



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS

June 30, 2021

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education
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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the fiduciary fund of the Hicksville Union Free School District (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Summary of Opinions

Opinion Unit	Type of Opinion
Governmental Activities	Unmodified
General Fund	Unmodified
Special Aid Fund	Unmodified
School Food Service Fund	Unmodified
Debt Service Fund	Unmodified
Capital Projects Fund	Unmodified
Extraclassroom Activities Fund	Qualified
Scholarships Fund	Unmodified
Fiduciary Fund	Unmodified

Basis for Qualified Opinion on the Extraclassroom Activities Fund

The records of the extraclassroom activities fund of the Hicksville Union Free School District were not sufficient to permit the application of adequate auditing procedures to indicate whether all receipts were recorded.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effect of any adjustments that might have been necessary had we been able to perform adequate auditing procedures in regard to the receipts referred to in the “Basis for Qualified Opinion on the Extraclassroom Activities Fund” paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the extraclassroom activities fund of the Hicksville Union Free School District, as of June 30, 2021, and the changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, other than the extraclassroom activities fund, and the fiduciary fund of the Hicksville Union Free School District, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Changes in Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, “Changes in Accounting Principles”, the District has adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, as of June 30, 2021. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management’s discussion and analysis, schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance – budget and actual – general fund, schedule of the District’s proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability), schedule of District pension contributions and schedule of changes in the District’s total OPEB liability and related ratios on pages 4 through 17 and 56 through 60, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of comparing the

information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Hicksville Union Free School District's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information on pages 61 through 63 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information requested by the New York State Education Department. The other supplementary information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 25, 2021 on our consideration of the Hicksville Union Free 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 Hicksville Union Free 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 the Hicksville Union Free School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Cullen & Danowski, LLP

October 25, 2021

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Hicksville Union Free School District's discussion and analysis of financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 comparison with the year ended June 30, 2020, with emphasis on the current year. This should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes to financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

1. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

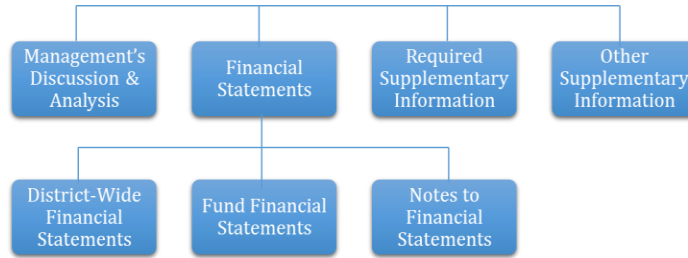
Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2021 are as follows:

- The District's total net position was a deficit of \$141,888,748 in the district-wide financial statements at June 30, 2021, compared to a deficit of \$127,936,051 at June 30, 2020. The deficit increased by \$13,952,697 over the prior year due to an excess of expenses over revenues using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.
- The District's total net position at June 30, 2020 was restated and increased by \$203,071, which is due to the required implementation of GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, during the 2021 fiscal year.
- On the district-wide financial statements, the District's expenses for the year totaled \$154,573,866. Of this amount, \$5,938,887 was offset by program charges for services and operating grants and contributions. General revenues of \$134,682,282 amount to 95.8% of total revenues.
- The District's general fund-fund balance, as reflected in the fund financial statements was \$30,052,689 at June 30, 2021. This balance represents a \$2,904,301 increase over the prior year due to an excess of revenues over expenditures and other financing uses, using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, as follows:
 - Restricted fund balances increased by \$5,998,962 due to funding of reserves and interest allocated to the reserves, offset by the use of reserves.
 - Assigned fund balance decreased by \$318,392.
 - Unassigned fund balance decreased by \$2,776,269 to \$5,827,802.
- Through careful planning and budgeting, and with voters' authorizations, the District has been utilizing the general fund's existing fund balance and reserves to help pay for programmatic and capital improvement needs while staying within the annual property tax cap. The District was able to lower the general fund's total fund balance from 30.6% of actual expenditures as of June 30, 2013, to 22.5% as of June 30, 2021.
- The District's 2020-2021 budgeted property tax levy of \$105,981,278 was a \$1,647,230 or 1.58% increase over the 2020 tax levy, which was equal to the District's property tax cap.
- The District was awarded funding under the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act through the Elementary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) and the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Programs. As of June 30, 2021, the District expended \$509,151 and \$86,292 of program allocations, respectively. In addition, the District received approximately \$161,000 in funding for emergency protective measures from FEMA through the New York State Department of Homeland Security for COVID-19.
- The voters of the District approved the establishment of two new capital reserves on May 18, 2021. The first reserve was established for various district-wide project and was funded up to the authorized amount of \$3,000,000 at June 30, 2021. The second, "long term capital reserve", was also approved for various district-wide projects, to be funded over 10 years until the maximum authorized of \$20,000,000 is reached. The annual funding to this "long term capital reserve" is \$2,000,000 per year. At June 30, 2021, the District contributed \$2,000,000 to this long term capital reserve.
- The voters approved the budget for the 2021-2022 school year in the amount of \$145,695,048 on May 18, 2021. The tax levy increase was 1.94%, which was equal to the tax cap limit.

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2. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of four parts – management’s discussion and analysis (MD&A), the financial statements, required supplementary information, and other supplementary information. The financial statements consist of district-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to financial statements. A graphic display of the relationship of these statements follows:



A. District-wide Financial Statements

The district-wide financial statements present the governmental activities of the District and are organized to provide an understanding of the fiscal performance of the District as a whole in a manner similar to a private sector business. There are two district-wide financial statements - the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements provide both an aggregate and long-term view of the District’s finances.

These statements utilize the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes the financial effects of events when they occur, without regard to the timing of cash flows related to the events.

The Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the District’s assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating. To assess the overall health of the District, one needs to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the District’s property tax base and the condition of the District’s school buildings and other facilities.

The Statement of Activities

The Statement of Activities presents information showing the change in net position during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are recorded at the time the underlying financial event occurs. Revenues are recognized in the period when they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period when the liability is incurred. Therefore, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will result in cash flow in future fiscal periods.

B. Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District’s funds, not the District as a whole. 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 also uses fund accounting to ensure compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The funds of the District are reported in the governmental funds and the fiduciary fund.

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Governmental Funds

These statements utilize the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the period when they become measurable and available. It recognizes expenditures in the period when the District incurs the liability, except for certain expenditures such as debt service on general long-term indebtedness, claims and judgments, compensated absences, pension costs, and other postemployment benefits, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent the related liabilities mature each period.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the district-wide financial statements. However, the governmental fund financial statements focus on shorter-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year for spending in future years. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's operations and the services it provides.

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

The District maintains seven individual governmental funds: general fund, special aid fund, school food service fund, debt service fund, capital projects fund, extraclassroom activities fund and scholarships fund; each of which is considered to be a major fund and is presented separately in the fund financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds

The District reports its fiduciary activities in the fiduciary fund – custodial fund. This fund reports real property taxes collected on behalf of other governments and disbursed to those governments, and utilizes the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement. The fiduciary activities have been excluded from the district-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

3. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

A. Net Position

Certain balances at June 30, 2020 were adjusted as a result of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, which required the District to record activities in the Governmental Funds that had previously been recorded in the Fiduciary Funds. Consequently, the District now includes the agency fund activities in the general fund, and the extraclassroom activities and scholarships funds as separate governmental funds. The changes resulted in an increase of \$203,071 in total net position. In addition, the 2020 restricted net position was decreased and the unrestricted net position increased by \$997,688, for the amount of bond premium restricted for debt service which was included in bonds payable. This change did not affect the total net position. The following is a summary of these changes:

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	As Restated 2020	As Reported 2020	Increase (Decrease)
Current and Other Assets	\$ 66,487,786	\$ 65,882,180	\$ 605,606
Current and Other Liabilities	13,761,255	13,358,720	402,535
Restricted Net Position	21,672,360	22,554,429	(882,069)
Unrestricted Net Position (Deficit)	(190,910,080)	(191,995,220)	1,085,140
Total Net Position (Deficit)	(127,936,051)	(128,139,122)	203,071

The District's total net position (deficit) increased by \$13,952,697 between fiscal year 2021 and 2020. The increase is due to expenses in excess of revenues using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. A summary of the District's Statements of Net Position follows:

	2021	As Restated 2020	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Assets				
Current and Other Assets	\$ 56,611,738	\$ 66,487,786	\$ (9,876,048)	(14.85)%
Capital Assets, Net	66,753,559	57,385,169	9,368,390	16.33 %
Net Pension Asset - Proportionate Share		9,074,418	(9,074,418)	(100.00)%
Total Assets	<u>123,365,297</u>	<u>132,947,373</u>	<u>(9,582,076)</u>	(7.21)%
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>83,680,639</u>	<u>69,272,311</u>	<u>14,408,328</u>	20.80 %
Liabilities				
Current and Other Liabilities	14,239,193	13,761,255	477,938	3.47 %
Long-Term Liabilities	36,766,386	38,602,140	(1,835,754)	(4.76)%
Net Pension Liabilities - Proportionate Share	9,875,831	7,876,296	1,999,535	25.39 %
Total OPEB Liability	<u>227,739,615</u>	<u>232,302,514</u>	<u>(4,562,899)</u>	(1.96)%
Total Liabilities	<u>288,621,025</u>	<u>292,542,205</u>	<u>(3,921,180)</u>	(1.34)%
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>60,313,659</u>	<u>37,613,530</u>	<u>22,700,129</u>	60.35 %
Net Position (Deficit)				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	39,812,341	41,301,669	(1,489,328)	(3.61)%
Restricted	27,071,544	21,672,360	5,399,184	24.91 %
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(208,772,633)</u>	<u>(190,910,080)</u>	<u>(17,862,553)</u>	9.36 %
Total Net Position (Deficit)	<u>\$ (141,888,748)</u>	<u>\$ (127,936,051)</u>	<u>\$ (13,952,697)</u>	10.91 %

The decrease in current and other assets is primarily due to decreases in cash and taxes receivable.

The increase in capital assets, net is due to capital asset additions in excess of depreciation expense. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 13 "Capital Assets" provides additional information.

Net pension asset – proportionate share was eliminated in the current year as the New York State Teachers' Retirement System's experienced a loss, resulting in net pension liability – proportionate share. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 16, "Pension Plans – New York State," provides additional information.

Deferred outflows of resources represents contributions to the pension plans subsequent to the measurement dates, and actuarial adjustments of the pension and OPEB plans that will be amortized in future years.

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The increase in current and other liabilities is primarily due to increases in accrued liabilities, due to teachers’ retirement system and compensated absences, offset by a decrease in accounts payable.

The decrease in long-term liabilities is primarily the result of the repayment of the current year maturity on bond debt, net of current year amortization of deferred premiums, and a decrease in compensated absences payable. These decreases were offset by an increase in the workers’ compensation liability at year end. The accompanying Notes of Financial Statements, Note 15 “Long-Term Liabilities,” provides additional information.

Net pension liabilities – proportionate share represents the District’s share of the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System’s net pension liability, at the measurement date of the respective year. The District’s share of the New York State Teachers’ Retirement System’s collective net pension liability is also included in the current year balance. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 16 “Pension Plans – New York State,” provides additional information.

Total other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability decreased, based on the actuarial valuation of the plan. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 18 “Postemployment Healthcare Benefits,” provides additional information.

Deferred inflows of resources represents actuarial adjustments of the pension and OPEB plans that will be amortized in future years.

The net investment in capital assets is the investment in capital assets at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and related outstanding debt. The accompanying Other Supplementary Information, Schedule of Net Investment in Capital Assets provides additional information.

The restricted amount relates to the District’s reserves. This number increased over the prior year. The increase to the restricted amount is due to Board approved additions and interest earning, net of the use of restricted amounts to pay current period expenses.

The unrestricted deficit amount relates to the balance of the District’s net position. This balance does not include the District’s reserves, which are classified as restricted. Additionally, certain unfunded liabilities will have the effect of reducing the District’s unrestricted net position. One such unfunded liability is the total OPEB liability. In accordance with state guidelines, the District is only permitted to fund OPEB on a “pay as you go” basis, and is not permitted to accumulate funds for the OPEB liability.

B. Changes in Net Position

The June 30, 2020 revenues and expenses were increased by \$199,713, resulting from the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. In addition, the 2020 allocation of employee benefits expenses were reclassified among general support, instruction, pupil transportation, and community services to conform to the 2021 allocation. The reclassification did not affect total expenses.

	As Restated 2020	As Reported 2020	Increase (Decrease)
Charges for Services	\$ 1,585,700	\$ 1,434,755	\$ 150,945
Operating Grants & Contributions	3,649,364	3,604,416	44,948
General Support	21,094,148	23,362,022	(2,267,874)
Instruction	124,592,814	122,043,444	2,549,370
Pupil Transportation	6,703,682	6,773,374	(69,692)
Community Services	248,637	260,728	(12,091)

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The results of operations as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities in a programmatic format. In the accompanying financial statements STAR (school tax relief) revenue is included in the other tax items line. However, in this MD&A, STAR revenue has been combined with property taxes. A summary of this statement for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

	2021	As Restated 2020	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Revenues				
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$ 1,081,883	\$ 1,585,700	\$ (503,817)	(31.77)%
Operating Grants & Contributions	4,857,004	3,649,364	1,207,640	33.09 %
General Revenues				
Property Taxes & STAR	106,024,291	105,417,157	607,134	0.58 %
State Sources	19,145,550	19,882,228	(736,678)	(3.71)%
Other	9,512,441	9,308,816	203,625	2.19 %
Total Revenues	140,621,169	139,843,265	777,904	0.56 %
Expenses				
General Support	19,576,940	21,094,148	(1,517,208)	(7.19)%
Instruction	125,838,348	124,592,814	1,245,534	1.00 %
Pupil Transportation	7,383,436	6,703,682	679,754	10.14 %
Community Services	61,538	248,637	(187,099)	(75.25)%
Debt Service - Interest	737,163	487,198	249,965	51.31 %
Food Service Program	976,441	1,609,148	(632,707)	(39.32)%
Total Expenses	154,573,866	154,735,627	(161,761)	(0.10)%
Change in Net Position	\$ (13,952,697)	\$ (14,892,362)	\$ 939,665	(6.31)%

The District's net position decreased by \$13,952,697 and \$14,892,362 for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

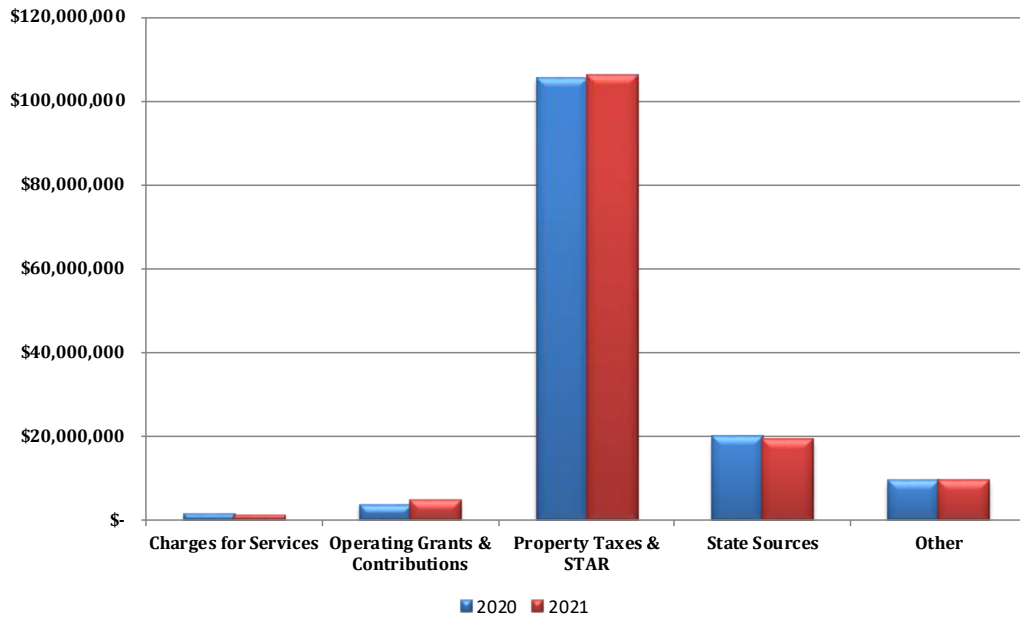
The District's revenues increased by \$777,904 or 0.56%. The major factors that contributed to the increase were the increases in the property tax levy and due to additional federal funding for COVID-19 included in operating grants and contributions. This was offset by decreases in charges for services and state sources.

The District's expenses for the year decreased by \$161,761 or 0.10%. This was primarily the result of decreases in general support and the food service program, offset by increases in instruction and pupil transportation. The decrease in general support was due to higher costs in the prior year for COVID-19 related expenses. The increases in instruction is due to additional staffing needs for instruction for remote learning. The decrease in the food service program is attributed to the decline in meals being prepared and distributed to students. Pupil transportation expenses increased due to the fact that the District has incurred a full year of transportation costs as there were no extended closures for COVID-19.

As indicated on the graphs that follow, property taxes and STAR is the largest component of revenues recognized, at 75.4% the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. Instruction expense is the largest category of expenses incurred, comprising 81.4% and 80.6% for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

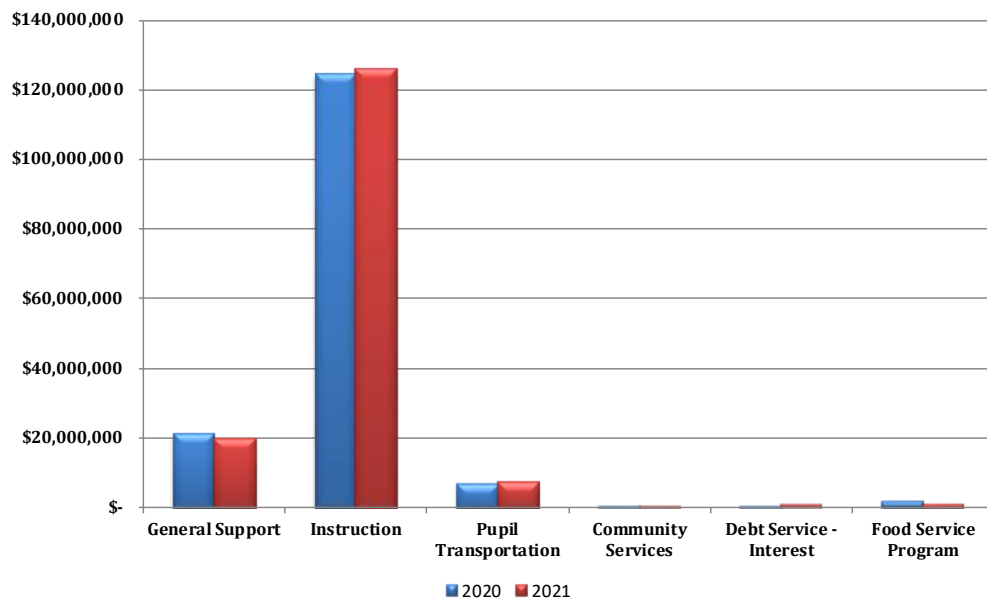
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A graphic display of the distribution of revenues for the two years follows:



	Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contributions	Property Taxes & STAR	State Sources	Other
2020	1.1%	2.6%	75.4%	14.2%	6.7%
2021	0.8%	3.5%	75.4%	13.6%	6.7%

A graphic display of the distribution of expenses for the two years follows:



	General Support	Instruction	Pupil Transportation	Community Services	Debt Service - Interest	Food Service Program
2020	13.6%	80.6%	4.3%	0.2%	0.3%	1.0%
2021	12.7%	81.4%	4.8%	0.0%	0.5%	0.6%

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4. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

At June 30, 2021, the District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$41,875,010, a decrease of \$10,338,790 from the prior year. This decrease is due to an excess of expenditures and other financing uses over revenues and other financing sources using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. The June 30, 2020 amounts were restated to include the extraclassroom activities and scholarships funds, as a result of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84. A summary of the change in the components of fund balance by fund is as follows:

	2021	As Restated 2020	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
General Fund				
Restricted:				
Workers' compensation	\$ 1,450,798	\$ 1,423,933	\$ 26,865	1.89%
Unemployment insurance	262,035	261,692	343	0.13 %
Retirement contribution				
Teachers' retirement system	2,083,523	2,109,867	(26,344)	(1.25)%
Employees' retirement system	8,714,962	8,421,641	293,321	3.48 %
Employee benefit accrued liability	4,324,329	3,619,588	704,741	19.47 %
Capital	5,027,511	27,475	5,000,036	18198.49 %
Assigned:				
Appropriated fund balance	1,700,000	1,700,000	-	0.00 %
Unappropriated fund balance	661,729	980,121	(318,392)	(32.48)%
Unassigned: Fund balance	5,827,802	8,604,071	(2,776,269)	(32.27)%
	<u>30,052,689</u>	<u>27,148,388</u>	<u>2,904,301</u>	10.70 %
School Food Service Fund				
Nonspendable: Inventories	8,334	20,776	(12,442)	(59.89)%
Assigned: Unappropriated fund balance	1,013,024	907,652	105,372	11.61 %
	<u>1,021,358</u>	<u>928,428</u>	<u>92,930</u>	10.01 %
Debt Service Fund				
Restricted: Debt	1,292,126	1,252,984	39,142	3.12 %
Capital Projects Fund				
Restricted:				
Capital reserve	4,806,350	5,437,249	(630,899)	(11.60)%
Unspent bond proceeds	1,123,782	12,921,500	(11,797,718)	(91.30)%
Assigned: Unappropriated fund balance	3,399,418	4,322,180	(922,762)	(21.35)%
	<u>9,329,550</u>	<u>22,680,929</u>	<u>(13,351,379)</u>	(58.87)%
Extraclassroom Activities Fund				
Assigned: Unappropriated fund balance	71,689	87,452	(15,763)	(18.02)%
Scholarships Fund				
Restricted: Scholarships	107,598	115,619	(8,021)	(6.94)%
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 41,875,010</u>	<u>\$ 52,213,800</u>	<u>\$(10,338,790)</u>	(19.80)%

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MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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A. General Fund

The net change in the general fund-fund balance is an increase of \$2,904,301, compared to an increase of \$1,780,507 in the prior year, as revenues of \$136,427,545 exceeded expenditures and other uses of \$133,523,244.

The District’s revenues increased by \$1,036,570 or 0.77%, as compared to the prior year. This increase is primarily attributable to increases in property taxes and STAR, due to an increase in the tax levy in accordance with the 2020-2021 budget; miscellaneous revenues due to additional refunding of prior year expenditures; and federal sources due to COVID-19 relief funding from FEMA and CARES Act allocations. These increases were offset by decreases in use of money and property due to lower interest rates during the current year and state sources due to the District receiving less aid than it did during the prior year.

Expenditures and other financing uses decreased by \$87,224 or 0.07% from the prior year. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease operating transfers out, offset by increases in instruction costs, pupil transportation and employee benefits. In the prior year, the District transferred \$3,659,180 from general fund appropriations and the capital reserve to the capital projects fund to fund district-wide improvements, whereas, in the current year, the District did not make any transfers to the capital projects fund. Increases in instruction and pupil transportation can be directly attributed to increases in costs associated with COVID-19 in the current year and the District’s schools being closed for over three months in the prior year.

The following is a summary of the District’s general fund restricted fund balance activities:

	Balance @ June 30, 2020	Use of Reserves	Interest	Funding	Balance @ June 30, 2021	Appropriated for June 30, 2022
Workers' compensation	\$ 1,423,933	\$ (675,000)	\$ 1,865	\$ 700,000	\$ 1,450,798	\$ 500,000
Unemployment insurance	261,692		343		262,035	
Retirement contribution						
TRS	2,109,867	(1,229,107)	2,763	1,200,000	2,083,523	275,000
ERS	8,421,641	(1,595,893)	11,032	1,878,182	8,714,962	1,800,000
EBALR	3,619,588	(300,000)	4,741	1,000,000	4,324,329	225,000
Capital	27,475		36	5,000,000	5,027,511	
	<u>\$ 15,864,196</u>	<u>\$ (3,800,000)</u>	<u>\$ 20,780</u>	<u>\$ 9,778,182</u>	<u>\$ 21,863,158</u>	<u>\$ 2,800,000</u>

Additional detail regarding capital reserves can be found in Note 23 “Restricted for Capital Reserve.”

B. School Food Service Fund

The school food service fund – fund balance increased by \$92,930, which was the operating profit of the food service program. An Executive Order that allowed free meals to be distributed to all students, regardless of eligibility, led to an increase in state and federal reimbursements.

C. Debt Service Fund

The net change in the debt service fund-fund balance is an increase of \$39,142, which represents the interest earnings on bond proceeds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

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D. Capital Projects Fund

The net change in the capital projects fund-fund balance is a decrease of \$13,351,379, which the District expended in capital outlays. The funding for these expenditures was provided in prior years, of which \$11,797,718 was from bond funds, \$630,899 was from capital reserve funds and \$922,762 was from general fund appropriations

The following is a summary of the District’s capital projects fund activities:

Capital Reserves	Balance @ June 30, 2020	Use and Reallocation of Reserves	Funding	Balance @ June 30, 2021
May 2014	\$ 213,370	\$	\$	\$ 213,370
May 2015	171,722			171,722
May 2016	13,880			13,880
May 2017	2,572,391	(538,038)		2,034,353
November 2017	614,216	129,306		743,522
May 2018	385,447	(187,138)		198,309
May 2019	1,466,223	(35,029)		1,431,194
	<u>\$ 5,437,249</u>	<u>\$ (630,899)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,806,350</u>

E. Extraclassroom Activities Fund

The net change in the extraclassroom activities fund – fund balance is decrease of \$15,763, as expenditures of \$93,897 exceeded revenues of \$78,134.

F. Scholarships Fund

The net change in the scholarships fund – fund balance is decrease of \$8,021. Scholarship awards of \$45,975 exceeded contribution and interest earnings of \$37,900 and \$54, respectively.

5. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

A. 2020-2021 Budget

The District’s general fund adopted budget for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$140,101,865. This amount was increased by encumbrances carried forward from the prior year in the amount of \$980,121, and a budget revision of \$101,973 for a total final budget of \$141,183,959.

The final budget was funded through a combination of estimated revenues, and appropriated fund balance and reserves. The majority of this funding source was \$105,981,278 in estimated property taxes and STAR.

B. Change in General Fund’s Unassigned Fund Balance (Budget to Actual)

The general fund’s unassigned fund balance is the component of total fund balance that is the residual of current and prior years’ excess revenues over expenditures, net of transfers to reserves, appropriations to fund the subsequent year’s budget and encumbrances. The change in this balance demonstrated through a comparison of the actual revenues and expenditures for the year compared to budget follows:

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Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 8,604,071
Revenues Over Budget	1,723,707
Expenditures and Encumbrances Under Budget	6,998,986
Allocation to Reserves	(9,798,962)
Appropriated to Fund the June 30, 2022 Budget	<u>(1,700,000)</u>
Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance	<u>\$ 5,827,802</u>

Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance

The \$8,604,071 shown in the table is the portion of the District's June 30, 2020 fund balance that was retained as unassigned.

Revenues Over Budget

The 2020-2021 final budget for revenues was \$134,703,838. The total actual revenues recognized for the fiscal year were \$136,427,545. The excess of actual revenues over estimated or budgeted revenues was \$1,723,707. The accompanying Required Supplementary Information, Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund, provides additional information.

Expenditures and Encumbrances Under Budget

The 2020-2021 final budget was \$141,183,959. Actual expenditures and other uses for the year were \$133,523,244 and outstanding encumbrances were \$661,729. Combined, the expenditures and other uses plus encumbrances were \$134,184,973. The final budget variance was \$6,998,986, which contributes directly to the change to the general fund unassigned fund balance from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2021. The accompanying Required Supplementary Information, Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund, provides additional information.

Allocation to Reserves

Monies and interest earnings transferred into authorized reserves do not affect the total fund balance unless, and until these monies are actually expended. The transfers do, however, reduce the District's discretion regarding the use of these transferred monies, and thus, reduce the unassigned fund balance by the amount of the transfers. The table in §4.A. of this Management's Discussion and Analysis details the allocation of interest earnings and funding transfers to the reserves.

Appropriated Fund Balance

The District has chosen to use \$1,700,000 of the available June 30, 2021 unassigned fund balance to partially fund the 2021-2022 approved operating budget. As such, the unassigned portion of the June 30, 2021 fund balance must be reduced by this amount.

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Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance

Based upon the summary changes shown in the table, the unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2021 was \$5,827,802. This amount equals 4.0% of the 2021-2022 budget and complies with the statutory limit established by §1318 of Real Property Tax Law.

6. CAPITAL ASSETS, DEBT ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A. Capital Assets

At June 30, 2021, the District had invested in a broad range of capital assets, as indicated in the table below. The net increase in capital assets is due to net capital additions of \$13,659,690 in excess of depreciation expense of \$4,291,300 recorded for the year ended June 30, 2021. A summary of the District's capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation at June 30, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

	2021	2020	Increase (Decrease)
Land	\$ 520,209	\$ 520,209	\$ -
Construction in progress	33,835,504	26,097,058	7,738,446
Buildings and improvements	27,738,127	25,698,276	2,039,851
Site improvements	3,684,650	3,940,940	(256,290)
Furniture, vehicles and equipment	975,069	1,128,686	(153,617)
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 66,753,559</u>	<u>\$ 57,385,169</u>	<u>\$ 9,368,390</u>

B. Debt Administration

At June 30, 2021, the District had total bonds payable of \$28,065,000. The bonds were issued for school building improvements. The decrease in outstanding debt represents principal payments. A summary of the outstanding debt at June 30, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

Issue Date	Interest Rate	2021	2020	Increase (Decrease)
1/15/19	3.0 - 4.0%	\$ 14,450,000	\$ 15,390,000	\$ (940,000)
6/23/20	2.0 - 5.0%	13,615,000	13,615,000	-
		<u>\$ 28,065,000</u>	<u>\$ 29,005,000</u>	<u>\$ (940,000)</u>

On November 14, 2017, the voters approved Bond Proposition #1, which authorized the construction of alterations and improvements to District buildings at an estimated total cost not to exceed \$26,885,000. The proposition vote authorized the establishment and funding of a reserve entitled "2017-2018 Capital Reserve Fund B" of \$5,500,000, provided by a transfer from the retirement contribution reserve. The reserve will provide funding for the construction. The proposition vote also authorized the appropriation of \$750,000 from the school food service fund to the capital projects fund to pay a portion of the project costs. The balance of project funding will be through the issuance of \$20,635,000 in serial bonds. As of June 30, 2021, \$16,317,000 in long-term debt has been issued and the District has incurred \$22,424,358 to date of related project costs, which are recorded in the capital projects fund.

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On November 14, 2017, the voters also approved Bond Proposition #2, authorizing the construction of an aquatic center at the High School at an estimated total cost not to exceed \$14,740,000, funded entirely through the issuance of serial bonds. As of June 30, 2021, \$13,615,000 in long-term debt has been issued, \$1,085,000 of the bond issuance premium received will be used as permanent financing and \$40,000 of debt remains unissued. To date, the District has incurred \$12,975,337 of related project costs, which are recorded in the capital projects fund.

The District’s latest underlying, long-term credit rating from Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. is Aa2. The District’s outstanding serial bonds at June 30, 2021 are approximately 4.35% of the District’s debt limit.

C. Other Long-Term Liabilities

Included in the District’s long-term liabilities are the estimated amounts due for compensated absences, which are based on employment contracts, and workers’ compensation liabilities, net pension liabilities – proportionate share and total other postemployment benefits liability, which are based on actuarial valuations. A summary of the outstanding other long-term liabilities at June 30, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

	2021	2020	Increase (Decrease)
Compensated absences payable	\$ 5,743,068	\$ 6,462,321	\$ (719,253)
Workers' compensation liabilities	1,137,963	1,127,386	10,577
Net pension liabilities - proportionate share	9,875,831	7,876,296	1,999,535
Total OPEB liability	227,739,615	232,302,514	(4,562,899)
	\$ 244,496,477	\$ 247,768,517	\$ (3,272,040)

7. ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR’S BUDGET

A. Subsequent Year’s Budget

The general fund budget, the only fund with a legally adopted budget, as approved by the voters on May 18, 2021, for the year ending June 30, 2022, is \$145,695,048. This is an increase of \$5,593,183 or 3.99% over the previous year’s budget. The tax levy increase was \$2,051,779 or 1.94% which was equal to the tax cap limit. The budget was approved by 68.6% of the voters.

The District budgeted revenues other than property taxes and STAR at a \$4,541,404 increase over the prior year’s estimate, which is principally due to an estimated increase in payments in lieu of taxes and state sources. The assigned, appropriated fund balance applied to the budget in the amount of \$1,700,000 did not change from the previous year. Additionally, the District has elected to appropriate \$2,800,000 of reserves towards the next year’s budget, which is a decrease of \$1,000,000 from the previous year. A property tax levy of \$108,033,057 was needed to meet the funding shortfall and cover the increase in appropriations.

B. Future Budgets

The property tax cap and uncertainty in state aid and federal funds, funding, as well as the continuing effect of the COVID-19 pandemic, will impact the District’s future budgets.

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C. Tax Cap

New York State law limits the increase in the property tax levy of school districts to the lesser of 2% or the rate of inflation. There are additional statutory adjustments in the law. School districts may override the tax levy limit by presenting to the voters a budget that requires a tax levy that exceeds the statutory limit. However, that budget must be approved by 60% of the votes cast. Based on the law, the District's 2021-2022 property tax increase of 1.94% was equal to the tax cap and did not require an override vote.

8. CONTACTING THE DISTRICT

This financial report is designed to provide the reader with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the funds it receives. Requests for additional information can be directed to:

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Hicksville Union Free School District
Administration Building
200 Division Avenue
Hicksville, New York 11801-4800

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

ASSETS

Cash	
Unrestricted	\$ 18,938,541
Restricted	29,193,014
Receivables	
Accounts receivable, net	554,606
Taxes receivable	2,136,693
Due from state and federal	5,317,838
Due from other governments	222,416
Other assets	240,296
Inventories	8,334
Capital assets not being depreciated	34,355,713
Capital assets being depreciated, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>32,397,846</u>
Total Assets	<u>123,365,297</u>

DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Pensions	40,651,022
Other postemployment benefits	<u>43,029,617</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>83,680,639</u>

LIABILITIES

Payables	
Accounts payable	5,692,808
Accrued liabilities	489,493
Due to fiduciary fund	52,881
Due to other governments	148,828
Due to teachers' retirement system	6,377,604
Due to employees' retirement system	479,364
Compensated absences payable	580,678
Other liabilities	375,798
Unearned credits - Collections in advance	41,739
Long-term liabilities	
Due and payable within one year	
Bonds payable, including unamortized premium	1,613,773
Compensated absences payable	225,000
Due and payable after one year	
Bonds payable, including unamortized premium	28,271,582
Compensated absences payable	5,518,068
Workers' compensation liabilities	1,137,963
Net pension liabilities - proportionate share	9,875,831
Total other postemployment benefits liability	<u>227,739,615</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>288,621,025</u>

DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Pensions	14,649,792
Other postemployment benefits	<u>45,663,867</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>60,313,659</u>

NET POSITION (Deficit)

Net investment in capital assets	<u>39,812,341</u>
Restricted	
Workers' compensation	1,450,798
Unemployment insurance	262,035
Retirement contribution	
Teachers' retirement system	2,083,523
Employees' retirement system	8,714,962
Employee benefit accrued liability	4,324,329
Capital	9,833,861
Debt	294,438
Scholarships	107,598
	<u>27,071,544</u>
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(208,772,633)</u>
Total Net Position (Deficit)	<u>\$ (141,888,748)</u>

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants & Contributions</u>	
PROGRAMS/FUNCTIONS				
Governmental Activities:				
General support	\$ 19,576,940	\$	\$ 670,723	\$ (18,906,217)
Instruction	125,838,348	1,007,477	3,115,979	(121,714,892)
Pupil transportation	7,383,436			(7,383,436)
Community services	61,538			(61,538)
Debt service - interest	737,163			(737,163)
Food service program	976,441	74,406	1,070,302	168,267
	<u>\$ 154,573,866</u>	<u>\$ 1,081,883</u>	<u>\$ 4,857,004</u>	<u>(148,634,979)</u>
Total Governmental Activities				
GENERAL REVENUES				
Real property taxes				97,968,870
Other tax items				14,875,475
Use of money and property				830,348
Sale of property and compensation for loss				960,246
Miscellaneous				809,808
State sources				19,145,550
Medicaid reimbursement				91,985
				<u>134,682,282</u>
Total General Revenues				
Change in Net Position				(13,952,697)
Total Net Position (Deficit) - Beginning of Year, as Restated				<u>(127,936,051)</u>
Total Net Position (Deficit) - End of year				<u>\$ (141,888,748)</u>

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds

June 30, 2021

	General	Special Aid	School Food Service	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Extraclassroom Activities	Scholarships	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS								
Cash								
Unrestricted	\$ 18,060,246	\$ 50,935	\$ 755,671	\$	\$	\$ 71,689	\$	\$ 18,938,541
Restricted	25,128,585				3,956,831		107,598	29,193,014
Receivables								
Accounts receivable, net	554,606							554,606
Taxes receivable	2,136,693							2,136,693
Due from other funds	2,338,423		205,717	1,292,126	7,952,440			11,788,706
Due from state and federal	2,552,635	2,493,358	271,845					5,317,838
Due from other governments	222,416							222,416
Other assets	240,296							240,296
Inventories			8,334					8,334
Total Assets	<u>\$ 51,233,900</u>	<u>\$ 2,544,293</u>	<u>\$ 1,241,567</u>	<u>\$ 1,292,126</u>	<u>\$ 11,909,271</u>	<u>\$ 71,689</u>	<u>\$ 107,598</u>	<u>\$ 68,400,444</u>
LIABILITIES								
Payables								
Accounts payable	\$ 3,024,225	\$ 204,851	\$ 178,449	\$	\$ 2,285,283	\$	\$	\$ 5,692,808
Accrued liabilities	267,403	1,019						268,422
Due to other funds	9,208,726	2,338,423			294,438			11,841,587
Due to other governments	148,828							148,828
Due to teachers' retirement system	6,377,604							6,377,604
Due to employees' retirement system	479,364							479,364
Compensated absences payable	580,678							580,678
Other liabilities	375,777		21					375,798
Unearned credits - Collections in advance			41,739					41,739
Total Liabilities	<u>20,462,605</u>	<u>2,544,293</u>	<u>220,209</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,579,721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,806,828</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Unavailable revenues	<u>718,606</u>							<u>718,606</u>
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable: Inventories			8,334					8,334
Restricted:								
Workers' compensation	1,450,798							1,450,798
Unemployment insurance	262,035							262,035
Retirement contribution								
Teachers' retirement system	2,083,523							2,083,523
Employees' retirement system	8,714,962							8,714,962
Employee benefit accrued liability	4,324,329							4,324,329
Capital	5,027,511				4,806,350			9,833,861
Debt				1,292,126				1,292,126
Scholarships							107,598	107,598
Unspent bond proceeds					1,123,782			1,123,782
Assigned:								
Appropriated fund balance	1,700,000							1,700,000
Unappropriated fund balance	661,729		1,013,024		3,399,418	71,689		5,145,860
Unassigned: Fund balance	<u>5,827,802</u>							<u>5,827,802</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>30,052,689</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,021,358</u>	<u>1,292,126</u>	<u>9,329,550</u>	<u>71,689</u>	<u>107,598</u>	<u>41,875,010</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 51,233,900</u>	<u>\$ 2,544,293</u>	<u>\$ 1,241,567</u>	<u>\$ 1,292,126</u>	<u>\$ 11,909,271</u>	<u>\$ 71,689</u>	<u>\$ 107,598</u>	<u>\$ 68,400,444</u>

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet
to the Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2021

Total Governmental Fund Balances \$ 41,875,010

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

The costs of building and acquiring capital assets (land, buildings, equipment) financed from the governmental funds are reported as expenditures in the year they are incurred, and the assets do not appear on the Balance Sheet. However, the Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets among the assets of the District as a whole, and their original costs are expensed annually over their useful lives.

Original cost of capital assets	\$ 134,633,265	
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(67,879,706)</u>	66,753,559

Proportionate share of long-term liabilities and deferred outflows and inflows associated with participation in the state retirement systems are not current financial resources or liabilities and are not reported in the funds.

Deferred outflows of resources	40,651,022	
Net pension liability - teachers' retirement system	(9,846,093)	
Net pension liability - employees' retirement system	(29,738)	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(14,649,792)</u>	16,125,399

Total other postemployment benefits liability and deferred outflows and inflows related to providing benefits in retirement are not current financial resources or liabilities and are not reported in the funds.

Deferred outflows of resources	43,029,617	
Total other postemployment benefits liability	(227,739,615)	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(45,663,867)</u>	(230,373,865)

Some of the District's revenues will be collected after the year end, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the governmental funds, but are not deferred on the Statement of Net Position.

718,606

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:

Accrued interest on bonds payable	(221,071)	
Bonds payable, plus unamortized premium	(29,885,355)	
Compensated absences payable	(5,743,068)	
Workers' compensation liabilities	<u>(1,137,963)</u>	(36,987,457)

Total Net Position (Deficit) \$ (141,888,748)

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	General	Special Aid	School Food Service	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Extraclassroom Activities	Scholarships	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES								
Real property taxes	\$ 97,968,870	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 97,968,870
Other tax items	14,875,475							14,875,475
Charges for services	929,343							929,343
Use of money and property	791,099		107	39,142			54	830,402
Sale of property and compensation for loss	1,107,699							1,107,699
Miscellaneous	810,078					78,134	37,900	926,112
Interfund revenue	70,478							70,478
State sources	19,025,503	925,913	37,096					19,988,512
Medicaid reimbursement	91,985							91,985
Federal sources	757,015	2,065,820	1,033,206					3,856,041
Sales			74,406					74,406
Total Revenues	136,427,545	2,991,733	1,144,815	39,142	-	78,134	37,954	140,719,323
EXPENDITURES								
General support	15,036,754	4,553						15,041,307
Instruction	79,230,645	3,269,657				93,897	45,975	82,640,174
Pupil transportation	7,120,945	133,638						7,254,583
Community services	61,538							61,538
Employee benefits	29,770,756							29,770,756
Debt service								
Principal				940,000				940,000
Interest				936,721				936,721
Food service program			1,061,655					1,061,655
Capital outlay					13,351,379			13,351,379
Total Expenditures	131,220,638	3,407,848	1,061,655	1,876,721	13,351,379	93,897	45,975	151,058,113
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	5,206,907	(416,115)	83,160	(1,837,579)	(13,351,379)	(15,763)	(8,021)	(10,338,790)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND (USES)								
Operating transfers in		416,115	9,770	1,876,721				2,302,606
Operating transfers (out)	(2,302,606)							(2,302,606)
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	(2,302,606)	416,115	9,770	1,876,721	-	-	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	2,904,301	-	92,930	39,142	(13,351,379)	(15,763)	(8,021)	(10,338,790)
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year, as Restated	27,148,388		928,428	1,252,984	22,680,929	87,452	115,619	52,213,800
Fund Balances - End of Year	\$ 30,052,689	\$ -	\$ 1,021,358	\$ 1,292,126	\$ 9,329,550	\$ 71,689	\$ 107,598	\$ 41,875,010

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balances \$ (10,338,790)

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

Long-Term Revenue and Expense Differences

Certain revenues are recognized in the governmental funds when they provide current financial resources. However, these revenues were recognized in the Statement of Activities in prior years when they were earned. \$ (27,676)

Certain expenditures in the governmental funds requiring the use of current financial resources (amounts paid) may exceed the amounts incurred during the year, resulting in a reduction of the long-term liability and an increase in the net position.

Decrease in compensated absences payable 719,253

Certain operating expenses do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but are expensed in the Statement of Activities.

Increase in workers' compensation claims liabilities (10,577) 681,000

Capital Related Differences

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are capitalized and shown in the Statement of Net Position and allocated over their useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. This is the amount by which capital outlays and other additions exceeded depreciation in the period.

Capital outlays and other additions 13,659,690
Depreciation expense (4,291,300) 9,368,390

Long-Term Debt Transactions Differences

The amortization of bond premiums decreases interest expense in the Statement of Activities. 187,078

Repayment of bonds payable is an expenditure in governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not affect the Statement of Activities. 940,000

Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. This is the amount amount by which accrued interest decreased from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2021. 12,480 1,139,558

Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits Differences

The change in the proportionate share of the collective pension expense of the state retirement plans and the change in other postemployment benefits reported in the Statement of Activities did not affect current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

Teachers' retirement system (7,326,768)
Employees' retirement system 670,055
Other postemployment benefits (8,146,142) (14,802,855)

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ (13,952,697)

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Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Fiduciary Fund
June 30, 2021

	Custodial
ASSETS	
Due from governmental funds	\$ 52,881
LIABILITIES	
Due to other governments	52,881
NET POSITION	
Restricted for individuals, organizations, and other governments	\$ -

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position - Fiduciary Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Custodial
ADDITIONS	
Real property taxes and payments in lieu of taxes collected for the Library	\$ 4,871,191
DEDUCTIONS	
Disbursements of real property taxes and payments in lieu of taxes to the Library	4,871,191
Change in Net Position	-
Net Position - Beginning of Year	-
Net Position - End of Year	\$ -

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Hicksville Union Free School District (District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Significant accounting principles and policies used by the District are as follows:

A. Reporting Entity

The District is governed by the laws of New York State. The District is an independent entity governed by an elected Board of Education consisting of seven members. The President of the Board serves as the chief fiscal officer and the Superintendent is the chief executive officer. The Board is responsible for, and controls all activities related to public school education within the District. Board members have authority to make decisions, power to appoint management, and primary accountability for all fiscal matters.

The financial reporting entity is based on criteria set forth by GASB. The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of the District. The District is not a component unit of another reporting entity. The decision to include a potential component unit in the District's reporting entity is based on several criteria including legal standing, fiscal dependency, and financial accountability. Based on the application of these criteria, there are no other entities that would be included in the District's reporting entity.

B. Joint Venture

The District is a component district in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau (BOCES). A BOCES is a voluntary, cooperative association of school districts in a geographic area that share planning, services, and programs which provide educational and support activities. BOCES are organized under §1950 of the Education Law. A BOCES Board is considered a corporate body. Members of a BOCES Board are nominated and elected by their component member boards in accordance with provisions of §1950 of the Education Law. All BOCES property is held by the BOCES Board as a corporation under §1950(6). In addition, BOCES Boards also are considered municipal corporations to permit them to contract with other municipalities on a cooperative basis under §119-n(a) of the General Municipal Law. A BOCES budget is comprised of separate budgets for administrative, program, and capital costs. Each component district's share of administrative and capital cost is determined by resident public school district enrollment as defined in Education Law, §1950(4)(b)(7). There is no authority or process by which a school district can terminate its status as a BOCES component. In addition, component school districts pay tuition or a service fee for programs in which its students participate.

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C. Basis of Presentation

District-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present information about the overall governmental financial activities of the District, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of interfund transactions. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, state aid, intergovernmental revenues, and other exchange and nonexchange transactions. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants, while capital grants reflect capital-specific grants, if applicable.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the District at fiscal year end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between program expenses and revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Employee benefits are allocated to functional areas in proportion to the payroll expended for those areas. Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including real property taxes and state aid, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, including fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund type, governmental and fiduciary, are presented. The District's financial statements present the following fund types:

Governmental Funds - are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The emphasis of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds as defined by GASB, each displayed in a separate column. The following are the District's major governmental funds:

General Fund - is the general operating fund and is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Aid Fund - is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources such as federal and state grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. These legal restrictions may be imposed by either governments that provide the funds or outside parties.

School Food Service Fund - is used to account for the activities of the food service program.

Debt Service Fund - is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, principal and interest on long-term obligation debt of governmental activities.

Capital Projects Fund - is used to account for the financial resources used for acquisition, construction, renovation or major repair of capital facilities and other capital assets.

Extraclassroom Activities Fund - is used to account for the funds operated by and for the students of the District.

Scholarships Fund - is used to account for funds collected that benefit annual third-party awards and scholarships for students.

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Fiduciary Funds – are used to account for activities in which the District acts as trustee or custodian for resources that belong to others. These activities are not included in the district-wide financial statements, because their resources do not belong to the District, and are not available to be used to finance District operations. The following is the District’s fiduciary fund:

Custodial Fund – is used to account for real property taxes collected on behalf of other governments and disbursed to those governments.

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus describes what type of information is reported, and is either the economic resources measurement focus or the current financial resources measurement focus. The economic resources measurement focus reports all assets, liabilities and deferred resources related to a given activity, as well as transactions of the period that affect net position. For example, all assets, whether financial (e.g., cash and receivables) or capital (e.g., property and equipment) and liabilities (including long-term debt and obligations) are reported. The current financial resources measurement focus reports more narrowly on assets, liabilities and deferred resources that are relevant to near-term liquidity, along with net changes resulting from transactions of the period. Consequently, capital assets and the unmatured portion of long-term debt and certain other liabilities the District would not expect to liquidate currently with expendable available financial resources (e.g., compensated absences for employees still in active service) would not be reported.

Basis of accounting describes when changes are recognized, and is either the accrual basis of accounting or the modified accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes changes in net position when the underlying event occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The modified accrual basis of accounting recognizes changes only at the point they affect near-term liquidity.

The district-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the District gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include real property taxes, state aid, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from real property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from state aid is recognized in the fiscal year it is apportioned by the state. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The governmental funds financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within 180 days after the end of the fiscal year, except for real property taxes, which are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, compensated absences, other postemployment benefits and pension costs, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt are reported as other financing sources.

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E. Real Property Taxes

Calendar

Real property taxes are levied annually by the Board in August and become a lien on October 1st and April 1st. Taxes are collected by the Town of Oyster Bay during the periods October 1st through November 10th, and April 1st through May 10th without penalty and remitted to the District.

Enforcement

Uncollected real property taxes are subsequently enforced by the County of Nassau.

F. Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)

The District reports PILOT revenues in the general fund as part of other tax items revenues. These PILOT revenues are often the result of tax abatements granted by industrial development agencies of the Town and/or the County to help promote local economic development. Property owners make PILOT payments to the government agencies, which in turn remit the collected payments to the District.

The District's PILOT revenues also include payments from the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) remitted by Nassau County. Beginning in the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the Nassau County Legislature removed properties owned by LIPA from the assessment and tax rolls and, instead, allowed LIPA to make payments in lieu of taxes with annual increases of no more than 2% in response to the New York State Public Authorities Law §1020-q (the "LIPA Reform Act") enacted by the state in 2013. These LIPA PILOT payments are not the result of tax abatement agreements as defined by GASB Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*, under which an entity receiving a reduction in tax revenues promises to take specific action that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments or residents of the governments. The District received \$4,050,711 in LIPA PILOT revenue during the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

G. Restricted Resources

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net resources are available, the District's policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use, and with associated legal requirements, many of which are described elsewhere in these Notes to Financial Statements.

H. Interfund Transactions

The operations of the District include transactions between funds. These transactions may be temporary in nature, such as with interfund borrowings. The District typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of providing cash flow. These interfund receivables and payables are expected to be repaid within one year. Permanent transfers of funds include transfers to provide financing or other services. This includes the transfer of unrestricted general fund revenues to finance various programs that the District must account for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

In the district-wide statements, the amounts reported on the Statement of Net Position for interfund receivables and payables represent amounts due between different fund types (governmental activities and fiduciary fund). Eliminations have been made for all interfund receivables and payables between the funds, with exception to those due from or to the fiduciary fund.

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The governmental funds report all interfund transactions as originally recorded. Interfund receivables and payables are netted on the accompanying governmental funds balance sheet when it is the District's practice to settle these amounts at a net balance based upon the right of legal offset.

A detailed disclosure by individual fund for interfund receivables, payables, transfers in and transfers out activity is provided subsequently in these Notes to Financial Statements.

I. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingencies at the date of the financial statements and the reported revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are made in a variety of areas, including revenue availability, compensated absences, pension costs, other postemployment benefits, workers' compensation liabilities, potential contingent liabilities and useful lives of capital assets.

J. Cash

Cash consists of cash on hand, bank deposits and investments with a maturity date of three months or less from date of acquisition.

Certain cash balances are restricted by various legal and contractual obligations, such as legal reserves.

K. Receivables

Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible amounts.

L. Inventories

Inventories of food in the school food service fund are recorded at cost on a first-in, first-out basis or in the case of surplus food donated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, at the Government's assigned value, which approximates market. These inventories are accounted for on the consumption method. Under the consumption method, a current asset for the inventory is recorded at the time of receipt and/or an expense/expenditure is reported in the year the goods are consumed.

Purchases of inventoriable items in other funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase, and are considered immaterial in amount.

A portion of fund balance has been classified as nonspendable to indicate that inventories do not constitute available spendable resources.

M. Capital Assets

Capital assets are reflected in the district-wide financial statements. Capital assets are reported at actual cost, when the information is available, or estimated historical cost based on professional third-party information. Donated assets are reported at acquisition value at the date of donation.

All capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Capitalization thresholds, the dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added

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to the capital asset accounts, and estimated useful lives of capital assets as reported in the district-wide statements are as follows:

	Capitalization Threshold	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings and improvements	\$ 25,000	15 - 50 years
Site improvements	25,000	20 years
Furniture and equipment	1,000	5-20 years

N. Deferred Outflows

Deferred outflows of resources, in the Statement of Net Position, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until that time. The District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item is related to pensions and consists of the District’s proportionate share of changes in the collective net pension asset or liability not included in collective pension expense and the District’s contributions to the pension systems (TRS and ERS) subsequent to the measurement date. The second item is related to OPEB and represents the change in the total other postemployment benefits liability not included in OPEB expense.

O. Short-Term Debt

The District may issue revenue anticipation notes (RAN) and tax anticipation notes (TAN), in anticipation of the receipt of revenues. These notes are recorded as a liability of the fund that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of the notes. The RANs and TANs represent a liability that will be extinguished by the use of expendable, available resources of the fund.

The District may issue bond anticipation notes (BAN), in anticipation of proceeds from the subsequent sale of bonds. These notes are recorded as current liabilities of the funds that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of bonds. State law requires that BANs issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term financing within five years after the original issue date, seven years if originally issued during calendar year 2015 through and including 2021. The notes, or renewal thereof, may not extend more than two years beyond the original date of issue, unless a portion is redeemed within two years and within each twelve month period thereafter.

The District did not issue any short term debt during the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

P. Collections in Advance

Collections in advance arise when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures or when charges for services monies are received in advance from payers prior to the services being rendered by the District. These amounts are recorded as liabilities in the financial statements. The liabilities are removed and revenues are recognized in subsequent periods when the District has legal claim to the resources.

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Q. Employee Benefits – Compensated Absences

Compensated absences consist of unpaid accumulated sick leave and vacation time.

Sick leave eligibility and accumulation is specified in collective bargaining agreements and in individual employment contracts. Upon retirement, resignation or death, employees may contractually receive a payment based on unused accumulated sick leave.

Vacation eligibility and accumulation is specified in collective bargaining agreements and in individual employment contracts. Some earned benefits may be forfeited if not taken within varying time periods. Employees are compensated for unused accumulated vacation leave through paid time off or cash payment upon retirement, termination or death.

The liability for compensated absences has been calculated using the vesting method and an accrual for that liability is included in the district-wide financial statements. The compensated absences liability is calculated based on the pay rates in effect at year-end.

In the fund financial statements, a liability is reported only for payments due for unused compensated absences for those employees that have obligated themselves to separate from service with the District by June 30th.

R. Other Benefits

Eligible District employees participate in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System or the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System.

District employees may choose to participate in the District's elective tax sheltered annuities plans established under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 457.

The District provides individual or family health insurance coverage for active employees pursuant to collective bargaining agreements and individual employment contracts.

In addition to providing these benefits, the District provides individual, family or surviving spouse postemployment health insurance coverage for eligible retired employees. Collective bargaining agreements and individual employment contracts determine if District employees are eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the District. Healthcare benefits are provided through plans whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. The cost of providing post-retirement benefits is shared between the District and the retired employee. The District recognizes the cost of providing health insurance by recording its share of insurance premiums as an expenditure in the governmental funds as the liabilities for premiums mature (come due for payment). In the district-wide statements, the cost of postemployment health insurance coverage is recognized on the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75.

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S. Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has three items that qualify for reporting in this category. First is unavailable revenues reported in the governmental funds when potential revenues do not meet the availability criterion for recognition in the current period. This includes receivables of certain state aid allocations and split dollar life insurance receivables. In subsequent periods, when the availability criterion is met, unavailable revenues are reclassified as revenues. In the District-wide financial statements, unavailable revenues are treated as revenues. The second item is related to pensions reported in the district-wide Statement of Net Position and consists of the District's proportionate share of changes in the collective net pension asset or liability not included in collective pension expense. The third item is related to OPEB reported in the district-wide Statement of Net Position and represents the change in the total other postemployment benefits liability not included in OPEB expense.

T. Equity Classifications

District-Wide Statements

In the district-wide statements there are three classes of net position:

Net investment in capital assets – Consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisitions, construction, and improvements of those assets.

Restricted – Reports net position when constraints placed on the assets or deferred outflows of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted – Reports the balance of net position that does not meet the definition of the above two classifications.

Fund Statements

The fund statements report fund balance classifications according to the relative strength of spending constraints placed on the purpose for which resources can be used, as follows:

Nonspendable – Consists of amounts that are inherently nonspendable in the current period either because of their form or because they must be maintained intact. Nonspendable fund balance consists of inventories, which are recorded in the school food service fund.

Restricted – Consists of amounts that are subject to externally enforceable legal purpose restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District has established the following restricted fund balances:

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Workers' Compensation Reserve

Workers' Compensation Reserve (GML §6-j) is used to pay for compensation benefits and other expenses authorized by Article 2 of the Workers' Compensation Law, and for payment of expenses of administering this self-insurance program. The reserve may be established by Board action, and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may either be transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

Unemployment Insurance Reserve

Unemployment Insurance Reserve (GML §6-m) is used to pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund for payments made to claimants where the employer has elected to use the benefit reimbursement method. The reserve may be established by Board action and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may either be transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. If the District elects to convert to tax (contribution) basis, excess resources in the fund over the sum sufficient to pay pending claims may be transferred to any other reserve fund. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

Retirement Contribution Reserve

Retirement Contribution Reserve (GML §6-r) is used for the purpose of financing retirement contributions payable to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System. The Board, by resolution, may establish the reserve and authorize expenditures from the reserve. The reserve is funded by budgetary appropriations or taxes raised for the reserve, revenues that are not required by law to be paid into any other fund or account, transfers from reserves and other funds that may legally be appropriated. The Board may also adopt a resolution establishing a sub-fund for contributions to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System. During a fiscal year, the Board may authorize payment into the sub-fund of up to 2% of the total covered salaries paid during the preceding fiscal year, with the total amount funded not to exceed 10% of the total covered salaries during the preceding fiscal year. The sub-fund is separately administered, but must comply with all the existing provisions of General Municipal Law §6-r. These reserves are accounted for in the general fund.

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (GML §6-p) is used to reserve funds for the payment of accrued employee benefit primarily based on unused and unpaid sick leave, personal leave, holiday leave or vacation time due an employee upon termination of the employee's service. This reserve may be established by a majority vote of the Board, and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other reserves and funds that may be legally appropriated. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

Capital Reserve

Capital Reserve (Education Law §3651) is used to pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued. The creation of a capital reserve fund requires authorization by a majority of the voters establishing the purpose of the reserve; the ultimate amount, its probable term and the source of the funds. Expenditure may be made from the reserve only for a specific purpose further authorized by the

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voters. The form for the required legal notice for the vote on establishing and funding the reserve and the form of the proposition to be placed on the ballot are set forth in §3651 of the Education Law. These reserves are accounted for in the general fund and capital projects fund.

Restricted for Debt

Unexpended balances of proceeds of borrowings for capital projects, interest and earnings from investing proceeds of obligations, and premiums and accrued interest on long-term borrowings are recorded in the debt service fund and held until appropriated for debt payments. These restricted amounts are accounted for in the debt service fund.

Restricted for Scholarships

Amounts restricted for scholarships are used to account for monies donated for scholarship purposes, including earnings and net of awards. These restricted funds are accounted for in the scholarships fund.

Restricted – Unspent Bond Proceeds

Unspent long-term bond proceeds are recorded as restricted fund balance because they are subject to external constraints contained in the debt agreement. These restricted funds are accounted for in the capital projects fund.

Assigned – Consists of amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint that represents an intended use established by the District’s Board of Education. The purpose of the assignment must be narrower than the purpose of the general fund, and in funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the residual amount of fund balance. Assigned fund balance includes an amount appropriated to partially fund the subsequent year’s budget, as well as encumbrances not classified as restricted at the end of the fiscal year.

Unassigned – Represents the residual classification for the District’s general fund and could report a surplus or deficit. In funds other than the general fund, the unassigned classification is used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending of available resources. NYS Real Property Tax Law §1318 restricts the unassigned fund balance of the general fund to an amount not greater than 4.0% of the subsequent year’s budget.

Fund Balance Classification

Any portion of fund balance may be applied or transferred for a specific purpose by law, voter approval if required by law or by formal action of the Board of Education if voter approval is not required. Amendments or modification to the applied or transferred fund balance must also be approved by formal action of the Board of Education.

The Board of Education shall delegate the authority to assign fund balance, for encumbrance purposes, to the person(s) to whom it has delegated the authority to sign purchase orders.

In circumstances where an expenditure is incurred for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications (that is restricted, assigned or unassigned) the Board will assess the current financial condition of the District and then determine the order of application of expenditures to which fund balance classification will be charged.

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2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. This statement provides guidance for identifying fiduciary activities, primarily based on whether the assets associated with the activities are controlled by the government and the government does not have administrative involvement with the assets. As a result, agency and private purpose trust activities previously reported within the fiduciary funds are now reported within the governmental funds.

3. FUTURE ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements are issued to set generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for state and local governments. The following is not an all-inclusive list of GASB standards issued, but the statement that the District feels may have a future impact on these financial statements. The District will evaluate the impact of this pronouncement and implement it, as applicable, if material.

Statement	Effective for the Year Ending
GASB No. 87 - <i>Leases</i>	June 30, 2022

GASB Statement No. 87 will change the reporting of leases in the district-wide financial statements. A lessee will be required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor will be required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of financial resources.

4. EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS AND THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS

Due to the differences in the measurement focus and basis of accounting used in the district-wide statements and the governmental fund statements, certain financial transactions are treated differently. The financial statements contain a full reconciliation of these items.

A. Total Fund Balances of Governmental Funds vs. Net Position of Governmental Activities

Total fund balances of the District's governmental funds differ from net position of governmental activities reported in the Statement of Net Position. This difference primarily results from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the current financial resources focus of the governmental fund Balance Sheet, as applied to the reporting of capital assets and long-term assets and liabilities.

B. Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances vs. Statement of Activities

Differences between the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances and the Statement of Activities fall into any of four broad categories.

Long-Term Revenue and Expense Differences

Long-term revenue differences arise because governmental funds report revenues only when they are considered "available," whereas the Statement of Activities reports revenues when earned. Differences in long-term expenses arise because governmental funds report on a current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis, whereas the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting is used on the Statement of Activities, thereby affecting expenses such as compensated absences.

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Capital Related Differences

Capital related differences include the difference between proceeds from the sale of capital assets reported on fund statements and the gain or loss on the sale of assets as reported on the Statement of Activities, and the difference between recording an expenditure for the purchase of capital items in the fund statements and depreciation expense on those items as recorded in the Statement of Activities.

Long-Term Debt Transaction Differences

Long-term debt transaction differences occur because the issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, but is recorded as a liability in the Statement of Net Position. In addition, both interest and principal are recorded as expenditures in the fund statements when due and payable, whereas interest expense is recorded in the Statement of Activities as it accrues, and principal payments are recorded as a reduction of liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits Differences

Pension differences occur as a result of recognizing pension costs using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expenditure is recognized based on the contractually required contribution as calculated by the plan, versus the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expense is recognized related to the District's proportionate share of the collective pension expense of the plan.

Other postemployment benefit differences occur as a result of recognizing OPEB costs using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expenditure is recognized for health insurance premiums and other postemployment benefit costs as they mature (come due for payment), versus the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expense is recognized related to the future cost of benefits in retirement over the term of employment.

5. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgets

The District administration prepares a proposed budget for approval by the Board of Education for the general fund, the only fund with a legally adopted budget.

The voters of the District approved the proposed appropriation budget for the general fund.

Appropriations are established by the adoption of the budget, are recorded at the program line item level, and constitute a limitation on expenditures (and encumbrances) that may be incurred. Appropriations authorized for the year are increased by the amount of encumbrances carried forward from the prior year. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year unless expended or encumbered. Encumbrances will lapse if not expended in the subsequent year. Appropriations authorized for the current year can be funded by the planned use of specific reserves, and can be increased by budget amendments approved by the Board of Education as a result of selected new revenue sources not included in the original budget (when permitted by law) and appropriation of fund balances. These supplemental appropriations may occur subject to legal restrictions, if the Board approves them because of a need that exists which was not determined at the time the budget was adopted. The following supplemental appropriations occurred during the year:

Insurance recoveries for workers' compensation expenditures	<u>\$ 101,973</u>
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Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with GAAP.

Budgets are established and used for individual capital projects based on authorized funding. The maximum project amount authorized is based upon the estimated cost of the project. These budgets do not lapse and are carried over to subsequent fiscal years until the completion of the projects.

B. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is used for budget control and monitoring purposes and is reported as a part of the governmental funds. Under this method, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded to reserve applicable appropriations. Outstanding encumbrances as of year-end are presented as part of assigned fund balance, unless classified as restricted fund balance and do not represent expenditures or liabilities. These commitments will be honored in the subsequent period. Related expenditures are recognized at that time, as the liability is incurred or the commitment is paid.

6. DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INVESTMENTS

The District's investment policies are governed by state statutes and District policy. Resources must be deposited in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the state. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements and obligations of New York State or its localities. Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by FDIC insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its Agencies and obligations of New York State and its municipalities.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District may be unable to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside agency. GASB directs that deposits be disclosed as exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are either:

- A. Uncollateralized,
- B. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, or
- C. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

The District's aggregate bank balances were covered by FDIC insurance or fully collateralized by securities pledged on the District's behalf at year end.

The District did not have any investments at year-end or during the year. Consequently, the District was not exposed to any material interest rate risk or foreign currency risk.

7. PARTICIPATION IN BOCES

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District was billed \$8,555,598 for BOCES administrative and program costs. The District's share of BOCES aid amounted to \$1,730,282. Financial statements for the BOCES are available from the BOCES administrative offices at Nassau BOCES Administrative Center, 71 Clinton Road, Garden City, New York 11530.

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8. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2021, including an allowance for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>
Health services - other school districts	\$ 225,015
Special education tuition - other school districts	276,174
Use of facilities - BOCES	46,559
Miscellaneous	16,858
Less: Allowance for uncollectible accounts	<u>(10,000)</u>
	<u>\$ 554,606</u>

District management expects the net amount to be fully collectible.

9. TAXES RECEIVABLE

Taxes receivable at June 30, 2021 consisted of:

General Fund	
Nassau County-School Tax	<u>\$ 2,136,693</u>

District management expects these amounts to be fully collectible.

10. DUE FROM STATE AND FEDERAL

Due from state and federal at June 30, 2021 consisted of:

General Fund	
New York State - excess cost aid	\$ 957,562
BOCES aid	957,146
FEMA - COVID	161,572
Federal CARES Act Funding	<u>476,355</u>
	2,552,635
Special Aid Fund	
Federal and State grants	2,493,358
School Food Service Fund	
Federal and state food service program reimbursements	<u>271,845</u>
	<u>\$ 5,317,838</u>

District management expects the amount to be fully collectible.

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11. DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Due from other governments at June 30, 2021 consisted of:

General Fund	
Nassau County -	
Payments in lieu of taxes	<u>\$ 222,416</u>

District management expects these amounts to be fully collectible.

12. OTHER ASSETS

The District has provided life insurance policies with split dollar provisions for certain of its current and former employees. The split dollar provisions provide for the payment of insurance proceeds to the District upon the demise of the insured or cash surrender value if the policy is cashed in prior to death.

At June 30, 2021, total cash surrender value for these policies amounted to \$240,296, which was recorded as other assets in the general fund. The corresponding revenue to this receivable is included in deferred inflows of resources-unavailable revenues and will be recognized in the year that the proceeds are received.

13. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 were as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2021</u>
Governmental activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 520,209	\$	\$	\$ 520,209
Construction in progress	<u>26,097,058</u>	<u>13,267,616</u>	<u>(5,529,170)</u>	<u>33,835,504</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>26,617,267</u>	<u>13,267,616</u>	<u>(5,529,170)</u>	<u>34,355,713</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	83,316,758	5,730,728	(153,934)	88,893,552
Site improvements	7,305,962			7,305,962
Furniture, vehicles and equipment	<u>6,636,180</u>	<u>190,516</u>	<u>(2,748,658)</u>	<u>4,078,038</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>97,258,900</u>	<u>5,921,244</u>	<u>(2,902,592)</u>	<u>100,277,552</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	57,618,482	3,690,877	(153,934)	61,155,425
Site improvements	3,365,022	256,290		3,621,312
Furniture, vehicles and equipment	<u>5,507,494</u>	<u>344,133</u>	<u>(2,748,658)</u>	<u>3,102,969</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>66,490,998</u>	<u>4,291,300</u>	<u>(2,902,592)</u>	<u>67,879,706</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>30,767,902</u>	<u>1,629,944</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,397,846</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 57,385,169</u>	<u>\$ 14,897,560</u>	<u>\$ (5,529,170)</u>	<u>\$ 66,753,559</u>

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Depreciation expense was allocated to governmental functions as follows:

General support	\$ 185,877
Instruction	4,071,626
Pupil transportation	10,063
Food service program	<u>23,734</u>
 Total depreciation expense	 <u>\$ 4,291,300</u>

14. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund balances and activities at June 30, 2021, are as follows:

	Interfund			
	Receivable	Payable	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund	\$ 2,338,423	\$ 9,208,726	\$	\$ 2,302,606
Special Aid Fund		2,338,423	416,115	
School Food Service Fund	205,717		9,770	
Debt Service Fund	1,292,126		1,876,721	
Capital Projects Fund	7,952,440	294,438		
Total Governmental Funds	<u>11,788,706</u>	<u>11,841,587</u>	<u>\$ 2,302,606</u>	<u>\$ 2,302,606</u>
Custodial Fund	52,881			
	<u>\$ 11,841,587</u>	<u>\$ 11,841,587</u>		

The District typically transfers from the general fund to the special aid fund for the District's share of the costs for the summer program for students with disabilities and the state-supported Section 4201 schools. The transfer to the school food service fund was to cover negative account balances of graduating seniors. In addition, the District also transfers from the general fund to the debt service fund in accordance with the general fund budget. Interfund payable balances are expected to be repaid within one year.

15. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A. Changes

Long-term liability balances and activity, excluding pension and other postemployment benefits liabilities, for the year are summarized below:

	Balance June 30, 2020	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2021	Amounts Due Within One Year
<u>Long-term debt:</u>					
Bonds payable	\$ 29,005,000	\$	\$ (940,000)	\$ 28,065,000	\$ 1,430,000
Add:					
Premium on obligation	2,007,433		(187,078)	1,820,355	183,773
	<u>31,012,433</u>	-	<u>(1,127,078)</u>	<u>29,885,355</u>	<u>1,613,773</u>
<u>Other long-term liabilities:</u>					
Compensated absences	6,462,321		(719,253)	5,743,068	225,000
Workers' compensation	1,127,386	238,080	(227,503)	1,137,963	-
	<u>\$ 38,602,140</u>	<u>\$ 238,080</u>	<u>\$ (2,073,834)</u>	<u>\$ 36,766,386</u>	<u>\$ 1,838,773</u>

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The general fund has typically been used to liquidate other long-term liabilities.

B. Bonds Payable

Bonds payable is comprised of the following:

Description	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Interest Rate	Outstanding at June 30, 2021
District-wide Renovations	1/15/2019	1/15/2034	3.0 - 4.0%	\$ 14,450,000
Aquatic Center Construction	6/23/2020	12/15/2039	2.0 - 5.0%	<u>13,615,000</u>
				<u>\$ 28,065,000</u>

The following is a summary of debt service requirements for bonds payable:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 1,430,000	\$ 907,325	\$ 2,337,325
2023	1,475,000	854,300	2,329,300
2024	1,525,000	799,425	2,324,425
2025	1,575,000	752,425	2,327,425
2026	1,625,000	683,250	2,308,250
2027-2031	9,020,000	2,430,625	11,450,625
2032-2036	7,840,000	910,500	8,750,500
2037-2040	<u>3,575,000</u>	<u>202,175</u>	<u>3,777,175</u>
	<u>\$ 28,065,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,540,025</u>	<u>\$ 35,605,025</u>

C. Premium on Bond Issuance

The District received premiums on the 2019 and 2020 issuance of serial bonds. The premium amounts are being amortized as a component of interest expense on a weighted average basis as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amortization of Premium
2022	\$ (183,773)
2023	(175,747)
2024	(167,401)
2025	(159,742)
2026	(149,617)
2027-2031	(594,957)
2032-2036	(314,282)
2037-2040	<u>(74,836)</u>
	<u>\$ (1,820,355)</u>

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D. Interest Expense

Interest on long-term debt for the year was composed of:

Interest paid	\$ 936,721
Less interest accrued in the prior year	(233,551)
Plus interest accrued in the current year	221,071
Less net amortization of premiums	<u>(187,078)</u>
Total interest expense on long-term debt	<u>\$ 737,163</u>

E. Issued and Unissued Debt

On November 14, 2017, the District's voters approved two propositions, one authorizing \$26,885,000 of capital construction for various district-wide renovations and upgrades to be financed by the issuance of \$20,635,000 of bonds, \$5,500,000 from a new capital reserve, and \$750,000 from the school food service fund's fund balance, and the second proposition authorizing \$14,740,000 for the construction of an aquatic center at the High School to be financed by issuing bonds. To date, the District has issued serial bonds of \$16,317,000 for the district-wide renovations, and \$13,615,000 for the aquatic center project. The District will also utilize \$1,085,000 of the bond issuance premium received to provide permanent financing for the aquatic center project. The total remaining amount of unissued debt at June 30, 2021 is \$4,358,000.

16. PENSION PLANS - NEW YORK STATE

A. General Information

The District participates in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) and the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). These are cost-sharing multiple employer, public employee retirement systems. The systems provide retirement, disability, withdrawal, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries related to years of service and final average salary.

B. Provisions and Administration

Teachers' Retirement System

The TRS is administered by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board. The TRS provides benefits to plan members and beneficiaries as authorized by the Education Law and the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (NYSRSSL). Membership is mandatory and automatic for all full-time teachers, teaching assistants, guidance counselors, and administrators employed in New York Public Schools and BOCES who elected to participate in the TRS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the TRS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. Additional information regarding the TRS may be found on the TRS website at www.nystrs.org or obtained by writing to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, NY 12211-2395.

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Employees' Retirement System

Obligations of employers and employees to contribute and benefits to employees are governed by the NYSRSSL. The net position of the ERS is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the ERS. As set forth in the NYSRSSL, the Comptroller of the State of New York (Comptroller) serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of the ERS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the ERS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The District also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan (GLIP), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The ERS is included in the State's financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided may be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

C. Funding Policies

Plan members who joined the systems before July 27, 1976, are not required to make contributions. Those joining on or after July 27, 1976, and before January 1, 2010, with less than ten years of credited services are required to contribute 3% of their salary. Those joining on or after January 1, 2010 and before April 1, 2012, are required to contribute 3% of their salary to ERS or 3.5% of their salary to TRS throughout active membership. Those joining on or after April 1, 2012, are required to contribute between 3% and 6% dependent on their salary throughout active membership. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate based on covered salaries paid. For the TRS, the employers' contribution rate is established annually by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board for the TRS' fiscal year ended June 30th, and employer contributions are deducted from state aid in the subsequent months of September, October and November. For the ERS, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions for the ERS' fiscal year ended March 31st, and employer contributions are either paid by the prior December 15th less a 1% discount or by the prior February 1st. The District paid 100% of the required contributions as billed by the TRS and ERS for the current year. The District's contribution rate was 8.86% of covered payroll for the TRS' fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The District's average contribution rate was 14.23% of covered payroll for the ERS' fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

The District's share of the required contributions, based on covered payroll for the District's year ended June 30, 2021 was \$5,878,477 for TRS at the contribution rate of 9.53% and \$1,570,441 for ERS at an average contribution rate of 14.42%.

D. Pension Asset/(Liability), Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2021, the District reported the following asset/(liability) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) for each of the systems. The net pension asset/(liability) was measured as of June 30, 2020, for TRS and March 31, 2021 for ERS. The total pension asset/(liability) used to calculate the net pension asset/(liability) was determined by an actuarial valuation. The District's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability) was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the TRS and the ERS in reports provided to the District.

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	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>
Measurement date	June 30, 2020	March 31, 2021
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (9,846,093)	\$ (29,738)
District's portion of the Plan's total net pension asset/(liability)	0.356320%	0.0298648%
Change in proportion since the prior measurement date	0.007036	0.0001211

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of \$13,205,575 for TRS and \$925,837 for ERS. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>		<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	
	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 8,627,148	\$ 363,176	\$ 504,593	\$
Changes of assumptions	12,453,016	5,467,780	4,438,850	103,124
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	6,430,362			8,542,381
Changes in proportion and differences between the District's contributions and proportionate share of contributions	290,294	661,405	934,302	126,542
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>5,878,477</u>	<u>479,364</u>		
Total	<u>\$ 33,679,297</u>	<u>\$ 6,971,725</u>	<u>\$ 5,877,745</u>	<u>\$ 8,772,047</u>

District contributions, subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>
2022	\$ 3,787,550	\$ (300,661)
2023	7,694,724	(42,121)
2024	6,242,072	(362,463)
2025	3,760,338	(1,574,441)
2026	51,066	
Thereafter	<u>387,325</u>	
	<u>\$ 21,923,075</u>	<u>\$ (2,279,686)</u>

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Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

	TRS	ERS
Measurement date	June 30, 2020	March 31, 2021
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2019	April 1, 2020
Inflation	2.20%	2.70%
Salary increases	1.90-4.72%	4.40%
Investment rate of return (net of investment expense, including inflation)	7.10%	5.90%
Cost of living adjustments	1.30%	1.40%

For TRS, annuitant mortality rates are based on plan member experience, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale MP-2019, applied on a generational basis. Active member mortality rates are based on plan member experience. For ERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020 system experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale MP-2020.

For TRS, the actuarial assumptions were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014. For ERS, the actuarial assumptions were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice (ASOP) No. 27, *Selection of Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. ASOP No. 27 provides guidance on the selection of an appropriate assumed investment rate of return. Consideration was given to expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class, as well as historical investment data and plan performance.

For ERS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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The target allocation and best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized below:

	TRS		ERS	
	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return
Measurement date		June 30, 2020		March 31, 2021
Asset type				
Domestic equity	33.0%	7.10%	32.0%	4.05%
International equity	16.0%	7.70%	15.0%	6.15%
Global equity	4.0%	7.40%		
Real estate	11.0%	6.80%	9.0%	4.95%
Private equities	8.0%	10.40%	10.0%	6.75%
Alternatives investments			10.0%	3.63-5.95%
Domestic fixed income securities	16.0%	1.80%		
Global fixed income securities	2.0%	1.00%		
High-yield fixed income securities	1.0%	3.90%		
Bonds and mortgages			23.0%	0.00%
Private debt	1.0%	5.20%		
Real estate debt	7.0%	3.60%		
Cash and equivalents	1.0%	0.70%		
Cash			1.0%	0.50%
	100.0%		100.0%	

Real rates of return are net of a long-term inflation assumption of 2.2% for TRS and 2.0% for ERS.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.10% for TRS and 5.90% for ERS (the discount rate used by the ERS at the prior year's measurement date of March 31, 2020, was 6.80%). The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based upon the assumptions, the systems' 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 asset/(liability).

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset/(Liability) to the Discount Rate Assumption

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) calculated using the discount rate of 7.10% for TRS and 5.90% for ERS, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.10% for TRS and 4.90% for ERS) or 1 percentage point higher (8.10% for TRS and 6.90% for ERS) than the current rate:

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TRS	1% Decrease 6.10%	Current Assumption 7.10%	1% Increase 8.10%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	<u>\$ (62,194,377)</u>	<u>\$ (9,846,093)</u>	<u>\$ 34,087,383</u>
ERS	1% Decrease 4.90%	Current Assumption 5.90%	1% Increase 6.90%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	<u>\$ (8,253,999)</u>	<u>\$ (29,738)</u>	<u>\$ 7,554,956</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

The components of the current-year net pension asset/(liability) of the employers as of the respective measurement dates, were as follows:

	TRS	ERS
	<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>	
Measurement date	June 30, 2020	March 31, 2021
Employers' total pension liability	<u>\$ (123,242,776)</u>	<u>\$ (220,680,157)</u>
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>120,479,505</u>	<u>220,580,583</u>
Employers' net pension liability	<u>\$ (2,763,271)</u>	<u>\$ (99,574)</u>
Ratio of plan fiduciary net position to the employers' total pension liability	97.76%	99.95%

Payables to the Pension Plan

For TRS, employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, are paid to the system in September, October and November 2021 through a state aid intercept. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2021, represent employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, based on paid TRS covered wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate and employee contributions for the fiscal year as reported to the TRS. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$5,878,477 of employer contributions and \$499,127 of employee contributions.

For ERS, employer contributions are paid annually based on the system's fiscal year, which ends on March 31st. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2021, represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 based on paid ERS covered wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$479,364 of employer contributions. Employee contributions are remitted monthly.

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17. PENSION PLANS - OTHER

A. Tax Sheltered Annuities

The District has adopted a 403(b) plan covering all eligible employees. Employees may defer up to 100% of their compensation subject to Internal Revenue Code elective deferral limitations. Contributions made by the District and the employees for the year ended June 30, 2021, totaled \$2,976 and \$4,285,263, respectively.

B. Deferred Compensation Plan

The District has established a deferred compensation plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code §457 for all employees. The District makes no contributions into this Plan. The amount deferred by eligible employees for the year ended June 30, 2021 totaled \$295,487.

18. POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS

A. General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan Description – The District provides OPEB for eligible retired employees of the District. The benefits provided to employees upon retirement are based on provisions in the various contracts that the District has in place with different classifications of employees. The plan is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered through the New York State Health Insurance Program – Empire Plan. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

Benefits Provided – The District provides healthcare benefits and Medicare Part B coverage for eligible retirees. The benefit terms are dependent on the provisions in each contract which the employee falls under. The specifics of each contract are on file at the District offices and are available upon request.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms – At June 30, 2021, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	691
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	<u>647</u>
	<u><u>1,338</u></u>

B. Total OPEB Liability

The District's total OPEB liability of \$227,739,615 was measured as of June 30, 2021, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as that date.

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Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs – The total OPEB liability, as of the measurement date, was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.60%	
Salary increases	2.60%	average, including inflation
Discount rate	2.16%	
Healthcare cost trend rates	5.30%	decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.1% in 55 years
Retirees' share of benefit-related costs	50-80%	of projected health insurance premiums for retirees

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Index.

Mortality rates were based on the PubT-2010 Headcount-Weighted Mortality Table for teaching positions and PubG-2010 Headcount-Weighted Mortality Table for non-teaching positions, both projected using the MP-2019 Ultimate Scale.

The actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on standard tables modified for certain plan features such as eligibility, for full and early retirement where applicable, and input from the Plan sponsor. The Plan does not have credible data on which to perform an experience study. As a result, a full actuarial experience study is not applicable.

C. Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at June 30, 2020	<u>\$ 232,302,514</u>
Changes for the year	
Service cost	8,569,983
Interest	5,264,886
Changes of benefit terms	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(30,834,845)
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	17,750,926
Benefit payments	<u>(5,313,849)</u>
	<u>(4,562,899)</u>
Balance at June 30, 2021	<u><u>\$ 227,739,615</u></u>

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.21% in 2020 to 2.16% in 2021.

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Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (1.16%) or 1 percentage point higher (3.16%) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease 1.16 %	Discount Rate 2.16 %	1% Increase 3.16 %
OPEB			
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ (271,957,320)</u>	<u>\$ (227,739,615)</u>	<u>\$ (192,997,415)</u>

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (4.30%) or 1 percentage point higher (6.30%) than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	1% Decrease 4.30% decreasing to 3.10%	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates 5.30% decreasing to 4.10%	1% Increase 6.30% increasing to 5.10%
OPEB			
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ (193,994,465)</u>	<u>\$ (227,739,615)</u>	<u>\$ (272,820,053)</u>

D. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$13,459,991. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred	
	Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 2,365,460	\$ 26,817,549
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	<u>40,664,157</u>	<u>18,846,318</u>
Total	<u>\$ 43,029,617</u>	<u>\$ 45,663,867</u>

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Amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2022	\$ (374,878)
2023	(374,878)
2024	(374,878)
2025	1,016,790
2026	(657,273)
Thereafter	(1,869,133)
	\$ (2,634,250)

19. DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

In the governmental fund financial statements, deferred inflows of resources at June 30, 2021, consisted of certain state aid allocations and split dollar life insurance receivables, which are unavailable. Unavailable revenue in the general fund at June 30, 2021, totaled \$718,606. Unavailable revenues from New York State for local aid payments at June 30, 2021, was \$478,310. Deferred amounts for split dollar life insurance totaled \$240,296.

20. RISK MANAGEMENT

A. General Information

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by a combination of self-insurance reserves and commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage as compared to the prior year, and settled claims from these risks have not exceeded available reserves and commercial insurance coverage for the past three years.

B. Risk Retention

The District has established a self-insured plan for risks associated with workers' compensation claims. Liabilities of the plan are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for reported and unreported claims which were incurred on or before year end but not reported (IBNR) with a 2.0% discount rate. Claims activity is summarized below:

	2020	2021
Unpaid claims at beginning of year	\$ 1,346,795	\$ 1,127,386
Incurred claims and claim adjustment expenses	361,869	238,080
Claim payments	(581,278)	(227,503)
Unpaid claims at year end	\$ 1,127,386	\$ 1,137,963

At June 30, 2021, the District had \$1,450,798 of funds in the workers' compensation reserve.

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21. RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE – APPROPRIATED RESERVES

The District expects to appropriate the following amounts from reserves, which are reported in the June 30, 2021 restricted fund balances, to fund the budget and reduce taxes for the year ending June 30, 2022.

Workers' Compensation	\$ 500,000
Retirement Contributions	
Employees' retirement system	1,800,000
Teachers' retirement system	275,000
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	225,000
	\$ 2,800,000

22. ASSIGNED: APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE

The District has appropriated \$1,700,000 from the general fund's fund balance as the estimated amount applied to partially fund the budget for the year ending June 30, 2022.

23. RESTRICTED FOR CAPITAL RESERVE

The following is a summary of the District's restricted capital reserve activity since inception:

Date Created	May 2014	May 2015	May 2016	May 2017	May 2017	May 2018	May 2019	May 2021	May 2021	
Number of Years to Fund	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	10
Maximum Funding	\$1,380,000	\$1,913,195	\$2,650,000	\$6,500,000	\$5,500,000	\$1,721,030	\$1,559,180	\$3,000,000	\$20,000,000	Total
Funding Provided	\$1,380,000	\$1,913,195	\$2,650,000	\$6,500,000	\$5,500,000	\$1,721,030	\$1,559,180	\$3,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 26,223,405
Interest Earnings	13,369						14,142			27,511
Use of Reserve	(1,380,000)	(1,913,195)	(2,650,000)	(6,500,000)	(5,500,000)	(1,721,030)	(1,559,180)			(21,223,405)
Total General Fund	13,369	-	-	-	-	-	14,142	3,000,000	2,000,000	5,027,511
Funding Provided	1,380,000	1,913,195	2,650,000	6,500,000	5,500,000	1,721,030	1,559,180			21,223,405
Use of Reserve	(1,166,630)	(1,741,473)	(2,636,120)	(4,465,647)	(4,756,478)	(1,522,721)	(127,986)			(16,417,055)
Total Capital Projects Fund	213,370	171,722	13,880	2,034,353	743,522	198,309	1,431,194	-	-	4,806,350
Balance as of June 30, 2021	\$ 226,739	\$ 171,722	\$ 13,880	\$2,034,353	\$ 743,522	\$ 198,309	\$1,445,336	\$3,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 9,833,861

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24. RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84, which resulted in an increase of \$203,071 in fund balance of the governmental funds, as well as the Statement of Net Position. The District's fund balance and total net position (deficit) have been restated as follows:

	General Fund	Extraclassroom Activities Fund	Scholarships Fund	Statement of Net Position
Fund Balance/Net Position (Deficit)				
Beginning of Year, as Reported	\$ 27,148,388	\$	\$	\$ (128,139,122)
<i>Assets</i>				
Cash	7,708,719	87,452	115,619	7,911,790
Accounts receivable	16,859			16,859
Due from fiduciary fund	(7,323,043)			(7,323,043)
	<u>402,535</u>	<u>87,452</u>	<u>115,619</u>	<u>605,606</u>
<i>Liabilities</i>				
Other liabilities	<u>402,535</u>			<u>402,535</u>
<i>Fund Balance/Net Position (Deficit)</i>				
Restricted			115,619	115,619
Assigned, unappropriated		87,452		
Unrestricted				87,452
	<u>-</u>	<u>87,452</u>	<u>115,619</u>	<u>203,071</u>
Fund Balance/Net Position (Deficit)				
Beginning of Year, as Restated	<u>\$ 27,148,388</u>	<u>\$ 87,452</u>	<u>\$ 115,619</u>	<u>\$ (127,936,051)</u>

25. TAX ABATEMENTS

The Nassau County Industrial Development Agency enters into various property tax abatement programs for the purpose of economic development under New York State Real Property Tax Law §412-a. The District's 2019-2020 property tax revenue abated was \$3,999,442. The District recorded payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) payments totaling \$2,748,536, including amounts receivable at June 30, 2021 recorded in due from other government.

The District also recognized \$4,050,711 in LIPA PILOT revenue. As indicated in Note 1.F., these LIPA PILOT payments are not the result of tax abatement agreements as defined by GASB Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*.

26. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

A. Encumbrances

All encumbrances are classified as either restricted or assigned fund balance. At June 30, 2021, the District encumbered the following amounts:

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Restricted:	
Capital Projects Fund	
Capital projects	<u>\$ 6,646,053</u>
Assigned: Unappropriated Fund Balance:	
General Fund	
General support	627,179
Instruction	<u>34,550</u>
	661,729
Capital Projects Fund	
Capital projects	<u>669,485</u>
	<u><u>\$ 7,977,267</u></u>

B. Grants

The District has received grants, which are subject to audit by agencies of the State and Federal governments. Such audits may result in disallowances and a request for a return of funds. Based on prior audits, the District’s administration believes disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

C. Litigation

The District is involved in lawsuits arising from the normal conduct of its affairs. Several lawsuits have also been commenced against the District under the Child Victims Act. It is not possible to determine the District’s potential exposure, if any, at this time.

D. BOCES Agreements

The District has various agreements with BOCES for equipment and related services. The expenditure for these agreements totaled approximately \$525,008 for the year ended June 30, 2021. The following is the summary of future obligations under these agreements:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2022	\$ 509,278
2023	511,534
2024	<u>294,834</u>
	<u><u>\$ 1,315,646</u></u>

27. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the auditor’s report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No significant events were identified that would require adjustment of or disclosure in the financial statements, except for the following:

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A. Issuance of Bonds

On October 21, 2021, the District issued serial bonds in the amount of \$3,880,000 which mature on October 15, 2036 and bear interest at rates of 2.00 - 5.00%. The District received a premium of \$439,933 on the issuance. The District will make the first scheduled interest-only payments totaling \$195,058 in the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Thereafter, annual principal and interest repayments will total approximately \$332,000-\$336,000.

B. Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act

The District was awarded additional funding under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA), as follows:

- \$4,472,137 through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Program
- \$494,813 through the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Program

C. American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021

The District has submitted its application for funding under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021. Under this plan, the District has been allocated an additional \$4,007,477 in federal funding.

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Final Budget Variance with Actual
REVENUES				
Local Sources				
Real property taxes	\$ 105,981,278	\$ 97,925,857	\$ 97,968,870	\$ 43,013
Other tax items	6,784,050	14,839,471	14,875,475	36,004
Charges for services	1,200,503	1,200,503	929,343	(271,160)
Use of money and property	1,113,170	1,113,170	791,099	(322,071)
Sale of property and compensation for loss	105,000	206,973	1,107,699	900,726
Interfund revenue			70,478	70,478
Miscellaneous	275,500	275,500	810,078	534,578
Total Local Sources	115,459,501	115,561,474	116,553,042	991,568
State Sources	18,942,364	18,942,364	19,025,503	83,139
Medicaid reimbursement	200,000	200,000	91,985	(108,015)
Federal Sources			757,015	757,015
Total Revenues	134,601,865	134,703,838	136,427,545	\$ 1,723,707
APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE				
Prior Years' Surplus	1,700,000	1,700,000		
Prior Year's Encumbrances	980,121	980,121		
Appropriated Reserves	3,800,000	3,800,000		
Total Appropriated Fund Balance	6,480,121	6,480,121		
Total Revenues and Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 141,081,986	\$ 141,183,959		

Note to Required Supplementary Information

Budget Basis of Accounting

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - General Fund (Continued)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Year End Encumbrances	Final Budget Variance with Actual & Encumbrances
EXPENDITURES					
General Support					
Board of education	\$ 144,452	\$ 74,452	\$ 48,988	\$ 46	\$ 25,418
Central administration	374,601	374,901	357,141		17,760
Finance	1,278,443	1,227,619	1,168,839	26,565	32,215
Staff	1,401,791	1,420,878	1,268,800	1,428	150,650
Central services	11,067,609	12,031,662	10,619,410	599,140	813,112
Special items	1,634,686	1,624,686	1,573,576		51,110
Total General Support	15,901,582	16,754,198	15,036,754	627,179	1,090,265
Instruction					
Administration & improvement	7,028,435	7,227,895	6,785,098	2,644	440,153
Teaching - regular school	43,739,845	43,537,380	42,821,978	21,110	694,292
Programs for children with disabilities	19,507,732	19,466,175	18,170,483	439	1,295,253
Occupational education	986,124	1,032,309	1,032,304		5
Teaching - special schools	709,488	715,188	433,615		281,573
Instructional media	4,775,212	4,750,167	4,121,454	857	627,856
Pupil services	6,393,942	6,182,243	5,865,713	9,500	307,030
Total Instruction	83,140,778	82,911,357	79,230,645	34,550	3,646,162
Pupil Transportation	8,653,310	8,457,539	7,120,945		1,336,594
Community Services	103,810	62,348	61,538		810
Employee Benefits	31,248,081	30,694,788	29,770,756		924,032
Debt Service					
Interest	85,000	208	-		208
Total Expenditures	139,132,561	138,880,438	131,220,638	661,729	6,998,071
OTHER USES					
Operating Transfers Out	1,949,425	2,303,521	2,302,606		915
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>\$ 141,081,986</u>	<u>\$ 141,183,959</u>	133,523,244	<u>\$ 661,729</u>	<u>\$ 6,998,986</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance			2,904,301		
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year			<u>27,148,388</u>		
Fund Balance - End of Year			<u>\$ 30,052,689</u>		

Note to Required Supplementary Information

Budget Basis of Accounting

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset/(Liability)
Last Seven Fiscal years

Teachers' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
District's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability)	0.356320%	0.349284%	0.343698%	0.337475%	0.341663%	0.349377%	0.347387%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	\$ (9,846,093)	\$ 9,074,418	\$ 6,214,964	\$ 2,565,147	\$ (3,659,353)	\$ 36,289,126	\$ 38,696,725
District's covered payroll	\$ 60,479,583	\$ 58,301,155	\$ 55,984,527	\$ 53,478,703	\$ 54,076,492	\$ 55,955,268	\$ 54,329,716
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability) as a percentage of its covered payroll	(16.28)%	15.56 %	11.10 %	4.80 %	(6.77)%	64.85 %	71.23 %
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	97.76%	102.17%	101.53%	100.66%	99.01%	110.46%	111.48%
Discount rate	7.10%	7.10%	7.25%	7.25%	7.50%	8.00%	8.00%

Employees' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0298648%	0.0297437%	0.0318726%	0.0340414%	0.0324219%	0.0340841%	0.0330255%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ (29,738)	\$ (7,876,296)	\$ (2,258,270)	\$ (1,098,669)	\$ (3,046,433)	\$ (5,470,147)	\$ (1,115,681)
District's covered payroll	\$ 11,021,701	\$ 11,104,332	\$ 10,343,046	\$ 10,744,677	\$ 10,884,925	\$ 9,731,646	\$ 10,015,546
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	(0.27)%	(70.93)%	(21.83)%	(10.23)%	(27.99)%	(56.21)%	(11.14)%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	99.95%	86.39%	96.27%	98.24%	94.70%	90.68%	97.95%
Discount rate	5.90%	6.80%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.50%

An additional year of historical information will be added each year, subsequent to the year of implementation, until 10 years of historical data is available.

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of District Pension Contributions
 Last Ten Fiscal Years

Teachers' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Contractually required contribution	\$ 5,878,477	\$ 5,358,491	\$ 6,191,583	\$ 5,486,484	\$ 6,267,704	\$ 6,990,941	\$ 9,199,946	\$ 8,338,597	\$ 5,822,941	\$ 5,449,985
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>5,878,477</u>	<u>5,358,491</u>	<u>6,191,583</u>	<u>5,486,484</u>	<u>6,267,704</u>	<u>6,990,941</u>	<u>9,199,946</u>	<u>8,338,597</u>	<u>5,822,941</u>	<u>5,449,985</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 61,683,915	\$ 60,479,583	\$ 58,301,155	\$ 55,984,527	\$ 53,478,703	\$ 54,076,492	\$ 55,955,268	\$ 54,329,716	\$ 52,427,877	\$ 51,572,187
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	10%	9%	11%	10%	12%	13%	16%	15%	11%	11%

Employees' Retirement System

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,570,441	\$ 1,462,504	\$ 1,541,107	\$ 1,653,270	\$ 1,444,593	\$ 1,576,803	\$ 1,746,400	\$ 2,067,463	\$ 1,630,577	\$ 1,638,745
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>1,570,441</u>	<u>1,462,504</u>	<u>1,541,107</u>	<u>1,653,270</u>	<u>1,444,593</u>	<u>1,576,803</u>	<u>1,746,400</u>	<u>2,067,463</u>	<u>1,630,577</u>	<u>1,638,745</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 10,891,256	\$ 11,185,317	\$ 10,842,860	\$ 10,774,114	\$ 10,492,621	\$ 10,624,476	\$ 10,129,886	\$ 9,998,740	\$ 9,841,347	\$ 9,668,856
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14%	13%	14%	15%	14%	15%	17%	21%	17%	17%

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
Last Four Fiscal Years

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total OPEB liability				
Service cost	\$ 8,569,983	\$ 7,109,374	\$ 8,552,911	\$ 7,861,441
Interest	5,264,886	6,679,946	6,378,772	6,116,017
Changes in benefit terms	-	-	(2,066)	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(30,834,845)	-	-	(830,750)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	17,750,926	37,567,688	(29,843,713)	-
Benefit payments	<u>(5,313,849)</u>	<u>(5,553,701)</u>	<u>(5,280,030)</u>	<u>(4,882,238)</u>
Net change in total OPEB liability	(4,562,899)	45,803,307	(20,194,126)	8,264,470
Total OPEB liability, beginning	<u>232,302,514</u>	<u>186,499,207</u>	<u>206,693,333</u>	<u>198,428,863</u>
Total OPEB liability, ending	<u><u>\$ 227,739,615</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 232,302,514</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 186,499,207</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 206,693,333</u></u>
Covered employee payroll	\$ 65,519,037	\$ 62,719,868	\$ 62,719,868	\$ 63,673,365
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	347.59%	370.38%	297.35%	324.62%
Discount rate	2.16%	2.21%	3.50%	3.00%
Healthcare trend rate	5.30% to 4.10% over 55 years	6.10% to 4.10% over 57 years	6.10% to 4.10% over 57 years	7.50% to 4.50% over 7 years

An additional year of historical information will be added each year, subsequent to the year of implementation, until 10 years of historical data is available.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 to pay related benefits.

See Paragraph on Required Supplementary Information Included in Auditor's Report

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedules of Change from Adopted Budget to Final Budget
and the Real Property Tax Limit - General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET

Adopted Budget		\$ 140,101,865
Additions:		
Prior year's encumbrances		980,121
Original Budget		141,081,986
Budget revisions		101,973
Final Budget		\$ 141,183,959

SECTION 1318 OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW LIMIT CALCULATION

2021-2022 voter-approved expenditure budget		\$ 145,695,048
Maximum allowed (4% of 2021-2022 budget)		\$ 5,827,802
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to § 1318 of Real Property Tax Law:		
Unrestricted fund balance:		
Assigned fund balance	\$ 2,361,729	
Unassigned fund balance	5,827,802	
		\$ 8,189,531
Less:		
Appropriated fund balance	1,700,000	
Encumbrances	661,729	
Total adjustments		2,361,729
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to § 1318 of Real Property Tax Law:		\$ 5,827,802
Actual Percentage		4.00%

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Project Expenditures and Financing Resources - Capital Projects Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

PROJECT TITLE	Budget June 30, 2020	Budget June 30, 2021	Expenditures			Unexpended Balance	Methods of Financing					Fund Balance June 30, 2021	
			Prior Years	Current Year	Total		Proceeds of Obligations	State Aid	Capital Reserve	Local Sources	Total		
2009-2010 Interfund Transfers	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 79,988	\$	\$ 79,988	\$ 12	\$	\$	\$	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 12	
2012-2013 Interfund Transfer	1,142,865	1,142,865	1,107,219		1,107,219	35,646				1,142,865	1,142,865	35,646	
2012-2013 Hurricane Sandy Project	202,560	202,560	202,427		202,427	133				202,560	202,560	133	
2014-2015 Capital Reserve	1,380,000	1,380,000	1,166,630		1,166,630	213,370			1,380,000		1,380,000	213,370	
2014-2015 Interfund Transfer	809,695	809,695	757,958		757,958	51,737				809,695	809,695	51,737	
2015-2016 Capital Reserve	1,913,195	1,913,195	1,741,473		1,741,473	171,722			1,913,195		1,913,195	171,722	
2015-2016 Capital Reserve - DW Tech	292,199	292,199	292,199		292,199	-			292,199		292,199	-	
2015-2016 Interfund Transfer	461,900	461,900	461,900		461,900	-				461,900	461,900	-	
2016-2017 Capital Reserve	2,650,000	2,650,000	2,636,120		2,636,120	13,880			2,650,000		2,650,000	13,880	
2016-2017 Interfund Transfer	1,092,188	1,092,188	607,809		607,809	484,379				1,092,188	1,092,188	484,379	
2017-2018 Interfund Transfer	1,322,275	1,322,275	666,213		666,213	656,062				1,322,275	1,322,275	656,062	
2017-2018 Capital Reserve	6,500,000	6,500,000	3,927,609	538,038	4,465,647	2,034,353			6,500,000		6,500,000	2,034,353	
2017 Bond Proposition #1													
Bond - Phase I	16,317,000	16,317,000	13,792,320	1,044,862	14,837,182	1,479,818	16,317,000				16,317,000	1,479,818	
Bond - Phase III	4,318,000	4,318,000	518,249	1,562,449	2,080,698	2,237,302	4,318,000				4,318,000	2,237,302	
Capital reserve	5,500,000	5,500,000	4,885,784	(129,306)	4,756,478	743,522			5,500,000		5,500,000	743,522	
School Food Service Fund transfer	750,000	750,000	750,000		750,000	-				750,000	750,000	-	
2017 Bond Proposition #2	14,740,000	14,740,000	3,784,931	9,190,406	12,975,337	1,764,663	14,740,000				14,740,000	1,764,663	
2018 Capital Reserve - WiFi	1,721,030	1,721,030	1,335,583	187,138	1,522,721	198,309			1,721,030		1,721,030	198,309	
2018 - 2019 Interfund Transfer	2,297,414	2,297,414	300,429	922,385	1,222,814	1,074,600				2,297,414	2,297,414	1,074,600	
2019 - 2020 Interfund Transfer	2,100,000	2,100,000	1,002,774	378	1,003,152	1,096,848				2,100,000	2,100,000	1,096,848	
2019 - 2020 Capital Reserve	1,559,180	1,559,180	92,957	35,029	127,986	1,431,194			1,559,180		1,559,180	1,431,194	
Totals	\$67,149,501	\$67,149,501	\$40,110,572	\$13,351,379	\$53,461,951	\$13,687,550	\$35,375,000	\$	\$21,515,604	\$10,258,897	\$67,149,501	13,687,550	
												Less: Unissued Long-Term Debt	(4,358,000)
													<u>\$ 9,329,550</u>

HICKSVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Net Investment in Capital Assets
June 30, 2021

Capital assets, net		\$ 66,753,559
Deduct:		
Short-term portion of bonds payable	\$ (1,430,000)	
Long-term portion of bonds payable	(26,635,000)	
Less: Unspent bond proceeds	<u>1,123,782</u>	
		<u>(26,941,218)</u>
Net investment in capital assets		<u>\$ 39,812,341</u>



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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***

To the Board of Education
Hicksville Union Free School District
Hicksville, New York

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 fiduciary fund of the Hicksville Union Free School District (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 25, 2021. That report included a qualified opinion on the extraclassroom activities fund opinion unit based on a scope limitation.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Hicksville Union Free School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hicksville Union Free School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hicksville Union Free 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 District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

We noted certain matters that we have reported to the Board of Education, Audit Committee and management of the Hicksville Union Free School District in a separate letter dated October 25, 2021.

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 District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Cullen & Danowski, LLP

October 25, 2021

