

The Hinkle Annual Financial Data Reporting System (Hinkle System) is an Internet based application that allows certain financial statement, debt, and demographic data to be entered and transmitted to the Auditor of State (AOS) to satisfy the filing requirements prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). Select financial data is inputted into the Hinkle System and a PDF of the complete unaudited financial statements, including notes to the financial statements, is required to be uploaded into the Hinkle System.

To access the Hinkle System, click on the entity-specific link provided via email to your entity. The following webpage (see Figure 1) will open.

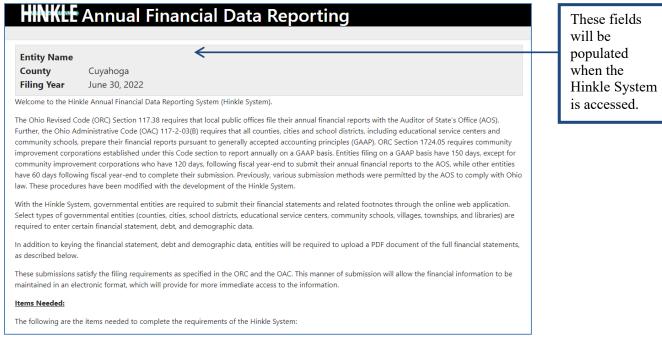


Figure 1

After reading the instructions, click the **Begin Filing** button. The button appears as follows at the bottom of the webpage (see Figure 2).

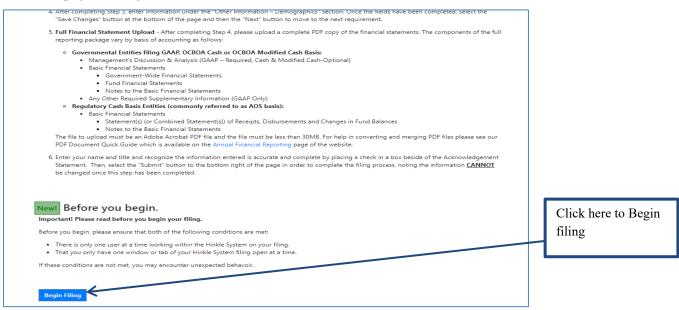


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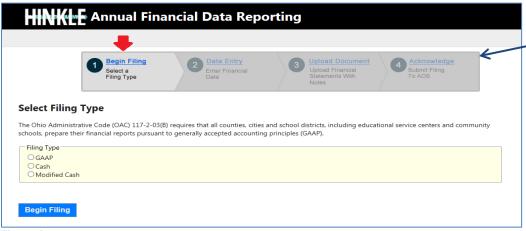
After clicking the **Begin Filing** button, a warning pop up window will appear (see Figure 3). Please ensure that you are the only user working within the Hinkle System on your filing and that you only have one tab/window of your Hinkle System filing open before you proceed. If both conditions are met, click **Continue** to proceed, otherwise click **Cancel**.



Figure 3

Once you click the **Continue** button, the following webpage will open (see Figure 4). Select the filing type of your annual financial report. The options are GAAP, Modified Cash, or Cash. After the filing type has been selected, click the **Begin Filing** button.

Please note the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 117-2-03(B) requires that all community schools prepare their financial reports pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).



The status bar will indicate your filing phase. You must complete the 4 phases and submit to complete your filing requirement.

Figure 4

If the Cash or Modified Cash filing type (see Figure 4) is selected, the following message will appear (see Figure 5). The **Begin Filing** button will need to be clicked again in order to proceed with the current selection.

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Reset Filing Type

If after you have begun entering your data, you determine you have selected the incorrect filing type, you may clear the information you have entered and reset the filing type. (Figure 6).

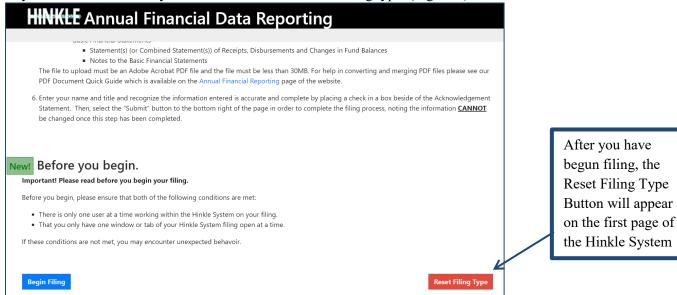


Figure 6

After you select the **Reset Filing Type** button, a warning screen will appear (Figure 7). Resetting your filing type will delete any data you have entered. Select only if you originally incorrectly selected the filing type for your entity. The **Reset** button will need to be selected to complete the reset. You will then be able to go back to the Select Filing Type page (Figure 4) and select the correct filing type.

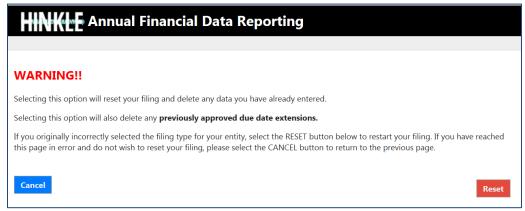


Figure 7

Note: The following pages depict the GAAP basis filing type. The Cash and Modified Cash basis statements differ, but the general process described throughout the remainder of this Guide is applicable.



After clicking the **Begin Filing** (see Figure 4) button, the following webpage will open (see Figure 8). Enter the amounts from the Governmental Activities column of the Statement of Net Position.

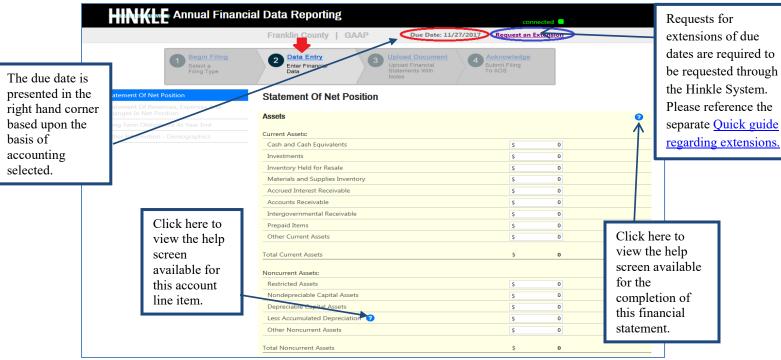


Figure 8

Note: The **?** symbols identified above are located throughout the application to provide assistance with each financial statement, certain account line items, and other requirements. If additional questions arise that are not addressed within the <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> or this Quick Guide, please contact the Auditor of State's Office using the <u>audit inquiry application</u> for assistance.

GASB 68 & 75 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) – In order to accommodate the requirement to report pension and OPEB liabilities in GAAP financial statements, the GAAP reporting shell in the Hinkle System reports the components of the pension liability, the OPEB liability and the related deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources separately (See Figure 9 and Figure 10).

HINKEE Annual Financia		Due Date: 11/28/2022	conne Request an Ex	cted •		
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	Deferred Outflows of Resources					rces related to
	Pension Related		\$	0	•	and OPEB separately
	Other Post Employement Benefits (OPEB)		\$	0	from all	other deferred
	Other Amounts		\$	0	outflows	s of resources
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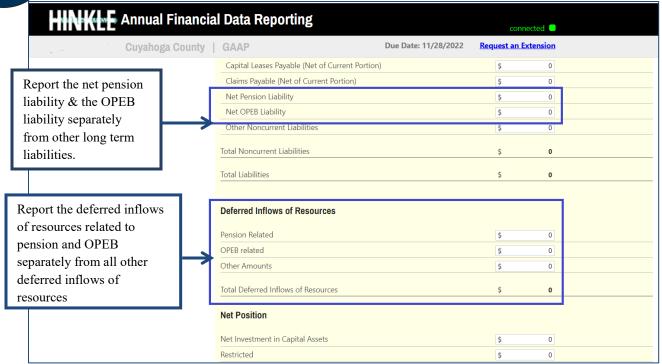


Figure 10

Once the information has been entered from the Statement of Net Position, click the **Save Changes** button. The button appears as follows at the bottom of the webpage (see Figure 11).

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GAAP	Due Date: 11/28/2022	Request an I	Extension	
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Pension Related		\$	0	
OPEB related		\$	0	
Other Amounts		\$	0	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		\$	0	
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets		\$	0	
Restricted		\$	0	
Unrestricted (Deficit)		\$	0	
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Figure 11

Click the **Next** button (see Figure 11). The following webpage will open (see Figure 12).



Enter the amounts from the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. **Note:** The Hinkle System requires a negative sign (-) precede other financing use amounts to accurately perform calculations.

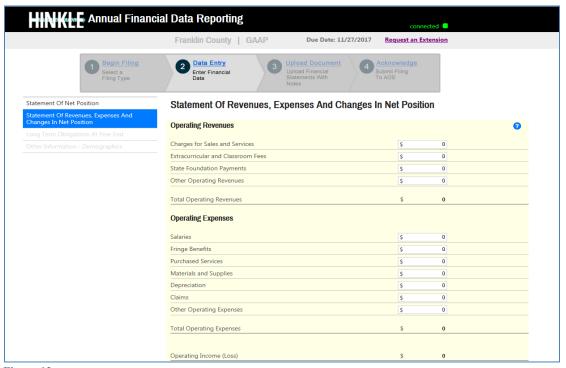


Figure 12

Once the information has been entered, click the **Save Changes** button which appears at the bottom of the webpage (see Figure 13).

Franklin County GAAP Due Date: 11/27/2017	Request an E	ktension
Federal and State Grants	\$	0
Operating Grants	\$	0
Federal Donated Commodities	\$	0
Gain on Sale of Capital Assets	\$	0
Loss on Sale of Capital Assets 🕜	\$	0
Interest Earnings	\$	0
Other Non Operating Revenues	\$	0
Other Non Operating Expenses ?	\$	0
Total Non Operating Revenues (Expenses)	\$	0
Income (Loss) Before Capital Contributions, Special and Extraordinary Items	\$	0
Capital Contributions	\$	0
Special Items	\$	0
Extraordinary Items	\$	0
Change in Net Position	\$	0
Net Position, Beginning of Year	\$	0
Net Position, End of Year	\$	0

Figure 13



Click the **Next** button (see Figure 13). The following webpage will open (see Figure 14). Enter the amounts of your long-term obligations existing at year-end.

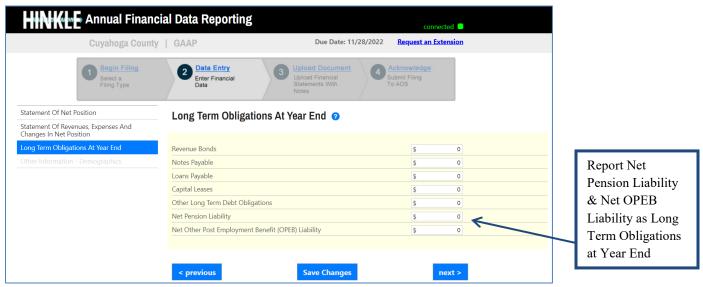


Figure 14

Once the information has been entered, click the **Save Changes** button (see Figure 14). Then click the **Next** button (see Figure 14).

The following webpage will open (see Figure 15). Enter information related to the demographics of your entity.

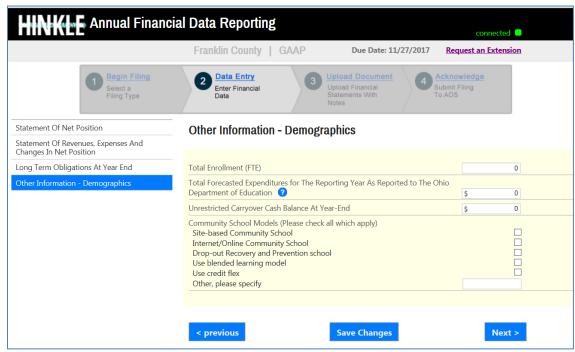


Figure 15

Once the information has been entered, click the **Save Changes** button (see Figure 15). Then click the **Next** button (see Figure 15).

The following web page will open (see Figure 16). A <u>single PDF file</u> of the final full unaudited financial reporting package, which is ready for audit, must be uploaded The file must be a single Adobe Acrobat PDF file and the file must be less than 30MB. Uploading subsequent PDF files will override the previous file upload and only the last uploaded file will be transmitted to the AOS. The Upload Tips provide access to a <u>How to Create/Merge a PDF Document</u> quick guide that may aid you in converting and/or merging your files to a PDF format.

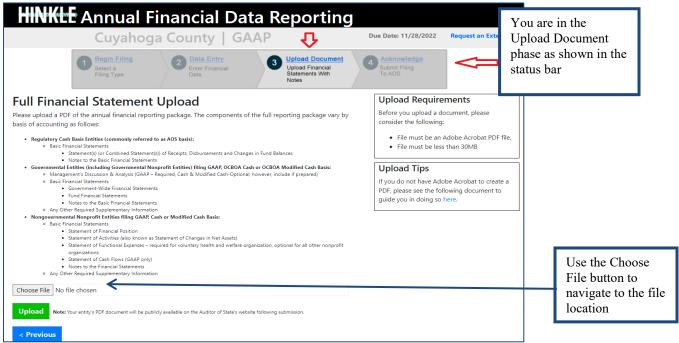


Figure 16

Using the **Choose File** button, navigate to the directory with the file you will upload into the system (See Figure 17).

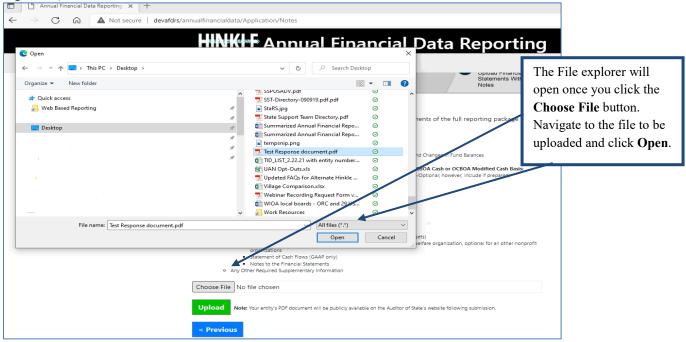


Figure 17



Once you have selected the file, the directory and file will appear in the upload field. (See Figure 18). If the file selection is correct, click the green **Upload** button (See Figure 18) to upload the file into the Hinkle System.

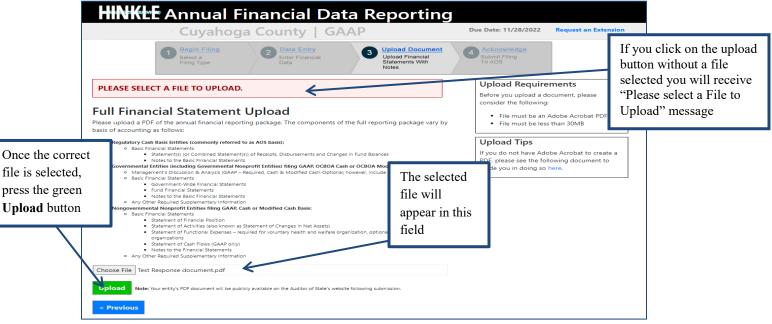


Figure 18

The following message will appear if your file has been successfully uploaded (See Figure 19), however, you must proceed to the next webpage to submit your Hinkle System filing. Once your file has been successfully uploaded, please view your uploaded file to confirm the correct file was uploaded. Once you have verified the correct file was uploaded, click the **Next** button (See Figure 19).

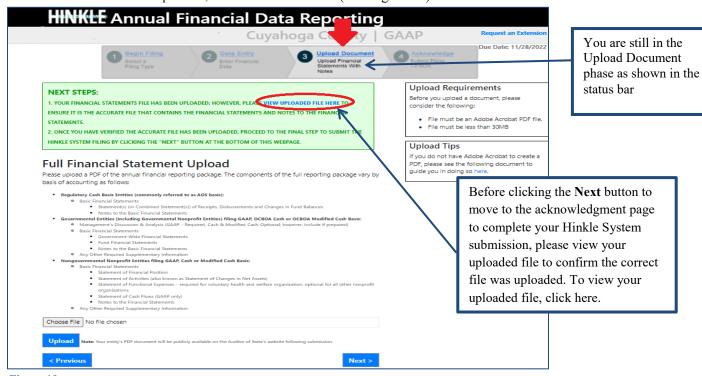


Figure 19



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The following web page will open (see Figure 20). Enter the name, title and email of the individual completing the submission process. Click the box to acknowledge the information entered is complete and accurate for the reporting year and basis of accounting selected. Then click the Submit button. NOTE: The data entered into the Hinkle System cannot be modified once the Submit button has been clicked. Please ensure the final data to be reported is entered prior to submitting.

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		Begin Filing Select a Filing Type	2 Data Entry Enter Financial Data	3	Upload Document Upload Financial Statements With Notes	Acknowledge Submit Filling To AOS		
Enter name, title and email address	Name Title Email (Data Reporting System (basis of accounting) sel I further acknowledge to the Hinkle System and audited.	ormation I have entered i (Hinkle System) is comple ected. he financial statements ar e the final, unaudited fin de System filing will be p	ete and ac nd notes t ancial sta	uditor of State of curate for the rep o the financial sta tements and notes	orting year and the fili atements uploaded and s to the financial stater	the reportin basis of acc selected. Y acknowledg statements a uploaded ar unaudited fi	ge the a entered is a d accurate for g year and counting ou also ge the financial and notes re the final
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Figure 20

Once you have clicked the Submit button, a pop up box will appear to confirm you want to transmit your Hinkle System filing to the Auditor of State (See Figure 21). This message also reminds you the filed information will be publicly available on the Auditor of State's website after submission. Click the Cancel button to go back for further review of your filing. Click the Yes button to complete the submission. NOTE: The data entered into the Hinkle System cannot be modified once the Submit button has been clicked. Please ensure the final data to be reported is entered prior to submitting.

VERY IMPORTANT!

Upon submission, your Hinkle System filing link will lock and no changes can be made.

The uploaded financial statements, including notes to the financial statements, will be subject to audit upon submission. However, the content of your Hinkle System filing will not generally be reviewed until the audit commences.

Prior to submitting, please ensure you have selected the appropriate filing type (basis of accounting) and viewed the uploaded document to ensure it is the proper file with the final, unaudited financial statements that has been reviewed for accuracy and completeness.

Once submitted, your entity's unaudited financial statements and keyed data (if applicable) will be publicly available on the Auditor of State's website.

By clicking "Yes" below, you are affirming the accuracy and completeness of the entity's Hinkle System filing and transmitting the filing to the Ohio Auditor of State's Office.



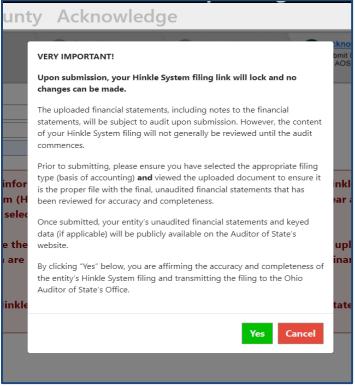


Figure 21

When you click **Yes** to submit (see Figure 21), the button will change to indicate **Please Wait** (See Figure 22). Please do not close the window or log off until the Thank you for filing message appears (See Figure 23). The submission progress may take a few moments depending on how large your file upload is and how many other entities are using the system.

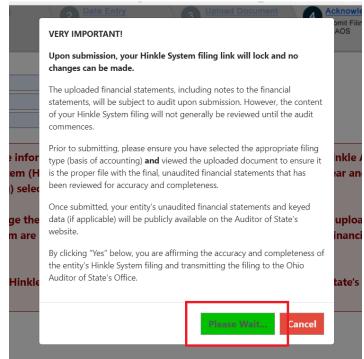


Figure 22



The following message (see Figure 23) will appear if the reporting requirements were submitted timely, as specified in Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38, and in accordance with GAAP, as required by Ohio Administrative Code 117-2-03(B), to the Auditor of State.

Annual Financial Data Reporting

Thank you for filing County's 2022 annual financial report as required by the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) §117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) §117-2-03(B) via the Auditor of State's (AOS) Hinkle System. The completeness and accuracy of the filing will be evaluated at the time the audit is performed.

Once submitted, the information is locked and cannot be modified. . If you have questions, please contact the AOS using the inquiry form.

The Auditor of State's office provides a method to upload documents via your <u>AOS eServices account</u> in preparation for the audit of your entity's financial statements. Documents normally requested at the beginning of an audit are listed within the "Audits" tab under the Document Center tab. Certain documents can be uploaded at any time after the reporting year has ended rather than waiting for the audit to commence. In addition, auditors can request any entity contact person within eServices to submit other documents in preparation for or during the audit. #

Uniform Accounting Network (UAN) clients: As part of the UAN year end procedures, UAN clients were given an option to provide additional UAN generated reports to audit staff in preparation for audit. If you authorized UAN to file the additional audit reports, those documents were uploaded as part of the year end filing and can be viewed via your AOS eServices account within the "Audits tab under the Documents Center tab. UAN cannot submit documents on behalf of a client who has been opted-out.

Your entity's Hinkle System filings and preliminary Financial Health Indicators report, if applicable*, will be available using your entity's eServices account here. Once logged in, click the "HINKLE SYSTEM" tab on the screen. This link will also provide the status of your entity's Hinkle System filing and access to view/print/save the data/document which has been keyed/uploaded into the system.

Note: If applicable, it is still necessary for your entity to publish notice in a newspaper circulated in your political subdivision or taxing district indicating the full financial report has been completed and is available for public inspection at your entity's office, as required by ORC 117.38.

*Financial Health Indicator (FHI) reports are ONLY generated for cities and counties, and will be posted publicly on the Auditor of State's website 14 days from the date of this email. Prior to that posting, we encourage you to review your entity's preliminary FHI report for any errors and if you choose, prepare a response to the FHI results to post on your entity's website. Questions related to your entity's preliminary FHI report should be directed to FHIndicators@ohioauditor.gov.

The AOS eServices account audit document upload in currently not available for the follow entity types: Hospital, Universities/Colleges/Tech, Retirement Systems and those classified as Other

Figure 23

If GAAP financial statements were **not** submitted to the Auditor of State as required by Ohio Administrative Code 117-2-03(B), irrespective of the date submitted, the following additional paragraphs (see Figure 24) will also be included in the message in addition to the information shown in Figure 23.

OAC \$117-2-03(B) requires all counties, cities, school districts, including educational service centers and community schools, and government insurance pools; ORC \$1724.02 requires all community improvement corporations, including economic development corporations and county land reutilization corporations; ORC \$1726.11 requires all development corporations and OAC \$126:3-1-01(A)(2)(a) requires all universities and colleges - to prepare their financial statements pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Your entity did not file GAAP basis financial statements.

Since your entity did not file within the parameters described above, it may be subject to the penalties prescribed in ORC \$117.38.

Figure 24

Note: If an entity filing on a Cash or Modified Cash basis does not submit the annual financial report information to the AOS within 60 days of year-end and does not request an extension, the entity may be subject to a noncompliance citation in the management letter for filing late.



If GAAP financial statements were submitted to the Auditor of State as required by Ohio Administrative Code 117-2-03(B) but **not** in accordance with the timing requirements specified in Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38, including any approved extension, the following additional paragraphs (see Figure 25) will also be included in the message in addition to the information shown in Figure 23.

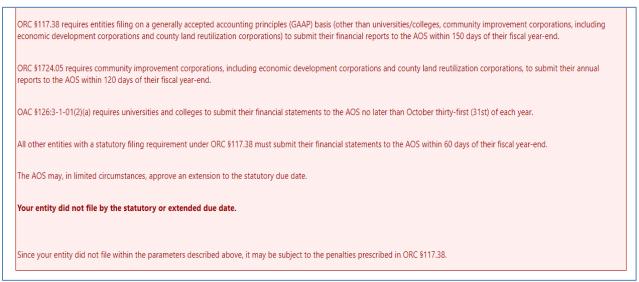


Figure 25

In addition to the completed message (Figure 23, 24 or 25), an email will be sent to the email address entered on the acknowledgement page (Figure 20), and the primary contact on file with our office (if different from the email entered on the acknowledgement page)(Figure 26).

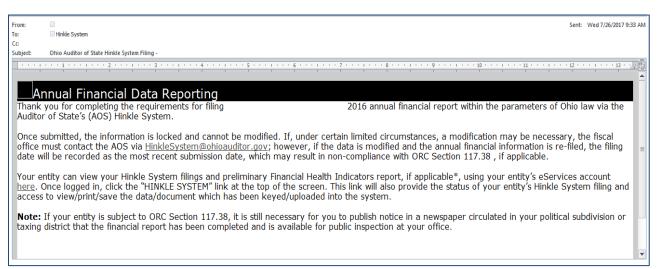


Figure 26

Your entity can view your Hinkle System filings, using your entity's eServices account <u>here</u>. Click on the eServices Website button (See Figure 27).

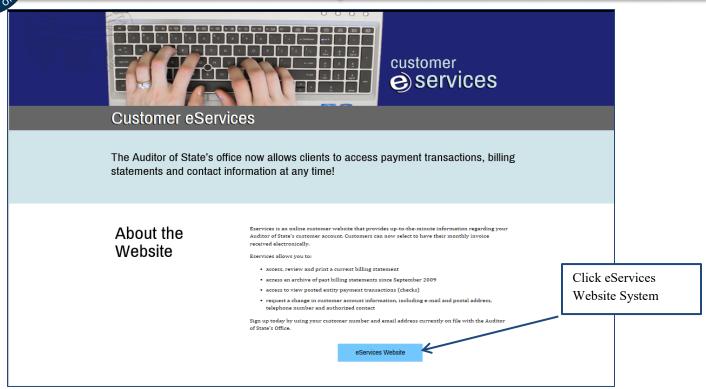


Figure 27

The Customer Log-in window will appear (See Figure 28). To access your entity's Hinkle System link, enter the email address and password for your entity's eservices account.

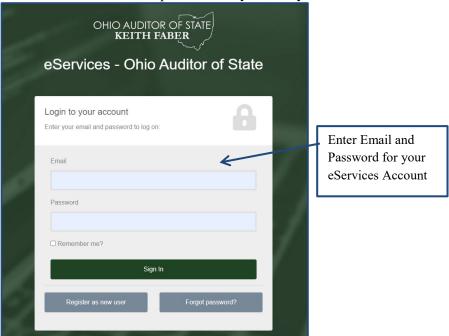
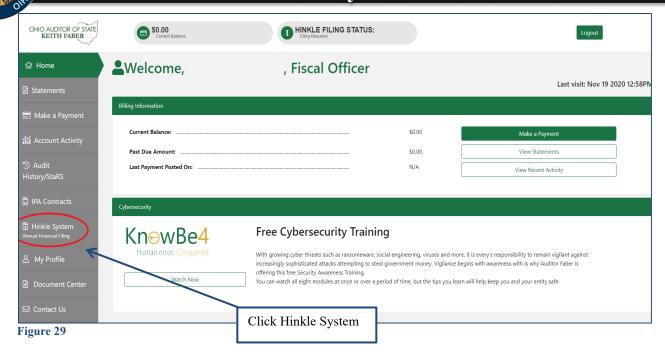


Figure 28

Once you have logged in, click the **Hinkle System** tab on the left side of the page (See Figure 29).



To access your filing links, click **Begin Filing** under Filing Link column for the appropriate year-end (See Figure 30). This will take you into the Hinkle System to file. (Refer to Figure 1) To view your submitted filings, click the View column for the appropriate year end date (See Figure 30).

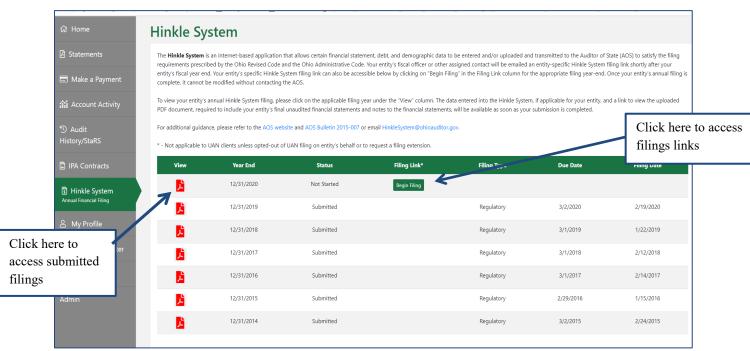


Figure 30

Once you click on the desired year end in the Year End column, the Hinkle Annual Financial Data Viewer for the selected filing opens. (See Figure 31). The Viewer provides filing details including access to the keyed data which can be exported to excel and to the PDF file uploaded. To access the PDF file click on the **View All Details** link.

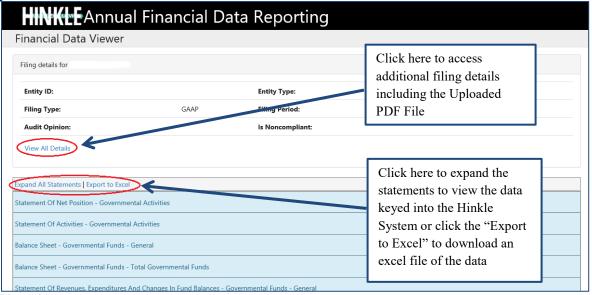


Figure 31

Once you click on **View All Details** the following window opens (See Figure 32). This window provides details of the filing history for this year end, including the Name, Title and email address of the filer. The document uploaded into the Hinkle System is available for viewing, printing or saving from this screen. This screen will also provide a history of access to the filing link for the selected period, extension requests and any notes added by the Hinkle System Managers.

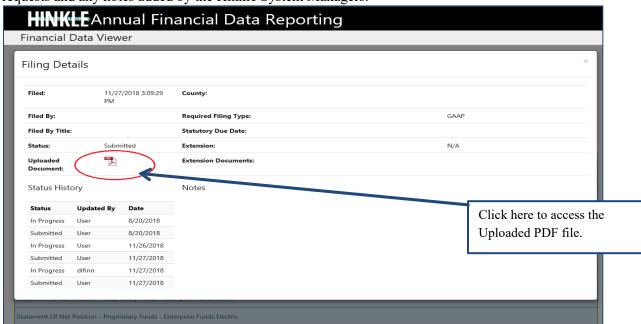


Figure 32

Please Note: The data keyed into the Hinkle System and the pdf file uploaded into the system will also be publicly available on the Auditor of State's website a day after submission. The keyed data appears as a part of the summarized data for all Community Schools reporting under the same basis of accounting. A link to the pdf uploaded financial statements and notes is available as part of the Unaudited Annual Report Filing Status spreadsheet. This spreadsheet provides a summary of the Due Dates, Filed Dates and links to the PDF filed for each entity type with a requirement to file annual financial statements and notes with the Auditor of State. The Summarized Annual Financial Reports and the Unaudited Annual Report Filing Status are available at this link.



eServices Document Center

The Auditor of State's office provides a method to upload documents via your <u>AOS eServices account</u> in preparation for the audit of your entity's financial statements. Documents normally requested at the beginning of an audit are listed within the "Audits" tab under the Document Center tab (see Figure 33). Certain documents can be uploaded at any time after the reporting year has ended rather than waiting for the audit to commence. In addition, auditors can request any entity contact person within eServices to submit other documents in preparation for or during the audit.

Once you log-in to eServices, click on the Document Center tab (see Figure 33). The Document Center will open and list Project numbers related to your entity. If the year end for the project has passed, a **View Project Documents** button will be available. Click the **View Projects Documents** to access the list of requested documents (see Figure 34).

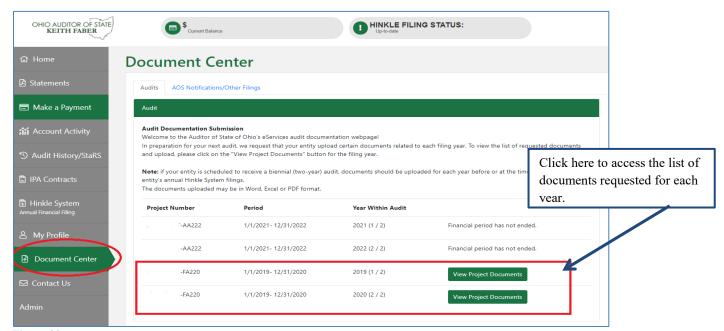


Figure 33

Examentation Requested for Audit Please click the "upload" button to search for the file to upload for each document requested below for the audit period listed above. Once you have uploaded the document, you will be able to view the uploaded file to ensure the proper document was provided. If the correct document was not submitted, you may click the "Upload" button aga which will replace the initial document uploaded. Only one document may be uploaded for each item listed. IMPORTANT – Please ensure your entity does not transmit personal information to the Auditor of State (AOS). ?						d to upload the ocument.
oject Documents for Year 1 / 2 (20	019)					
Document Type	File Name	Uploaded	Uploaded By			
Summary Fund Report	No file found.			Upload		
Detail Fund Report	No file found.			Upload		
Non-Payroll Check Register	No file found.			Upload		
Payroll Check Register	No file found.			Upload		
Detail Revenue Report	No file found.			Upload		
Detail Expenditure Report	No file found.			Upload		
Outstanding Purchase Order Report	No file found.			Upload		

Figure 34



The File explorer will open once you click

the file to be uploaded

and click **Open**. Once the file is selected, click **Submit** to upload

the **Choose File** button. Navigate to

the file.

Once you click **Upload** (see Figure 34), the following window will open (see Figure 35). Click **Choose File**, the file explorer will open. Navigate to the file to be uploaded and click **Open**. The file name will now be listed in the window. Click **Submit** to upload the file (see Figure 35). Repeat for each document type requested.

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Detail Fund Report Choose File No file chosen Uploads

Close Submit

Figure 35

The document center also includes a list of other documents to be gathered for an audit (see Figure 36).

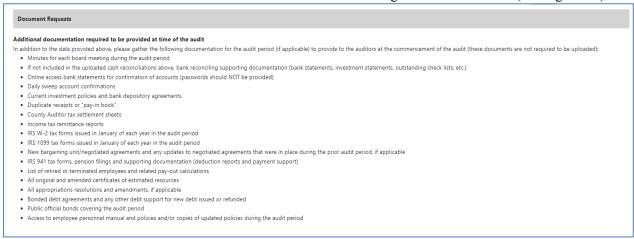


Figure 36

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