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Audited Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Superintendent and School Board Neshoba County 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 Neshoba County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Neshoba County School District's basic financial statements as listed in the contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Neshoba County 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, the Schedule of District Contributions (PERS), the Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability, and the Schedule of District Contributions (OPEB) on pages 5-13, 51-54, 55, 56, 57 and 58, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

## Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Neshoba County 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 February 1, 2019, on our consideration of the Neshoba County 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 Neshoba County 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 Neshoba County School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Philadelphia, Mississippi February 1, 2019 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following discussion and analysis of Neshoba County School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2018. 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 financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total net position for 2018 decreased \$4,492,976, including a prior period adjustment of (\$2,699,307), which represents a 36.4% decrease from fiscal year 2017. Total net position for 2017 decreased \$1,809,223, including a prior period adjustment of (\$14,523), which represents a 17.2% decrease from fiscal year 2016.
- General revenues amounted to \$22,670,765 and \$22,277,096, or 79% and 81% of all revenues for fiscal years 2018 and 2017, respectively. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$5,887,011, or 21% of total revenues for 2018, and \$5,241,522, or 19% of total revenues for 2017.
- The District had \$30,351,445 and \$29,313,318 in expenses for fiscal years 2018 and 2017; only \$5,887,011 for 2018 and \$5,241,522 for 2017 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$22,670,765 for 2018 and \$22,277,096 for 2017 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$21,857,184 in revenues and \$19,738,232 in expenditures for 2018, and \$21,490,079 in revenues and \$19,974,874 in expenditures for 2017. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$1,467,352 from 2017 to 2018, and increased by \$639.920 from 2016 to 2017.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, decreased by \$116,809 for 2018 and increased by \$15,518,127 for 2017. The decrease for 2018 was due primarily to the increase in accumulated depreciation.
- Long-term debt, including compensated absences payable, decreased by \$869,451 for 2018 and increased by \$8,429,441 for 2017. This decrease for 2018 was due primarily to principal payments on outstanding long-term debt. The liability for compensated absences increased by \$25,934 for 2018 and decreased by \$37,420 for 2017.

## **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 financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information, supplementary information, and other information.

#### **Government-wide Financial Statements**

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

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, sixteenth section, pension expense, OPEB expense, and interest on long-term liabilities.

## **Fund Financial Statements**

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

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

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

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

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

## **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 and net OPEB liability result in liabilities on the government-wide financial statements but is not reported on governmental funds financial statements.

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

## Notes to 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 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, Schedule of District Contributions (PERS), Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability, and Schedule of District Contributions (OPEB) 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 \$16,844,040 as of June 30, 2018.

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, 2018 and June 30, 2017.

Table 1
Condensed Statement of Net Position

	 June 30, 2018	-	June 30, 2017	Percentage Change	_
Current assets	\$ 9,274,376	\$	7,809,651	18.76	%
Restricted assets	2,171,455		4,695,535	-53.75	%
Capital assets, net	36,021,626		36,138,435	-0.32	%
Total assets	47,467,457		48,643,621	-2.42	%
Deferred outflows of resources	 3,964,899		8,805,847	-54.97	%
Current liabilities	610,932		1,672,460	-63.47	%
Long-term debt outstanding	25,773,057		26,642,508	-3.26	%
Net OPEB liability	2,656,079		-	N/A	
Net pension liability	37,744,747		41,375,617	-8.78	%
Total liabilities	66,784,815		69,690,585	-4.17	%
Deferred inflows of resources	1,491,581		109,947	1256.64	%
Net position:					
Net investment in capital assets	10,464,303		9,685,727	8.04	%
Restricted	3,459,548		4,911,954	-29.57	%
Unrestricted	(30,767,891)		(26,948,745)	-14.17	%
Total net position	\$ (16,844,040)	\$	(12,351,064)	-36.38	%

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)  Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability, including the deferred outflows and	\$ (30,767,891)
deferred inflows	37,927,508
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability effect	\$ 7,159,617

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

- Decrease in net capital assets in the amount of \$116,809.
- The principal retirement of \$905,000 of long-term debt.
- Implementation of GASB 75 which resulted in the recognition of a net OPEB liability in the amount of \$2,656,079.

## Changes in net position

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017 were \$28,557,776 and \$27,518,618, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$30,351,445 for 2018 and \$29,313,318 for 2017.

Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

Revenues: Program revenues: Charges for services Operating grants and contributions General revenues: Property taxes Grants and contributions not restricted Investment earnings Sixteenth section sources Other Total revenues Expenses:		Year Ended June 30, 2018	 Year Ended June 30, 2017	Percentage Change	
Revenues:					
Program revenues:					
Charges for services	\$	644,910	\$ 673,152	(4.20)	%
Operating grants and contributions		5,242,101	4,568,370	14.75	%
General revenues:					
Property taxes		4,505,914	4,378,085	2.92	%
Grants and contributions not restricted		17,564,795	17,492,806	0.41	%
Investment earnings		31,937	31,876	0.19	%
Sixteenth section sources		346,263	255,434	35.56	%
Other		221,856	118,895	86.60	%
Total revenues		28,557,776	27,518,618	3.78	%
Expenses:		_	 		
Instruction		14,536,483	13,916,196	4.46	%
Support services		8,293,148	7,357,124	12.72	%
Non-instructional		1,566,537	1,653,065	(5.23)	%
Sixteenth section		75,780	91,986	(17.62)	%
Pension expense		4,778,456	5,479,694	(12.80)	%
OPEB expense		125,886	-	N/A	
Interest on long-term liabilities		975,155	815,253	19.61	%
Total expenses		30,351,445	29,313,318	3.54	%
Increase (Decrease) in net position		(1,793,669)	 (1,794,700)	0.06	%
Net Position, July 1, as previously reported		(12,351,064)	(10,541,841)	(17.16)	%
Prior Period Adjustment		(2,699,307)	(14,523)	(18,486.43)	%
Net Position, July 1, as restated		(15,050,371)	(10,556,364)	(42.57)	%
Net Position, June 30	\$	(16,844,040)	\$ (12,351,064)	(36.38)	%

## **Governmental activities**

The following table presents the cost of seven major District functional activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional, sixteenth section, pension expense, OPEB 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					
		2018		2017	Change	
Instruction	\$	14,536,483	\$	13,916,196	4.46 %	
Support services		8,293,148		7,357,124	12.72 %	
Non-instructional		1,566,537		1,653,065	(5.23) %	
Sixteenth section		75,780		91,986	(17.62) %	
Pension expense		4,778,456		5,479,694	(12.80) %	
OPEB expense		125,886		-	N/A	
Interest on long-term liabilities		975,155		815,253	19.61 %	
Total expenses	\$	30,351,445	\$	29,313,318	3.54 %	
		Net (Expe	nse)	Revenue	Percentage	
		Net (Exper 2018	nse)	Revenue 2017	Percentage Change	
Instruction	\$		nse) 		_	
Instruction Support services	\$	2018	_	2017	Change	
	\$	<b>2018</b> (11,753,485)	_	<b>2017</b> (11,424,828)	<b>Change</b> 2.88 %	
Support services	\$	<b>2018</b> (11,753,485) (7,215,096)	_	<b>2017</b> (11,424,828) (6,636,346)	2.88 % 8.72 %	
Support services Non-instructional	\$	2018 (11,753,485) (7,215,096) 272,678	_	2017 (11,424,828) (6,636,346) 204,315	2.88 % 8.72 % 33.46 %	
Support services Non-instructional Sixteenth section	\$	2018 (11,753,485) (7,215,096) 272,678 (42,864)	_	2017 (11,424,828) (6,636,346) 204,315 (73,326)	Change  2.88 % 8.72 % 33.46 % (41.54) %	
Support services Non-instructional Sixteenth section Pension expense	\$	2018 (11,753,485) (7,215,096) 272,678 (42,864) (4,778,456)	_	2017 (11,424,828) (6,636,346) 204,315 (73,326)	2.88 % 8.72 % 33.46 % (41.54) % (12.80) %	

- Net cost of governmental activities [(\$24,464,434) for 2018 and (\$24,071,796) for 2017] was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property taxes (\$4,505,914 for 2018 and \$4,378,085 for 2017) and state and federal revenues (\$17,564,795 for 2018 and \$17,492,806 for 2017). In addition, there was \$346,263 and \$255,434 in Sixteenth Section sources for 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- Investment earnings amounted to \$31,937 for 2018 and \$31,876 for 2017.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

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

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

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$11,055,834, a decrease of \$1,726, which includes an increase in inventory of \$5,240. \$6,792,614 or 61% of the fund balance is unassigned, which represents the residual classification for the General Fund's fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The remaining fund balance of \$4,263,220 or 39% is either nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted, committed or assigned.

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The increase in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$1,467,352. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease in the amount of \$1,736,476. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

<u>Major Fund</u>	Increase (Decrease)
School Food Service Fund	\$ 76,573
Title I-A Basic Fund	no increase or decrease
EHA, Part B Grant Fund	no increase or decrease
Qualified School Construction Fund	\$ 190,825

## **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

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

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

#### CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

**Capital Assets.** As of June 30, 2018, the District's total capital assets were \$50,781,783, including land, school buildings, improvements other than buildings, buses, other school vehicles, and furniture and equipment. This amount represents an increase of \$1,265,623 from 2017. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2018, was \$14,760,157, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$1,399,747, resulting in total net capital assets of \$36,021,626.

Table 4
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation

<u>.</u>	,	June 30, 2018	 June 30, 2017	Change	e 
Land	\$	783,993	\$ 783,993	0.00	%
Construction in Progress		5,007	20,833,022	(99.98)	%
Buildings		32,445,559	11,472,852	182.80	%
Improvements other than buildings		957,747	1,046,189	(8.45)	%
Mobile equipment		1,336,598	1,552,928	(13.93)	%
Furniture and equipment		492,722	449,451	9.63	%
Total	\$	36,021,626	\$ 36,138,435	(0.32)	%

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

**Debt Administration.** At June 30, 2018, the District had \$25,773,057 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$270,385 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences increased \$25,934 from the prior year.

Table 5
Outstanding Long-Term Debt

		Percentage Change			
General obligation bonds payable	\$	13,440,000	\$ 13,720,000	(2.04)	%
Limited obligation bonds payable		-	625,000	(100.00)	%
Certificates of participation payable Discount		9,300,000 (182,677)	9,300,000 (192,292)	0.00 (5.00)	% %
Qualified school construction bonds payable		3,000,000	3,000,000	0.00	%
Compensated absences payable		215,734	189,800	13.66	%
Total	\$	25,773,057	\$ 26,642,508	(3.26)	%

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

## **CURRENT ISSUES**

The Neshoba County School District is financially stable. The District is proud of its community support of the public schools. The District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. The District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges and to embrace the opportunities of the future.

## CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Neshoba County School District, 580 East Main Street, Philadelphia, MS 39350.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Net Position	Exhibit A
June 30, 2018	Governmental
	Activities
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,611,741
Due from other governments	630,728
Other receivables, net	6,244
Inventories	25,663
Restricted assets	2,171,455
Capital assets, non-depreciable:	
Land	783,993
Construction in progress	5,007
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	00.445.550
Buildings	32,445,559
Improvements other than buildings	957,747
Mobile equipment	1,336,598
Furniture and equipment	492,722
Total Assets	47,467,457
Deferred Outflows of Resources	0.054.000
Deferred outflows - pensions	3,851,666
Deferred outflows - OPEB  Total deferred outflows of resources	113,233
rotal delerred outliows of resources	3,964,899
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	389,997
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	220,935
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	070.005
Capital related liabilities	270,385
Net OPEB liability	113,233
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
Capital related liabilities	25,286,938
Non-capital related liabilities	215,734
Net pension liability	37,744,747
Net OPEB liability	2,542,846
Total Liabilities	66,784,815
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred inflows - pensions	1,322,427
Deferred inflows - OPEB	169,154
Total deferred inflows of resources	1,491,581
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	10,464,303
Restricted for:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	1,150,681
Debt service	1,292,254
Capital improvements	618,465
Forestry improvements	240,411
Unemployment benefits	52,600
Non-expendable:	
Sixteenth section	105,137
Unrestricted	(30,767,891)
Total Net Position	\$ (16,844,040)
	(10,011,010)

Statement of Activities	40							Exhibit B
For the Year Ended June 30, 20	18							Net (Expense)
								Revenue and
				В	rogram Boyanu			Changes in Net Position
				Г	rogram Revenue Operating	35	Capital	 Net Position
			Charges for		Grants and		Grants and	Governmental
Functions/Programs		Expenses	Services		Contributions		Contributions	Activities
					-			
Governmental Activities:								
Instruction	\$	14,536,483	\$ 249,176	\$	2,533,822	\$	-	\$ (11,753,485)
Support services		8,293,148	8,585		1,069,467		-	(7,215,096)
Non-instructional		1,566,537	354,233		1,484,982		-	272,678
Sixteenth section		75,780	32,916		-		-	(42,864)
Pension expense		4,778,456	-		-		-	(4,778,456)
OPEB expense		125,886	-		-		-	(125,886)
Interest on long-term liabilities		975,155	-		153,830			 (821,325)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	30,351,445	\$ 644,910	\$	5,242,101	\$		\$ (24,464,434)
			General Reven	ues	:			
			Taxes:					
			General p	•				3,807,364
			Debt purpo					698,550
				gr	ants and contrib	outi	ons:	
			State					16,869,095
			Federal					695,700
					estment earnin	ıgs		31,937
			Sixteenth s	ecti	on sources			346,263
			Other					 221,856
			Total Ge	ene	ral Revenues			 22,670,765
			Change in Net	Pos	sition			(1,793,669)
			Net Position - I	Зес	jinning, as previ	ous	sly reported	(12,351,064)
			Prior Period A	_			·	 (2,699,307)
			Net Position - I	Зед	inning, as resta	ated	Í	 (15,050,371)
			Net Position - I	Ξnc	ling			\$ (16,844,040)

		Gover	nmental Funds	S			
Balance Sheet							Exhibit (
June 30, 2018							
<del>-</del>		School Food	Major Funds Title I-A	EHA, Part B	Qualified School	Other	Total
	General	Service	Basic	Grant	Construction	Governmental	Governmenta
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,108,001 \$	851,420 \$	- 9	- 9	-	\$ 1,378,929	9,338,350
Cash with fiscal agents	-	-	-	-	120	14,002	14,122
Investments	-	-	-	-	1,430,724	-	1,430,724
Due from other governments	231,493	-	223,653	97,960	-	77,622	630,728
Other receivables, net	6,244	-	-	-	-	-	6,244
Due from other funds	423,197	-	-	-	-	-	423,197
Inventories	-	25,663	-	-	-	-	25,663
Total assets	7,768,935	877,083	223,653	97,960	1,430,844	1,470,553	11,869,028
_iabilities and Fund Balances							
_iabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 371,398 \$	2,853 \$	3,125	496 \$	-	\$ 12,125	389,997
Due to other funds	-	81,708	220,528	97,464	_	23,497	423,197
Total Liabilities	371,398	84,561	223,653	97,960	-	35,622	813,194
Fund Balances:							
Nonspendable:							
Inventory	-	25,663	-	-	-	-	25,663
Permanent fund principal	-	-	-	-	-	105,137	105,137
Restricted:							
Debt service	-	-	-	-	1,430,844	82,345	1,513,189
Capital projects	-	-	-	-	-	618,465	618,465
Forestry improvement purposes	-	-	-	-	-	240,411	240,411
Grant activities	22,186	766,859	-	-	-	335,973	1,125,018
Unemployment benefits	-	-	-	-	-	52,600	52,600
Assigned:							
Vocational	125,903	-	-	-	-	-	125,903
Student activities	395,133	-	-	-	-	-	395,133
Building improvements	61,701	-	-	-	-	-	61,70
Unassigned	6,792,614	-	-	-	-	-	6,792,614
Total Fund Balances	7,397,537	792,522	-	-	1,430,844	1,434,931	11,055,834
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 7,768,935 \$	877,083 \$	223,653	97,960	1,430,844	\$ 1,470,553	11,869,028

Governmental Funds					
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of June 30, 2018	Net Position	Exhibit C-1			
Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$	11,055,834			
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:					
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds:					
Land Construction in progress Buildings Improvements other than buildings Mobile equipment Furniture and equipment Accumulated depreciation	\$ 783,993 5,007 40,974,429 2,737,430 4,437,892 1,843,032 (14,760,157)	36,021,626			
<ol><li>Some liabilities, including net pension obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:</li></ol>					
Net pension liability	(37,744,747)				
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:					
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	3,851,666 (1,322,427)	(35,215,508			
3. Some liabilities, including net OPEB obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:					
Net OPEB liability Current Portion  Net OPEB liability Noncurrent Portion	(113,233) (2,542,846)				
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:					
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	113,233 (169,154)	(2,712,000)			
4. Long-term liabilities and related accrued interest are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:					
General obligation bonds Certificates of participation payable Unamortized discount Qualified school construction bonds Compensated absences payable Accrued interest payable	(13,440,000) (9,300,000) 182,677 (3,000,000) (215,734) (220,935)	(25,993,992			
. 122.224 morost payable	(220,000)	(20,000,002)			
Net position of governmental activities	\$	(16,844,040)			

		Governm	ental Funds	5			
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures ar	d Changes in Fund	Balances					Exhibit I
For the Year Ended June 30, 2018			Major Fund	ls			
	General Fund	School Food Service Fund	Title I-A Basic Fund	EHA, Part B Grant Fund	Qualified School Construction Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:							
Local sources	\$ 4,183,193 \$	359,160 \$	-	\$ - \$	120 9	\$ 820,667 \$	5,363,140
State sources	16,627,052	16,384	-	-	-	1,128,463	17,771,899
Federal sources	695,700	1,499,980	1,560,157	689,449	153,830	435,880	5,034,996
Sixteenth section sources	351,239	_	_	-	-	36,502	387,741
Total Revenues	21,857,184	1,875,524	1,560,157	689,449	153,950	2,421,512	28,557,776
Expenditures:							
Instruction	12,423,628	_	1,068,538	346,577	-	1,522,341	15,361,084
Support services	7,272,518	103,031	414,877	342,818	-	427,638	8,560,882
Noninstructional services	1,000	1,619,452	49,538	54	-	400	1,670,444
Sixteenth section	41,086	· · · -	_	_	_	34,694	75,780
Facilities acquisition and construction	· <u>-</u>	_	_	_	_	1,022,113	1,022,113
Debt service:						, ,	
Principal	_	_	_	_	_	905,000	905,000
Interest	_	_	_	_	191,489	770,717	962,206
Other	_	_	_	_	1,950	5,283	7,233
Total Expenditures	19,738,232	1,722,483	1,532,953	689,449	193,439	4,688,186	28,564,742
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues							
over (under) Expenditures	2,118,952	153,041	27,204	-	(39,489)	(2,266,674)	(6,966
Other Financing Sources (Uses):							
Payment to escrow agent	-	_	_	-	-	(201,300)	(201,300
Payment held by escrow agent	-	_	_	-	-	201,300	201,300
Operating transfers in	109,795	-	-	-	230,314	761,395	1,101,504
Operating transfers out	(761,395)	(81,708)	(27,204)	-	-	(231, 197)	(1,101,504
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(651,600)	(81,708)	(27,204)	-	230,314	530,198	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,467,352	71,333	-	-	190,825	(1,736,476)	(6,966
und Balances:							
July 1, 2017	5,930,185	715,949	-	-	1,240,019	3,171,407	11,057,560
ncrease (Decrease) in reserve for inventory		5,240	-	-	-	-	5,240
lune 30, 2018	\$ 7,397,537 \$	792,522 \$		\$ - \$	1,430,844	1,434,931 \$	11,055,834

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues,		Exhibit D-1
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2018	s	
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	(6,966)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
<ol> <li>Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:</li> </ol>		
Capital outlay Depreciation expense	\$ 1,282,983 (1,399,747)	(116,764)
<ol> <li>In the statement of activities, only the gain/loss on the sale of assets is reported, while in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increases financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the assets sold.</li> </ol>	e	(85)
3. The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental fund report the effect of premiums, discounts and the difference between the carrying value of refunded debt and the acquisition cost of refunded debt when debt is first issued. These amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities:		
Payments of debt principal Accrued interest payable	905,000 3,899	908,899
4. Some items relating to pensions and reported in the statement of activites do not provide or require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues/expenditures in the governmental funds. These activities include:		
Pension expense	(4,778,456)	(2 1)
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date  5. Some items relating to OPEB and reported in the statement of activites do no provide or require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues/expenditures in the governmental funds. These activities include:		(2,535,791)
OPEB expense Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	(125,886) 113,233	(12,653)
6. Some items reported in the statement of activities do not provide or require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. These activities include:	е	
Change in compensated absences	(25,934)	
Change in inventory reserve  Amortization of deferred charges, premiums and discounts	5,240 (9,615)	(30,309)
Change in not position of governmental activities		(4.702.660)
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$</u>	(1,793,669)

Fiduciary Funds		
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position		Exhibit E
June 30, 2018		
	ite-Purpose ust Funds	 Agency Funds
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 50,029	\$ 1,346,084
Total Assets	50,029	\$ 1,346,084
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	\$ 1,191,957
Due to student clubs	-	154,127
Total Liabilities	-	\$ 1,346,084
Net Position		
Reserved for endowments	 50,029	
Total Net Position	\$ 50,029	

Fiduciary Funds		
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position		Exhibit F
For the Year Ended June 30, 2018		
		ate-Purpose ust Funds
Additions	-	
Interest on investments	\$	127
Total Additions		127
Deductions		
Scholarships awarded		1,000
Total Deductions		1,000
Change in Net Position		(873)
Net Position		
July 1, 2017		50,902
June 30, 2018	\$	50,029

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

## A. Financial Reporting Entity

As defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the school district is considered a "primary government." The school district is governed by a five member board to which each member is elected by the citizens of each defined county district.

For financial reporting purposes, Neshoba County 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.

## Blended component unit

The Neshoba County School District Finance Corporation ("the Corporation") as explained in the following paragraph is considered to be a blended component unit as determined by Section 2100 of the *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards* and is included in the district's reporting entity.

The Corporation is governed by a three member board which is appointed by the school district's governing board. Although it is legally separate from the school district, it is reported as if it is part of the primary government because its sole purpose is to provide financing for the renovation, improvement, construction, and equipping of certain school facilities. Therefore, all of the Corporation's assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues, expenditures and other financing sources and uses have been included in the government-wide financial statements of the school district (see Note 14).

## B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

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

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

1. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding balances of bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

- 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.
- 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.

School Food Service Fund – This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the federal and state revenue received and expenditures incurred related to the school food service operation for the regular school year.

Title I-A Basic Fund – This special revenue fund accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with the Title I grants to local education agencies programs.

EHA, Part B Grant Fund – A special revenue fund, this fund accounts for expenditures and related revenues associated with a Federal award that provides supplemental services for special needs students.

Qualified School Construction Fund – This is a debt service fund that accounts for the activity related to the Qualified School Construction Bond.

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 school district also reports fiduciary funds which focus on net position and changes in net position.

The District's fiduciary funds include the following:

Student Club Funds – These various funds account for the monies raised through student club activities.

Payroll Clearing Fund – This fund is used to report the payroll resources held by the District in a purely custodial capacity (assets and liabilities) and does not involve the measurement of results of operations.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Accounts Payable Clearing Fund – This fund is used to report the resources of paid claims held by the District in a purely custodial capacity (assets and liabilities) and does not involve the measurement of results of operations.

Scholarship Trust Funds – These funds are private purpose trust funds used to account for scholarship endowments.

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 Projects 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>Private-purpose Trust Funds</u> - Private-purpose trust funds are used to report all trust arrangements, other than those properly reported elsewhere, in which the principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations or other governments.

<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 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.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 is both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general revenues.

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

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.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Investments

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

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

Investments for the district are reported at fair market value.

## 2. Receivables and payables

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

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

#### 3. Due from Other Governments

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

## 4. Inventories and Prepaid Items

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

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

#### 5. Restricted Assets

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

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## 6. Capital Assets

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

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

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

The following schedule details the capitalization thresholds:

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

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

#### 7. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The school district has incurred a deferred outflow related to pensions in accordance with GASB 68 and a deferred outflow related to OPEB in accordance with GASB 75.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The school district has incurred a deferred inflow related to pensions in accordance with GASB 68 and a deferred inflow related to OPEB in accordance with GASB 75.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

See Note 18 for further details.

#### 8. Compensated Absences

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

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

## 9. Long-term Liabilities and Bond Discounts/Premiums

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

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

#### 10. Pensions

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

# 11. Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the State and School Employees' Life and Health Plan (OPEB Plan) and additions to/deductions from the OPEB Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the OPEB Plan. Fiduciary net position was zero as of the measurement date of June 30, 2017. For this purpose, the OPEB Plan recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

## 12. 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.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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. This formal action is the approval of the type and amount of the commitment through a formal order of the school board. 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 business manager pursuant to authorization established by formal school board policy.

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

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

# 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 district's deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 2 - Cash and Cash Equivalents, Cash with Fiscal Agents, and Investments (Continued)

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

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

The carrying amount of the school district's deposits with financial institutions reported in the governmental funds and fiduciary funds was \$9,338,350 and \$1,396,113, 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.

## Cash with Fiscal Agents

The carrying amount of school district's cash with fiscal agents held by financial institutions was \$14,122.

#### Investments

As of June 30, 2018, the district had the following investments.

Investment Type	Rating	Maturities (in years)	Fair Value
QSCB Construction Bonds Common Trust Funds 2012	Aaa	Varies - Averages 5 years	\$ 1,430,724
Total			\$ 1,430,724

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

## Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 2 - Cash and Cash Equivalents, Cash with Fiscal Agents, and Investments (Continued)

The district has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2018:

 QSCB Construction Bonds Common Trust Funds 2012 type of investments of \$1,430,724 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. Disclosure of investments by amount and issuer for any issuer that represents five percent or more of total investments is required. This requirement does not apply to investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government, investments in mutual funds and external investment pools, and other pooled investments. As of June 30, 2018, the district had the following investments:

	Fair	% of Total
Issuer	Value	Investments
QSCB Construction Bonds Common Trust Funds 2012	\$ 1,430,724	100%

Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 3 – Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

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

#### A. Due From/To Other Funds

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	School Food Service Fund	\$ 81,708
	Title I-A Basic Fund	220,528
	EHA, Part B Grant Fund	97,464
	Other governmental funds	 23,497
Total		\$ 423,197

The primary purpose of the inter-fund balances is to eliminate deficit cash balances in pooled bank accounts caused by negative federal program fund cash flows and to recognize the effects of interfund loans between funds.

#### B. Inter-fund Transfers

Transfers Out	Transfers In	Amount
General Fund	Other governmental funds	\$ 761,395
School Food Service Fund	General Fund	81,708
Title I-A Basic Fund	General Fund	27,204
Other governmental funds	General Fund	883
	Qualified School Construction Fund	 230,314
Total		\$ 1,101,504

The transfers constitute transfers of indirect costs from special revenue funds to the General Fund and operating transfers between governmental funds.

#### Note 4 - Restricted Assets

The restricted assets represent the cash balance, totaling \$105,137, \$447,285, and \$174,187, of the Sixteenth Section Principal Fund (Permanent Fund), the New HS/ADA Renovation Fund (Capital Projects Fund), and the COPS Construction Fund (Capital Projects Fund), which are 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 balance, totaling \$13,949 and \$53, of the MAEP Debt Service Fund and the Certificate of Participation Debt Service Fund. Also included in restricted assets are the cash with fiscal agents and investment balance, totaling \$120 and \$1,430,724, respectively, of the QSCB Bond Retirement Fund.

# Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 5 - Capital Assets

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

	Balance 7/1/2017	Increases	Decreases	Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2018
Governmental Activities:	77 1720 17	IIICIEases	Decreases	Aujustinents	0/30/2010
Non-depreciable capital assets:					
Land	\$ 783,993 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	783,993
Construction-in-progress	20,833,022	1,022,113		(21,850,128)	5,007
Total non-depreciable capital assets	21,617,015	1,022,113	-	(21,850,128)	789,000
Depreciable capital assets:					
Buildings	19,124,301	_	_	21,850,128	40,974,429
Improvements other than buildings	2,737,430	-	_	-	2,737,430
Mobile equipment	4,437,892	-	-	-	4,437,892
Furniture and equipment	1,599,522	260,870	17,360	-	1,843,032
Total depreciable capital assets	27,899,145	260,870	17,360	21,850,128	49,992,783
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings	7,651,449	877,421	-	-	8,528,870
Improvements other than buildings	1,691,241	88,442	-	-	1,779,683
Mobile equipment	2,884,964	216,330	-	-	3,101,294
Furniture and equipment	1,150,071	217,554	17,275	(40)	1,350,310
Total accumulated depreciation	13,377,725	1,399,747	17,275	(40)	14,760,157
Total depreciable capital assets, net	14,521,420	(1,138,877)	85	21,850,168	35,232,626
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 36,138,435 \$	(116,764) \$	85 \$	40 \$	36,021,626

An adjustment was made during the year to correct a prior period error in fixed assets.

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	Amount
Governmental activities:	
Instruction	\$ 883,417
Support services	497,237
Non-instructional	19,093
Total depreciation expense - Governmental activities	\$ 1,399,747

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

	Spent to	Remaining		
Jun	e 30, 2017	Commitment		
\$	5,007 \$	35,444		
\$	5,007 \$	35,444		
	\$	June 30, 2017 \$ 5,007 \$		

Construction projects included in governmental activities are funded with proceeds from the issuance of general obligation bonds and certificates of participation to be used for a new high school and other improvements.

# Notes to Financial Statements

# 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
		7/1/2017	Additions	Reductions	6/30/2018	within one year
Α.	General obligation bonds payable	\$ 13,720,000 \$	- \$	280,000 \$	13,440,000 \$	280,000
В.	Limited obligation bonds payable	625,000	-	625,000	-	-
C.	Certificates of participation payable	9,300,000	-	-	9,300,000	-
	Discount	(192,292)	-	(9,615)	(182,677)	(9,615)
D.	Qualified school construction bonds payable	3,000,000	-	-	3,000,000	-
E.	Compensated absences payable	189,800	25,934	-	215,734	
	Total	\$ 26,642,508 \$	25,934 \$	895,385 \$	25,773,057 \$	270,385

# A. General obligation bonds payable

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

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
General obligation					
bonds, Series 2015	2.375-3.25%	11/12/2015	11/1/2035	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 8,640,000
<ol> <li>General obligation</li> </ol>					
bonds, Series 2016	2.25-3.00%	5/11/2016	5/1/2036	5,000,000	4,800,000
Total				\$ 14,000,000	\$ 13,440,000

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

1. General obligation bond issue of November 12, 2015:

Year Ending			
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	\$ 180,000 \$	242,606 \$	422,606
2020	180,000	237,206	417,206
2021	180,000	231,806	411,806
2022	360,000	223,706	583,706
2023	360,000	212,906	572,906
2024 - 2028	1,935,000	916,228	2,851,228
2029 - 2033	3,000,000	615,816	3,615,816
2034 - 2036	2,445,000	118,303	2,563,303
Total	\$ 8,640,000 \$	2,798,577 \$	11,438,577
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This debt will be retired from the General Obligation Bond 2015 Fund (debt service fund).

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

2. General obligation bond issue of May 11, 2016:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	\$ 100,000 \$	130,150 \$	230,150
2020	100,000	127,150	227,150
2021	100,000	124,150	224,150
2022	215,000	121,150	336,150
2023	220,000	114,700	334,700
2024 – 2028	1,215,000	471,725	1,686,725
2029 - 2033	1,645,000	305,099	1,950,099
2034 – 2036	 1,205,000	66,826	1,271,826
Total	\$ 4,800,000 \$	1,460,950 \$	6,260,950

This debt will be retired from the General Obligation Bond 2016 Fund (debt service fund).

Total general obligation bond payments for all issues:

Year Ending			
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	\$ 280,000 \$	372,756 \$	652,756
2020	280,000	364,356	644,356
2021	280,000	355,956	635,956
2022	575,000	344,856	919,856
2023	580,000	327,606	907,606
2024 – 2028	3,150,000	1,387,953	4,537,953
2029 – 2033	4,645,000	920,915	5,565,915
2034 – 2036	 3,650,000	185,129	3,835,129
Total	\$ 13,440,000 \$	4,259,527 \$	17,699,527

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, 2018, the amount of outstanding bonded indebtedness was equal to 11.5% of property assessments as of October 1, 2016.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

# B. Limited obligation bonds payable

This debt was retired during the year.

# C. Certificates of participation payable

As more fully explained in Note 14, certificates of participation have been issued by the school district. Certificates of participation currently outstanding are as follows:

	Interest	Issue	Maturity	Amount		Amount
Description	Rate	Date	Date	Issued	(	Outstanding
Certificates of participation payable	3.00-5.00%	2/1/2017	2/1/2037	\$ 9,300,000	\$	9,300,000
Total				\$ 9,300,000	\$	9,300,000

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

Year Ending			
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	\$ - \$	380,062 \$	380,062
2020	360,000	380,063	740,063
2021	385,000	362,063	747,063
2022	400,000	342,812	742,812
2023	425,000	322,812	747,812
2024 - 2028	2,650,000	1,371,127	4,021,127
2029 - 2033	2,735,000	839,031	3,574,031
2034 - 2037	2,345,000	299,374	2,644,374
Total	\$ 9,300,000 \$	4,297,344 \$	13,597,344

This debt will be retired from the Cert of Part/Debt Service Fund (debt service fund).

# D. Qualified school construction bonds payable

As more fully explained in Note 15, debt has been issued by the school district that qualifies as Qualified School Construction bonds. Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

	Interest		Maturity	Amount		Amount
Description	Rate	Issue Date	Date	Issued	(	Outstanding
Qualified School						_
Construction Bond	6.03%	12/17/2010	12/17/2025	\$ 3,000,000	\$	3,000,000
Total				\$ 3,000,000	\$	3,000,000

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

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

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total	
2019	\$ - \$	180,900 \$	180,900	
2020	-	180,900	180,900	
2021	-	180,900	180,900	
2022	-	180,900	180,900	
2023	-	180,900	180,900	
2024 – 2026	 3,000,000	542,700	3,542,700	
Total	\$ 3,000,000 \$	1,447,200 \$	4,447,200	

This debt will be retired from the QSCB Debt Service Fund (debt service fund).

# E. 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 - Other Commitments

Commitments under construction contracts are described in Note 5.

Operating leases:

The school district has several operating leases for the following:

- 1. Seventy-six (76) printers and copiers
- 2. One (1) postage meters
- 3. One (1) drivers' education vehicle

Lease expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2018, amounted to \$63,245.

Future lease payments for these leases are as follows:

Year Ending	
June 30	Amount
2019	\$ 87,070
2020	87,070
2021	86,783
2022	64,872
Total	\$ 325,795

#### Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 8 - Defined Benefit Pension Plan

#### **General Information about the Pension Plan**

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

Benefits provided. Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees of the public school districts. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved, membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring. Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each vear 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.

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, 2018 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, 2018, 2017 and 2016 were \$2,242,665, \$2,294,128 and \$2,333,869, 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, 2018, the school district reported a liability of \$37,744,747 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, 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, 2018 net pension liability was 0.227058 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2017. This was a decrease of 0.004576 percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2017 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2016.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the District recognized pension expense of \$4,778,456. At June 30, 2018 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	\$ 552,889	\$ 275,413
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	400,097
Changes of assumptions	853,315	65,612
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	202,797	581,305
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,242,665	-
Total	\$ 3,851,666	\$ 1,322,427

\$2,242,665 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, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30:	
2019	\$ 672,567
2020	382,535
2021	(39,433)
2022	<u>(729,095)</u>
Total	\$ 286,574

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.00 percent
Salary increases	3.25-18.50 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 2022, with males rates set forward one year.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2016. The experience report is dated April 18, 2017.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

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				
Asset Class	Allocation		Rate of Return			
U.S. Broad	27.00	%	4.60	%		
International Equity	18.00		4.50			
Emerging Markets Equity	4.00		4.75			
Global	12.00		4.75			
Fixed Income	18.00		0.75			
Real Estate	10.00		3.50			
Private Equity	8.00		5.10			
Emerging Debt	2.00		2.25			
Cash	1.00		0.00			
Total	100.00	%				

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%)	Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 49,504,754	\$ 37,744,747	\$ 27,981,384

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 Financial Statements

# Note 9 – Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description. State law mandates that all state, public education, library, junior and community college and retiring employees be offered health and life benefit coverage through the State and School Employees' Life and Health Insurance Plan (the Plan). The Plan was established by Section 25-15-3 et seq., Mississippi Code Ann. (1972), which may be amended only by the State Legislature. The State and School Employees' Health Insurance Management Board (the Board) administers the Plan. The Board has the sole legal authority to promulgate rules and regulations governing the operations of the Plan within the confines of the law governing the Plan. The Plan is self-insured and is financed through premiums collected from employers, employees, retirees and COBRA participants. The Plan provides for Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) as a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan. A trust was created June 28, 2018 for the OPEB Plan and, while no trust was in place for the June 30, 2017 plan year-end, for purposes of comparability for future periods, terminology used herein is based on the plan being a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan. The plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report.

# Benefits provided

The Plan was formed by the State Legislature to provide group health and life benefits to full-time active and retired employees of the State, agencies, universities, community/junior colleges, public school districts and public libraries. In addition, the spouse and/or children of covered employees and retirees, as well as surviving spouses and COBRA participants, may be eligible for health insurance coverage under the Plan. Benefits of the OPEB Plan consist of an implicit rate subsidy, which is essentially the difference between the average cost of providing health care benefits to retirees under age 65 and the average cost of providing health care benefits to all participants when premiums paid by retirees are not age adjusted. Employees' premiums are funded primarily by their employers. Retirees must pay their own premiums, as do active employees for spouse and dependent medical coverage. The Board has the sole authority for setting life and health insurance premiums for the Plan. Per Section 12-15-15 (10) Mississippi Code Ann. (1972), a retired employee electing to purchase retiree life and health insurance must pay the full cost of such insurance premium. If the Board determined actuarially that the premium paid by the participating retirees adversely affects the overall cost of the Plan to the State, then the Board may impose a premium surcharge, not to exceed 15%, upon such participating retired employees who are under the age for Medicare eligibility and who are initially employed before January 1, 2006. For participating retired employees who are under the age for Medicare eligibility and who are initially employed on or after January 1, 2006, the Board may impose a premium surcharge in an amount the Board determined actuarially to cover the full cost of insurance. The Plan offers a Base option and a Select option for health benefits for non-Medicare participants. The Plan includes a separate coverage level for Medicare eligible retirees, Medicare Eligible surviving spouses, and Medicare eligible dependents of retirees and surviving spouses.

#### Contributions

The Board has the sole authority for setting life and health insurance premiums for the Plan. The required premiums vary based on the plan selected and the type of participant. Employers pay no premiums for retirees while employees' premiums are funded primarily by their employer. Contributions to the OPEB plan from the District were \$113,233 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 9 – Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

# OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources related to OPEB

At June 30, 2018, the District reported a liability of \$2,656,079 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The basis for the District's proportion is determined by comparing the employer's average monthly employees participating in the Plan with the total average employees participating in the Plan in the fiscal year of all employers. The allocation was utilized because the level of premiums contributed by each employer is the same for any employee regardless of plan participation elections made by the employee. At the measurement date of June 30, 2017, the District's proportion was 0.33852259 percent. This was a decrease of 0.00488139 percent from the proportionate share as of the measurement date of June 30, 2016.

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$125,886. At June 30, 2018, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ -
Changes of assumptions	-	135,247
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	_	33,907
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	113,233	-
Total	\$ 113,233	\$ 169,154

\$113,233 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30:	
2019	\$ (29,676)
2020	(29,676)
2021	(29,676)
2022	(29,676)
2023	(29,676)
Thereafter	 (20,774)
Total	\$ (169,154)

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 9 - Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation 3.00 percent

Salary increases 3.25-18.50 percent, including wage inflation

Long-term Investment Rate of Na

Return, net of OPEB plan investment

expense, including inflation

N/A

Municipal Bond Index Rate

Measurement Date 3.56 percent Prior Measurement Date 3.01 percent

Year FNP is projected to be depleted

Measurement Date 2017 Prior Measurement Date 2016

Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of OPEB plan investment expense,

including inflation

Measurement Date 3.56 percent Prior Measurement Date 3.01 percent

Health Care Cost Trends

Medicare Supplement Claims 7.75 percent for 2017 decreasing to an Pre-Medicare ultimate rate of 5.00 percent by 2023

Both pre-retirement and post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP 2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected with Scale BB to 2022, male rates set forward 1 year and adjusted by 106% for males at all ages, and females adjusted to 90% for ages less than 76, 95% for age 76, 105% for age 78 and 110% for ages 79 and greater. Post-disability mortality rates were based on the RP 2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table set forward 4 years for males and 3 years for females.

The demographic actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study dated April 18, 2017.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2017 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2017 valuation.

The plan had no assets as of the measurement date of 2017.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2017 was 3.56 percent. Since the Prior Measurement Date, the Discount Rate has changed from 3.01% to 3.56%.

Since no trust was set up as of June 30, 2017, there was no projection of cash flows for the Plan and the Plan was projected to be depleted in 2017.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 9 – Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

The discount rate determination will use a municipal bond rate to the extent the trust is projected to run out of money before all benefits are paid. The rate used, if necessary, for this purpose is the average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rates during the month of June published at the end of each week by the Bond Buyer.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.56 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.56 percent) than the current discount rate:

			U	uscount	
	1	l% Decrease	R	ate	1% Increase
		(2.56%)	(3	3.56%)	(4.56%)
Net OPEB liability	\$	2,726,224	\$	2,656,079	\$ 2,603,841

Diagonat

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

		Healthcare	
		Cost Trend	
	1% Decrease	Rates	
		Current	1% Increase
Net OPEB liability	\$ 2,453,067	\$ 2,656,079	\$ 2,887,838

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. The fiduciary net position for the OPEB plan was zero as of June 30, 2017, the measurement date. Therefore, no separately issued financials were prepared. Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position for June 30, 2018 and going forward will be available in separately issued financial reports available on the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration's website.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 10 - Sixteenth Section Lands

Sixteenth section school lands, or lands granted in lieu thereof, constitute property held in trust for the benefit of the public schools. The school board, under the general supervision of the Office of the Secretary of State, has control and jurisdiction of said school trust lands and of all funds arising from any disposition thereof. It is the duty of the school board to manage the school trust lands and all funds arising therefrom as trust property. Accordingly, the board shall assure that adequate compensation is received for all uses of the trust lands, except for uses by the public schools. The following are the future rental payments to be made to the school district for the use of school trust lands. These future rental payments are from existing leases and do not anticipate renewals or new leases.

Year Ending	
June 30	Amount
2019	\$ 130,574
2020	110,978
2021	91,350
2022	87,781
2023	83,448
2024 – 2028	369,575
2029 – 2033	276,308
2034 – 2038	206,563
2039 – 2043	142,044
Thereafter	 52,322
Total	\$ 1,550,943

# **Note 11 – Prior Period Adjustments**

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

# **Exhibit B - Statement of Activities**

Explanation	Amount
To correct prior period error in recording assets  To record beginning balance of the net OPEB liability and deferred outflows related to OPEB	\$ 40 (2,699,347)
Total	\$ (2,699,307)

#### Note 12 – 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.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 13 - 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 72 school districts and covers risks of loss arising from injuries to the members' employees. The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission requires that an indemnity agreement be executed by each member in a workers' compensation self-insurance pool for the purpose of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the employers comprising the group to meet the workers' compensation obligations of each member. Each member of MSBAWCT contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust by Wells Fargo in Portland, Oregon. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$750,000. For a claim exceeding \$750,000, MSBAWCT has insurance which will pay the excess to the statutory amount required by the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission Act. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the member school districts would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the pool.

#### Note 14 - Trust Certificates

A trust agreement dated February 1, 2017, was executed by and between the school district and Trustmark National Bank as trustees.

The trust agreement authorized the issuance of trust certificates in the par principal amount of \$9,300,000, less discounts in the amount of \$192,292. Approximately \$8,935,708 was used to provide financing for the construction and renovation of school buildings and related facilities and equipment (the "project"); the remainder of approximately \$172,000 was used to pay the cost of issuance.

The project is leased to the school district in accordance with the provisions of the Emergency School Leasing Authority Act as described in Section 37-7-351, et seq., Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The lease represents a capital lease under which ownership of the project will transfer to the school district upon complete retirement of the trust certificates. The school district is obligated to make lease payments to the trustee in an amount equal to the debt service requirements for the trust certificates. The lease rental payments by the school district are used by the trustee to pay the principal and interest payments due on the trust certificates.

It is not anticipated the project will have sufficient value to satisfy the certificates in the event the school district defaults under the lease; therefore, the source of payment of the certificates is the responsibility of the school district. See Note 6 for details regarding the debt service requirement on the trust certificates.

Using the guidance provided in Section 2100 of the Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards dealing with defining the reporting entity, the trust accounts created by this trust agreement were deemed to constitute an inseparable part of the school district. Therefore, the assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues, expenditures and other financing sources/uses of the trust accounts created by this trust agreement are part of the school district's financial statements, thereby eliminating the effects of the lease agreement for financial reporting purposes.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 15 - Qualified School Construction Bonds

Section 1521 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 provides for a source of capital at no or at nominal interest rates for costs incurred by certain public schools in connection with the construction, rehabilitation or repair of a public school facility or for the acquisition of land where a school will be built. Investors receive Federal income tax credits at prescribed tax credit rates in lieu of interest, which essentially allows state and local governments to borrow without incurring interest costs. While Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCBs) are intended to be interest free to a borrower, the ARRA legislation allows a lender to charge supplemental interest, and such supplemental interest is the responsibility of the school district.

When the stated interest rate on the QSCB results in interest payments that exceed the supplemental interest payments discussed in the preceding paragraph, the school district may apply for a direct cash subsidy payment from the U.S. Treasury which is intended to reduce the stated interest rate to a nominal percentage. These subsidy payments do not include the amount of any supplemental interest paid on a QSCB. For the year ended June 30, 2018, the subsidy payments amounted to \$153,830.

The school district makes equal annual payments into a sinking fund which is used to payoff the bonds at termination. The current maturity limit of tax credit bonds is 17 years, per the U. S. Treasury Department. Under this program, ten percent of the proceeds must be subject to a binding commitment to be spent within six months of issuance and 100% must be spent within three years. Up to two percent of bond proceeds can be used to pay costs of issuance. The amount on deposit at June 30, 2018 was \$1,430,844. The amount accumulated in the sinking fund at the end of the seventeen-year period is expected to 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
2019	\$ 201,300
2020	201,300
2021	201,300
2022	201,300
2023	201,300
2024 - 2026	584,400
Total	\$ 1,590,900

#### Note 16 - Alternative School Consortium

The school district entered into an Alternative School Agreement dated August 19, 1994, creating the East Central Alternative School Consortium. This consortium was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 37-13-92 (6), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and approved by the Mississippi Department of Education and includes the Newton County School District, Forest Municipal School District, Philadelphia Public School District, Scott County School District, Neshoba County School District, Enterprise Public School District and Kemper County School District.

Section 37-13-92 (6), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), allows two or more adjacent school districts to enter into a contract to operate an alternative school program. The school board of the school district designated by the agreement as the lead district will serve as the governing board of the alternative school program. Transportation for students attending the alternative school program will be the responsibility of the individual school district sending the students.

The Newton County School District has been designated as the lead school district for the East Central Alternative School Consortium, and the operations of the consortium are included in its financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# Note 17 - Vocational School Consortium

The school district entered into a Vocational Educational Agreement dated August 17, 1982, creating the Philadelphia-Neshoba Vocational-Technical Center. This consortium was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 37-31-73, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and approved by the Mississippi Department of Education. The consortium includes the Neshoba County School District, Philadelphia Public School District and East Central Community College.

Section 37-31-73, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), authorizes the above noted entities to enter into an agreement that would provide for the construction or operation of a regional vocational education center. Any such agreement should provide for a designated fiscal agent, providing the method of financing the construction and operation of such facilities, the manner in which such facilities are to be controlled and staffed and detail procedures for student admission and transportation services for those students.

East Central Community College has been designated as the fiscal agent for the Philadelphia-Neshoba Vocational-Technical Center, and the operations of the consortium are included in its financial statements.

#### Note 18 – Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$30,767,891) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses from a deferred outflow from pensions. The \$3,851,666 balance of the deferred outflow of resources at June 30, 2018 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next three (3) years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$30,767,891) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses from a deferred outflow from OPEB. The \$113,233 balance of the deferred outflow of resources at June 30, 2018 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position in the next year.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$30,767,891) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenues resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$1,322,427 balance of the deferred inflow of resources at June 30, 2018 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next four (4) years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$30,767,891) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenues resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$169,154 balance of the deferred inflow of resources at June 30, 2018 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next six (6) years.

#### Note 19 - 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 Neshoba County School District evaluated the activity of the district through February 1, 2019, and determined that no subsequent event has occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

Variances

							Positive (Negative)		
		Budgete	ed A	mounts	Actual		_	Original	Final
		Original		Final	-	(GAAP Basis)		to Final	to Actual
Revenues:									
Local sources	\$	5,008,347	\$	4,426,907	\$	4,183,193	\$	(581,440) \$	(243,714)
State sources		16,641,743		16,642,393		16,627,052		650	(15,341)
Federal sources		534,000		695,739		695,700		161,739	(39)
Sixteenth section sources		304,337		351,301		351,239		46,964	(62)
Total Revenues		22,488,427		22,116,340		21,857,184		(372,087)	(259, 156)
Expenditures:									
Instruction		12,720,269		12,535,543		12,423,628		184,726	111,915
Support services		8,350,328		7,317,183		7,272,518		1,033,145	44,665
Noninstructional services		1,500		1,900		1,000		(400)	900
Sixteenth section		53,288		44,328		41,086		8,960	3,242
Total Expenditures		21,125,385		19,898,954		19,738,232		1,226,431	160,722
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues									
over (under) Expenditures		1,363,042		2,217,386		2,118,952		854,344	(98,434)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Insurance recovery		5,000		-		-		(5,000)	-
Sale of transportation equipment		5,000		-		-		(5,000)	-
Operating transfers in		1,510,887		944,962		109,795		(565,925)	(835, 167)
Other financing sources		5,000		5,000		-		-	(5,000)
Operating transfers out		(2,730,711)		(1,567,954)		(761,395)		1,162,757	806,559
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(1,204,824)		(617,992)		(651,600)		586,832	(33,608)
Net Change in Fund Balances		158,218		1,599,394		1,467,352		1,441,176	(132,042)
Fund Balances:									
July 1, 2017		5,869,084		5,962,014		5,930,185		92,930	(31,829)
June 30, 2018	\$	6,027,302	\$	7,561,408	\$	7,397,537	\$	1,534,106 \$	(163,871)

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Budgetary Comparison Schedule School Food Service Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

Variances Positive (Negative) Original **Budgeted Amounts** Actual Final (GAAP Basis) to Final Original Final to Actual Revenues: 386,200 \$ 363,071 \$ 359,160 \$ (23,129)\$ (3,911)Local sources State sources 19,000 16,384 16,384 (2,616)Federal sources 1,543,233 1,504,807 1,499,980 (38,426)(4,827)1,948,433 Total Revenues 1,884,262 1,875,524 (64, 171) (8,738)Expenditures: Support services 96,099 105,345 103,031 (9,246)2,314 1,744,758 1,653,436 91,322 33,984 Noninstructional services 1,619,452 1,840,857 82,076 36,298 Total Expenditures 1,758,781 1,722,483 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues 17,905 27,560 over (under) Expenditures 107,576 125,481 153,041 Other Financing Sources (Uses): Operating transfers in 225 (225)Operating transfers out (107,801)(95,483)(81,708)12,318 13,775 (95,483) (81,708) Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) (107,576)12,093 13,775 Net Change in Fund Balances 29,998 29,998 71,333 41,335 Fund Balances: July 1, 2017 715,074 715,949 715,949 875 Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory 5,240 5,240 June 30, 2018 715,074 \$ 745,947 \$ 792,522 \$ 30,873 \$ 46,575

# Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Title I-A Basic Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

				Varian Positive (N	
	Budgeted A	Amounts	- Actual	Original	Final
	 Original	Final	(GAAP Basis)	to Final	to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 1,600,886 \$	1,764,089	1,560,157 \$	163,203 \$	(203,932)
Total Revenues	1,600,886	1,764,089	1,560,157	163,203	(203,932)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	1,344,082	1,226,138	1,068,538	117,944	157,600
Support services	197,434	456,490	414,877	(259,056)	41,613
Noninstructional services	38,744	53,517	49,538	(14,773)	3,979
Total Expenditures	 1,580,260	1,736,145	1,532,953	(155,885)	203,192
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
over (under) Expenditures	 20,626	27,944	27,204	7,318	(740)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers out	(20,626)	(27,944)	(27,204)	(7,318)	740
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	 (20,626)	(27,944)	(27,204)	(7,318)	740
Net Change in Fund Balances	 -	-	-	-	
Fund Balances: July 1, 2017	 -	-	<u>-</u>	-	
June 30, 2018	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	

# Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule EHA, Part B Grant Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

				Varian Positive (N	
	Budgeted Am	ounts	Actual	Original	Final
	Original	Final	(GAAP Basis)	to Final	to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 767,510 \$	814,282	\$ 689,449 \$	46,772 \$	(124,833)
Total Revenues	 767,510	814,282	689,449	46,772	(124,833)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	401,010	430,598	346,577	(29,588)	84,021
Support services	365,544	382,728	342,818	(17,184)	39,910
Noninstructional services	 956	956	54	-	902
Total Expenditures	767,510	814,282	689,449	(46,772)	124,833
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
over (under) Expenditures	 -	-	-	-	-
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	 -	-	-	-	
Fund Balances: July 1, 2017	<u>-</u>	-	-	-	
June 30, 2018	\$ - \$	- (	\$ - \$	- \$	

#### Required Supplementary Information

# SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY PERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	<b>2018</b> 0.227058%	<b>2017</b> 0.231634%	<b>2016</b> 0.231141%	<b>2015</b> 0.223056%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 37,744,747	41,375,617	35,729,840	27,074,914
District's covered payroll	14,565,892	14,818,216	14,440,343	13,629,873
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	259%	279%	247%	199%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	61%	57%	62%	67%

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 Statement No. 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.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

# Required Supplementary Information

# SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS PERS

#### Last 10 Fiscal Years

Contractually required contribution	 <b>2018</b> 2,242,665	<b>2017</b> 2,294,128	<b>2016</b> 2,333,869	<b>2015</b> 2,274,354
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 2,242,665	2,294,128	2,333,869	2,274,354
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	<del>-</del>
District's covered payroll	14,239,143	14,565,892	14,818,216	14,440,343
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15.75%	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 Statement No. 68 was implemented in FYE 6/30/2015, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

#### Required Supplementary Information

# SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY OPEB

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2018
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.338523%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 2,656,079
District's covered-employee payroll	14,565,892
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	18%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	0%

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, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

# Required Supplementary Information

# SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS OPEB

Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2018
Contractually required contribution	\$ 113,233
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	113,233
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	14,239,143
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.80%

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 Statement No.75 was implemented in FYE 6/30/2018, 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 Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

# **Budgetary Comparison Schedule**

# (1) Basis of Presentation

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

#### (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 consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Pension Schedules**

# (1) Changes of assumptions

#### 2015:

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

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

Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

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.

#### <u> 2016:</u>

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

#### 2017:

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2022. Small adjustments were also made to the Mortality Table for disabled lives.

The wage inflation assumption was reduced from 3.75% to 3.25%.

Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

The percentage of active member disabilities assumed to be in the line of duty was increased from 6% to 7%.

# Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

(2) 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.

(3) Method and assumptions used in calculations of actuarially determined contributions.

The actuarially determined contribution rates in the schedule of employer contributions are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported (June 30, 2015 valuation for the June 30, 2017 fiscal year end). The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the most recent contribution rate reported in that schedule:

Actuarial cost method Entry age

Amortization method Level percentage of payroll, open

Remaining amortization period 33.9 years

Asset valuation method 5-year smoothed market

Price Inflation 3.00 percent

Salary increase 3.75 percent to 19.00 percent, including inflation Investment rate of return 7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

# **OPEB Schedules**

(1) Changes of assumptions

<u>2017</u>: The discount rate was changed from 3.01% for the prior Measurement Date to 3.56% for the current Measurement Date.

(2) Changes in benefit provisions

2017: None

(3) Methods and assumptions used in calculations of Actuarially Determined Contributions. The Actuarially Determined Contributions rates, as a percentage of payroll, used to determine the Actuarially Determined Contribution amounts in the Schedule of Employer Contributions are calculated as of the most recent Valuation Date. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2017:

Actuarial cost method Entry age

Amortization method Level dollar

Amortization period 30 years, open

Asset valuation method Market Value of Assets

Price inflation 3 percent

Salary increases, including wage inflation 3.25 percent to 18.50 percent

Initial health care cost trend rates

Medicare Supplement Claims 7.75 percent

Pre-Medicare

# Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

Ultimate health care cost trend rates

Medicare Supplement Claims 5.00 percent

Pre-Medicare

Year of ultimate trend rates Medicare Supplement Claims

2022

Pre-Medicare

Long-term investment rate of return, net of

pension plan investment expense,

3.56 percent

including price inflation

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# Supplementary Information

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	
For the Year Ended June 30, 2018	

For the Year Ended June 30, 2018			
	Catalog of Federal		
Federal Grantor/	Domestic	Pass-through	
Pass-through Grantor/	Assistance	Entity Identifying	Federal
Program Title	No.	Number	Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u> Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
CN discretionary grants limited availability	10.579	185MS350N8103	
Subtotal			37,296
Child nutrition cluster:			
School breakfast program	10.553	185MS326N1099	287,962
National school lunch program	10.555	185MS326N1099	1,174,722
Total child nutrition cluster			1,462,684
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			1,499,980
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			1,499,980
U.S. Department of Defense Direct Program:			
Reserve Officers' Training Corps	12.xxx		72,259
Total U.S. Department of Defense	12.		72,259
·			12,239
Federal Communications Commission			
Administered through the Universal Service Administrative Company:			10.100
The schools and libraries program of the universal service fund	32.xxx		16,483
Total Federal Communications Commission			16,483
U.S. Department of Education			
Direct Program:			
Impact aid	84.041		77,836
Indian education grants to local educational agencies	84.060		74,708
Total direct programs			152,544
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
Title I grants to local educational agencies	84.010	ES010A170024	1,560,157
Career and technical education - basic grants to states	84.048	V048A170024	37,930
Rural education	84.358	ES358B170024	113,310
Improving teacher quality-State Grants	84.367	ES367A170023	89,544
Student support and academic enrichment program	84.424	ES424A170025	23,030
Subtotal			1,823,971
Special education cluster:	04.007	110074 470400	000 400
Special education - grants to states	84.027	H027A170108	696,430
Special education - preschool grants	84.173	H173A170113	18,118 714,548
Total special education cluster			2,538,519
Total U.S. Donartment of Education			2,691,063
Total U.S. Department of Education			
Total for All Federal Awards			\$ 4,279,785

# Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

#### 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 Neshoba County School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2018. 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 Neshoba County School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the Neshoba County School District.

# (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. 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. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

#### (3) Indirect Cost Rate

The Neshoba County School District has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### (4) Noncash Awards – Commodities

The amount of donated commodities reported on the schedule is the value of donated commodities received by the District and reported under the National School Lunch Program CFDA #10.555. The value of the commodities received during the fiscal year was \$145,878.

#### Supplementary Information

Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

Expenditures		Total	Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures	General Administration	School Administration	Other	
Salaries and fringe benefits Other	\$ 19,635,200 8,929,542		14,805,500 2,336,986	1,345,629 411,769	1,112,810 42,674	2,371,261 6,138,113	
Total	\$	28,564,742	17,142,486	1,757,398	1,155,484	8,509,374	
Total number of students *		2,877					
Cost per student	\$	9,929	5,958	611	402	2,958	

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

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

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

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

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

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

OTHER INFORMATION

# Other Information

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances General Fund Last Four Years UNAUDITED

2018		2017*		2016*		2015*
\$ 4,183,193	\$	4,074,388	\$	3,639,452	\$	3,547,466
16,627,052		16,565,009		16,300,624		15,126,397
695,700		587,802		834,217		416,779
		262,880				768,032
21,857,184		21,490,079		21,210,904		19,858,674
12,423,628		12,564,542		13,285,625		13,009,802
7,272,518		7,367,061		7,471,412		7,321,056
						500
41,086		41,601		102,148		240,272
 -		-		-		706,010
 19,738,232		19,974,874		20,859,685		21,277,640
 2,118,952		1,515,205		351,219		(1,418,966)
-		49,608		14,676		7,522
-		5,945		-		9,472
-		12,497		-		-
109,795		26,103		765,036		33,996
(761,395)		(969,438)		(699,958)		(723,611)
(651,600)		(875,285)		79,754		(672,621)
 1,467,352		639,920		430,973		(2,091,587)
5,930,185		5,290,265		4,859,376		4,121,860
-		-		- · · · -		2,828,266
-		-		(84)		837
5,930,185		5,290,265		4,859,292		6,950,963
\$ 7,397,537	\$	5,930,185	\$	5,290,265	\$	4,859,376
	\$ 4,183,193 16,627,052 695,700 351,239 21,857,184 12,423,628 7,272,518 1,000 41,086 19,738,232 2,118,952 	\$ 4,183,193 \$ 16,627,052 695,700 351,239 21,857,184    12,423,628 7,272,518 1,000 41,086 - 19,738,232    2,118,952   - 109,795 (761,395) (651,600)   1,467,352   5,930,185 - 5,930,185	\$ 4,183,193 \$ 4,074,388 16,627,052 16,565,009 695,700 587,802 351,239 262,880 21,857,184 21,490,079 12,423,628 12,564,542 7,272,518 7,367,061 1,000 1,670 41,086 41,601 	\$ 4,183,193 \$ 4,074,388 \$ 16,627,052 16,565,009 695,700 587,802 351,239 262,880 21,857,184 21,490,079   12,423,628 12,564,542 7,272,518 7,367,061 1,000 1,670 41,086 41,601 19,738,232 19,974,874   2,118,952 1,515,205   - 49,608 - 5,945 - 12,497 109,795 26,103 (761,395) (969,438) (651,600) (875,285)   1,467,352 639,920   5,930,185 5,290,265 5,930,185 5,290,265	\$ 4,183,193 \$ 4,074,388 \$ 3,639,452 16,627,052 16,565,009 16,300,624 695,700 587,802 834,217 351,239 262,880 436,611 21,857,184 21,490,079 21,210,904    12,423,628 12,564,542 13,285,625 7,272,518 7,367,061 7,471,412 1,000 1,670 500 41,086 41,601 102,148 19,738,232 19,974,874 20,859,685    2,118,952 1,515,205 351,219    - 49,608 14,676 - 5,945 - 12,497 - 109,795 26,103 765,036 (761,395) (969,438) (699,958) (651,600) (875,285) 79,754    5,930,185 5,290,265 4,859,376 (84) 5,930,185 5,290,265 4,859,292	\$ 4,183,193 \$ 4,074,388 \$ 3,639,452 \$ 16,627,052 16,565,009 16,300,624 695,700 587,802 834,217 351,239 262,880 436,611 21,857,184 21,490,079 21,210,904    12,423,628 12,564,542 13,285,625 7,272,518 7,367,061 7,471,412 1,000 1,670 500 41,086 41,601 102,148 19,738,232 19,974,874 20,859,685    2,118,952 1,515,205 351,219    - 49,608 14,676 - 5,945 12,497 - 109,795 26,103 765,036 (761,395) (969,438) (699,958) (651,600) (875,285) 79,754    5,930,185 5,290,265 4,859,376 (84) 5,930,185 5,290,265 4,859,292

<sup>\*</sup>SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

# Other Information

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances All Governmental Funds Last Four Years UNAUDITED

	2018	2017*	2016*	2015*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 5,363,140 \$	5,174,690 \$	4,033,537 \$	3,944,286
State sources	17,771,899	17,438,532	17,127,215	16,008,648
Federal sources	5,034,996	4,622,643	4,772,350	4,201,179
Sixteenth section sources	387,741	282,753	492,024	881,323
Total Revenues	28,557,776	27,518,618	26,425,126	25,035,436
Expenditures:				
Instruction	15,361,084	15,123,959	15,687,776	15,406,891
Support services	8,560,882	8,004,377	8,128,857	7,995,699
Noninstructional services	1,670,444	1,707,635	1,720,781	1,653,537
Sixteenth section	75,780	91,986	196,629	331,953
Facilities acquisition and construction Debt service:	1,022,113	16,019,428	4,554,134	706,010
Principal	905,000	640,847	429,974	421,758
Interest	962,206	717,081	224,810	240,056
Other	7,233	177,300	258,949	3,050
Total Expenditures	28,564,742	42,482,613	31,201,910	26,758,954
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
over (under) Expenditures	 (6,966)	(14,963,995)	(4,776,784)	(1,723,518)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Bonds and notes issued	-	9,300,000	14,000,000	_
Insurance recovery	-	49,608	14,676	7,522
Payment held by escrow agent	201,300	201,300	201,300	201,300
Premium (discount) on bonds issued	-	(192,292)	131,477	-
Sale of transportation equipment	-	5,945	-	9,472
Sale of other property	-	12,497	-	-
Operating transfers in	1,101,504	8,026,829	1,464,994	757,607
Operating transfers out	(1,101,504)	(8,026,829)	(1,464,994)	(757,607)
Payment to debt escrow agent	(201,300)	(201,300)	(201,300)	(201,300)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	9,175,758	14,146,153	16,994
Net Change in Fund Balances	(6,966)	(5,788,237)	9,369,369	(1,706,524)
5 181				
Fund Balances:	44.057.500	40.040.004	7 400 000	0.404.500
Beginning of period, as previously reported	11,057,560	16,849,031	7,468,363	9,164,598
Prior period adjustments	 - 44.057.500	-	9,916	842
Beginning of period, as restated	 11,057,560	16,849,031	7,478,279	9,165,440
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	 5,240	(3,234)	1,383	9,447
End of Period	\$ 11,055,834 \$	11,057,560 \$	16,849,031 \$	7,468,363

<sup>\*</sup>SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE



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

To the Superintendent and School Board Neshoba County School District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Neshoba County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Neshoba County School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 1, 2019.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

# **Purpose of this Report**

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

Philadelphia, Mississippi February 1, 2019 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc



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

To the Superintendent and Board of Education Neshoba County School District

# **Report on Compliance for Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Neshoba County 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 Neshoba County School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2018. Neshoba County School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

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

# Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for Neshoba County 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 Neshoba County School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

#### Opinion on Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Neshoba County 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, 2018.

# **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

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

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

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

# **Purpose of this Report**

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

Philadelphia, Mississippi February 1, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS



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

Superintendent and School Board Neshoba County School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Neshoba County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, which collectively comprise Neshoba County School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 1, 2019. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

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

The results of our procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance.

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

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

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

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

# 1. Proper form should be filed for all retirees

#### Finding

The Mississippi Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) requires, under the re-employment provisions of Section 25-11-127, Miss Code Ann. (1972), school districts hiring PERS service retirees to file PERS Form 4B "Certification/Acknowledgment of Re-employment of Retiree" with the PERS office within five days from the date of employment of the retiree.

During our testing of state legal compliance, we noted one instance where a Form 4B was not on file with the District.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the District implement procedures to ensure that the District follows the provisions of Section 25-11-127, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

#### School District Response

The District concurs with the recommendation and no retiree will be allowed to work until a Form 4B has been completed. This will ensure that the District is in compliance with the five day requirement.

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

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

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

Philadelphia, Mississippi February 1, 2019 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

# Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

# Section I: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:								
1.	Type o	Unmodified						
2.	Interna	l control over financial reporting:						
	a.	Material weakness(es) identified?		No				
	b.	Significant deficiency(ies) identifie	d?	None reported				
3.	Nonco	No						
Fed	eral Awa	ards:						
4.	Interna	ıl control over major programs:						
	a.	Material weakness(es) identified?		No				
	b.	Significant deficiency(ies) identifie	d?	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 No with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?							
7.	lder	ntification of major programs:						
	<u>CF</u>	OA Numbers	Name of Federal Program or Clust	<u>er</u>				
	10.5	553/10.555	Child Nutrition Cluster					
8.	Doll	ar threshold used to distinguish bet	ween type A and type B programs:	\$750,000				
9.	Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes							
10.	10. Prior fiscal year audit finding(s) and questioned costs relative to federal No awards which would require the auditee to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings in accordance with 2CFR 200.511(b)?							

# Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

# Section II: Financial Statement Findings

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

# Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

The results of our tests did not disclose any findings and questioned costs related to the federal awards.