

**MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223**

**Stillman Valley, Illinois**

Annual Financial Report

June 30, 2017

MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

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## Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Education  
Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223  
Ogle County, Illinois

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Illinois State Board of Education. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

***Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

As described more fully in Note 1, the financial statements are prepared by Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223 on the basis of financial reporting prescribed or permitted by the Illinois State Board of Education, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to comply with the requirements of the Illinois State Board of Education. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

***Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the “Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223, as of June 30, 2017, or the changes in its financial position for the year then ended.

***Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the assets and liabilities arising from cash transactions of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223 as of June 30, 2017, and the revenues it received and expenditures it paid, and budgetary results for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Illinois State Board of Education as described in Note 1.

***Other Matters***

***Other Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223’s financial statements. The information listed in the table of contents as “Other Information”, which is the responsibility of management, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

### *Supplemental Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The schedules listed in the table of contents as “Supplemental Information” are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223. Such information is the responsibility of management and has been derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole on the basis of accounting as described in Note 1.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 5, 2017, on our consideration of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223’s internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the 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 Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223’s internal control over compliance.

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Freeport, Illinois  
October 5, 2017



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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting  
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements  
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Board of Education  
Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223  
Ogle County, Illinois

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223 as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 5, 2017. Our opinion was adverse because the financial statements are not prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the financial statements were found to be fairly stated, on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles, in accordance with regulatory reporting requirements established by the Illinois State Board of Education.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

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We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described below, that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

1. Material adjustments, including an adjustment to fund balance, were required to properly report the District's financial activity and reconcile balances to prior year audited financial statements.

**Management's response:**

Management will refrain from posting any adjustments directly to fund balance or posting adjustments after financial information has been provided to the auditors. Management will also review the general ledger periodically to identify possible misclassifications and ensure proper financial reporting.

2. State and federal grant expenditure reports were not filed timely.

**Management's response:**

Management will implement controls to ensure that expenditure reports are filed timely.

We also noted certain other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we reported to management of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223 in a separate letter dated October 5, 2017.

**Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we reported to management of Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223 in a separate letter dated October 5, 2017.

**District's Response to Findings**

Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223's response to the findings identified in our audit is described previously. Meridian Community Unit School District No. 223's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

**Purpose of this Report**

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

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Freeport, Illinois  
October 5, 2017

**MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223**

**Statements of Assets and Liabilities  
Arising from Cash Transactions  
June 30, 2017**

	Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transpor- tation	Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety	Agency Funds	Account Groups	
											General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt
<b>ASSETS</b>												
Current Assets												
Cash	\$ 7,238,152	\$ 281,616	\$ 1,005,124	\$ 1,665,230	\$ 392,611	\$ 316,108	\$ 424,037	\$ 334,423	\$ 67,133	\$ 164,756	\$ -	\$ -
Investments	799,775	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interfund Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total current assets	8,037,927	281,616	1,005,124	1,665,230	392,611	316,108	424,037	334,423	67,133	164,756	-	-
Capital Assets												
Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,569,982	-
Building & building improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,933,389	-
Site improvements & infrastructure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100,264	-
Capitalized equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,179,180	-
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amount available in debt service funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,005,124
Amount to be provided for payment on long-term debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,874,079
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 8,037,927</b>	<b>\$ 281,616</b>	<b>\$ 1,005,124</b>	<b>\$ 1,665,230</b>	<b>\$ 392,611</b>	<b>\$ 316,108</b>	<b>\$ 424,037</b>	<b>\$ 334,423</b>	<b>\$ 67,133</b>	<b>\$ 164,756</b>	<b>\$ 40,782,815</b>	<b>\$ 15,879,203</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>												
<b>LIABILITIES</b>												
Current Liabilities												
Other payables	\$ 3,542	\$ (5)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Salaries and benefits payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170	-	-	-	-
Payroll deductions & withholdings	(29,106)	(22,459)	-	(14,560)	3,153	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Due to activity fund organizations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	164,756	-	-
Total current liabilities	(25,564)	(22,464)	-	(14,560)	3,153	-	-	170	-	164,756	-	-
Long-term Liabilities												
Long-term debt payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,879,203
Total long-term liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,879,203
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>(25,564)</b>	<b>(22,464)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(14,560)</b>	<b>3,153</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>164,756</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,879,203</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>												
Reserved fund balances	-	-	-	-	66,639	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unreserved fund balances	8,063,491	304,080	1,005,124	1,679,790	322,819	316,108	424,037	334,253	67,133	-	-	-
Investments in general fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40,782,815	-
Total fund balances	8,063,491	304,080	1,005,124	1,679,790	389,458	316,108	424,037	334,253	67,133	-	40,782,815	-
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 8,037,927	\$ 281,616	\$ 1,005,124	\$ 1,665,230	\$ 392,611	\$ 316,108	\$ 424,037	\$ 334,423	\$ 67,133	\$ 164,756	\$ 40,782,815	\$ 15,879,203

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223**

**Statements of Revenue Received, Expenditures Disbursed,  
Other Sources (Uses) and Changes in Fund Balances  
Year ended June 30, 2017**

	Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transpor- tation	Municipal Retirement/ Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
<b>REVENUE</b>									
Local sources	\$ 7,477,670	\$ 1,087,323	\$ 2,027,147	\$ 391,111	\$ 516,471	\$ 9,704	\$ 97,348	\$ 590,890	\$ 105,147
Flow through sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State sources	5,480,310	500,000	-	702,095	-	-	-	-	-
Federal sources	509,999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total direct revenue	13,467,979	1,587,323	2,027,147	1,093,206	516,471	9,704	97,348	590,890	105,147
Revenue for on-behalf payments	2,805,148	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total revenue</b>	\$ 16,273,127	\$ 1,587,323	\$ 2,027,147	\$ 1,093,206	\$ 516,471	\$ 9,704	\$ 97,348	\$ 590,890	\$ 105,147
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
Instruction	\$ 8,069,361	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 159,277	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Support services	3,220,068	1,317,739	-	1,021,960	272,123	-	-	496,818	8,524,804
Community services	8,863	-	-	-	59	-	-	-	-
Payments to other districts & gov't units	632,497	3,706	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	1,784,361	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total direct expenditures	11,930,789	1,321,445	1,784,361	1,021,960	431,459	-	-	496,818	8,524,804
Expenditures for on-behalf payments	2,805,148	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditures</b>	14,735,937	1,321,445	1,784,361	1,021,960	431,459	-	-	496,818	8,524,804
<b>Excess of direct revenue over (under) direct expenditures</b>	\$ 1,537,190	\$ 265,878	\$ 242,786	\$ 71,246	\$ 85,012	\$ 9,704	\$ 97,348	\$ 94,072	\$ (8,419,657)
<b>OTHER SOURCES (USES) OF FUNDS</b>									
Sale or compensation for fixed assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transfer to debt service to pay principal on capital leases	-	-	9,376	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to debt service to pay interest on capital leases	-	-	932	-	-	-	-	-	-
Taxes pledged to pay principal on capital leases	(9,376)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Taxes pledged to pay interest on capital leases	(932)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other sources (uses) not classified elsewhere	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total other sources (uses) of funds</b>	(10,308)	-	10,308	12,500	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Excess of revenues and other sources of funds over (under) expenditures and other uses of funds</b>	1,526,882	265,878	253,094	83,746	85,012	9,704	97,348	94,072	(8,419,657)
<b>FUND BALANCES - July 1, 2016</b>	6,536,609	38,202	752,030	1,596,044	304,446	306,404	326,689	240,181	8,486,790
<b>FUND BALANCES - June 30, 2017</b>	\$ 8,063,491	\$ 304,080	\$ 1,005,124	\$ 1,679,790	\$ 389,458	\$ 316,108	\$ 424,037	\$ 334,253	\$ 67,133

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Educational Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	\$ 6,382,938	\$ 5,551,973	\$ 830,965
Leasing purposes levy	94,252	84,236	10,016
Special education purposes levy	<u>73,365</u>	<u>63,815</u>	<u>9,550</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>6,550,555</u>	<u>5,700,024</u>	<u>850,531</u>
Payments in lieu of taxes:			
Corporate personal property replacement taxes	<u>120,881</u>	<u>80,000</u>	<u>40,881</u>
Total payments in lieu of taxes	<u>120,881</u>	<u>80,000</u>	<u>40,881</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>41,169</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>29,169</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>41,169</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>29,169</u>
Food service:			
Sales to pupils - lunch	377,783	390,000	(12,217)
Sales to adults	<u>-</u>	<u>8,705</u>	<u>(8,705)</u>
Total food service	<u>377,783</u>	<u>398,705</u>	<u>(20,922)</u>
District/school activity income:			
Admissions - athletic	30,867	32,000	(1,133)
Fees	<u>185,975</u>	<u>140,000</u>	<u>45,975</u>
Total district/school activity income	<u>216,842</u>	<u>172,000</u>	<u>44,842</u>
Other revenue from local sources:			
Contributions and donations from private sources	30,523	-	30,523
Refund of prior years' expenditures	30,773	-	30,773
Drivers' education fees	20,172	6,000	14,172
Other local revenues	<u>88,972</u>	<u>59,000</u>	<u>29,972</u>
Total other revenue from local sources	<u>170,440</u>	<u>65,000</u>	<u>105,440</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u><b>\$ 7,477,670</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 6,427,729</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 1,049,941</b></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Educational Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES (CONTINUED)</b>			
<b>FLOW-THROUGH RECEIPTS/REVENUE FROM ONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER DISTRICT</b>			
 Total flow-through receipts/revenue from one district to another district	 \$ -	 \$ -	 \$ -
 <b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			
Unrestricted grants-in-aid:			
General state aid - Sec. 18-8.05	\$ 5,008,471	\$ 4,900,000	\$ 108,471
General state aid - hold harmless/supplemental	-	-	-
Total unrestricted grants-in-aid	<u>5,008,471</u>	<u>4,900,000</u>	<u>108,471</u>
 Restricted grants-in-aid:			
Special education			
Private facility tuition	9,360	-	9,360
Funding for children requiring special services	168,546	210,000	(41,454)
Personnel	181,622	230,000	(48,378)
Summer school	-	2,200	(2,200)
Total special education	<u>359,528</u>	<u>442,200</u>	<u>(82,672)</u>
 Career and technical education (CTE)			
Secondary program improvement	4,500	-	4,500
Agricultural education	-	2,400	(2,400)
Total career and technical education	<u>4,500</u>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>2,100</u>
 Bilingual education			
Bilingual education - downstate - TPI and TBE	<u>12,213</u>	<u>29,000</u>	<u>(16,787)</u>
Total bilingual education	<u>12,213</u>	<u>29,000</u>	<u>(16,787)</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

## Educational Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES (CONTINUED)</b>			
Restricted grants-in-aid (continued):			
State free lunch and breakfast	1,113	1,840	(727)
Driver education	17,547	17,000	547
Early childhood - block grant	<u>76,938</u>	<u>116,000</u>	<u>(39,062)</u>
Total restricted grants-in-aid	<u>471,839</u>	<u>608,440</u>	<u>(136,601)</u>
<b>Total revenue from state sources</b>	<u>\$ 5,480,310</u>	<u>\$ 5,508,440</u>	<u>\$ (28,130)</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>			
Restricted grants-in-aid received directly from federal gov't:			
Other restricted grants-in-aid received directly from federal gov't	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total other restricted grants-in-aid received directly from federal gov't	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Restricted grants-in-aid received from federal government through the state:			
Food service			
National school lunch program	191,066	154,000	37,066
School breakfast program	<u>44,992</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<u>9,992</u>
Total food service	<u>236,058</u>	<u>189,000</u>	<u>47,058</u>
Title I			
Low income	<u>140,712</u>	<u>167,000</u>	<u>(26,288)</u>
Total Title I	<u>140,712</u>	<u>167,000</u>	<u>(26,288)</u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Educational Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES (CONTINUED)</b>			
Restricted grants-in-aid received from federal government through the state (continued):			
Federal - special education			
Preschool flow-through	4,259	7,700	(3,441)
IDEA - flow-through / low incidence	80,806	85,000	(4,194)
IDEA - room & board	<u>7,121</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,121</u>
Total federal - special education	<u>92,186</u>	<u>92,700</u>	<u>(514)</u>
Title III - english language acquisition	8,176	10,500	(2,324)
Title II - teacher quality	22,135	37,000	(14,865)
Medicaid matching funds - fee-for-service program	<u>10,732</u>	<u>15,300</u>	<u>(4,568)</u>
<b>Total revenue from federal sources</b>	<u>\$ 509,999</u>	<u>\$ 511,500</u>	<u>\$ (1,501)</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 13,467,979</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 12,447,669</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,020,310</u></u>

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Educational Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>			
Regular programs:			
Salaries	\$ 4,535,225	\$ 4,432,000	\$ 103,225
Employee benefits	1,037,075	997,151	39,924
Purchased services	9,085	11,000	(1,915)
Supplies and materials	104,374	136,900	(32,526)
Total regular programs	<u>5,685,759</u>	<u>5,577,051</u>	<u>108,708</u>
Pre-K programs			
Salaries	43,676	47,100	(3,424)
Employee benefits	11,754	10,845	909
Purchased services	239	-	239
Supplies & materials	18,211	16,000	2,211
Total pre-k programs	<u>73,880</u>	<u>73,945</u>	<u>(65)</u>
Special education programs:			
Salaries	1,012,874	1,073,143	(60,269)
Employee benefits	179,782	150,276	29,506
Supplies & materials	225	-	225
Total special education programs	<u>1,192,881</u>	<u>1,223,419</u>	<u>(30,538)</u>
Remedial and supplemental programs:			
Salaries	104,607	78,160	26,447
Employee benefits	56,042	44,800	11,242
Supplies & materials	9,466	3,500	5,966
Total remedial and supplemental programs	<u>170,115</u>	<u>126,460</u>	<u>43,655</u>
CTE programs:			
Salaries	270,527	315,000	(44,473)
Employee benefits	61,726	68,556	(6,830)
Supplies and materials	5,184	6,500	(1,316)
Total CTE programs	<u>337,437</u>	<u>390,056</u>	<u>(52,619)</u>

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Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>INSTRUCTION (CONTINUED)</b>			
Interscholastic programs:			
Salaries	325,679	363,000	(37,321)
Employee benefits	28,286	38,131	(9,845)
Purchased services	90,682	88,000	2,682
Supplies and materials	41,035	26,700	14,335
Capital outlay	4,485	15,000	(10,515)
Other objects	3,029	2,600	429
	<u>493,196</u>	<u>533,431</u>	<u>(40,235)</u>
Total interscholastic programs			
Driver's education programs:			
Salaries	4,374	4,000	374
Employee benefits	688	9,990	(9,302)
Supplies & materials	1,779	2,000	(221)
Capital outlay	-	20,000	(20,000)
	<u>6,841</u>	<u>35,990</u>	<u>(29,149)</u>
Total driver's education programs			
Bilingual programs:			
Salaries	83,685	140,546	(56,861)
Employee benefits	23,390	39,505	(16,115)
Purchased services	260	-	260
Supplies and materials	1,917	4,171	(2,254)
	<u>109,252</u>	<u>184,222</u>	<u>(74,970)</u>
Total bilingual programs			
<b>Total instruction</b>	<u>\$ 8,069,361</u>	<u>\$ 8,144,574</u>	<u>\$ (75,213)</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
<b>Support services - pupils</b>			
Guidance services:			
Salaries	\$ 196,027	\$ 236,000	\$ (39,973)
Employee benefits	37,644	41,976	(4,332)
Purchased services	5,527	15,000	(9,473)
Supplies and materials	470	-	470
	<u>239,668</u>	<u>292,976</u>	<u>(53,308)</u>
Total guidance services			

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Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (CONTINUED)</b>			
<b>Support services - pupils (continued)</b>			
Health services:			
Salaries	98,775	97,500	1,275
Employee benefits	4,940	10,367	(5,427)
Purchased services	3,983	2,500	1,483
Supplies and materials	<u>5,615</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>2,615</u>
Total health services	<u>113,313</u>	<u>113,367</u>	<u>(54)</u>
Speech pathology and audiology services:			
Salaries	-	62,000	(62,000)
Employee benefits	<u>-</u>	<u>9,289</u>	<u>(9,289)</u>
Total speech pathology and audiology services	<u>-</u>	<u>71,289</u>	<u>(71,289)</u>
<b>Total support services - pupils</b>	<u>\$ 352,981</u>	<u>\$ 477,632</u>	<u>\$ (124,651)</u>
<b>Support services - instructional staff</b>			
Improvement of instruction services:			
Salaries	\$ 1,702	\$ -	\$ 1,702
Employee benefits	30	-	30
Purchased services	<u>70,097</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>22,097</u>
Total improvement of instruction services	<u>71,829</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>23,829</u>
Educational media services:			
Salaries	195,870	216,090	(20,220)
Employee benefits	31,936	22,000	9,936
Supplies and materials	<u>20,633</u>	<u>21,000</u>	<u>(367)</u>
Total educational media services	<u>248,439</u>	<u>259,090</u>	<u>(10,651)</u>
Assessment & Testing			
Purchased services	<u>7,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,400</u>
Total assessment & testing	<u>7,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,400</u>
<b>Total support services - instructional staff</b>	<u>\$ 327,668</u>	<u>\$ 307,090</u>	<u>\$ 20,578</u>

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Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (CONTINUED)</b>			
<b>Support services - general administration</b>			
Board of education services:			
Salaries	\$ 618	\$ -	\$ 618
Employee benefits	17,757	45,000	(27,243)
Purchased services	115,185	110,000	5,185
Supplies and materials	8,631	13,000	(4,369)
Other objects	8,483	15,000	(6,517)
Total board of education services	<u>150,674</u>	<u>183,000</u>	<u>(32,326)</u>
Executive administration services:			
Salaries	205,283	196,000	9,283
Employee benefits	40,688	38,688	2,000
Purchased services	7,134	8,800	(1,666)
Supplies and materials	22,989	26,000	(3,011)
Other objects	1,602	-	1,602
Total executive administration services	<u>277,696</u>	<u>269,488</u>	<u>8,208</u>
Tort immunity services			
Purchased services	<u>193,869</u>	<u>95,000</u>	<u>98,869</u>
Total executive administration services	<u>193,869</u>	<u>95,000</u>	<u>98,869</u>
<b>Total support services -             general administration</b>	<u>\$ 622,239</u>	<u>\$ 547,488</u>	<u>\$ 74,751</u>
<b>Support services - school administration</b>			
Office of the principal services:			
Salaries	\$ 637,273	\$ 631,000	\$ 6,273
Employee benefits	135,117	101,306	33,811
Purchased services	6,600	5,000	1,600
Other objects	1,950	2,000	(50)
Total office of the principal services	<u>780,940</u>	<u>739,306</u>	<u>41,634</u>
<b>Total support services -             school administration</b>	<u>\$ 780,940</u>	<u>\$ 739,306</u>	<u>\$ 41,634</u>

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	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (CONTINUED)</b>			
<b>Support services - business</b>			
Fiscal services:			
Salaries	\$ 57,130	\$ 59,000	\$ (1,870)
Employee benefits	30	-	30
Purchased services	11,866	8,000	3,866
Supplies and materials	<u>1,363</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(637)</u>
Total fiscal services	<u>70,389</u>	<u>69,000</u>	<u>1,389</u>
Operation & maintenance of plant services:			
Salaries	8,925	6,227	2,698
Employee benefits	776	1,636	(860)
Supplies & materials	5,906	-	5,906
Capital outlay	<u>11,916</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,916</u>
Total operation & maintenance of plant services	<u>27,523</u>	<u>7,863</u>	<u>19,660</u>
Pupil transportation services:			
Purchased services	<u>10,000</u>	<u>9,997</u>	<u>3</u>
Total pupil transportation services	<u>10,000</u>	<u>9,997</u>	<u>3</u>
Food services:			
Salaries	172,478	186,000	(13,522)
Employee benefits	5,742	29,000	(23,258)
Purchased services	373	12,000	(11,627)
Supplies and materials	254,813	295,600	(40,787)
Capital outlay	12,348	14,000	(1,652)
Other objects	<u>4,796</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>(204)</u>
Total food services	<u>450,550</u>	<u>541,600</u>	<u>(91,050)</u>
<b>Total support services - business</b>	<u>\$ 558,462</u>	<u>\$ 628,460</u>	<u>\$ (69,998)</u>

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	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (CONTINUED)</b>			
<b>Support services - central</b>			
Information services:			
Salaries	\$ 91,572	\$ 67,001	\$ 24,571
Employee benefits	12,826	14,000	(1,174)
Purchased services	184,034	285,500	(101,466)
Supplies and materials	35,629	25,000	10,629
Capital outlay	226,859	155,000	71,859
Total information services	<u>550,920</u>	<u>546,501</u>	<u>4,419</u>
Staff services:			
Employee benefits	10,968	-	10,968
Purchased services	<u>15,890</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>2,890</u>
Total staff services	<u>26,858</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>13,858</u>
<b>Total support services - central</b>	<u>\$ 577,778</u>	<u>\$ 559,501</u>	<u>\$ 18,277</u>
<b>Total support services</b>	<u>\$ 3,220,068</u>	<u>\$ 3,259,477</u>	<u>\$ (39,409)</u>
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>			
Salaries	\$ 4,747	\$ -	\$ 4,747
Employee benefits	3,358	-	3,358
Purchased services	50	-	50
Supplies & materials	<u>708</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>708</u>
<b>Total community services</b>	<u>\$ 8,863</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,863</u>

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Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS &amp; GOV'T UNITS</b>			
<b>Payments to other gov't units (in-state)</b>			
Payments for special education programs			
Other objects	<u>\$ 2,500</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,500</u>
Total payments for special education programs	<u>2,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Other payments to in-state govt. units			
Purchase services	<u>144,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>74,000</u>
Payments for regular programs - tuition			
Other objects	<u>-</u>	<u>550,000</u>	<u>(550,000)</u>
Payments for special education programs - tuition			
Other objects	<u>452,339</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>452,339</u>
Payments for CTE programs - tuition			
Other objects	<u>33,658</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<u>(1,342)</u>
<b>Total payments to other districts             &amp; gov't units</b>	<u>\$ 632,497</u>	<u>\$ 655,000</u>	<u>\$ (22,503)</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 11,930,789</u>	<u>\$ 12,059,051</u>	<u>\$ (128,262)</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue             over expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 1,537,190</u>	<u>\$ 388,618</u>	<u>\$ 1,148,572</u>

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Operations and Maintenance Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	<u>\$ 917,084</u>	<u>\$ 797,697</u>	<u>\$ 119,387</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>917,084</u>	<u>797,697</u>	<u>119,387</u>
Payments in lieu of taxes:			
Corporate personal property replacement taxes	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total payments in lieu of taxes	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>3,010</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,010</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>3,010</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,010</u>
District/school activity income:			
Fees	<u>8,405</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>(3,595)</u>
Total district/school activity income	<u>8,405</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>(3,595)</u>
Other revenue from local sources:			
Rentals	46,734	50,000	(3,266)
Contributions and donations from private sources	-	-	-
Refund of prior year expenditures	231	-	231
Other local revenues	<u>11,859</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>(63,141)</u>
Total other revenue from local sources	<u>58,824</u>	<u>125,000</u>	<u>(66,176)</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 1,087,323</u>	<u>\$ 1,034,697</u>	<u>\$ 52,626</u>

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Operations and Maintenance Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			
Unrestricted grants-in-aid:			
General state aid - Sec. 18-8.05	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total unrestricted grants-in-aid	<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total revenue from state sources</b>	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>			
<b>Total revenue from federal sources</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,587,323</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,534,697</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 52,626</u></u>

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Operations and Maintenance Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
Support services - business:			
Operation and maintenance of plant services			
Salaries	\$ 459,303	\$ 450,000	\$ 9,303
Employee benefits	95,531	100,000	(4,469)
Purchased services	255,680	290,000	(34,320)
Supplies and materials	461,032	432,000	29,032
Capital outlay	46,193	120,000	(73,807)
	<u>1,317,739</u>	<u>1,392,000</u>	<u>(74,261)</u>
Total operation and maintenance of plant services			
	<u>1,317,739</u>	<u>1,392,000</u>	<u>(74,261)</u>
<b>Total support services</b>	<u>\$ 1,317,739</u>	<u>\$ 1,392,000</u>	<u>\$ (74,261)</u>
<b>PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS &amp; GOV'T UNITS</b>			
Payments to other gov't units (in-state):			
Other payments to in-state gov't units			
Other objects	\$ 3,706	\$ -	\$ 3,706
	<u>3,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,706</u>
Total payments to other gov't units (in-state)			
	<u>3,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,706</u>
<b>Total payments to other gov't units</b>	<u>\$ 3,706</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,706</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 1,321,445</u>	<u>\$ 1,392,000</u>	<u>\$ (70,555)</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 265,878</u>	<u>\$ 142,697</u>	<u>\$ 123,181</u>

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Debt Services Fund

Statement of Revenues Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	<u>\$ 2,021,624</u>	<u>\$ 1,775,004</u>	<u>\$ 246,620</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>2,021,624</u>	<u>1,775,004</u>	<u>246,620</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>5,523</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,523</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>5,523</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,523</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 2,027,147</u>	<u>\$ 1,775,004</u>	<u>\$ 252,143</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			
General state aid	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total revenue from state sources	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 2,027,147</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,775,004</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 252,143</u></u>

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Debt Services Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>DEBT SERVICES</b>			
Debt services - interest on long-term debt:			
Other objects	<u>\$ 599,370</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 599,370</u>
Debt services - payments of principal on long-term debt:			
Other objects	<u>1,184,091</u>	<u>1,774,000</u>	<u>(589,909)</u>
Debt services - other			
Other objects	<u>900</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>900</u>
<b>Total debt services</b>	<u>\$ 1,784,361</u>	<u>\$ 1,774,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,361</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 1,784,361</u>	<u>\$ 1,774,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,361</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 242,786</u>	<u>\$ 1,004</u>	<u>\$ 241,782</u>

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Transportation Fund

Statement of Revenues Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	<u>\$ 366,833</u>	<u>\$ 319,078</u>	<u>\$ 47,755</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>366,833</u>	<u>319,078</u>	<u>47,755</u>
Transportation Fees:			
Regular - transp fees from other districts (in state)	<u>725</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>725</u>
Total transportation fees	<u>725</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>725</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>4,525</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,525</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>4,525</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,525</u>
Other revenue from local sources:			
Refund of prior year expenditures	<u>129</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>129</u>
Other local revenues	<u>18,899</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>7,899</u>
Total other revenue from local sources	<u>19,028</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>8,028</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 391,111</u>	<u>\$ 330,078</u>	<u>\$ 61,033</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			
Unrestricted grants-in-aid			
General state aid	<u>\$ 185,000</u>	<u>\$ 185,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total unrestricted grants-in-aid	<u>185,000</u>	<u>185,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Restricted grants-in-aid:			
Transportation			
Regular/vocational	<u>369,016</u>	<u>450,000</u>	<u>(80,984)</u>
Special education	<u>148,079</u>	<u>190,000</u>	<u>(41,921)</u>
Total restricted grants-in-aid	<u>517,095</u>	<u>640,000</u>	<u>(122,905)</u>
<b>Total revenue from state sources</b>	<u>\$ 702,095</u>	<u>\$ 825,000</u>	<u>\$ (122,905)</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u>\$ 1,093,206</u>	<u>\$ 1,155,078</u>	<u>\$ (61,872)</u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Transportation Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
Support services - business:			
Pupil transportation services			
Salaries	\$ 480,082	\$ 471,000	\$ 9,082
Employee benefits	48,792	45,000	3,792
Purchased services	404,391	404,200	191
Supplies and materials	88,695	120,000	(31,305)
Capital outlay	-	-	-
	<u>1,021,960</u>	<u>1,040,200</u>	<u>(18,240)</u>
Total pupil transportation services			
	<u>1,021,960</u>	<u>1,040,200</u>	<u>(18,240)</u>
<b>Total support services</b>	<u>\$ 1,021,960</u>	<u>\$ 1,040,200</u>	<u>\$ (18,240)</u>
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>			
<b>Total community services</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS &amp; GOV'T UNITS</b>			
Payments for special education programs			
Purchased services	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total payments for special education programs			
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total payments to other districts     &amp; gov't units</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>DEBT SERVICES</b>			
Debt services - interest on long-term debt:			
Other objects	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt services - payments of principal on long-term debt:			
Other objects	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total debt services</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 1,021,960</u>	<u>\$ 1,040,200</u>	<u>\$ (18,240)</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue     over expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 71,246</u>	<u>\$ 114,878</u>	<u>\$ (43,632)</u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Municipal Retirement / Social Security Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	\$ 192,066	\$ 420,000	\$ (227,934)
FICA/Medicare only purposes levies	<u>284,393</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>284,393</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>476,459</u>	<u>420,000</u>	<u>56,459</u>
Payments in lieu of taxes:			
Corporate personal property replacement taxes	<u>38,228</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<u>3,228</u>
Total payments in lieu of taxes	<u>38,228</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<u>3,228</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>1,238</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,238</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>1,238</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,238</u>
Other revenue from local sources:			
Other local revenues	<u>546</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>546</u>
Total other revenue from local sources	<u>546</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>546</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 516,471</u>	<u>\$ 455,000</u>	<u>\$ 61,471</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 516,471</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 455,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 61,471</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Municipal Retirement / Social Security Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>			
Regular programs:			
Employee benefits	<u>\$ 70,366</u>	<u>\$ 31,880</u>	<u>\$ 38,486</u>
Pre-k programs			
Employee benefits	<u>2,143</u>	<u>9,800</u>	<u>(7,657)</u>
Special education programs:			
Employee benefits	<u>62,916</u>	<u>107,000</u>	<u>(44,084)</u>
Remedial and supplemental programs - K-12:			
Employee benefits	<u>1,499</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(501)</u>
CTE programs:			
Employee benefits	<u>3,827</u>	<u>4,400</u>	<u>(573)</u>
Interscholastic programs:			
Employee benefits	<u>17,161</u>	<u>22,800</u>	<u>(5,639)</u>
Driver education programs			
Employee benefits	<u>58</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>(1,142)</u>
Bilingual programs:			
Employee benefits	<u>1,307</u>	<u>5,600</u>	<u>(4,293)</u>
<b>Total instruction</b>	<u>\$ 159,277</u>	<u>\$ 184,680</u>	<u>\$ (25,403)</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
Support services - pupils:			
Guidance services			
Employee benefits	<u>\$ 3,116</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,116</u>
Health services			
Employee benefits	<u>10,943</u>	<u>21,100</u>	<u>(10,157)</u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Municipal Retirement / Social Security Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (CONTINUED)</b>			
Support services - pupils (continued):			
Speech pathology and audiology services			
Employee benefits	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>
Total support services - pupils	<u>14,059</u>	<u>22,100</u>	<u>(8,041)</u>
Support services - instructional staff:			
Improvement of instruction services			
Employee benefits	<u>23</u>	<u>14,750</u>	<u>(14,727)</u>
Educational media services			
Employee benefits	<u>11,414</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,414</u>
Total support services - instructional staff	<u>11,437</u>	<u>14,750</u>	<u>(3,313)</u>
Support services - general administration:			
Executive administration services			
Employee benefits	<u>16,983</u>	<u>27,500</u>	<u>(10,517)</u>
Educational, inspectional, supervisory services related to loss prevention or reduction			
Employee benefits	<u>2,596</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,596</u>
Total support services - general administration	<u>19,579</u>	<u>27,500</u>	<u>(7,921)</u>
Support services - school administration:			
Office of the principal services			
Employee benefits	<u>40,727</u>	<u>55,000</u>	<u>(14,273)</u>
Total support services - school administration	<u>40,727</u>	<u>55,000</u>	<u>(14,273)</u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Municipal Retirement / Social Security Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (CONTINUED)</b>			
Support services - business:			
Operation and maintenance of plant services			
Employee benefits	<u>76,605</u>	<u>96,000</u>	<u>(19,395)</u>
Pupil transportation services			
Employee benefits	<u>71,790</u>	<u>71,000</u>	<u>790</u>
Food services			
Employee benefits	<u>26,518</u>	<u>26,500</u>	<u>18</u>
Total support services - business	<u>174,913</u>	<u>193,500</u>	<u>(18,587)</u>
Support services - central			
Information services			
Employee benefits	<u>11,408</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>(592)</u>
Total support services - central	<u>11,408</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>(592)</u>
<b>Total support services</b>	<u>\$ 272,123</u>	<u>\$ 324,850</u>	<u>\$ (52,727)</u>
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>			
Community services			
Employee benefits	<u>\$ 59</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 59</u>
<b>Total community services</b>	<u>\$ 59</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 59</u>
<b>PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS &amp; GOV'T UNITS</b>			
<b>Total payments to other districts &amp; gov't units</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 431,459</u>	<u>\$ 509,530</u>	<u>\$ (78,071)</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures</b>	<u><u>\$ 85,012</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (54,530)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 139,542</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Capital Projects Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Earnings on investments			
Interest on investments	<u>\$ 1,084</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,084</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>1,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,084</u>
Other revenue from local sources			
Impact fees from municipal or county governments	<u>8,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,620</u>
Total other revenue from local sources	<u>8,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,620</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 9,704</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,704</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>			
<b>Total revenue from federal sources</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 9,704</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,704</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Capital Projects Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
<b>Total support services - business</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures</b>	<u><u>\$ 9,704</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,704</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Working Cash Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	<u>\$ 96,257</u>	<u>\$ 87,762</u>	<u>\$ 8,495</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency	<u>96,257</u>	<u>87,762</u>	<u>8,495</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>1,091</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,091</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>1,091</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,091</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 97,348</u>	<u>\$ 87,762</u>	<u>\$ 9,586</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 97,348</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 87,762</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,586</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Tort Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	<u>\$ 589,892</u>	<u>\$ 520,000</u>	<u>\$ 69,892</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>589,892</u>	<u>520,000</u>	<u>69,892</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>998</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>998</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>998</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>998</u>
Other revenues from local sources			
Refund of prior year expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other revenue from local sources	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 590,890</u>	<u>\$ 520,000</u>	<u>\$ 70,890</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 590,890</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 520,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 70,890</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Tort Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
Support services - general administration:			
Risk management and claims services payments			
Purchased services	<u>\$ 226,932</u>	<u>\$ 162,000</u>	<u>\$ 64,932</u>
Educational, inspectional, supervisory services related to loss prevention or reduction			
Salaries	81,794	120,000	(38,206)
Employee benefits	19,262	24,000	(4,738)
Purchased services	161,200	180,000	(18,800)
Supplies & materials	<u>6,780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,780</u>
Total educational, inspectional, supervisory services related to loss prevention or reduction	<u>269,036</u>	<u>324,000</u>	<u>(54,964)</u>
Legal services			
Purchased services	<u>850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>850</u>
Total legal services	<u>850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>850</u>
<b>Total support services -     general administration</b>	<u>\$ 496,818</u>	<u>\$ 486,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,818</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 496,818</u>	<u>\$ 486,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,818</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue     over expenditures</b>	<u><u>\$ 94,072</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 34,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 60,072</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Fire Prevention and Safety Fund

Statement of Revenue Received - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			
Ad valorem taxes levied by local education agency:			
Designated purposes levies	<u>\$ 91,707</u>	<u>\$ 79,769</u>	<u>\$ 11,938</u>
Total ad valorem taxes levied by district	<u>91,707</u>	<u>79,769</u>	<u>11,938</u>
Earnings on investments:			
Interest on investments	<u>13,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,440</u>
Total earnings on investments	<u>13,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,440</u>
<b>Total revenue from local sources</b>	<u>\$ 105,147</u>	<u>\$ 79,769</u>	<u>\$ 25,378</u>
<b>Total direct revenue</b>	<u><u>\$ 105,147</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 79,769</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 25,378</u></u>

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MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 223

Fire Prevention and Safety Fund

Statement of Expenditures Disbursed - Actual and Budget  
Year ended June 30, 2017

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual over (under) Budget</u>
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES</b>			
Support services - business:			
Facilities acquisition and construction services			
Purchased services	\$ -	\$ 8,507,000	\$ (8,507,000)
Capital outlay	<u>8,524,804</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,524,804</u>
<b>Total support services</b>	<u>\$ 8,524,804</u>	<u>\$ 8,507,000</u>	<u>\$ 17,804</u>
<b>Total direct expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 8,524,804</u>	<u>\$ 8,507,000</u>	<u>\$ 17,804</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures</b>	<u><u>\$ (8,419,657)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (8,427,231)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,574</u></u>

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June 30, 2017

**(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The District's accounting policies conform to the cash basis of accounting, as defined by the Illinois State Board of Education.

**(a) Principles Used to Determine the Scope of the Reporting Entity**

The District's reporting entity includes the District's governing board and all related organizations for which the District exercises oversight responsibility.

The District has developed criteria to determine whether outside agencies with activities which benefit the citizens of the District, including joint agreements which serve pupils from numerous districts, should be included within its financial reporting entity. The criteria include, but are not limited to, whether the District exercises oversight responsibility (which includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters), scope of public service, and special financing relationships.

Joint agreements have been determined not to be part of the reporting entity after applying the manifesting of oversight, scope of public service and special financing relationships criteria, and, are therefore excluded from the accompanying financial statements because the District does not control the assets, operations or management of the joint agreements. In addition, the District is not aware of any entity which would exercise such oversight as to result in the District being considered a component unit of the entity.

**(b) Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting**

These financial statements comply with the regulatory basis of reporting as prescribed by the Illinois State Board of Education.

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets and liabilities arising from cash transactions, fund balance, revenue received and expenditures paid. The District maintains individual funds required by the State of Illinois. These funds are presented on the regulatory basis as required for reports filed with the Illinois State Board of Education. District resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The following fund types and account groups are used by the District:

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Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the District are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities arising from cash transactions are accounted for through governmental funds.

*Educational Fund* – This fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

*Operations and Maintenance Fund* – This fund is also a general operating fund used to account for costs of maintaining school buildings.

*Debt Service Fund* – This fund is a debt retirement fund. Resources of this fund are used to retire principal and interest maturities of outstanding bond obligations and other long-term debt instruments.

*Transportation Fund* – This fund is a special revenue fund used to account for the costs of transporting pupils to and from school and school activities.

*Municipal Retirement/Social Security Fund* – This fund is a special revenue fund used to pay the District's share of municipal retirement benefits for covered employees. The District's share of Social Security and Medicare-only is also paid from this fund.

*Capital Projects Fund* – Proceeds of construction bond issues, the capital improvement tax levy, and if applicable, school facility occupation tax proceeds are accounted for in this fund.

*Working Cash Fund* – The resources of this fund are held by the District to be used for temporary interfund loans to any fund of the District for which taxes are levied.

*Tort Fund* – This fund is a special revenue fund used to account for tort immunity or tort judgment purposes.

*Fire Prevention and Safety Fund* – Proceeds of fire prevention and safety bond issues and tax levy are accounted for in this fund.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments or other funds.

*Agency Funds* – Agency funds include Student Activity Funds and Convenience Accounts. They account for assets held by the District as agent for the students, teachers and

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other organizations. These funds are custodial in nature and do not involve the measurement of the results of operations. The amounts due to the activity fund organizations are equal to the assets.

Governmental Funds – Measurement Focus

The financial statements of all governmental funds focus on the measurement of spending or "financial flow" and the determination of changes in financial position rather than upon net income determination. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (cash receipts and other financing sources) and decreases (cash disbursements and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

General Fixed Assets and General Long-Term Debt Account Groups

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and long-term liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in governmental funds. Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group, not in the governmental funds.

The two account groups are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

**(c) Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenue received and expenditures paid are recognized in the accounts and how they are reported on the financial statements. The District maintains its accounting records for all funds and account groups on the cash basis of accounting under guidelines prescribed by the Illinois State Board of Education. Accordingly, revenue is recognized and recorded in the accounts when cash is received. In the same manner, expenditures are recognized and recorded upon the disbursement of cash. Assets of a fund are only recorded when cash is received or when a right to receive cash exists which arises from a previous cash transaction. Liabilities of a fund, similarly, result from previous cash transactions.

Cash basis financial statements omit recognition of receivables and payables and other accrued and deferred items that do not arise from previous cash transactions.

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Proceeds from sales of bonds are included as other financing sources in the appropriate fund on the date received. Related bond principal payable in the future is recorded at the same time in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

**(d) Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

The budget for all Governmental Fund Types is prepared on the cash basis of accounting which is the same basis that is used in financial reporting. This allows for comparability between budget and actual amounts. This is an acceptable method in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/17-1. The original budget was passed on September 22, 2016 with an amended budget passed on June 29, 2017. The budget lapses at the end of each fiscal year.

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

1. The Superintendent submits to the Board of Education a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing on July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. A public hearing is held as to such budget prior to final action.
3. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally adopted through passage of a resolution.
4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year.
5. The Board of Education may make transfers between the various items in any fund not exceeding in the aggregate 10% of the total of such fund as set forth in the budget.
6. The Board of Education may amend the budget by the same procedures required of its original adoption.

**(e) Cash**

The District considers cash on hand, cash on deposit with banks and other institutions, certificates of deposit, money market accounts, and repurchase agreements to be cash for financial statement purposes.

**(f) Investments**

All investments are reported at fair value. The District has adopted a formal written investment policy. The institutions in which investments are made must be approved by the Board of Education.

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**(g) *Commingled Accounts***

The District uses common bank accounts to hold the monies of more than one fund. Interest earned on these common accounts is credited to each participating fund based on its approximate share of the account prior to the payment of interest.

**(h) *General Fixed Assets***

General fixed assets with expected useful lives that exceed one year and cost more than \$500, are recorded as expenditures paid in the Governmental or Activity Funds and capitalized at cost in the general fixed assets account group. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated general fixed assets are stated at estimated fair market value as of the date of acquisition. Depreciation accounting is not considered applicable (except to determine the per capita tuition charge).

Depreciation is computed using the straight line method over estimated lives ranging from three to fifty years. Estimated lives are determined based on the policies prescribed by the Illinois State Board of Education.

**(2) *Property Taxes***

The District's property tax is levied each year on all taxable real property located in the District on or before the last Tuesday in December. The levy was passed by the board on November 10, 2016. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 and are payable in two installments on approximately June 1 and September 1. The District receives significant distributions of tax receipts during June, July, August, September, October, and November. Taxes recorded in these financial statements are from the 2016, 2015, and prior tax levies.

The following are the tax rate limits permitted by the *Illinois Compiled Statutes* and by local referendum and the actual rates levied per \$100 of assessed valuation:

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	- 2016 Levy Year -		- 2015 Levy Year -	
	Limit	Actual	Limit	Actual
Educational	3.4800	3.4800	3.4800	3.4800
Special education	0.0400	0.0400	0.0400	0.0400
Oper. & maint.	0.5000	0.5000	0.5000	0.5000
Debt Service	As needed	1.0896	As needed	1.1126
Transportation	0.2000	0.2000	0.2000	0.2000
Municipal retirement	As needed	0.0718	As needed	0.1317
Social security	As needed	0.1837	As needed	0.1317
Working cash	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500
Tort immunity	As needed	0.3164	As needed	0.3260
Facilities leasing	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500
Fire prevention and safety	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500	0.0500
		<u>6.0315</u>		<u>6.0720</u>

**(3) Cash Deposits and Investments**

The District is allowed to invest in securities as authorized by the Illinois Public Funds Investment Act - 30 ILCS 235/2 and 6; and the Illinois School Code - 105 ILCS 5/8-7.

Cash and investments as of June 30, 2017 are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Statement of Assets and Liabilities Arising from Cash Transactions

Cash	\$ 11,889,190
Investments	<u>799,775</u>
Total cash and investments	<u>\$ 12,688,965</u>

Cash and investments as of June 30, 2017 consist of the following:

Cash on hand	\$ -
Deposits with financial institutions	
District	11,724,434
Agency	164,756
Investments	
District	799,775
Agency	<u>-</u>
Total cash and investments	<u>\$ 12,688,965</u>

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### Deposits – custodial credit risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of a depository financial institution failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's policy requires all amounts deposited or invested with financial institutions in excess of any insurance limit shall be collateralized by: (1) securities eligible for district investment or any other high-quality, interest-bearing security rated at least AA/Aa by one or more standard rating service to include Standard & Poor's, Moody's, or Fitch, (2) mortgages, (3) letters of credit issued by a Federal Home Loan Bank, or (4) loans covered by a State Guaranty under the Illinois Farm Development Act. The market value of the pledged securities shall equal or exceed the portion of the deposit requiring collateralization. The Chief Investment Officer shall determine other collateral requirements.

### Safekeeping and custody arrangements

The preferred method of safekeeping is to have pledged securities registered in the District's name and held by a third-party custodian. Safekeeping practices should qualify for the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 3 Deposits with Financial Institution, Investments (including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements, Category I, the highest recognized safekeeping procedures.

As of June 30, 2017, \$12,263,475 of the District's bank balance of \$12,514,475, were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution	<u>\$ 12,263,475</u>
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### Investments

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

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Illinois Funds Money Market Fund	\$ 799,775

The Illinois Funds Money Market Fund (formerly known as IPTIP) is a money market fund created in 1975 by the Illinois General Assembly. Its primary purpose is to provide the Public Treasurer and other custodians of public funds with an alternative investment vehicle which enable them to earn a competitive rate of return of fully collateralized investments, while maintaining immediate access to invested funds. The monies invested by the individual participants are pooled together and invested in U.S. Treasury bills and notes backed by full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury. In addition, monies are invested in fully collateralized time deposits in Illinois financial institutions, in collateralized repurchase agreements, and in treasury mutual funds that invest in U.S. Treasury obligations and collateralized repurchase agreements. Investments in Illinois Funds Money Market Fund are valued at the funds share price which is equivalent to fair market value. The Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus



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(ISDLAF+ or the “Fund”) is an intergovernmental investment program for school districts and community colleges in Illinois. Co-sponsored by Illinois ASBO, IASA and IASB, the program offers numerous opportunities to school districts for the investment and management of funds. The fund invests member deposits, on a pooled basis, primarily in short-term certificates of deposit and in high rated short-term obligations of the U.S. Treasury and major United States corporations and banks. The fair value of the District’s position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

Interest rate risk

In accordance with its investment policy, the District limits its exposure to interest rate risk, by structuring its portfolio to provide sufficient liquidity to pay District obligations as they come due.

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligations to the holder of the investment. The District’s investment policy seeks to minimize credit risk by requiring investment in securities allowed under the investment policy. The Illinois Funds and the Illinois School District Liquid Asset Plus – Max Class are rated AAA by Standard & Poor’s at June 30, 2016.

Custodial credit risk

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. With respect to investments, custodial credit risk generally applies only to direct investments in marketable securities. Custodial credit risk does not apply to indirect investments in securities through the use of mutual funds or governmental investment pools such as Illinois Funds and ISDLAF+.

Concentration of credit risk

No investment in any one issuer, other than U.S. Treasury securities, mutual funds, Illinois Funds, and ISDLAF+, represent 5% or more of the District’s total investments.

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**(4) Changes in General Fixed Assets & Depreciation**

Under the regulatory basis of accounting, assets and depreciation are not recorded and therefore the financial statements do not reflect the amounts below.

**Assets at Cost**

	Balance <u>7/1/16</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>6/30/17</u>	Life in <u>Years</u>
Land	\$ 2,569,982	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,569,982	0
Construction in progress	859,910	-	859,910	-	0
Buildings and improvements	24,545,791	9,387,598	-	33,933,389	50
Land improvements	1,097,848	2,416	-	1,100,264	20
Other equipment	2,866,774	284,153	206,367	2,944,560	10
Transportation equipment	346,387	-	227,765	118,622	20
Food service equipment	103,650	12,348	-	115,998	10
Total general fixed assets	<u>\$ 32,390,342</u>	<u>\$ 9,686,515</u>	<u>\$ 1,294,042</u>	<u>\$ 40,782,815</u>	

**Accumulated Depreciation**

	Balance <u>7/1/16</u>	Depreciation <u>for Year</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>6/30/17</u>	Undepreciated Cost <u>6/30/17</u>
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,569,982
Construction in progress:	-	-	-	-	-
Buildings and improvements	10,386,558	558,077	-	10,944,635	22,988,754
Land improvements	711,539	43,238	-	754,777	345,487
Other equipment	1,494,274	273,728	206,367	1,561,635	1,382,925
Transportation equipment	321,606	1,268	227,765	95,109	23,513
Food service equipment	31,747	10,468	-	42,215	73,783
Total general fixed assets	<u>\$ 12,945,724</u>	<u>\$ 886,779</u>	<u>\$ 434,132</u>	<u>\$ 13,398,371</u>	<u>\$ 27,384,444</u>

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**(5) Employee Pensions and Other Benefit Plans**

The District participates in multiple retirement plans to provide retirement benefits to its employees. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recorded a total of \$1,202,599 in payments to the various retirement plans as detailed below.

It should be noted that actuarial accrued liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and deferred out flows of resources are not recorded in the financial statements since the District uses the regulatory basis of accounting as prescribed or permitted by the Illinois State Board of Education as described in Note 1.

**(a) *Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois***

**Plan description**

The employer participates in the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS). TRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that was created by the Illinois legislature for the benefit of Illinois public school teachers employed outside the city of Chicago. TRS members include all active non-annuitants who are employed by a TRS-covered employer to provide services for which teacher licensure is required. The Illinois Pension Code outlines the benefit provisions of TRS, and amendments to the plan can be made only by legislative action with the Governor's approval. The TRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the System's administration.

TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <http://trs.illinois.gov/pubs/cafr>; by writing to TRS at 2815 W. Washington, PO Box 19253, Springfield, IL 62794; or by calling (888) 877-0890, option 2.

**Benefits provided**

TRS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Tier I members have TRS or reciprocal system service prior to January 1, 2011. Tier I members qualify for retirement benefits at age 62 with five years of service, at age 60 with 10 years, or age 55 with 20 years. The benefit is determined by the average of the four highest years of creditable earnings within the last 10 years of creditable service and the percentage of average salary to which the member is entitled. Most members retire under a formula that provides 2.2 percent of final average salary up to a maximum of 75 percent with 34 years of service. Disability and death benefits are also provided.

Tier II members qualify for retirement benefits at age 67 with 10 years of service, or a discounted annuity can be paid at age 62 with 10 years of service. Creditable earnings for retirement purposes are capped and the final average salary is based on the highest consecutive eight years of creditable service rather than the last four. Disability provisions for Tier II are identical to those of Tier I. Death benefits are payable under a formula that is different from Tier I.

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Essentially all Tier I retirees receive an annual 3 percent increase in the current retirement benefit beginning January 1 following the attainment of age 61 or on January 1 following the member's first anniversary in retirement, whichever is later. Tier II annual increases will be the lesser of three percent of the original benefit or one-half percent of the rate of inflation beginning January 1 following attainment of age 67 or on January 1 following the member's first anniversary in retirement, whichever is later.

**Contributions**

The state of Illinois maintains the primary responsibility for funding TRS. The Illinois Pension Code, as amended by Public Act 88-0593 and subsequent acts, provides that for years 2010 through 2045, the minimum contribution to the System for each fiscal year shall be an amount determined to be sufficient to bring the total assets of the System up to 90 percent of the total actuarial liabilities of the System by the end of fiscal year 2045.

Contributions from active members and TRS contributing employers are also required by the Illinois Pension Code. The contribution rates are specified in the pension code. The active member contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2016, was 9.4 percent of creditable earnings. On July 1, 2016, the rate dropped to 9.0 percent of pay due to the expiration of the Early Retirement Option (ERO). The member contribution, which may be paid on behalf of employees by the employer, is submitted to TRS by the employer. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District reported expenditures of \$675,599 for this contribution.

- ***On behalf contributions to TRS.***

The state of Illinois makes employer pension contributions on behalf of the employer. For the year ended June 30, 2017, state of Illinois contributions recognized by the employer were based on the state's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability associated with the employer, and the employer recognized revenue and expenditures of \$2,724,893 in pension contributions from the state of Illinois.

- ***2.2 formula contributions.***

Employers contribute 0.58 percent of total creditable earnings for the 2.2 formula change. The contribution rate is specified by statute. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2017, were \$41,342, and are deferred because they were paid after the June 30, 2016 measurement date.

- ***Federal and special trust fund contributions.***

When TRS members are paid from federal and special trust funds administered by the employer, there is a statutory requirement for the employer to pay an employer

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pension contribution from those funds. Under a policy adopted by the TRS Board of Trustees that has been in effect since the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, employer contributions for employees paid from federal and special trust funds will be the same as the state contribution rate to TRS. Public Act 98-0674 now requires the two rates to be the same.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the employer pension contribution was 38.54 percent of salaries paid from federal and special trust funds. For the year ended June 30, 2017, salaries totaling \$95,287 were paid from federal and special trust funds that required employer contributions of \$36,724. These contributions are deferred because they were paid after the June 30, 2016 measurement date.

- ***Employer retirement cost contributions.***

Under GASB Statement No. 68, contributions that an employer is required to pay because of a TRS member retiring are categorized as specific liability payments. The employer is required to make a one-time contribution to TRS for members retiring under the Early Retirement Option (ERO). The payments vary depending on the member's age and salary. The maximum employer ERO contribution under the program that ended on June 30, 2016 is 146.5 percent and applies when the member is age 55 at retirement. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the employer paid \$0 to TRS for employer ERO contributions for retirements that occurred before July 1, 2016.

The employer is also required to make a one-time contribution to TRS for members granted salary increases over 6 percent if those salaries are used to calculate a retiree's final average salary. A one-time contribution is also required for members granted sick leave days in excess of the normal annual allotment if those days are used as TRS service credit. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the employer paid \$8,602 to TRS for employer contributions due on salary increases in excess of 6 percent and \$0 for sick leave days granted in excess of the normal annual allotment.

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

At June 30, 2017, the employer had a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability (first amount shown below) that reflected a reduction for state pension support provided to the employer. The state's support and total are for disclosure purposes only. The amount of the employer's net pension liability, the related state support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the employer were as follows:

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Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,024,330
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the employer	54,232,859
Total	<u>\$ 55,257,189</u>

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 June 30, 2015, and rolled forward to June 30, 2016. The employer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer's share of contributions to TRS for the measurement year ended June 30, 2016, relative to the contributions of all participating TRS employers and the state during that period. At June 30, 2016, the employer's proportion was .0012976709 percent, which was a decrease of .0017627378 from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

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

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 7,574	\$ 695
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	28,939	-
Changes of assumptions	87,975	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	513,824	1,311,381
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 638,312</u>	<u>\$ 1,312,076</u>

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

2018	\$ (197,496)
2019	(197,496)
2020	(43,936)
2021	(192,510)
2022	(42,326)

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**Actuarial assumptions**

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	2.50 percent
Salary increases	varies by amount of service credit
Investment rate of return	7.00 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Table with adjustments as appropriate for TRS experience. The rates are used on a fully-generational basis using projection table MP-2014.

For the June 30, 2016 valuation, the investment return assumption was lowered from 7.50 percent to 7.0 percent. Salary increase assumptions were lowered from their 2015 levels. Other assumptions were based on the 2015 experience analysis which increased retirement rates, improved mortality assumptions and made other changes.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class that were used by the actuary are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. equities large cap	14.4%	6.94%
U.S. equities small/mid cap	3.6%	8.09%
International equities developed	14.4%	7.46%
Emerging market equities	3.6%	10.15%
U.S. bonds core	10.7%	2.44%
International debt developed	5.3%	1.70%
Real estate	15.0%	5.44%
Commodities (real return)	11.0%	4.28%
Hedge funds (absolute return)	8.0%	4.16%
Private equity	14.0%	10.63%
Total	100%	

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**Discount rate**

At June 30, 2016, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was a blended rate of 6.83 percent, which was a change from the June 30, 2015 rate of 7.47 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions, employer contributions, and state contributions will be made at the current statutorily-required rates.

Based on those assumptions, TRS's fiduciary net position at June 30, 2016 was not projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive members and all benefit recipients. Tier I's liability is partially funded by Tier II members, as the Tier II member contribution is higher than the cost of Tier II benefits. Due to this subsidy, contributions from future members in excess of the service cost are also included in the determination of the discount rate. Despite the subsidy, all projected future payments were not covered, so a slightly lower long-term expected rate of return on TRS investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

At June 30, 2015, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.47 percent. The discount rate was lower than the actuarially-assumed rate of return on investments that year as well because TRS's fiduciary net position and the subsidy provided by Tier II were not sufficient to cover all projected benefit payments.

**Sensitivity of the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate**

The following presents the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.83 percent, as well as what the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.83 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.83 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (5.83%)	Current Discount Rate (6.83%)	1% Increase (7.83%)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,252,797	\$ 1,024,330	\$ 837,733

**TRS fiduciary net position**

Detailed information about the TRS's fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2016 is available in the separately issued TRS *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.



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**(b) Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Pension Plan**

*Plan Description.* The District's defined benefit pension plan for Regular employees provides retirement and disability benefits, post retirement increases, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The District's plan is managed by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), the administrator of a multi-employer public pension fund. A summary of IMRF's pension benefits is provided in the "Benefits Provided" section of this document. Details of all benefits are available from IMRF. Benefit provisions are established by statute and may only be changed by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois. IMRF issues a publicly available Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that includes financial statements, detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position, and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained online at [www.imrf.org](http://www.imrf.org).

*Benefits Provided.* IMRF has three benefit plans. The vast majority of IMRF members participate in the Regular Plan (RP). The Sheriff's Law Enforcement Personnel (SLEP) plan is for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and selected police chiefs. Counties could adopt the Elected County Official (ECO) plan for officials elected prior to August 8, 2011 (the ECO plan was closed to new participants after that date).

All three IMRF benefit plans have two tiers. Employees hired before January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 1 benefits. Tier 1 employees are vested for pension benefits when they have at least eight years of qualifying service credit. Tier 1 employees who retire at age 55 (at reduced benefits) or after age 60 (at full benefits) with eight years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any consecutive 48 months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 48. Under Tier 1, the pension is increased by 3% of the original amount on January 1 every year after retirement.

Employees hired on or after January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 2 benefits. For Tier 2 employees, pension benefits vest after ten years of service. Participating employees who retire at age 62 (at reduced benefits) or after age 67 (at full benefits) with ten years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any 96 consecutive months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 96. Under Tier 2, the pension is increased on January 1 every year after retirement, upon reaching age 67, by the lesser of:

- 3% of the original pension amount, or
- 1/2 of the increase in the Consumer Price Index of the original pension amount.

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*Employees Covered by Benefit Terms.* As of December 31, 2016, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	95
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	121
Active members	80
Total	<u>296</u>

*Contributions.* As set by statute, the District's Regular Plan Members are required to contribute 4.5% of their annual covered salary. The statute requires employers to contribute the amount necessary, in addition to member contributions, to finance the retirement coverage of its own employees. The District's annual contribution rate for calendar year 2016 was 10.29%. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the District contributed \$172,482 to the plan. The District also contributes for disability benefits, death benefits, and supplemental retirement benefits, all of which are pooled at the IMRF level. Contribution rates for disability and death benefits are set by IMRF's Board of Trustees, while the supplemental retirement benefits rate is set by statute.

*Net Pension Liability.* The District's net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

*Actuarial Assumptions.* The following are the methods and assumptions used to determine total pension liability at December 31, 2016:

- The actuarial cost method used was Entry Age Normal.
- The asset valuation method used was Market Value of Assets.
- The inflation rate was assumed to be 2.75%.
- Salary increases were expected to be 3.75% to 14.50%, including inflation.
- The investment rate of return was assumed to be 7.50%.
- Projected retirement age was from the Experience-based table of rates, specific to the type of eligibility condition, last updated for the 2014 valuation according to an experience study from years 2011 to 2013.
- The IMRF-specific rates for Mortality (for non-disabled retirees) were developed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar Health Annuitant Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.
- For disabled retirees, an IMRF-specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF-specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Disabled Retirees Mortality Table, applying the same adjustments that were applied for non-disabled lives.
- For active members, an IMRF-specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF-specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.

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- The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense, and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return to the target asset allocation percentage and adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Portfolio Target Percentage	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	38%	6.85%
International Equity	17%	6.75%
Fixed Income	27%	3.00%
Real Estate	8%	5.75%
Alternative Investments	9%	2.65-7.35%
Cash Equivalents	1%	2.25%
	<u>100%</u>	

*Single Discount Rate.* A Single Discount Rate of 7.50% was used to measure the total pension liability. The projection of cash flow used to determine this Single Discount Rate assumed that the plan members' contributions will be made at the current contribution rate, and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. The Single Discount Rate reflects:

- The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (during the period in which the fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and
- The tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating (which is published by the Federal Reserve) as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate of return are not met).

For the purpose of the most recent valuation, the expected rate of return on plan investments is 7.50%, the municipal bond rate is 3.78%, and the resulting single discount rate is 7.50%.

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*Changes in Net Pension Liability*

	Total Pension Liability (A)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (B)	Net Pension Liability (A) - (B)
Balances at December 31, 2015	\$ 9,807,005	\$ 9,122,725	\$ 684,280
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	190,464	-	190,464
Interest on the total pension liability	721,103	-	721,103
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience of the total pension liability	244,027	-	244,027
Changes of assumptions	(11,420)	-	(11,420)
Contributions - employer	-	176,264	(176,264)
Contributions - employee	-	78,655	(78,655)
Net investment income	-	622,964	(622,964)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(549,391)	(549,391)	-
Other (net transfer)	-	123,068	(123,068)
Net changes	594,783	451,560	143,223
Balances at December 31, 2016	<u>\$ 10,401,788</u>	<u>\$ 9,574,285</u>	<u>\$ 827,503</u>

*Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate.* The following presents the plan's net pension liability, calculated using a Single Discount Rate of 7.50%, as well as what the plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a Single Discount Rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher:

	Single Discount Rate Assumption		
	1% Decrease 6.50%	Current 7.50%	1% Increase 8.50%
Total pension liability	\$ 11,634,376	\$ 10,401,788	\$ 9,392,605
Plan fiduciary net position	9,574,285	9,574,285	9,574,285
Net pension liability	<u>\$ 2,060,091</u>	<u>\$ 827,503</u>	<u>\$ (181,680)</u>

*Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions.* Pension expense as reflected in the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was \$172,482. At December 31, 2016, the District had deferred outflows or resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Deferred amounts to be recognized in pension expense in future periods:		
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 147,555	\$ 60,307
Changes of assumptions	12,879	6,905
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	478,606	-
Total deferred amounts to be recognized in pension expense in future periods	639,040	67,212
Pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	-	-
Total deferred amounts related to pensions	<u>\$ 639,040</u>	<u>\$ 67,212</u>

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense in future periods as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31</u>	<u>Net Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Net Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
2017	\$ 208,677	\$ -
2018	212,843	-
2019	139,347	-
2020	10,961	-
2021	-	-
	<u>\$ 571,828</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**(c) Aggregate Information**

Since the District participates in more than one retirement plan, GASB 68 requires disclosure of the following, which aggregates selected information from the Teachers' Retirement System and the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

	<u>TRS</u>	<u>IMRF</u>	<u>Total</u>
Net Pension Liabilities	\$ 1,024,330	\$ 827,503	\$ 1,851,833
Net Pension Assets	-	-	-
Net Deferred Outflows of Resources	638,312	639,040	1,277,352
Net Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,312,076	67,212	1,379,288
Pension expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2017	762,267	172,482	934,749

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**(d) Social Security**

Employees not qualifying for coverage under the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois or the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund are considered "non-participating employees". These employees and those qualifying for coverage under the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund are covered under Social Security. The District paid \$139,236, the total required contribution for the current fiscal year.

**(e) Medicare**

All employees, except certificated personnel hired prior to April 1, 1986, are covered under the Basic Hospital Insurance Plan provision of the medicare health insurance program. The District paid \$128,614, the total required contribution for the current fiscal year.

**(6) Fund Balance Reporting**

According to Government Accounting Standards, fund balances are to be classified into five major classifications: Nonspendable Fund Balance, Restricted Fund Balance, Committed Fund Balance, Assigned Fund Balance, and Unassigned Fund Balance. The Regulatory Model, followed by the District, only reports Reserved and Unreserved Fund Balances. Below are definitions of the differences and a reconciliation of how these balances are reported.

**(a) Nonspendable Fund Balance**

The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, for example inventories and prepaid amounts. Due to the cash basis nature of the District, all such items are expensed at the time of purchase, so there is nothing to report for this classification.

**(b) Restricted Fund Balance**

The restricted fund balance classification refers to amounts that are subject to outside restrictions, not controlled by the entity. Things such as restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Special Revenue Funds are by definition restricted for those specified purposes. The District has several revenue sources received within different funds that also fall into these categories –

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1. Special Education

Cash receipts and the related cash disbursements of this restricted tax levy are accounted for in the Educational Fund. Expenditures disbursed exceeded revenue received for this purpose, resulting in no restricted fund balance.

2. Leasing Levy

Cash receipts and the related cash disbursements of this restricted tax levy are accounted for in the Educational Fund. At June 30, 2017, expenditures disbursed exceeded revenues received for this purpose, resulting in no restricted fund balance.

3. State Grants

Proceeds from state grants and the related expenditures have been included in the Educational, Transportation, and Municipal Retirement/Social Security Funds. At June 30, 2017, expenditures disbursed exceeded revenues received for this purpose, resulting in no restricted fund balance.

4. Federal Grants

Proceeds from federal grants and the related expenditures have been included in the Educational, Transportation, and Municipal Retirement/Social Security Funds. At June 30, 2017, expenditures disbursed from federal grants exceeded revenues received for these purposes in the Educational Fund, resulting in no restricted fund balance.

5. IMRF/Social Security

Cash disbursed and the related cash receipts of these restricted tax levies are accounted for in the Municipal Retirement/Social Security Fund. Revenue received exceeded expenditures disbursed for these purposes, resulting in a restricted fund balance of \$389,458. For purposes of Regulatory reporting, the Social Security portion of the fund balance, \$66,639, will be classified as Reserved, and the Municipal Retirement portion of the fund balance, \$322,819, will be classified as Unreserved.

**(c) Committed Fund Balance**

The committed fund balance classification refers to amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government's highest level of decision making authority (the School Board). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of formal action it employed to previously commit those amounts.

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The School Board commits fund balance by making motions or passing resolutions to adopt policy or to approve contracts. 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.

Employee contracts for services rendered during the school year for employees electing twelve month pay schedules are recorded as disbursements in the fiscal year when such checks are drawn. At June 30, 2017, the total amount of unpaid contracts for services performed during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 amounted to \$627,052. This amount is shown as Unreserved in the Educational Fund.

**(d) *Assigned Fund Balance***

The assigned fund balance classification refers to amounts that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for a specific purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent may be expressed by (a) the School Board itself or (b) the finance committee or by the Superintendent when the School Board has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

The District budgets property tax revenue based on the tax levy approved by the Board the previous December. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the District budgets property tax revenue based on the 2016 tax levy of which \$4,975,318 was received by the District prior to June 30, 2017 and is therefore included as revenue under the cash method of accounting in this fiscal year. Under the assigned fund balance definition, \$3,216,044 received in the Educational, Operations and Maintenance and Working Cash funds is assigned fund balance in these funds as shown below and is shown as Unreserved in the financial statements.

**(e) *Unassigned Fund Balance***

The unassigned fund balance classification is the residual classification for amounts in the General Operating Funds for amounts that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Funds. Unassigned Fund Balance amounts are shown in the financial statements as Unreserved Fund Balances in the Educational, Operations and Maintenance, and Working Cash Funds.

**(f) *Regulatory – Fund Balance Definitions***

Reserved Fund Balances are those balances that are reserved for a specific purpose, other than the regular purpose of any given fund. Unreserved Fund Balances are all balances that are not reserved for a specific purpose other than the specified purpose of a fund.



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**(g) Reconciliation of Fund Balance Reporting**

The first five columns of the following table represent Fund Balance Reporting according to generally accepted accounting principles. The last two columns represent Fund Balance Reporting under the regulatory basis of accounting utilized in preparation of the financial statements.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Generally Accepted Accounting Principles</u>					<u>Regulatory Basis</u>	
	<u>Non- spendable</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Committed</u>	<u>Assigned</u>	<u>Unassigned</u>	<u>Financial Statements- Reserved</u>	<u>Financial Statements- Unreserved</u>
Educational	-	-	627,052	2,870,719	4,565,720	-	8,063,491
Operations & Maintenance	-	-	-	304,080	-	-	304,080
Debt Service	-	1,005,124	-	-	-	-	1,005,124
Transportation	-	1,679,790	-	-	-	-	1,679,790
Municipal Retirement	-	389,458	-	-	-	66,639	322,819
Capital Projects	-	316,108	-	-	-	-	316,108
Working Cash	-	-	-	41,245	382,792	-	424,037
Tort Liability	-	334,253	-	-	-	-	334,253
Fire Prevention and Safety	-	67,133	-	-	-	-	67,133

**(h) Expenditures of Fund Balance**

Unless specifically identified, expenditures act to reduce restricted balances first, then committed balances, next assigned balances, and finally act to reduce unassigned balances. Expenditures for a specifically identified purpose will act to reduce the specific classification of fund balance that is identified.

**(7) Long-Term Debt**

As of June 30, 2017, the District had long-term debt outstanding in the amount of \$15,879,203. The long-term debt is reported in the General Long-Term Debt Group and consists of the following.

**Bonded Indebtedness**

Bonded indebtedness current requirements for principal and interest expenditures are payable from future revenues of the Debt Service Fund. The revenues consist principally of property taxes collected by the District and interest earnings.

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Bonded indebtedness consists of the following:

Capital Appreciation School Bonds, Series 2000

These bonds were issued in increments of \$5,000 with various maturity dates and interest is payable only at maturity. Formerly, accretion of interest was calculated annually and shown as an increase in the principal balance at the time of accretion. Due to the issuance of Series 2016 bonds and subsequent pay down of the Series 2000 and 2002 bonds, accretion will be recorded as interest expense when paid after June 30, 2016.

Original Issue           \$8,869,998  
Interest Rate           6.19 to 6.62%  
Issue Date             June 15, 2000  
Interest Date          December 1

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	484,828	55,172	540,000
2019	1,013,303	191,697	1,205,000
2020	956,549	258,451	1,215,000
	<u>\$ 2,454,680</u>	<u>\$ 505,320</u>	<u>\$ 2,960,000</u>

Capital Appreciation School Bonds, Series 2002

Original Issue           \$1,899,994  
Interest Rate           5.95% Average coupon  
Issue Date             August 27, 2002  
Interest Date          June 1 and December 1

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	128,693	11,307	140,000
2019	130,772	19,228	150,000
2020	127,910	27,090	155,000
2021	1,092,576	297,424	1,390,000
2022	199,572	70,428	270,000
	<u>\$ 1,679,523</u>	<u>\$ 425,477</u>	<u>\$ 2,105,000</u>

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General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2016A

Original Issue	\$11,095,000
Interest Rate	3.89% Average coupon
Issue Date	March 20, 2016
Interest Date	June 1 and December 1

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	-	454,619	454,619
2019	-	454,619	454,619
2020	-	454,619	454,619
2021	-	454,619	454,619
2022	1,170,000	425,369	1,595,369
2023	1,285,000	363,994	1,648,994
2024	1,350,000	298,119	1,648,119
2025	1,420,000	228,868	1,648,868
2026	1,485,000	163,668	1,648,668
2027	1,205,000	115,894	1,320,894
2028	1,245,000	79,144	1,324,144
2029	1,280,000	40,469	1,320,469
2030	655,000	10,234	665,234
	<u>\$ 11,095,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,544,235</u>	<u>\$ 14,639,235</u>

General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2016B

Original Issue	\$650,000
Interest Rate	2.00% Average coupon
Issue Date	March 20, 2016
Interest Date	June 1 and December 1

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	650,000	6,500	656,500
	<u>\$ 650,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,500</u>	<u>\$ 656,500</u>

**Lease/Purchase Obligation**

Copier Lease/Purchase

The District entered into a government obligation contract on September 1, 2015 with Providence Capital Network, LLC to finance the purchase of one copier. The principal amount of the contract is \$19,684, which was recorded as capital outlay in the Educational Fund. The final payment consisting of \$9,376 principal and \$932 of interest was made during the year.

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In accordance with regulatory requirements, the capital lease is included in General Long-Term Debt Account Group and the annual principal and interest payments are recorded in the Debt Service Fund.

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

	Balance <u>7/1/2016</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Retired</u>	Balance <u>6/30/2017</u>
General				
obligation bonds	\$ 17,053,918	\$ -	\$ 1,174,715	\$ 15,879,203
Lease/purchase				
obligations	9,376	-	9,376	-
	<u>\$ 17,063,294</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,184,091</u>	<u>\$ 15,879,203</u>

Future cash flow requirements of the District for retirement of principal and interest by fiscal year follow:

**Total Long-Term Debt**

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	1,263,521	527,598	1,791,119
2019	1,144,075	665,544	1,809,619
2020	1,084,459	740,160	1,824,619
2021	1,092,576	752,043	1,844,619
2022	1,369,572	495,797	1,865,369
2023	1,285,000	363,994	1,648,994
2024	1,350,000	298,119	1,648,119
2025	1,420,000	228,868	1,648,868
2026	1,485,000	163,668	1,648,668
2027	1,205,000	115,894	1,320,894
2028	1,245,000	79,144	1,324,144
2029	1,280,000	40,469	1,320,469
2030	655,000	10,234	665,234
	<u>\$ 15,879,203</u>	<u>\$ 4,481,532</u>	<u>\$ 20,360,735</u>

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**(8) Legal Debt Margin**

2016 Equalized assessed valuation	<u>\$ 164,528,026</u>
Statutory debt limitation	
13.8% of 2016 equalized assessed valuation	\$ 22,704,868
Less total indebtedness	<u>15,879,203</u>
Legal Debt Margin	<u>\$ 6,825,665</u>

**(9) Interfund Loans**

There were no interfund loans made or repaid during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

**(10) Interfund Transfers**

The District recorded the following interfund transfers during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount Transferred</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Educational Fund	Debt Service Fund	\$ 10,308	To pay principal and interest on capital leases

**(11) Overexpenditure of Budget**

The District overexpended its budget in the following funds during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,784,361	\$ 1,774,000
Tort Fund	\$ 496,818	\$ 486,000
Fire Prevention and Safety Fund	\$ 8,524,804	\$ 8,507,000

All other funds were operated within the legal confines of their budgets during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

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**(12) Joint Agreements**

The District is a member of Ogle County Educational Cooperative Joint Agreement located at 417 N. Colfax, Box 52, Byron, IL 61010, along with other area school districts to provide special education services. The District pays tuition to the Cooperative based upon the Cooperative's budgeted expenditures and the District's special education enrollment. The District made payments to the Ogle County Educational Cooperative during fiscal year 2017 in the amount of \$606,843.

The District also has entered into an operating agreement with the Julia Hull District Library which is located on the Stillman Valley High School Campus. The Library reimburses the District for the cost of certain librarian and aides salaries and benefits and other operating costs. During the year ended June 30, 2017, the District received \$59,717 from the Library.

The District is also a member of Career Education Associates of North Central Illinois (CEANCI) located at 4151 Samuelson Road, Rockford, Illinois, 61109. CEANCI provides technical education services and receives state grants and reallocates to member districts. During the year ended June 30, 2017, the District paid CEANCI \$33,658 for technical education services and received \$5,140 from CEANCI for salary reimbursements and CTEI flow-through funding allocations.

The District's pupils benefit from programs administered under these joint agreements, and the District benefits from jointly administered grants and programming. The District does not have any equity interest in these joint agreements. The joint agreements are separately audited and are not included in these financial statements. Financial information about the joint agreements can be obtained by contacting them at the addresses given above.

**(13) Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

***(a) Teacher Health Insurance Security (THIS) Fund***

The employer participates in the Teacher Health Insurance Security (THIS) Fund, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan that was established by the Illinois legislature for the benefit of retired Illinois public school teachers employed outside the city of Chicago. The THIS Fund provides medical, prescription, and behavioral health benefits, but it does not provide vision, dental, or life insurance benefits to annuitants of the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS). Annuity holders not enrolled in Medicare may participate in the state-administered participating provider option plan or choose from several managed care options. Annuity holders who are enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B may be eligible to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan.

The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 (5 ILCS 375) outlines the benefit provisions of the THIS Fund and amendments to the plan can be made only by legislative action with the Governor's approval. The plan is administered by the Illinois Department

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of Central Management Services (CMS) with the cooperation of TRS. Section 6.6 of the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 requires all active contributors to TRS who are not employees of the state to make a contribution to the THIS Fund.

The percentage of employer required contributions in the future will not exceed 105 percent of the percentage of salary actually required to be paid in the previous fiscal year.

- ***On behalf contributions to the THIS Fund***

The state of Illinois makes employer retiree health insurance contributions on behalf of the employer. State contributions are intended to match contributions to the THIS Fund from active members which were 1.12 percent of pay during the year ended June 30, 2017. State of Illinois contributions were \$80,255 and the employer recognized revenue and expenditures of this amount during the year.

- ***Employer contributions to the THIS Fund***

The employer also makes contributions to the THIS Fund. The employer THIS Fund contribution was 0.84 percent during the year ended June 30, 2017. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the employer paid \$60,191 to the THIS Fund, which was 100 percent of the required contribution.

**Further information on the THIS Fund**

The publicly available financial report of the THIS Fund may be found on the website of the Illinois Auditor General: <http://www.auditor.illinois.gov/Audit-Reports/ABC-List.asp>. The current reports are listed under "Central Management Services." Prior reports are available under "Healthcare and Family Services."

***(b) Non-certified employees***

The District has evaluated its potential liability for other postemployment benefits. The District provides continued health insurance coverage at the active employer rate to all IMRF eligible employees in accordance with Illinois statutes, which creates an implicit subsidy of retiree health insurance. Former employees who choose to retain their rights to health insurance through the District are required to pay 100% of the current premium. For the year ended June 30, 2017, five former employees have chosen to stay in the District's health insurance plan. Because this would result in an immaterial implicit subsidy, the District has chosen not to calculate this implicit subsidy in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*.

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Additionally, the District has no former employees for whom the District is providing an explicit subsidy and no current employees with agreements for future explicit subsidies upon retirement. Therefore, the District has not recorded any postemployment benefit liability as of June 30, 2017.

**(14) Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; damage to, and theft or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Significant losses are covered by commercial insurance for all major programs except for workers' compensation for which the District participates in the Illinois Association of School Board Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Trust. Estimated payments are made annually to the Trust to cover claims, however, additional assessments could be required if the Trust reflects a deficit. For all insured programs, there have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

**(15) Operating Leases*****Bus Leases***

The District entered into a lease agreement for four 77 passenger buses and one 51 passenger bus with a lift in February 2014 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$410,304 and requires three annual payments of \$62,978 beginning February 14, 2014 and a final payment of \$250,966. The District made no lease payments during the current fiscal year exercising a buy-back option and returning the buses to the lessor.

The District entered into a lease agreement for seven 77-passenger school buses in August 2014 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$552,706 and requires three annual payments of \$84,389 beginning August 15, 2014 and a final payment of \$341,362. The District made payments of \$84,389 during the fiscal year. The District does not intend to make the final lease payment and will return the buses to the lessor.

The future lease payments are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	330,001	11,361	341,362
	<u>\$ 330,001</u>	<u>\$ 11,361</u>	<u>\$ 341,362</u>

The District entered into a lease agreement for twelve 77-passenger school buses in April 2015 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$948,612 and requires three annual payments of \$142,231 beginning July 30, 2015 and a final payment of \$599,833. The District made payments of \$142,231 during the fiscal year. The District does not intend to make the final lease payment and will return the buses to the lessor.



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The future lease payments are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 117,129	\$ 25,102	\$ 142,231
2019	578,956	20,877	599,833
	<u>\$ 696,085</u>	<u>\$ 45,979</u>	<u>\$ 742,064</u>

The District entered into a lease agreement for one Micro Bird bus with a lift in July 2016 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$63,424 and requires three annual payments of \$12,137 beginning July 7, 2016 and on August 25th of each of the two subsequent years with a final payment of \$31,677 on August 25, 2019. The District made payments of \$12,137 during the fiscal year. The District does not intend to make the final lease payment and will return the buses to the lessor.

The future lease payments are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 10,191	\$ 1,946	\$ 12,137
2019	10,577	1,560	12,137
2020	30,519	1,158	31,677
	<u>\$ 51,287</u>	<u>\$ 4,664</u>	<u>\$ 55,951</u>

The District entered into a lease agreement for one 25-passenger bus in October 2016 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$54,420 and requires three annual payments of \$10,336, with the first being made at closing, and on November 28th of each of the next two years. The final payment of \$27,500 is due on November 28, 2019. The District made payments of \$10,336 during the fiscal year. The District does not intend to make the final lease payment and will return the buses to the lessor.

The future lease payments are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 8,636	\$ 1,700	\$ 10,336
2019	8,969	1,367	10,336
2020	26,479	1,021	27,500
	<u>\$ 44,084</u>	<u>\$ 4,088</u>	<u>\$ 48,172</u>

The District entered into a lease agreement for five 77-passenger buses, including one with a lift, in January 2017 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$410,169 and requires three annual payments of \$67,097 beginning March 1, 2017 and each of the two subsequent years with a final payment of \$243,988 on March 1, 2020. The District made

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payments of \$67,097 during the fiscal year. The District does not intend to make the final lease payment and will return the buses to the lessor.

The future lease payments are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 53,455	\$ 13,642	\$ 67,097
2019	55,577	11,520	67,097
2020	234,674	9,314	243,988
	<u>\$ 343,706</u>	<u>\$ 34,476</u>	<u>\$ 378,182</u>

The District entered into a lease agreement for seven 77-passenger buses in January 2017 for a term of four years. The principal amount of the lease is \$564,697 and requires three annual payments of \$90,853 beginning July 15, 2017 and on the same date each of the two subsequent years with a final payment of \$340,848 on July 15, 2020. The District made a pre-payment of \$50,000 during the fiscal year. The District does not intend to make the final lease payment and will return the buses to the lessor.

The future lease payments are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 39,981	\$ 872	\$ 40,853
2019	72,011	18,842	90,853
2020	74,869	15,984	90,853
2021	327,836	13,012	340,848
	<u>\$ 514,697</u>	<u>\$ 48,710</u>	<u>\$ 563,407</u>

These lease agreements are accounted for in the Transportation Fund.

**(16) Contingencies**

The District has received funding from state and federal grants in the current and prior years, which are subject to audits by the granting agencies. The School Board believes any adjustments that may arise from these audits will be insignificant to District operations.

**(17) Unemployment Compensation**

The District is self-insured for unemployment compensation. The District is therefore liable to the state for any payments made to any of its former employees claiming benefits. For the year ended June 30, 2017, claims paid out under the plan were \$0.

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**(18) Subsequent Events**

Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. These events and transactions either provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the balance sheet, including the estimates inherent in the process of preparing financial statements (that is, recognized subsequent events), or provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the balance sheet but arose after that date (that is, non-recognized subsequent events).

The District has evaluated subsequent events through October 5, 2017, which was the date that these financial statements were available for issuance, and determined that there were no significant non-recognized subsequent events through that date.

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Other Information (unaudited)

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Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois  
Schedule of the Employer's Proportionate Share  
of Net Pension Liability

	<u>FY16*</u>	<u>FY15*</u>	<u>FY14*</u>
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability	1.9%	4.4%	2.1%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,024,330	\$ 2,004,876	\$ 1,038,911
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the employer	54,232,859	43,627,531	48,490,417
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 55,257,189</u>	<u>\$ 45,632,407</u>	<u>\$ 49,529,328</u>
Employer's covered-employee payroll	<u>\$ 7,165,586</u>	<u>\$ 7,010,602</u>	<u>\$ 6,899,205</u>
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	14.3%	28.6%	15.1%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	36.4%	41.5%	43.0%

\* The amounts presented were determined as of the prior fiscal-year end.

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Schedule of Employer Contributions

Contractually-required contribution	\$ 723,187	\$ 732,250	\$ 728,802
Contributions in relation to the contractually-required contribution	751,378	746,982	762,075
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ (28,191)</u>	<u>\$ (14,732)</u>	<u>\$ (33,273)</u>
Employer's covered-employee payroll	<u>\$ 7,165,586</u>	<u>\$ 7,010,602</u>	<u>\$ 6,899,205</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	10.49%	10.66%	11.05%

See notes to other information.

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Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund

Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>Total pension liability</b>			
Service cost	\$ 190,464	\$ 226,984	\$ 270,740
Interest on the total pension liability	721,103	707,450	650,848
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience of the total pension liability	244,027	(203,737)	(78,377)
Changes of assumptions	(11,420)	10,938	408,990
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(549,391)	(507,599)	(443,658)
<b>Net change in total pension liability</b>	<u>594,783</u>	<u>234,036</u>	<u>808,543</u>
<b>Total pension liability – beginning</b>	<u>9,807,005</u>	<u>9,572,969</u>	<u>8,764,426</u>
<b>Total pension liability – ending (a)</b>	<u>10,401,788</u>	<u>9,807,005</u>	<u>9,572,969</u>
<b>Plan fiduciary net position</b>			
Contributions – employer	176,264	188,457	266,306
Contributions – employee	78,655	80,248	93,820
Net investment income	622,964	45,700	531,720
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(549,391)	(507,599)	(443,658)
Other (net transfer)	123,068	56,506	52,743
<b>Net change in plan fiduciary net position</b>	<u>451,560</u>	<u>(136,688)</u>	<u>500,931</u>
<b>Plan fiduciary net position – beginning</b>	<u>9,122,725</u>	<u>9,259,413</u>	<u>8,758,482</u>
<b>Plan fiduciary net position – ending (b)</b>	<u>9,574,285</u>	<u>9,122,725</u>	<u>9,259,413</u>
<b>Net pension liability – ending (a)-(b)</b>	<u>\$ 827,503</u>	<u>\$ 684,280</u>	<u>\$ 313,556</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	92.04%	93.02%	96.72%
Covered valuation payroll	\$ 1,713,054	\$ 1,769,644	\$ 1,939,177
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered valuation payroll	48.31%	38.67%	16.17%

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Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund  
Schedule of Contributions

Calendar Year Ending December 31,	Actuarially Determined Contribution (a)	Actual Contribution (b)	Contribution Deficiency (Excess) (a-b)	Covered Valuation Payroll ( c )	Actual Contribution as a % of Covered Payroll (b/c)
2014	\$ 251,705	\$ 266,306	\$ (14,601)	\$ 1,939,177	13.73%
2015	188,290	188,457	(167)	1,769,644	10.65%
2016	176,273	176,264	9	1,713,054	10.29%

See notes to other information.

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These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

**(1) Teachers Retirement System of the State of Illinois – Changes of Assumption**

For the 2016 measurement year, the assumed investment rate of return was of 7.0 percent, including an inflation rate of 2.5 percent and a real return of 4.5 percent. Salary increases were assumed to vary by service credit.

For the 2015 measurement year, the assumed investment rate of return was 7.5 percent, including an inflation rate of 3.0 percent and real return of 4.5 percent. Salary increases were assumed to vary by service credit. Various other changes in assumptions were adopted based on the experience analysis for the three-year period ending June 30, 2014.

For the 2014 measurement year, the assumed investment rate of return was also 7.5 percent, including an inflation rate of 3.0 percent and real return of 4.5 percent. However, salary increases were assumed to vary by age.

**(2) Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Pension Plan – Summary of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions Used in the Calculation of the 2016 Contribution Rate\***

**(a) Valuation Date**

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of December 31 each year, which is 12 months prior to the beginning of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

**(b) Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine 2016 Contribution Rates**

Actuarial cost method	Aggregate entry age normal
Amortization method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Remaining amortization Period	Taxing bodies (Regular, SLEP, and ECO groups): 27-year closed period until remaining period reaches 15 years (then 15-year rolling period). Early retirement incentive plan liabilities: a period up to 10 years selected by the District upon adoption of early retirement incentive.
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market; 20% corridor

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Wage growth	3.50%
Price inflation	2.75% - approximate; No explicit price inflation assumption is used in this valuation.
Salary increases	3.75% to 14.50%, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.50%
Retirement age	Experience-based table of rates that are specific to the type of eligibility condition; last updated for the 2014 valuation pursuant to an experience study of the period 2011-2013.
Mortality	RP-2014 Blue Collar Health Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted to match current IMRF experience. For disabled lives, an IMRF specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2012). The IMRF specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Disabled Retirees Mortality Table, applying the same adjustments that were applied for non-disabled lives. For active members, an IMRF specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.

**(c) Other Information**

There were no benefit changes during the year.

\* Based on valuation assumptions used in the December 31, 2014, actuarial valuation; note two year lag between valuation and rate setting.



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Agency Funds

Activity Funds and Trust Funds  
Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
Arising from Cash Transactions  
June 30, 2017

	<u>Balance 07/01/16</u>	<u>Revenues Received</u>	<u>Expenditures Disbursed</u>	<u>Balance 06/30/17</u>
ASSETS				
Elementary & High School	\$ 139,818	\$ 398,938	\$ 401,975	\$ 136,781
Junior High School	<u>28,224</u>	<u>35,853</u>	<u>36,102</u>	<u>27,975</u>
Total Activity Funds	<u>\$ 168,042</u>	<u>\$ 434,791</u>	<u>\$ 438,077</u>	<u>\$ 164,756</u>
LIABILITIES				
Amounts due to agency fund organizations	<u>\$ 168,042</u>	<u>\$ 434,791</u>	<u>\$ 438,077</u>	<u>\$ 164,756</u>

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Elementary & High School Activity Fund  
Statement of Operating Revenues Received and Expenditures Disbursed  
For the year ended June 30, 2017

Fund	Balance 07/01/16	Revenues Received	Expenditures Disbursed	Balance 06/30/17
Academic Bowl	\$ 553	\$ 30	\$ -	\$ 583
Art Fees	304	6,031	6,086	249
Baseball	1,356	14,772	14,426	1,702
Boys Basketball	1,855	4,078	4,459	1,474
Girls Basketball	3,501	10,986	13,057	1,430
Cash Man	-	97	97	-
Cheerleaders	974	15,987	13,214	3,747
Chess Club	1,102	549	1,002	649
Drama Club	12,858	15,885	13,115	15,628
FFA	1,102	33,095	32,785	1,412
Football	6,273	20,952	24,181	3,044
FBLA	2,646	10,791	8,168	5,269
Grade School Musical	-	429	39	390
Horticulture	3,457	4,788	6,048	2,197
Industrial Arts Club	2,436	5,684	7,574	546
Integrity Fund	4,462	15,849	18,378	1,933
Library - High School	1,936	273	50	2,159
Music	4,937	11,851	9,732	7,056
National Honors Society	286	825	1,031	80
Outdoor Club	1,055	3,930	3,270	1,715
Pom Pons	788	120	643	265
Renaissance Team	2,291	4,868	5,109	2,050
Scholarship Testing	1,082	16,724	15,014	2,792
Soccer - Boys	3,028	7,530	7,261	3,297
Soccer - Girls	975	1,144	1,216	903
Social Fund	40	6,716	6,556	200
Carried Forward	\$ 59,297	\$ 213,984	\$ 212,511	\$ 60,770

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Elementary & High School Activity Fund  
Statement of Operating Revenues Received and Expenditures Disbursed  
For the year ended June 30, 2017

Fund	Balance 07/01/16	Revenues Received	Expenditures Disbursed	Balance 06/30/17
Carried Forward	\$ 59,297	\$ 213,984	\$ 212,511	\$ 60,770
Girls Softball	575	7,899	7,324	1,150
Student Council	3,643	16,770	18,861	1,552
Students for Students	1,892	6,681	6,630	1,943
Tournament Fund	12,922	57,922	54,494	16,350
Track - Boys & Girls	403	2,844	2,363	884
Volleyball	3,900	25,207	23,550	5,557
Wrestling	12,332	6,757	16,255	2,834
Yearbook	9,357	6,787	7,860	8,284
Highland Assembly	-	-	-	-
Wellness	696	517	-	1,213
Highland PBIS	1,933	4,158	4,437	1,654
Monroe Center Assembly	537	500	279	758
Monroe Center PBIS	2,926	6,776	6,718	2,984
Highland Library Club	826	3,960	2,706	2,080
Junior High Library	5,091	6,073	7,799	3,365
Monroe Center Library Club	1,707	2,417	1,691	2,433
Class of 2007	-	153	40	113
Class of 2016	396	131	527	-
Class of 2017	1,600	11,311	12,911	-
Class of 2018	1,699	14,105	11,506	4,298
Class of 2019	1,425	1,345	716	2,054
Class of 2020	-	2,641	1,814	827
Class of 2021	842	-	-	842
K-5 Outdoor	15,819	-	983	14,836
	<u>\$ 139,818</u>	<u>\$ 398,938</u>	<u>\$ 401,975</u>	<u>\$ 136,781</u>

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Junior High Activity Fund  
Statement of Operating Revenues Received and Expenditures Disbursed  
For the year ended June 30, 2017

Fund	Balance 07/01/16	Revenues Received	Expenditures Disbursed	Balance 06/30/17
6th Grade	\$ 622	\$ 4,233	\$ 4,915	\$ (60)
6th History	44	-	44	-
6th Grade Math	32	52	-	84
6th Grade Reading	30	-	-	30
7th Grade	57	816	700	173
7th Grade Math	32	100	-	132
7th Grade Literature	39	75	68	46
7th Grade English	53	-	53	-
8th Grade	257	2,124	2,173	208
8th Grade English	208	129		337
Academic Team	32	18	8	42
Art	60	800	781	79
Athletics	3,301	-	-	3,301
Band & Chorus	1,427	1,443	2,073	797
Basketball	623	582	234	971
Cheerleading	665	6,652	5,314	2,003
Concession Stand	1,129	3,000	1,911	2,218
Drama	3,632	2,964	2,964	3,632
Girls Basketball	424	207	90	541
Girls PE	1,156	-	-	1,156
Homeless	179	-	-	179
JRH PTO	-	157	-	157
Office	1,193	2,344	1,682	1,855
PBIS	648	1,600	1,680	568
Roller Skating	4	2,684	2,680	8
Science	3	-	3	-
Student Council	1,101	1,627	1,603	1,125
Track	1,160	2,287	1,752	1,695
Volleyball	3,725	1,959	5,374	310
Wrestling	7	-	-	7
Yearbook	6,381	-	-	6,381
	<u>\$ 28,224</u>	<u>\$ 35,853</u>	<u>\$ 36,102</u>	<u>\$ 27,975</u>

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Schedule of Average Daily Attendance, Operating Expense per Pupil,  
And Total Operating Expense  
(Unaudited)

<u>Year ended June 30,</u>	<u>Average Daily Attendance</u>	<u>Operating Expense Per Pupil</u>	<u>Total Operating Expense</u>
2008	1817	\$ 7,473	\$ 13,575,714
2009	1849	8,218	15,191,902
2010	1809	8,994	16,207,739
2011	1814	9,021	16,368,450
2012	1816	9,808	17,808,720
2013	1737	9,433	16,383,232
2014	1681	9,403	15,809,814
2015	1689	8,728	14,743,771
2016	1650	9,655	15,932,760
2017	1591	9,287	14,779,067