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HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Audited Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Superintendent and School Board
Houston 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 Houston School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Houston School District's basic financial statements as listed in 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 from 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 Houston School District, as of June 30, 2020, 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 5-12, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, and 51 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 Houston School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds, and the other information section, which includes the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 19, 2021, on our consideration of the Houston 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 Houston 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 Houston School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Okolona, Mississippi
February 19, 2021

Watkins Ward and Stafford, P.C.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

The following discussion and analysis of Houston School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2020. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's performance as a whole. Readers are encouraged to review the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total net position for 2020 increased \$383,580, which represents a 2.6% increase from fiscal year 2019. Total net position for 2019 increased \$443,101, including a prior period adjustment of \$13,206, which represents a 2.8% increase from fiscal year 2018.
- General revenues amounted to \$13,423,070 and \$12,516,957, or 80% and 78% of all revenues for fiscal years 2020 and 2019, respectively. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$3,385,362, or 20% of total revenues for 2020 and \$3,601,432, or 22% of total revenues for 2019.
- The District had \$16,424,852 and \$15,688,494 in expenses for fiscal years 2020 and 2019; only \$3,385,362 for 2020 and \$3,601,432 for 2019 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$13,423,070 for 2020 and \$12,516,957 for 2019 were adequate in 2020 and were adequate in 2019 to provide for these programs.
- Among the major funds, the General Fund had \$12,939,698 in revenues and \$12,520,205 in expenditures for 2020, and \$12,110,194 in revenues and \$12,034,937 in expenditures for 2019. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$390,807 from 2019 to 2020, and increased by \$121,267 from 2018 to 2019.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, decreased by \$197,642 for 2020, and decreased by \$213,918 for 2019, including a prior period adjustment of \$13,206. The decrease for 2020 was primarily due to an increase in accumulated depreciation.
- Long-term debt decreased by \$236,913 for 2020 and decreased by \$137,449 for 2019. The decrease for 2020 was primarily due to principal payments on outstanding long-term debt. The liability for compensated absences increased by \$15,349 for 2020 and increased by \$92,515 for 2019.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

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.

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

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

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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 a liabilities on the government-wide financial statements, but are reported as expenditures on governmental funds financial statements.

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

Notes to the financial statements

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

Required Supplementary Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents budgetary comparison schedules, Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, 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 \$14,457,049 as of June 30, 2020.

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.

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Table 1 presents a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019.

Table 1
Condensed Statement of Net Position

	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	Percentage Change
Current assets	\$ 4,239,478	\$ 3,998,689	6.02 %
Restricted assets	240,894	235,314	2.37 %
Capital assets, net	6,043,597	6,241,239	(3.17) %
Total assets	10,523,969	10,475,242	0.47 %
Deferred outflows of resources	2,735,684	1,779,200	53.76 %
Current liabilities	98,845	159,296	(37.95) %
Long-term debt outstanding	1,788,046	2,009,610	(11.03) %
Net OPEB liability	1,713,915	1,602,877	6.93 %
Net pension liability	22,901,582	20,775,745	10.23 %
Total liabilities	26,502,388	24,547,528	7.96 %
Deferred inflows of resources	1,214,314	2,547,543	(52.33) %
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	4,458,546	5,186,239	(14.03) %
Restricted	508,039	592,026	(14.19) %
Unrestricted	(19,423,634)	(20,618,894)	5.80 %
Total net position	\$ (14,457,049)	\$ (14,840,629)	2.58 %

Additional information on unrestricted net position:

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

Total unrestricted net position (deficit)	\$ (19,423,634)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability including the related deferred outflows and deferred inflows	<u>23,094,127</u>
Unrestricted net position exclusive of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability effect	<u>\$ 3,670,493</u>

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

- Decrease in net capital assets in the amount of \$197,642
- Increase in the net pension liability of \$2,125,837
- Decrease in long-term debt outstanding of \$221,564

Changes in net position

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019 were \$16,808,432 and \$16,118,389, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$16,424,852 for 2020 and \$15,688,494 for 2019.

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Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2019.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Year Ended June 30, 2019	Percentage Change
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 492,979	\$ 566,478	(12.97) %
Operating grants and contributions	2,892,383	3,003,253	(3.69) %
Capital Grants and Contributions	-	31,701	(100.00) %
General revenues:			
Property taxes	3,178,673	2,971,306	6.98 %
Grants and contributions not restricted	10,068,080	9,500,104	5.98 %
Investment earnings	100,458	14,401	597.58 %
Other	75,859	31,146	143.56 %
Total revenues	16,808,432	16,118,389	4.28 %
Expenses:			
Instruction	8,835,409	8,628,526	2.40 %
Support services	4,960,227	4,889,343	1.45 %
Non-instructional	1,024,077	1,042,367	(1.75) %
Pension expense	1,477,322	1,001,573	47.50 %
OPEB expense	88,811	77,913	13.99 %
Interest on long-term liabilities	39,006	48,772	(20.02) %
Total expenses	16,424,852	15,688,494	4.69 %
Increase (Decrease) in net position	383,580	429,895	(10.77) %
Net Position, July 1, as previously reported	(14,840,629)	(15,283,730)	2.90 %
Prior Period Adjustment	-	13,206	(100.00) %
Net Position, July 1, as restated	(14,840,629)	(15,270,524)	2.82 %
Net Position, June 30	\$ (14,457,049)	\$ (14,840,629)	2.58 %

Governmental activities

The following table presents the cost of six major District functional activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional, 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.

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Table 3
Net Cost of Governmental Activities

	Total Expenses		Percentage Change
	2020	2019	
Instruction	\$ 8,835,409	\$ 8,628,526	2.40 %
Support services	4,960,227	4,889,343	1.45 %
Non-instructional	1,024,077	1,042,367	(1.75) %
Pension expense	1,477,322	1,001,573	47.50 %
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Interest on long-term liabilities	39,006	48,772	(20.02) %
Total expenses	\$ 16,424,852	\$ 15,688,494	4.69 %

	Net (Expense) Revenue		Percentage Change
	2020	2019	
Instruction	\$ (6,750,876)	\$ (6,492,055)	(3.99) %
Support services	(4,798,248)	(4,731,002)	(1.42) %
Non-instructional	114,773	264,253	(56.57) %
Pension expense	(1,477,322)	(1,001,573)	(47.50) %
OPEB expense	(88,811)	(77,913)	(13.99) %
Interest on long-term liabilities	(39,006)	(48,772)	20.02 %
Total net (expense) revenue	\$ (13,039,490)	\$ (12,087,062)	(7.88) %

- Net cost of governmental activities (\$13,039,490 for 2020 and \$12,087,062 for 2019) was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property taxes (\$3,178,673 for 2020 and \$2,971,306 for 2019) and state and federal revenues (\$10,068,080 for 2020 and \$9,500,104 for 2019).
- Investment earnings amounted to \$100,458 for 2020 and \$14,401 for 2019.

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 \$4,404,651, an increase of \$298,974, which includes an increase in inventory of \$14,055. \$3,584,156 or 81% 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 \$820,465 or 19% is either non-spendable, 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.

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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 \$390,807. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease in the amount of \$91,888, including an increase in inventory of \$14,055. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

<u>Major Fund</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
Title I-A Basic Fund	\$ no increase or decrease
IDEA Part B Fund	\$ no increase or decrease

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

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

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

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets. As of June 30, 2020, the District's total capital assets were \$14,207,700, including land, school buildings, building improvements, buses, other school vehicles, furniture and equipment, and any intangible assets. This amount represents an increase of \$80,410 from 2019. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2020, was \$8,164,103, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$297,658, resulting in total net capital assets of \$6,043,597.

Table 4
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation

	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Land	\$ 198,441	\$ 198,441	0.00 %
Buildings	5,225,672	5,414,387	(3.49) %
Improvements other than buildings	37,704	45,244	(16.67) %
Mobile equipment	519,788	523,065	(0.63) %
Furniture and equipment	61,992	60,102	3.14 %
Total	\$ 6,043,597	\$ 6,241,239	(3.17) %

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

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Debt Administration. At June 30, 2020, the District had \$1,788,046 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$243,863 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences increased \$15,349 from the prior year.

Table 5
Outstanding Long-Term Debt

	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	Percentage Change
Three mill notes payable	\$ 885,000	1,055,000	(16.11) %
Obligations under capital leases	700,051	766,964	(8.72) %
Compensated absences payable	202,995	187,646	8.18 %
Total	\$ 1,788,046	\$ 2,009,610	(11.03) %

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

CURRENT ISSUES

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

The District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. The District's system of financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls is well regarded. The District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges of the future.

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

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 Houston School District, P. O. Drawer 351, Houston, MS, 38851.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2020

Exhibit A

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,217,883
Due from other governments	983,329
Other receivables, net	500
Inventories	37,766
Restricted assets	240,894
Capital assets, non-depreciable:	
Land	198,441
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Buildings	5,225,672
Improvements other than buildings	37,704
Mobile equipment	519,788
Furniture and equipment	61,992
Total Assets	<u>10,523,969</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred outflows - pensions	2,529,519
Deferred outflows - OPEB	206,165
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>2,735,684</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	66,564
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	23,124
Unearned revenue	9,157
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	
Capital related liabilities	243,863
Net OPEB liability - current portion	63,065
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
Capital related liabilities	1,341,188
Non-capital related liabilities	202,995
Net pension liability	22,901,582
Net OPEB liability - non-current portion	1,650,850
Total Liabilities	<u>26,502,388</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred inflows - pensions	1,051,681
Deferred inflows - OPEB	162,633
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>1,214,314</u>
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	4,458,546
Restricted for:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	237,732
Debt service	221,588
Unemployment benefits	48,719
Unrestricted	(19,423,634)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (14,457,049)</u>

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

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Exhibit B

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
					Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction	\$ 8,835,409	\$ 286,673	\$ 1,797,860	\$ -	\$ (6,750,876)
Support services	4,960,227	51,967	110,012	-	(4,798,248)
Non-instructional	1,024,077	154,339	984,511	-	114,773
Pension expense	1,477,322	-	-	-	(1,477,322)
OPEB expense	88,811	-	-	-	(88,811)
Interest on long-term liabilities	39,006	-	-	-	(39,006)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 16,424,852	\$ 492,979	\$ 2,892,383	\$ -	\$ (13,039,490)
General Revenues:					
Taxes:					
General purpose levies					3,051,692
Debt purpose levies					126,981
Unrestricted grants and contributions:					
State					9,931,500
Federal					136,580
Unrestricted investment earnings					100,458
Other					75,859
Total General Revenues					13,423,070
Change in Net Position					383,580
Net Position - Beginning					(14,840,629)
Net Position - Ending					\$ (14,457,049)

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HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2020

Exhibit C

	Major Funds			Other	Total
	General	Title I - A	IDEA Part B	Governmental	Governmental
	Fund	Basic Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,950,019	\$ 13,717	\$ -	\$ 495,041	\$ 3,458,777
Due from other governments	333,926	84,954	385,527	178,922	983,329
Due from other funds	631,357	-	-	-	631,357
Inventories	-	-	-	37,766	37,766
Total Assets	<u>\$ 3,915,302</u>	<u>\$ 98,671</u>	<u>\$ 385,527</u>	<u>\$ 711,729</u>	<u>\$ 5,111,229</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 41,814	\$ 20,746	\$ -	\$ 4,004	\$ 66,564
Due to other funds	-	77,925	385,527	167,405	630,857
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	9,157	9,157
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 41,814</u>	<u>\$ 98,671</u>	<u>\$ 385,527</u>	<u>\$ 180,566</u>	<u>\$ 706,578</u>
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable:					
Inventory	-	-	-	37,766	37,766
Restricted:					
Debt service	-	-	-	244,712	244,712
Grant activities	-	-	-	192,373	192,373
Unemployment benefits	-	-	-	48,719	48,719
Capital improvements	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned:					
Activity funds	289,302	-	-	-	289,302
School based health and outreach activities	-	-	-	7,593	7,593
Unassigned	<u>3,584,186</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,584,186</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>3,873,488</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>531,163</u>	<u>4,404,651</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 3,915,302</u>	<u>\$ 98,671</u>	<u>\$ 385,527</u>	<u>\$ 711,729</u>	<u>\$ 5,111,229</u>

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Exhibit C-1

Governmental Funds

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

June 30, 2020

Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$ 4,404,651
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

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

Land	\$ 198,441	
Buildings	11,251,321	
Improvements other than buildings	188,506	
Mobile equipment	1,993,631	
Furniture and equipment	575,801	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(8,164,103)</u>	6,043,597

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

Net pension liability	(22,901,582)	
Net OPEB liability	<u>(1,713,915)</u>	(24,615,497)

3. Deferred outflows and inflows related to the net pension and OPEB liabilities are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB	2,735,684	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB	<u>(1,214,314)</u>	1,521,370

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:

Three mill notes payable	(885,000)	
Capital leases	(700,051)	
Compensated absences	(202,995)	
Accrued interest payable	<u>(23,124)</u>	<u>(1,811,170)</u>

Net position of governmental activities		<u><u>\$ (14,457,049)</u></u>
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The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Exhibit D

Governmental Funds

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Major Funds			Other	Total
	General	Title I - A	IDEA Part B	Governmental	Governmental
	Fund	Basic	Fund	Funds	Funds
Revenues:					
Local sources	\$ 3,554,218	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 294,502	\$ 3,848,720
State sources	9,285,216	-	-	1,259,497	10,544,713
Federal sources	100,264	598,942	409,909	1,305,885	2,415,000
Total Revenues	<u>12,939,698</u>	<u>598,942</u>	<u>409,909</u>	<u>2,859,884</u>	<u>16,808,433</u>
Expenditures:					
Instruction	7,968,386	573,642	165,692	1,072,934	9,780,654
Support services	4,461,897	16,305	243,854	629,977	5,352,033
Noninstructional services	-	4,883	-	1,102,179	1,107,062
Debt service:					
Principal	66,913	-	-	170,000	236,913
Interest	23,009	-	-	23,843	46,852
Total Expenditures	<u>12,520,205</u>	<u>594,830</u>	<u>409,546</u>	<u>2,998,933</u>	<u>16,523,514</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>419,493</u>	<u>4,112</u>	<u>363</u>	<u>(139,049)</u>	<u>284,919</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers in	43,348	51,739	-	128,544	223,631
Operating transfers out	(72,034)	(55,851)	(363)	(95,383)	(223,631)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(28,686)</u>	<u>(4,112)</u>	<u>(363)</u>	<u>33,161</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>390,807</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(105,888)</u>	<u>284,919</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2019	<u>3,482,681</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>622,996</u>	<u>4,105,677</u>
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,055</u>	<u>14,055</u>
June 30, 2020	<u>\$ 3,873,488</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>531,163</u>	<u>\$ 4,404,651</u>

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Exhibit D-1

Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ 284,919

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

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

Capital outlay	\$ 100,214	
Depreciation expense	<u>(297,658)</u>	(197,444)

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

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

Payments of debt principal	236,913	
Accrued interest payable	<u>7,846</u>	244,759

4. The implementation of GASB 68 and 75 creates a change in the amount of pension and OPEB expense that is reported on the statement of activities. A breakdown of these changes are listed below:

Recording of pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	1,555,906	
Recording of pension expense for the current period	(1,477,322)	
Recording of OPEB contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	63,065	
Recording of OPEB expense for the current period	<u>(88,811)</u>	52,838

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

Change in compensated absences	(15,349)	
Change in inventory reserve	<u>14,055</u>	<u>(1,294)</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ 383,580

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

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fiduciary Funds
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
June 30, 2020

Exhibit E

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 820,316
Due from other governments	-	80
Total Assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 820,396</u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 806,142
Due to other funds	-	500
Due to student clubs	-	13,754
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 820,396</u>
Net Position		
Reserved for endowments	-	
Total Net Position	<u>\$ -</u>	

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HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fiduciary Funds
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Exhibit F

	Private Purpose Trust Funds
Additions	
Interest on investments	\$ 1,594
Contributions and donations from private sources	-
Total Additions	<u>1,594</u>
Deductions	
Scholarships awarded	<u>66,752</u>
Total Deductions	<u>66,752</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>(65,158)</u>
Net Position	
July 1, 2019	<u>65,158</u>
June 30, 2020	<u>\$ -</u>

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

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

a. Financial Reporting Entity

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

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

b. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

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

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

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

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function, or segment, are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property taxes and other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

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

The school district reports the following major governmental funds:

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

Title I-A Basic Fund - This special revenue fund is used to account for the federal funds whose use is restricted for services associated with providing supplemental education service to students.

IDEA Part B Fund – This special revenue fund is financed with federal funds and is used to account for the activities associated with providing special education students with appropriate services.

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:

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

Student Club Funds – These various funds account for the monies raised through school club activities and fundraisers and club related expenditures approved by the individual clubs.

Accounts Payable Clearing Fund – This fund serves as a clearing fund for accounts payable type transactions.

Additionally, the school district reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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

Capital Projects Funds - 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.

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Private-purpose Trust Funds – 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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.

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

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 16th Section Principal fund is not available for use by the district except as provided for under state statute for loans from this fund.

6. Capital Assets

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

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

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

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The following schedule details the capitalization thresholds:

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

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

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 district reports deferred outflows of resources related to its pension and OPEB plans.

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 district reports deferred inflows of resources related to its pension and OPEB plans.

See Note 11 for further details.

8. Compensated Absences

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

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

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Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 Pension (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. For this purpose, benefit payments are recorded when the OPEB benefits come due. Investments are reported at fair value as determined by the state.

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.

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.

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 a resolution approved by 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 Superintendent and the Business Manager pursuant to authorization established by the District's approved fund balance 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.

It is the goal of the District to achieve and maintain an unassigned fund balance in the general fund at fiscal year-end of not less than 7% of total revenues for the year. If the unassigned fund balance at fiscal year falls below the goal, the District shall develop a restoration plan to achieve and maintain the minimum fund balance.

13. Accounting Standards Update

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued GASB 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance* in May 2020. The objective of this Statement was to provide temporary relief to governments in light of the COVID-19 pandemic by postponing effective dates of certain Statements and Implementation Guides. The effective dates of GASB 83-84, GASB 88-93, and Implementation Guides No. 2017-3, 2018-1, 2019-1, and 2019-2 were postponed one year. The effective dates of GASB 87, *Leases*, and Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, *Leases*, were postponed eighteen months.

f. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from the estimates.

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Note 2 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

The district follows the practice of aggregating the cash assets of various funds to maximize cash management efficiency and returns. Restrictions on deposits 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.

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 \$3,458,777 and \$820,316, respectively.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the district will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the district. As of June 30, 2020, none of the district's bank balance of \$4,281,408 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Note 3 – Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

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

a. Due From/To Other Funds

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Title 1-A Basic Fund	\$ 77,925
General Fund	IDEA Part B Fund	385,527
General Fund	Agency Funds	500
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	167,405
		<u>\$ 631,357</u>

Inter-fund receivables and payables resulted primarily from the General Fund's loan to various special revenue funds to cover cash deficits in pooled bank accounts.

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Note 3 – Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers (Continued)

b. Inter-fund Transfer

Transfers Out	Transfers In	Amount
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 65,005
General Fund	Title 1-A Basic Fund	7,029
Title 1-A Basic Fund	General Fund	2,985
Title 1-A Basic Fund	Other Governmental Funds	52,866
IDEA Part B Fund	General Fund	363
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	40,000
Other Governmental Funds	Title 1-A Basic Fund	44,710
Other Governmental Funds	Other Governmental Funds	10,673
		<u>\$ 223,631</u>

The transfers represent board approved operating transfers for school operations and planning purposes.

Note 4 – Restricted Assets

The restricted assets represent the cash balance, totaling \$240,894 of the Three Mill Note 2014 Fund.

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Note 5 – Capital Assets

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

	Balance 7/1/2019	Increases	Decreases	Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2020
Governmental Activities:					
<u>Non-depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Land	\$ 198,441	-	-		\$ 198,441
Total non-depreciable capital assets	198,441	-	-		198,441
<u>Depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Buildings	11,251,321	-	-		11,251,321
Improvements other than buildings	188,506	-	-		188,506
Mobile equipment	1,916,131	77,500	-		1,993,631
Furniture and equipment	572,891	22,714	(19,804)		575,801
Total depreciable capital assets	13,928,849	100,214	(19,804)	-	14,009,259
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>					
Buildings	5,836,934	188,715	-		6,025,649
Improvements other than buildings	143,262	7,540	-		150,802
Mobile equipment	1,393,066	80,777	-		1,473,843
Furniture and equipment	512,789	20,626	(19,606)		513,809
Total accumulated depreciation	7,886,051	297,658	(19,606)	-	8,164,103
Total depreciable capital assets, net	6,042,798	(197,444)	(198)	-	5,845,156
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 6,241,239	(197,444)	(198)	-	\$ 6,043,597

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

Governmental activities:	Amount
Instruction	\$ 177,290
Support services	109,314
Non-instructional	11,054
Total depreciation expense	\$ 297,658

The capital assets above include significant amounts of buildings and furniture and equipment which have been valued at estimated historical cost. The estimated historical cost was based on replacement costs multiplied by the consumer price index implicit price deflator for the year of acquisition.

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Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities

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

Description	Balance 7/1/2019	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/2020	Amounts due within one year
A. Three mill limited tax notes payable	\$ 1,055,000	0	170,000	885,000	175,000
B. Obligation under lease purchase agreement	766,964	0	66,913	700,051	68,863
C. Compensated absences payable	187,646	15,349		202,995	
Total	<u>\$ 2,009,610</u>	<u>15,349</u>	<u>236,913</u>	<u>1,788,046</u>	<u>243,863</u>

A. Three mill notes payable

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
1. Three mill limited note, Series 2014	2.26%	8/1/14	8/1/24	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>885,000</u>

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

Three mill limited note, Series 2014

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 175,000	20,001	195,001
2022	180,000	16,046	196,046
2023	180,000	11,978	191,978
2024	175,000	7,910	182,910
2025	175,000	3,955	178,955
Total	<u>\$ 885,000</u>	<u>59,890</u>	<u>944,890</u>

This debt will be retired from the Three Mill Notes Debt Service Fund.

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Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

B. Obligations under capital leases

The school district has entered into a lease agreement as lessee for financing the acquisition and replacement of heating and air-conditioning units. This lease qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes.

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
1. Capital Lease Obligation- 2017	3.00%	2/10/17	2/10/29	\$ 895,000	700,051
Total				<u>\$ 895,000</u>	<u>700,051</u>

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

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 68,863	21,059	89,922
2022	70,986	18,936	89,922
2023	73,116	16,806	89,922
2024	75,309	14,613	89,922
2025	77,535	12,387	89,922
2026-2029	334,242	25,445	359,687
Total	<u>\$ 700,051</u>	<u>109,246</u>	<u>809,297</u>

The school district uses the straight-line method of amortization for the lease payments which is not in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. However, the difference between the effective interest method and the straight-line method is not considered material.

This debt will be retired from the District Maintenance Fund.

C. Compensated absences payable

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

Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description. The school district contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries.

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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

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 is available at www.pers.ms.gov.

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

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, 2020 was 17.40% 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 State of Mississippi Legislature. The school district's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, 2019 and 2018 were \$1,555,906, \$1,335,347 and \$1,256,298, 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, 2020, the school district reported a liability of \$22,901,582 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, 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, 2020 net pension liability was .130182 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2019. This was an increase of .005275 percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2019 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2018.

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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the District recognized pension expense of \$1,477,322. At June 30, 2020, 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	\$ 269,696	\$ (18,091)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings		
on pension plan investments	21,970	
Changes of assumptions	55,105	(4,224)
Changes in proportion and differences between		
the entity's contributions and proportionate		
share of overall contributions	626,842	(1,029,366)
Entity's contributions subsequent to		
the measurement date	1,555,906	
Total	<u>\$ 2,529,519</u>	<u>\$ (1,051,681)</u>

\$1,555,906 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, 2021. 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,	
2021	\$ (271,951)
2022	(155,289)
2023	244,613
2024	104,559
Thereafter	-
Total	<u>\$ (78,068)</u>

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined by actuarial valuation prepared as of June, 30, 2018. Subsequent to the June 30, 2018 valuation, the Board adopted new actuarial assumptions based on the experience investigation for the four-year period ending June 30, 2018. The following actuarial assumptions are applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75 percent
Salary increases	3.00 – 18.25 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

Mortality rates were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: For males, 112% of male rates from ages 18 to 75 scaled down to 105% for ages 80 to 119. For females, 85% of the female rates from ages 18 to 65 scaled up to 102% for ages 75 to 119. Mortality rates will be projected generationally using the MP-2018 projection scale to account for future improvements in life expectancy.

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

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Broad	27.00 %	4.90 %
International Equity	22.00	4.75
Global Equity	12.00	5.00
Fixed Income	20.00	1.50
Real Estate	10.00	4.00
Private Equity	8.00	6.25
Cash	1.00	0.25
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 (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the former employer contribution rate (17.40%). 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%, 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%) or 1- percentage-point higher (8.75%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.75%)	Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
Entity's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 30,104,923	\$ 22,901,582	\$ 16,955,871

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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

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

Note 8 – 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. The plan issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <http://knowyourbenefits.dfa.ms.gov/>.

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 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 \$63,065 for the year ended June 30, 2020.

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Note 8 – 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, 2020, the District reported a liability of \$1,713,915 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, 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 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, 2019, the District's proportion was .20198376 percent. This was a decrease of .00522678 percent from the proportionate share as of the measurement date of June 30, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$88,811. At June 30, 2020, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 2,591	\$ (24,533)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB investments	32	
Changes of assumptions	127,777	(88,875)
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	12,700	(49,225)
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	63,065	
Total	<u>\$ 206,165</u>	<u>\$ (162,633)</u>

\$63,065 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, 2021. 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:

2021	\$ (8,955)
2022	(8,955)
2023	(8,955)
2024	(5,739)
2025	8,125
Thereafter	4,946
	<u>\$ (19,533)</u>

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Note 8 – Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.75 percent
Salary increases	3.00-18.20 percent, including wage inflation
Municipal Bond Index Rate	
Measurement Date	3.50%
Prior Measurement Date	3.89%
Year FNP is projected to be depleted	
Measurement Date	2019
Prior Measurement Date	2018
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation	
Measurement Date	3.50%
Prior Measurement Date	3.89%
Health Care Cost Trends	
Medicare Supplement Claims	7.00 percent for 2019 decreasing to an
Pre-Medicare	ultimate rate of 4.75% by 2028

Mortality rates were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: For males, 112% of male rates from ages 18 to 75 scaled down to 105% for ages 80 to 119. For females, 85% of the female rates from ages 18 to 65 scaled up to 102% for ages 75 to 119. Mortality rates will be projected generationally using the MP-2018 projection scale to account for future improvements in life expectancy.

The demographic actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study dated April 2, 2019.

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, 2019 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2019 valuation.

The long-term investment rate of return on OPEB plan investments was 4.50%.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2019 was 3.50 percent. Since the Prior Measurement Date, the Discount Rate has changed from 3.89% to 3.50%.

The trust was established on June 28, 2018 with an initial contribution of \$1,000,000. As of June 30, 2019, the trust has \$1,017,904. The fiduciary net position is projected to be depleted immediately, therefore, the Municipal Bond Index Rate is used in the determination of the discount rate for both the June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019 total OPEB liability. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2019 was based on a monthly average of the Bond Buyers General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate.

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Note 8 – Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

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 (2.50 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.50 percent) than the current discount rate:

		1% Decrease (2.50%)	Current Discount Rate (3.50%)	1% Increase (4.50%)
Net OPEB liability	\$	1,903,861	\$ 1,713,915	\$ 1,551,399

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes 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 that the current healthcare cost trend rates:

		1% Decrease	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates Current	1% Increase
Net OPEB liability	\$	1,588,206	\$ 1,713,915	\$ 1,856,322

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued report that can be found at <http://knowyourbenefits.dfa.ms.gov/>.

Note 9 – Contingencies

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

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

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 virus outbreak to be a pandemic. Management has evaluated the potential impact of the pandemic on the entity's operations. As of February 19, 2021, Management reports an adverse effect on revenue, workforce or related costs which can be attributed directly to COVID-19.

Note 10 – Risk Management

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

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Note 10 – Risk Management (Continued)

Participation in Public Entity Risk Pool

The school district is a member of the Mississippi School Boards Association Worker's 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 56 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 11 – Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$19,423,634) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from a deferred outflow from pensions. A portion of the deferred outflow of resources related to pension in the amount of \$1,555,906 resulting from the school district contribution subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. The \$973,613 balance of deferred outflow of resources related to pensions, at June 30, 2020 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$19,423,634) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$1,051,681 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to pensions, at June 30, 2020 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$19,423,634) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from a deferred outflow from OPEB. A portion of the deferred outflow of resources related to OPEB in the amount of \$63,065 resulting from the school district contribution subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2021. The \$143,100 balance of deferred outflow of resources related to OPEB, at June 30, 2020 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 6 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$19,423,634) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from OPEB. The \$162,633 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to OPEB, at June 30, 2020 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 6 years.

Note 12 – State Compliance Testing

The Mississippi Office of the State Auditor (OSA) has elected to perform procedures in relation to purchasing and compliance with state laws. This report should be viewed in conjunction with the report from OSA in order to gain a comprehensive understanding of the School District's operations. This report and OSA's report will be available on OSA's website at <http://www.osa.ms.gov/reports>.

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Note 13 – Subsequent Events

Events that occur after the Statement of Net Position date but before the financial statements are available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the Statement of Net Position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the Statement of Net Position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes.

Management of the Houston School District evaluated the activity of the district through February 19, 2021 (the date the financial statements were available to be issued), and determined that the following subsequent events have occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to financial statements.

Senate Bill 2463, effective July 1, 2017, requires an administrative consolidation of the Chickasaw County and Houston School District into one school district to be designated as the Chickasaw County School District effective July 1, 2021.

On August 10, 2020, the school board approved the issuance of a \$155,960 shortfall note from The Peoples Bank at an annual interest rate of 2.35%. A receivable has been recorded at the June 30, 2020 balance sheet date for the future revenues to be received for the purpose of returning the short-fall debt.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Local sources	\$ 3,116,440	\$ 3,037,675	\$ 3,554,218	\$ (78,765)	\$ 516,543
State sources	7,348,597	7,532,364	9,285,216	183,767	1,752,852
Federal sources	119,692	100,264	100,264	(19,428)	-
Total Revenues	10,584,729	10,670,303	12,939,698	85,574	2,269,395
Expenditures:					
Instruction	6,542,898	6,362,135	7,968,386	180,763	(1,606,251)
Support services	4,461,762	4,078,462	4,461,897	383,300	(383,435)
Debt service:					
Principal	66,913	66,913	66,913	-	-
Interest	23,009	23,009	23,009	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	11,094,582	10,530,519	12,520,205	564,063	(1,989,686)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(509,853)	139,784	419,493	649,637	279,709
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Insurance recovery	50	-	-	(50)	-
Sale of transportation equipment	50	-	-	(50)	-
Operating transfers in	67,850	44,174	43,348	(23,676)	(826)
Operating transfers out	-	(19,620)	(72,034)	(19,620)	(52,414)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	67,950	24,554	(28,686)	(43,396)	(53,240)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(441,903)	164,338	390,807	606,241	226,469
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2019, as restated	3,257,184	3,257,184	3,482,681	-	225,497
June 30, 2020	\$ 2,815,281	\$ 3,421,522	\$ 3,873,488	\$ 606,241	\$ 451,966

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

Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Title I - A Basic Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 861,111	\$ 860,581	\$ 598,942	\$ (530)	\$ (261,639)
Total Revenues	861,111	860,581	598,942	(530)	(261,639)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	811,626	809,523	573,642	2,103	235,881
Support services	18,155	28,388	16,305	(10,233)	12,083
Noninstructional services	11,752	11,752	4,883	-	6,869
Total Expenditures	841,533	849,663	594,830	(8,130)	254,833
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	19,578	10,918	4,112	(8,660)	(6,806)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers in	-	-	51,739	-	51,739
Operating transfers out	-	-	(55,851)	-	(55,851)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	(4,112)	-	(4,112)
Net Change in Fund Balances	19,578	10,918	-	(8,660)	(10,918)
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2019	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2020	\$ 19,578	\$ 10,918	\$ -	\$ (8,660)	\$ (10,918)

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Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
IDEA Part B Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 435,184	435,184	409,909	-	(25,275)
Total Revenues	435,184	435,184	409,909	-	(25,275)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	161,039	183,673	165,692	(22,634)	17,981
Support services	854,161	273,685	243,854	580,476	29,831
Noninstructional services	1,000	1,000	-	-	1,000
Total Expenditures	1,016,200	458,358	409,546	557,842	48,812
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(581,016)	(23,174)	363	557,842	23,537
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers out	-	(362)	(363)	(362)	(1)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	(362)	(363)	(362)	(1)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(581,016)	(23,536)	-	557,480	23,536
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2019	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2020	\$ (581,016)	\$ (23,536)	-	\$ 557,480	\$ 23,536

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Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
PERS
Last 10 Fiscal Years *

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.130182%	0.124907%	0.135839%	0.136851%	0.132667%	0.129984%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 22,901,582	20,775,745	22,581,052	24,445,006	20,095,436	15,779,619
District's covered payroll	\$ 8,478,394	7,976,495	8,714,152	8,754,667	8,288,305	7,942,717
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	270.12%	260.46%	259.13%	279.22%	242.46%	198.67%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	61.59%	62.54%	61.49%	57.47%	61.70%	67.21%

* 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.

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

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

Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of District Contributions
PERS
Last 10 Fiscal Years

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,555,906	1,335,347	1,256,298	1,372,479	1,378,860	1,305,408
Contribution in relation to the contractually required contribution	1,555,906	1,335,347	1,256,298	1,372,479	1,378,860	1,305,408
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
District's covered payroll	8,943,931	8,478,394	7,976,495	8,714,152	8,754,667	8,288,305
Contributions as a percentage of its covered payroll	17.40%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

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Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability
OPEB
Last 10 Fiscal Years *

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.20198376%	0.20721054%	0.20945993%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 1,713,915	1,602,877	1,643,441
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 8,478,394	8,490,750	8,590,888
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	20.22%	18.88%	19.13%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	0.12%	.13%	0.00%

* 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.

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.

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Houston School District
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of District Contributions
OPEB
Last 10 Fiscal Years

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 63,065	68,699	70,062
Contribution in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	63,065	68,699	70,062
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	8,943,931	8,478,394	8,490,750
Contributions as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.71%	0.81%	0.83%

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 75 was implemented in FYE 6/30/18, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

Prior year information is based on historical amounts reported in prior year audit report(s).

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

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule

(1) Basis of Presentation.

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

(2) Budget Amendments and revisions.

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

Pension Schedules

(1) Changes 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.

2016:

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%.

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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%.

2019:

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: for males, 112% of male rates from ages 18 to 75 scaled down to 105% for ages 80 to 119; for females, 85% of the female rates from ages 18 to 65 scaled up to 102% for ages 75 to 119; and projection scale MP-2018 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.

The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to PubT.H-2010 Disabled Retiree Table for disabled retirees with the following adjustments: for males, 137% of male rates at all ages; for females, 115% of female rates at all ages; and projection scale MP-2018 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.

The price inflation assumption was reduced from 3.00% to 2.75%.

The wage inflation assumption was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%.

Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality 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 7% to 9%.

(2) Changes in benefit provision

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 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, 2017 valuation for the June 30, 2019 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	38.4 years
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Price Inflation	3.00 percent

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Salary increase	3.25 percent to 18.50 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

OPEB Schedules

(1) *Changes of Assumptions*

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

2018: The discount rate was changed from 3.56% for the prior Measurement Date to 3.89% for the current Measurement Date.

2019: The discount rate was changed from 3.89% for the prior Measurement Date to 3.50% for the current Measurement Date.

(2) *Changes in benefit provisions*

2017: None

2018: None

2019: None

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

The actuarially determined contribution 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, 2018 actuarial valuation) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2019:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Amortization method	Level dollar
Amortization period	30 years, open
Asset valuation method	Market value of assets
Price Inflation	3%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.25 percent to 18.50 percent
Initial health care cost trend rates	
Medicare Supplement Claims	
Pre-Medicare	7.25%

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information
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Ultimate health care cost trend rates	
Medicare Supplement Claims	
Pre-Medicare	4.75%
 Year of ultimate trend rates	
Medicare Supplement Claims	
Pre-Medicare	2028
 Long-term investment rate of return, net of OEPB plan investment expense, including price inflation	 3.89%

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Houston School District
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No.	Pass-through Entity Identifying Number	Passed through to Sub- Recipients	Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:				
Child nutrition cluster:				
School breakfast program	10.553	205MS326N1099	-	245,917
National school lunch program	10.555	205MS326N1099	-	624,018
Summer feeding	10.559	205MS326N1099	-	103,141
Total child nutrition cluster			-	973,076
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			-	973,076
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			-	973,076
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>				
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:				
Title I grants to local educational agencies	84.010	ES010A190024	-	598,942
Title IV	84.184	ES424A190025	-	48,059
Vocational rehabilitation - grants to states	84.126	V048A190024	-	25,740
English language acquisition grants	84.365	ES367A180023	-	1,104
Supporting effective instruction - state grants	84.367	ES377A190025	-	105,983
School improvement grant	84.377	ES377A190025	-	57,286
COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund (ESSER)	84.425D	S425D20031	-	36,316
Subtotal			-	873,430
Special education cluster:				
Special education - grants to states	84.027	H027A190108	-	409,909
Special education - preschool grants	84.173	H173A190113	-	47,190
Special education - positive behavior	84.326	H027A190108	-	4,030
Total special education cluster			-	461,129
Education for homeless children and youth cluster:				
Education for homeless children and youth	84.196	ES196A180025		
Total Education for homeless children and youth cluster			-	
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			-	1,334,559
Total U.S. Department of Education			-	1,334,559
<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>				
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:				
Medical assistance program	93.778	1905MS5ADM	-	23,788
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			-	23,788
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ -	\$ 2,331,423

The notes to the Supplementary Information are an integral part of this schedule.

Houston School District
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Expenditures	Total	Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures	General Administration	School Administration	Other
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 12,664,987	10,005,736	737,631	846,186	1,075,434
Other	3,858,527	1,307,055	165,703	9,824	2,375,945
Total	<u>\$ 16,523,514</u>	<u>11,312,791</u>	<u>903,334</u>	<u>856,010</u>	<u>3,451,379</u>
Total number of students *	<u>1,749</u>				
Cost per student	<u>\$ 9,447</u>	<u>6,469</u>	<u>516</u>	<u>489</u>	<u>1,973</u>

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

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

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

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

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

* includes the number of students reported on the ADA report submission for March, which is the final submission for the fiscal year. Normally it is month 9; however, due to COVID-19 March was the last month.

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Notes to Supplementary Information
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

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 Houston School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2020. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) 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 Houston School District it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Houston 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 reimbursements. 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) Noncash Awards - Commodities

The amount of commodities reported on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is the value of commodities received by the district and reported under the National School Lunch Program CFDA #10.555. The value of the commodities received during the fiscal year was \$86,967.

(4) Indirect Cost Rate

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

OTHER INFORMATION

Houston School District
Other Information
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
General Fund
Last Four Years
UNAUDITED

	2020	2019*	2018*	2017*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 3,554,218	3,239,957	3,160,276	3,125,491
State sources	9,285,216	8,755,785	8,612,539	8,644,537
Federal sources	100,264	114,452	134,997	126,233
Total Revenues	<u>12,939,698</u>	<u>12,110,194</u>	<u>11,907,812</u>	<u>11,896,261</u>
Expenditures:				
Instruction	7,968,386	7,607,097	7,569,714	7,554,570
Support services	4,461,897	4,337,918	4,650,003	4,307,810
Noninstructional services			-	-
Debt service:				
Principal	66,913	64,964	63,072	13,144
Interest	23,009	24,958	26,850	2,952
Total Expenditures	<u>12,520,205</u>	<u>12,034,937</u>	<u>12,309,639</u>	<u>11,878,476</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>419,493</u>	<u>75,257</u>	<u>(401,827)</u>	<u>17,785</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Insurance recovery	-	4,463	108,906	-
Operating transfers in	43,348	45,847	171,709	54,170
Operating transfers out	(72,034)	(4,300)	(2,687)	(633)
Other financing uses	-	-	(1,958)	(300)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(28,686)</u>	<u>46,010</u>	<u>275,970</u>	<u>53,237</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>390,807</u>	<u>121,267</u>	<u>(125,857)</u>	<u>71,022</u>
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	3,482,681	3,361,414	3,488,141	3,424,369
Prior period adjustments	-	-	(870)	(7,250)
Beginning of period, as restated	<u>3,482,681</u>	<u>3,361,414</u>	<u>3,487,271</u>	<u>3,417,119</u>
End of Period	<u>\$ 3,873,488</u>	<u>3,482,681</u>	<u>3,361,414</u>	<u>3,488,141</u>

*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

Houston School District
Other Information
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Funds
Last Four Years
UNAUDITED

	2020	2019*	2018*	2017*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 3,848,720	3,576,796	3,538,172	3,527,538
State sources	10,544,713	9,999,665	9,965,426	10,004,650
Federal sources	2,415,000	2,535,393	2,430,076	2,666,280
Total Revenues	<u>16,808,433</u>	<u>16,111,854</u>	<u>15,933,674</u>	<u>16,198,468</u>
Expenditures:				
Instruction	9,780,654	9,337,109	9,094,441	9,460,641
Support services	5,352,033	5,199,698	5,423,284	5,887,436
Noninstructional services	1,107,062	1,102,653	1,124,007	1,119,184
Facilities acquisition and construction			-	
Debt service:				
Principal	236,913	229,964	535,779	509,531
Interest	46,852	52,530	67,350	55,379
Other	-	-	1,350	1,224
Total Expenditures	<u>16,523,514</u>	<u>15,921,954</u>	<u>16,246,211</u>	<u>17,033,395</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>284,919</u>	<u>189,900</u>	<u>(312,537)</u>	<u>(834,927)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Capital leases issued	-	-	-	895,000
Insurance recoveries	-	4,463	108,906	-
Operating transfers in	223,631	121,009	235,225	54,803
Other financing sources	(223,631)	-	-	-
Operating transfers out	-	(121,009)	(235,225)	(54,803)
Other financing uses	-	-	(1,958)	(300)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>4,463</u>	<u>106,948</u>	<u>894,700</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>284,919</u>	<u>194,363</u>	<u>(205,589)</u>	<u>59,773</u>
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	4,105,677	3,916,497	4,124,882	4,065,287
Prior period adjustments	-	-	(870)	(7,250)
Beginning of period, as restated	<u>4,105,677</u>	<u>3,916,497</u>	<u>4,124,012</u>	<u>4,058,037</u>
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	<u>14,055</u>	<u>(5,183)</u>	<u>(1,926)</u>	<u>7,072</u>
End of Period	<u>\$ 4,404,651</u>	<u>4,105,677</u>	<u>3,916,497</u>	<u>4,124,882</u>

*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE



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

Superintendent and School Board
Houston 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 Houston School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020 and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the Houston School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 19, 2021.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the school district's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. 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 Houston 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.

Okolona, Mississippi
February 19, 2021

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

Superintendent and School Board
Houston School District

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Houston 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 Houston School District's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2020. The Houston School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's 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 each of Houston 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 Houston 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 on the school district's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Houston 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, 2020.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Houston 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 Houston School District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing

procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Houston 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. 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.

Okolona, Mississippi
February 19, 2021

Watkins Ward and Stafford, P.C.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Section 1: Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements:

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|----|---|------------|
| 1. | Type of auditors' report issued: | Unmodified |
| 2. | Internal control over financial reporting: | |
| | a. Material weakness (es) identified? | No |
| | b. Significant deficiency (ies) identified? | No |
| 3. | Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? | No |

Federal Awards:

- | | | |
|-----|---|---|
| 4. | Internal control over major programs: | |
| | a. Material weakness (es) identified? | No |
| | b. Significant deficiency (ies) identified? | None reported |
| 5. | Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major federal programs: | Unmodified |
| 6. | Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? | No |
| 7. | Identification of major programs: | |
| | <u>CFDA Numbers</u> | <u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u> |
| | 10.553, 10.555, 10.559 | Child Nutrition Cluster |
| 8. | Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: | \$750,000 |
| 9. | Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee? | Yes |
| 10. | Prior fiscal year audit findings and questioned costs relative to federal awards which would require the auditee to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings in accordance with 2CFR 200.511(b) | Yes |

HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Section II: Financial Statement Findings

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

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.

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS



HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

TONY COOK, SUPERINTENDENT



AUDITEE'S SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

As required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), the Houston School District has prepared and hereby submits the following summary schedule of prior audit findings for the year ended June 30, 2020.

Finding	Status
2019-001	Corrected