Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

**Shared Risk Pool**

**Trumbull County School Employees Insurance Benefits Consortium** The School District participates in the Trumbull County School Employees Insurance Benefits Consortium. This is a shared risk pool comprised of sixteen Trumbull County School Districts. The Consortium is governed by an assembly which consists of one representative from each participating school district (usually the superintendent or designee). The assembly elects officers for one year terms to serve as the Board of Directors. The assembly exercises control over the operation of the Consortium. Each member's control over the budgeting and financing of the pool is limited to its voting authority and any representation it may have on the Board of Directors. Consortium revenues are generated from charges for services.

**Note 15 - Jointly Governed Organizations**

**Trumbull Career and Technical Center** The Trumbull Career and Technical Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio providing vocational needs of the students. The center is operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from each of the nineteen participating school districts' elected boards, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. The Board exercises total control over the operations of the Trumbull Career and Technical Center including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Governing Board. To obtain financial information write to the Trumbull Career and Technical Center, Cody Holecko, who serves as Treasurer, at 528 Educational Highway, Warren, Ohio 44483.

**Northeast Ohio Management Information Network (NEOMIN)** NEOMIN is a jointly governed organization among twenty-nine school districts and two educational service centers in Trumbull and Ashtabula Counties. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member districts. Each of the districts supports NEOMIN based upon a per pupil charge. Lakeview Local School District paid \$81,911 to NEOMIN during fiscal year 2024.

The Governing board consists of ten members: The Trumbull and Ashtabula County superintendents (permanent members), three superintendents from Ashtabula County participating school districts, three superintendents from Trumbull County participating school districts, the fiscal agent (or NEOMIN). The Board exercises total control over the operations of NEOMIN including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the Governing Board. To obtain a copy of NEOMIN's financial statements, write to the Trumbull County Educational Service Center, 6000 Youngstown Warren Road, Niles, Ohio 44446.

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## **Note 16 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

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

### ***Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)***

The net pension liability and the net OPEB liability (asset) reported on the statement of net position represent liabilities to employees for pensions and OPEB, respectively. Pensions/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 employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) represents the School 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 School District’s obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the School 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 proportionate share of each plan’s unfunded benefits is presented as a *net OPEB asset* or long-term *net pension/OPEB liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually required pension/OPEB contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in *intergovernmental payable* on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting. The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 17 for the required OPEB disclosures.

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***School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Plan Description – School 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](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

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

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

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on 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 School 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 School District’s contractually required contribution to SERS was \$303,930 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$23,284 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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***State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description – School 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](http://www.strsoh.org).

New members have a choice of three retirement plans: a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan, and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation 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.

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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.

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 School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$1,116,549 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$134,224 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

***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 School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability:			
Current Measurement Date	0.05409180%	0.06059092%	
Prior Measurement Date	<u>0.06035650%</u>	<u>0.06385686%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>-0.00626470%</u>	<u>-0.00326594%</u>	
Proportionate Share of the Net			
Pension Liability	\$2,988,851	\$13,048,215	\$16,037,066
Pension Expense	\$104,952	\$857,025	\$961,977

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

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	SERS	STRS	Total
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$128,467	\$475,710	\$604,177
Changes of assumptions	21,171	1,074,591	1,095,762
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>303,930</u>	<u>1,116,549</u>	<u>1,420,479</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u><u>\$453,568</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,666,850</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,120,418</u></u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$28,955	\$28,955
Changes of assumptions	0	808,859	\$808,859
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	42,011	39,106	81,117
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>320,650</u>	<u>751,413</u>	<u>1,072,063</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u><u>\$362,661</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,628,333</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,990,994</u></u>

\$1,420,479 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2025	(\$142,416)	(\$353,234)	(\$495,650)
2026	(203,089)	(659,057)	(862,146)
2027	130,257	1,150,139	1,280,396
2028	<u>2,225</u>	<u>(215,880)</u>	<u>(213,655)</u>
Total	<u><u>(\$213,023)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$78,032)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$291,055)</u></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.

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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.

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, are presented below:

Inflation	2.4 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	2.0 percent, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent net of System expenses
Actuarial Cost Method	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:

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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	<u>5.00</u>	5.64	
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>		

**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 School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 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%)
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$4,411,391	\$2,988,851	\$1,790,631

***Actuarial Assumptions – STRS***

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

Inflation	2.50 percent
Salary increases	From 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent based on service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Discount Rate of Return	7.00 percent
Payroll Increases	3.00 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017

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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. 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:

Asset Class	Target Allocation *	Long-Term Expected Rate of Return **
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	1.00	1.00
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 percent, 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 School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** The following table presents the School 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 School 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%)
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$20,065,270	\$13,048,215	\$7,113,710

## **Note 17 – Defined Benefit OPEB Plans**

See Note 16 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

### ***School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Health Care Plan Description – The School 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](http://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. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. 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.

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

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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 School District's surcharge obligation was \$37,835.

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$37,835 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$37,835 is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

***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](http://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.

***OPEB Liability (Asset), OPEB Expense, 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 independent actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) was based on the School 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset:			
Current Measurement Date	0.05568390%	0.06059092%	
Prior Measurement Date	<u>0.06185060%</u>	<u>0.06385686%</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	<u>-0.00616670%</u>	<u>-0.00326594%</u>	
Proportionate Share of the:			
Net OPEB Liability	\$917,362	\$0	\$917,362
Net OPEB (Asset)	\$0	(\$1,178,411)	(\$1,178,411)
OPEB Expense	(\$118,152)	(\$67,690)	(\$185,842)

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

	SERS	STRS	Total
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$1,911	\$1,837	\$3,748
Changes of assumptions	310,187	173,597	483,784
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	7,110	2,104	9,214
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	12,651	21,677	34,328
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	37,835	0	37,835
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b><u>\$369,694</u></b>	<b><u>\$199,215</u></b>	<b><u>\$568,909</u></b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$473,118	\$179,737	\$652,855
Changes of assumptions	260,540	777,497	1,038,037
Changes in proportionate share and difference between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	316,128	195	316,323
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b><u>\$1,049,786</u></b>	<b><u>\$957,429</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,007,215</u></b>

\$37,835 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability or an increase in the net OPEB asset in the fiscal 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
<i>Fiscal Year Ending June 30:</i>			
2025	(\$192,649)	(\$338,326)	(\$530,975)
2026	(167,832)	(156,205)	(324,037)
2027	(112,386)	(58,175)	(170,561)
2028	(81,138)	(79,740)	(160,878)
2029	(69,061)	(72,837)	(141,898)
Thereafter	<u>(94,861)</u>	<u>(52,931)</u>	<u>(147,792)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>(\$717,927)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$758,214)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$1,476,141)</u></b>

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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, are presented below:

Inflation	2.40 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent net of investment expense
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Fiduciary Net Position is Projected to be Depleted	2048
Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Measurement Date	3.86 percent
Prior Measurement Date	3.69 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate,	
Measurement Date	4.27 percent
Prior Measurement Date	4.08 percent
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	
Medical Trend Assumption	
Measurement Date	6.75 to 4.40 percent
Prior Measurement Date	7.00 to 4.40 percent

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 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

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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 SERS health care plan follows the same asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return for each major asset class as the pension plan, see Note 16.

**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, 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 School District's 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%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$1,172,651	\$917,362	\$716,056

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	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%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$673,954	\$917,362	\$1,239,910

***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 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent	Varies by service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3 percent	3 percent
Discount Rate of Return	7.00 percent	7.00 percent
Health Care Cost Trends		
Medical		
Pre-Medicare	7.50 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	7.50 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate
Medicare	-10.94 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	-68.78 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate
Prescription Drug		
Pre-Medicare	-11.95 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	9.00 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate
Medicare	1.33 percent initial 4.14 percent ultimate	-5.47 percent initial 3.94 percent ultimate

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.

The STRS health care plan follows the same asset allocation and long-term expected real rate of return for each major asset class as the pension plan, see Note 16.

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**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 School District's 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 (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%)
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$997,370)	(\$1,178,411)	(\$1,336,076)
	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$1,343,393)	(\$1,178,411)	(\$979,690)

## **Note 18 - Risk Management**

### ***Employee Health Benefits***

The School District has contracted with the Trumbull County School Employees Insurance Benefits Consortium, a shared risk pool (Note 13), to provide employee medical/surgical, dental, and prescription drug benefits. Rates are set through an annual calculation process. The Lakeview Local School District pays a monthly contribution which is placed in a common fund from which claim payments are made for all participating school districts. Claims are paid for all participants regardless of claims flow. The board of directors has the right to return monies to an exiting district subsequent to the settlement of all expenses and claims. The School District pays medical/surgical/prescription drug premiums of \$2,114 for family coverage, \$1,283 for employee/children, \$1,585 for employee/spouse coverage, and \$755 for single coverage per employee per month for the PPO Plan. Full time employees are responsible for 10 percent of the cost. Employees that work less than twenty hours per week are responsible for 50 percent of the cost. Premiums for dental coverage are \$70.82 monthly for family coverage and \$22.54 monthly for single coverage. Premiums for vision coverage are \$4.36 for family coverage and \$1.65 for single coverage. If the School District were to withdraw from the consortium, there would be no liability because premium levels fund a reserve for subsequent claim payments.

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***Worker's Compensation***

For fiscal year 2024, the School District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP.

A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Comp Management, Inc. provides administrative, cost control and actuarial services to the GRP.

***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 for the following insurance coverage:

Coverage	Amount
<b>Coverage provided by Ohio School Plan</b>	
Building and Contents - replacement cost (\$2,500 deductible)	\$92,246,474
Boiler and Machinery (\$2,500 deductible)	92,246,474
Automobile Liability (\$1,000 deductible on comprehensive) (\$1,000 deductible on Bus Collision) (\$500 deductible on Other Collision)	3,000,000
Auto Medical Payments - Per occurrence	5,000
General Liability	
Per occurrence (\$0 deductible)	3,000,000
Total per year	5,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from last year.

**Note 19 – 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 the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at year end and carried forward to be used for the same purposes in future years.

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

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	<u>Capital</u> <u>Improvements</u>
Set-Aside Balance as of June 30, 2023	\$0
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	338,767
Current Year Offsets	<u>(1,558,044)</u>
Total	<u><u>(\$1,219,277)</u></u>
Set-aside Balance Carried	
Forward to Future Fiscal Years	<u>\$0</u>
Set-aside Balance as of June 30, 2024	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

While the current year offsets reduced the capital improvement set-aside amount to below zero, these amounts may not be used to reduce the set-aside requirements of future fiscal years.

#### **Note 20 – Encumbrances**

Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At fiscal year end the amount of encumbrances expected to be honored upon performance by the vendor in the next fiscal year were as follows:

General	\$1,360,472
Other Governmental Funds	<u>444,760</u>
Total Governmental	<u><u>\$1,805,232</u></u>

#### **Note 21 – Change in Accounting Principle**

For fiscal year 2024, the School District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, and related guidance from GASB Implementation Guide No. 2023-1, *Implementation Guidance Update — 2023*. The School District also implemented Question 5.1 from GASB Implementation Guide No. 2021-1, *Implementation Guidance Update — 2021*.

GASB 100 will improve the clarity of the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections, which will result in greater consistency in application in practice. In turn, more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information will be provided to financial statement users for making decisions or assessing accountability. In addition, the display and note disclosure requirements will result in more consistent, decision-useful, understandable, and comprehensive information for users about accounting changes and error corrections.

Question 5.1 from Implementation Guide 2021-1 addresses the collective significance of applying the capitalization threshold to individual items in a group of assets. The School District reviewed its capital asset groupings and determined there were no asset groups where individually the assets were under the capitalization threshold yet were significant collectively.

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The implementation of GASB Statement No. 100 and GASB Implementation Guides 2021-1 and 2023-1 did not have any effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

In an effort to promote comparability with other governments, the School District updated its calculation of net position restricted for pension and OPEB plans for fiscal year 2024. This change had no impact on beginning net position, but rather reclassified the amounts presented as net position restricted for OPEB plans and unrestricted net position.

**Note 22 – COVID-19**

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency ended in April 2023. During fiscal year 2024, the School District received COVID-19 funding. The School District will continue to spend available COVID-19 funding consistent with the applicable program guidelines.

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## Required Supplementary Information

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*Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability*  
*School Employees Retirement System of Ohio*  
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	2024	2023	2022	2021
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.05409180%	0.06035650%	0.06435900%	0.06514180%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$2,988,851	\$3,264,550	\$2,374,660	\$4,308,616
School District's Covered Payroll	\$2,148,079	\$2,216,657	\$2,280,564	\$2,286,700
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	139.14%	147.27%	104.13%	188.42%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	76.06%	75.82%	82.86%	68.55%

\*Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

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2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
0.06549110%	0.06679290%	0.06742240%	0.06947550%	0.07147740%	0.07126700%
\$3,918,448	\$3,825,352	\$4,028,339	\$5,084,964	\$4,078,571	\$3,606,783
\$2,254,519	\$2,235,267	\$2,177,029	\$2,156,543	\$2,147,147	\$2,031,962
173.80%	171.14%	185.04%	235.79%	189.95%	177.50%
70.85%	71.36%	69.50%	62.98%	69.16%	71.70%

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	2024	2023	2022	2021
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.05568390%	0.06185060%	0.06652250%	0.06555330%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$917,362	\$868,388	\$1,258,995	\$1,424,689
School District's Covered Payroll	\$2,148,079	\$2,216,657	\$2,280,564	\$2,286,700
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	42.71%	39.18%	55.21%	62.30%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	30.02%	30.34%	24.08%	18.17%

(1) Information prior to 2017 is not available.

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2020	2019	2018	2017
0.06652340%	0.06786300%	0.06856330%	0.07043380%
\$1,672,924	\$1,882,703	\$1,840,059	\$2,007,624
\$2,254,519	\$2,235,267	\$2,177,029	\$2,156,543
74.20%	84.23%	84.52%	93.09%
15.57%	13.57%	12.46%	11.49%

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	2024	2023	2022	2021
School District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.06059092%	0.06385686%	0.06489497%	0.06480655%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$13,048,215	\$14,195,460	\$8,297,406	\$15,680,879
School District's Covered Payroll	\$8,164,250	\$8,329,514	\$7,998,864	\$7,855,950
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	159.82%	170.42%	103.73%	199.61%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	80.00%	78.90%	87.80%	75.50%

\*Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

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2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
0.06508865%	0.06484567%	0.06407871%	0.06587952%	0.06898838%	0.06920340%
\$14,393,965	\$14,258,108	\$15,222,034	\$22,051,860	\$19,066,372	\$16,832,663
\$7,669,143	\$7,423,314	\$7,056,936	\$6,924,043	\$7,023,329	\$7,066,138
187.69%	192.07%	215.70%	318.48%	271.47%	238.22%
77.40%	77.30%	75.30%	66.80%	72.10%	74.70%

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*State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio*  
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	2024	2023	2022	2021
School District's Proportion of the Net OPEB Asset/Liability	0.06059092%	0.06385686%	0.06489497%	0.06480655%
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset) Liability	(\$1,178,411)	(\$1,653,467)	(\$1,368,257)	(\$1,138,974)
School District's Covered Payroll	\$8,164,250	\$8,329,514	\$7,998,864	\$7,855,950
School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset) Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	-14.43%	-19.85%	-17.11%	-14.50%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	168.50%	230.70%	174.70%	182.10%

(1) Information prior to 2017 is not available.

\*Amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the School District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

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2020	2019	2018	2017
0.06508865%	0.06484567%	0.06407871%	0.06587952%
(\$1,078,024)	(\$1,042,003)	\$2,500,115	\$3,523,254
\$7,669,143	\$7,423,314	\$7,056,936	\$6,924,043
-14.06%	-14.04%	35.43%	50.88%
174.70%	176.00%	47.10%	37.30%

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	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Net Pension Liability</b>				
Contractually Required Contribution	\$303,930	\$300,731	\$310,332	\$319,279
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(303,930)</u>	<u>(300,731)</u>	<u>(310,332)</u>	<u>(319,279)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
School District Covered Payroll (1)	\$2,143,657	\$2,148,079	\$2,216,657	\$2,280,564
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u><u>14.18%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>
<b>Net OPEB Liability</b>				
Contractually Required Contribution (2)	\$37,835	\$40,831	\$41,084	\$43,474
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(37,835)</u>	<u>(40,831)</u>	<u>(41,084)</u>	<u>(43,474)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u><u>1.76%</u></u>	<u><u>1.90%</u></u>	<u><u>1.85%</u></u>	<u><u>1.91%</u></u>
Total Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (1)	<u><u>15.94%</u></u>	<u><u>15.90%</u></u>	<u><u>15.85%</u></u>	<u><u>15.91%</u></u>

(1) The School District's covered payroll is the same for Pension and OPEB.

(2) Includes Surcharge

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2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$320,138	\$304,360	\$301,761	\$304,784	\$301,916	\$282,994
<u>(320,138)</u>	<u>(304,360)</u>	<u>(301,761)</u>	<u>(304,784)</u>	<u>(301,916)</u>	<u>(282,994)</u>
<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
\$2,286,700	\$2,254,519	\$2,235,267	\$2,177,029	\$2,156,543	\$2,147,147
<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>13.50%</u></u>	<u><u>13.50%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>13.18%</u></u>
\$32,444	\$49,102	\$48,291	\$38,040	\$35,760	\$55,418
<u>(32,444)</u>	<u>(49,102)</u>	<u>(48,291)</u>	<u>(38,040)</u>	<u>(35,760)</u>	<u>(55,418)</u>
<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
<u><u>1.42%</u></u>	<u><u>2.18%</u></u>	<u><u>2.16%</u></u>	<u><u>1.75%</u></u>	<u><u>1.66%</u></u>	<u><u>2.58%</u></u>
<u><u>15.42%</u></u>	<u><u>15.68%</u></u>	<u><u>15.66%</u></u>	<u><u>15.75%</u></u>	<u><u>15.66%</u></u>	<u><u>15.76%</u></u>

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	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b>Net Pension Liability</b>				
Contractually Required Contribution	\$1,116,549	\$1,142,995	\$1,166,132	\$1,119,841
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>(1,116,549)</u>	<u>(1,142,995)</u>	<u>(1,166,132)</u>	<u>(1,119,841)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
School District Covered Payroll	\$7,975,350	\$8,164,250	\$8,329,514	\$7,998,864
Pension Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>

**Net OPEB Liability Asset (1)**

(1) Although the covered payroll for the net OPEB liability is the same as the net pension liability, there were no OPEB related required contributions for 2015-2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to postemployment health care; therefore, there is no required supplementary information to present related to the statutorily established employer contribution requirements for the net OPEB liability.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$1,099,833	\$1,073,680	\$1,039,264	\$987,971	\$969,366	\$983,266
<u>(1,099,833)</u>	<u>(1,073,680)</u>	<u>(1,039,264)</u>	<u>(987,971)</u>	<u>(969,366)</u>	<u>(983,266)</u>
<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
\$7,855,950	\$7,669,143	\$7,423,314	\$7,056,936	\$6,924,043	\$7,023,329
<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>	<u><u>14.00%</u></u>

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## **Net Pension Liability**

### **Changes in Benefit Terms/Assumptions – SERS**

Beginning in fiscal year 2018, on each anniversary of the initial retirement, the allowance of all retirees and survivors may be increased by the annual rate of increase in the CPI-W measured as of the June preceding the beginning of the applicable calendar year. The annual rate of increase shall not be less than 0 percent nor greater than 2.5 percent. The COLA was suspended for 2018-2020. Prior to 2018, an assumption of 3 percent was used. For 2021, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced from 2.5 percent to 2 percent. For 2023 and 2024, the cost-of-living adjustment was increased from 2 percent to 2.5 percent.

Amounts reported in 2022 incorporate changes in assumptions used by SERS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These assumptions compared with those used in prior years are presented below:

	Fiscal Year 2022	Fiscal Years 2021-2017	Fiscal Year 2016 and Prior
Wage Inflation	2.4 percent	3.00 percent	3.25 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent	4.00 percent to 22.00 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.0 percent net of system expenses	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation	7.75 percent net of investments expense, including inflation

Beginning in 2022, amounts reported use mortality rates 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.

Amounts report for 2017 through 2021 use mortality rates that are based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females. Amounts reported for fiscal year 2016 and prior, use mortality assumptions that are based on the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table set back one year for both men and women. Special mortality tables were used for the period after disability retirement.

### **Changes in Assumptions - STRS**

Beginning with fiscal year 2022, amounts reported incorporate changes in assumptions and changes in benefit terms used by STRS in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal years 2018-2021 and fiscal year 2017 and prior are presented below:

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	<u>Fiscal Year 2022</u>	<u>Fiscal Years 2021-2018</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2017 and Prior</u>
Inflation	2.50 percent	2.50 percent	2.75 percent
Projected salary increases	Varies by Service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent	12.50 percent at age 20 to 2.50 percent at age 65	12.25 percent at age 20 to 2.75 percent at age 70
Investment Rate of Return	See Below	See Below	See Below
Payroll Increases	3 percent	3 percent	3.5 percent
Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017	0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017	2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013 2 percent per year; for members retiring after August 1, 2013, or later, COLA commences on fifth anniversary of retirement date.

Investment rate of return:

Fiscal Years 2022 through 2024	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Fiscal Years 2018 through 2021	7.45 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Fiscal Year 2017 and prior	7.75 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation

Beginning with fiscal year 2022, 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. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Beginning with fiscal year 2018, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees were based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

For fiscal year 2017 and prior actuarial valuation, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89, and no set back from age 90 and above.

**Changes in Benefit Term – STRS**

For 2024, demographic assumptions were changed based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021.

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For fiscal year 2023, the Board approved a one-time 3 percent COLA effective on the anniversary of a benefit recipient's retirement date for those eligible during fiscal year 2023 and eliminated the age 60 requirement to receive unreduced retirement that was scheduled to go into effect August 1, 2026.

### **Net OPEB Liability (Asset)**

#### **Changes in Assumptions – SERS**

Beginning with fiscal year 2022, amounts reported incorporate changes in assumptions and changes in benefit terms used by SERS in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation. These new assumptions compared with those used in fiscal year 2021 and prior are presented below:

	2022	2021 and Prior
Inflation	2.40 percent	3.00 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation		
Wage Increases	3.25 percent to 13.58 percent	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent net of investment expense, including inflation	7.50 percent net of investment expense, including inflation

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

#### Municipal Bond Index Rate:

Fiscal year 2024	3.86 percent
Fiscal year 2023	3.69 percent
Fiscal year 2022	1.92 percent
Fiscal year 2021	2.45 percent
Fiscal year 2020	3.13 percent
Fiscal year 2019	3.62 percent
Fiscal year 2018	3.56 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.92 percent

#### Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation

Fiscal year 2024	4.27 percent
Fiscal year 2023	4.08 percent
Fiscal year 2022	2.27 percent
Fiscal year 2021	2.63 percent
Fiscal year 2020	3.22 percent
Fiscal year 2019	3.70 percent
Fiscal year 2018	3.63 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.98 percent

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### **Changes in Assumptions – STRS**

For fiscal year 2018, the discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent 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 percent to 7.45 percent. 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.

For fiscal year 2019, the discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13 percent to the long-term expected rate of 7.45.

For fiscal year 2022, the discount rate was decreased from 7.45 percent to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.00.

For fiscal year 2023, the projected salary increases were changed from age based to service based. Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

### **Changes in Benefit Terms – STRS**

For fiscal year 2018, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent 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 2020.

For fiscal year 2019, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was increased from 1.9 percent to 1.944 percent 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.

For fiscal year 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 percent to 1.984 percent 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 percent for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021.

For fiscal year 2021, there was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 premium based on June 30, 2020 enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984 percent to 2.055 percent 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 percent for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

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For fiscal year 2022, there was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, premium based on June 30, 2021, enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022, from 2.055 percent to 2.1 percent per year of service. 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 CY 2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

For fiscal year 2023, healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

For fiscal year 2024, healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024.

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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

<b>FEDERAL GRANTOR</b> <i>Pass Through Grantor</i> <b>Program / Cluster Title</b>	<b>Federal AL Number</b>	<b>Pass Through Entity Identifying Number</b>	<b>Total Federal Expenditures</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</b>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education</i>			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Donation)	10.555	N/A	\$ 60,866
Cash Assistance:			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	N/A	38,432
National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	204,094
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	<u>44,012</u>
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>347,403</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<b><u>347,403</u></b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY</b>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Facilities Construction Commission</i>			
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	N/A	<u>3,295</u>
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury			<b><u>3,295</u></b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</b>			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education</i>			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	N/A	293,004
Special Education Cluster (IDEA):			
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	N/A	395,513
Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	N/A	<u>7,413</u>
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>402,926</u>
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	N/A	56,550
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	N/A	25,070
Education Stabilization Fund:			
American Rescue Plan-Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER)	84.425U	N/A	<u>459,705</u>
Total Education Stabilization Fund			<u>459,705</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education			<b><u>1,237,255</u></b>
<b>Total Expenditures of Federal Awards</b>			<b><u>\$1,587,953</u></b>

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

**LAKEVIEW LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
2 CFR 200.510(B)(6)  
FOR THE 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 Eastern Local School District (the District) under programs of the federal government for the 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 District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the 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 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 District commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the District assumes it expends federal monies first.

**NOTE E – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

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



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

Lakeview Local School District  
Trumbull County  
300 Hillman Drive  
Cortland, Ohio 44410

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lakeview Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio (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 July 31, 2025.

***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 purposes 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 District'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.

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Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters  
Required by *Government Auditing Standards*  
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***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 District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*BHM CPA Group*

BHM CPA Group, Inc.  
Portsmouth, Ohio  
July 31, 2025



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

Lakeview Local School District  
Trumbull County  
300 Hillman Drive  
Cortland, Ohio 44410

To the Board of Education:

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

We have audited Lakeview Local School District's, Trumbull County, (District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Lakeview Local School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. Lakeview Local School District's major federal programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Lakeview Local School District complied, in all material respects, with the 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 (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); 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 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***

The District's 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 GAAS, *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 GAAS, *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.

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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements

Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over

Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

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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 this testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

*BHM CPA Group*

BHM CPA Group Inc.

Portsmouth, Ohio

July 31, 2025

**Lakeview Local School District**  
**Trumbull County**  
**Schedule of Findings**  
*2 CFR § 200.515*  
June 30, 2024

**1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Program's Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Education Stabilization Fund ALN 84.425U  Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies ALN 84.010
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$750,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	No

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**Schedule of Findings**

**2 CFR § 200.515**

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

**None**

**3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

**None**

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# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



LAKEVIEW LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

TRUMBULL COUNTY

## AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



Certified for Release 2/17/2026

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