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HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Audited Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

# HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Superintendent and School Board  
Hancock County School District

**Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hancock County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hancock County School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

***Auditor's Responsibility***

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 Hancock County School District, as of June 30, 2021, 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 6-14, 47-48, 49, 50, 51 & 52, 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 Hancock County School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds, and the other information section, which includes the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances—All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

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

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

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 21, 2022, on our consideration of the Hancock County School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hancock County School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Hancock County School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Cunningham CPAs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cunningham CPAs, PLLC

Belzoni, MS

February 21, 2022

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS



HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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The following discussion and analysis of District's financial performance provides an overview of the Hancock County School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2021. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Hancock County 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 Hancock County School District's financial performance.

## **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Total net position for 2021 increased \$4,623,570, including a prior period adjustment of \$3,139,559, and which represents a 12% increase from fiscal year 2020. Total net position for 2020 decreased \$2,125,044, including a prior period adjustment of \$11,838, which represents a 5.2% decrease from fiscal year 2019.
- General revenues amounted to \$40,024,615 and \$39,480,067, or 79% and 84% of all revenues for fiscal years 2021 and 2020, respectively. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$10,582,293, or 21% of total revenues for 2021, and \$7,415,263, or 16% of total revenues for 2020.
- The District had \$49,122,897 and \$49,032,212 in expenses for fiscal years 2021 and 2020; only \$10,582,293 for 2021 and \$7,415,263 for 2020 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$40,024,615 for 2021 were adequate to provide for these programs and \$39,480,067 for 2020 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$36,493,343 in revenues and \$33,338,206 in expenditures for 2021, and \$36,241,880 in revenues and \$32,489,876 in expenditures in 2020. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$2,694,804, including a prior period adjustment of \$522,755, from 2020 to 2021, and increased by \$2,945,142, including a prior period adjustment of \$11,838, from 2019 to 2020.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, increased by \$10,626,003, including a prior period adjustment of \$2,670,277, for 2021 and increased by \$2,387,566 for 2020. The increase for 2021 was due primarily to construction in progress net of the increase in accumulated depreciation.
- Long-term debt increased by \$2,525,000 for 2021 and increased by \$14,010,000 for 2020. This increase for 2021 was due primarily issuing three mill notes payable and the inception of energy efficiency leases net of principal payments on outstanding long-term debt. The liability for compensated absences decreased by \$76,744 for 2021 and increased by \$1,466 for 2020.

## **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Fund Financial Statements**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District are classified as governmental funds.

**Governmental funds** – All 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.

### **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.

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

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

A net pension liability and net OPEB liability result in liabilities on the government-wide financial statements but are not reported on governmental funds financial statements.

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

### **Notes to the financial statements**

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

### **Required Supplementary Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents budgetary comparison schedules, Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, 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. Assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$43,352,458 as of June 30, 2021.

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, 2021 and June 30, 2020

**Table 1**  
**Condensed Statement of Net Position**

	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	Percentage Change
Current assets	\$ 32,493,191	\$ 35,154,083	(7.57) %
Restricted assets	9,679,902	5,323,899	81.82 %
Capital assets, net	90,364,881	79,738,878	13.33 %
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>132,537,974</b>	<b>120,216,860</b>	<b>10.25 %</b>
 <b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>	 <b>8,922,996</b>	 <b>5,541,929</b>	 <b>61.01 %</b>
Current liabilities	2,857,556	260,962	995.01 %
Long-term debt outstanding	27,309,470	24,861,214	9.85 %
Net OPEB liability	3,295,896	3,491,615	(5.61) %
Net pension liability	63,800,338	57,326,259	11.29 %
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>97,263,260</b>	<b>85,940,050</b>	<b>13.18 %</b>
 <b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>	 <b>845,252</b>	 <b>1,089,851</b>	 <b>(22.44) %</b>
 <b>Net position:</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	67,135,609	63,269,280	6.11 %
Restricted	8,064,281	7,425,894	8.60 %
Unrestricted	(31,847,432)	(31,966,286)	0.37 %
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ 43,352,458</b>	<b>\$ 38,728,888</b>	<b>11.94 %</b>

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)	\$ (31,847,432)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension and net OPEB liability, including the deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to pensions and OPEB	   <u>59,018,490</u>
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension and net OPEB liability effect	   <u>\$ 27,171,058</u>

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

- Increase in net capital assets in the amount of \$10,626,003.
- The principal retirement of \$2,575,000 of long-term debt.
- Issuing \$2,100,000 in three mill notes payable.
- Inception of \$3,000,000 in energy efficiency leases.

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**Changes in net position**

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020 were \$50,606,908 and \$46,895,330, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$49,122,897 for 2021 and \$49,032,212 for 2020.

Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020.

**Table 2  
Changes in Net Position**

	Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Percentage Change
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 380,106	\$ 713,976	(46.76) %
Operating grants and contributions	10,202,187	6,701,287	52.24 %
General revenues:			
Property and gaming taxes	17,635,165	17,524,022	0.63 %
Grants and contributions not restricted	21,484,163	20,813,985	3.22 %
Investment earnings	311,819	576,854	(45.94) %
Sixteenth section	177,590	143,920	23.39 %
Other	415,878	421,286	(1.28) %
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>50,606,908</b>	<b>46,895,330</b>	<b>7.91 %</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Instruction	22,386,435	22,116,389	1.22 %
Support services	17,715,338	13,669,165	29.60 %
Non-instructional	1,615,995	6,519,873	(75.21) %
Sixteenth section	209,337	7,694	2,620.78 %
Pension expense	6,502,963	5,921,477	9.82 %
OPEB expense	113,101	223,820	(49.47) %
Interest on long-term liabilities	579,728	573,794	1.03 %
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>49,122,897</b>	<b>49,032,212</b>	<b>0.18 %</b>
<b>Increase (Decrease) in net position</b>	<b>1,484,011</b>	<b>(2,136,882)</b>	<b>169.45 %</b>
<b>Net Position, July 1, as previously reported</b>	<b>38,728,888</b>	<b>40,853,932</b>	(5.20) %
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>	<b>3,139,559</b>	<b>11,838</b>	26,421.03 %
<b>Net Position, July 1, as restated</b>	<b>41,868,447</b>	<b>40,865,770</b>	<b>2.45 %</b>
<b>Net Position, June 30</b>	<b>\$ 43,352,458</b>	<b>\$ 38,728,888</b>	<b>11.94 %</b>

**Governmental activities**

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

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**Table 3**  
**Net Cost of Governmental Activities**

	<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>Percentage Change</b>
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	
Instruction	\$ 22,386,435	\$ 22,116,389	1.22 %
Support services	17,715,338	13,669,165	29.60 %
Non-instructional	1,615,995	6,519,873	(75.21) %
Sixteenth section	209,337	7,694	2,620.78 %
Pension Expense	6,502,963	5,921,477	9.82 %
OPEB Expense	113,101	223,820	(49.47) %
Interest on long-term liabilities	579,728	573,794	1.03 %
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 49,122,897</b>	<b>\$ 49,032,212</b>	<b>0.18 %</b>

  

	<b>Net (Expense) Revenue</b>		<b>Percentage Change</b>
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	
Instruction	\$ (18,905,550)	\$ (18,441,815)	(2.51) %
Support services	(12,751,339)	(11,801,761)	(8.05) %
Non-instructional	521,414	(4,646,588)	111.22 %
Sixteenth section	(209,337)	(7,694)	(2,620.78) %
Pension Expense	(6,502,963)	(5,921,477)	(9.82) %
OPEB Expense	(113,101)	(223,820)	49.47 %
Interest on long-term liabilities	(579,728)	(573,794)	(1.03) %
<b>Total net (expense) revenue</b>	<b>\$ (38,540,604)</b>	<b>\$ (41,616,949)</b>	<b>7.39 %</b>

- Net cost of governmental activities (\$38,504,604 for 2021 and \$41,616,949 for 2020) was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property and gaming taxes (\$17,635,165 for 2021 and \$17,524,022 for 2020) and state and federal revenues (\$21,484,163 for 2021 and \$20,813,985 for 2020). In addition, there was \$177,590 and \$143,920 in Sixteenth Section sources for 2021 and 2020, respectively.
- Investment earnings amounted to \$311,819 for 2021 and \$576,854 for 2020.

## 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 \$39,405,893, a decrease of \$867,337, including a prior period adjustment of \$379,282, and which includes a decrease in inventory of \$30,534. \$20,832,915 or 53% 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 \$18,572,978 or 47% is either nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted, committed or

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assigned.

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The increase in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$2,694,804, including a prior period adjustment of \$522,755. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed an increase in the amount of \$3,572,197, including a prior period adjustment of (\$143,473), and which includes a decrease in reserve for inventory of \$30,534, due primarily to normal operations. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

<u>Major Fund</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
ESSER II Fund	No increase or decrease
2019 Bond Building Fund	\$ (7,134,378)

## 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 Hancock County 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, 2021, the District's total capital assets were \$129,995,649, including land, school buildings, building improvements, buses, other school vehicles, furniture and equipment, and any intangible assets. This amount represents an increase of \$13,277,098 from 2020. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2021, was \$39,630,768, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$2,981,257, resulting in total net capital assets of \$90,364,881.

**Table 4**  
**Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation**

	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Percentage</u> <u>Change</u>
Land	\$ 1,138,400	\$ 1,138,400	0.00 %
Construction in progress	6,088,296	3,951,807	54.06 %
Buildings	70,162,582	67,249,183	4.33 %
Building improvements	8,692,968	3,872,954	124.45 %
Improvements other than buildings	1,866,997	709,778	163.04 %
Mobile equipment	2,156,019	2,558,947	(15.75) %
Furniture and equipment	259,619	257,809	0.70 %
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 90,364,881</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 79,738,878</u></b>	<b>13.33 %</b>

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, 2021, the District had \$27,309,470 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$969,028 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences decreased \$76,744 from the prior year.

**Table 5**  
**Outstanding Long-Term Debt**

	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
General obligation bonds payable	\$ 15,235,000	\$ 17,305,000	(11.96) %
Three mill notes payable	5,850,000	4,255,000	37.49 %
Energy efficiency lease	3,000,000	-	N/A %
Qualified school construction bonds payable	3,000,000	3,000,000	0.00 %
Compensated absences payable	224,470	301,214	(25.48) %
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 27,309,470</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 24,861,214</u></b>	<b>9.85 %</b>

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

## CURRENT ISSUES

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

The District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. The District's system of financial planning, budgeting and internal financial controls are 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 Hancock County School District, 18375 Hwy 603 Kiln, MS 39556.



## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2021**

**Exhibit A**

	Governmental Activities
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 29,607,319
Investments	306,968
Due from other governments	2,489,772
Inventories	89,132
Restricted assets	9,679,902
Capital assets, non-depreciable:	
Land	1,138,400
Construction in progress	6,088,296
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Buildings	70,162,582
Building improvements	8,692,968
Improvements other than buildings	1,866,997
Mobile equipment	2,156,019
Furniture and equipment	259,619
Total Assets	<u>132,537,974</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred outflows - pensions	8,113,840
Deferred outflows - OPEB	809,156
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>8,922,996</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,767,200
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	90,356
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	
Capital related liabilities	969,028
Net OPEB liability	113,223
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
Capital related liabilities	26,115,972
Non-capital related liabilities	224,470
Net pension liability	63,800,338
Net OPEB liability	3,182,673
Total Liabilities	<u>97,263,260</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred inflows - pensions	132,398
Deferred inflows - OPEB	712,854
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>845,252</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	67,135,609
Restricted for:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	2,114,747
Debt service	4,875,307
Capital improvements	15,610
Forestry improvements	100,409
Unemployment benefits	129,971
Non-expendable:	
Sixteenth section principal	828,237
Unrestricted	(31,847,432)
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ 43,352,458</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Statement of Activities**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

**Exhibit B**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Governmental Activities	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions		
Governmental Activities:						
Instruction	\$ 22,386,435	\$ 213,164	\$ 3,267,721	\$ -	\$	(18,905,550)
Support services	17,715,338	-	4,963,999	-		(12,751,339)
Non-instructional	1,615,995	166,942	1,970,467	-		521,414
Sixteenth section	209,337	-	-	-		(209,337)
Pension expense	6,502,963	-	-	-		(6,502,963)
OPEB expense	113,101	-	-	-		(113,101)
Interest on long-term liabilities	579,728	-	-	-		(579,728)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 49,122,897</u>	<u>\$ 380,106</u>	<u>\$ 10,202,187</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>(38,540,604)</u>

General Revenues:

Taxes:

General purpose levies	13,854,501
Debt purpose levies	3,446,582
Gaming	334,082

Unrestricted grants and contributions:

State	21,480,605
Federal	3,558
Unrestricted investment earnings	311,819
Sixteenth section	177,590
Other	415,878

Total General Revenues	<u>40,024,615</u>
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Change in Net Position	<u>1,484,011</u>
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Net Position - Beginning, as previously reported	38,728,888
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Prior period adjustments	<u>3,139,559</u>
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Net Position - Beginning, as restated	<u>41,868,447</u>
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Net Position - Ending	<u><u>\$ 43,352,458</u></u>
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Governmental Funds**

**Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2021**

**Exhibit C**

	Major Funds					
	General Fund	ESSER II Fund	2019 Bond Building Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
<b>Assets:</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 27,528,417	\$ -	\$ 956,024	\$ 8,402,633	\$ 36,887,074	
Cash with fiscal agents	-	-	-	22,644	22,644	
Investments	241,827	-	-	2,442,644	2,684,471	
Due from other governments	551,702	1,253,233	-	684,837	2,489,772	
Due from other funds	1,341,850	-	-	-	1,341,850	
Inventories	-	-	-	89,132	89,132	
Total assets	29,663,796	1,253,233	956,024	11,641,890	43,514,943	
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>						
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,268,268	\$ 388,439	\$ -	\$ 110,493	\$ 2,767,200	
Due to other funds	-	864,794	-	477,056	1,341,850	
Total Liabilities	2,268,268	1,253,233	-	587,549	4,109,050	
<b>Fund Balances:</b>						
<b>Nonspendable:</b>						
Inventory	-	-	-	89,132	89,132	
Permanent fund principal	-	-	-	828,237	828,237	
<b>Restricted:</b>						
Debt service	-	-	-	4,965,663	4,965,663	
Grant activities	-	-	-	2,025,615	2,025,615	
Capital projects	-	-	956,024	2,915,314	3,871,338	
Forestry improvements	-	-	-	100,409	100,409	
Unemployment benefits	-	-	-	129,971	129,971	
<b>Assigned:</b>						
Capital improvements	5,749,302	-	-	-	5,749,302	
Special projects	393,520	-	-	-	393,520	
Student activities	419,791	-	-	-	419,791	
<b>Unassigned</b>	20,832,915	-	-	-	20,832,915	
Total Fund Balances	27,395,528	-	956,024	11,054,341	39,405,893	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 29,663,796	\$ 1,253,233	\$ 956,024	\$ 11,641,890	\$ 43,514,943	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Governmental Funds**

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

**Exhibit C-1**

**June 30, 2021**

**Total fund balances for governmental funds** \$ 39,405,893

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	1,138,400	
Construction in progress	6,088,296	
Buildings	100,352,706	
Building improvements	11,164,305	
Improvements other than buildings	2,177,122	
Mobile equipment	6,997,037	
Furniture and equipment	2,077,783	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(39,630,768)</u>	90,364,881

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

Net pension liability	(63,800,338)	
Deferred outflow s and inflow s of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:		
Deferred outflow s of resources related to pensions	8,113,840	
Deferred inflow s of resources related to pensions	<u>(132,398)</u>	(55,818,896)

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

Net OPEB liability	(3,295,896)	
Deferred outflow s and inflow s of resources related to OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:		
Deferred outflow s of resources related to OPEB	809,156	
Deferred inflow s of resources related to OPEB	<u>(712,854)</u>	(3,199,594)

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

General obligation bonds payable	(15,235,000)	
Three mill notes payable	(5,850,000)	
Energy efficiency lease payable	(3,000,000)	
Qualified school construction bonds payable	(3,000,000)	
Compensated absences	(224,470)	
Accrued interest payable	<u>(90,356)</u>	(27,399,826)

<b>Net position of governmental activities</b>	<b>\$ <u>43,352,458</u></b>
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Governmental Funds**

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

**Exhibit D**

	Major Funds			Other	Total
	General	ESSER II	2019 Bond	Governmental	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Building	Funds	Funds
			Fund		
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Local sources	\$ 14,840,303	\$ -	\$ 20,679	\$ 3,797,528	\$ 18,658,510
State sources	21,386,498	-	-	1,400,627	22,787,125
Federal sources	81,097	1,253,233	-	7,564,897	8,899,227
Sixteenth section sources	185,445	-	-	7,416	192,861
Total Revenues	36,493,343	1,253,233	20,679	12,770,468	50,537,723
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	19,290,913	-	49,849	4,217,364	23,558,126
Support services	12,912,746	97,247	518,948	3,948,129	17,477,070
Noninstructional services	3,546	-	-	1,686,870	1,690,416
Sixteenth section	209,337	-	-	-	209,337
Facilities acquisition and construction	921,664	1,155,986	6,586,260	2,203,552	10,867,462
Debt service:					
Principal	-	-	-	2,575,000	2,575,000
Interest	-	-	-	545,622	545,622
Total Expenditures	33,338,206	1,253,233	7,155,057	15,176,537	56,923,033
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	3,155,137	-	(7,134,378)	(2,406,069)	(6,385,310)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Bonds and notes issued	-	-	-	5,100,000	5,100,000
Payment help by escrow agent	-	-	-	174,409	174,409
Payment to QSCB debt escrow agent	-	-	-	(174,409)	(174,409)
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	1,052,353	1,052,353
Other financing sources	69,265	-	-	-	69,265
Operating transfers out	(1,052,353)	-	-	-	(1,052,353)
Other financing uses	-	-	-	(80)	(80)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(983,088)	-	-	6,152,273	5,169,185
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,172,049	-	(7,134,378)	3,746,204	(1,216,125)
<b>Fund Balances:</b>					
July 1, 2020, as previously reported	24,700,724	-	8,090,402	7,482,144	40,273,270
Prior period adjustments	522,755	-	-	(143,473)	379,282
July 1, 2020, as restated	25,223,479	-	8,090,402	7,338,671	40,652,552
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	-	-	-	(30,534)	(30,534)
June 30, 2021	\$ 27,395,528	\$ -	\$ 956,024	\$ 11,054,341	\$ 39,405,893

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**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, 2021**

**Exhibit D-1**

**Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds** \$ (1,216,125)

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

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

Capital outlay	\$	10,963,284	
Depreciation expense		<u>(2,981,257)</u>	7,982,027

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.

(116,301)

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 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	2,575,000		
Bonds and notes issued	(5,100,000)		
Accrued interest payable	<u>(34,106)</u>		(2,559,106)

4. Some items relating to pensions and 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 the governmental funds. These activities include:

Pension expense	(6,502,963)		
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>3,850,147</u>		(2,652,816)

5. Some items relating to OPEB and 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 the governmental funds. These activities include:

OPEB expense	(113,101)		
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>113,223</u>		122

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

Change in compensated absences	76,744		
Change in inventory reserve	<u>(30,534)</u>		<u>46,210</u>

**Change in net position of governmental activities** \$ 1,484,011

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

## HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Notes to the Financial Statements For Year Ended June 30, 2021

#### **Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accompanying financial statements of the Hancock County 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 Hancock County School District's accounting policies are described below.

##### **A. Financial Reporting Entity**

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

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

##### **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 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.



## HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Notes to the Financial Statements For Year Ended June 30, 2021

Fund Financial Statements - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. 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 Hancock County School District reports the following major governmental funds:

**General Fund** - This is the Hancock County 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.

**ESSER II Fund** – This special revenue fund is used to account for the activity of the ESSER II federal grant.

**2019 Bond Building Fund** – This is a capital projects fund where bond revenues and expenditures are recorded for the 2019 GO Bonds.

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

Additionally, the Hancock County 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.

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

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

#### **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. 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

# HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Notes to the Financial Statements For Year Ended June 30, 2021

is due.

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

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

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

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

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there 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 Hancock County School District deposits excess funds in the financial institutions selected by the school board. State statutes specify how these depositories are to be selected.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements For Year Ended June 30, 2021

### Investments

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

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

Investments for the district are reported at fair market value.

### 2. Receivables and payables

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

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

### 3. Due from Other Governments

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

### 4. Inventories and Prepaid Items

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

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

### 5. Restricted Assets

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

### 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

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## Notes to the Financial Statements For Year Ended June 30, 2021

replacement cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the thresholds in the table below.

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

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

The following schedule details the capitalization thresholds:

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

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

### 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 \$8,113,840 of deferred outflows related to its pension plan and \$809,156 related to its OPEB plan.

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 \$132,398 of deferred inflows related to its pension plan and \$712,854 related to its OPEB plan.

See Note 13 for further details.

### 8. Compensated Absences

Employees of the Hancock County School District accumulate sick leave at a minimum amount as required by state law. A greater amount may be provided by Hancock County 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 Hancock County 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

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

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

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

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

### 10. Pensions

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

### 11. Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the State and School Employees' Life and Health Plan (OPEB Plan) and additions to/deductions from the OPEB Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the OPEB Plan. 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.

*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

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level of decision-making authority. This formal action is for formal board approval of commitments. Currently there is no committed fund balance for this Hancock County 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 management pursuant to authorization established by the school board.

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

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

#### 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.

GASB 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, was implemented during fiscal year 2021. The objective of this statement was to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. This statement describes four fiduciary funds that should be reported, if applicable: (1) pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, (2) investment trust funds, (3) private-purpose trust funds, and (4) custodial funds.

#### **Note 2 – Cash and Cash Equivalents, Cash with Fiscal Agents, and Investments**

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

**Deposits.** The school board must advertise and accept bids for depositories no less than once every three years as required by Section 37-7-333, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The collateral pledged for the Hancock County 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.

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

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The carrying amount of the Hancock County School District's deposits with financial institutions reported in the governmental funds was \$36,887,074.

*Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits.* Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the district will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the district.

### Cash with Fiscal Agents

The carrying amount of school district's cash with fiscal agents held by financial institutions was \$22,644.

### Investments

As of June 30, 2021, the district had the following investments.

Investment Type	Rating	Maturities (in years)	Fair Value
U.S. Government securities	AA+	1-5 years	\$ 2,377,503
Certificates of deposit	N/A	1-5 years	71,436
Hancock Whitney Corp.	B	1-5 years	235,532
Total			<u>\$ 2,684,471</u>

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

The district has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2021:

- The District's investments of \$2,684,471 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs)

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

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

*Custodial Credit Risk - Investments.* Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the district will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a formal investment policy that addresses custodial credit risk. The investments in the Hancock Whitney Corp. are uninsured and unregistered and are not backed by the full faith and credit of the federal government.

*Concentration of Credit Risk.* Disclosure of investments by amount and issuer for any issuer that represents five percent or more of total investments is required. This requirement does not apply to investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government, investments in mutual funds and external investment pools, and other pooled investments. As of June 30, 2021, the district had the following investments:

Issuer	Fair Value	% of Total Investments
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 2,377,503	88%
Certificates of deposit	71,436	3%
Hancock Whitney Corp.	235,532	9%
	<u>\$ 2,684,471</u>	<u>100%</u>

**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	ESSER II Fund	\$ 864,794
	Other governmental funds	<u>477,056</u>
Total		<u>\$ 1,341,850</u>

The purpose of the inter-fund loans was to cover federal and state funds not received prior to year-end.

**B. Inter-fund Transfers**

Transfers Out	Transfers In	Amount
General Fund	Other governmental funds	\$ 1,052,353
Total		<u>\$ 1,052,353</u>

The primary reason for the interfund transfers was for debt service requirements, federal grant allocations and the funding of various programs within the district.



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**Note 4 – Restricted Assets**

The restricted assets represent the cash balance, totaling \$828,237 of the Sixteenth Section Principal Fund (Permanent Fund) which is legally restricted and may not be used for purposes that support the district's programs.

In addition, the restricted assets represent the cash with fiscal agents and investment balance, totaling \$22,644 and \$2,377,503, respectively, of the qualified school construction bond sinking fund.

In addition, the restricted assets represent the cash balance, totaling \$6,451,518, of unspent loan proceeds and other debt services funds whose assets are restricted for future debt service requirements.

**Note 5 – Capital Assets**

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

	Balance 7/1/2020	Increases	Decreases	Completed Construction	Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2021
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>						
<u>Non-depreciable capital assets:</u>						
Land	\$ 1,138,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 1,138,400
Construction in progress	3,951,807	10,867,462	-	(11,491,250)	2,760,277	6,088,296
Total non-depreciable capital assets	5,090,207	10,867,462	-	(11,491,250)	2,760,277	7,226,696
<u>Depreciable capital assets:</u>						
Buildings	95,301,803	-	(74,247)	5,125,150	-	100,352,706
Building improvements	6,042,509	-	-	5,121,796	-	11,164,305
Improvements other than buildings	932,818	-	-	1,244,304	-	2,177,122
Mobile equipment	7,323,772	-	(326,735)	-	-	6,997,037
Furniture and equipment	2,027,442	95,822	(45,481)	-	-	2,077,783
Total depreciable capital assets	111,628,344	95,822	(446,463)	11,491,250	-	122,768,953
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>						
Buildings	28,052,620	2,153,838	(16,334)	-	-	30,190,124
Building improvements	2,169,555	301,782	-	-	-	2,471,337
Improvements other than buildings	223,040	87,085	-	-	-	310,125
Mobile equipment	4,764,825	347,440	(271,247)	-	-	4,841,018
Furniture and equipment	1,769,633	91,112	(42,581)	-	-	1,818,164
Total accumulated depreciation	36,979,673	2,981,257	(330,162)	-	-	39,630,768
Total depreciable capital assets, net	74,648,671	(2,885,435)	(116,301)	11,491,250	-	83,138,185
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 79,738,878	\$ 7,982,027	\$ (116,301)	\$ -	\$ 2,760,277	\$ 90,364,881

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	Amount
<b>Governmental activities:</b>	
Instruction	\$ 1,727,091
Support services	1,205,193
Non-instructional	48,973
Total depreciation expense - Governmental activities	<u>\$ 2,981,257</u>

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Construction in progress is composed of:

	Spent to June 30, 2021	Remaining Commitment
Hancock Middle Athletics	\$ 937,231	\$ 126,237
Energy Project	4,281,203	1,711,457
High School Build D Classrooms	869,862	86,993
Total construction in progress	<u>\$ 6,088,296</u>	<u>\$ 1,924,687</u>

Construction projects included in governmental activities are funded by the 2019 bond building fund, the general fund and other capital projects funds.

**Note 6 – Long-term Liabilities**

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

	Balance 7/1/2020	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/2021	Amounts due within one year
A. General obligation bonds payable	\$ 17,305,000	\$ -	\$ (2,070,000)	\$ 15,235,000	\$ -
B. Three mill notes payable	4,255,000	2,100,000	(505,000)	5,850,000	690,000
C. Energy efficiency lease	-	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	279,028
D. Qualified school construction bonds payable	3,000,000	-	-	3,000,000	-
E. Compensated absences payable	301,214	-	(76,744)	224,470	-
Total	<u>\$ 24,861,214</u>	<u>\$ 5,100,000</u>	<u>\$ (2,651,744)</u>	<u>\$ 27,309,470</u>	<u>\$ 969,028</u>

**A. General obligation bonds payable**

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

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
General obligation bonds, series 2019	2.30%	7/18/2019	7/1/2028	<u>\$ 16,500,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,235,000</u>
Total				<u>\$ 16,500,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,235,000</u>

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

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Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ -	\$ 175,203	\$ 175,203
2023	2,140,000	325,796	2,465,796
2024	2,225,000	275,598	2,500,598
2025	2,320,000	223,330	2,543,330
2026	2,425,000	168,763	2,593,763
2027-2029	6,125,000	176,584	6,301,584
Total	<u>\$ 15,235,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,345,274</u>	<u>\$ 16,580,274</u>

This debt will be retired from the 2019 G.O. Bonds Debt Service Fund.

The amount of bonded indebtedness that can be incurred by the school district is limited by Sections 37-59-5 and 37-59-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Total outstanding bonded indebtedness during a year can be no greater than 15% of the assessed value of the taxable property within such district, according to the then last completed assessment for taxation, unless certain conditions, as set forth in Section 37-59-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) have been met. As of June 30, 2021, the amount of outstanding bonded indebtedness was equal to 3% of property assessments as of October 1, 2020.

**B. Three mill notes payable**

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Three mill note, series 2013	2.0-3.75%	10/1/2013	10/1/2027	\$ 7,185,000	\$ 3,750,000
Three mill note, series 2020	1.72%	10/22/2020	10/22/2030	<u>2,100,000</u>	<u>2,100,000</u>
Total				<u>\$ 9,285,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,850,000</u>

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

Series 2013:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 515,000	\$ 115,213	\$ 630,213
2023	535,000	100,107	635,107
2024	550,000	83,832	633,832
2025	565,000	66,400	631,400
2026	585,000	46,981	631,981
2027-2028	1,000,000	33,184	1,033,184
Total	<u>\$ 3,750,000</u>	<u>\$ 445,717</u>	<u>\$ 4,195,717</u>

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

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Series 2020:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 175,000	\$ 36,120	\$ 211,120
2023	180,000	33,110	213,110
2024	190,000	30,014	220,014
2025	210,000	26,746	236,746
2026	215,000	23,134	238,134
2027-2031	1,130,000	58,996	1,188,996
Total	<u>\$ 2,100,000</u>	<u>\$ 208,120</u>	<u>\$ 2,308,120</u>

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

Total on all series:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 690,000	\$ 151,333	\$ 841,333
2023	715,000	133,217	848,217
2024	740,000	113,846	853,846
2025	775,000	93,146	868,146
2026	800,000	70,115	870,115
2027-2031	2,130,000	92,180	2,222,180
Total	<u>\$ 5,850,000</u>	<u>\$ 653,837</u>	<u>\$ 6,503,837</u>

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

**C. Energy efficiency lease**

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Energy efficiency lease	1.60%	3/1/2021	3/1/2031	\$ <u>3,000,000</u>	\$ <u>3,000,000</u>

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

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Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 279,028	48,000	\$ 327,028
2023	283,492	43,536	327,028
2024	288,029	39,000	327,029
2025	292,637	34,391	327,028
2026	297,319	29,709	327,028
2027-2031	1,559,495	75,648	1,635,143
Total	<u>\$ 3,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 270,284</u>	<u>\$ 3,270,284</u>

This debt will be retired from the District Maintenance Fund.

An energy efficiency lease agreement dated March 1, 2021, was executed by and between the School District, the lessee, and Trustmark, the lessor.

The agreement authorized the borrowing of \$3,000,000 for the purchase of energy efficiency equipment, machinery, supplies, building modifications and other energy saving items. Payments of the lease shall be made from the District Maintenance Fund and not exceed fifteen (15) years.

The School District entered into this energy efficiency lease agreement under the authority of Section 31-7-14, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

Upon written notice to the lessor, the lessee has the option of repaying the total amount due as set forth by the agreement.

**D. Qualified school construction bonds payable**

As more fully explained in Note 11, debt has been issued by the school district that qualifies as Qualified School Construction bonds. Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Qualified school construction bonds payable	0.84%	1/15/2010	9/15/2023	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Total				<u>\$3,000,000</u>	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

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

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ -	\$ 25,200	\$ 25,200
2023	-	25,200	25,200
2024	3,000,000	25,200	3,025,200
Total	<u>\$ 3,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 75,600</u>	<u>\$ 3,075,600</u>

This debt will be retired from the QSCB sinking debt service fund

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#### **E. Compensated absences payable**

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

#### **Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

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

*Plan Description.* The Hancock County School District contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Miss. Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report is available at [www.pers.ms.gov](http://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 Hancock County School District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of June 30, 2021 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 Mississippi Legislature. The Hancock County School District's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019 were \$3,850,147, \$3,818,438 and \$3,342,401, 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, 2021, the Hancock County School District reported a liability of \$63,800,338 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, 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 Hancock

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County School District's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. The Hancock County School District's proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2021 net pension liability was .329567 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2020. This was an increase of .0037 percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2020 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of \$6,502,963. At June 30, 2021 the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 553,659	\$ -
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	2,644,808	-
Changes of assumptions	352,892	-
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	712,334	132,398
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	3,850,147	-
Total	<u>\$ 8,113,840</u>	<u>\$ 132,398</u>

\$3,850,147 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Hancock County 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, 2022. 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:

2022	\$ 594,955
2023	1,342,731
2024	1,349,142
2025	844,467
Total	<u>\$ 4,131,295</u>

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined by actuarial valuation prepared as of June 30, 2019. 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

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 are projected

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generationally using the MP-2018 projection scale to account for future improvements in life expectancy.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the four-year period from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018. The experience report is dated April 2, 2019.

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:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>		<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>	
Domestic Equity	27.00	%	4.90	%
International Equity	22.00		4.75	
Global Equity	12.00		5.00	
Fixed Income	20.00		0.50	
Real Estate	10.00		4.00	
Private Equity	8.00		6.25	
Cash	1.00		0.00	
Total	100	%		

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the current 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 table 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:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 82,581,703	\$ 63,800,338	\$ 48,298,172

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



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#### **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 a Select option for health benefits for non-Medicare participants. The Plan includes a separate coverage level for Medicare eligible retirees, Medicare Eligible surviving spouses, and Medicare eligible dependents of retirees and surviving spouses.

##### *Contributions.*

The Board has the sole authority for setting life and health insurance premiums for the Plan. The required premiums vary based on the plan selected and the type of participant. Employers pay no premiums for retirees while employees' premiums are funded primarily by their employer. Contributions to the OPEB plan from the District were \$113,223 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$3,295,896 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The basis for the District's proportion is determined by comparing the employer's average monthly employees participating in the Plan with the total average employees participating in the Plan in the fiscal year of all employers. The allocation was utilized because the level of premiums contributed by each employer is the same for any employee regardless of plan participation elections made by the employee. At the measurement date

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of June 30, 2020, the District's proportion was .42352373 percent. This was an increase of .012 percent from the proportionate share as of the measurement date of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$113,101. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 4,201	\$ 573,574
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	106	-
Changes of assumptions	511,718	139,280
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	179,908	-
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	113,223	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 809,156</b>	<b>\$ 712,854</b>

\$113,223 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from Hancock County 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, 2022. 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:	
2022	\$ (6,287)
2023	(6,287)
2024	(3,005)
2025	11,030
2026	(12,372)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ (16,921)</b>

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2020 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	3.00-18.25 percent, including wage inflation
Municipal Bond Index Rate	
Measurement Date	2.19%
Prior Measurement Date	3.50%
Year FNP is projected to be depleted	
Measurement Date	2020
Prior Measurement Date	2019
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of OPEB plan investment expense,	

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including inflation	
Measurement Date	2.19%
Prior Measurement Date	3.50%
Health Care Cost Trends	
Medicare Supplement Claims	7.00 percent for 2021 decreasing to an
Pre-Medicare	ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2030

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, 2020 valuation were based on the results of the last 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, 2020 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2020 valuation.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments is 4.50%.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2020 was 2.19 percent. Since the Prior Measurement Date, the Discount Rate has changed from 3.50% to 2.19%.

The trust was established on June 28, 2018 with an initial contribution of \$1,000,000. As of June 30, 2020, the trust has \$1,037,371. 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, 2019 and the June 30, 2020 total OPEB liability. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2020 was based on a monthly average of the Bond Buyers General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate.

*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 (1.19 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.19 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (1.19%)	Current Discount Rate (2.19%)	1% Increase (3.19%)
Net OPEB liability	\$ 3,642,190	\$ 3,295,896	\$ 2,998,870

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

	1% Decrease	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates Current	1% Increase
Net OPEB liability	\$ 3,043,255	\$ 3,295,896	\$ 3,582,126

*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/>.

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### Note 9 – Contingencies

Federal Grants – The Hancock County 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 Hancock County School District.

Litigation –The Hancock County 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 Hancock County School District with respect to the various proceedings. However, the Hancock County 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 Hancock County School District.

### Note 10 – Risk Management

The Hancock County 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. 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.

### Note 11 – Qualified School Construction Bonds

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

When the stated interest rate on the QSCB results in interest payments that exceed the supplemental interest payments discussed in the preceding paragraph, the school district may apply for a direct cash subsidy payment from the U.S. Treasury which is intended to reduce the stated interest rate to a nominal percentage. These subsidy payments do not include the amount of any supplemental interest paid on a QSCB. The school district did not apply for any subsidies for the year ended June 30, 2020.

The school district makes equal annual payments into a sinking fund which is used to pay off the bonds at termination. The current maturity limit of tax credit bonds is 17 years, per the U. S. Treasury Department. Under this program, ten percent of the proceeds must be subject to a binding commitment to be spent within six months of issuance and 100% must be spent within three years. Up to two percent of bond proceeds can be used to pay costs of issuance. The amount on deposit at June 30, 2021 was \$2,400,147. The amount accumulated in the sinking fund at the end of the seventeen-year period is expected to be sufficient to retire the debt. The following schedule reports the annual deposits to be made to the sinking fund by the school district.

Year Ending		Amount
June 30		
2022	\$	215,000
2023		215,000
2024		215,000
Total	\$	<u>645,000</u>

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**Note 12 – Sixteenth Section Lands**

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

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2022	\$ 150,992
2023	138,241
2024	137,226
2025	126,124
2026	116,476
2027-2031	536,142
2032-2036	405,345
Thereafter	1,871,851
Total	<u>\$ 3,482,397</u>

**Note 13 – Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position**

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$31,847,432) 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 \$3,850,147 resulting from the Hancock County 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, 2022. The \$4,263,693 balance of deferred outflow of resources related to pensions, at June 30, 2021 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$31,847,432) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$132,398 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to pensions, at June 30, 2021 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 3 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$31,847,432) 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 \$113,223 resulting from the Hancock County 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, 2022. The \$695,933 balance of deferred outflow of resources related to OPEB, at June 30, 2021 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 5 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$31,847,432) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from OPEB. The \$712,854 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to OPEB, at June 30, 2021 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 5 years.

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### **Note 14 – Vocational School Consortium**

The school district entered into a Vocational Educational Agreement dated June 11, 2018 creating the Career Technical Education Center. This consortium was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 37-31-73, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and approved by the Mississippi Department of Education. The consortium includes the Bay St. Louis – Waveland School District. And the Pass Christian School District.

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

The Hancock County School District has been designated as the fiscal agent for the Career Technical Education Center, and the operations of the consortium are included in its financial statements. The following Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance is presented to detail the financial activity of the Career Technical Education Center.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

#### **Revenues**

Local sources:	
Tuition from other LEA's within the state:	
Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District	\$ 71,001
Pass Christian School District	45,644
Other local sources	36,393
Total local sources	<u>153,038</u>
Federal sources	128,601
State sources	834,070
Total Revenues	<u>1,115,709</u>

#### **Expenditures**

Salaries	1,388,612
Employee benefits	468,182
Purchased professional and technical services	17,736
Other purchased services	101,436
Supplies	55,925
Property	116,859
Other	10,649
Total Expenditures	<u>2,159,399</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(1,043,690)</u>

#### Other financing sources:

Transfers in	1,052,353
Total other financing sources	<u>1,052,353</u>

Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>8,663</u>
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#### Fund Balance:

July 1, 2020, as previously reported	158,575
Prior period adjustment	<u>(52,197)</u>
July 1, 2020, as restated	106,378
June 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 115,041</u></u>

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### **Note 15 – Prior Period Adjustments**

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

#### Exhibit B - Statement of Activities

Explanation	Amount
1. GASB 84 implementation	\$ 203,158
2. To adjust beginning asset balances	176,124
3. To adjust beginning construction in progress balance	2,760,277
Total	<u>\$ 3,139,559</u>

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

Fund	Explanation	Amount
General Fund	GASB 84 implementation	\$ 203,158
General Fund	To adjust beginning asset balances	319,597
Other governmental funds	To adjust beginning asset balances	(143,473)
Total		<u>\$ 379,282</u>

### **Note 16 – 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 Hancock County School District's operations. This report and OSA's report will be available on OSA's website at <http://www.osa.ms.gov/reports>.

### **Note 17 - 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 Hancock County School District evaluated the activity of the district through February 21, 2022 (the date the financial statements were available to be issued), and determined that no subsequent events have occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Required Supplementary Information**

**Budgetary Comparison Schedule**  
**General Fund**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
				Original	Final
	Original	Final		to Final	to Actual
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Local sources	\$ 14,987,301	\$ 14,825,881	\$ 14,840,303	\$ (161,420)	\$ 14,422
State sources	21,802,488	21,382,017	21,386,498	(420,471)	4,481
Federal sources	70,800	85,577	81,097	14,777	(4,480)
Sixteenth section	132,000	185,445	185,445	53,445	-
Total Revenues	36,992,589	36,478,920	36,493,343	(513,669)	14,423
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	21,401,129	19,280,669	19,290,913	2,120,460	(10,244)
Support services	15,109,355	13,031,617	12,912,746	2,077,738	118,871
Noninstructional services	2,100	3,546	3,546	(1,446)	-
Sixteenth section	46,700	8,546	209,337	38,154	(200,791)
Facilities acquisition and construction	265,000	714,968	921,664	(449,968)	(206,696)
Total Expenditures	36,824,284	33,039,346	33,338,206	3,784,938	(298,860)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	168,305	3,439,574	3,155,137	3,271,269	(284,437)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating transfers in	4,095,380	3,515,976	-	(579,404)	(3,515,976)
Other financing sources	100	53,201	69,265	53,101	16,064
Operating transfers out	(5,521,361)	(4,568,328)	(1,052,353)	953,033	3,515,975
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,425,881)	(999,151)	(983,088)	426,730	16,063
Net Change in Fund Balances	(1,257,576)	2,440,423	2,172,049	3,697,999	(268,374)
<b>Fund Balances:</b>					
July 1, 2020, as previously reported	24,700,724	24,700,724	24,700,724	-	-
Prior period adjustment	-	133,081	522,755	133,081	389,674
July 1, 2020, as restated	24,700,724	24,833,805	25,223,479	133,081	389,674
June 30, 2021	\$ 23,443,148	\$ 27,274,228	\$ 27,395,528	\$ 3,831,080	\$ 121,300

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

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Required Supplementary Information**

**Budgetary Comparison Schedule**

**ESSER II Fund**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Federal sources	\$ -	\$ 4,322,699	\$ 1,253,233	\$ 4,322,699	\$ (3,069,466)
Total Revenues	-	4,322,699	1,253,233	4,322,699	(3,069,466)
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	-	2,688,713	-	(2,688,713)	2,688,713
Support services	-	478,000	97,247	(478,000)	380,753
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	1,155,986	1,155,986	(1,155,986)	-
Total Expenditures	-	4,322,699	1,253,233	(4,322,699)	3,069,466
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2020	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Required Supplementary Information**

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

**PERS**

**Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<u>2021</u>	<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	0.329567%	0.325866%	0.326798%	0.320564%	0.315476%	0.316810%	0.315248%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability \$	63,800,338	57,326,259	54,356,217	53,288,622	56,351,890	48,972,578	38,265,335
District's covered payroll	21,945,046	21,221,594	20,869,175	20,564,375	20,179,790	19,792,463	19,263,263
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	290.73%	270.13%	260.46%	259.13%	279.25%	247.43%	198.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	58.97%	61.59%	62.54%	61.49%	57.47%	61.70%	67.21%

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

\* 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 Statement No. 68 was implemented in FYE 6/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

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**Required Supplementary Information**

**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS**

**PERS**

**Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 3,850,147	3,818,438	3,342,401	3,286,895	3,238,889	3,178,317	3,117,313
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 3,850,147	3,818,438	3,342,401	3,286,895	3,238,889	3,178,317	3,117,313
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-	-
District's covered payroll	\$ 22,127,282	21,945,046	21,221,594	20,869,175	20,564,375	20,179,790	19,792,463
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	17.40%	17.40%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

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**Required Supplementary Information**

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

**OPEB**

**Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018*</b>
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.42352373%	0.41148458%	0.40686302%	0.40257536%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 3,295,896	3,491,615	3,147,289	3,158,642
District's covered-employee payroll	21,945,046	21,221,594	20,869,175	20,564,375
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	15.02%	16.45%	15.08%	15.36%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	0.1331%	0.1198%	0.1291%	0.0000%

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

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 Statement No. 75 was implemented in FYE 6/30/2018, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Required Supplementary Information**

**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS**

**OPEB**

**Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<u><b>2021</b></u>	<u><b>2020</b></u>	<u><b>2019</b></u>	<u><b>2018*</b></u>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 113,223	131,440	139,955	134,658
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	\$ 113,223	131,440	139,955	134,658
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	-	-	-
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 22,127,282	21,945,046	21,221,594	20,869,175
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.5117%	0.5990%	0.6595%	0.6452%

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

\*This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB Statement No. 75 was implemented in FYE 6/30/2018, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available. Prior year information is based on historical amounts reported in prior year audit report(s).

## **Notes to Required Supplementary Information**

### **Budgetary Comparison Schedule**

(1) Basis of Presentation

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

(2) Budget Amendments and Revisions

The budget is adopted by the school board and filed with the taxing authority. Amendments can be made on the approval of the school board. By statute, final budget revisions must be approved on or before October 15. A budgetary comparison is presented for the General Fund 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%.

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 provisions*

## 2016:

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

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

The actuarially determined contribution rates in the schedule of employer contributions are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported (June 30, 2018 valuation for the June 30, 2020 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	30.9 years
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Price Inflation	3.00 percent
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.



2020: The discount rate was changed from 3.50% for the prior Measurement Date to 2.19% for the current Measurement Date.

(2) *Changes in benefit provisions*

2017: None

2018: None

2019: None

2020: The schedule of monthly retiree contributions was increased as of January 1, 2021. In addition, the deductibles and coinsurance maximums were increased for the Select coverage and the coinsurance maximums were increased for the Base Coverage beginning January 1, 2021.

(3) *Methods and assumptions used in calculations of Actuarially Determined Contributions.* The Actuarially Determined Contributions rates, as a percentage of payroll, used to determine the Actuarially Determined Contribution amounts in the Schedule of Employer Contributions are calculated as of the most recent Valuation Date. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2020:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Amortization method	Level dollar
Amortization period	30 years, open
Asset valuation method	Market Value of Assets
Price inflation	2.75%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.00% to 18.25%
Initial health care cost trend rates	
Medicare Supplement Claims	7.00%
Pre-Medicare	
Ultimate health care cost trend rates	
Medicare Supplement Claims	4.75%
Pre-Medicare	
Year of ultimate trend rates	
Medicare Supplement Claims	2028
Pre-Medicare	
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation	3.50%

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Supplementary Information**

**Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No.	Pass-through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures
<b><u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u></b>			
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
Child nutrition cluster:			
COVID-19 - Summer food service program for children	10.559	215MS326N1099	\$ 2,214,388
Total child nutrition cluster			<u>2,214,388</u>
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			<u>2,214,388</u>
<b>Total U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>			<u>2,214,388</u>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Defense</u></b>			
Direct Program:			
Reserve Officers' Training Corps	12.xxx	N/A	67,585
<b>Total U.S. Department of Defense</b>			<u>67,585</u>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Treasury</u></b>			
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund:			
Equity in Distance Learning Act	21.019	21/12010115/8491/EDLA	1,472,671
Mississippi Pandemic Response Broadband Availability Act	21.019	21/1201021785/8499/PRBAA	227,201
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund Subtotal			<u>1,699,872</u>
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			<u>1,699,872</u>
<b>Total U.S. Department of Treasury</b>			<u>1,699,872</u>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Education</u></b>			
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
Title I grants to local educational agencies	84.010	S010A200024	1,334,751
Career and technical education - basic grants to states	84.048	V048A200024	128,601
Rural Education	84.358	S358A200024	145,760
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	S367A200023	73,018
Student Support and Academic Enrichment	84.424	S424A200025	30,680
Subtotal			<u>1,712,810</u>
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief I	84.425D	S425D200031	930,972
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief II	84.425D	S425D210031	1,253,233
COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund (ESSER) Subtotal			<u>2,184,205</u>
Special education cluster:			
Special education - grants to states	84.027	H027A200108	992,609
Special education - preschool grants	84.173	H173A200113	24,200
Total special education cluster			<u>1,016,809</u>
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			<u>4,913,824</u>
<b>Total U.S. Department of Education</b>			<u>4,913,824</u>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u></b>			
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education:			
Medical assistance program	93.778	2105MS5ADM	3,558
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			<u>3,558</u>
<b>Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</b>			<u>3,558</u>
Total for All Federal Awards			\$ <u>8,899,227</u>

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

# HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Notes to the Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

### 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 Hancock County School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Hancock County School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Hancock County School District.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

(3) Indirect Cost Rate

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

(4) Noncash Awards

Donated commodities of \$169,528 are included in the COVID-19 – Summer Food Service Program for Children.

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Supplementary Information**

**Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

Expenditures	Total	Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures	General Administration	School Administration	Other
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 30,622,897	23,621,843	1,256,037	2,163,378	3,581,639
Other	26,300,136	5,017,504	217,498	235,275	20,829,859
Total	<u>\$ 56,923,033</u>	<u>28,639,347</u>	<u>1,473,535</u>	<u>2,398,653</u>	<u>24,411,498</u>
Total number of students *	<u>4,055</u>				
Cost per student	<u>\$ 14,038</u>	<u>7,063</u>	<u>363</u>	<u>592</u>	<u>6,020</u>

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

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

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

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

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

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

## OTHER INFORMATION

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Other Information**

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

**General Fund**

**Last Four Years**

**UNAUDITED**

	2021	2020*	2019*	2018*
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Local sources	\$ 14,840,303	\$ 14,684,778	\$ 14,128,630	\$ 13,419,859
State sources	21,386,498	21,311,326	20,633,976	19,511,207
Federal sources	81,097	71,718	99,736	206,049
Sixteenth section	185,445	174,058	203,854	173,389
Total Revenues	36,493,343	36,241,880	35,066,196	33,310,504
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Instruction	19,290,913	19,565,527	18,254,190	18,034,561
Support services	12,912,746	12,879,101	13,232,719	12,926,004
Noninstructional services	3,546	37,554	31,685	38,100
Sixteenth section	209,337	7,694	38,510	16,141
Facilities acquisition and construction	921,664	-	-	500,422
Total Expenditures	33,338,206	32,489,876	31,557,104	31,515,228
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	3,155,137	3,752,004	3,509,092	1,795,276
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Insurance recovery	-	-	-	388,254
Operating transfers in	-	205,836	-	-
Other financing sources	69,265	-	3,580	-
Operating transfers out	(1,052,353)	(1,024,536)	(960,543)	(902,830)
Other financing uses	-	-	-	(12,455)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(983,088)	(818,700)	(956,963)	(527,031)
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,172,049	2,933,304	2,552,129	1,268,245
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	24,700,724	21,755,582	19,203,453	17,688,802
Prior period adjustments	522,755	11,838	-	246,406
Beginning of period, as restated	25,223,479	21,767,420	19,203,453	17,935,208
End of Period	\$ 27,395,528	\$ 24,700,724	\$ 21,755,582	\$ 19,203,453

\*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

**HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Other Information**

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

**All Governmental Funds**

**Last Four Years**

**UNAUDITED**

	2021	2020*	2019*	2018*
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Local sources	\$ 18,658,510	\$ 19,193,857	\$ 18,239,807	\$ 17,416,556
State sources	22,787,125	22,720,890	21,840,082	21,425,181
Federal sources	8,899,227	4,794,382	4,864,822	4,610,358
Sixteenth section sources	192,861	186,201	221,516	181,944
Total Revenues	50,537,723	46,895,330	45,166,227	43,634,039
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Instruction	23,558,126	23,241,901	21,554,111	21,242,935
Support services	17,477,070	14,756,090	15,080,869	14,595,495
Noninstructional services	1,690,416	6,743,591	2,112,484	2,325,784
Sixteenth section	209,337	7,694	38,510	16,141
Facilities acquisition and construction	10,867,462	3,951,807	-	500,422
Debt service:				
Principal	2,575,000	2,490,000	2,935,000	3,795,000
Interest	545,622	572,267	261,133	336,690
Other	-	4,750	2,850	1,238
Total Expenditures	56,923,033	51,768,100	41,984,957	42,813,705
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(6,385,310)	(4,872,770)	3,181,270	820,334
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Insurance recovery	-	-	-	388,254
Bonds and notes issued	5,100,000	16,500,000	-	-
Payment from QSCB debt escrow agent	174,409	178,486	209,168	192,961
Payment to QSCB debt escrow agent	(174,409)	(178,486)	(209,168)	(192,961)
Operating transfers in	1,052,353	1,230,372	965,199	906,459
Other financing sources	69,265	-	3,580	-
Operating transfers out	(1,052,353)	(1,230,372)	(965,199)	(906,459)
Other financing uses	(80)	-	(14,842)	(13,624)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	5,169,185	16,500,000	(11,262)	374,630
Net Change in Fund Balances	(1,216,125)	11,627,230	3,170,008	1,194,964
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	40,273,270	28,582,218	25,422,869	23,978,833
Prior period adjustments	379,282	11,838	-	246,406
Beginning of period, as restated	40,652,552	28,594,056	25,422,869	24,225,239
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	(30,534)	51,984	(10,659)	2,666
End of Period	\$ 39,405,893	\$ 40,273,270	\$ 28,582,218	\$ 25,422,869

\*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS



## REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE

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

Superintendent and School Board  
Hancock County School District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hancock County School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Hancock County School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2022.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Hancock County School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Hancock County School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hancock County School District's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2021-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

**Compliance and Other Matters**

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

## **Hancock County School District's Response to Finding**

The Hancock County School District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Auditee Corrective Action Plan. We did not audit the Hancock County School District's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

### **Purpose of this Report**

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

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Cunningham CPAs, PLLC

Belzoni, Mississippi

February 21, 2022

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

Superintendent and School Board  
Hancock County School District

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

We have audited the Hancock County School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Hancock County School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. Hancock County School District's major federal programs are 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.

***Auditor's Responsibility***

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

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

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

In our opinion, the Hancock County School District, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

## Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Hancock County School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Hancock County 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 Hancock County School District's internal control over compliance.

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

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

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.

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Cunningham CPAs, PLLC

Belzoni, Mississippi

February 21, 2022

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Section I: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:

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

Federal Awards:

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

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| 5. | Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: | Unmodified |
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| 6. | Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? | No |
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| 7. | Identification of major programs: |  |
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CFDA Numbers

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

21.019

COVID-19 – Coronavirus Relief Fund

84.425D

COVID-19 – Elementary and Secondary School  
Emergency Relief I & II (ESSER)

- |     |  |           |
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| 8.  | Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:   | \$750,000 |
| 9.  | Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?   | No        |
| 10. | Prior fiscal year audit findings(s) and questioned costs which would require the auditee to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings in accordance with 2CFR 200.511(b). | Yes       |

# HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

### Section II: Financial Statement Findings

The results of our tests disclosed the following finding related to the financial statements that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*:

#### **Material Weakness:**

##### Finding 2021-001:

CRITERIA: Management is responsible for establishing an internal control system that ensures strong financial accountability and safeguarding of assets. A critical aspect of financial management is the maintenance of accurate accounting records.

##### CONDITION:

- (1) During our testing of the cutoff surrounding accounts payable, we noted two instances of expenditures, totaling \$782,587, that should have been accrued at year-end. These items were corrected by audit adjustment.
- (2) During our testing of capital assets, we noted the district is not effectively tracking and accounting for completed and ongoing construction projects. As such, a prior period audit adjustment of \$2,760,277 was needed to account for construction in progress.
- (3) The District failed to properly implement GASB 84 by recording the required revenues and expenditures of the District's activity in club accounts. This was corrected by auditor adjustment.

CAUSE OF CONDITION: The cause is a result of not properly implementing a designed system of accounting and internal controls.

EFFECT OF CONDITION: The effect of this condition could result in the financial statements being materially misstated.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the district implement policies or procedures to establish an internal control system that will ensure strong financial accountability, proper safeguarding of assets, and accurate accounting records.

VIEWS OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS: Management will implement policies or procedures to establish an internal control system that will ensure strong financial accountability, proper safeguarding of assets, and accurate accounting records.

### 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.



#### AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

As required by 2 CFR 200.511 the Hancock County School District has prepared and hereby submits the following corrective action plan for the findings included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs for the year ended June 30, 2021:

<u>Finding</u>	<u>Correction Action Plan Details</u>
2021-001	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action:</p> <p>Denise Ladner – Business Administrator</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p>Management will implement policies or procedures to establish an internal control system that will ensure strong financial accountability, proper safeguarding of assets, and accurate accounting records.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date:</p> <p>Immediately.</p>

#### SUMMARY OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

As required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (UG), the Hancock County School District has prepared and hereby submits the following summary of prior audit findings for the year ended June 30, 2021:

<u>Finding</u>	<u>Status</u>
2020-001	Corrected
2020-002	Corrected
2020-003	Corrected