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NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Audited Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Superintendent and School Board
Newton Municipal School District

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Newton Municipal School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Newton Municipal School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying 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 Newton Municipal School District, as of June 30, 2022, 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.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards (Government Auditing Standards)*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Newton Municipal School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Newton Municipal School District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion,

forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Newton Municipal School District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Newton Municipal School District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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), be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Newton Municipal 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 and the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The 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 basic 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 Schedule of Expenditures of

Federal Awards and the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises 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 but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 22, 2023, on our consideration of the Newton Municipal 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 Newton Municipal 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 Newton Municipal School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Brown CPA, PLLC
Madison, Mississippi
September 22, 2023

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Brown CPA, PLLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

The following discussion and analysis of Newton Municipal School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2022. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's performance as a whole. Readers are encouraged to review the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total net position for 2022 increased \$3,308,450, including a prior period adjustment of \$28,502, which represents a 51% increase from fiscal year 2021. Total net position for 2021 increased \$1,455,746, including a prior period adjustment of (\$19,254), which represents an 18% increase from fiscal year 2020.
- General revenues amounted to \$8,289,411 and \$9,073,825, or 58% and 75% of all revenues for fiscal years 2022 and 2021, respectively. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$6,042,408, or 42% of total revenues for 2022, and \$3,084,097, or 25% of total revenues for 2021.
- The District had \$11,051,871 and \$10,682,922 in expenses for fiscal years 2022 and 2021; only \$6,042,408 for 2022 and \$3,084,097 for 2021 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$8,289,411 for 2022 and \$9,073,825 for 2021 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$8,490,126 in revenues and \$7,855,958 in expenditures for 2022, and \$9,075,181 in revenues and \$7,926,872 in expenditures in 2021. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$1,757,577 from 2021 to 2022, including a prior period adjustment of \$187,745, and increased by \$2,136,546 from 2020 to 2021, including a prior period adjustment of \$15,178.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, increased by \$475,164 for 2022 and increased by \$639,522 for 2021. The increase for 2022 was due primarily to the addition of construction in progress, mobile equipment, and furniture and equipment.
- Long-term debt, including compensated absences payable, increased by \$98,135 for 2022 and increased by \$921,525 for 2021. The increase for 2022 was due primarily to the issuance of shortfall notes during the fiscal year. The liability for compensated absences decreased by \$5,835 for 2022 and decreased by \$4,046 for 2021.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

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.

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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. Liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$3,226,409 as of June 30, 2022.

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, 2022 and June 30, 2021.

Table 1
Condensed Statement of Net Position

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	Percentage Change
Current assets	\$ 7,551,280	\$ 5,243,144	44.02 %
Restricted assets	8,923	8,904	0.21 %
Capital assets, net	6,369,986	5,894,822	8.06 %
Total assets	13,930,189	11,146,870	24.97 %
 Deferred outflows of resources	 2,628,677	 2,707,449	 (2.91) %
Current liabilities	659,480	531,903	23.99 %
Long-term debt outstanding	1,685,768	1,587,633	6.18 %
Net OPEB liability	759,694	941,935	(19.35) %
Net pension liability	11,824,350	15,487,070	(23.65) %
Total liabilities	14,929,292	18,548,541	(19.51) %
 Deferred inflows of resources	 4,855,983	 1,840,637	 163.82 %
 Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	5,053,084	4,524,822	11.67 %
Restricted	1,204,834	989,355	21.78 %
Unrestricted	(9,484,327)	(12,049,036)	21.29 %
Total net position	\$ (3,226,409)	\$ (6,534,859)	50.63 %

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)	\$ (9,484,327)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability including the related deferred outflows and deferred inflows	14,603,828
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability effect	<u>\$ 5,119,501</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 \$475,164.
- The issuance of shortfall notes in the amount of \$223,726.
- The principal retirement of \$188,408 of long-term debt.

Changes in net position

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021 were \$14,331,819 and \$12,157,922, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$11,051,871 for 2022 and \$10,682,922 for 2021.

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Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2022</u>	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2021</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 107,631	\$ 66,206	62.57 %
Operating grants and contributions	5,934,777	3,017,891	96.65 %
General revenues:			
Property taxes	3,257,519	3,678,478	(11.44) %
Grants and contributions not restricted	4,890,790	4,990,045	(1.99) %
Investment earnings	4,239	7,472	(43.27) %
Sixteenth section sources	24,375	355,617	(93.15) %
Other	112,488	42,213	166.48 %
Total revenues	<u>14,331,819</u>	<u>12,157,922</u>	17.88 %
Expenses:			
Instruction	5,356,093	4,559,375	17.47 %
Support services	4,919,160	4,442,461	10.73 %
Non-instructional	612,881	573,729	6.82 %
Sixteenth section	31,989	26,302	21.62 %
Pension expense	139,760	1,023,730	(86.35) %
OPEB expense	(41,189)	25,640	(260.64) %
Interest on long-term liabilities	33,177	31,685	4.71 %
Total expenses	<u>11,051,871</u>	<u>10,682,922</u>	3.45 %
Increase (Decrease) in net position	<u>3,279,948</u>	<u>1,475,000</u>	122.37 %
Net Position, July 1, as previously reported	<u>(6,534,859)</u>	<u>(7,990,605)</u>	18.22 %
Prior Period Adjustment	<u>28,502</u>	<u>(19,254)</u>	248.03 %
Net Position, July 1, as restated	<u>(6,506,357)</u>	<u>(8,009,859)</u>	18.77 %
Net Position, June 30	<u>\$ (3,226,409)</u>	<u>\$ (6,534,859)</u>	50.63 %

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

	Total Expenses		Percentage Change
	2022	2021	
Instruction	\$ 5,356,093	\$ 4,559,375	17.47 %
Support services	4,919,160	4,442,461	10.73 %
Non-instructional	612,881	573,729	6.82 %
Sixteenth section	31,989	26,302	21.62 %
Pension Expense	139,760	1,023,730	(86.35) %
OPEB Expense	(41,189)	25,640	(260.64) %
Interest on long-term liabilities	33,177	31,685	4.71 %
Total expenses	\$ 11,051,871	\$ 10,682,922	3.45 %

	Net (Expense) Revenue		Percentage Change
	2022	2021	
Instruction	\$ (3,563,125)	\$ (3,496,566)	(1.90) %
Support services	(1,543,714)	(3,000,104)	48.54 %
Non-instructional	259,856	5,074	5,021.32 %
Sixteenth section	(30,732)	(26,174)	(17.41) %
Pension Expense	(139,760)	(1,023,730)	86.35 %
OPEB Expense	41,189	(25,640)	260.64 %
Interest on long-term liabilities	(33,177)	(31,685)	(4.71) %
Total net (expense) revenue	\$ (5,009,463)	\$ (7,598,825)	34.08 %

- Net cost of governmental activities (\$5,009,463 for 2022 and \$7,598,825 for 2021) was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property taxes (\$3,257,519 for 2022 and \$3,678,478 for 2021) and state and federal revenues (\$4,890,790 for 2022 and \$4,990,045 for 2021). In addition, there was \$24,375 and \$355,617 in Sixteenth Section sources for 2022 and 2021, respectively.
- Investment earnings amounted to \$4,239 for 2022 and \$7,472 for 2021.

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 \$6,723,085, an increase of \$1,973,364, which includes a prior period adjustment of \$28,502 and a decrease in inventory of \$8,903. \$5,431,931, or 81% of the fund balance is unassigned, which represents the residual classification for the General Fund's fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The remaining fund balance of \$1,291,154, or 19% is either nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted, committed or assigned.

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The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The increase in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$1,757,577, which includes a prior period adjustment of \$187,745. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed an increase in the amount of \$215,787, which includes a prior period adjustment of (\$159,243) and a decrease in inventory of \$8,903. 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
ARP ESSER Fund	no increase or decrease

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

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

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

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets. As of June 30, 2022, the District's total capital assets were \$12,431,351, including land, construction in progress, school buildings, building improvements, improvements other than buildings, buses, other school vehicles, furniture and equipment, and any intangible assets. This amount represents an increase of \$639,751 from 2021. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2022, was \$6,061,365, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$348,894, resulting in total net capital assets of \$6,369,986.

Table 4
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation

	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Land	\$ 42,306	\$ 42,306	0.00 %
Construction in Progress	303,826	565,061	(46.23) %
Buildings	4,052,042	4,190,044	(3.29) %
Building improvements	1,278,548	465,729	174.53 %
Improvements other than buildings	58,473	61,217	(4.48) %
Mobile equipment	461,249	442,148	4.32 %
Furniture and equipment	124,049	128,317	(3.33) %
Intangible assets	49,493	-	N/A %
Total	\$ 6,369,986	\$ 5,894,822	8.06 %

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

Debt Administration. At June 30, 2022, the District had \$1,685,768 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$267,781 is due within one year. During the fiscal year, the District received proceeds from the issuance of shortfall notes in the amount of \$223,726. The District made principal payments totaling \$188,408 on outstanding long-term debt. The liability for compensated absences decreased \$5,835 from the prior year.

Table 5

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Outstanding Long-Term Debt

	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Three mill notes payable	\$ 1,267,000	\$ 1,370,000	(7.52) %
Shortfall notes payable	292,691	135,623	115.81 %
Obligations under leases	49,902	-	N/A %
Compensated absences payable	76,175	82,010	(7.11) %
Total	<u>\$ 1,685,768</u>	<u>\$ 1,587,633</u>	6.18 %

Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note 7 included in this report.

CURRENT ISSUES

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

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

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

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Newton Municipal School District, 205 School Street, Newton, MS 39345.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2022**

Exhibit A

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,756,500
Due from other governments	1,581,185
Lease receivable	199,003
Inventories	14,592
Restricted assets	8,923
Capital assets, non-depreciable:	
Land	42,306
Construction in progress	303,826
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Buildings	4,052,042
Building improvements	1,278,548
Improvements other than buildings	58,473
Mobile equipment	461,249
Furniture and equipment	124,049
Intangible assets	49,493
Total Assets	<u>13,930,189</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred outflows - pensions	2,462,404
Deferred outflows - OPEB	166,273
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>2,628,677</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	629,596
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	29,884
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	
Leases payable	19,012
Capital related liabilities	103,000
Non-capital related liabilities	145,769
Net OPEB liability	30,917
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
Leases payable	30,890
Capital related liabilities	1,164,000
Non-capital related liabilities	223,097
Net pension liability	11,824,350
Net OPEB liability	728,777
Total Liabilities	<u>14,929,292</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred inflows - pensions	4,360,432
Deferred inflows - OPEB	288,029
Deferred inflows - leases	207,522
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>4,855,983</u>
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	5,053,084
Restricted for:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	761,328
Debt service	252,435
Forestry improvements	162,705
Unemployment benefits	19,443
Non-expendable:	
Sixteenth section	8,923
Unrestricted	(9,484,327)
Total Net Position (deficit)	<u>\$ (3,226,409)</u>

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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Exhibit B

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense)
		Charges for	Operating	Capital	Revenue and
		Services	Grants and	Grants and	Changes in
			Contributions	Contributions	Net Position
					Governmental
					Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction	\$ 5,356,093	\$ 91,251	\$ 1,701,717	\$ -	\$ (3,563,125)
Support services	4,919,160	-	3,375,446	-	(1,543,714)
Non-instructional	612,881	15,123	857,614	-	259,856
Sixteenth section	31,989	1,257	-	-	(30,732)
Pension expense	139,760	-	-	-	(139,760)
OPEB expense	(41,189)	-	-	-	41,189
Interest on long-term liabilities	33,177	-	-	-	(33,177)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 11,051,871	\$ 107,631	\$ 5,934,777	\$ -	\$ (5,009,463)

General Revenues:

Taxes:

General purpose levies 3,193,238

Debt purpose levies 64,281

Unrestricted grants and contributions:

State 4,873,088

Federal 17,702

Unrestricted investment earnings 4,239

Sixteenth section sources 24,375

Other 112,488

Total General Revenues 8,289,411

Change in Net Position 3,279,948

Net Position (deficit) - Beginning, as previously reported (6,534,859)

Prior Period Adjustments 28,502

Net Position - Beginning, as restated (6,506,357)

Net Position (deficit) - Ending \$ (3,226,409)

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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds

Balance Sheet
June 30, 2022

Exhibit C

	Major Funds			Other	Total
	General	ESSER II	ARP ESSER	Governmental	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,587,817	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,177,606	\$ 5,765,423
Due from other governments	473,066	416,908	245,022	446,189	1,581,185
Lease receivable	199,003	-	-	-	199,003
Due from other funds	1,024,760	-	-	-	1,024,760
Inventories	-	-	-	14,592	14,592
Total Assets	<u>\$ 6,284,646</u>	<u>\$ 416,908</u>	<u>\$ 245,022</u>	<u>\$ 1,638,387</u>	<u>\$ 8,584,963</u>
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 588,757	\$ 12,822	\$ -	\$ 28,017	\$ 629,596
Due to other funds	-	404,086	245,022	375,652	1,024,760
Total Liabilities	<u>588,757</u>	<u>416,908</u>	<u>245,022</u>	<u>403,669</u>	<u>1,654,356</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Leases	207,522	-	-	-	207,522
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>207,522</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207,522</u>
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable:					
Inventory	-	-	-	14,592	14,592
Permanent fund principal	-	-	-	8,923	8,923
Restricted:					
Debt service	-	-	-	282,319	282,319
Forestry improvement purposes	-	-	-	162,705	162,705
Grant activities	-	-	-	746,736	746,736
Unemployment benefits	-	-	-	19,443	19,443
Assigned:					
Student activities	56,436	-	-	-	56,436
Unassigned	<u>5,431,931</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,431,931</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>5,488,367</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,234,718</u>	<u>6,723,085</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 6,284,646</u>	<u>\$ 416,908</u>	<u>\$ 245,022</u>	<u>\$ 1,638,387</u>	<u>\$ 8,584,963</u>

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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2022

Exhibit C-1

Total fund balances for governmental funds **\$ 6,723,085**

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	\$ 42,306	
Construction in progress	303,826	
Buildings	8,356,020	
Building improvements	1,699,672	
Improvements other than buildings	141,480	
Mobile equipment	1,148,554	
Furniture and equipment	670,841	
Intangible assets	68,652	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(6,061,365)</u>	6,369,986

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 (11,824,350)

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	2,462,404	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	<u>(4,360,432)</u>	(13,722,378)

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 (759,694)

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	166,273	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	<u>(288,029)</u>	(881,450)

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:

Notes payable	(1,559,691)	
Lease obligations	(49,902)	
Compensated absences	(76,175)	
Accrued interest payable	<u>(29,884)</u>	(1,715,652)

Net Position of governmental activities **\$ (3,226,409)**

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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Exhibit D

	Major Funds			Other	Total
	General	ESSER II	ARP ESSER	Governmental	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds
Revenues:					
Local sources	\$ 3,390,006	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 88,453	\$ 3,478,459
State sources	5,003,333	-	-	285,644	5,288,977
Federal sources	85,040	1,611,220	1,275,016	2,567,475	5,538,751
Sixteenth section sources	11,747	-	-	13,885	25,632
Total Revenues	8,490,126	1,611,220	1,275,016	2,955,457	14,331,819
Expenditures:					
Instruction	4,676,052	276,746	54,318	1,056,849	6,063,965
Support services	2,833,339	947,937	209,362	1,046,811	5,037,449
Noninstructional services	7,679	-	-	635,662	643,341
Sixteenth section	19,119	-	-	12,870	31,989
Facilities acquisition and construction	299,933	245,606	58,220	-	603,759
Debt service:					
Principal	18,750	-	-	169,658	188,408
Interest	1,086	-	-	31,783	32,869
Total Expenditures	7,855,958	1,470,289	321,900	2,953,633	12,601,780
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	634,168	140,931	953,116	1,824	1,730,039
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Bonds and notes issued	223,726	-	-	-	223,726
Operating transfers in	1,163,623	-	-	572,722	1,736,345
Operating transfers out	(451,685)	(140,931)	(953,116)	(190,613)	(1,736,345)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	935,664	(140,931)	(953,116)	382,109	223,726
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,569,832	-	-	383,933	1,953,765
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2021, as previously reported	3,730,790	-	-	1,018,931	4,749,721
Prior period adjustments	187,745	-	-	(159,243)	28,502
July 1, 2021, as restated	3,918,535	-	-	859,688	4,778,223
Increase (Decrease) in inventory	-	-	-	(8,903)	(8,903)
June 30, 2022	\$ 5,488,367	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,234,718	\$ 6,723,085

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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL 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, 2022**

Exhibit D-1

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds **\$ 1,953,765**

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	\$ 771,424	
Depreciation expense	<u>(348,894)</u>	422,530
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.		
		(16,018)
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:		
Bonds and notes issued	(223,726)	
Payments of debt principal	188,408	
Accrued interest payable	<u>(308)</u>	(35,626)
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. The activities include:		
Pension expense	(139,760)	
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>1,032,283</u>	892,523
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. The activities include:		
OPEB expense	41,189	
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>24,653</u>	65,842
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	5,835	
Change in inventory	<u>(8,903)</u>	(3,068)
Change in Net Position of governmental activities	\$	<u>3,279,948</u>

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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

A. Financial Reporting Entity

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

For financial reporting purposes, Newton Municipal 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

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

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 school district reports the following major governmental funds:

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

ESSER II Fund – This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) federal award program.

ARP ESSER Fund – This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with the American Rescue Plan Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) federal award program.

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

The school district reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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

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

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

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 is due.

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

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

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

Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under 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 maintained to account for commitments or assignments resulting from approved purchase orders, work orders and contracts. However, the school district attempts to liquidate all encumbrances at year-end. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are not reported within committed or assigned fund balances.

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

1. Cash, Cash equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents

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

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Investments

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

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

Investments for the district are reported at fair market value.

2. Receivables and payables

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

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

3. Due from Other Governments

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

4. Inventories and Prepaid Items

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

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

5. Restricted Assets

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

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets include land, improvements to land, easements, water rights, timber rights, buildings, building improvements, vehicles, machinery, equipment, works of art and historical treasures, infrastructure, and all other tangible or intangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives extending beyond a single reporting period. Capital assets are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current

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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
Intangible assets	**	**

(**) Intangible assets for the district represent right-to-use leased assets and are capitalized as a group for reporting purposes. The estimated useful life is the term of the lease agreement. There is no mandated maximum amortization period. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives should not be amortized.

The term 'depreciation' includes the amortization of intangible assets.

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.

Deferred outflows – Pensions

Deferred outflows – Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

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.

Deferred inflows – Pensions

Deferred inflows – Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

Deferred inflows – Leases

See Notes 6, 8, 9, and 14 for further details.

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8. Compensated Absences

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

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

9. Leases

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 87, *Leases* (GASB 87) to establish a single leasing model for accounting and reporting purposes. This guidance is intended to enhance the accountability, consistency and comparability of lease activities reported by governments. GASB 87 was implemented during fiscal year 2022.

When acting as lessor for the leasing of sixteenth section trust lands, the school district uses the minimum of 4% interest required by Mississippi statute for sixteenth section loans to calculate the net present value of future sixteenth section lease payments. When acting as lessee, the school district uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate to calculate the present value of lease payments when the rate implicit in the lease is not known. See Note 6 for more information regarding leases.

10. 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 7 for details.

11. 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.

12. 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,

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benefit payments are recorded when the OPEB benefits come due. Investments are reported at fair value as determined by the state.

13. Fund Balances

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

14. Accounting Standards Update

GASB 87, Leases, was implemented during fiscal year 2022. The objective of this statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. This guidance is intended to enhance the accountability, consistency and comparability of lease activities reported by governments.

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Note 2 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

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

The carrying amount of the school district's deposits with financial institutions reported in the governmental funds was \$5,765,423.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the district will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the district. As of June 30, 2022, none of the district's bank balance of \$6,419,316 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Note 3 – Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

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

A. Due From/To Other Funds

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	ESSER II Fund	\$ 404,086
	ARP ESSER Fund	245,022
	Other governmental funds	375,652
Total		<u>\$ 1,024,760</u>

The amounts represent inter-fund balances created by loans from the General Fund to special revenue funds to provide adequate cash flow for those funds operating on an expenditure reimbursement basis. Cash is loaned to the funds for operational purposes, and the loans are repaid after reimbursement for grant expenditures is received.

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B. Inter-fund Transfers

Transfers Out	Transfers In	Amount
General Fund	Other governmental funds	\$ 451,685
ESSER II Fund	General Fund	140,931
ARP ESSER Fund	General Fund	953,116
Other governmental funds	General Fund	69,576
	Other governmental funds	121,037
Total		<u>\$ 1,736,345</u>

Transfers represent operational transfers between governmental funds and the transfer of indirect costs from other governmental funds to the General Fund.

Note 4 – Restricted Assets

The restricted assets represent the cash balance totaling \$8,923 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.

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Note 5 – Capital Assets

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

	Balance 7/1/2021	Increases	Decreases	Adjustments	Completed Construction	Balance 6/30/2022
Governmental Activities:						
<u>Non-depreciable capital assets:</u>						
Land	\$ 42,306	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 42,306
Construction-in-progress	565,061	603,759			(864,994)	303,826
Total non-depreciable capital assets	607,367	603,759	-	-	(864,994)	346,132
<u>Depreciable capital assets:</u>						
Buildings	8,356,020					8,356,020
Building improvements	834,678				864,994	1,699,672
Improvements other than buildings	141,480					141,480
Mobile equipment	1,203,822	100,454	155,722			1,148,554
Furniture and equipment	648,233	67,211	44,603			670,841
Intangible right to use equipment	-			68,652		68,652
Total depreciable capital assets	11,184,233	167,665	200,325	68,652	864,994	12,085,219
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>						
Buildings	4,165,976	138,002				4,303,978
Building improvements	368,949	52,175				421,124
Improvements other than buildings	80,263	2,744				83,007
Mobile equipment	761,674	65,781	140,150			687,305
Furniture and equipment	519,916	71,033	44,157			546,792
Intangible right to use equipment	-	19,159				19,159
Total accumulated depreciation	5,896,778	348,894	184,307	-	-	6,061,365
Total depreciable capital assets, net	5,287,455	(181,229)	16,018	68,652	864,994	6,023,854
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 5,894,822	\$ 422,530	\$ 16,018	\$ 68,652	\$ -	\$ 6,369,986

Total capital assets, net excluding intangible right to use assets	6,320,493
Intangible right to use assets, net	49,493
Total capital assets, net as reported in the statement of net position	<u>\$ 6,369,986</u>

Adjustments were necessary to recognize intangible right to use equipment assets at July 1, 2021.

The term depreciation includes amortization of intangible assets.

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	Amount
Governmental activities:	
Instruction	\$ 36,067
Support services	299,051
Non-instructional	13,776
Total depreciation expense - Governmental activities	<u>\$ 348,894</u>

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

	Spent to June 30, 2022	Remaining Commitment
Governmental Activities:		
NMSD ESSER II Window Replacement Project	\$ 303,826	\$ 598,594
Total construction in progress	<u>\$ 303,826</u>	<u>\$ 598,594</u>

Construction projects included in governmental activities are funded with federal funds.

Note 6 – Leases

As Lessee:

The school district is a lessee for various noncancellable leases of equipment. For leases that have a maximum possible term of 12 months or less at commencement, the school district recognizes expense based on the provisions of the lease contract. For all other leases, other than short term, the school district recognized a lease and an intangible right-to-use lease asset.

At lease commencement, the school district initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, less lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus any initial direct costs ancillary to placing the underlying asset into service, less any lease incentives received at or before the lease commencement date. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized in depreciation on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

The school district generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate to calculate the present value of lease payments when the rate implicit in the lease is not known.

The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease plus any additional periods covered by either a school district or lessor option to extend for which it is reasonably certain to be exercised or terminate for which it is reasonably certain to not be exercised. Periods in which both the school district and the lessor have a unilateral option to terminate (or if both parties have agreed to extend) are excluded from the lease term.

The school district, acting as lessee, has entered into a lease with Toshiba Business Solutions for various copiers within the district. Details of the lease obligation can be found in Note 7.

As Lessor:

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 ensure that adequate compensation is received for all uses of the trust lands, except for uses by the public schools.

The school district uses the rate of 4% minimum interest required by Mississippi statute for sixteenth section loans to calculate the present value of sixteenth section lease rental payments since a rate implicit in the sixteenth section leases is not a part of the lease contract.

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The school district, acting as lessor, has entered into 37 leases involving the leasing of the right to use Sixteenth Section school lands. Such leases are let for a term that corresponds with state law in accordance with the type of lease executed. The district's financial statements have not been restated nor has a cumulative effect been reflected for the restatement of the beginning net position of the district as part of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87. The school district has, however, included in its financial statements at year end the net present value of future lease payments of \$199,003 as a lease receivable and \$207,522 as deferred inflows of resources. The deferred inflows of resources for leases are being amortized using the straight-line method of amortization.

The total amount of inflows of resources related to sixteenth section land leases recognized during the current fiscal year is \$10,253.

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	Principal	Interest	Total Payments
2023	\$ 16,850	\$ 7,960	\$ 24,810
2024	16,324	7,286	23,610
2025	16,976	6,633	23,609
2026	14,832	5,954	20,786
2027	13,345	5,361	18,706
2028 – 2032	31,038	21,727	52,765
2033 – 2037	32,201	15,159	47,360
2038 – 2042	28,270	9,201	37,471
2043 – 2047	21,458	3,657	25,115
2048 – 2052	2,934	1,316	4,250
2053 – 2057	3,569	681	4,250
2058 – 2060	1,206	94	1,300
Total	\$ 199,003	\$ 85,029	\$ 284,032

Note 7 – Long-term Liabilities

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

	Balance 7/1/2021	Additions	Reductions	Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2022	Amounts due within one year
A. Three mill notes payable	\$ 1,370,000	\$	\$ 103,000	\$	\$ 1,267,000	\$ 103,000
B. Shortfall notes payable	135,623	223,726	66,658		292,691	141,960
C. Obligations under leases	-		18,750	68,652	49,902	19,012
D. Compensated absences payable	82,010		5,835		76,175	3,809
Total	\$ 1,587,633	\$ 223,726	\$ 194,243	\$ 68,652	\$ 1,685,768	\$ 267,781

Adjustments were necessary to recognize obligations under leases at July 1, 2021.

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A. Three mill notes payable

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
1. Three mill notes, Series 2020-A	2.10%	7/15/2020	7/15/2032	\$ 1,070,000	\$ 1,016,000
2. Three mill notes, Series 2020-B	1.54%	7/15/2020	7/15/2026	300,000	251,000
Total				<u>\$ 1,370,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,267,000</u>

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

1. Three mill notes payable issued on July 15, 2020:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 54,000	\$ 21,336	\$ 75,336
2024	55,000	20,202	75,202
2025	57,000	19,047	76,047
2026	59,000	17,850	76,850
2027	61,000	16,611	77,611
2028 – 2032	601,000	51,996	652,996
2033	129,000	2,709	131,709
Total	<u>\$ 1,016,000</u>	<u>\$ 149,751</u>	<u>\$ 1,165,751</u>

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

2. Three mill notes payable issued on July 15, 2020:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 49,000	\$ 3,865	\$ 52,865
2024	50,000	3,111	53,111
2025	50,000	2,341	52,341
2026	51,000	1,571	52,571
2027	51,000	785	51,785
Total	<u>\$ 251,000</u>	<u>\$ 11,673</u>	<u>\$ 262,673</u>

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

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Total three mill notes payable payments for all issues:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 103,000	\$ 25,201	\$ 128,201
2024	105,000	23,313	128,313
2025	107,000	21,388	128,388
2026	110,000	19,421	129,421
2027	112,000	17,396	129,396
2028 – 2032	601,000	51,996	652,996
2033	129,000	2,709	131,709
Total	\$ 1,267,000	\$ 161,424	\$ 1,428,424

B. Shortfall notes payable

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
1. Shortfall note, Series 2019	3.46%	9/23/2019	9/23/2022	\$ 200,052	\$ 68,965
2. Shortfall note, Series 2021	2.15%	9/8/2021	9/8/2024	223,726	223,726
Total				<u>\$ 423,778</u>	<u>\$ 292,691</u>

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

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

1. Shortfall notes payable issued on September 23, 2019:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 68,965	\$ 2,386	\$ 71,351
Total	\$ 68,965	\$ 2,386	\$ 71,351

This debt will be retired from the Shortfall Debt, Series 2019 Fund.

2. Shortfall notes payable issued on September 8, 2021:

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Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 72,995	\$ 4,810	\$ 77,805
2024	74,564	3,241	77,805
2025	76,167	1,638	77,805
Total	<u>\$ 223,726</u>	<u>\$ 9,689</u>	<u>\$ 233,415</u>

This debt will be retired from the Shortfall Debt, Series 2021 Fund.

Total shortfall notes payable payments for all issues:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 141,960	\$ 7,196	\$ 149,156
2024	74,564	3,241	77,805
2025	76,167	1,638	77,805
Total	<u>\$ 292,691</u>	<u>\$ 12,075</u>	<u>\$ 304,766</u>

C. Obligations under leases

The school district has entered into a lease agreement as lessee.

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Copiers	2.00%	7/1/2021	1/31/2025	\$ 68,652	\$ 49,902
Total				<u>\$ 68,652</u>	<u>\$ 49,902</u>

Note: Issue date reflects GASB No. 87 implementation date.

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

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest and Maintenance Charges	Total
2023	\$ 19,012	\$ 824	\$ 19,836
2024	19,396	440	19,836
2025	11,494	77	11,571
Total	<u>\$ 49,902</u>	<u>\$ 1,341</u>	<u>\$ 51,243</u>

D. Compensated absences payable

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

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Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description. The school district contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Miss. Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report is available at www.pers.ms.gov.

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

Contributions. PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary, and the school district is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of June 30, 2022 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 school district's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, 2021 and 2020 were \$1,032,283, \$887,789 and \$977,082, 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, 2022, the school district reported a liability of \$11,824,350 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the school district's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. The school district's proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2022 net pension liability was 0.08 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2021. This was the same as the proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2021 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2020.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District recognized pension expense of \$139,760. At June 30, 2022 the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions

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from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 189,072	\$
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		3,544,928
Changes of assumptions	914,553	
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	326,496	815,504
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,032,283	
Total	\$ <u>2,462,404</u>	\$ <u>4,360,432</u>

\$1,032,283 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. 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:	
2023	\$ (567,955)
2024	(733,635)
2025	(567,567)
2026	(1,061,154)

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined by actuarial valuation prepared as of June 30, 2020, by the new actuarial assumptions adopted by the Board subsequent to the June 30, 2020 valuation based on the experience investigation for the four-year period ending June 30, 2020, and by the investment experience for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The following actuarial assumptions are applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.40 percent
Salary increases	2.65-17.90 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.55 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates for service retirees were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: For males, 95% of male rates up to age 60, 110% for ages 61 to 75 and 101% for ages above 77. For females, 84% of female rates up to age 72 and 100% for ages above 76. Mortality rates for disability retirees were based on the PubG.H-2010 Disabled Table adjusted 134% for males and 121% for females. Mortality rates for Contingent Annuitants were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Contingent Annuitant Table, adjusted 97% for males and 110% for females. Mortality rates will be projected generationally using the MP-2020 projection scale to account for future improvements in life expectancy.

The actuarial assumptions used for the purposes of determining the total pension liability were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2020. The experience report is dated April 20, 2021.

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 weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding

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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	%	4.60	%
International Equity	22.00		4.50	
Global Equity	12.00		4.80	
Fixed Income	20.00		(0.25)	
Real Estate	10.00		3.75	
Private Equity	8.00		6.00	
Cash Equivalents	1.00		(1.00)	
Total	100	%		

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.55 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 7.55%, 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 (6.55%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.55%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.55%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.55%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.55%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 16,746,051	\$ 11,824,350	\$ 7,768,476

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

Note 9 – Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

General Information about the OPEB Plan.

Plan description. State law mandates that all state, public education, library, junior and community college and retiring employees be offered health and life benefit coverage through the State and School Employees' Life and Health Insurance Plan (the Plan). The Plan was established by Section 25-15-3 et seq., Mississippi Code Ann. (1972), which may be amended only by the State Legislature. The State and School Employees' Health Insurance Management Board (the Board) administers the Plan. The Board has the sole legal authority to promulgate rules and regulations governing the operations of the Plan within the confines of the law governing the Plan. The Plan is self-insured and is financed through premiums collected from employers, employees, retirees and COBRA participants. The Plan provides for Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) as a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan. 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

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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 \$24,653 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

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

At June 30, 2022, the District reported a liability of \$759,694 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The basis for the District's proportion is determined by comparing the employer's average monthly employees participating in the Plan with the total average employees participating in the Plan in the fiscal year of all employers. The allocation was utilized because the level of premiums contributed by each employer is the same for any employee regardless of plan participation elections made by the employee. At the measurement date of June 30, 2021, the District's proportion was 0.11802325 percent. This was a decrease of 0.00301569 percent from the proportionate share as of the measurement date of June 30, 2020.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District recognized OPEB expense of (\$41,189). At June 30, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

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	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 826	\$ 237,547
Changes of assumptions	123,038	25,694
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	35	
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	17,721	24,788
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	24,653	
Total	\$ 166,273	\$ 288,029

\$24,653 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. 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:

2023	\$ (32,594)
2024	(31,512)
2025	(26,821)
2026	(33,432)
2027	(22,050)

Actuarial assumptions. The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021, using the following key actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Inflation	2.40 percent
Salary increases	2.65-17.90 percent, including wage inflation
Municipal Bond Index Rate	
Measurement Date	2.13%
Prior Measurement Date	2.19%
Year FNP is projected to be depleted	
Measurement Date	2021
Prior Measurement Date	2020
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation	
Measurement Date	2.13%
Prior Measurement Date	2.19%
Health Care Cost Trends	
Medicare Supplement Claims	6.50% for 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2030
Pre-Medicare	

Mortality rates for service retirees were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: For males, 95% of male rates up to age 60, 110% for ages 61 to 75 and 101% for ages above

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77. For females, 84% of female rates up to age 72 and 100% for ages above 76. Mortality rates for disability retirees were based on the PubG.H-2010 Disabled Table adjusted 134% for males and 121% for females. Mortality rates for Contingent Annuitants were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Contingent Annuitant Table, adjusted 97% for males and 110% for females. Mortality rates will be projected generationally using the MP-2020 projection scale to account for future improvements in life expectancy.

The demographic actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were based on the results of the last actuarial experience study, dated April 20, 2021.

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, 2021 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2021 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, 2021 was 2.13 percent. Since the Prior Measurement Date, the Discount Rate has changed from 2.19% to 2.13%.

The trust was established on June 28, 2018 with an initial contribution of \$1,000,000. As of June 30, 2021, the trust has \$1,044,424. 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, 2020 and the June 30, 2021 total OPEB liability. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2021 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 (1.13 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.13 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (1.13%)	Current Discount Rate (2.13%)	1% Increase (3.13%)
Net OPEB liability	\$ 840,873	\$ 759,694	\$ 690,477

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	\$ 703,673	\$ 759,694	\$ 823,092

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 10 – Prior Period Adjustments

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

Exhibit B - Statement of Activities

Explanation	Amount
To correct a prior year asset or liability at the governmental fund level	\$ 28,502
Total	<u>\$ 28,502</u>

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

Fund	Explanation	Amount
General Fund	To correct a prior year asset or liability	\$ 187,745
Other governmental funds	To correct a prior year asset or liability	(159,243)
Total		<u>\$ 28,502</u>

Note 11 – Contingencies

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

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

Note 12 – Risk Management

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

Participation in Public Entity Risk Pool

The school district is a member of the Mississippi School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Trust (MSBAWCT). The trust is a risk-sharing pool; such a pool is frequently referred to as a self-insurance pool. The trust consists of approximately 52 school districts and covers risks of loss arising from injuries to the members' employees. The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission requires that an indemnity agreement be executed by each member in a workers' compensation self-insurance pool for the purpose of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the employers comprising the group to meet the workers' compensation obligations of each member. Each member of MSBAWCT contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust by Wells Fargo in Portland, Oregon. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$750,000. For a claim exceeding \$750,000, MSBAWCT has insurance which will pay the excess to the statutory amount required by the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission Act. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the member school districts would be required to pay

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for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the pool.

The school district is a member of the Mississippi School Boards Association Property Trust (MSBAPT). The Trust is a risk sharing pool; such a pool is frequently referred to as a self-insurance pool. The Trust consists of approximately 43 school districts and covers losses associated with property damage to the physical assets owned by the member districts. An indemnity agreement is executed by each member in the Trust for the purposes of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the members/districts to meet the financial obligations of each member. Each member of the Trust contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust by Amegy Bank of Texas in Houston, Texas. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$150,000 per occurrence. For a claim/occurrence exceeding \$150,000 the Trust has secured excess insurance. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the member school districts would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the Trust.

The school district is a member of the Mississippi School Boards Association Casualty Trust (MSBACT). The Trust is a risk sharing pool; such a pool is frequently referred to as a self-insurance pool. The Trust consists of approximately 43 school districts and covers liability related losses the member may be responsible for through General Liability, Automobile Liability and School Board Legal Liability. An indemnity agreement is executed by each member in the Trust for the purposes of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the members/districts to meet the financial obligations of each member. Each member of the Trust contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust by Amegy Bank of Texas in Houston, Texas. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$150,000 per occurrence. For a claim/occurrence exceeding \$150,000 the Trust has secured excess insurance. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the member school districts would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the Trust.

Note 13 – Alternative School Consortium

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

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

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

Note 14 – Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position

The unrestricted net position (deficit) amount of (\$9,484,327) 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 pensions in the amount of \$1,032,283 resulting from the school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. The \$1,430,121 balance of deferred outflow of resources related to pensions at June 30, 2022, will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 3 years.

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The unrestricted net position (deficit) amount of (\$9,484,327) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$4,360,432 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to pensions at June 30, 2022, will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The unrestricted net position (deficit) amount of (\$9,484,327) 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 \$24,653 resulting from the school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. The \$141,620 balance of deferred outflow of resources related to OPEB at June 30, 2022, will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 5 years.

The unrestricted net position (deficit) amount of (\$9,484,327) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from OPEB. The \$288,029 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to OPEB at June 30, 2022, will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 5 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$9,484,327) includes the effect of deferring recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from leases. The \$207,522 balance of deferred inflow of resources related to leases at June 30, 2022, will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 39 years.

Note 15 - 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 Newton Municipal School District evaluated the activity of the district through September 22, 2023, (the date the financial statements were available to be issued), and determined that there were no subsequent events that have occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances	
				Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Local sources	\$ 3,535,282	\$ 3,390,006	\$ 3,390,006	\$ (145,276)	\$ -
State sources	5,263,081	5,003,515	5,003,333	(259,566)	(182)
Federal sources	137,572	84,858	85,040	(52,714)	182
Sixteenth section sources	10,100	20,266	11,747	10,166	(8,519)
Total Revenues	8,946,035	8,498,645	8,490,126	(447,390)	(8,519)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	4,418,275	4,676,052	4,676,052	(257,777)	-
Support services	3,902,582	2,808,990	2,833,339	1,093,592	(24,349)
Noninstructional services	5,163	7,679	7,679	(2,516)	-
Sixteenth section	6,500	19,119	19,119	(12,619)	-
Facilities acquisition and construction	614,582	369,019	299,933	245,563	69,086
Debt service:					
Principal	-	-	18,750	-	(18,750)
Interest	-	-	1,086	-	(1,086)
Total Expenditures	8,947,102	7,880,859	7,855,958	1,066,243	24,901
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(1,067)	617,786	634,168	618,853	16,382
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Bonds and notes issued	-	-	223,726	-	223,726
Operating transfers in	971,192	2,051,085	1,163,623	1,079,893	(887,462)
Operating transfers out	(989,316)	(1,273,560)	(451,685)	(284,244)	821,875
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(18,124)	777,525	935,664	795,649	158,139
Net Change in Fund Balances	(19,191)	1,395,311	1,569,832	1,414,502	174,521
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2021, as previously reported	-	3,542,710	3,730,790	3,542,710	188,080
Prior period adjustments	-	378,130	187,745	378,130	(190,385)
July 1, 2021, as restated	-	3,920,840	3,918,535	3,920,840	(2,305)
June 30, 2022	\$ (19,191)	\$ 5,316,151	\$ 5,488,367	\$ 5,335,342	\$ 172,216

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

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Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
ESSER II Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ 2,183,601	\$ 2,183,601	\$ 1,611,220	\$ -	\$ (572,381)
Total Revenues	2,183,601	2,183,601	1,611,220	-	(572,381)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	355,511	329,237	276,746	26,274	52,491
Support services	1,086,553	978,914	947,937	107,639	30,977
Facilities acquisition and construction	557,752	697,752	245,606	(140,000)	452,146
Total Expenditures	1,999,816	2,005,903	1,470,289	(6,087)	535,614
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	183,785	177,698	140,931	(6,087)	(36,767)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers out	(183,300)	(177,798)	(140,931)	5,502	36,867
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(183,300)	(177,798)	(140,931)	5,502	36,867
Net Change in Fund Balances	485	(100)	-	(585)	100
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2021	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2022	\$ 485	\$ (100)	\$ -	\$ (585)	\$ 100

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

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Required Supplementary Information

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
ARP ESSER Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variances	
				Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final	(GAAP Basis)	Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues:					
Federal sources	\$ -	\$ 4,904,057	\$ 1,275,016	\$ 4,904,057	\$ (3,629,041)
Total Revenues	-	4,904,057	1,275,016	4,904,057	(3,629,041)
Expenditures:					
Instruction	-	609,850	54,318	(609,850)	555,532
Support services	-	901,239	209,362	(901,239)	691,877
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	2,137,236	58,220	(2,137,236)	2,079,016
Total Expenditures	-	3,648,325	321,900	(3,648,325)	3,326,425
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	-	1,255,732	953,116	1,255,732	(302,616)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers out	-	(1,315,732)	(953,116)	(1,315,732)	362,616
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	(1,315,732)	(953,116)	(1,315,732)	362,616
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	(60,000)	-	(60,000)	60,000
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2021	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ (60,000)	\$ -	\$ (60,000)	\$ 60,000

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

Newton Municipal School District

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

PERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.08%	0.08%	0.09%	0.08%	0.09%	0.09%	0.08%	0.09%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 11,824,350	\$ 15,487,070	\$ 15,832,776	\$ 13,306,377	\$ 14,961,055	\$ 16,076,247	\$ 12,366,422	\$ 10,924,352
District's covered payroll	\$ 5,102,236	\$ 5,615,414	\$ 5,627,270	\$ 5,215,784	\$ 5,925,860	\$ 5,456,083	\$ 5,249,307	\$ 5,452,184
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	231.75%	275.80%	281.36%	255.12%	252.47%	294.65%	235.58%	200.37%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	70%	59%	62%	63%	61%	57%	62%	67%

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 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.

Newton Municipal School District

Schedule of District Contributions

PERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,032,283	\$ 887,789	\$ 977,082	\$ 886,295	\$ 821,486	\$ 933,323	\$ 859,333	\$ 826,766
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	1,032,283	887,789	977,082	886,295	821,486	933,323	859,333	826,766
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered payroll	\$ 5,932,661	\$ 5,102,236	\$ 5,615,414	\$ 5,627,270	\$ 5,215,784	\$ 5,925,860	\$ 5,456,083	\$ 5,249,308
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	17.40%	17.40%	17.40%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

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

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Newton Municipal School District

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability

OPEB

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.11802325%	0.12103894%	0.12177659%	0.12003095%	0.11934431%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 759,694	\$ 941,935	\$ 1,033,324	\$ 928,499	\$ 936,386
District's covered - employee payroll	\$ 5,102,236	\$ 5,615,414	\$ 5,627,270	\$ 5,215,784	\$ 5,925,860
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered - employee payroll	15%	17%	18%	18%	16%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	0.16%	0.13%	0.12%	0.13%	0.00%

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.

Newton Municipal School District

Schedule of District Contributions

OPEB

Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 24,653	\$ 30,535	\$ 37,564	\$ 41,419	\$ 39,920
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	24,653	30,535	37,564	41,419	39,920
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered - employee payroll	5,932,661	5,102,236	5,615,414	5,627,270	5,215,784
Contributions as a percentage of covered - employee payroll	0.42%	0.60%	0.67%	0.74%	0.77%

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 the prior year audit report.

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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%.

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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%.

2021:

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: for males, 95% of male rates up to age 60, 110% for ages 61 to 75, and 101% for ages above 77; for females, 84% of female rates up to age 72, 100% for ages above 76; and projection scale MP-2020 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.

The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to PubG.H-2010 Disabled Table for disabled retirees with the following adjustments: for males, 134% of male rates at all ages; for females, 121% of female rates at all ages; and projection scale MP-2020 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.

The expectation of contingent annuitant mortality was based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Contingent Annuitant Table with the following adjustments: for males, 97% of male rates at all ages; for females, 110% of female rates at all ages; and projection scale MP-2020 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.

The price inflation assumption was reduced from 2.75% to 2.40%.

The wage inflation assumption was reduced from 3.00% to 2.65%.

The investment rate of return assumption was changed from 7.75% to 7.55%.

The assumed load for administrative expenses was increased from 0.25% to 0.28%.

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

The percentage of active member disabilities assumed to be in the line of duty was increased from 9% to 12%.

The percentage of active member deaths assumed to be in the line of duty was decreased from 6% to 4%.

Newton Municipal School District
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(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, 2019 valuation for the June 30, 2021 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	28.8 years
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Price Inflation	2.75 percent
Salary increase	3.00 percent to 18.25 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.

2021: The discount rate was changed from 2.19% for the prior Measurement Date to 2.13% for the current Measurement Date.

(2) *Changes in benefit provisions*

2017: None

2018: None

2019: None

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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.

2021: The schedule of monthly retiree contributions was increased as of January 1, 2022. In addition, the in-network medical deductible was increased for the Select coverage beginning January 1, 2022.

- (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, 2020 actuarial valuation) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2021:

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	2.19%

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Supplementary Information

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>			
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	225MS326N1099	253,255
National School Lunch Program	10.555	225MS326N1099	306,924
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	225MS326N1099	98,033
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			658,212
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			658,212
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			658,212
<u>U.S. Department of Defense</u>			
Direct Program:			
Reserve Officers' Training Corps	12.xxx	N/A	65,065
Total U.S. Department of Defense			65,065
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>			
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	S010A210024	957,894
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	V048A210024	10,000
Rural Education	84.358	S358B210024	25,032
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	S367A210023	113,448
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	S424A210025	89,588
Subtotal			1,195,962
Special Education Cluster:			
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027A	H027A210108	305,418
COVID-19 - IDEA, Part B ARP Grant	84.027X	H027X210108	1,532
Total Special Education IDEA Part B Grants			306,950
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173A	H173A210113	18,059
COVID-19 - IDEA, Part B Preschool ARP Grant	84.173X	H173X210113	894
Total Special Education IDEA Preschool Grants			18,953
Total Special Education Cluster			325,903
Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund I	84.425D	S425D200031	36,182
Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II	84.425D	S425D210031	1,611,220
Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund III ARP	84.425U	S425U210031	1,275,016
Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief CTE Grant	84.425D	S425D200031	1,500
Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Pre-K Grant	84.425D	S425D210031	3,064
COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund (ESSER) Subtotal			2,926,982
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			4,448,847
Total U.S. Department of Education			4,448,847
<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>			
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education:			
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	2005MS5ADM	14,668
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education			14,668
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			14,668
<u>U.S. Department of Social Security Administration</u>			
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services:			
Social Security Disability Insurance	96.001	04-19-04MSD100	182
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services			182
Total U.S. Department of Social Security Administration			182
Total for All Federal Awards			\$ 5,186,974

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

Newton Municipal School District
Notes to the Supplementary Information
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

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 Newton Municipal School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022. 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 Newton Municipal School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Newton Municipal School District.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the same basis of accounting and the same significant accounting policies, as applicable, as those used for the financial statements; however, the expenditures include transfers out. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. 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 Newton Municipal School District has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

(4) Other Items

Donated commodities are included in the National School Lunch Program.

E-rate funds have not been included on this schedule due to the fact the FCC considers the support to be in the form of providing a discount to the schools and libraries and does not consider the assistance to be direct financial support.

Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures – Governmental Funds

(1) Basis of Accounting

This schedule is presented on the same basis of accounting and the same significant accounting policies, as applicable, as those used for the financial statements.

**Newton Municipal School District
Supplementary Information**

**Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022**

Expenditures	Total	Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures	General Administration	School Administration	Other
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 8,666,878	6,321,013	781,434	495,430	1,069,001
Other	3,934,902	1,408,856	227,986	25,439	2,272,621
Total	<u>\$ 12,601,780</u>	<u>7,729,869</u>	<u>1,009,420</u>	<u>520,869</u>	<u>3,341,622</u>
Total number of students *	<u>849</u>				
Cost per student	<u>\$ 14,844</u>	<u>9,105</u>	<u>1,189</u>	<u>614</u>	<u>3,936</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

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Other Information

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

General Fund

Last Four Years

UNAUDITED

	2022	2021*	2020*	2019*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 3,390,006	\$ 3,630,435	\$ 3,074,451	\$ 2,877,246
State sources	5,003,333	5,033,480	5,126,243	5,260,693
Federal sources	85,040	55,521	92,346	77,738
Sixteenth Section sources	11,747	355,745	50,070	146,246
Total Revenues	8,490,126	9,075,181	8,343,110	8,361,923
Expenditures:				
Instruction	4,676,052	4,064,387	4,645,030	4,309,417
Support services	2,833,339	3,228,872	3,193,058	3,176,413
Noninstructional services	7,679	4,591	6,109	12,005
Sixteenth section	19,119	26,302	7,345	20,289
Facilities acquisition and construction	299,933	565,061	-	26,524
Debt Service:				
Principal	18,750	27,000	-	-
Interest	1,086	10,659	-	-
Total Expenditures	7,855,958	7,926,872	7,851,542	7,544,648
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	634,168	1,148,309	491,568	817,275
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Bonds and notes issued	223,726	1,370,000	200,052	-
Operating transfers in	1,163,623	98,691	12,699	-
Operating transfers out	(451,685)	(495,632)	(393,916)	(405,020)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	935,664	973,059	(181,165)	(405,020)
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,569,832	2,121,368	310,403	412,255
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	3,730,790	1,594,244	1,254,778	903,697
Prior period adjustments	187,745	15,178	29,063	(61,174)
Beginning of period, as restated	3,918,535	1,609,422	1,283,841	842,523
End of Period	\$ 5,488,367	\$ 3,730,790	\$ 1,594,244	\$ 1,254,778

*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Other Information

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

All Governmental Funds

Last Four Years

UNAUDITED

	2022	2021*	2020*	2019*
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 3,478,459	\$ 3,785,973	\$ 3,276,574	\$ 3,289,149
State sources	5,288,977	5,328,793	5,420,580	5,561,690
Federal sources	5,538,751	2,687,411	1,616,029	1,827,452
Sixteenth section sources	25,632	355,745	50,070	168,259
Total Revenues	14,331,819	12,157,922	10,363,253	10,846,550
Expenditures:				
Instruction	6,063,965	5,275,601	5,377,812	5,169,655
Support services	5,037,449	4,694,518	3,996,395	4,027,260
Noninstructional services	643,341	613,677	674,299	643,630
Sixteenth section	31,989	26,302	7,345	23,019
Facilities acquisition and construction	603,759	565,061	-	26,524
Debt service:				
Principal	188,408	444,429	90,000	265,000
Interest	32,869	17,581	14,382	19,980
Other	-	-	-	439
Total Expenditures	12,601,780	11,637,169	10,160,233	10,175,507
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	1,730,039	520,753	203,020	671,043
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Bonds and notes issued	223,726	1,370,000	200,052	-
Operating transfers in	1,736,345	595,148	424,260	407,603
Operating transfers out	(1,736,345)	(595,148)	(424,260)	(407,603)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	223,726	1,370,000	200,052	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,953,765	1,890,753	403,072	671,043
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	4,749,721	2,866,822	2,430,075	1,828,439
Prior period adjustments	28,502	(19,254)	24,401	(61,174)
Beginning of period, as restated	4,778,223	2,847,568	2,454,476	1,767,265
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	(8,903)	11,400	9,274	(8,233)
End of Period	\$ 6,723,085	\$ 4,749,721	\$ 2,866,822	\$ 2,430,075

*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
Newton Municipal 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 Newton Municipal School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Newton Municipal School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 22, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Newton Municipal 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 statement. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

Brown CPA, PLLC
Madison, Mississippi
September 22, 2023

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Brown CPA, PLLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance

Superintendent and School Board
Newton Municipal School District

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Newton Municipal School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Newton Municipal School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The Newton Municipal 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.

In our opinion, the Newton Municipal School District complied, in all material respects, with the 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, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Newton Municipal School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Newton Municipal School District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Newton Municipal School District's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Newton Municipal School District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve

collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Newton Municipal School District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Newton Municipal School District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Newton Municipal School District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances 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 the Newton Municipal School District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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.

Brown CPA, PLLC
Madison, Mississippi
September 22, 2023



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

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Superintendent and School Board
Newton Municipal School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Newton Municipal School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, which collectively comprise Newton Municipal School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 22, 2023. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

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

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

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

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

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

The results of procedures performed to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations and our audit of the financial statements disclosed the following instances of immaterial noncompliance with other state laws and regulations. Our findings and recommendations and your responses are as follows:

State Legal Finding 01:

Criteria:

Code Section 29-3-57 and 29-3-111, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), governs the method used by school districts related to timely deposit of revenues within the appropriate funds and also the method used for lease payments that are in default in excess of sixty days.

Condition:

The Newton Municipal School District had one lease deposit that was not deposited timely and three leases that were in default in excess of sixty days that were not provided to the board to take action for termination or allow for extenuating circumstances.

Cause:

District is not in compliance with Code Section 29-3-57 and 29-3-111, Miss. Code Ann (1972). District did not ensure all revenues were timely deposited or properly report leases in default in excess of sixty days to the board.

Effect:

This could result in misplaced funds or 16th section lease revenues not being received.

Recommendation

We recommend that the district strengthen controls in the area of lease revenues being deposited timely. We also recommend that the district provide a listing of any leases in excess of sixty days to the board monthly so that they may terminate the leases or allow for extenuating circumstances.

Response

The Newton Municipal School District will comply with Section 29-3-57 and 29-3-111 by implementing a tighter control system in place for tracking of leases.

Repeat Finding:

Yes – 2021-02

State Legal Finding 02:

Criteria:

Section 37-61-19, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states, "It shall be the duty of the superintendent of schools and the school boards of all school districts to limit the expenditure of school funds during the fiscal year to the resources available. It shall be unlawful for any school district to budget expenditures from a fund in excess of the resources available within that fund. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any contract to be entered into or any obligation incurred, or expenditure made in excess of the resources available for such fiscal year."

Condition:

During our review of the amended budget we noted several special revenues funds that had expenditures in excess of its available resources causing negative fund balances.

Cause:

The district did not properly approve the amended budget to ensure resources were available to cover all expenditures.

Effect:

Failure to ensure resources are available to cover all expenditures could result in deficit fund balances.

Recommendation:

The district should ensure compliance with state law by ensuring all funds have available resources before budgets are approved.

Response:

The district will implement procedures to ensure compliance is met and will verify each fund has available resources to cover all expenditures before budgets are approved.

Repeat Finding:

No

State Legal Finding 03:

Criteria:

The Internal Control-Integrated Framework published by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Tread-way Commission specifies that a satisfactory control environment is only effective when there are adequate control activities in place. Good internal controls require the functions of processing, recording transactions, and maintaining custody of related assets to be properly recorded to ensure the assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or theft.

Condition:

During our testing of ten (10) activity fund deposits, we noted the following exceptions:

1. A copy of the starting and ending ticket numbers were not included with the transmittal forms.
2. The transmittal forms provided did not contain a signature of approval by the principal.

Cause:

The district did not have the controls in place to ensure adequate support was provided or attached to the transmittal forms, including verification of the tickets used. The district also did not ensure all signatures of approval were on the form.

Effect:

Inadequate internal controls related to activity funds revenue collections and supporting documentation could result in a loss of assets and improper revenue recognition.

Recommendation:

The district should strengthen controls to enforce policies and procedures and ensure all activity receipts are being safeguarded, adequately recognized, and recorded.

Response:

The district will implement the procedures to ensure compliance is met with activity funds. The district will ensure all activity count sheets are properly completed and all documentation is maintained.

Repeat Finding:

No

The Office of the State Auditor or a public accounting firm will review, on the subsequent year's audit engagement, the findings in this report to ensure that corrective action has been taken. The Newton Municipal School District's responses to the findings included in this report were not audited and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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

Brown CPA, PLLC
Madison, Mississippi
September 22, 2023



SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Section I: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:

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| 1. | Type of auditor's report issued: | Unmodified |
| 2. | Internal control over financial reporting: | |
| | a. Material weaknesses identified? | No |
| | b. Significant deficiencies identified? | None reported |
| 3. | Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? | No |

Federal Awards:

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| 4. | Internal control over major programs: | |
| | a. Material weakness identified? | No |
| | b. Significant deficiency identified? | None reported |
| 5. | Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: | Unmodified |
| 6. | Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? | No |

7. Identification of major programs:

<u>ALNs Numbers</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
84.027; 84.173	Special Education Cluster
84.425D	COVID-19 – Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief I, II, CTE, and Pre-K Grant (ESSER)
84.425U	COVID-19 – Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief III ARP (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 finding(s) and questioned costs relative to federal awards which would require the auditee to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings in accordance with 2CFR 200.511(b). | Yes |

NEWTON MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Section II: Financial Statement Findings

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

Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

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

AUDITEE'S SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

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Angela Hicks, Business Manager**

AUDITEE'S SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

As required by Uniformed Guidance, the Newton Municipal School District has prepared and hereby submits the following summary of prior year audit findings as of June 30, 2022:

<u>Findings</u>	<u>Status</u>
2021-001	Corrected
2021-002	Corrected
2021-003	Corrected