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DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Audited Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Superintendent and School Board
Durant Public School District

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Durant Public School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Durant Public School District's basic financial statements as listed in the contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions 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 auditors' 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 auditors consider 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.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Durant Public School District, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of a Matter

As further explained in the notes to financial statements (Note 13), the Durant Public School District will cease to exist as of July 1, 2018 as required by Section 37-7-104.7, Mississippi Code 1972. All assets and liabilities of Durant Public School District will be transferred to the Holmes County Consolidated School District. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, the Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of District Contributions on pages 5-14, 41-44, 45 and 46, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Durant Public School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds, and the other information section, which includes the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 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 accompanying supplementary information mentioned above is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The other information section, which includes the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances-All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2018 on our consideration of the Durant Public School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 Durant Public School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Watkins, Ward and Stafford, PLLC

Louisville, Mississippi
January 31, 2018

Watkins Ward and Stafford, PLLC

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

The following discussion and analysis of Durant Public School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's performance as a whole. Readers are encouraged to review the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total net position for 2017 decreased \$372,424, including a prior period adjustment of \$(6,793), which represents a 10% decrease from fiscal year 2016. Total net position for 2016 increased \$132,479 which represents a 3% increase from fiscal year 2015.
- General revenues amounted to \$3,281,522 and \$3,548,917, or 75% and 73% of all revenues for fiscal years 2017 and 2016, respectively. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$1,065,869, or 25% of total revenues for 2017, and \$1,330,980, or 27% of total revenues for 2016.
- The District had \$4,713,022 and \$4,747,418 in expenses for fiscal years 2017 and 2016; only \$1,065,869 for 2017 and \$1,330,980 for 2016 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$3,281,522 for 2017 were not adequate to provide for these programs. General revenues of \$3,548,917 for 2016 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$3,198,282 in revenues and \$3,174,310 in expenditures for 2017, and \$3,462,268 in revenues and \$3,247,699 in expenditures in 2016. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$17,126, which includes a prior period adjustment of \$(1,846), from 2016 to 2017, and increased by \$216,876 from 2015 to 2016.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, decreased by \$42,414 for 2017 and decreased by \$45,675 for 2016. The decrease for 2017 was due to the addition and disposal of equipment coupled with the increase in accumulated depreciation.
- Long-term debt decreased by \$165,000 for 2017 and decreased by \$155,000 for 2016. This decrease for 2017 was due primarily to principal payments on outstanding long-term debt. The liability for compensated absences decreased by \$3,936 for 2017 and decreased by \$2,234 for 2016.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis serves as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements, which include government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information, supplementary information, and other information.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the District's finances. These statements consist of the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, which are prepared using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the District's non-fiduciary assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows, with the differences between them reported as "net position." Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements outline functions of the District that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the District include instruction, support services, non-instructional, pension expense, and interest on long-term liabilities.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds – Most of the District's general activities are reported in its governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting and the flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The approach focuses on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at year end. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed view of the District's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the reader may gain a better understanding of the long-term impact of the District's near-term financing decisions. The governmental funds Balance Sheet is reconciled to the Statement of Net Position, and the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances is reconciled to the Statement of Activities to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The District maintains individual governmental funds in accordance with the *Financial Accounting Manual for Mississippi Public School Districts*. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds Balance Sheet and in the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances for all major funds. All non-major funds are combined and presented in these reports as other governmental funds.

Fiduciary funds – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. These funds are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The school district is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purpose.

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Reconciliation of Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The financial statements include two schedules that reconcile the amounts reported on the governmental funds financial statements (modified accrual basis of accounting) with government-wide financial statements (accrual basis of accounting). The following summarizes the major differences between the two statements:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported on governmental funds financial statements.

Capital outlay spending results in capital assets on government-wide financial statements, but is reported as expenditures on the governmental funds financial statements.

Bond and note proceeds result in liabilities on government-wide financial statements, but are recorded as other financing sources on the governmental funds financial statements.

A net pension liability results in a liability on the government-wide financial statements but is not reported on governmental funds financial statements.

Certain other outflows represent either increases or decreases in liabilities on the government-wide financial statements, but are reported as expenditures on the governmental funds financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

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

Required Supplementary Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents budgetary comparison schedules, Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and Schedule of District Contributions as required supplementary information. The District adopts an annual operating budget for all governmental funds. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the General Fund and each additional major special revenue fund as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Supplementary Information

Additionally, a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* and a Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for governmental funds can be found in this report.

Other Information

Although not a required part of the basic financial statements, the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years, is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Mississippi Department of Education.

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position. Liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$4,189,832 as of June 30, 2017.

The District's financial position is a product of several financial transactions including the net result of activities, the payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets and the depreciation of capital assets.

Table 1 presents a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

Table 1
Condensed Statement of Net Position

	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	Percentage Change
Current assets	\$ 993,495	\$ 1,220,744	(19) %
Restricted assets	39,124	39,057	0 %
Capital assets, net	859,655	902,069	(5) %
Total assets	1,892,274	2,161,870	(12) %
Deferred outflows of resources	1,488,412	1,016,820	46 %
Current liabilities	32,271	222,776	(86) %
Long-term debt outstanding	729,605	898,541	(19) %
Net pension liability	6,713,441	5,648,365	19 %
Total liabilities	7,475,317	6,769,682	10 %
Deferred inflows of resources	95,201	226,416	(58) %
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	139,655	17,069	718 %
Restricted	171,920	225,723	(24) %
Unrestricted	(4,501,407)	(4,060,200)	(11) %
Total net position	\$ (4,189,832)	\$ (3,817,408)	(10) %

Additional information on unrestricted net position:

In connection with the application of standards on accounting and financial reporting for pensions, management presents the following additional information:

Total unrestricted net position (deficit)	\$(4,501,407)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension liability, including the deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to pensions	5,320,230
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension liability effect	<u>\$818,823</u>

The following are significant current year transactions that have had an impact on the Statement of Net Position.

- Decrease in net capital assets in the amount of \$42,414.
- The principal retirement of \$165,000 of long-term debt.

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Changes in net position

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016 were \$4,347,391 and \$4,879,897, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$4,713,022 for 2017 and \$4,747,418 for 2016.

Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage</u> <u>Change</u>
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 34,447	\$ 43,653	(21) %
Operating grants and contributions	1,031,422	891,551	16 %
Capital Grants and Contributions	-	395,776	(100) %
General revenues:			
Property taxes	550,186	541,395	2 %
Grants and contributions not restricted	2,717,848	2,996,575	(9) %
Investment earnings	1,555	503	209 %
Sixteenth section sources	5,075	4,964	2 %
Other	6,858	5,480	25 %
Total revenues	<u>4,347,391</u>	<u>4,879,897</u>	(11) %
Expenses:			
Instruction	2,093,088	2,181,368	(4) %
Support services	1,383,259	1,566,217	(12) %
Non-instructional	404,671	488,521	(17) %
Pension expense	805,655	477,215	69
Interest on long-term liabilities	26,349	34,097	(23) %
Total expenses	<u>4,713,022</u>	<u>4,747,418</u>	(1) %
Increase (Decrease) in net position	<u>(365,631)</u>	<u>132,479</u>	(376) %
Net Position, July 1, as previously reported	<u>(3,817,408)</u>	<u>(3,949,887)</u>	3 %
Prior Period Adjustment	<u>(6,793)</u>	<u>-</u>	N/A %
Net Position, July 1, as restated	<u>(3,824,201)</u>	<u>(3,949,887)</u>	3 %
Net Position, June 30	<u><u>\$ (4,189,832)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (3,817,408)</u></u>	(10) %

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Governmental activities

The following table presents the cost of five major District functional activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional, pension expense, and interest on long-term liabilities. The table also shows each functional activity's net cost (total cost less charges for services generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid provided for specific programs). The net cost presents the financial burden that was placed on the State and District's taxpayers by each of these functions.

Table 3
Net Cost of Governmental Activities

	Total Expenses		Percentage Change
	2017	2016	
Instruction	\$ 2,093,088	\$ 2,181,368	(4) %
Support services	1,383,259	1,566,217	(12) %
Non-instructional	404,671	488,521	(17) %
Pension Expense	805,655	477,215	69 %
Interest on long-term liabilities	26,349	34,097	(23) %
Total expenses	\$ 4,713,022	\$ 4,747,418	(1) %

	Net (Expense) Revenue		Percentage Change
	2017	2016	
Instruction	\$ (1,757,426)	\$ (1,627,091)	8 %
Support services	(1,060,890)	(1,216,810)	(13) %
Non-instructional	3,167	(61,225)	(105) %
Pension Expense	(805,655)	(477,215)	69 %
Interest on long-term liabilities	(26,349)	(34,097)	(23) %
Total net (expense) revenue	\$ (3,647,153)	\$ (3,416,438)	7 %

- Net cost of governmental activities (\$3,647,153 for 2017 and \$3,416,438 for 2016) was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property taxes (\$550,186 for 2017 and \$541,395 for 2016) and state and federal revenues (\$2,717,848 for 2017 and \$2,996,575 for 2016). In addition, there was \$5,075 and \$4,964 in Sixteenth Section sources for 2017 and 2016, respectively.
- Investment earnings amounted to \$1,555 for 2017 and \$503 for 2016.

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on current inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,006,410, a decrease of \$41,016, which includes a prior period adjustment of \$(1,846) and a decrease in inventory of \$2,627. \$826,563 or 82% of the fund balance is unassigned, which represents the residual classification for the General Fund's fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The remaining fund balance of \$179,847 or 18% is either non-spendable, restricted or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted, committed or assigned.

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The increase in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$17,126, which includes a prior period adjustment of \$(1,846). The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease in the amount of \$58,142, which includes a decrease in reserve for inventory of \$2,627. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

<u>Major Fund</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
Title I Fund	no increase or decrease
Title II Fund	no increase or decrease
IDEA Part B Fund	no increase or decrease

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

During the year, the District revised the annual operating budget. Budget revisions were made to address and correct the original budgets to reflect more accurately the sources and uses of funding for the School District.

A schedule showing the original and final budget amounts compared to the District's actual financial activity for the General Fund and major special revenue funds is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

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CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets. As of June 30, 2017, the District's total capital assets were \$2,499,358, including land, school buildings, building improvements, buses, other school vehicles, furniture and equipment. This amount represents a decrease of \$23,250 from 2016. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2017, was \$1,639,703, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$48,032, resulting in total net capital assets of \$859,655.

Table 4
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Land	\$ 38,890	\$ 38,890	0 %
Buildings	448,190	457,926	(2) %
Building improvements	295,483	321,305	(8) %
Mobile equipment	72,873	74,491	(2) %
Furniture and equipment	4,219	9,457	(55) %
Total	<u>\$ 859,655</u>	<u>\$ 902,069</u>	(5) %

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Note 5 included in this report.

Debt Administration. At June 30, 2017, the District had \$729,605 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$175,000 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences decreased \$3,936 from the prior year.

Table 5
Outstanding Long-Term Debt

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
General obligation bonds payable	\$ 525,000	\$ 600,000	(13) %
Limited obligation bonds payable	195,000	285,000	(32) %
Compensated absences payable	9,605	13,541	(29) %
Total	<u>\$ 729,605</u>	<u>\$ 898,541</u>	(19) %

Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 included in this report.

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CURRENT ISSUES

The Durant Public School District is financially stable. The District is proud of its community support of the public schools.

The District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. The District's system of financial planning, budgeting and internal financial controls is well regarded.

The District actively pursues grant funding to supplement the local, state and federal revenues.

Enrollment for the 2016-2017 year decreased 1% to 510 students.

In accordance with Section 37-7-104.7, Mississippi Code of 1972, effective July 1, 2018, Durant Public School District will have an administrative consolidation with Holmes County School District. At such time, Durant Public School District will cease to exist and the Durant Public School Board will be abolished. All assets and liabilities of Durant Public School District will be transferred to the newly named Holmes County Consolidated School District.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Durant Public School District, P.O. Box 669, Durant, MS 39063.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2017

Exhibit A

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 879,449
Investments	10,000
Due from other governments	99,834
Inventories	4,212
Restricted assets	39,124
Capital assets, non-depreciable:	
Land	38,890
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Buildings	448,190
Building improvements	295,483
Mobile equipment	72,873
Furniture and equipment	4,219
Total Assets	<u>1,892,274</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred outflows - pensions	1,488,412
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>1,488,412</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	26,209
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	6,062
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	
Capital related liabilities	175,000
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
Capital related liabilities	545,000
Non-capital related liabilities	9,605
Net pension liability	6,713,441
Total Liabilities	<u>7,475,317</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred inflows - pensions	95,201
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>95,201</u>
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	139,655
Restricted for:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	82,858
Debt service	38,968
Unemployment benefits	10,970
Non-expendable:	
Sixteenth section	39,124
Unrestricted (deficit)	(4,501,407)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (4,189,832)</u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Exhibit B

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Charges for	Operating	Revenue and
		Services	Grants and	Changes in Net
			Contributions	Position
				Governmental
				Activities
Governmental Activities:				
Instruction	\$ 2,093,088	\$ 22,481	\$ 313,181	\$ (1,757,426)
Support services	1,383,259	-	322,369	(1,060,890)
Non-instructional	404,671	11,966	395,872	3,167
Pension expense	805,655	-	-	(805,655)
Interest on long-term liabilities	26,349	-	-	(26,349)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 4,713,022</u>	<u>\$ 34,447</u>	<u>\$ 1,031,422</u>	<u>\$ (3,647,153)</u>
General Revenues:				
Taxes:				
General purpose levies				441,255
Debt purpose levies				108,931
Unrestricted grants and contributions:				
State				2,708,145
Federal				9,703
Unrestricted investment earnings				1,555
Sixteenth section sources				5,075
Other				6,858
Total General Revenues				<u>3,281,522</u>
Change in Net Position				<u>(365,631)</u>
Net Position - Beginning, as previously reported				(3,817,408)
Prior Period Adjustments				<u>(6,793)</u>
Net Position - Beginning				<u>(3,824,201)</u>
Net Position - Ending				<u>\$ (4,189,832)</u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2017

Exhibit C

	Major Funds				Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	Title I Fund	Title II Fund	IDEA Part B Fund		
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 754,561	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 164,012	\$ 918,573
Investments	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Due from other governments	34,126	31,249	9,755	17,676	7,028	99,834
Due from other funds	67,873	-	-	-	-	67,873
Inventories	-	-	-	-	4,212	4,212
Total Assets	<u>\$ 856,560</u>	<u>\$ 31,249</u>	<u>\$ 9,755</u>	<u>\$ 17,676</u>	<u>\$ 185,252</u>	<u>\$ 1,100,492</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 11,711	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,711
Due to other funds	16,421	31,249	9,755	17,676	7,270	82,371
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 28,132</u>	<u>\$ 31,249</u>	<u>\$ 9,755</u>	<u>\$ 17,676</u>	<u>\$ 7,270</u>	<u>\$ 94,082</u>
Fund Balances:						
Nonspendable:						
Inventory	-	-	-	-	4,212	4,212
Permanent fund principal	-	-	-	-	39,124	39,124
Restricted:						
Debt service	-	-	-	-	45,030	45,030
Grant activities	-	-	-	-	78,646	78,646
Unemployment benefits	-	-	-	-	10,970	10,970
Assigned:						
Activity funds	1,865	-	-	-	-	1,865
Unassigned	<u>826,563</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>826,563</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>828,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>177,982</u>	<u>1,006,410</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 856,560</u>	<u>\$ 31,249</u>	<u>\$ 9,755</u>	<u>\$ 17,676</u>	<u>\$ 185,252</u>	<u>\$ 1,100,492</u>

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Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2017

Total fund balances for governmental funds **\$ 1,006,410**

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

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

Land	\$ 38,890	
Buildings	1,169,883	
Building improvements	674,292	
Mobile equipment	194,515	
Furniture and equipment	421,778	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,639,703)</u>	859,655

2. Some liabilities, including net pension obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reporting in the funds:

Net pension liability	(6,713,441)	
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Deferred outflows and inflows related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	1,488,412	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	<u>(95,201)</u>	(5,320,230)

3. Long-term liabilities and related accrued interest are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:

General obligation bonds	\$ (525,000)	
Limited obligation bonds	(195,000)	
Compensated absences	(9,605)	
Accrued interest payable	<u>(6,062)</u>	<u>(735,667)</u>

Net position of governmental activities **\$ (4,189,832)**

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit D

Governmental Funds

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

For The Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Major Funds					
	General Fund	Title I Fund	Title II Fund	IDEA Part B Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:						
Local sources	\$ 471,764	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 121,283	\$ 593,047
State sources	2,707,808	-	-	-	36,374	2,744,182
Federal sources	13,635	377,815	49,098	142,366	422,173	1,005,087
Sixteenth section sources	5,075	-	-	-	-	5,075
Total Revenues	3,198,282	377,815	49,098	142,366	579,830	4,347,391
Expenditures:						
Instruction	1,985,965	211,545	-	48,299	50,197	2,296,006
Support services	1,091,333	135,559	49,098	94,067	99,968	1,470,025
Noninstructional services	162	30,711	-	-	391,342	422,215
Debt service:						
Principal	90,000	-	-	-	75,000	165,000
Interest	6,850	-	-	-	23,838	30,688
Total Expenditures	3,174,310	377,815	49,098	142,366	640,345	4,383,934
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	23,972	-	-	-	(60,515)	(36,543)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
Operating transfers out	(5,000)	-	-	-	-	(5,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(5,000)	-	-	-	5,000	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	18,972	-	-	-	(55,515)	(36,543)
Fund Balances:						
July 1, 2016, as previously reported	811,302	-	-	-	236,124	1,047,426
Prior Period Adjustment	(1,846)	-	-	-	-	(1,846)
July 1, 2016	809,456	-	-	-	236,124	1,045,580
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	-	-	-	-	(2,627)	(2,627)
June 30, 2017	\$ 828,428	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 177,982	\$ 1,006,410

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ (36,543)

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

1. Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:

Capital outlay	\$ 10,856	
Depreciation expense	<u>(48,032)</u>	(37,176)

2. In the statement of activities, only the gain/loss on the sale of assets is reported, while in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increases financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the assets sold.

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3. The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts and the difference between the carrying value of refunded debt and the acquisition cost of refunded debt when debt is first issued. These amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities:

Payments of debt principal	\$ 165,000	
Accrued interest payable	<u>4,339</u>	169,339

4. The implementation of GASB 68 creates a change in the amount of pension expense that is reported on the statement of activities. A breakdown of these changes are listed below:

Recording of contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	343,386	
Recording of pension expense for the current period	<u>(805,655)</u>	(462,269)

5. Some items reported in the statement of activities do not provide or require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. These activities include:

Change in compensated absences	3,936	
Change in inventory reserve	<u>(2,627)</u>	<u>1,309</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ (365,631)

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fiduciary Funds
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
June 30, 2017

Exhibit E

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 197,664
Due from other funds	<u>16,421</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 214,085</u></u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 202,806
Due to other funds	1,923
Due to student clubs	<u>9,356</u>
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 214,085</u></u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements of the school district have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the school district's accounting policies are described below.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

As defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the school district is considered an "other stand-alone government." The school district is a related organization of, but not a component unit of, the city of Durant since the governing authority of the city selects a majority of the school district's board but does not have financial accountability for the school district.

For financial reporting purposes, Durant Public School District has included all funds and organizations. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. The effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Net Position presents the District's non-fiduciary assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories:

1. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding balances of bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
2. Restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
3. Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

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The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function, or segment, are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property taxes and other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other governmental funds.

The school district reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - This is the school district's primary operating fund. The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Title I Fund - This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the federal revenue received through Title I grants to local educational agencies and related expenditures incurred for Title I grants.

Title II Fund - This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the federal revenue received through Title II grants to local educational agencies and related expenditures incurred for improving teacher quality.

IDEA Part B Fund – This is a special revenue fund that accounts for federal revenue received to assist the district in providing special education and related services to children with disabilities so that children with disabilities have access to a free appropriate public education.

All other governmental funds not meeting the criteria established for major funds are presented in the other governmental column of the fund financial statements.

The District's fiduciary funds include the following:

Payroll Clearing Fund - This fund serves as a clearing fund for payroll type transactions

Student Club Funds - This fund accounts for the monies raised through school club activities, fund raisers, and club related expenditures approved by the individual clubs.

Accounts Payable Clearing Fund – This fund serves as a clearing fund for payables outstanding at year end.

Additionally, the school district reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Debt Service Funds - Debt Service Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

Permanent Funds - Permanent Funds are used to account for and report resources that are restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not the principal, may be used for purposes that support the district's programs.

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Notes to Financial Statements

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Agency Funds - Agency Funds are used to report resources held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the Fiduciary Fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred or economic asset used, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end. Expenditures (including capital outlay) are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Federal grants and assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as receivables and revenues when entitlement occurs. Federal reimbursement type grants are recorded as revenues when the related expenditures are recognized. Use of grant resources is conditioned upon compliance with terms of the grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, which include subjecting grants to financial and compliance audits.

Property taxes, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual.

Ad valorem property taxes are levied by the governing authority of the city on behalf of the school district based upon an order adopted by the school board of the school district requesting an ad valorem tax effort in dollars. Since the taxes are not levied and collected by the school district, the revenues to be generated by the annual levies are not recognized until the taxes are actually collected by the tax levying authority.

Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there is both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general revenues.

The effect of inter-fund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide statements.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Revenues from the Mississippi Adequate Education Program are appropriated on a fiscal year basis and are recorded at the time the revenues are received from the State of Mississippi.

The account classifications used in the financial statements conform to the broad classifications recommended in *Governmental Accounting, Auditing, and Financial Reporting*, issued in 2012 by the Government Finance Officers Association and are consistent with the broad classifications recommended in *Financial Accounting for Local and State School Systems, 2014*, issued by the U.S. Department of Education.

D. Encumbrances

An encumbrance system is not maintained to account for commitments resulting from approved purchase orders, work orders and contracts.

E. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows, and net position/fund balances

1. Cash, Cash equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents

The district's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. The school district deposits excess funds in the financial institutions selected by the school board. State statutes specify how these depositories are to be selected.

Investments

The school district can invest its excess funds, as permitted by Section 29-3-113, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), in interest-bearing deposits or other obligations of the types described in Section 27-105-33, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), or in any other type investment in which any other agency, instrumentality or subdivision of the State of Mississippi may invest, except that 100% of said funds are authorized to be so invested.

For accounting purposes, certificates of deposit are classified as investments if they have an original maturity greater than three months when acquired.

Investments for the district are reported at fair market value.

2. Receivables and payables

Activities between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of inter-fund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e. the non-current portion of inter-fund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

3. Due from Other Governments

Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Mississippi and various grants and reimbursements from other governments.

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4. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Donated commodities are received from the USDA and are valued at USDA cost. Other inventories are valued at cost (calculated on the first-in, first-out basis). The costs of governmental fund type inventories are reported as expenditures when purchased.

Prepaid items, such as prepaid insurance, are not reported for governmental fund types since the costs of such items are accounted for as expenditures in the period of acquisition.

5. Restricted Assets

Certain resources set aside for repayment of debt are classified as restricted assets on the Statement of Net Position because their use is limited by applicable debt statutes, e.g. Qualified School Construction Bond sinking funds. Also, the nonexpendable portion of the Permanent Fund, if applicable, is classified as restricted assets because the 16th Section Principal fund is not available for use by the district except as provided for under state statute for loans from this fund.

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets include land, improvements to land, easements, water rights, timber rights, buildings, building improvements, vehicles, machinery, equipment, works of art and historical treasures, infrastructure, and all other tangible or intangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives extending beyond a single reporting period. Capital assets are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the thresholds in the table below.

Capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in the Governmental Fund statements and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis for all assets, except land.

The following schedule details the capitalization thresholds:

	Capitalization Policy	Estimated Useful Life
Land	\$ 0	0
Buildings	50,000	40 years
Building improvements	25,000	20 years
Improvements other than buildings	25,000	20 years
Mobile equipment	5,000	5-10 years
Furniture and equipment	5,000	3-7 years
Leased property under capital leases	*	*

(*) The threshold amount will correspond with the amounts for the asset classifications, as listed. See Note 5 for details.

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Notes to Financial Statements

7. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The school district has incurred a deferred outflow which is presented as a deferred outflow for pensions. See note 11 for further details.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The school district has incurred a deferred inflow which is presented as a deferred inflow for pensions. See note 11 for further details.

8. Compensated Absences

Employees of the school district accumulate sick leave at a minimum amount as required by state law. A greater amount may be provided by school district policy provided that it does not exceed the provisions for leave as provided in Sections 25-3-93 and 25-3-95. Some employees are allowed personal leave and/or vacation leave in accordance with school district policy. The district pays for unused leave for employees as required by Section 37-7-307(5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as a long-term liability in the government-wide statements. The current portion of this liability is estimated based on historical trends. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the liability for compensated absences from expendable available financial resources only if the payable has matured, for example, an employee retires.

9. Long-term Liabilities and Bond Discounts/Premiums

In the government-wide financial statements, outstanding debt is reported as liabilities. Bond discounts or premiums and the difference between reacquisition price and the net carrying value of refunded debt are capitalized and amortized over the terms of the respective bonds using a method that approximates the effective interest method.

The governmental fund financial statements recognize the proceeds of debt and premiums as other financing sources of the current period. Issuance costs are reported as expenditures. See Note 6 for details.

10. Pensions

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

11. Fund Balances

Fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements

Governmental fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. Following are descriptions of fund classifications used by the district:

Nonspendable fund balance includes items that cannot be spent. This includes activity that is not in a spendable form (inventories, prepaid amounts, long-term portion of loans/notes receivable, or property held for resale unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned) and activity that is legally or contractually required to remain intact, such as a principal balance in a permanent fund.

Restricted fund balance includes amounts that have constraints placed upon the use of the resources either by an external party or imposed by law through a constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by a formal action of the School Board, the District's highest level of decision-making authority. Currently there is no committed fund balance for this school district.

Assigned fund balance includes amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for a specific purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. For governmental funds, other than the general fund, this is the residual amount within the fund that is not restricted or committed. Assignments of fund balance are created by the Superintendent and the Business Manager pursuant to authorization established by the board.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

When an expenditure/expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) resources are available, it is the District's general policy to use restricted resources first. When expenditures/expenses are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the District's general policy to spend committed resources first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

It is the goal of the District to achieve and maintain an unassigned fund balance in the general fund at fiscal year-end of not less than 3% of revenues. If the unassigned fund balance at fiscal year-end falls below the goal, the District shall develop a restoration plan to achieve and maintain the minimum fund balance.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements

Note 2 – Cash and Cash Equivalents, and Investments

The district follows the practice of aggregating the cash assets of various funds to maximize cash management efficiency and returns. Restrictions on deposits and investments are imposed by statutes as follows:

Deposits. The school board must advertise and accept bids for depositories no less than once every three years as required by Section 37-7-333, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The collateral pledged for the school district's deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Investments. Section 29-3-113 and 37-59-43, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), authorizes the school board to invest excess funds in the types of investments authorized by Section 27-105-33(d) and (e), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). This section permits the following types of investments: (a) certificates of deposit or interest bearing accounts with qualified state depositories; (b) direct United States Treasury obligations; (c) United States Government agency, United States Government instrumentality or United States Government sponsored enterprise obligations, not to exceed fifty percent of all monies invested with maturities of thirty days or longer; (d) direct security repurchase agreements and reverse direct security repurchase agreements of any federal book entry of only those securities enumerated in (b) and (c) above; (e) direct obligations issued by the United States of America that are deemed to include securities of, or other interests in, any open-end or closed-end management type investment company or investment trust approved by the State Treasurer and the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, not to exceed twenty percent of invested excess funds. Investment income on bond funds (Capital Projects), bond sinking funds (Debt Service Funds) and sixteenth section principal funds (Permanent Funds) must be credited to those funds. Investment income of \$100 or more of any fund must be credited to that fund. Investment income of less than \$100 can be credited to the General Fund.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The carrying amount of the school district's deposits with financial institutions reported in the governmental funds and fiduciary funds was \$928,573 (which includes \$10,000 of certificates of deposit with original maturities beyond three months and reported on the Balance Sheet as investments) and \$197,664, respectively.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the district will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the district. As of June 30, 2017, none of the district's bank balance of \$1,208,449 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Investments

As of June 30, 2017, the district had the following investments.

Investment Type	Rating	Maturities (in years)	Fair Value
Certificates of deposit	N/A	1 year	\$ 10,000
Total			<u>\$ 10,000</u>

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

The district has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2017:

- Certificate of deposit type of investments of \$10,000 are valued using a matrix pricing model (Level 2 inputs)

Interest Rate Risk. The district does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk. State law limits investments to those prescribed in Sections 27-105-33(d) and 27-105-33(e), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The district does not have a formal investment policy that would further limit its investment choices or one that addresses credit risk.

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments. Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the district will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a formal investment policy that addresses custodial credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk. Disclosure of investments by amount and issuer for any issuer that represents five percent or more of total investments is required. This requirement does not apply to investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government, investments in mutual funds and external investment pools, and other pooled investments. As of June 30, 2017, the district had the following investments:

Issuer	Fair Value	% of Total Investments
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 10,000	100%

Note 3 – Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

The following is a summary of inter-fund transactions and balances:

A. Due From/To Other Funds

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Title I Fund	\$ 31,249
	Title II Fund	9,755
	Idea Part B Fund	17,676
	Other governmental funds	7,270
	Agency Funds	1,923
Agency Funds	General Fund	16,421
Total		<u>\$ 84,294</u>

The purpose of the Due From/To other funds was to cover deficit cash balances. All balances are expected to be repaid within one year from the date of the financial statements.

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B. Inter-fund Transfers

Transfers Out	Transfers In	Amount
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 5,000
Total		<u>\$ 5,000</u>

Transfers were made for indirect cost transfers and budgetary allocations. All transfers were routine and consistent with the fund making the transfer.

Note 4 – Restricted Assets

The restricted assets represent the cash balance totaling \$39,124 of the Sixteenth Section Principal Fund (Permanent Fund) which is legally restricted and may not be used for purposes that support the district's programs.

Note 5 – Capital Assets

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for governmental activities

	Balance 7/1/2016	Increases	Decreases	Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2017
Governmental Activities:					
<u>Non-depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Land	\$ 38,890	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	38,890
Total non-depreciable capital assets	<u>38,890</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,890</u>
<u>Depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Buildings	1,169,883	-	-	-	1,169,883
Building improvements	674,292	-	-	-	674,292
Mobile equipment	183,659	10,856	-	-	194,515
Furniture and equipment	455,884	-	29,078	(5,028)	421,778
Total depreciable capital assets	<u>2,483,718</u>	<u>10,856</u>	<u>29,078</u>	<u>(5,028)</u>	<u>2,460,468</u>
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>					
Buildings	711,957	9,736	-	-	721,693
Building improvements	352,987	25,822	-	-	378,809
Mobile equipment	109,168	12,474	-	-	121,642
Furniture and equipment	446,427	-	28,787	(81)	417,559
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>1,620,539</u>	<u>48,032</u>	<u>28,787</u>	<u>(81)</u>	<u>1,639,703</u>
Total depreciable capital assets, net	<u>863,179</u>	<u>(37,176)</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>(4,947)</u>	<u>820,765</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 902,069</u>	<u>\$ (37,176)</u>	<u>\$ 291</u>	<u>\$ (4,947)</u>	<u>\$ 859,655</u>

Adjustments to capital assets represents corrections for an asset omitted from prior year capitalized assets and corrections to depreciation calculated on capital assets.

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Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	<u>Amount</u>
Governmental activities:	
Instruction	\$ 35,558
Support services	12,474
Total depreciation expense - Governmental activities	<u>\$ 48,032</u>

Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and other obligations for governmental activities:

	Balance 7/1/2016	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/2017	Amounts due within one year
A. General obligation bonds payable	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 75,000	\$ 525,000	\$ 80,000
B. Limited obligation bonds payable	285,000	-	90,000	195,000	95,000
C. Compensated absences payable	13,541	-	3,936	9,605	-
Total	<u>\$ 898,541</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 168,936</u>	<u>\$ 729,605</u>	<u>\$ 175,000</u>

A. General obligation bonds payable

General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the school district. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
General Obligation, Series 2002	3.5-5%	11/1/2002	11/1/2022	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 525,000
Total				<u>\$ 1,300,000</u>	<u>\$ 525,000</u>

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

1. General obligation bond issue of 11/1/2002:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 80,000	\$ 20,738	\$ 100,738
2019	80,000	17,538	97,538
2020	85,000	14,131	99,131
2021	90,000	10,390	100,390
2022	95,000	6,365	101,365
2023	95,000	2,137	97,137
Total	<u>\$ 525,000</u>	<u>\$ 71,299</u>	<u>\$ 596,299</u>

This debt will be retired from the Debt Service Fund.

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The amount of bonded indebtedness that can be incurred by the school district is limited by Sections 37-59-5 and 37-59-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Total outstanding bonded indebtedness during a year can be no greater than 15% of the assessed value of the taxable property within such district, according to the then last completed assessment for taxation, unless certain conditions, as set forth in Section 37-59-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) have been met. As of June 30, 2017, the amount of outstanding bonded indebtedness was equal to 5% of property assessments as of October 1, 2016.

B. Limited obligation bonds payable

Limited obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the school district. Limited obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Limited Obligation Bonds Payable, Series 2010	2.25-3%	2/1/2010	2/1/2019	\$ 690,000	\$ 195,000
Total				<u>\$ 690,000</u>	<u>\$ 195,000</u>

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

1. Limited obligation bond issue of:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 95,000	\$ 2,806	\$ 97,806
2019	100,000	1,500	101,500
Total	<u>\$ 195,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,306</u>	<u>\$ 199,306</u>

This debt will be retired from the District Maintenance Fund.

The state aid capital improvement bonds are secured by an irrevocable pledge of certain revenues the district receives from the State of Mississippi pursuant to the Mississippi Accountability and Adequate Education Program Act, Sections 37-151-1 through 37-151-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The state aid capital improvement bonds are not included in the computation of the debt limit percentage.

C. Compensated absences payable

As more fully explained in Note 1(E)(8), compensated absences payable is adjusted on an annual basis as required by Section 37-7-307(5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries were paid.

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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description. The school district contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Miss. Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201 or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Benefits provided. Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees of the public school districts. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved, membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring. Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. Benefits vest upon completion of eight years of membership service (four years of membership service for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2007). PERS also provides certain death and disability benefits. A Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.0 percent of the annual retirement allowance for each full fiscal year of retirement up to the year in which the retired member reaches age 60 (55 for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), with 3.0 percent compounded for each fiscal year thereafter. Plan provisions are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Contributions. PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary, and the school district is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of June 30, 2017 was 15.75% of annual covered payroll. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Section 25-11-1 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. The school district's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were \$343,386, \$378,684 and \$346,532, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

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

At June 30, 2017, the school district reported a liability of \$6,713,441 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the school district's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. The school district's proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2017 net pension liability was .037584 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2016. This was an increase of .001044 percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2016 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2015.

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For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$805,655. At June 30, 2017 the District reported 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	\$ 191,209	\$ -
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	524,794	-
Changes of assumptions	307,695	17,840
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	121,328	77,361
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	343,386	-
Total	\$ <u>1,488,412</u>	\$ <u>95,201</u>

\$343,386 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30:	
2018	\$ 330,679
2019	331,577
2020	254,944
2021	132,625
2022	-
Thereafter	-

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	3.00 percent
Salary increases	3.75-19.00 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table Projected with Scale BB to 2016, with males rates set forward one year.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014. The experience report is dated May 4, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of 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 asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

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<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>		<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>	
U.S. Broad	34	%	5.20	%
International Equity	19		5.00	
Emerging Markets Equity	8		5.45	
Fixed Income	20		0.25	
Real Assets	10		4.00	
Private Equity	8		6.15	
Cash	1		(0.50)	
Total	100	%		

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 8,608,136	\$ 6,713,441	\$ 5,141,458

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial report.

Note 8 – Prior Period Adjustments

A summary of significant Net Position/Fund Balance adjustments is as follows:

Exhibit B - Statement of Activities

<u>Explanation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. To correct errors in prior year receivables	\$ 1,991
2. To void prior year outstanding check	(145)
3. To correct errors on depreciation schedule	4,947
Total	<u>\$ 6,793</u>

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Exhibit D - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Explanation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	To correct errors in prior year receivables	\$ 1,991
	To void prior year outstanding check	<u>(145)</u>
Total		<u>\$ 1,846</u>

Note 9 – Contingencies

Federal Grants – The school district has received federal grants for specific purposes that are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Entitlements to these resources are generally conditional upon compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, including the expenditure of resources for allowable purposes. Any disallowances resulting from the grantor audit may become a liability of the school district.

Litigation – The school district is party to legal proceedings, many of which occur in the normal course of governmental operations. It is not possible at the present time to estimate the outcome or liability, if any, of the school district with respect to the various proceedings. However, the school district's legal counsel believes that ultimate liability resulting from these lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the school district.

Note 10 – Risk Management

The school district is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Except as described below, the district carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Participation in Public Entity Risk Pool

The school district is a member of the Mississippi School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Trust (MSBAWCT). The trust is a risk-sharing pool; such a pool is frequently referred to as a self-insurance pool. The trust consists of approximately 71 school districts and covers risks of loss arising from injuries to the members' employees. The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission requires that an indemnity agreement be executed by each member in a workers' compensation self-insurance pool for the purpose of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the employers comprising the group to meet the workers' compensation obligations of each member. Each member of MSBAWCT contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust by Wells Fargo in Portland, Oregon. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$750,000. For a claim exceeding \$750,000, MSBAWCT has insurance which will pay the excess to the statutory amount required by the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission Act. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the member school districts would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the pool.

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Note 11 – Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$4,501,407) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from a deferred outflow from pensions. The \$1,488,412 balance of deferred outflow of resources, at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$4,501,407) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenues resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$95,201 balance of deferred inflow of resources at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 3 years.

Note 12 - Subsequent Events

Events that occur after the Statement of Net Position date but before the financial statements are available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the Statement of Net Position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the Statement of Net Position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management of the Durant Public School District evaluated the activity of the district through January 31, 2018, (the date the financial statements were available to be issued), and determined that the following subsequent event has occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to the financial statements:

Effective July 1, 2018 Holmes County School District and Durant Public School District will merge in accordance to the House Bill 926. House Bill 926 provides for an administrative consolidation of the Holmes County School District and Durant Public School District into one school district to be designated as the Holmes County Consolidated School District.

Note 13 – Merger with Holmes County School District

In accordance with Section 37-7-104.7, Mississippi Code of 1972, effective July 1, 2018, Durant Public School District will have an administrative consolidation with Holmes County School District. At such time, Durant Public School District will cease to exist and the Durant Public School Board will be abolished. All assets and liabilities of Durant Public School District will be transferred to the newly named Holmes County Consolidated School District.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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Required Supplementary Information
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Local sources	\$ 491,192	\$ 471,764	\$ 471,764	\$ (19,428)	\$ -
State sources	2,733,495	2,707,808	2,707,808	(25,687)	-
Federal sources	23,500	13,635	13,635	(9,865)	-
Sixteenth section sources	3,400	5,075	5,075	1,675	-
Total Revenues	3,251,587	3,198,282	3,198,282	(53,305)	-
Expenditures:					
Instruction	2,029,727	1,985,965	1,985,965	43,762	-
Support services	1,320,502	1,091,333	1,091,333	229,169	-
Noninstructional services	1,500	162	162	1,338	-
Debt service:					
Principal	90,000	90,000	90,000	-	-
Interest	6,850	6,850	6,850	-	-
Total Expenditures	3,448,579	3,174,310	3,174,310	274,269	-
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(196,992)	23,972	23,972	220,964	-
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Indirect Costs	5,355	-	-	(5,355)	-
Operating transfers in	449,297	345,976	-	(103,321)	(345,976)
Operating transfers out	(459,297)	(350,976)	(5,000)	108,321	345,976
Other financing uses	(21,000)	(21,000)	-	-	21,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(25,645)	(26,000)	(5,000)	(355)	21,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	(222,637)	(2,028)	18,972	220,609	21,000
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016, as previously reported	974,000	832,302	811,302	(141,698)	(21,000)
Prior period adjustments	-	(1,846)	(1,846)	(1,846)	-
July 1, 2016, as restated	974,000	830,456	809,456	(143,544)	(21,000)
June 30, 2017	\$ 751,363	\$ 828,428	\$ 828,428	\$ 77,065	\$ -

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Title I Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances	
				Original to Final	Final to Actual
	Original	Final			
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 369,558	\$ 369,558	\$ 377,815	\$ -	\$ 8,257
Total Revenues	369,558	369,558	377,815	-	8,257
Expenditures:					
Instruction	207,177	224,577	211,545	(17,400)	13,032
Support services	133,197	135,559	135,559	(2,362)	-
Noninstructional services	29,184	30,713	30,711	(1,529)	2
Total Expenditures	369,558	390,849	377,815	(21,291)	13,034
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	-	(21,291)	-	(21,291)	21,291
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	(21,291)	-	(21,291)	21,291
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2017	\$ -	\$ (21,291)	\$ -	\$ (21,291)	\$ 21,291

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Title II Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 47,609	\$ 47,609	\$ 49,098	\$ -	\$ 1,489
Total Revenues	47,609	47,609	49,098	-	1,489
Expenditures:					
Support services	47,609	67,969	49,098	(20,360)	18,871
Total Expenditures	47,609	67,969	49,098	(20,360)	18,871
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	-	(20,360)	-	(20,360)	20,360
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	(20,360)	-	(20,360)	20,360
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2017	\$ -	\$ (20,360)	\$ -	\$ (20,360)	\$ 20,360

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
IDEA Part B Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 143,952	\$ 143,952	\$ 142,366	\$ -	\$ (1,586)
Total Revenues	143,952	143,952	142,366	-	(1,586)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	47,719	52,722	48,299	(5,003)	4,423
Support services	94,822	107,389	94,067	(12,567)	13,322
Noninstructional services	1,011	300	-	711	300
Total Expenditures	143,552	160,411	142,366	(16,859)	18,045
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	400	(16,459)	-	(16,859)	16,459
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers out	(400)	-	-	400	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(400)	-	-	400	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	(16,459)	-	(16,459)	16,459
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2017	\$ -	\$ (16,459)	\$ -	\$ (16,459)	\$ 16,459

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule Of The District's Proportionate Share Of The Net Pension Liability
PERS
Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	2017	2016	2015
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 6,713,441	\$ 5,648,365	\$ 4,373,261
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	0.037584%	0.036540%	0.036029%
District's covered payroll	\$ 2,404,343	\$ 2,200,203	\$ 2,201,587
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	279.22%	256.72%	198.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.47%	61.70%	67.21%

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* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of 6/30 of the year prior to the fiscal year presented.

The schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE 6/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of District Contributions
PERS
Last 10 Fiscal Years

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 343,386	\$ 378,684	\$ 346,532
Contribution in relation to the contractually required contribution	343,386	378,684	346,532
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
District's covered payroll	2,180,228	2,404,343	2,200,203
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

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DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes To Required Supplementary Information
For The Year Ended June 30, 2017

Note 1 – Budgetary Comparison Schedule

A. Basis of Presentation

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule presents the original legally adopted budget, the final legally adopted budget, the actual data on the GAAP basis, variances between the original budget and the final budget, and variances between the final budget and the actual data.

B. Budget Amendments and Revisions

The budget is adopted by the school board and filed with the taxing authority. Amendments can be made on the approval of the school board. By statute, final budget revisions must be approved on or before October 15. A budgetary comparison is presented for the General Fund and each Major Special Revenue Fund consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Note 2 – Pension Schedules

A. Changes of benefit terms

2016:

Effective July 1, 2016, the interest rate on employee contributions shall be calculated based on the money market rate as published by the Wall Street Journal on December 31 of each preceding year with a minimum rate of one percent and a maximum rate of five percent.

B. Changes of assumptions

2015:

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.

The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.

Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. The assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.

The price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.50% to 3.00% and 8.00% to 7.75% respectively.

2016:

The assumed rate of interest credited to employee contributions was changed from 3.50% to 2.00%

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No.	Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>		
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:		
Child nutrition cluster:		
School breakfast program	10.553	\$ 100,858
National school lunch program	10.555	273,404
Summer food service program for children	10.559	17,853
Total child nutrition cluster		392,115
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education		392,115
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		392,115
<u>Federal Communications Commission</u>		
Administered through the Universal Service Administrative Company:		
The schools and libraries program of the universal service fund	32.xxx	3,932
Total Federal Communications Commission		3,932
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>		
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:		
Title I grants to local educational agencies	84.010	377,815
Twenty-first century community learning centers	84.287	12,570
Rural education	84.358	8,575
Improving teacher quality state grants	84.367	49,098
Subtotal		448,058
Special education cluster:		
Special education - grants to states	84.027	142,366
Special education - preschool grants	84.173	8,914
Total special education cluster		151,280
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education		599,338
Total U.S. Department of Education		599,338
<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>		
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education:		
Medical assistance program	93.778	9,703
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education		9,703
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services		9,703
Total for All Federal Awards		\$ 1,005,088

The notes to supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Expenditures	Total	Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures	General Administration	School Administration	Other
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 3,003,555	2,389,309	219,739	94,539	299,968
Other	1,380,379	341,906	129,028	14,088	895,357
Total	<u>\$ 4,383,934</u>	<u>2,731,215</u>	<u>348,767</u>	<u>108,627</u>	<u>1,195,325</u>
Total number of students *	<u>510</u>				
Cost per student	<u>\$ 8,596</u>	<u>5,355</u>	<u>684</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>2,344</u>

For purposes of this schedule, the following columnar descriptions are applicable:

Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures - includes the activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. Included here are the activities of teachers, teachers aides or classroom assistants of any type.

General Administration - includes expenditures for the following functions: Support Services - General Administration and Support Services - Business.

School Administration - includes expenditures for the following function: Support Services - School Administration.

Other - includes all expenditure functions not included in Instruction or Administration Categories.

* includes the number of students reported on the ADA report submission for month 9, which is the final submission for the fiscal year

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Supplementary Information
For The Year Ended June 30, 2017

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Note 1 – Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, includes the federal award activity of Durant Public School District under programs of the federal and state governments for the year ended June 30, 2017. The schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Durant Public School District and is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the District.

Note 2 – Basis of Accounting

The schedule is prepared on the same basis of accounting as Durant Public School District's financial statements. The District uses the current financial resource measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Note 3 – Program Costs

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Entire program costs, including the District's portion, are more than shown. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowed or are limited as to its reimbursements.

Note 4 – Noncash Awards – Commodities

The amount of commodities reported on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the value of commodities received by the district and reported under the National School Lunch Program CFDA # 10.555. The value of the commodities received during the fiscal year was \$28,582.

Note 5 – Indirect Cost Rate

The District has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

OTHER INFORMATION

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Other Information
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
General Fund
Last Four Years
UNAUDITED

	2017	2016*	2015*	2014*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 471,764	\$ 464,162	\$ 487,695	\$ 447,381
State sources	2,707,808	2,969,027	2,637,055	2,773,093
Federal sources	13,635	24,115	27,490	48,056
Sixteenth section sources	5,075	4,964	4,983	-
Total Revenues	3,198,282	3,462,268	3,157,223	3,268,530
Expenditures:				
Instruction	1,985,965	1,826,985	1,901,835	1,798,852
Support services	1,091,333	1,325,893	1,329,024	1,283,564
Noninstructional services	162	671	965	-
Debt service:				
Principal	90,000	85,000	83,000	81,000
Interest	6,850	9,150	11,146	12,991
Total Expenditures	3,174,310	3,247,699	3,325,970	3,176,407
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	23,972	214,569	(168,747)	92,123
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Operating transfers in	-	47,306	23	28,000
Operating transfers out	(5,000)	(9,999)	-	(11,000)
Other financing uses	-	(35,000)	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(5,000)	2,307	23	17,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	18,972	216,876	(168,724)	109,123
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	811,302	594,426	504,306	395,183
Prior period adjustments	(1,846)	-	(150)	-
Fund reclassification	-	-	258,994	-
Beginning of period, as restated	809,456	594,426	763,150	395,183
End of Period	\$ 828,428	\$ 811,302	\$ 594,426	\$ 504,306

*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**Other Information****Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances****All Governmental Funds****Last Four Years****UNAUDITED**

	2017	2016*	2015*	2014*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 593,047	\$ 591,031	\$ 617,517	\$ 578,131
State sources	2,744,182	3,019,886	2,686,141	2,801,920
Federal sources	1,005,087	1,264,016	1,224,612	1,098,469
Sixteenth section sources	5,075	4,964	4,983	5,153
Total Revenues	4,347,391	4,879,897	4,533,253	4,483,673
Expenditures:				
Instruction	2,296,006	2,352,286	2,522,118	2,261,227
Support services	1,470,025	1,679,282	1,536,952	1,483,724
Noninstructional services	422,215	505,554	441,285	416,061
Debt service:				
Principal	165,000	155,000	148,000	146,000
Interest	30,688	35,889	40,519	44,817
Total Expenditures	4,383,934	4,728,011	4,688,874	4,351,829
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(36,543)	151,886	(155,621)	131,844
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Operating transfers in	5,000	74,857	15,146	52,054
Operating transfers out	(5,000)	(74,857)	(15,146)	(52,054)
Other financing uses	-	(35,000)	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	(35,000)	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	(36,543)	116,886	(155,621)	131,844
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	1,047,426	929,767	1,085,283	950,879
Prior period adjustments	(1,846)	-	(150)	-
Beginning of period, as restated	1,045,580	929,767	1,085,133	950,879
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	(2,627)	773	255	2,560
End of Period	\$ 1,006,410	\$ 1,047,426	\$ 929,767	\$ 1,085,283

*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

Superintendent and School Board
Durant Public School District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Durant Public School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Durant Public School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2018.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Durant Public School District'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 Durant Public School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Durant Public School District's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Durant Public School District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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*.

Purpose of this Report

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

Watkins, Ward and Stafford, PLLC

Louisville, Mississippi

January 31, 2018

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Superintendent and School Board
Durant Public School District

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Durant Public School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on Durant Public School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2017. Durant Public School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Durant Public School District's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Durant Public School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Durant Public School District's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Durant Public School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Durant Public School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Durant Public School District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Durant Public School District's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness. However, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item **Finding 2017-001**, that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Durant Public School District's Response to Finding

Durant Public School District's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Auditee's Corrective Action Plan. Durant Public School District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose Of This Report

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

Watkins, Ward and Stafford, PLLC

Louisville, Mississippi
January 31, 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

To the Superintendent and School Board
Durant Public School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Durant Public School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, which collectively comprise Durant Public School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2018. 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.

Section 37-9-18(3)(a), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the auditor shall test to insure that the school district is complying with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), relating to classroom supply funds." As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with all state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance. The district reported no classroom supply funds carried over from previous years.

Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the auditor shall test to insure correct and appropriate coding at the function level. The audit must include a report showing the correct and appropriate functional level expenditure codes in expenditures by the school district."

The results of our procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance related to incorrect or inappropriate functional level expenditure coding.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with all state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of procedures performed to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations and our audit of the financial statements disclosed the following immaterial instance of noncompliance with other state laws and regulations. Our finding and recommendation and your response are as follows:

1. Lists of Educable Children Should Be Submitted to the County Superintendent By December 31

Finding

Miss. Code Section 29-3-121 provides, "It shall be the duty of the superintendent of each school district to make or cause to be made annual lists of the children enrolled in the schools of such district and who reside in such district, which lists shall be based upon the end of the first month enrollment required to be reported to the State Department of Education for the then current school year. The lists shall be made separately as to the townships in which such children reside. Such lists shall be filed with the superintendent of the custodial school district on or before December 31 of each year, and the lists shall be used in making the division of the available funds of each township during the ensuing calendar year."

During test of sixteenth section revenue, we noted that educable child lists were not sent to the Holmes County School District until after the December 31 deadline.

Noncompliance with Section 29-3-121, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), could result in the District not receiving their pro rata share of sixteenth section revenue from other school districts.

Recommendation

We recommend that the District implement policies and procedures to ensure lists of educable children are prepared and sent to the county school superintendent by December 31 of each year, in accordance with Section 29-3-121, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

School District Response

The district will retrain personnel to assure that district policies and procedures already in place will be implemented to assure compliance with Section 29-3-121, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The Office of the State Auditor or a public accounting firm will review, on the subsequent year's audit engagement, the finding in this report to insure that corrective action has been taken.

The Durant Public School District's response to the finding included in this report was not audited and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the school board and management, entities with accreditation overview, and federal awarding agencies, the Office of the State Auditor and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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January 31, 2018

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

**DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30,2017**

Section I: Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements:

1. Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

2. Internal control over financial reporting:
 - a. Material weakness(es) identified? (Yes/No) No
 - b. Significant deficiency(ies) identified? (Yes/None reported) None Reported

3. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? (Yes/No) No

Federal Awards:

4. Internal control over major programs:
 - a. Material weakness(es) identified? (Yes/No) No
 - b. Significant deficiency(ies) identified? (Yes/None reported) Yes

5. Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

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

7. Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Numbers</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
10.553/10.555/10.559	Child Nutrition Cluster

8. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

9. Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? (yes/no) Yes

Section II: Financial Statement Findings

The results of our tests did not disclose any findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*

Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Significant Deficiency Not Considered To Be A Material Weakness

Finding 2017-001 Internal Controls Surrounding Daily Food Sales Should Be Strengthened

Program: Child Nutrition Cluster, Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education- CFDA 10.553, 10.555 and 10.559

Compliance requirement: Program Income

Criteria: Management is responsible for complying with the requirements of the Mississippi Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs Policy and Procedures Manual, which recommends that two separate individuals be involved in cashiering, cash collection, daily reconciliations and deposits. Management is responsible for ensuring that all receipts are correctly recorded and deposited in order to safeguard the assets of the district.

Condition: During our test work performed on daily food sales for the month of January 2017, it was noted that daily cash collections of cafeteria income were not deposited intact on a daily basis on a regular basis. The district cafeteria served meals on 20 days in the month of January. Deposits of funds collected for the applicable day were not deposited within 1 business day on 8 occasions.

Effect: Inadequate internal controls surrounding collection of receipts in child nutrition could result in misappropriation of assets and improper revenue recognition.

Cause: Due to a lack of training of individuals at the applicable school.

Recommendation

We recommend that the district follow the Mississippi Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs Policy and Procedures Manual by requiring more than one individual be involved in cash collection, daily reconciliation and deposit functions of daily food sales.

Views of Responsible Officials of the Auditee

We will implement internal controls to ensure the district follows the Mississippi Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs Policy and Procedures Manual by requiring more than one individual be involved in cash collection, daily reconciliation and deposit functions of daily food sales.

AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Durant Public School District

Developing — Performing — Succeeding

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Finance & Compliance Audit Division

As required by Section 2 CFR 200.516(a) of the Uniform Circular, Durant Public School District has prepared and hereby submits the following corrective action plan for the findings included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

Finding		Corrective Action Plan Details
2017-001	a.	Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action
		Clara Ware, Food Service Supervisor 662-653-3176
	b.	Corrective Action Planned
		The district will follow the Mississippi Department of Education Child Nutrition Program Policy and Procedures Manual by requiring that more than one individual be involved in cash collection, daily reconciliation and deposit functions. Additionally, retraining of appropriate personnel will be initiated on a regular basis to assure compliance is maintained.
	c.	Anticipated Completion Date:
		Immediately

Respectfully Yours,


Glenn Carlisle, Superintendent

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