

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

***BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS***

***AUDITED***

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
JUNE 30, 2017

**ZACHARY NIBLICK, TREASURER**

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

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**Independent Auditor's Report**

Johnstown-Monroe Local School District  
Licking County  
441 South Main Street  
Johnstown, Ohio 43031

To the Board of Education:

***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking County, Ohio, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

***Auditor's Responsibility***

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

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

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

Board of Education  
Johnstown-Monroe Local School District

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General fund thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Emphasis of Matter***

As discussed in Note 3 to the financial statements, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District restated beginning fund balances. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

***Other Matters***

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis*, and schedules of net pension liability and pension contributions listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 26, 2017, on our consideration of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Julian & Grube, Inc.  
October 26, 2017

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

The management's discussion and analysis of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's (the "District") financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2017 are as follows:

- In total, net position of governmental activities increased \$1,010,006 which represents a 5.26% increase from 2016.
- General revenues accounted for \$17,726,773 in revenue or 87.54% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales and grants and contributions accounted for \$2,523,427 or 12.46% of total revenues of \$20,250,200.
- The District had \$19,240,194 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$2,523,427 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues supporting governmental activities (primarily taxes and unrestricted grants and entitlements) of \$17,726,773 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- The District's major governmental funds are the general, bond retirement, classroom facilities and capital projects funds. The general fund had \$17,150,410 in revenues and other financing sources and \$19,279,712 in expenditures and other financing uses. During fiscal year 2017, the general fund's fund balance decreased \$2,129,302 from a restated balance (see Note 3.C) of \$16,854,156 to \$14,724,854.
- The bond retirement fund had \$15,717,570 in revenues and other financing sources and \$15,799,916 in expenditures and other financing uses. During fiscal year 2017, the bond retirement fund's fund balance decreased \$82,346 from a restated balance of \$1,787,667 to a balance of \$1,705,321.
- The classroom facilities fund had \$8,615,602 in revenues and \$22,727,390 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2017, the classroom facilities fund's fund balance decreased \$14,111,788 from a balance of \$28,336,765 to a balance of \$14,224,977.
- The capital projects fund had \$3,506,307 in revenues and other financing sources. During fiscal year 2017, the capital projects fund's fund balance increased \$3,506,307 from a balance of \$3,002,251 to a balance of \$6,508,558.

**Using these Basic Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the 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 District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. In the case of the District, the general, bond retirement, classroom facilities and capital projects funds are considered major funds.

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**Reporting the 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 District to provide programs and activities, the view of the District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2017?" The statement of net position and the statement of activities answer this question. These statements include *all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the District's *net position* and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the *financial position* of the District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. Non-financial factors include the District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

In the statement of net position and the statement of activities, the governmental activities include the District's programs and services, including instruction, support services, food service operations, extracurricular activities and interest and fiscal charges.

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

*Fund Financial Statements*

Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major governmental funds are the general, bond retirement, classroom facilities and capital projects funds.

*Governmental Funds*

Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed *short-term* view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps 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 basic financial statements.

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***Reporting the District's Fiduciary Responsibilities***

The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its scholarship programs. This activity is presented as private-purpose trust funds. The District also acts in a trustee capacity as an agent for individuals or other entities. These activities are reported in the agency fund. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate statements of fiduciary net position and changes in fiduciary net position. These activities are excluded from the District's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the District to finance its operations.

***Notes to the Basic Financial Statements***

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

***Supplementary Information***

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain supplementary information concerning the District's net pension liability and pension contributions.

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**The District as a Whole**

The table below provides a summary of the District's net position for June 30, 2017 and 2016.

	<b>Net Position</b>	
	Governmental Activities 2017	Governmental Activities 2016
<b><u>Assets</u></b>		
Current and other assets	\$ 55,757,612	\$ 77,527,825
Capital assets, net	<u>35,019,366</u>	<u>8,495,757</u>
Total assets	<u>90,776,978</u>	<u>86,023,582</u>
<b><u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u></b>		
Unamortized deferred charges on debt refunding	1,475,285	-
Pension	<u>4,985,263</u>	<u>2,444,063</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>6,460,548</u>	<u>2,444,063</u>
<b><u>Liabilities</u></b>		
Current liabilities	5,926,132	3,563,624
Long-term liabilities:		
Due within one year	679,975	525,339
Due in more than one year:		
Net pension liability	23,059,761	18,375,533
Other amounts	<u>38,463,272</u>	<u>37,334,899</u>
Total liabilities	<u>68,129,140</u>	<u>59,799,395</u>
<b><u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u></b>		
Property taxes levied for the next fiscal year	8,895,646	8,351,171
Pensions	<u>-</u>	<u>1,114,345</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>8,895,646</u>	<u>9,465,516</u>
<b><u>Net Position</u></b>		
Net investment in capital assets	8,662,929	2,405,952
Restricted	7,159,585	13,876,991
Unrestricted	<u>4,390,226</u>	<u>2,919,791</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 20,212,740</u>	<u>\$ 19,202,734</u>

The District adopted GASB Statement 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27," which significantly revises accounting for pension costs and liabilities. For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of the District's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and the net pension liability to the reported net position and subtracting deferred outflows related to pension.



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Governmental Accounting Standards Board standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. When accounting for pension costs, GASB 27 focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability*. GASB 68 takes an earnings approach to pension accounting; however, the nature of Ohio's statewide pension systems and state law governing those systems requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

Under the new standards required by GASB 68, the net pension liability equals the District's proportionate share of each plan's collective:

1. Present value of estimated future pension benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service
- 2 Minus plan assets available to pay these benefits

GASB notes that pension 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. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this pension 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 District is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of this liability. 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 employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the pension system. In Ohio, there is no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension system *as against the public employer*. State law operates to mitigate/lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. The pension system is responsible for the administration of the plan.

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 liability. As explained above, changes in pension benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of the net pension liability, 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 pension payments, State statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension liability is satisfied, this liability is separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position.

In accordance with GASB 68, the District's statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting include an annual pension expense for their proportionate share of each plan's *change* in net pension liability not accounted for as deferred inflows/outflows.

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2017, the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$20,212,740. Of this total, \$4,390,226 is unrestricted in use.

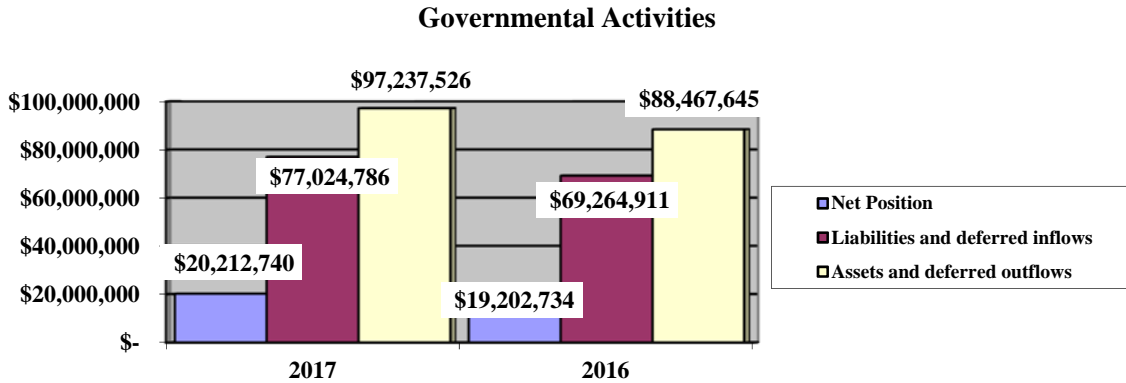
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At year-end, capital assets represented 36.01% of total assets and deferred outflows of resources. Capital assets include land, construction in progress, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. Net investment in capital assets was \$8,662,929. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the District's net position, \$7,159,585, represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position of \$4,390,226 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to the students and creditors.

The graph below shows the District's governmental activities assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position at June 30, 2017 and 2016:



The table below shows the change in net position for fiscal year 2017 and 2016.

**Change in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities 2017	Governmental Activities 2016
<b>Revenues</b>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services and sales	\$ 1,040,889	\$ 1,161,650
Operating grants and contributions	1,256,046	1,096,710
Capital grants and contributions	226,492	216,831
General revenues:		
Property taxes	8,701,041	9,220,711
Payments in lieu of taxes	511,856	430,379
School district income taxes	2,936,386	2,897,890
Unrestricted grants and entitlements	5,489,845	5,372,393
Investment earnings	84,592	209,414
Miscellaneous	3,053	16,470
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>20,250,200</b>	<b>20,622,448</b>

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**Change in Net Position - (Continued)**

	Governmental Activities <u>2017</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2016</u>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Program expenses:		
Instruction:		
Regular	\$ 8,389,889	\$ 7,239,117
Special	1,849,628	1,659,053
Vocational	226,781	236,217
Other	301,586	330,724
Support services:		
Pupil	537,766	477,341
Instructional staff	672,716	560,470
Board of education	58,489	79,605
Administration	1,322,469	1,237,335
Fiscal	514,467	482,252
Business	2,368	1,686
Operations and maintenance	1,556,220	1,146,749
Pupil transportation	1,113,223	1,067,296
Central	114,407	106,940
Operation of non-instructional services:		
Food service operations	411,230	404,774
Extracurricular activities	544,495	453,219
Interest and fiscal charges	1,624,460	1,475,522
Total expenses	<u>19,240,194</u>	<u>16,958,300</u>
Change in net position	1,010,006	3,664,148
Net position at beginning of year	<u>19,202,734</u>	<u>15,538,586</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 20,212,740</u>	<u>\$ 19,202,734</u>

**Governmental Activities**

Net position of the District's governmental activities increased \$1,010,006. Total governmental expenses of \$19,240,194 were offset by program revenues of \$2,523,427 and general revenues of \$17,726,773. Program revenues supported 13.12% of the total governmental expenses.

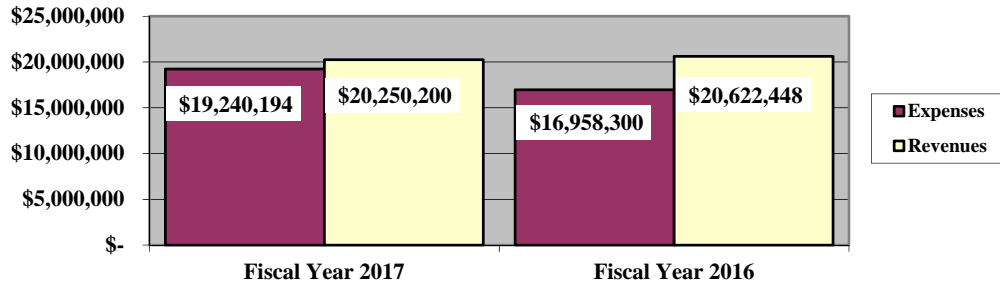
The primary sources of revenue for governmental activities are derived from property taxes, income taxes, payments in lieu of taxes and grants and entitlements. These revenue sources represent 87.11% of total governmental revenue. The largest expense of the District is for instructional programs. Instruction expenses totaled \$10,767,884 or 55.97% of total governmental expenses for fiscal year 2017.

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The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenues and expenses for fiscal year 2017 and 2016.

**Governmental Activities - Revenues and Expenses**



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

**Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Services <u>2017</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2017</u>	Total Cost of Services <u>2016</u>	Net Cost of Services <u>2016</u>
<b>Program expenses</b>				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 8,389,889	\$ 7,923,742	\$ 7,239,117	\$ 6,582,077
Special	1,849,628	1,166,725	1,659,053	1,165,961
Vocational	226,781	195,653	236,217	195,529
Other	301,586	113,457	330,724	174,878
Support services:				
Pupil	537,766	537,766	477,341	477,341
Instructional staff	672,716	581,266	560,470	452,762
Board of education	58,489	58,489	79,605	79,605
Administration	1,322,469	1,322,469	1,237,335	1,237,335
Fiscal	514,467	514,467	482,252	482,252
Business	2,368	2,368	1,686	1,686
Operations and maintenance	1,556,220	1,323,088	1,146,749	916,748
Pupil transportation	1,113,223	956,019	1,067,296	912,029
Central	114,407	107,207	106,940	99,740
Operation of non-instructional services:				
Food service operations	411,230	(13,924)	404,774	(29,658)
Extracurricular activities	544,495	303,515	453,219	259,302
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>1,624,460</u>	<u>1,624,460</u>	<u>1,475,522</u>	<u>1,475,522</u>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<u>\$ 19,240,194</u>	<u>\$ 16,716,767</u>	<u>\$ 16,958,300</u>	<u>\$ 14,483,109</u>

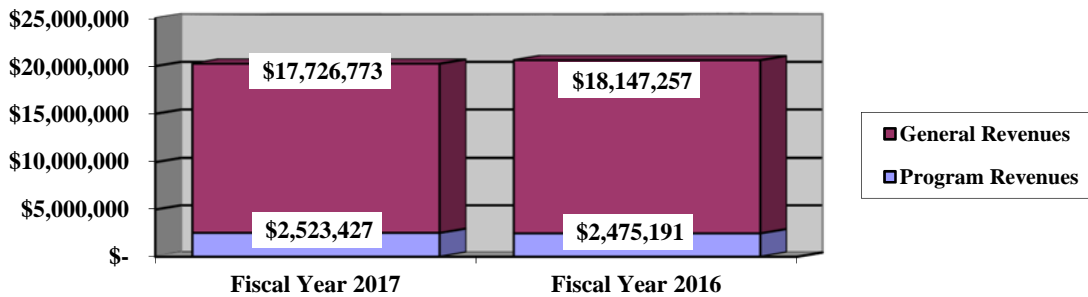
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The dependence upon tax and other general revenues for governmental activities is apparent; 87.29% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues. For all governmental activities, general revenue support is 86.88%. The District's taxpayers and unrestricted grants and entitlements from the State of Ohio are by far the primary support for District's students.

The graph below presents the District's governmental activities revenue for fiscal year 2017 and 2016.

**Governmental Activities - General and Program Revenues**



**The District's Funds**

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$39,828,321, which is less than last year's restated (see Note 3.C.) total of \$56,080,728. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance as of June 30, 2017 and 2016.

	Fund Balance <u>June 30, 2017</u>	Restated Fund Balance <u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
General	\$ 14,724,854	\$16,854,156	\$ (2,129,302)	(12.63) %
Bond Retirement	1,705,321	1,787,667	(82,346)	(4.61) %
Classroom Facilities	14,224,977	28,336,765	(14,111,788)	(49.80) %
Capital Projects	6,508,558	3,002,251	3,506,307	116.79 %
Other Governmental	<u>2,664,611</u>	<u>6,099,889</u>	<u>(3,435,278)</u>	(56.32) %
Total	<u>\$ 39,828,321</u>	<u>\$56,080,728</u>	<u>\$ (16,252,407)</u>	(28.98) %

**General Fund**

The District's general fund balance decreased \$2,129,302. This decrease was primarily the result of \$3,495,000 in transfers out to the capital projects fund. The table that follows assists in illustrating the financial activities and fund balance of the general fund.

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	<u>2017</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>2016</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Net</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>Percentage</u> <u>Change</u>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
Taxes	\$ 9,768,987	\$ 10,220,112	\$ (451,125)	(4.41) %
Payments in lieu of taxes	511,856	430,379	81,477	18.93 %
Tuition	449,613	524,000	(74,387)	(14.20) %
Earnings on investments	78,431	211,880	(133,449)	(62.98) %
Intergovernmental	5,914,559	5,773,581	140,978	2.44 %
Other revenues	<u>134,627</u>	<u>160,423</u>	<u>(25,796)</u>	(16.08) %
 Total	 <u>\$ 16,858,073</u>	 <u>\$ 17,320,375</u>	 <u>\$ (462,302)</u>	 (2.67) %
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Instruction	\$ 9,423,106	\$ 9,001,576	\$ 421,530	4.68 %
Support services	5,032,391	4,832,942	199,449	4.13 %
Extracurricular activities	344,875	273,249	71,626	26.21 %
Facilities acquisition and construction	725,192	47,202	677,990	1,436.36 %
Capital outlay	-	134,345	(134,345)	(100.00) %
Debt service	<u>259,148</u>	<u>30,424</u>	<u>228,724</u>	751.79 %
 Total	 <u>\$ 15,784,712</u>	 <u>\$ 14,319,738</u>	 <u>\$ 1,464,974</u>	 10.23 %

Revenues of the general fund decreased \$462,302 or 2.67%. The District had a decrease in property tax revenue, resulting in a decrease of \$451,125 in tax revenue. This decrease was due to a change in the way property tax was allocated among the funds, as described in Note 3C. Earnings on investments decreased due to a decrease in interest rates and a decrease in the amount of cash invested.

Expenditures of the general fund increased \$1,464,974 or 10.23%. In 2016, the District entered into a capital lease agreement which resulted in the increase in debt service expenditures in the general fund during 2017.

***Bond Retirement Fund***

The bond retirement fund had \$15,717,570 in revenues and other financing sources and \$15,799,916 in expenditures and other financing uses. During fiscal year 2017, the bond retirement fund's fund balance decreased \$82,346 from a restated balance of \$1,787,667 to a balance of \$1,705,321.

***Classroom Facilities Fund***

The classroom facilities fund had \$8,615,602 in revenues and \$22,727,390 in expenditures. During fiscal year 2017, the classroom facilities fund's fund balance decreased \$14,111,788 from a balance of \$28,336,765 to a balance of \$14,224,977. The decrease in fund balance was due to the facilities acquisition and construction expenditures related to the District's school facilities construction project.

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***Capital Projects Fund***

The capital projects fund had \$3,506,307 in revenues and other financing sources. During fiscal year 2017, the capital projects fund's fund balance increased \$3,506,307 from a balance of \$3,002,251 to a balance of \$6,508,558.

***General Fund Budgeting Highlights***

The District's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund.

During the course of fiscal year 2017, the District amended its general fund budget several times. For the general fund, original budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$17,052,224 and final budgeted revenues and other financing sources were \$17,464,260. Actual revenues and other financing sources for fiscal 2017 were \$17,364,595.

General fund original appropriations and other financing uses of \$20,678,605 were increased to \$21,734,309 in the final appropriations and other financing uses. The actual budget basis expenditures and other financing uses for fiscal year 2017 totaled \$19,682,651, which was \$2,051,658 less than the final budget appropriations.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

***Capital Assets***

At the end of fiscal year 2017, the District had \$35,019,366 invested in land, construction-in-progress, land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment and vehicles. This entire amount is reported in governmental activities. The following table shows fiscal year 2017 balances compared to 2016:

**Capital Assets at June 30  
(Net of Depreciation)**

	Governmental Activities	
	2017	2016
Land	\$ 300,961	\$ 300,961
Construction-in-progress	32,932,146	6,190,137
Land improvements	19,222	20,440
Building and improvements	1,013,570	1,073,073
Furniture and equipment	709,668	860,746
Vehicles	43,799	50,400
Total	\$ 35,019,366	\$ 8,495,757

The overall increase in capital assets of \$26,523,609 is due to the \$26,873,519 in additions, \$194,179 in depreciation expense and disposals, net of accumulated depreciation of \$155,731.

See Note 10 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the District's capital assets.

***Debt Administration***

At June 30, 2017, the District had \$84,590 in capital lease obligations and \$35,210,001 in general obligations bonds, including accreted interest, outstanding. Of this total, \$631,802 is due within one year and \$34,662,789 is due in greater than one year.

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The following table summarizes the bonds and leases outstanding.

**Outstanding Debt, at Year End**

	Governmental Activities <u>2017</u>	Governmental Activities <u>2016</u>
Capital lease obligations	\$ 84,590	\$ 110,088
School Improvement Bonds - 2014	23,085,000	35,410,000
School Improvement Bonds - 2014 (CABS)	243,497	204,848
Refunding Bonds - 2016	11,735,000	-
Refunding Bonds - 2016 (CABS)	<u>146,504</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 35,294,591</u>	<u>\$ 35,724,936</u>

See Note 13 to the basic financial statements for additional information on the District's debt administration.

**Current Financial Related Activities**

The District is currently financially sound. As the preceding information shows, the District relies heavily upon property taxes, income taxes, grants and entitlements. The District is currently collecting approximately \$2.9 million per year from a 1% income tax. This income tax was renewed in November 2012 and collections will continue through fiscal year 2019. In addition, a \$2.2 million Emergency Levy was renewed in May 2013 and collection will continue through fiscal year 2019. This additional tax revenue, along with the District's cash balance, will provide the District with the necessary funds to meet its operating expenses through fiscal year 2020.

However, the future financial stability of the District is not without challenges. The next challenge facing the District is the steady increase in enrollment. These projected increases are due to planned residential growth in the District. The district passed a bond issue in May of 2014 which will allow for a new K-5 elementary building and a new 9-12 high school building. The bond issue also allows for renovations to be made to the current high school for future use as a middle school. The District is currently participating in the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) *Classroom Facilities Assistance Program*. Both buildings are expected to open during the 2017-2018 school year, with the renovated high school transitioning into a middle school in the 2018-2019 school year. However, additional planning is being done now, as enrollment continues to grow and could warrant additional instructional space in the coming years.

The last challenge facing the District is the future of State funding. The District anticipates a slight growth in State revenue in the coming years due to increasing enrollment and changes in the State funding formula. An added boost will come from the District changing to all day every day kindergarten in the 2017-2018 school year.

In conclusion, the District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years.

**Contacting the District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Mr. Zachary Niblick, Treasurer, Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, 441 S. Main Street, Johnstown, Ohio 43031.



**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2017

	<u><b>Governmental Activities</b></u>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Equity in pooled cash and investments . . . . .	\$ 43,920,008
Receivables:	
Property taxes . . . . .	9,443,984
Income taxes. . . . .	1,268,080
Accrued interest . . . . .	22,644
Intergovernmental . . . . .	1,004,234
Prepayments . . . . .	87,560
Materials and supplies inventory. . . . .	1,096
Inventory held for resale. . . . .	10,006
Capital assets:	
Nondepreciable capital assets . . . . .	33,233,107
Depreciable capital assets, net. . . . .	1,786,259
Capital assets, net . . . . .	<u>35,019,366</u>
Total assets. . . . .	<u>90,776,978</u>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources:</b>	
Unamortized deferred charges on debt refunding . . . . .	1,475,285
Pension - STRS . . . . .	3,961,271
Pension - SERS . . . . .	1,023,992
Total deferred outflows of resources . . . . .	<u>6,460,548</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable. . . . .	189,646
Contracts payable. . . . .	3,760,856
Retainage payable . . . . .	747,369
Accrued wages and benefits payable . . . . .	882,806
Intergovernmental payable . . . . .	28,612
Pension obligation payable. . . . .	212,934
Accrued interest payable . . . . .	103,909
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year. . . . .	679,975
Due in more than one year:	
Net pension liability (See Note 15) . . . . .	23,059,761
Other amounts due in more than one year . . . . .	38,463,272
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>68,129,140</u>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>	
Property taxes levied for the next fiscal year. . . . .	8,895,646
Total deferred inflows of resources . . . . .	<u>8,895,646</u>
<b>Net position:</b>	
Net investment in capital assets . . . . .	8,662,929
Restricted for:	
Capital projects . . . . .	4,723,160
Classroom facilities maintenance . . . . .	331,672
Debt service. . . . .	1,584,918
Locally funded programs . . . . .	64,557
Student activities . . . . .	103,838
Other purposes . . . . .	351,440
Unrestricted . . . . .	4,390,226
Total net position. . . . .	<u>\$ 20,212,740</u>

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**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Expenses	Program Revenues	
		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions
<b>Governmental activities:</b>			
Instruction:			
Regular . . . . .	\$ 8,389,889	\$ 441,021	\$ 25,126
Special . . . . .	1,849,628	97,053	585,850
Vocational . . . . .	226,781	-	31,128
Other . . . . .	301,586	-	188,129
Support services:			
Pupil . . . . .	537,766	-	-
Instructional staff . . . . .	672,716	-	91,450
Board of education . . . . .	58,489	-	-
Administration . . . . .	1,322,469	-	-
Fiscal . . . . .	514,467	-	-
Business . . . . .	2,368	-	-
Operations and maintenance . . . . .	1,556,220	6,640	-
Pupil transportation . . . . .	1,113,223	96,456	60,748
Central . . . . .	114,407	-	7,200
Operation of non-instructional services:			
Food service operations . . . . .	411,230	226,606	198,548
Extracurricular activities . . . . .	544,495	173,113	67,867
Interest and fiscal charges . . . . .	1,624,460	-	-
<b>Total governmental activities . . . . .</b>	<b>19,240,194</b>	<b>1,040,889</b>	<b>1,256,046</b>

**General revenues:**

Property taxes levied for:
General purposes . . . . .
Debt Service . . . . .
Special Revenue . . . . .
Payments in lieu of taxes . . . . .
Income taxes levied for:
General purposes . . . . .
Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs . . . . .
Investment earnings . . . . .
Miscellaneous . . . . .
<b>Total general revenues . . . . .</b>

Change in net position . . . . .

**Net position at beginning of year . . . . .**

**Net position at end of year . . . . .**

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<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities</u>
\$ -	\$ (7,923,742)
-	(1,166,725)
-	(195,653)
-	(113,457)
-	(537,766)
-	(581,266)
-	(58,489)
-	(1,322,469)
-	(514,467)
-	(2,368)
226,492	(1,323,088)
-	(956,019)
-	(107,207)
-	13,924
-	(303,515)
-	(1,624,460)
226,492	(16,716,767)

6,819,180
1,760,277
121,584
511,856
2,936,386
5,489,845
84,592
3,053
17,726,773
1,010,006
19,202,734
\$ 20,212,740

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>General</u>	<u>Bond Retirement</u>	<u>Classroom Facilities</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets:</b>						
Equity in pooled cash and investments . . . . .	\$ 14,429,065	\$ 1,626,778	\$ 18,437,770	\$ 6,508,558	\$ 2,917,837	\$ 43,920,008
Receivables:						
Property taxes . . . . .	7,333,621	1,973,355	-	-	137,008	9,443,984
Income taxes . . . . .	1,268,080	-	-	-	-	1,268,080
Accrued interest . . . . .	22,644	-	-	-	-	22,644
Intergovernmental . . . . .	143,833	-	833,328	-	27,073	1,004,234
Prepayments . . . . .	81,946	-	-	-	5,614	87,560
Materials and supplies inventory . . . . .	-	-	-	-	1,096	1,096
Inventory held for resale . . . . .	-	-	-	-	10,006	10,006
Due from other funds . . . . .	74	-	-	-	-	74
Total assets . . . . .	<u>23,279,263</u>	<u>3,600,133</u>	<u>19,271,098</u>	<u>6,508,558</u>	<u>3,098,634</u>	<u>55,757,686</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Accounts payable . . . . .	\$ 171,902	\$ -	\$ 2,623	\$ -	\$ 15,121	\$ 189,646
Contracts payable . . . . .	65,518	-	3,549,037	-	146,301	3,760,856
Retainage payable . . . . .	5,674	-	661,133	-	80,562	747,369
Accrued wages and benefits payable . . . . .	834,944	-	-	-	47,862	882,806
Intergovernmental payable . . . . .	27,950	-	-	-	662	28,612
Pension obligation payable . . . . .	201,044	-	-	-	11,890	212,934
Due to other funds . . . . .	-	-	-	-	74	74
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>1,307,032</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,212,793</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>302,472</u>	<u>5,822,297</u>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources:</b>						
Property taxes levied for the next fiscal year . . . . .	6,907,904	1,858,699	-	-	129,043	8,895,646
Delinquent property tax revenue not available . . . . .	134,593	36,113	-	-	2,508	173,214
Income tax revenue not available . . . . .	195,318	-	-	-	-	195,318
Intergovernmental revenue not available . . . . .	1,340	-	833,328	-	-	834,668
Accrued interest not available . . . . .	8,222	-	-	-	-	8,222
Total deferred inflows of resources . . . . .	<u>7,247,377</u>	<u>1,894,812</u>	<u>833,328</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131,551</u>	<u>10,107,068</u>
<b>Fund balances:</b>						
Nonspendable:						
Materials and supplies inventory . . . . .	-	-	-	-	1,096	1,096
Unclaimed monies . . . . .	1,264	-	-	-	-	1,264
Prepays . . . . .	81,946	-	-	-	5,614	87,560
Restricted:						
Debt service . . . . .	-	1,705,321	-	-	-	1,705,321
Capital improvements . . . . .	-	-	14,224,977	-	1,797,919	16,022,896
Classroom facilities maintenance . . . . .	-	-	-	-	329,164	329,164
Food service operations . . . . .	-	-	-	-	366,052	366,052
Other purposes . . . . .	-	-	-	-	64,557	64,557
Student activities . . . . .	-	-	-	-	103,838	103,838
Committed:						
Capital improvements . . . . .	-	-	-	6,508,558	-	6,508,558
Assigned:						
Student instruction . . . . .	67,890	-	-	-	-	67,890
Student and staff support . . . . .	238,944	-	-	-	-	238,944
Extracurricular activities . . . . .	300	-	-	-	-	300
Facilities acquisition and construction . . . . .	145,577	-	-	-	-	145,577
Subsequent year's appropriations . . . . .	61,944	-	-	-	-	61,944
School supplies . . . . .	107,290	-	-	-	-	107,290
Unassigned . . . . .	14,019,699	-	-	-	(3,629)	14,016,070
Total fund balances . . . . .	<u>14,724,854</u>	<u>1,705,321</u>	<u>14,224,977</u>	<u>6,508,558</u>	<u>2,664,611</u>	<u>39,828,321</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances	<u>\$ 23,279,263</u>	<u>\$ 3,600,133</u>	<u>\$ 19,271,098</u>	<u>\$ 6,508,558</u>	<u>\$ 3,098,634</u>	<u>\$ 55,757,686</u>

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**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO  
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
JUNE 30, 2017

<b>Total governmental fund balances</b>		\$	39,828,321
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities on 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.			35,019,366
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred inflows in the funds.			
Property taxes receivable	\$	173,214	
Income taxes receivable		195,318	
Accrued interest receivable		8,222	
Intergovernmental receivable		834,668	
Total		1,211,422	1,211,422
Unamortized premiums on bonds issued are not recognized in the funds.			(3,300,183)
Unamortized amounts on refundings are not recognized in the funds.			1,475,285
Accrued interest payable is not due and payable in the current period and therefore is not reported in the funds.			(103,909)
The net pension liability is not due and payable in the current period; therefore, liability and related deferred outflows are not reported in governmental funds.			
Deferred outflows - Pension		4,985,263	
Net pension liability		(23,059,761)	
Total		(18,074,498)	(18,074,498)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
General obligation bonds		(35,210,001)	
Capital lease obligations		(84,590)	
Compensated absences		(548,473)	
Total		(35,843,064)	(35,843,064)
<b>Net position of governmental activities</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>20,212,740</b>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	General	Bond Retirement	Classroom Facilities	Capital Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues:</b>						
From local sources:						
Property taxes . . . . .	\$ 6,833,397	\$ 1,760,865	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 121,538	\$ 8,715,800
Income taxes . . . . .	2,935,590	-	-	-	-	2,935,590
Payment in lieu of taxes . . . . .	511,856	-	-	-	-	511,856
Tuition . . . . .	449,613	-	-	-	-	449,613
Transportation fees . . . . .	-	-	-	-	81,193	81,193
Earnings on investments . . . . .	78,431	-	200,713	5,327	20,760	305,231
Charges for services . . . . .	-	-	-	-	226,606	226,606
Extracurricular . . . . .	38,311	-	-	-	145,923	184,234
Classroom materials and fees . . . . .	88,461	-	-	-	-	88,461
Rental income . . . . .	660	-	-	5,980	-	6,640
Contributions and donations . . . . .	6,106	-	-	-	81,500	87,606
Other local revenues . . . . .	1,089	-	-	-	-	1,089
Intergovernmental - intermediate . . . . .	16,104	-	-	-	850	16,954
Intergovernmental - state . . . . .	5,864,526	38,313	8,414,889	-	12,655	14,330,383
Intergovernmental - federal . . . . .	33,929	-	-	-	696,366	730,295
<b>Total revenues . . . . .</b>	<b>16,858,073</b>	<b>1,799,178</b>	<b>8,615,602</b>	<b>11,307</b>	<b>1,387,391</b>	<b>28,671,551</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
Current:						
Instruction:						
Regular . . . . .	7,607,469	-	-	-	14,463	7,621,932
Special . . . . .	1,516,969	-	-	-	214,768	1,731,737
Vocational . . . . .	207,316	-	-	-	-	207,316
Other . . . . .	91,352	-	-	-	181,350	272,702
Support services:						
Pupil . . . . .	502,596	-	-	-	-	502,596
Instructional staff . . . . .	528,285	-	-	-	93,576	621,861
Board of education . . . . .	56,622	-	-	-	-	56,622
Administration . . . . .	1,214,009	-	-	-	-	1,214,009
Fiscal . . . . .	460,334	26,216	-	-	1,804	488,354
Business . . . . .	2,368	-	-	-	-	2,368
Operations and maintenance . . . . .	1,144,080	-	2,623	-	-	1,146,703
Pupil transportation . . . . .	1,021,402	-	-	-	91,821	1,113,223
Central . . . . .	102,695	-	-	-	7,200	109,895
Operation of non-instructional services:						
Food service operations . . . . .	-	-	-	-	380,380	380,380
Extracurricular activities . . . . .	344,875	-	-	-	140,255	485,130
Facilities acquisition and construction . . . . .	725,192	-	22,724,767	-	3,695,788	27,145,747
Debt service:						
Principal retirement . . . . .	25,498	460,000	-	-	-	485,498
Interest and fiscal charges . . . . .	4,926	1,399,843	-	-	-	1,404,769
Bond issuance costs . . . . .	228,724	-	-	-	-	228,724
<b>Total expenditures . . . . .</b>	<b>15,784,712</b>	<b>1,886,059</b>	<b>22,727,390</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,821,405</b>	<b>45,219,566</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures . . . . .	1,073,361	(86,881)	(14,111,788)	11,307	(3,434,014)	(16,548,015)
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>						
Premium on bonds and notes sold . . . . .	228,724	2,053,663	-	-	-	2,282,387
Sale of bonds . . . . .	-	11,864,729	-	-	-	11,864,729
Sale of assets . . . . .	62,349	-	-	-	-	62,349
Transfers in . . . . .	1,264	-	-	3,495,000	-	3,496,264
Transfers (out) . . . . .	(3,495,000)	-	-	-	(1,264)	(3,496,264)
Payment to refunding bond escrow agent . . . . .	-	(13,913,857)	-	-	-	(13,913,857)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses) . . . . .</b>	<b>(3,202,663)</b>	<b>4,535</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,495,000</b>	<b>(1,264)</b>	<b>295,608</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances . . . . .</b>	<b>(2,129,302)</b>	<b>(82,346)</b>	<b>(14,111,788)</b>	<b>3,506,307</b>	<b>(3,435,278)</b>	<b>(16,252,407)</b>
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year (restated) . . . . .</b>						
	16,854,156	1,787,667	28,336,765	3,002,251	6,099,889	56,080,728
<b>Fund balances at end of year . . . . .</b>	<b>\$ 14,724,854</b>	<b>\$ 1,705,321</b>	<b>\$ 14,224,977</b>	<b>\$ 6,508,558</b>	<b>\$ 2,664,611</b>	<b>\$ 39,828,321</b>

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**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

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, 2017

<b>Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds</b>	\$	(16,252,407)
<i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:</i>		
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 expense.		
Capital asset additions	\$ 26,873,519	
Current year depreciation	(194,179)	
Total		26,679,340
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, disposals, trade-ins, and donations) is to decrease net position.		
		(155,731)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		
Property taxes	(14,759)	
Income taxes	796	
Earnings on investments	6,161	
Intergovernmental	(8,413,549)	
Total		(8,421,351)
Repayment of bond and lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net position.		
		485,498
Issuance of bonds are recorded as other financing sources in the funds; however, in the statement of activities, they are not reported as other financing sources as they increase liabilities on the statement of net position		
		(11,864,729)
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent for the retirement of bonds is an other financing use in the governmental funds but the payment reduces long-term liabilities on the statement of net position. Deferred charges related to bond refundings are amortized over the life of the issuance in the statement of activities. The following refunding transactions occurred during the year:		
Bonds refunded	11,865,000	
Premiums on refunded bonds	541,238	
Deferred charges on refundings	1,507,619	
Total		13,913,857

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TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Premiums on bonds are amortized over the life of the issuance in the statement of activities.		(2,282,387)
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due. The following items resulted in additional interest being reported in the statement of activities:		
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest payable	13,317	
Accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds	(55,424)	
Amortization of bond premiums	83,474	
Amortization of deferred charges	(32,334)	
Total	9,033	9,033
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.		(72,434)
Contractually required pension contributions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, the statement of activities reports these amounts as deferred outflows.		1,137,594
Except for amounts reported as deferred inflows/outflows, changes in the net pension liability are reported as pension expense in the statement of activities.		(2,166,277)
<b>Change in net position of governmental activities</b>		<b>\$ 1,010,006</b>

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<b>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</b>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
From local sources:				
Property taxes . . . . .	\$ 7,056,035	\$ 7,086,328	\$ 7,087,260	\$ 932
Income taxes . . . . .	2,836,471	2,896,471	2,897,651	1,180
Payment in lieu of taxes . . . . .	337,000	478,000	517,957	39,957
Tuition . . . . .	540,000	434,053	416,832	(17,221)
Earnings on investments . . . . .	146,000	196,000	166,543	(29,457)
Classroom materials and fees . . . . .	2,000	2,000	2,354	354
Rental income . . . . .	12,500	1,000	660	(340)
Contributions and donations . . . . .	1,500	1,500	1,964	464
Other local revenues . . . . .	-	-	3,332	3,332
Intergovernmental - intermediate . . . . .	16,105	16,105	16,104	(1)
Intergovernmental - state . . . . .	5,932,495	5,941,961	5,844,856	(97,105)
Intergovernmental - federal . . . . .	37,618	37,618	33,929	(3,689)
<b>Total revenues . . . . .</b>	<u>16,917,724</u>	<u>17,091,036</u>	<u>16,989,442</u>	<u>(101,594)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular . . . . .	7,938,314	8,039,033	7,528,122	510,911
Special . . . . .	1,832,267	1,958,472	1,569,650	388,822
Vocational . . . . .	245,184	222,318	214,054	8,264
Other . . . . .	241,709	222,900	117,970	104,930
Support services:				
Pupil . . . . .	521,572	538,640	509,563	29,077
Instructional staff . . . . .	582,602	700,763	583,715	117,048
Board of education . . . . .	156,085	156,085	82,166	73,919
Administration . . . . .	1,296,756	1,305,462	1,222,502	82,960
Fiscal . . . . .	481,469	495,923	473,113	22,810
Business . . . . .	3,800	3,800	5,154	(1,354)
Operations and maintenance . . . . .	1,361,647	1,519,817	1,222,471	297,346
Pupil transportation . . . . .	1,126,784	1,126,534	1,040,728	85,806
Central . . . . .	110,896	114,251	106,608	7,643
Extracurricular activities . . . . .	348,847	361,014	325,804	35,210
Facilities acquisition and construction . . . . .	955,173	932,073	877,436	54,637
Debt service:				
Bond issuance costs . . . . .	-	228,724	228,724	-
<b>Total expenditures . . . . .</b>	<u>17,203,105</u>	<u>17,925,809</u>	<u>16,107,780</u>	<u>1,818,029</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures . . . . .	<u>(285,381)</u>	<u>(834,773)</u>	<u>881,662</u>	<u>1,716,435</u>
<b>Other financing sources (uses):</b>				
Refund of prior year's expenditures . . . . .	3,000	3,000	4,209	1,209
Refund of prior year's receipts . . . . .	-	(233,000)	-	233,000
Transfers in . . . . .	30,000	80,000	-	(80,000)
Transfers (out) . . . . .	(3,475,000)	(3,575,000)	(3,495,000)	80,000
Other uses . . . . .	(500)	(500)	-	500
Premium on sale of bonds . . . . .	-	228,724	228,724	-
Sale of capital assets . . . . .	101,500	61,500	62,349	849
<b>Total other financing sources (uses) . . . . .</b>	<u>(3,341,000)</u>	<u>(3,435,276)</u>	<u>(3,199,718)</u>	<u>235,558</u>
Net change in fund balance . . . . .	(3,626,381)	(4,270,049)	(2,318,056)	1,951,993
<b>Fund balance at beginning of year (restated) . . . . .</b>	15,061,319	15,061,319	15,061,319	-
<b>Prior year encumbrances appropriated . . . . .</b>	1,000,561	1,000,561	1,000,561	-
<b>Fund balance at end of year . . . . .</b>	<u>\$ 12,435,499</u>	<u>\$ 11,791,831</u>	<u>\$ 13,743,824</u>	<u>\$ 1,951,993</u>

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STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Private-Purpose Trust</u>	
	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Agency</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Current assets:		
Equity in pooled cash and investments . . . . .	\$ 430,154	\$ 67,849
Total assets. . . . .	<u>430,154</u>	<u>\$ 67,849</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable. . . . .	-	\$ 2,606
Due to students. . . . .	-	65,243
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 67,849</u>
<b>Net position:</b>		
Held in trust for scholarships . . . . .	<u>430,154</u>	
Total net position. . . . .	<u>\$ 430,154</u>	

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**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<b>Private-Purpose Trust</b>
	<b>Scholarship</b>
<b>Additions:</b>	
Interest . . . . .	\$ 3,878
Gifts and contributions . . . . .	39,054
Total additions. . . . .	42,932
 <b>Deductions:</b>	
Scholarships awarded . . . . .	37,562
 Change in net position . . . . .	5,370
<b>Net position at beginning of year. . . . .</b>	424,784
<b>Net position at end of year . . . . .</b>	\$ 430,154

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**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

**NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Johnstown-Monroe Local School District (the “District”) is located in Licking County in Johnstown, Ohio. The District was established in 1813 through the consolidation of existing land areas and school districts. The District currently serves an area of approximately 49 square miles and includes all of the Village of Johnstown and portions of Monroe, Liberty and Jersey Townships in Licking County and Harlem Township in Delaware County.

The District was organized in accordance with Sections 2 and 3, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. Under such laws, there is no authority for a school district to have a charter or adopt local laws. The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at large for staggered four-year terms.

The District currently operates 4 instructional buildings, 1 administrative building and 1 garage. The District employs 51 classified and 117 certified (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees to provide services to approximately 1,594 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups.

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The basic financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (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 District’s significant accounting policies are described below.

**A. Reporting Entity**

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

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization’s Governing Board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization’s resources; or (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary government’s financial statements incomplete or misleading. Based upon the application of these criteria, the District has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government).

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

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

*JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS*

Licking Area Computer Association (LACA)

LACA is the computer service organization or Data Acquisition Site (DAS) used by the District. LACA is an association of public school districts in a geographic area determined by the Ohio Department of Education. The Licking County Educational Service Center acts as the fiscal agent for the association. The purpose of the association is to develop and employ a computer system efficiently and effectively for the needs of the member Boards of Education. All Districts in the association are required to pay fees, charges and assessments as charged. A Board made up of superintendents from all of the participating districts governs LACA. An elected Executive Board consisting of five members of the Governing Board is the managerial body of the association and meets on a monthly basis. The District does not maintain an ongoing financial interest or an ongoing financial responsibility.

Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County ("C-TEC")

"C-TEC" is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board of Education consisting of one representative from each of the nine participating school districts' elected boards, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. Financial statements can be obtained from "C-TEC" administrative offices at 150 Price Road, Newark, Ohio 43055.

*INSURANCE POOL*

Ohio School Plan (the "Plan")

The District participates in the Plan, an insurance purchasing pool established under Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. See Note 14 for detailed information about the plan.

**B. Fund Accounting**

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

*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 plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources is reported as fund balance.

The following are the District's major governmental funds:

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

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

Classroom facilities fund - A capital projects fund is used to account for and report monies received that are restricted for expenditures in connection with contracts entered into by the District and the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission for the building and equipping of classroom facilities.

Bond retirement fund - This fund is used to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

Capital projects fund - The capital projects fund is used to account for transfers from the general fund that are committed for District capital projects.

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

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**

Proprietary funds are used to account for the District's ongoing activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The District has no proprietary funds.

**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the District's own programs. The District's trust funds are private-purpose trusts which account for scholarship programs for students. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's agency fund accounts for student activities.

**C. Basis of Presentation and Measurement Focus**

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

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the governmental activities of the District. 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 amounts paid by the recipient of goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District.

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the District are included on the statement of net position.

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

All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, current deferred outflows of resources, current liabilities and current deferred inflows of resources generally are included on the balance sheet.

The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

The private-purpose trust funds is reported using the economic resources measurement focus. Agency funds do not report a measurement focus as they do not report operations.

**D. 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 are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues - Exchange and Nonexchange 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 District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, income 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 6). Revenue from income taxes is recognized in the period in which the income is earned (See Note 9). 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 fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

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, income taxes, interest, tuition, grants, student fees and rentals.

*Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources* - In addition to assets, the government-wide statement of net position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For the District, See Note 15 for deferred outflows of resources related to the District's net pension liability. In addition, deferred outflows of resources include a deferred charge on debt refunding. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.

In addition to liabilities, both the government-wide statement of net position and the governmental fund financial statements report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the District, deferred inflows of resources include property taxes, payments in lieu of taxes and unavailable revenue. Property taxes and payments in lieu of taxes represent amounts for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2017, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2018 operations. These amounts have been recorded as a deferred inflow of resources on both the government-wide statement of net position and the 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 District unavailable revenue includes, but is not limited to, delinquent property taxes and intergovernmental grants. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period the amounts become available.

*Expenses/Expenditures* - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The entitlement value of donated commodities used during the year is reported in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental revenue.

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.

**E. Budgets**

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The legal level of budgetary control has been established at the fund level for all funds. Any budgetary modifications at the legal level of budgetary control may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education.



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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

*Estimated Resources:* By April 1, the Board of Education accepts, by formal resolution, the tax rates as determined by the Budget Commission and receives the Commission's certificate of estimated resources, which states the projected revenue of each fund. Prior to July 1, the District must revise its budget so that total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing year will not exceed the amount stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the appropriation measure. On or about July 1, the certificate is amended to include any unencumbered cash balances from the preceding year. The certificate may be further amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the District Treasurer. The amounts reported in the budgetary statement reflect the amounts in the original and final amended certificate of estimated resources issued during the fiscal year.

*Appropriations:* Upon receipt from the County Auditor of an amended certificate of estimated resources based on final assessed values and tax rates or a certificate saying a new amended certificate is not necessary, the annual appropriation resolution is enacted by the Board of Education. Prior to the passage of the annual appropriation measure, the Board may pass a temporary appropriation measure to meet the ordinary expenses of the District. The appropriation resolution, by fund, must be within the estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission and the total of expenditures may not exceed the appropriation totals at the legal level of control. Any revisions that alter the legal level of budgetary control must be approved by the Board of Education.

The Board may pass supplemental fund appropriations so long as the total appropriations by fund do not exceed the amounts set forth in the most recent certificate of estimated resources. During the year, all supplemental appropriations were legally enacted.

In the budgetary statement, the amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts represent the first appropriations passed by the Board during the fiscal year including amounts automatically carried over from prior years and the amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriations passed by the Board during the fiscal year; including all amendments.

**F. Cash and Investments**

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the District's records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and investments" in the basic financial statements.

During fiscal year 2017, investments were limited to the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), non-negotiable certificates of deposit, negotiable certificates of deposit, Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB) securities, Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) securities, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) Securities, Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) securities, commercial paper, repurchase agreement and U.S. Treasury money markets.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts, such as non-negotiable certificates of deposit, are reported at cost.

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**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

During fiscal year 2017, the District invested in STAR Ohio. STAR Ohio (the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio), is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The District measures its investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

For fiscal year 2017, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$25 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$50 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$50 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

Under existing Ohio statutes all investment earnings are assigned to the general fund unless statutorily required to be credited to a specific fund or by policy of the Board of Education. Investment earnings are assigned to the general fund, classroom facilities fund, capital projects fund, food service fund and the private-purpose trust funds. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2017 amounted to \$78,431 which includes \$20,837 assigned from other funds.

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

An analysis of the District's investment accounts at year end is provided in Note 4.

**G. Inventory**

On government-wide and fund financial statements, purchased inventories are presented at the lower of cost or market and donated commodities are presented at their entitlement value. Inventories are recorded on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used. Inventories are accounted for using the consumption method.

On the fund financial statements, reported materials and supplies inventory is equally offset by a nonspendable fund balance in the governmental funds which indicates that it does not constitute available spendable resources even though it is a component of net current assets.

Inventory consists of expendable supplies held for consumption, donated food and purchased food.

**H. Capital Assets**

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

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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$1,500. 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. The District does not possess infrastructure.

All reported capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Land improvements	5 - 30 years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 40 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 25 years
Vehicles	5 - 20 years

**I. Interfund Balances**

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from loans to cover negative cash balances at June 30 are classified as "due to/due from other funds". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities column on the statement of net position.

**J. Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences of the District consist of vacation leave and sick leave liability to the extent that payments to the employee for these absences are attributable to services already rendered and are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the District and the employee.

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences", a liability for vacation leave is accrued if a) the employees' rights to payment are attributable to services already rendered; and b) it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or other means, such as cash payment at termination or retirement. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination (severance) payments. A liability for severance is accrued using the vesting method; i.e., the liability is based on the sick leave accumulated at June 30, 2017, by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination (severance) payments, as well as those employees expected to become eligible in the future. (For purposes of establishing a liability for sick leave on employees expected to become eligible to retire in the future, employees age 50 with at least 10 years of service or any age with 20 years of service were considered expected to become eligible to retire in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16).

The total liability for vacation and sick leave payments has been calculated using pay rates in effect at June 30, 2017 and reduced to the maximum payment allowed by labor contract and/or statute, plus any applicable additional salary related payments.

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

For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

**K. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations**

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments, net pension liability 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 year. Notes and capital leases are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due.

**L. Fund Balance**

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

*Nonspendable* - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable.

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

*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 District Board of Education (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the 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.

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Assigned - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the District Board of Education, which includes giving the Treasurer the authority to constrain monies for intended purposes.

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 only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is 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.

**M. Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows. The net position component "net investment in capital assets," consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The amount restricted for other purposes represents amounts restricted for food service operations.

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

**N. Prepayments**

Certain payments to vendors reflect the costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the balance sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed. On the fund financial statements, reported prepayments are equally offset by a nonspendable fund balance.

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**O. Budget Stabilization Arrangement**

The District has established a budget stabilization reserve in accordance with authority established by State law. Additions to the budget stabilization reserve can only be made by formal resolution of the Board of Education. Expenditures out of the budget stabilization reserve can only be made to offset future budget deficits. At June 30, 2017, the balance in the budget stabilization reserve was \$847,210. This amount is included in unassigned fund balance of the general fund and in unrestricted net position on the statement of net position.

**P. Bond Issuance Costs/Unamortized Bond Premium and Discount/Deferred Charges on Debt Refunding**

On government-wide and fund financial statements, bond issuance costs are expensed in the year they occur.

Bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight-line method, which approximates the effective interest method. Bond premiums are presented as an addition to the face amount of the bonds.

For bond refundings resulting in the defeasance of debt reported in the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is deferred and amortized as a component of interest expense. This accounting gain or loss is amortized over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter and is presented as a deferred inflow/outflow of resources on the statement of net position.

On the governmental fund financial statements, bond issuance costs and bond premiums are recognized in the current period. A reconciliation between the bonds face value and the amount reported on the statement of net position is presented in Note 13.A.

**Q. Estimates**

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

**R. Interfund Activity**

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

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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

**S. Pensions**

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

**T. Extraordinary and Special Items**

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Board of Education and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2017.

**U. Fair Value**

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE**

**A. Change in Accounting Principles**

For fiscal year 2017, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 77, "*Tax Abatement Disclosures*", GASB Statement No. 78, "*Pensions Provided Through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*", GASB Statement No. 80, "*Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*" and GASB Statement No. 82, "*Pension Issues - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68 and No. 73*".

GASB Statement No. 77 requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreement. GASB Statement No. 77 also requires disclosures related to tax abatement agreements that have been entered into by other governments that reduce the reporting government's tax revenues. These disclosures were incorporated in the District's fiscal year 2017 financial statements (see Note 7); however, there was no effect on beginning net position/fund balance.

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**NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)**

GASB Statement No. 78 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for defined benefit pensions provided to the employees of state or local governmental employers through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (cost-sharing pension plan) that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 68 and that (a) is not a state or local governmental pension plan, (b) is used to provide defined benefit pensions both to employees of state or local governmental employers and to employees of employers that are not state or local governmental employers, and (c) has no predominant state or local governmental employer (either individually or collectively with other state or local governmental employers that provide pensions through the pension plan). The implementation of GASB Statement No. 78 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 80 improves the financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. This Statement applies to component units that are organized as not-for-profit corporations in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 80 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 82 addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 82 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

**B. Deficit Fund Balances**

Fund balances at June 30, 2017 included the following individual fund deficit:

<u>Nonmajor fund</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
Title I	\$ 2,761

The general fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur. The deficit fund balances resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities.



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**C. Prior Period Adjustment/Restatement of Fund Balances**

The beginning fund balances of the general fund, bond retirement fund and classroom facilities maintenance fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) were restated due to the allocation of property tax revenue related to prior years. The County Auditor recalculated prior year tax settlements and provided the District with modified information related to the allocation of property taxes by fund. This adjustment did not affect beginning net position.

<u>Modified Accrual Funds</u>	<u>Balance at 6/30/16</u>	<u>Restatement</u>	<u>Balance at 7/1/16</u>
General	\$ 17,086,724	\$ (232,568)	\$ 16,854,156
Bond retirement	1,569,746	217,921	1,787,667
Classroom facilities	28,336,765	-	28,336,765
Capital projects	3,002,251	-	3,002,251
Nonmajor governmental	<u>6,085,242</u>	<u>14,647</u>	<u>6,099,889</u>
Total	<u>\$ 56,080,728</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 56,080,728</u>

The beginning fund balances of the general fund on a budgetary basis was also restated by \$232,568 from a balance of \$15,293,887 to \$15,061,319 due to the allocation of property tax revenue related to prior years.

**NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

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

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

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

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

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

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;

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

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

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

**A. Deposits with Financial Institutions**

At June 30, 2017, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$7,646,984. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2017, \$30,798 of the District's bank balance of \$7,950,461 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$7,919,663 was covered by the FDIC.

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Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the District. The District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Although the securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

**B. Investments**

As of June 30, 2017, the District had the following investments and maturities:

Measurement/ <u>Investment type</u>	Measurement <u>Value</u>	Investment Maturities				
		<u>6 months or less</u>	<u>7 to 12 months</u>	<u>13 to 18 months</u>	<u>19 to 24 months</u>	<u>Greater than 24 months</u>
Fair Value:						
Repurchase agreement	\$ 8,242,688	\$ 8,242,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FFCB	681,753	-	681,753	-	-	-
FHLB	2,308,907	554,830	-	-	-	1,754,077
FHLMC	3,290,812	-	1,995,362	-	-	1,295,450
FNMA	6,845,851	-	199,536	-	950,709	5,695,606
US Government						
Money Market	306,132	306,132	-	-	-	-
Commercial Paper	11,606,229	10,392,989	1,213,240	-	-	-
Negotiable CDs	3,485,432	748,111	500,340	745,897	495,772	995,312
Amortized Cost:						
Star Ohio	<u>3,223</u>	<u>3,223</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ <u>36,771,027</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>20,247,973</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>4,590,231</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>745,897</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>1,446,481</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>9,740,445</u></b>

The weighted average maturity of the District's investments is 1.07 years.

The District's investments in U.S. Government money market mutual funds are valued using quoted market prices in active markets (Level 1 inputs). The District's investments in federal agency securities (FHLB, FNMA, FFCB, FHLMC), commercial paper, repurchase agreements and negotiable CD's are valued using quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources for similar assets or liabilities for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly (Level 2 inputs).

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

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*Credit Risk:* The District's investments in federal securities and investments that underly the repurchase agreement were rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively. The District's investments in commercial paper were rated either an A-1 or A-1+ by Standard & Poor's and P-1 by Moody's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio an AAAM money market rating. The U.S. Government money market is not rated. The District's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk beyond requiring the District to only invest in securities authorized by State statute.

*Custodial Credit Risk:* For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee.

*Concentration of Credit Risk:* The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the District at June 30, 2017:

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Repurchase agreement	\$ 8,242,688	22.42
FFCB	681,753	1.85
FHLB	2,308,907	6.28
FHLMC	3,290,812	8.95
FNMA	6,845,851	18.62
US Government Money Market	306,132	0.83
Commercial Paper	11,606,229	31.56
Negotiable CDs	3,485,432	9.48
Star Ohio	<u>3,223</u>	<u>0.01</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 36,771,027</u>	 <u>100.00</u>

**C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position**

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the note above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2017:

<u>Cash and investments per note</u>	
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 7,646,984
Investments	<u>36,771,027</u>
Total	<u>\$ 44,418,011</u>

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<u>Cash and investments per statement of net position</u>	
Governmental activities	\$ 43,920,008
Private-purpose trust funds	430,154
Agency fund	<u>67,849</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 44,418,011</u>

**NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

- A.** Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

<u>Transfers from general fund to:</u>	
Capital projects fund	\$ 3,495,000
 <u>Transfers from nonmajor governmental funds to:</u>	
General fund	<u>1,264</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 3,496,264</u>

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The \$1,264 transfer from the food service fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) to the general fund was for unclaimed funds.

Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated for reporting in the statement of activities.

All transfers made in fiscal year 2017 were in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.14, 5705.15 and 5705.16.

- B.** Interfund balances at June 30, 2017 as reported on the fund statements, consist of the following amounts due to/from other funds:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General fund	Nonmajor governmental fund	<u>\$ 74</u>

The primary purpose of the interfund balances is to cover negative cash balances in specific funds where revenues were not received by June 30. These interfund balances will be repaid once the anticipated revenues are received. All interfund balances are expected to be repaid within one year.

Interfund balances between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements; therefore, no internal balances at June 30, 2017 are reported on the statement of net position.

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**NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES**

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property and public utility property. Real property tax revenues received in calendar year 2017 represent the collection of calendar year 2016 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2017 were levied after April 1, 2016, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2016, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established. Public utility property tax revenues received in calendar year 2017 represent the collection of calendar year 2016 taxes. Public utility real and personal property taxes received in calendar year 2017 became a lien on December 31, 2015, were levied after April 1, 2016, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Licking and Delaware Counties. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2017, are available to finance fiscal year 2017 operations. The amount available as an advance at June 30, 2017 was \$291,124 in the general fund, \$78,543 in the bond retirement fund and \$5,457 in the classroom facilities maintenance fund (a nonmajor governmental fund). This amount is recorded as revenue. The amount available for advance at June 30, 2016 was \$544,986 in the general fund, \$137,946 in the bond retirement fund and \$9,239 in the classroom facilities maintenance fund (a nonmajor governmental fund). The amount of second-half real property taxes available for advance at fiscal year-end can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Accrued property taxes receivable includes real property, public utility property and delinquent tangible personal property taxes which are measurable as of June 30, 2017 and for which there is an enforceable legal claim. Although total property tax collections for the next fiscal year are measurable, only the amount of real property taxes available as an advance at June 30 was levied to finance current fiscal year operations and is reported as revenue at fiscal year end. The portion of the receivable not levied to finance current fiscal year operations is offset by a credit to deferred inflows.

On the accrual basis of accounting, collectible delinquent property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and revenue, while on a modified accrual basis of accounting the revenue has been reported as a deferred inflow.

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**NOTE 6 - PROPERTY TAXES - (Continued)**

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2017 taxes were collected are:

	2016 Second Half Collections		2017 First Half Collections	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$ 260,524,490	94.88	\$ 265,233,555	94.00
Public utility personal	<u>14,058,820</u>	<u>5.12</u>	<u>16,934,430</u>	<u>6.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 274,583,310</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$ 282,167,985</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation	\$ 46.40		\$ 45.40	

**NOTE 7 - TAX ABATEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY OTHER GOVERNMENTS**

The City of New Albany, the Village of Johnstown and Licking County provide tax abatements through Community Reinvestment Areas (CRAs).

Under the authority of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3735.67, the CRA program is an economic development tool administered by municipal and county governments that provides real property tax exemptions for property owners who renovate existing or construct new buildings. CRA's are areas of land in which property owners can receive tax incentives for investing in real property improvements. Under the CRA program, local governments petition to the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) for confirmation of a geographical area in which investment in housing is desired. Once an area is confirmed by the ODSA, local governments may offer real property tax exemptions to taxpayers that invest in that area. Property owners in the CRA can receive temporary tax abatements for renovation of existing structures and new construction in these areas. Property owners apply to the local legislative authority for approval to renovate or construct in the CRA. Upon approval and certification of completion, the amount of the abatement is deducted from the individual or entity's property tax bill.

The CRA agreements entered into by the City of New Albany, the Village of Johnstown and Licking County affect the property tax receipts collected and distributed to the District. There were six CRA agreements that affected the District. Under these agreements, the District property taxes were reduced by \$76,627.

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**NOTE 8 - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables for governmental activities at June 30, 2017 consisted of property taxes, income taxes, accounts, accrued interest and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. 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. A summary of the principal items of receivables reported on the statement of net position follows:

**Governmental activities:**

Property taxes	\$ 9,443,984
Income taxes	1,268,080
Accrued interest	22,644
Intergovernmental	<u>1,004,234</u>
Total	<u>\$ 11,738,942</u>

Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected within the subsequent year.

**NOTE 9- INCOME TAXES**

The District levies a voted income tax of one percent on the income of residents and on estates for general operations of the District. The income tax became effective on January 1, 2009 and was in effect for a period of five years, until December 31, 2013. This income tax levied was renewed for an additional five year term. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on employee compensation and then remit that income tax to the State, and taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the general fund and amounted to \$2,935,590 for fiscal year 2017.



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**NOTE 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	<u>06/30/16</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>06/30/17</u>
<b>Governmental activities:</b>				
<i>Capital assets, not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 300,961	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300,961
Construction in progress	<u>6,190,137</u>	<u>26,742,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,932,146</u>
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>6,491,098</u>	<u>26,742,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,233,107</u>
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Land improvements	929,149	-	(11,387)	917,762
Buildings and improvements	4,939,280	24,950	(15,518)	4,948,712
Furniture and equipment	2,339,027	106,560	(692,707)	1,752,880
Vehicles	<u>75,024</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,847)</u>	<u>66,177</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>8,282,480</u>	<u>131,510</u>	<u>(728,459)</u>	<u>7,685,531</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>				
Land improvements	(908,709)	(909)	11,078	(898,540)
Buildings and improvements	(3,866,207)	(82,662)	13,727	(3,935,142)
Furniture and equipment	(1,478,281)	(104,007)	539,076	(1,043,212)
Vehicles	<u>(24,624)</u>	<u>(6,601)</u>	<u>8,847</u>	<u>(22,378)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(6,277,821)</u>	<u>(194,179)</u>	<u>572,728</u>	<u>(5,899,272)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 8,495,757</u>	<u>\$ 26,679,340</u>	<u>\$ (155,731)</u>	<u>\$ 35,019,366</u>

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**NOTE 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS - (Continued)**

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

<u>Instruction:</u>	
Regular	\$ 80,001
Special	3,024
Vocational	686
<u>Support services:</u>	
Instructional staff	3,707
Board of education	922
Administration	5,823
Fiscal	76
Operations and maintenance	63,726
Extracurricular activities	31,155
Food service operations	<u>5,059</u>
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 194,179</u>

**NOTE 11 - OPERATING LEASE - LESSEE DISCLOSURE**

In fiscal year 2017, the District entered into an operating lease agreement with Deere Credit, Inc for a 2017 TS Gator, a utility vehicle. The lease is from October 31, 2016 through June 30, 2019 with monthly payments of \$147.

**NOTE 12 - CAPITALIZED LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE**

In a prior fiscal year, the District entered into capital lease agreements for the acquisition of copiers. These leases meet the criteria of a capital lease, which defines a capital lease generally as one which transfers benefits and risks of ownership to the lessee at the conclusion of the lease term.

Capital lease payments have been reclassified and are reflected as debt service expenditures in the financial statements for the governmental funds. These expenditures are reflected as function expenditures on the budgetary statements. Capital assets acquired by lease have been capitalized in the amount of \$134,345, which is equal to the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception. Accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2017 was \$40,304, leaving a current book value of \$94,041. A corresponding liability was recorded in the statement of net position. Principal payments in the 2017 fiscal year totaled \$25,498. This amount is reflected as debt service principal retirement in the general fund and as a reduction to the long-term liability on the statement of net position.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2017:

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**NOTE 12 - CAPITALIZED LEASES - LESSEE DISCLOSURE – (Continued)**

<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 30,423
2019	30,423
2020	<u>30,423</u>
Total minimum lease payment	91,269
Less: amount representing interest	<u>(6,679)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 84,590</u>

**NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

A. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the following changes occurred in the District's long-term obligations.

	Balance Outstanding <u>06/30/16</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance Outstanding <u>06/30/17</u>	Amounts Due in <u>One Year</u>
<b>Governmental activities:</b>					
Net pension liability	\$ 18,375,533	\$ 4,684,228	\$ -	\$ 23,059,761	\$ -
School improvement bonds - 2014	35,410,000	-	(12,325,000)	23,085,000	470,000
School improvement bonds - 2014 (CABS)	154,999	-	-	154,999	-
School improvement bonds - 2014 (accrued interest)	49,849	38,649	-	88,498	-
Refunding Bonds - 2016	-	11,735,000	-	11,735,000	135,000
Refunding Bonds - 2016 (CABS)	-	129,729	-	129,729	-
Refunding Bonds - 2016 (accrued interest)	-	16,775	-	16,775	-
Compensated absences	492,794	95,520	(39,841)	548,473	48,173
Capital lease obligation	<u>110,088</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,498)</u>	<u>84,590</u>	<u>26,802</u>
Total long-term obligations, governmental activities	<u>\$ 54,593,263</u>	<u>\$ 16,699,901</u>	<u>\$ (12,390,339)</u>	<u>\$ 58,902,825</u>	<u>\$ 679,975</u>
Add: Premium on refunding				3,300,183	
Total on statement of net position				<u>\$ 62,203,008</u>	

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employee is paid, which is primarily the general fund. See Note 12 for capital lease obligation detail. See Note 15 for net pension liability detail.

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**NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

- B.** On October 22, 2014, the District issued general obligation bonds to finance a school building facility project. The refunding issue is comprised of both current interest bonds, par value \$35,705,000 and capital appreciation bonds par value \$154,999. The interest rates on the current interest bonds range from 1.500% - 5.00%. The capital appreciation bonds mature on December 1, 2021 (stated interest rate 29.245%) at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. The accreted value at maturity for the capital appreciation bond maturing December 1, 2021 is \$530,000. Total accreted interest of \$88,498 has been included in the statement of net position at June 30, 2017. During 2017, the District advance refunded \$11,865,000 of the current interest bonds.

Interest payments on the current interest bonds are due on June 1 and December 1 of each year. The final maturity stated in the issue is December 1, 2052. Payments of principal and interest relating to this issuance are recorded as expenditures in the bond retirement fund.

- C.** On October 17, 2016, the District issued general obligation bonds (Series 2016 Refunding Bonds) to advance refund \$11,865,000 of the series 2014 school improvement general obligation bonds.

The issuance proceeds were used to purchase securities which were placed in an irrevocable trust to provide resources for all future debt service payments on the refunded debt. This refunded debt is considered defeased (in-substance) and accordingly, has been removed from the statement of net position.

The refunding issue is comprised of current interest bonds, par value \$11,735,000 and capital appreciation bonds, par value \$129,729. The interest rates on the current interest bonds range from 1.0% to 4.0%. The capital appreciation bonds mature annually on December 1, 2030, December 1, 2031, December 1, 2032 and December 1, 2041 (interest rate 22.10%), at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. The accreted value at maturity for the capital appreciation bonds is \$4,110,001. Total accreted interest of \$16,775 has been included on the statement of net position. Interest payments of the current interest bonds are due on June 1 and December 1 of each year. The final maturity date stated on the issue is December 1, 2044.

The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$1,507,619. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the remaining life of the refunded debt, which is equal to the life of the new debt issued. This advance refunding was undertaken to reduce the combined total debt service payments over the next 28 years by \$1,266,594 and resulted in a net present value economic gain of \$843,697.

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**NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

D. The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the outstanding bonds and notes:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Current Interest			Capital Appreciation		
	G.O. Bonds (Series 2014)			G.O. Bonds (Series 2014)		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 470,000	\$ 877,575	\$ 1,347,575	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2019	480,000	868,175	1,348,175	-	-	-
2020	490,000	856,175	1,346,175	-	-	-
2021	510,000	836,575	1,346,575	-	-	-
2022	-	816,175	816,175	154,999	375,001	530,000
2023 - 2027	2,870,000	3,860,275	6,730,275	-	-	-
2028 - 2032	645,000	3,429,475	4,074,475	-	-	-
2033 - 2037	3,580,000	3,227,425	6,807,425	-	-	-
2038 - 2042	975,000	2,647,125	3,622,125	-	-	-
2043 - 2047	2,890,000	2,556,400	5,446,400	-	-	-
2048 - 2052	8,310,000	1,396,200	9,706,200	-	-	-
2053	1,865,000	74,600	1,939,600	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 23,085,000</u>	<u>\$ 21,446,175</u>	<u>\$ 44,531,175</u>	<u>\$ 154,999</u>	<u>\$ 375,001</u>	<u>\$ 530,000</u>

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Refunding Bonds (Series 2016)			Capital Appreciation		
	Refunding Bonds (Series 2016)			Refunding Bonds (Series 2016)		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 135,000	\$ 412,331	\$ 547,331	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2019	170,000	379,875	549,875	-	-	-
2020	170,000	376,475	546,475	-	-	-
2021	175,000	373,925	548,925	-	-	-
2022	185,000	371,300	556,300	-	-	-
2023 - 2027	955,000	1,789,400	2,744,400	-	-	-
2028 - 2032	2,015,000	1,471,100	3,486,100	90,410	1,819,591	1,910,001
2033 - 2037	450,000	1,261,550	1,711,550	32,833	922,167	955,000
2038 - 2042	3,620,000	974,538	4,594,538	6,486	1,238,514	1,245,000
2043 - 2045	3,860,000	253,663	4,113,663	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 11,735,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,664,157</u>	<u>\$ 19,399,157</u>	<u>\$ 129,729</u>	<u>\$ 3,980,272</u>	<u>\$ 4,110,001</u>

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**NOTE 13 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)**

**E. Legal Debt Margin**

The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the District shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the District. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The code additionally states that unvoted indebtedness related to energy conservation debt shall not exceed 9/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the District. The assessed valuation used in determining the District's legal debt margin has been modified by House Bill 530 which became effective March 30, 2006. In accordance with House Bill 530, the assessed valuation used in the District's legal debt margin calculation excluded tangible personal property used in business, telephone or telegraph property, interexchange telecommunications company property, and personal property owned or leased by a railroad company and used in railroad operations. The effects of these debt limitations at June 30, 2017, resulted in a voted debt margin of \$(8,004,288) an unvoted debt margin of \$282,168 and an energy conservation debt margin of \$2,539,512. The District has been authorized by the Ohio Superintendent of Public Instruction to exceed its overall limitation for the cost of locally funded initiatives in relation to the ongoing Ohio Facilities Construction Commission Project.

**NOTE 14 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

**A. Comprehensive**

The District does not have a "self-insurance" fund with formalized risk management programs. The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, injuries to employees and natural disasters.

During fiscal year 2017, the District contracted with Ohio School Plan ("OSP"). The Plan is an unincorporated nonprofit association of its members which enables the participants to provide for a formalized joint insurance purchasing program for maintaining adequate insurance protection and provides risk management programs and other administrative services. The Plan's business and affairs are conducted by a fifteen member Board consisting of superintendents, treasurers, and a member of the Harcum-Schuett Insurance Agency, Inc., and a member of the Hylant Group, Inc. The Hylant Group, Inc. is the Plan's administrator and is responsible for processing claims. Harcum-Schuett Insurance Agency serves as the sales and marketing representative which establishes agreements between the Plan and its members. Financial information can be obtained from Harcum-Schuett Insurance Agency, 246 East Sycamore Street, Columbus, Ohio 43206. The District has the following coverages:

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>	<u>Coverage Limitations</u>
Building - replacement cost	\$ 1,000	\$43,880,204
Earthquake	none	not covered
Flood	none	not covered
Vehicle Liability - each accident	none	6,000,000
Uninsured Motorists - each accident	none	1,000,000
Commercial Crime:		
Employee dishonesty	1,000	25,000
Forgery or alteration	1,000	25,000

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**NOTE 14 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>	<u>Coverage Limitations</u>
Employee Benefits Liability:		
Per occurrence	2,500	Included in the fiduciary liability – each fiduciary claim limit
Aggregate	2,500	Included in the fiduciary liability – each fiduciary claim limit
Employer’s Liability:		
Each accident	none	\$6,000,000
Each employee	none	6,000,000
Aggregate Limit	none	6,000,000
General Liability:		
Per occurrence	none	\$6,000,000
General aggregate	none	8,000,000
Errors and omissions	none	6,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There has been no significant reduction in the amounts of insurance coverage from fiscal year 2016.

**B. Employee Health**

The District provides medical/surgical benefits insurance and employee dental insurance to its employees through Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, two fully funded programs. The District has also elected to provide life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment insurance to all employees through Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The District’s life insurance and AD&D insurance switched from Anthem to META Solutions at January 1, 2017.

Postemployment health care is provided to plan participants or their beneficiaries through the respective retirement systems discussed in Note 16. As such, no funding provisions are required by the District.

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

***Net Pension Liability***

The net pension liability reported on the statement of net position represents a liability to employees for pensions. Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. 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 liability represents the District’s proportionate share of each pension plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan’s fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

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

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

The proportionate share of each plan’s unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in due to other governments on both the accrual and modified accrual bases of accounting.

***Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

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



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Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

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

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

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

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

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS’ Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System’s funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the entire 14 percent was allocated to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B and no portion of the employer contribution rate was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The District’s contractually required contribution to SERS was \$240,886 for fiscal year 2017. Of this amount, \$37,199 is reported as pension obligation payable.

***Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description –District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement 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).

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

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

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

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

New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS 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. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit that apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2017 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$896,708 for fiscal year 2017. Of this amount, \$145,474 is reported as pension obligation payable.

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

*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, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date	0.04993490%	0.05617888%	
Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date	<u>0.05190070%</u>	<u>0.05754220%</u>	
Change in proportionate share	<u>0.00196580%</u>	<u>0.00136332%</u>	
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 3,798,652	\$ 19,261,109	\$ 23,059,761
Pension expense	\$ 488,398	\$ 1,677,879	\$ 2,166,277

At June 30, 2017, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 51,236	\$ 778,242	\$ 829,478
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	313,334	1,599,189	1,912,523
Changes of assumptions	253,581	-	253,581
Difference between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions/ change in proportionate share	164,955	687,132	852,087
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>240,886</u>	<u>896,708</u>	<u>1,137,594</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 1,023,992</u>	<u>\$ 3,961,271</u>	<u>\$ 4,985,263</u>

\$1,137,594 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	<u>SERS</u>	<u>STRS</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 223,423	\$ 578,456	\$ 801,879
2019	223,200	578,456	801,656
2020	246,414	1,192,110	1,438,524
2021	<u>90,069</u>	<u>715,541</u>	<u>805,610</u>
Total	<u>\$ 783,106</u>	<u>\$ 3,064,563</u>	<u>\$ 3,847,669</u>

***Actuarial Assumptions - SERS***

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

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

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, 2016, are presented below:

Wage Inflation	3.00 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.50 percent to 18.20 percent
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	3 percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (level percent of payroll)

For post-retirement mortality, the table used in evaluating allowances to be paid is the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, with 120% of male rates and 110% of female rates used. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement. Special mortality tables are used for the period after disability retirement.

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an experience study that was completed June 30, 2015. As a result of the actuarial experience study, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%, (b) payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%, (c) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%, (d) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females, (f) mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates and (g) mortality among disable member was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

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

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	1.00 %	0.50 %
US Equity	22.50	4.75
International Equity	22.50	7.00
Fixed Income	19.00	1.50
Private Equity	10.00	8.00
Real Assets	15.00	5.00
Multi-Asset Strategies	10.00	3.00
Total	<u>100.00 %</u>	

**Discount Rate** - The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 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.

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

*Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate*  
- Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 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 (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Current Discount Rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 5,029,179	\$ 3,798,652	\$ 2,768,650

***Actuarial Assumptions - STRS***

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

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

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

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

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

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**NOTE 15 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS - (Continued)**

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long Term Expected Real Rate of Return *</u>
Domestic Equity	31.00 %	8.00 %
International Equity	26.00	7.85
Alternatives	14.00	8.00
Fixed Income	18.00	3.75
Real Estate	10.00	6.75
Liquidity Reserves	1.00	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>	<b>7.61 %</b>

\* 10-Year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.50% and does not include investment expenses. The total fund long-term expected return reflects diversification among the asset classes and therefore is not a weighted average return of the individual asset classes.

**Discount Rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2016. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2016. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2016.

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

	1% Decrease (6.75%)	Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 25,596,449	\$ 19,261,109	\$ 13,916,876

**Changes Between Measurement Date and Report Date** - In March 2017, the STRS Board adopted certain assumption changes which impacted their annual actuarial valuation prepared as of July 1, 2016. The most significant changes are a reduction in the expected investment return to 7.45% from 7.75% and a change to updated generational mortality tables. Although the exact amount of these changes is not known, the impact to the District's net pension liability is expected to be significant.

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**NOTE 16 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**A. School Employees Retirement System**

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

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Health care is financed through a combination of employer contributions and retiree premiums, copays and deductibles on covered health care expenses, investment returns, and any funds received as a result of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required basic benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. For fiscal year 2017, none of the employer contribution was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. For fiscal year 2017, this amount was \$23,500. 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 2017, the District's surcharge obligation was \$28,135.

The District's contributions for health care (including surcharge) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$28,135, \$26,611, and \$35,328, respectively. The fiscal year 2017 amount has been reported as due to other governments. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2016 and 2015.

**B. State Teachers Retirement System**

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



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**NOTE 16 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)**

Funding Policy - Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2017, STRS Ohio did not allocate any employer contributions to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The District's did not make any contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

**NOTE 17 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

While 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 and disbursements.

The statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (non-GAAP budgetary basis) 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 the GAAP basis are that:

- (a) Revenues and other financing sources are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis);
- (b) Expenditures and other financing uses are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis);
- (c) In order to determine compliance with Ohio law, and to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, total outstanding encumbrances (budget basis) are recorded as the equivalent of an expenditure, as opposed to assigned or committed fund balance for that portion of outstanding encumbrances not already recognized as an account payable (GAAP basis);
- (d) Some funds are included in the general fund (GAAP basis), but have separate legally adopted budgets (budget basis); and,
- (e) Investments are reported at fair value (GAAP basis) rather than cost (budget basis).

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**NOTE 17 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - (Continued)**

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year on the budget basis to the GAAP basis for the general fund is as follows:

**Net Change in Fund Balance**

	<u>General fund</u>
Budget basis	\$ (2,318,056)
Net adjustment for revenue accruals	(259,942)
Net adjustment for expenditure accruals	(69,373)
Net adjustment for other sources/uses	(4,209)
Funds budgeted elsewhere *	(198)
Adjustment for encumbrances	522,476
GAAP basis	<u>\$ (2,129,302)</u>

\*Certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund on a GAAP basis. This includes the uniform school supplies fund and the public school support fund.

**NOTE 18 - CONTINGENCIES**

**A. Grants**

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

**B. Litigation**

The District is not party to legal proceedings.

**C. Foundation Funding**

District Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Effective for the 2016-2017 school year, traditional districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the District, which can extend past the fiscal year-end. As of the date of this report, ODE has not finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2017 Foundation funding for the District; therefore, the financial statement impact is not determinable at this time. ODE and management believe this will result in either a receivable to or liability of the District.

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**NOTE 19 - SET-ASIDES**

The District is required by State law to annually set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statutory formula, for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. This amount must be carried forward to be used for the same purpose in future years. Expenditures exceeding the set-aside requirement may not be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

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

	<u>Capital Improvements</u>
Set-aside balance June 30, 2016	\$ -
Current year set-aside requirement	274,076
Current year qualifying expenditures	(255,185)
Current year offsets	<u>(3,495,000)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (3,476,109)</u>
Balance carried forward to fiscal year 2018	\$ -
Set-aside balance June 30, 2017	<u>\$ -</u>

During fiscal years 1999 and in 2006, the District issued a total of \$837,878 in capital related HB 264 energy conservation notes and in 2015, the District issued \$35,859,999 in school improvement bonds. These proceeds may be used to reduce capital acquisition below zero for future years. The amount presented for Prior Year Offset from Bond Proceeds is limited to an amount needed to reduce the reserve for capital improvement to zero. The District is responsible for tracking the amount of the bond proceeds that may be used as an offset in future periods, which was \$36,366,790 at June 30, 2017.

**NOTE 20 - OTHER COMMITMENTS**

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

	<u>Year-End Encumbrances</u>
<u>Fund</u>	
General fund	\$ 593,332
Classroom facilities	18,000,514
Other governmental	<u>1,335,598</u>
Total	<u>\$ 19,929,444</u>

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

LAST FOUR FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.05190070%	0.04993490%	0.04558600%	0.04558600%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 3,798,652	\$ 2,849,334	\$ 2,307,082	\$ 2,710,853
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,631,929	\$ 1,503,300	\$ 1,324,639	\$ 1,055,311
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	232.77%	189.54%	174.17%	256.88%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	62.98%	69.16%	71.70%	65.52%

Note: Information prior to 2014 was unavailable. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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

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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

LAST FOUR FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.05754220%	0.05617888%	0.05410800%	0.05410800%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 19,261,109	\$ 15,526,199	\$ 13,160,892	\$ 15,677,168
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 6,186,000	\$ 5,953,993	\$ 5,528,323	\$ 5,523,623
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	311.37%	260.77%	238.06%	283.82%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	66.80%	72.10%	74.70%	69.30%

Note: Information prior to 2014 was unavailable. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

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

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SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 240,886	\$ 228,470	\$ 198,135	\$ 183,595
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(240,886)</u>	<u>(228,470)</u>	<u>(198,135)</u>	<u>(183,595)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,720,614	\$ 1,631,929	\$ 1,503,300	\$ 1,324,639
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	14.00%	14.00%	13.18%	13.86%



<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
\$ 146,055	\$ 138,003	\$ 120,367	\$ 130,963	\$ 97,561	\$ 99,458
<u>(146,055)</u>	<u>(138,003)</u>	<u>(120,367)</u>	<u>(130,963)</u>	<u>(97,561)</u>	<u>(99,458)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 1,055,311	\$ 1,026,045	\$ 957,574	\$ 967,230	\$ 991,474	\$ 1,012,811
13.84%	13.45%	12.57%	13.54%	9.84%	9.82%

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

SCHEDULES OF REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 896,708	\$ 866,040	\$ 833,559	\$ 718,682
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(896,708)</u>	<u>(866,040)</u>	<u>(833,559)</u>	<u>(718,682)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 6,405,057	\$ 6,186,000	\$ 5,953,993	\$ 5,528,323
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	13.00%

<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
\$ 718,071	\$ 733,143	\$ 706,645	\$ 688,434	\$ 705,657	\$ 720,879
<u>(718,071)</u>	<u>(733,143)</u>	<u>(706,645)</u>	<u>(688,434)</u>	<u>(705,657)</u>	<u>(720,879)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 5,523,623	\$ 5,639,562	\$ 5,435,731	\$ 5,295,646	\$ 5,428,131	\$ 5,545,223
13.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%	13.00%

**JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

*SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SERS) OF OHIO*

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

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal years 2014-2016. For fiscal year 2017, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%, (b) payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%, (c) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%, (d) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females, (f) mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates and (g) mortality among disable member was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

*STATE TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (STRS) OF OHIO*

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

Changes in assumptions: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal years 2014 - 2017. See the notes to the basic financials for the methods and assumptions in this calculation.



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**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on  
Compliance and Other Matters Required By *Government Auditing Standards***

Johnstown-Monroe Local School District  
Licking County  
441 South Main Street  
Johnstown, Ohio 43031

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking County, Ohio as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 26, 2017, wherein we noted, as discussed in Note 3, the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District restated beginning fund balances.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

Board of Education  
Johnstown-Monroe Local School District

***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

***Purpose of this Report***

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julian & Grube, Inc.".

Julian & Grube, Inc.  
October 26, 2017