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Audited Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

> Fortenberry & Ballard, PC Certified Public Accountants

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FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Superintendent and School Board Okolona Municipal Separate 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 Okolona Municipal Separate School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Okolona Municipal Separate School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with 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.

Auditor's 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 auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 Okolona Municipal Separate 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.

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 8 to 20 and 60 to 65, 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 or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Okolona Municipal Separate 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 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 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 May 24, 2018, on our consideration of the Okolona Municipal Separate 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Okolona Municipal Separate School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Okolona Municipal Separate School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

FORTENBERRY & BALLARD, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC May 24, 2018

Certified Public Accountants

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

The following discussion and analysis of Okolona Municipal Separate 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 \$596,124, which represents a 12% decrease from fiscal year 2016. Total net position for 2016 decreased \$750,596, including a prior period adjustment of (\$128,422), which represents an 18% decrease from fiscal year 2015.
- General revenues amounted to \$5,472,979 and \$5,412,091, or 74% 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 \$1,904,610, or 26% of total revenues for 2017, and \$2,013,751, or 27% of total revenues for 2016.
- The District had \$7,973,713 and \$8,048,016 in expenses for fiscal years 2017 and 2016; only \$1,904,610 for 2017 and only \$2,013,751 for 2016 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$5,472,979 for 2017 and \$5,412,091 for 2016 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among the major funds, the General Fund had \$5,162,031 in revenues and \$4,462,123 in expenditures for 2017, and \$5,109,682 in revenues and \$4,577,817 in expenditures for 2016. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$191,783 from 2016 to 2017, and increased by \$60,514 from 2015 to 2016.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, increased by \$79,878 for 2017 and increased by \$82,292 for 2016. The increase for 2017 was primarily due to additions to construction in progress and furniture and equipment.
- Long-term debt, including premiums, increased by \$199,123 for 2017 and decreased by \$695,494 for 2016. The increase for 2017 was due primarily to the issuance of a three mill note and shortfall note during the year totaling \$529,929. The liability for compensated absences increased by \$2,022 for 2017 and increased by \$6,162 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.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the District's nonfiduciary 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-

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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.

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.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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.

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 \$5,616,091 as of June 30, 2017.

The District's financial position is a product of several financial transactions including the net result of activities, the acquisition and 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.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Table 1 Condensed Statement of Net Position

		June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	Percentage Change
Current assets	\$	2,173,091	1,947,306	12%
Restricted assets		443,015	527,183	(16)%
Capital assets, net		2,866,870	2,786,992	3%
Total assets		5,482,976	5,261,481	4%
Deferred outflows of resources	_	2,722,069	1,708,901	59%
Current liabilities		88,814	113,977	(22)%
Long-term debt outstanding		3,073,125	2,871,980	7%
Net pension liability		10,025,864	8,475,638	18%
Total liabilities	_	13,187,803	11,461,595	15%
Deferred inflows of resources		633,333	528,754	20%
Net position:				
Net investment in capital assets		97,567	390,838	(75)%
Restricted		885,110	1,178,837	(25)%
Unrestricted		(6,598,768)	(6,589,642)	0%
Total net position (deficit)	\$	(5,616,091)	(5,019,967)	(12)%

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)	\$ (6,598,768)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net	
pension liability, including the deferred outflows and deferred inflows	
related to pensions	7,937,128
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension liability effect	\$ 1,338,360

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

- Increase in net capital assets in the amount of \$79,878.
- The principal retirement of \$330,485 of long-term debt.
- The issuance of a three mill note and shortfall note totaling \$529,929.

Changes in net position

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016 were \$7,377,589 and \$7,425,842, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$7,973,713 for 2017 and \$8,048,016 for 2016.

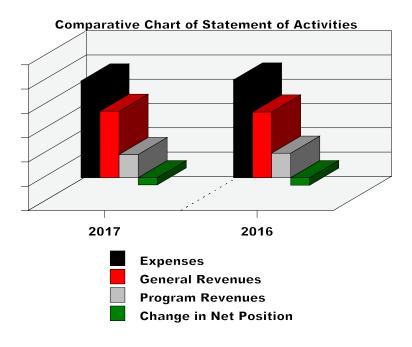
Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Table 2 Changes in Net Position

	_	Year Ended June 30, 2017	Year Ended June 30, 2016	Percentage Change
Revenues:				
Program revenues:				
Charges for services	\$	123,115	93,097	32%
Operating grants and contributions		1,781,495	1,920,654	(7)%
General Revenues:				
Property taxes		1,576,760	1,476,793	7%
Grants and contributions not restricted		3,874,269	3,902,423	(1)%
Unrestricted investment earnings		5,498	7,612	(28)%
Other	_	16,452	25,263	(35)%
Total revenues	_	7,377,589	7,425,842	(1)%
Expenses:				
Instruction		3,325,364	3,375,518	(1)%
Support services		2,950,202	3,450,460	(14)%
Non-instructional		409,830	416,236	(2)%
Pension expense		1,185,908	709,906	67%
Interest on long-term liabilities	_	102,409	95,896	7%
Total expenses	_	7,973,713	8,048,016	(1)%
Increase (Decrease) in net position	_	(596,124)	(622,174)	4%
Net Position (Deficit), July 1, as previously reported		(5,019,967)	(4,269,371)	(18)%
Prior period adjustment	_	0	(128,422)	100%
Net position (Deficit), July 1, as restated	_	(5,019,967)	(4,397,793)	(14)%
Net Position (Deficit), June 30	\$	(5,616,091)	(5,019,967)	(12)%

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017



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.

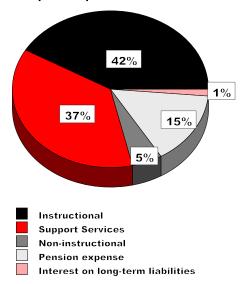
Table 3
Net Cost of Governmental Activities

	_	Total Expenses		
	_	2017	2016	Percentage Change
Instruction	\$	3,325,364	3,375,518	(1)%
Support services		2,950,202	3,450,460	(14)%
Non-instructional		409,830	416,236	(2)%
Pension expense		1,185,908	709,906	67%
Interest on long-term liabilities	_	102,409	95,896	7%
Total expenses	\$ _	7,973,713	8,048,016	(1)%

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	2017	2016	Percentage Change
Instruction \$	(2,432,444)	(2,395,272)	2%
Support services	(2,406,584)	(2,905,446)	(17)%
Non-instructional	58,242	72,255	(19)%
Pension expense	(1,185,908)	(709,906)	67%
Interest on long-term liabilities	(102,409)	(95,896)	7%
Total net (expense) revenue \$	(6,069,103)	(6,034,265)	1%

Chart of Expenses per Statement of Activities



- Net cost of governmental activities (\$6,069,103 for 2017 and \$6,034,265 for 2016) was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property taxes (\$1,576,760 for 2017 and \$1,476,793 for 2016) and state and federal revenues (\$3,874,269 for 2017 and \$3,902,423 for 2016).
- Investment earnings amounted to \$5,498 for 2017 and \$7,612 for 2016.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUND

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 \$2,557,517, an increase of \$170,538, which includes an increase in inventory of \$764. \$1,077,857 or 42% 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 or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The remaining fund balance of \$1,479,660 or 58% is either nonspendable, restricted or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted 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 \$191,783. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease in the amount of \$24,361, which includes an increase in inventory of \$764. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

Major Fund		Increase (Decrease)
Title I A Basic Fund		no increase or decrease
EHA Part B Fund	\$	3,116

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of 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 each major special revenue fund is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets. As of June 30, 2017, the District's total capital assets were \$6,276,764, including land, construction in progress, school buildings, building improvements, mobile equipment, buses, other school vehicles and furniture and equipment. This amount represents an increase of \$157,900 from 2016. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2017, was \$3,409,894 and total depreciation expense for the year was \$78,022, resulting in total net capital assets of \$2,866,870.

Table 4
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation

	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	Percentage Change
Land	\$ 77,760	77,760	0%
Construction in progress	389,120	248,735	56%
Buildings	2,206,428	2,262,554	(2)%
Building improvements	87,726	91,997	(5)%
Mobile equipment	62,795	54,595	15%
Furniture and equipment	43,041	43,151	0%
Leased property under capital lease	0	8,200	(100)%
Total	\$ 2,866,870	2,786,992	3%

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 \$3,073,125 in outstanding long-term debt, including premium, of which \$414,890 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences increased \$2,022 from the prior year.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Table 5
Outstanding Long-Term Debt

		June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	Percentage Change
	-			
General obligation bonds payable	\$	1,850,000	1,910,000	(3)%
Premiums		5,147	5,468	(6)%
Limited obligation refunding bonds payable		150,000	295,000	(49)%
Three mill notes payable		480,000	0	N/A
Shortfall notes payable		49,929	0	N/A
Obligations under capital leases payable		33,567	49,052	(32)%
Qualified zone academy bonds payable		250,000	250,000	0%
Other loans payable		220,000	330,000	(33)%
Compensated absences payable		34,482	32,460	6%
Total	\$	3,073,125	2,871,980	7%
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Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 included in this report.

CURRENT ISSUES

In February 2010, the Governor of the State of Mississippi declared Okolona Municipal Separate School District to be in state of emergency due to academic and financial impairments, and the State Board of Education appointed a conservator to control the operations of the district. On January 7, 2013, the State Board of Education turned the school district back over to the school board. Considerable steps have been made by the district to improve the academic and financial impairments that resulted in the state of emergency.

Since that time, the district has made continued academic and financial improvements. It has improved its academic rating and classification in the last three academic years. Also in June 2014, the district was declared "financially solvent" by the state board of education, resulting in the beginning of the repayment of the \$550,000 Mississippi Department of Education loan. The district has assigned \$220,000 of the general fund's fund balance for repayment of this loan.

Enrollment for the 2016 - 2017 year decreased by 6% to 636 students.

GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, is to be implemented in fiscal year 6/30/2018. At this point, we do not have enough information to judge the impact this will have on this school district.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Okolona Municipal Separate School District, P.O. Box 510, Okolona, MS 38860.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

	Governmental Activities
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Investments Due from other governments	\$ 1,669,828 21,000 474,488
Inventories Restricted assets Capital assets, non-depreciable: Land	7,775 443,015
Construction in progress Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	77,760 389,120
Buildings Building improvements Mobile equipment	2,206,428 87,726 62,795
Furniture and equipment Total Assets	43,041 5,482,976
Deferred Outflows of Resources Deferred outflows - pensions	2,722,069
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources Liabilities	2,722,069
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Unearned revenue Other payables Interest payable on long-term liabilities	49,230 5,517 3,842 30,225
Long-term liabilities (due within one year): Capital related liabilities Capital related bond premiums	414,569 321
Long-term liabilities (due beyond one year): Capital related liabilities	2,618,927
Capital related liabilities Capital related bond premiums Non-capital related liabilities Net pension liability	4,826 34,482
Total Liabilities	10,025,864 13,187,803
Deferred Inflows of Resources Deferred inflows - pensions Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	633,333 633,333
Net Position: Net Investment in Capital Assets	97,567
Restricted For: Expendable	
School-based activities Debt service Unemployment benefits	287,947 531,028 40,301
Nonexpendable Sixteenth section	25,834
Unrestricted Total Net Position (Deficit)	\$\frac{(6,598,768)}{(5,616,091)}

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		Program	Revenues	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:				
Instruction	3,325,364	106,931	785,989	(2,432,444)
Support services	2,950,202		543,618	(2,406,584)
Noninstructional services	409,830	16,184	451,888	58,242
Pension expense	1,185,908			(1,185,908)
Interest on long-term liabilities	102,409			(102,409)
Total Governmental Activities	\$7,973,713	\$ 123,115	\$ 1,781,495	(6,069,103)
	General Revenues: Taxes: General purpose le			1,309,566 267,194
	Debt purpose levies Unrestricted grants and contributions:			207,194
	State			3,834,782
	Federal			39,487
	Unrestricted investment earnings			5,498
	Other	o oago		16,452
	Total General Reven	ues		5,472,979
	Change in Net Po	sition		(596,124)
	Net Position (Deficit)	- Beginning		(5,019,967)
	Net Position (Deficit)	- Ending		\$ (5,616,091)

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

	General Fund	Title I A Basic Fund
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Cash with fiscal agents Investments Due from other governments Due from other funds Inventories Total Assets	\$ 1,091,211 9,000 145,302 198,420 \$ 1,443,933	\$ 75,440 \$ 75,440
Liabilities and Fund Balances:		
Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Due to other funds Unearned revenue Other payables Total Liabilities	\$ 33,120 37,355 70,475	\$ 8,820 66,620 75,440
Fund Balances: Nonspendable: Permanent fund principal Inventory Restricted: Unemployment benefits Capital projects	 	
Debt service Grant activities Food Service Assigned		
MDE loan repayment Special education Activity funds Unassigned Total Fund Balances Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	220,000 148 75,453 1,077,857 1,373,458 \$1,443,933	\$\$

EHA	Other	Total
Part B	Governmental	Governmental
Fund	Funds	Funds
\$	\$ 848,554	\$ 1,939,765
	12,725	12,725
	172,353	181,353
89,049	155,586	465,377
166	47,020	245,606
	7,775	7,775
\$ 89,215	\$ 1,244,013	\$ 2,852,601
\$ 4,389	\$ 2,901	\$ 49,230
84,826	47,694	236,495
	5,517	5,517
	3,842	3,842
89,215	59,954	295,084
 	25,834 7,775 40,301 268,724 561,253	25,834 7,775 40,301 268,724 561,253
 \$ 89,215	114,968 165,204 1,184,059 \$ 1,244,013	114,968 165,204 220,000 148 75,453

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2017

Total fund balances for governmental funds

\$ 2,557,517

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Payables for capital leases which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. Payables for bond interest which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. Payables for notes which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. Payables for compensated absences which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. Other long-term liabilities which are not due and payable in the current period are not reported in the funds. Recognition of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability is not reported in the funds. Deferred Inflows of Resources related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds. Deferred Outflows of Resources related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	(414,890) (2,034,000) (17,232) (30,225) (457,695) (34,482) (110,000) 10,025,864) (633,333) 2,722,069
Deferred Outflows of Resources related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds. Bond premiums are amortized in the SNP but not in the funds.	2,722,069 (4,826)

Net position of governmental activities \$___(5,616,091)

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

P	General Fund	Title I A Basic Fund
Revenues:	A 404000	Φ.
Local sources	\$ 1,434,822	\$
State sources	3,686,377	
Federal sources	40,832	531,974
Total Revenues	5,162,031	531,974
Expenditures:		
Instruction	2,537,165	360,209
Support services	1,797,022	240,688
Noninstructional services	1,797,022	8,596
		6,390
Facilities acquisition and construction		
Debt service:	105 105	
Principal	125,485	
Interest	2,451	
Other		
Total Expenditures	4,462,123	609,493
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	699,908	(77,519)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):		
Notes issued	49,929	
Transfers in	18,359	77,519
Payment held by QZAB escrow agent		
Transfers out	(576,413)	
Payment to QZAB bond escrow agent	(370,413)	
Other financing uses		
	(500 105)	77,519
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(508,125)	
Net Change in Fund Balances	191,783	
Fund Balances:		
July 1, 2016,	1,181,675	
Increase (decrease) in inventory		
June 30, 2017	\$ 1,373,458	\$
04110 00, 2017	1,070,100	Ψ

	EHA Part B	Other Governmental	Total Governmental
_	Fund	Funds	Funds
\$		\$ 289,425	\$ 1,724,247
		440,995	4,127,372
	202,367	750,797	1,525,970
_	202,367	1,481,217	7,377,589
	48,850	690,746	3,636,970
	148,006	924,728	3,110,444
	1,284	409,963	419,843
		140,385	140,385
		205,000	330,485
		94,418	96,869
		2,103	2,103
	198,140	2,467,343	7,737,099
_	4,227	(986,126)	(359,510)
		400.000	F00 000
		480,000	529,929
		663,421 84,686	759,299 84,686
	 (1,111)	(181,775)	(759,299)
	(1,111)	(84,686)	(84,686)
		(645)	(645)
_	(1,111)	961,001	529,284
-	(1,111)		
	3,116	(25,125)	169,774
	(3,116)	1,208,420	2,386,979
		764	764
\$_		\$1,184,059	\$2,557,517

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

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds

\$ 169,774

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities ("SOA") are different because:

Capital outlays are not reported as expenses in the SOA.	157,900
The depreciation of capital assets used in governmental activities is not reported in the funds.	(78,022)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	205,000
Repayment of capital leases principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	15,485
Repayment of loan principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	110,000
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest from beginning of period to end of period.	(3,758)
Change in inventory affects fund balance in the funds but affects expense in the SOA.	764
Compensated absences are reported as the amount earned in the SOA but as the amount paid in the funds.	(2,022)
Proceeds of notes do not provide revenue in the SOA, but are reported as current resources in the funds.	(529,929)
Bond premiums are reported in the funds, capitalized and amortized in the SOA.	321
Pension contributions made after the measurement date but in current FY were de-expended & reduced NPL.	544,271
Pension expense relating to GASB 68 is recorded in the SOA but not in the funds.	(1,185,908)

Change in net position of governmental activities

(596,124)

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

		Agency Funds
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	211,794
Due from other funds		408
Total Assets	\$	212,202
Liabilities Accounts payable and account liabilities	¢	106.056
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	196,856
Due to student clubs		5,811
Due to other funds		9,519
Other payables		16
Total Liabilities	\$	212,202

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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 Okolona 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, Okolona Municipal Separate 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. For the most part, 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,

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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.

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 A Basic Fund - This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the revenues and expenditures of Title I federal revenues administered by the U.S. Department of Education.

EHA Part B Fund - This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the revenues and related expenditures of the federal special education grant.

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:

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Student Club Funds - These funds are used to account for the transaction of student clubs.

Payroll Clearing Fund - This fund is used as a clearing account for payroll and payroll related transactions.

Accounts Payable Clearing Fund - This fund is used to report the accounts payable resources held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Additionally, the school district reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - 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.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> - Capital Project Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

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

<u>Permanent Funds</u> - 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.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

<u>Agency Funds</u> - 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

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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 county 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 are 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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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

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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.

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 Zone Academy Bonds 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

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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 Improvemen	ts	25,000	20 years
Improvements other th	nan buildings	25,000	20 years
Mobile equipment		5,000	5-10 years
Furniture and equipme	ent	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.

7. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement 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 a deferred outflow which is presented as a deferred outflow for pension.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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 and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then. The school district has a deferred inflow which is presented as a deferred inflow for pension.

See Note 12 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

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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.

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 Business Manager pursuant to authorization established by the policy adopted by the school district.

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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 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 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 policy of the District to maintain a minimum fund balance in the General Fund that is not less than 7% of total revenues [or expenditures].

Note 2 - Cash and Cash Equivalents, Cash with Fiscal Agents, 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 districts' 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

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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 \$1,939,765 and \$211,794, 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 \$2,149,313 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Cash with Fiscal Agents

The carrying amount of school district's cash with fiscal agents held by financial institutions was \$12,725.

Investments

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

Investment Type	Rating	Maturities (in years)	_	Fair Value
U. S. Treasury Note	AA	1 to 5	\$	135,116
Certificates of Deposit	N/A	More than 5 years		46,237
Total			\$	181,353

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The School Board 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:

• Level 1 type of investments of \$181,353 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 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. Disclosures 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.

Note 3 - Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

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

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

A. Due From/To Other Funds

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	 Amount
General Fund	Title I A Basic Fund	\$ 66,620
	EHA Part B Fund	84,826
	Fiduciary Funds	7,081
	Other Governmental Fund	39,893
Fiduciary Funds	Fiduciary Funds	408
EHA Part B Fund	General Fund	165
	Fiduciary Funds	1
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	37,190
	Fiduciary Funds	2,029
	Other Governmental Funds	7,801
Total		\$ 246,014

The purpose of the more significant inter-fund loans was to eliminate deficit cash balances in certain federal programs as part of the normal year end closing adjustments.

B. Inter-fund Transfers

Transfers In	Transfers Out	 Amount
General Fund	EHA Part B Fund	\$ 1,111
	Other Governmental Funds	17,248
Title I A Basic Fund	Other Governmental Funds	77,519
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	576,413
	Other Governmental Funds	87,008
Total		\$ 759,299

Transfers represent indirect costs from special revenue funds to the General Fund and operational transfers from the General Fund to other governmental funds. Also represented are operational transfers between other governmental funds.

Note 4 - Restricted Assets

The restricted assets represent the cash and investment balances, totaling \$597 and \$25,237, respectively, 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.

In addition, the restricted assets represent the cash with fiscal agents and investment balances, totaling \$2,626 and \$135,116, respectively, of the QZAB Debt Retirement Fund.

In addition, the restricted assets represent the cash with fiscal agents balance, totaling \$10,099, respectively, of the MAEP Retirement Fund.

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In addition, the restricted assets represent the unspent spent bond proceeds balance, totaling \$269,340, respectively, of the GO Bond 2015 Construction Fund.

Note 5 - Capital Assets

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

		Balance 7-1-2016	Additions	Adjustments	Balance 6-30-2017
Non-depreciable capital assets:	-				
Land	\$	77,760			77,760
Construction in progress		248,735	140,385		389,120
Total non-depreciable capital assets	-	326,495	140,385	0	466,880
Depreciable capital assets:					
Buildings		4,562,108			4,562,108
Building improvements		106,784			106,784
Mobile equipment		545,949		82,000	627,949
Furniture and equipment		495,528	17,515	,,,,,,	513,043
Leased property under capital leases	_	82,000		(82,000)	0
Total depreciable capital assets	_	5,792,369	17,515	0	5,809,884
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings		2,299,554	56,126		2,355,680
Building improvements		14,787	4,271		19,058
Mobile equipment		491,354	,	73,800	565,154
Furniture and equipment		452,377	17,625	,	470,002
Leased property under capital leases	_	73,800		(73,800)	0
Total accumulated depreciation		3,331,872	78,022	0	3,409,894
	_				
Total depreciable capital assets, net	_	2,460,497	(60,507)	0	2,399,990
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	2,786,992	79,878	0	2,866,870

Adjustments were made to properly present capital assets at year end.

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	 Amount
Instruction	\$ 54,616
Support services	15,604
Non-instructional	7,802
Total depreciation expense	\$ 78,022

The details of construction-in-progress are as follows:

	Spent to	Remaining
	June 30, 2017	Commitment
Football Field House	\$ 389,120	154,392

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Construction projects included in governmental activities are funded with proceeds from general obligation bonds.

Note 6 - Long-term liabilities

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

			Balance			Balance	Amounts due within one
		_	7-1-2016	Additions	Reductions	6-30-2017	year
A.	General obligation bonds payable	\$	1,910,000		60,000	1,850,000	66,000
	Premiums		5,468		321	5,147	321
В.	Limited obligation refunding bonds payable		295,000		145,000	150,000	150,000
C.	Three mill notes payable			480,000		480,000	56,000
D.	Shortfall notes payable			49,929		49,929	16,234
E.	Obligations under capital leases payable		49,052		15,485	33,567	16,335
F.	Qualified zone academy bonds payable		250,000			250,000	
G.	Other loans payable		330,000		110,000	220,000	110,000
H.	Compensated absences payable	_	32,460	2,022		34,482	
	Total	\$	2,871,980	531,951	330,806	3,073,125	414,890

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 is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	 Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
1. GO Bonds, Series 2014	3.95%	12-01-14	06-01-25	\$ 400,000	350,000
2. GO Bonds, Series 2015	3.0-4.0%	06-25-15	09-01-32	1,600,000	1,500,000
Total				\$ 2,000,000	1,850,000

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

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

1. GO Bonds, Series 2014

Year Ending				
June 30		Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$	31,000	13,825	44,825
2019		26,000	12,600	38,600
2020		54,000	11,574	65,574
2021		40,000	9,441	49,441
2022		45,000	7,861	52,861
2023 - 2025		154,000	12,166	166,166
	_			
Total	\$ _	350,000	67,467	417,467

This debt will be retired from the GO Bond Series 2014 Debt Service Fund.

2. GO Bonds, Series 2015

Year Ending June 30		Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$	35,000	54,300	89,300
2019		35,000	53,250	88,250
2020		70,000	51,325	121,325
2021		65,000	48,625	113,625
2022		65,000	46,025	111,025
2023 - 2027		400,000	190,919	590,919
2028 - 2032		710,000	90,432	800,432
2033	-	120,000	4,800	124,800
Total	\$	1,500,000	539,676	2,039,676

This debt will be retired from the GO Bond Series 2015 Debt Service Fund.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Total general obligation bond payments for all issues:

Year Ending				
June 30		Principal	Interest	Total
	<u></u>			
2018	\$	66,000	68,125	134,125
2019		61,000	65,850	126,850
2020		124,000	62,899	186,899
2021		105,000	58,066	163,066
2022		110,000	53,886	163,886
2023 - 2027		554,000	203,085	757,085
2028 - 2032		710,000	90,432	800,432
2033		120,000	4,800	124,800
Total	\$	1,850,000	607,143	2,457,143
10141	Ψ	1,050,000	557,143	2,437,143

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 7% of property assessments as of October 1, 2016.

B. Limited obligation refunding 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:

	Interest	Issue	Maturity	Amount	Amount
Description	Rate	Date	Date	Issued	Outstanding
State Aid Capital Improvement					
Refunding Bonds - Series 2008	3.5-4.0%	08-28-08	03-01-18 \$	1,310,000	150,000

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

Year Ending				
June 30		Principal	Interest	Total
		_		
2018	\$ _	150,000	6,000	156,000

This debt will be retired from the MAEP Limited Obligation Bond Fund.

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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. Three mill notes payable

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

	Interest	Issue	Maturity		Amount	Amount
Description	Rate	Date	Date	_	Issued	Outstanding
Promissory Note, Series 2016	2.3-2.625%	07-01-16	07-01-26	\$	480,000	480,000

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

Year Ending				
June 30		Principal	Interest	Total
2010	¢	56,000	11 000	<i>(</i> 7,000
2019	\$	56,000	11,808	67,808
2020		48,000	10,506	58,506
2021		49,000	9,378	58,378
2022		51,000	8,215	59,215
2023 - 2027		276,000	21,543	297,543
Total	\$	480,000	61,450	541,450

This debt will be retired from the 2016 Three Mill Note Fund.

D. Shortfall notes payable

	Interest	Issue	Maturity	Amoun	t Amount
Description	Rate	Date	Date	Issued	l Outstanding
Shortfall promissory note	2.50%	09-23-16	09-23-19	\$ 49,929	49,929

The amount outstanding is included in due from other governments on the Statement of Net Position.

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

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Year Ending			
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 16,234	1,248	17,482
2019	16,640	842	17,482
2020	17,055	426	17,481
Total	\$ 49,929	2,516	52,445

This debt will be retired from the District Maintenance Fund.

E. Obligations under capital leases

The school district has entered into a lease agreement as lessee for financing the acquisition of school buses at a cost of \$127,950, refinancing at \$117,354. This lease qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes.

	Interest	Issue	Maturity	Amount	Amount
Description	Rate	Date	Date	 Issued	Outstanding
Series 2011A - Buses	5.42%	08-16-11	04-10-19	\$ 117,354	33,567

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

2. Series 2011A - Buses

Year Ending				
June 30		Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$	16,335	1,601	17,936
2019	Ψ	17,232	704	17,936
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Total	\$	33,567	2,305	35,872

This debt will be retired from the District Maintenance Fund.

F. Qualified zone academy bonds payable

As more fully explained in Note 10, debt has been issued by the school district that qualifies as Qualified Zone Academy Bonds. Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

	Interest	Issue	Maturity		Amount	Amount
Description	Rate	Date	Date	_	Issued	Outstanding
QZAB, Series 2008	0.00%	05-15-08	07-15-18	\$	250,000	250,000

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G. Other loans payable

The school district has issued debt instruments granted under the authority of Mississippi Code Section 37-17-6(14).

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Emergency note	0.00%	06-25-10	06-01-19	\$ 550,000	220,000

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

Year Ending		
June 30		Principal
2018	\$	110,000
2019		110,000
	•	
Total	\$	220,000

This debt will be retired from the MDE Loan Repayment Fund. A fund balance of \$330,000 has been assigned to repay the debt.

H. 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.

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.

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> 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 \$544,271, \$565,531, and \$539,510, 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 \$10,025,864 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 0.056128 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2016. This was an increase of 0.001298 percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2016 net pension liability, which was

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based on a measurement date of June 30, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$1,185,908. 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	\$	394,862	\$			
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		1,288,168				
Changes of assumptions				26,641		
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions		494,768		606,692		
District contributions subsequent to the						
measurement date		544,271				
Total	\$	2,722,069	\$	633,333		

\$544,271 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 3	60:	
2018	\$	481,634
2019		489,256
2020		375,513
2021		198,062
Total	\$	1,544,465

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.

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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:

	<u>Target</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate
Asset Class	Allocation	of Return
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%	<u>_</u>

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:

	_	1% Decrease (6.75%)	Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	12,855,403	10,025,864	7,678,260

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

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Note 8 - 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 up 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.

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.

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Note 10 - Qualified Zone Academy Bonds

Section 226 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-34) provides for a source of capital at no or at nominal interest rates for costs incurred by certain public schools in connection with the establishment of special academic programs from kindergarten through secondary school, in partnership with the business community. The school district, in agreement with Trustmark Bank, has entered into such an arrangement dated May 15, 2008, respectively.

This agreement establishes a method of repayment for a qualified interest-free debt instrument. The agreement requires the school district to deposit funds annually into a sinking fund account on or before December 1 of each year starting in 2006 and ending in 2018. The amount on deposit at June 30, 2017 was \$137,742. The amount accumulated in the sinking fund at the end of the ten-year period will be sufficient to retire the debt. The following schedule reports the annual deposits to be made to the sinking fund by the school district.

Year Ending June 30	 Amount
2018	\$ 88,000
2019	 25,100
Total	\$ 113,100

Note 11 - Other Commitments

Commitments under construction contracts are described in Note 5.

Note 12 - Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$6,598,768) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from a deferred outflow from pensions. A portion of the deferred outflow of resources related to pension in the amount of \$544,271 resulting from the school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. The \$2,177,798 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 (\$6,598,768) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$633,333 balance of deferred inflow of resources, at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as a revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 3 years.

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Note 13 - 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 Okolona Municipal Separate School District evaluated the activity of the district through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined no subsequent events have occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to the financial statement.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Exhibit 1

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		Budgeted	Amounts	Actual	Original	Final
	_	Original	Final	(GAAP Basis)	to Final	to Actual
Revenues:						
Local sources	\$	1,265,830	1,381,799	1,434,822	115,969	53,023
State sources		3,718,524	3,686,377	3,686,377	(32,147)	0
Federal sources	_	18,300	39,296	40,832	20,996	1,536
Total Revenues	_	5,002,654	5,107,472	5,162,031	104,818	54,559
Expenditures:						
Instruction		2,652,637	2,589,699	2,537,165	62,938	52,534
Support services		2,136,693	1,937,857	1,797,022	198,836	140,835
Debt service:						
Principal		14,678	15,484	125,485	(806)	(110,001)
Interest		3,258	2,452	2,451	806	1
Total Expenditures	_	4,807,266	4,545,492	4,462,123	261,774	83,369
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
Over (Under) Expenditures	_	195,388	561,980	699,908	366,592	137,928
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Notes issued		0	49,929	49,929	49,929	0
Transfers in		716,804	709,920	18,359	(6,884)	(691,561)
Transfers out		(1,271,746)	(1,145,163)	(576,413)	126,583	568,750
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	(554,942)	(385,314)	(508,125)	169,628	(122,811)
Net Change in Fund Balances	_	(359,554)	176,666	191,783	536,220	15,117
Fund Balances:						
July 1, 2016, as previously reported		1,018,484	1,115,875	1,181,675	97,391	65,800
Prior period adjustments		0	65,801	0	65,801	(65,801)
July 1, 2016, as restated	_	1,018,484	1,181,676	1,181,675	163,192	(1)
June 30, 2017	\$	658,930	1,358,342	1,373,458	699,412	15,116

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

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Title I A Basic Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Exhibit 2

Variances

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					Positive (N	legative)
		Budgeted	Amounts	Actual	Original	Final
		Original	Final	(GAAP Basis)	to Final	to Actual
Revenues:						
Federal sources	\$	850,009	910,332	531,974	60,323	(378,358)
Total Revenues	_	850,009	910,332	531,974	60,323	(378,358)
Expenditures:						
Instruction		223,894	442,566	360,209	(218,672)	82,357
Support services		226,467	309,389	240,688	(82,922)	68,701
Noninstructional services		11,419	19,340	8,596	(7,921)	10,744
Total Expenditures	_	461,780	771,295	609,493	(309,515)	161,802
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
Over (Under) Expenditures	_	388,229	139,037	(77,519)	(249,192)	(216,556)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfers in		0	60,323	77,519	60,323	17,196
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	0	60,323	77,519	60,323	17,196
Net Change in Fund Balances	_	388,229	199,360	0	(188,869)	(199,360)
Fund Balances:						
July 1, 2016		(46,728)	0	0	46,728	0
June 30, 2017	\$	341,501	199,360	0	(142,141)	(199,360)

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

Budgetary Comparison Schedule EHA Part B Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Exhibit 3

Variances

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					Positive (N	legative)
		Budgeted A	Amounts	Actual	Original	Final
	_	Original	Final	(GAAP Basis)	to Final	to Actual
Revenues:	_					
Federal sources	\$	271,876	271,876	202,367	0	(69,509)
Total Revenues	_	271,876	271,876	202,367	0	(69,509)
Expenditures:						
Instruction		52,440	51,429	48,850	1,011	2,579
Support services		150,374	167,108	148,006	(16,734)	19,102
Noninstructional services		1,561	1,561	1,284	0	277
Total Expenditures	_	204,375	220,098	198,140	(15,723)	21,958
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
Over (Under) Expenditures	_	67,501	51,778	4,227	(15,723)	(47,551)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Transfers out		(1,291)	(1,291)	(1,111)	0	180
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	(1,291)	(1,291)	(1,111)	0	180
Net Change in Fund Balances	_	66,210	50,487	3,116	(15,723)	(47,371)
Fund Balances:						
July 1, 2016	_	(34,165)	0	(3,116)	34,165	(3,116)
June 30, 2017	\$	32,045	50,487	0	18,442	(50,487)

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

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) \$	10,025,864	8,475,638	6,349,720
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	0.056128%	0.054830%	0.052312%
District's covered payroll	3,590,673	3,425,460	3,196,527
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	279.22%	247.43%	198.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.47%	61.70%	67.21%

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

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FY 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.

^{*} 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.

Schedule of District Contributions PERS Last 10 Fiscal Years*

		2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$	544,271	565,531	539,510
Contributions in relation to the contractually				
required contribution		544,271	565,531	539,510
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ _	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
District's covered payroll		3,455,689	3,590,673	3,425,460
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

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

This 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.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Budgetary Comparison Schedules

(1) Basis of Presentation

The Budgetary Comparison Schedules present 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.

(2) 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.

Pension Schedules

(1) Changes in benefit provisions

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.

(2) Changes of assumptions

<u>2015</u>:

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.

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

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. S. Department of Agriculture Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education: Child Nutrition Cluster: School Breakfast Program	10.553 \$	131,138
National School Lunch Program	10.555	329,658
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	5,270
Total Child Nutrition Cluster	10.55)	466,066
Total passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education		466,066
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		466,066
U. S. Department of Education Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education: Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers Rural Education Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant Subtotal Special Education Cluster: Special Education - Grants to States Special Education - Preschool Grants Total Special Education Cluster	84.010 84.048 84.287 84.358 84.367 84.027 84.173	765,487 12,871 20,030 17,762 77,519 893,669 200,596 624 201,220
Total passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education		1,094,889
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education: Medical Assistance Program Total passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	93.778	21,633 21,633 21,633
Total for All Federal Awards	\$	1,582,588

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

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 ben	nefits \$	4,793,544	3,579,385	429,387	411,536	373,236
Other	+	2,943,555	749,224	218,862	5,954	1,969,515
Total	\$	7,737,099	4,328,609	648,249	417,490	2,342,751
Total number of studer	nts *	636				
Cost per student	\$	12,165	6,806	1,019	656	3,684

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 functions: 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

Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

(1) Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the School District.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are presented on the same basis of accounting and the same significant accounting policies, as applicable, as those used for the financial statements; however, the expenditures include transfers out. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

(3) Indirect Cost Rate

The school district did not elect to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

(4) Other Items

The pass-through entities did not assign identifying numbers to the school district.

Donated commodities of \$29,745 are included in the National School Lunch Program.

OTHER INFORMATION

OKOLONA MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances General Fund

Last Four Years

"UNAUDITED"

		2017	2016*	2015*	2014*
Revenues:	_				
Local sources	\$	1,434,822	1,355,664	1,313,764	1,227,854
State sources		3,686,377	3,691,690	3,499,904	3,536,459
Federal sources		40,832	62,328	62,551	50,665
Total Revenues	_	5,162,031	5,109,682	4,876,219	4,814,978
Expenditures:					
Instruction		2,537,165	2,575,573	2,439,506	2,340,338
Support services		1,797,022	1,874,308	1,789,036	1,753,591
Noninstructional services		-	-	-	1,541
Facilities acquisition and construction		=	-	-	57,443
Debt service:					
Principal		125,485	124,678	123,914	13,189
Interest		2,451	3,258	4,022	4,747
Total Expenditures	_	4,462,123	4,577,817	4,356,478	4,170,849
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
over (under) Expenditures	_	699,908	531,865	519,741	644,129
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Notes issued		49,929	-	-	-
Operating transfers in		18,359	20,700	16,984	14,267
Operating transfers out		(576,413)	(492,051)	(526,255)	(470,514)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	(508,125)	(471,351)	(509,271)	(456,247)
Net Change in Fund Balances	_	191,783	60,514	10,470	187,882
Fund Balances:					
July 1, as previously reported		1,181,675	1,121,161	1,110,691	951,566
Prior period adjustments		-	-	-	(28,757)
July 1, as restated	_	1,181,675	1,121,161	1,110,691	922,809
June 30,	\$	1,373,458	1,181,675	1,121,161	1,110,691
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^{*}SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

OKOLONA MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances All Governmental Funds

Last Four Years

2017 2016* 2015* 2014* **Revenues:** Local sources \$ 1,724,247 1,602,765 1,545,102 1,379,260 4,107,001 3,932,633 3,944,199 State sources 4,127,372 1,774,122 Federal sources 1,525,970 1,716,076 1,650,306 7,377,589 7,425,842 7,128,041 7,097,581 **Total Revenues Expenditures:** Instruction 3,636,970 3,698,067 3,532,800 3,383,031 Support services 3,110,444 2,746,015 2,593,160 3,608,331 Noninstructional services 419,843 425,451 413,225 514,016 Facilities acquisition and construction 140,385 97,283 228,405 57,443 Debt service: 330,485 324,504 200,419 Principal 695,173 Interest 96,869 84,247 30,612 38,467 Other 2,103 2,116 2,550 3,200 **Total Expenditures** 7,737,099 8,741,790 7,146,989 6,789,736 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures (359,510)(1,315,948)(18,948)307,845 Other Financing Sources (Uses): Bonds and notes issued 529,929 2,000,000 Premiums on bonds and refunding bonds 6,110 Payment held by QZAB escrow agent 84,686 9,484 33,926 44,949 Payment to QZAB debt escrow agent (9,484)(33,926)(44,949)(84,686)759,299 Operating transfers in 682,642 675,395 721,246 Operating transfers out (759,299)(682,642)(675,395)(721,246)Other financing uses (645)2,006,110 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) 529,284 Net Change in Fund Balances 169,774 (1,315,948)1,987,162 307,845 Fund Balances: 1,487,225 July 1, as previously reported 2,386,979 3,754,970 1,766,546 Prior period adjustment (51,469)(28,757)1,766,546 July 1, as restated 2,386,979 3,703,501 1,458,468 Increase (decrease) in inventory 764 (574)1,262 233

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June 30,

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^{*}SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Superintendent and School Board Okolona Municipal Separate 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 Okolona Municipal Separate School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Okolona Municipal Separate School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the 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 school district's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings for Questioned Costs as Finding 2017-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Okolona Municipal Separate 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*.

Okolona Municipal Separate School District's Response to Finding

The Okolona Municipal Separate School District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Auditee's Corrective Action Plan. Okolona Municipal Separate School District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

FORTENBERRY & BALLARD, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC May 24, 2018

Certified Public Accountants



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Superintendent and School Board Okolona Municipal Separate School District

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Okolona Municipal Separate 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 Okolona Municipal Separate School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2017. The Okolona Municipal Separate School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of the auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for Okolona Municipal Separate 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 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 its major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination on the school district's compliance.

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Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Okolona Municipal Separate 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.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as Finding 2017-002. Our opinion on its major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Okolona Municipal Separate School District's response to the noncompliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying auditee's corrective action plan. Okolona Municipal Separate 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.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Okolona Municipal Separate School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the type of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Okolona Municipal Separate 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 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 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 the 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We

identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the schedule of findings and questioned costs as item Finding 2017-002, that we consider to be a material weakness.

Okolona Municipal Separate 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. Okolona Municipal Separate 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.

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.

FORTENBERRY & BALLARO, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC May 24, 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Superintendent and School Board Okolona Municipal Separate School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Okolona Municipal Separate School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, which collectively comprise Okolona Municipal Separate School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 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 ensure 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.

Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the auditor shall test to ensure 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 instances of noncompliance with other state laws and regulations:

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Finding 1

Criteria:

Under the re-employment provisions of Section 25-11-127, Miss. Code of 1972, as amended, PERS Form 4B must be filed in the PERS office within five (5) days from the date of reemployment.

Condition:

During fieldwork, the school district was unable to provide any PERS Form 4B for testing.

Cause:

The school district failed to comply with Section 25-11-127, Miss. Code of 1972.

Effect:

It could result in employees being paid in excess of the amount allowed.

Recommendation:

PERS Form 4B must be properly completed by the PERS service retiree and the appointing authority of the PERS covered agency employing such service retiree with the PERS office within five (5) days from the date of re-employment and within (5) days from the termination of such re-employment and employees must not be paid in excess of the maximum amount allowed. The school district should maintain adequate safeguards of documentation.

Response:

The school district will implement a procedure to ensure PERS Form 4B is properly completed and filed with the PERS office within five (5) days of re-employment of a PERS service retiree and safeguards will be put in place to assure that no one is paid in excess of the amount allowed.

Finding 2

Criteria:

Section 31-7-305, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states: "payments should be delivered to the vendor no later than 45 days of receipt of an undisputed invoice and receipt, inspection and approval of the goods and services."

Condition:

Ten of sixty-five invoices examined were paid over 45 days after receipt.

Cause:

Procedures need to be implemented and followed to ensure compliance with State laws.

Effect:

The district was not in compliance with the Section 31-7-305, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

Recommendation:

We recommend that the school district comply with Section 31-7-305, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and ensure that payments are made timely.

Response:

The District will implement a procedure that will ensure claims will be paid within 45 days of receiving invoices after inspection of the goods or services.

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

The Okolona Municipal Separate School District's responses to the findings included in this report were not audited and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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.

FORTENBERRY & BALLARO, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC May 24, 2018

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Okolona Municipal Separate School District

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Section I: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:

- 1. Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified.
- 2. Internal control over financial reporting:
 - a. Material weakness(es) identified? Yes.
 - b. Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None reported.
- 3. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No.

Federal Awards:

- 4. Internal control over major programs:
 - a. Material weakness(es) identified? Yes.
 - b. Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None reported.
- 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.
- 7. Identification of major programs:

CFDA Numbers:	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

- 8. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000.
- 9. Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? No.

Section II: Financial Statements Findings

The results of our tests disclosed the following findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported by *Government Auditing Standards*:

Material Weakness

Finding 2017-001

Criteria:

The school district should implement controls for safeguarding of personnel files.

Condition:

The school district was not able to provide personnel records for four employees for payroll documentation.

Cause:

The school district did not maintain adequate safeguards.

Effect:

This could result in payroll transactions not being accurate.

Recommendation:

The school district should maintain adequate safeguards to ensure personnel records are secure.

Section III: Federal Awards Findings and Questioned Costs

The results of our tests disclosed the following finding and questioned cost related to the federal awards.

Material Weakness

Finding 2017-002

U.S. Department of Education

Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education

Program Name: Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

Program CFDA: 84.010

Compliance Requirement: Equipment and Real Property

Criteria:

Management is responsible for establishing and implementing a control system to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of property.

Condition:

During the course of our audit, twelve out of twenty-three pieces of equipment purchased with Title I funds were not located during the monitoring visit.

Context:

Of the 23 equipment items tested, we were unable to locate 12.

Cause:

The district lacked adequate internal controls to comply with the requirement set forth in Section 80.32(d)(3) of EDGAR which requires grantees and sub-grantees to develop a control system to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of property.

Effect:

The lack of internal controls on purchasing could result in misappropriation of assets and subsequent concealment as well as unnecessary costs for the school district.

Identification of a repeat finding:

No.

Whether Sampling was Statically Valid:

No.

Recommendation:

The District should implement policies and procedures to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of property.

AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN AND SUMMARY OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS



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AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

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 Okolona School District has prepared and hereby submits the following corrective action plan for the findings included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Cost for the year ended June 30, 2017:

<u>Finding</u>	Corrective Action Plan Details			
2017-001	a.	Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action		
		Name: Beverly Smith Phone Number: 662.447.2353		
	b.	Corrective Action Planned: The district will implement controls and maintain adequate safeguards to ensure personnel records are secure.		
	c.	Anticipated Completion Date: May 8, 2018		
2017-002	a.	Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action		
		Name: Phil Anderson		

b. Corrective Action Planned: The district will take the necessary steps to follow the policies and procedures, that are in place, to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss,

damage, or theft of property.

Phone Number: 662.447.2353

c. Anticipated Completion Date: May 8, 2018







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SUMMARY OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

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 Okolona Municipal Separate School District has prepared and hereby submits the following summary schedule of prior year audit findings for the year ended June 30, 2017:

<u>Findings</u>	<u>Status</u>
2016-001	Corrected
2016-002	Corrected