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**WARREN COUNTY CAREER CENTER
WARREN COUNTY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Board of Education:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio (Career Center), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Career Center's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Career Center's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, required budgetary comparison schedule, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 16, 2024 on our consideration of the Career Center's internal control over financial reporting and 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 Career Center'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 Career Center's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio
December 16, 2024

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Warren County Career Center, Ohio
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The discussion and analysis of Warren County Career Center's financial performance provides an overall review of the Career Center's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Center's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Center's performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2024 are as follows:

- Net position of governmental activities increased \$739,359 which represents a 16% increase from 2023.
- General revenues accounted for \$20,810,728 in revenue or 70% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, operating grants and contributions accounted for \$8,855,200 or 30% of total revenues of \$29,665,928.
- The Career Center had \$28,926,569 in expenses related to governmental activities; \$8,855,200 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues of \$20,810,728 were also used to provide for these programs.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Center as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The *Statement of Net Position* and *Statement of Activities* provide information about the activities of the whole Career Center, presenting both an aggregate view of the Career Center's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the Career Center's most significant funds with all other nonmajor funds presented in total in one column. The General Fund and the Permanent Improvement Fund are the major funds of the Center.

Government-wide Financial Statements

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the Career Center to provide programs and activities, the view of the Career Center as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2024?" The Government-wide Financial Statements answers this question. These statements include *all assets and deferred outflows*, and *liabilities and deferred inflows* using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Career Center's net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Center as a whole, the financial position has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, both financial and non-financial. Non-financial factors include the Career Center's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

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In the Government-wide Financial Statements, the overall financial position of the Career Center is presented in the following manner:

- **Governmental Activities** – Most of the Career Center's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, operation of non-instructional services, extracurricular activities and interest and fiscal charges.

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the Career Center's major funds begin on the balance sheet. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the Career Center's major fund. The Career Center uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the Career Center's most significant funds.

Governmental Funds Most of the Career Center's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual* accounting, which measures cash and all other *financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed *short-term view* of the Career Center's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental *funds* is reconciled in the financial statements.

The Career Center as a Whole

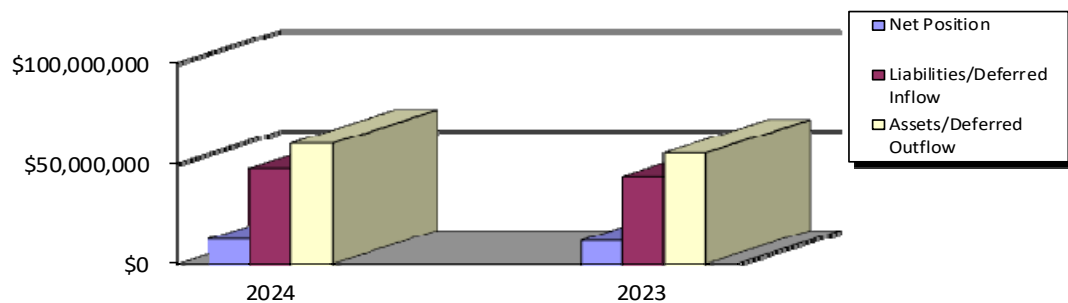
As stated previously, the Statement of Net Position looks at the Career Center as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the Career Center's net position for fiscal year 2024 compared to fiscal year 2023:

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Table 1
Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Assets:		
Current and Other Assets	\$32,796,592	\$26,291,189
Net OPEB Asset	1,480,361	1,986,385
Capital Assets	20,471,781	20,785,028
Total Assets	54,748,734	49,062,602
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
OPEB	747,559	550,092
Pension	4,469,109	5,543,836
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,216,668	6,093,928
Liabilities:		
Other Liabilities	2,470,413	1,573,887
Long-Term Liabilities	27,277,284	27,303,592
Total Liabilities	29,747,697	28,877,479
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Property Taxes	13,868,515	9,842,188
Grants and Other Taxes	217,004	99,059
OPEB	2,201,869	2,764,774
Pension	1,606,795	1,988,867
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	17,894,183	14,694,888
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	15,390,910	16,464,250
Restricted	3,129,594	3,380,755
Unrestricted	(6,196,982)	(8,260,842)
Total Net Position	\$12,323,522	\$11,584,163



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Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2024, the Career Center's assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$12,323,522.

At year-end, capital assets represented 37% of total assets. Capital assets include land, construction in progress, land improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles and equipment. Capital assets, net of related debt to acquire the assets at June 30, 2024, were \$15,390,910. These capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. Although the Career Center's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets may not be used to liquidate these liabilities.

A portion of the Career Center's net position, \$3,129,594 represents resources that are subject to external restriction on how they must be used. The external restriction will not affect the availability of fund resources for future use.

Total Assets increased slightly from fiscal year 2023 mainly due to an increase in taxes receivable, and equity in pooled cash and investments during fiscal year 2024. Capital Assets decreased from fiscal year 2023 mainly due to current year depreciation and disposals being more than current year additions. Total Liabilities increased mainly due to an increase in unearned revenue.

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal years 2024 and 2023.

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Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Revenues:		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$2,603,898	\$2,135,457
Operating Grants, Contributions	6,251,302	2,577,467
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	11,128,864	12,267,868
Grants and Entitlements	8,617,616	10,566,899
Other	1,064,248	419,211
Total Revenues	29,665,928	27,966,902
Program Expenses:		
Instruction	16,696,312	15,963,895
Support Services:		
Pupil and Instructional Staff	3,250,955	2,794,633
School Administrative, General		
Administration, Fiscal and Business	3,310,421	3,327,344
Operations and Maintenance	2,969,848	2,393,011
Pupil Transportation	260,209	315,478
Central	1,646,745	1,715,182
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	589,699	344,261
Extracurricular Activities	99,022	116,556
Interest and Fiscal Charges	103,358	115,238
Total Program Expenses	28,926,569	27,085,598
Change in Net Position	739,359	881,304
Net Position - Beginning of Year	11,584,163	10,702,859
Net Position - End of Year	\$12,323,522	\$11,584,163

The Career Center's revenues are mainly from two sources. Property taxes levied for general purposes and grants and entitlements comprised 67% of the Center's revenues for governmental activities.

The Career Center depends greatly on property taxes as a revenue source. The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for operating funds. The overall revenues generated by a levy will not increase solely as a result of inflation. As an example, a homeowner with a home valued at \$100,000 and taxed at 1.0 mill would pay \$35.00 annually in taxes. If three years later the home were reappraised and increased to \$200,000 (and this inflationary increase in value is comparable to other property owners) the effective tax rate would become .5 mills and the owner would still pay \$35.00.

Thus Ohio Schools do not receive additional property tax revenue from an increase in appraisal values and must regularly return to the voters to maintain a constant level of service.

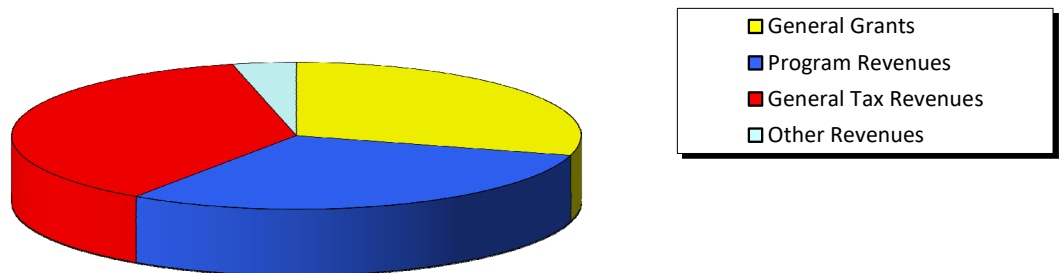
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Property taxes made up 38% of revenues for governmental activities for the Center in fiscal year 2024. The Career Center's reliance upon tax revenues is demonstrated by the following graph:

Governmental Activities

Revenue Sources

	2024	Percentage
General Grants	\$8,617,616	29%
Program Revenues	8,855,200	30%
General Tax Revenues	11,128,864	37%
Other Revenues	1,064,248	4%
Total Revenue Sources	<u>\$29,665,928</u>	<u>100.0%</u>



Instruction comprises 58% of governmental program expenses. Support services expenses were 40% of governmental program expenses. All other expenses were 2%.

Overall the financial position of the Career Center improved by \$739,359 from 2023 to 2024. Property tax revenue decreased slightly from prior year due to a decrease in tax advances available from the county auditor. Grants and Entitlements decreased slightly in fiscal year 2024 as compared to fiscal year 2023 because the Career Center received less grant monies in 2024 compared to 2023. Total expenses increased primarily due to changes related to net pension liability and other post-employment benefits liability.

Governmental Activities

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows, for government activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State entitlements.

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Table 3
Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Instruction	\$16,696,312	\$15,963,895	(\$10,132,696)	(\$13,339,671)
Support Services:				
Pupil and Instructional Staff	3,250,955	2,794,633	(2,555,629)	(2,095,829)
School Administrative, General				
Administration, Fiscal and Business	3,310,421	3,327,344	(2,821,182)	(2,850,729)
Operations and Maintenance	2,969,848	2,393,011	(2,932,238)	(2,360,807)
Pupil Transportation	260,209	315,478	(259,813)	(315,042)
Central	1,646,745	1,715,182	(990,705)	(1,135,942)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	589,699	344,261	(219,629)	(91,024)
Extracurricular Activities	99,022	116,556	(56,119)	(68,392)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	103,358	115,238	(103,358)	(115,238)
Total Expenses	<u>\$28,926,569</u>	<u>\$27,085,598</u>	<u>(\$20,071,369)</u>	<u>(\$22,372,674)</u>

The Career Center's Funds

The Career Center has two major governmental funds: the General Fund and the Permanent Improvement Fund. Assets of the major funds comprised \$30,402,325 (93%) of the total \$32,843,366 governmental fund assets.

General Fund: Fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$8,403,724, a decrease in fund balance of \$3,144,482 from 2023. The fund balance decreased mostly due to an increase in interfund transfers out from 2023 to 2024.

Permanent Improvement Fund: Fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$5,629,515, an increase in fund balance of \$3,813,304 from 2023. The fund balance increased mostly due to an increase in interfund transfers in from 2023 to 2024.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The Career Center's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During the course of fiscal year 2024, the Career Center amended its General fund budgets; however none were significant. The Career Center uses site-based budgeting and the budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management. During the course of the year, the Career Center revised the Budgets in an attempt to deal with unexpected changes in revenues and expenditures.

For the General Fund, final budget basis revenue was \$25,558,767 compared to original budget estimates of \$24,562,865.

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The Career Center's ending unobligated cash balance for the General Fund was \$9,325,983.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the Center had \$20,471,781 invested in land, construction in progress, land improvements, vehicles, buildings and improvements, equipment, and leased assets. Table 4 shows fiscal year 2024 balances compared to fiscal year 2023:

Table 4
Capital Assets at Year End
(Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Land	\$456,000	\$456,000
Land Improvements	604,156	656,381
Buildings and Improvements	14,554,019	11,344,731
Equipment	617,505	590,696
Construction in Progress	1,682,900	4,856,524
Vehicles	175,382	201,150
Leased Assets	2,381,819	2,679,546
Total Net Capital Assets	<u>\$20,471,781</u>	<u>\$20,785,028</u>

The decrease in capital assets is due to current year depreciation expense being more than additions.

See Note 7 to the basic financial statements for further details on the Career Center's capital assets.

Debt

At June 30, 2024, the Career Center had \$2,590,871 in general obligation bonds outstanding, \$278,214 due within one year. Table 5 summarizes debt outstanding:

Table 5
Outstanding Debt, at Year End

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
General Obligation Bonds:		
2024 Energy Loan Fund Agreement	\$1,224,823	\$0
2021 Ohio Development Services Energy Loan	846,048	960,778
2020 General Obligation Bonds	325,000	375,000
2020 School Energy Conservation Bonds	195,000	225,000
2011 Energy Conservation Notes	0	0
Subtotal Bonds	<u>2,590,871</u>	<u>1,560,778</u>
Total Long-Term Obligations	<u>\$2,590,871</u>	<u>\$1,560,778</u>

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See Note 12 in the notes to the basic financial statements for further details on the Career Center's outstanding debt.

Contacting the Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Career Center's finances and to show the Career Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Office of the Treasurer, Warren County Career Center, 3529 N. SR 48, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

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Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$17,865,247
Receivables (Net):	
Taxes	14,526,943
Accounts	83,715
Interest	45,451
Intergovernmental	263,902
Prepays	9,856
Inventory	1,478
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	2,138,900
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	18,332,881
Net OPEB Asset	1,480,361
Total Assets	54,748,734
Deferred Outflows of Resources:	
Pension	4,469,109
OPEB	747,559
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,216,668
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	255,898
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,480,849
Contracts Payable	116,720
Accrued Interest Payable	1,396
Unearned Revenue	615,550
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Due Within One Year	747,558
Due In More Than One Year	
Net Pension Liability	20,274,443
Net OPEB Liability	1,077,541
Other Amounts	5,177,742
Total Liabilities	29,747,697
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Property Taxes	13,868,515
Grants and Other Taxes	217,004
OPEB	2,201,869
Pension	1,606,795
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	17,894,183
Net Position:	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	15,390,910
Restricted for:	
Capital Improvements	1,349,662
Food Service	53,911
Net OPEB Asset	1,480,361
Capital Projects	153,887
Other Purposes	91,773
Unrestricted	(6,196,982)
Total Net Position	\$12,323,522

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular	\$20,670	\$0	\$49,653	\$28,983
Special	278,714	0	0	(278,714)
Vocational	13,195,616	288,883	3,743,789	(9,162,944)
Adult/Continuing	2,585,207	1,081,673	1,394,005	(109,529)
Other	616,105	5,613	0	(610,492)
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,739,463	124,518	407,343	(1,207,602)
Instructional Staff	1,511,492	39,698	123,767	(1,348,027)
General Administration	36,374	0	0	(36,374)
School Administration	2,439,980	341,117	115,451	(1,983,412)
Fiscal	785,190	0	0	(785,190)
Business	48,877	24,410	8,261	(16,206)
Operations and Maintenance	2,969,848	0	37,610	(2,932,238)
Pupil Transportation	260,209	0	396	(259,813)
Central	1,646,745	451,105	204,935	(990,705)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	589,699	203,978	166,092	(219,629)
Extracurricular Activities	99,022	42,903	0	(56,119)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	103,358	0	0	(103,358)
Totals	<u>\$28,926,569</u>	<u>\$2,603,898</u>	<u>\$6,251,302</u>	<u>(20,071,369)</u>
General Revenues:				
Property Taxes Levied for:				
General Purposes				11,128,864
Grants and Entitlements, Not Restricted				8,617,616
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes				217,004
Unrestricted Contributions				13,552
Investment Earnings				774,225
Other Revenues				<u>59,467</u>
Total General Revenues				<u>20,810,728</u>
Change in Net Position				739,359
Net Position - Beginning of Year				<u>11,584,163</u>
Net Position - End of Year				<u>\$12,323,522</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024

	General	Permanent Improvement	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments	\$9,753,879	\$5,719,893	\$2,391,475	\$17,865,247
Receivables (Net):				
Taxes	14,526,943	0	0	14,526,943
Accounts	83,228	0	487	83,715
Interest	30,554	14,386	511	45,451
Intergovernmental	217,004	0	46,898	263,902
Interfund	33,616	13,158	0	46,774
Prepays	9,664	0	192	9,856
Inventory	0	0	1,478	1,478
Total Assets	<u>24,654,888</u>	<u>5,747,437</u>	<u>2,441,041</u>	<u>32,843,366</u>
Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	253,197	1,202	1,499	255,898
Accrued Wages and Benefits	1,451,911	0	28,938	1,480,849
Compensated Absences	2,000	0	0	2,000
Contracts Payable	0	116,720	0	116,720
Unearned Revenue	0	0	615,550	615,550
Interfund Payable	0	0	46,774	46,774
Total Liabilities	<u>1,707,108</u>	<u>117,922</u>	<u>692,761</u>	<u>2,517,791</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:				
Property Taxes	14,244,083	0	0	14,244,083
Grants and Other Taxes	217,004	0	21,037	238,041
Accounts	82,969	0	0	82,969
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>14,544,056</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21,037</u>	<u>14,565,093</u>
Fund Balances:				
Nonspendable	9,664	0	192	9,856
Restricted	0	0	1,649,233	1,649,233
Assigned	1,513,173	5,629,515	127,793	7,270,481
Unassigned	6,880,887	0	(49,975)	6,830,912
Total Fund Balances	<u>8,403,724</u>	<u>5,629,515</u>	<u>1,727,243</u>	<u>15,760,482</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances	<u>\$24,654,888</u>	<u>\$5,747,437</u>	<u>\$2,441,041</u>	<u>\$32,843,366</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balance to
Net Position of Governmental Activities
June 30, 2024

Total Governmental Fund Balance		\$15,760,482
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

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

Capital assets used in the operation of Governmental Funds		20,471,781
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Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.

Delinquent Property Taxes	\$375,568	
Intergovernmental	21,037	
Other Receivables	82,969	
	<hr/>	479,574

In the statement of net position interest payable is accrued when incurred; whereas, in the governmental funds interest is reported as a liability only when it will require the use of current financial resources.

(1,396)

Some liabilities reported in the statement of net position do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in governmental funds.

Compensated Absences		(842,429)
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Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	4,469,109	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	(1,606,795)	
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	747,559	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	(2,201,869)	
	<hr/>	1,408,004

Long-term liabilities and net OPEB assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Net OPEB Asset	1,480,361	
Net Pension Liability	(20,274,443)	
Net OPEB Liability	(1,077,541)	
Other Amounts	(5,080,871)	
	<hr/>	(24,952,494)

Net Position of Governmental Activities		<hr/> <u>\$12,323,522</u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General	Permanent Improvement	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:				
Property and Other Taxes	\$10,981,295	\$0	\$0	\$10,981,295
Tuition and Fees	165,869	0	2,063,862	2,229,731
Investment Earnings	710,077	51,328	12,820	774,225
Intergovernmental	12,260,131	0	2,646,501	14,906,632
Extracurricular Activities	0	0	24,176	24,176
Charges for Services	127,412	0	202,636	330,048
Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	217,004	0	0	217,004
Other Revenues	57,318	0	35,644	92,962
Total Revenues	24,519,106	51,328	4,985,639	29,556,073
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	20,670	0	0	20,670
Special	281,972	0	0	281,972
Vocational	12,314,730	0	396,865	12,711,595
Adult/Continuing	15,734	0	2,529,639	2,545,373
Other	644,598	0	917	645,515
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,448,101	0	316,614	1,764,715
Instructional Staff	1,355,950	0	167,692	1,523,642
General Administration	36,815	0	0	36,815
School Administration	1,955,397	0	488,036	2,443,433
Fiscal	805,122	0	0	805,122
Business	0	0	34,959	34,959
Operations and Maintenance	2,284,546	573,656	43,117	2,901,319
Pupil Transportation	239,543	0	400	239,943
Central	591,795	0	702,854	1,294,649
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	33,207	0	554,084	587,291
Extracurricular Activities	76,808	0	22,214	99,022
Capital Outlay	39,332	89,368	795,323	924,023
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	464,730	0	0	464,730
Interest and Fiscal Charges	103,538	0	0	103,538
Total Expenditures	22,712,588	663,024	6,052,714	29,428,326
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,806,518	(611,696)	(1,067,075)	127,747
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Issuance of Long-Term Capital-Related Debt	0	0	1,224,823	1,224,823
Transfers In	0	4,425,000	526,000	4,951,000
Transfers (Out)	(4,951,000)	0	0	(4,951,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(4,951,000)	4,425,000	1,750,823	1,224,823
Net Change in Fund Balance	(3,144,482)	3,813,304	683,748	1,352,570
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	11,548,206	1,816,211	1,043,495	14,407,912
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$8,403,724	\$5,629,515	\$1,727,243	\$15,760,482

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds	\$1,352,570
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital asset additions as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount of the difference between capital asset additions and depreciation in the current period.

Capital assets used in governmental activities	\$1,434,962	
Depreciation Expense	(1,748,209)	
		(313,247)

Governmental funds report pension and OPEB contributions as expenditures. However in the Statement of Activities, the cost of pension and OPEB benefits earned net of employee contributions are reported as pension and OPEB expense.

Pension contributions	2,064,628	
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions - Pensions	(1,890,327)	
OPEB contributions	8,859	
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions - OPEB	167,888	
		351,048

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.

Delinquent Property Taxes	147,569	
Intergovernmental	(37,714)	
		109,855

Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	464,730
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In the statement of activities interest expense is accrued when incurred; whereas, in governmental funds an interest expenditure is reported when due.	180
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Compensated Absences	(954)
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Proceeds from debt issues are an other financing source in the funds, but a debt issue increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	(1,224,823)
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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$739,359
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Warren County Career Center
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
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Note 1 - Description Of The Career Center And Reporting Entity

Warren County Career Center (the "Career Center") is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a seven member Board of Education. The Board of Education is not directly elected. The Board of Education is comprised of members of other elected boards or community members from those political subdivisions who, by charter, also serve as board members of the Warren County Career Center. None of the School Districts that appoint Board members are financially accountable for the Career Center nor do any appoint a voting majority of the Board.

The Career Center employs 114 certified, 34 classified, 15 administrative, 13 full time Adult Education along with 121 Adjunct Adult Education instructors who serve approximately 39 preschool students, 5,590 secondary students, 5,533 adult students and 9 OTC+ students. A vocational school exposes high school and adult students to academic preparation and job training which leads to employment and/or further education upon graduation from high school.

Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the Career Center consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Career Center. For the Career Center, this includes general operations, food service, adult education, preschool and student related activities of the Career Center.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Career Center is financially accountable. The Career Center is financially accountable for an organization if the Career Center appoints a voting majority of the organizations' governing board and (1) the Career Center is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Career Center is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organizations' resources; the Career Center is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organizations; or the Career Center is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Career Center in that the Career Center approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The Career Center has no component units.

The Career Center is associated with one jointly governed organization. The organization is:

Jointly Governed Organizations:
Southwest Ohio Computer Association

This organization is discussed in Note 15.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Career Center have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Career Center's accounting policies are described below.

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Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Career Center. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or program are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or program. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or program and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or program. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis Of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide 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 when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Career Center considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, grants and entitlements, revenue in lieu of taxes, tuition, fees and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered measurable and available only when cash is received by the Career Center.

Fund Accounting

The Career Center uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The Career Center employs the use of governmental funds.

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Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental funds reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund *assets and deferred outflows*, and *liabilities and deferred inflows* is reported as fund balance.

The Career Center reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – The *general fund* is the Career Center’s primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Career Center, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Permanent Improvement Fund – A fund provided to account for all transactions related to the acquiring, constructing, or improving of such permanent improvements

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Career Center’s policy to use the restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the Career Center is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Career Center’s records. Each fund’s interest in the pool is presented as equity in pooled cash and investments on the statement of net position and fund balance sheets.

During the current fiscal year and at year-end, investments were limited to governmental sponsored agency securities, treasury notes, money market mutual funds, commercial paper, and CDs.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during the current fiscal year amounted to \$710,077. Interest revenue credited to the Permanent Improvement amounted to \$51,328. Other governmental funds also received interest of \$12,820.

For purpose of the presentation on the statement of net position and fund balance sheets, investments of the cash management pool and investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Career Center are considered to be cash equivalents.

Inventory (Materials and Supplies)

Inventories are valued at lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market and are determined by physical count. Inventories consist of donated food and purchased food and are expensed when used. The balance is reported as a nonspendable fund balance on the governmental balance sheet.

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Prepays

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2024 are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings, equipment, and vehicles, are reported on the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual amounts were not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated acquisition value at the date of donation. The Career Center reviewed possible infrastructure assets (roads, bridges, culverts, etc.) which could be required to be capitalized. The Career Center has no infrastructure assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Land improvements, buildings, equipment, and vehicles of the Career Center are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Building and Building Improvements	50 years
Vehicles and Equipment	5 - 15 years

Leased Assets

A leased asset is a lessee's right to use an asset over the life of a lease. The asset is calculated as the initial amount of the lease liability, plus any lease payments made to the lessor before the lease commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred, minus any lease incentives received. The amortization period of the leased asset is from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the lease term or the end of the useful life of the asset. At the termination of the lease, the leased asset and associated lease liability are removed from the books of the lessee. The difference between the two amounts is accounted for as a gain or loss at that time.

Interfund Assets/Liabilities

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from transaction-like activities between the Career Center's various funds are classified as interfund receivables/payables. These transactions are consolidated in the statement of net position.

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Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the Career Center will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the Career Center has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year-end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the Career Center's termination policy. The Career Center records a liability for accumulated unused sick leave for all employees after twenty years of current service with the Career Center.

Expenditures or liabilities related to compensated absences are reported in governmental funds only if they are due for payment as matured leave payable. The entire liability is reported on the government-wide statement of net position.

Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities are reported as obligations of the funds regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. Payments made more than sixty days after year-end are considered not to have used current available financial resources. OPEB, net pension liability, and long term notes payable are reported as a liability on the statement of net position. Net pension/OPEB liability should be recognized in the governmental funds to the extent that benefit payments are due and payable and the pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is not sufficient for payment of those benefits.

Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures in the purchase funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

Fund Balance

The Career Center reports the following fund balance categories:

Nonspendable – Nonspendable fund balance relates to the value of consumable inventories.

Restricted – Restricted fund balances relate to money received from local, state or federal grants.

Assigned – Assigned fund balances are balances the Career Center administration have specified the future use.

Unassigned – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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The Career Center applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows against liabilities and deferred inflows in the statement of net position. Net investment in capital assets is calculated, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Career Center or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Deferred Outflows/Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. For the Career Center, deferred outflows of resources includes pension and OPEB. These amounts are reported on the government-wide statement of net pension. The deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB plans are explained in Notes 9 and 10.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. For the Career Center, deferred inflows of resources include pension, OPEB, accounts, grants and other taxes, and property taxes. Deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB are reported on the government-wide statement of net position (see Notes 9 and 10). Delinquent property taxes and grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as deferred inflows of resources. On governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected within the available period have also been reported as deferred inflows of resources. On the statement of net position, property taxes for which there is an enforceable legal claim as of June 30, 2024, but which were levied to finance fiscal year 2025 operations, have been recorded as a deferred inflow. Grants and other taxes and accounts receivable have been recorded as deferred inflows on the governmental fund financial statements.

Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

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

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Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The entitlement value of donated commodities received during the year is reported in the fund financial statements as an expenditure with a like amount reported as intergovernmental revenue.

Exchange/Non-Exchange Transactions

Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year.

Non-Exchange Transactions

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Career Center receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Career Center must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Career Center on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those statements.

Note 3 – Accountability

At June 30, 2024 the following fund had deficit fund balances:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
Other Governmental Funds:	
Perkins Grant	\$42,684
RemotEDx Grant	400
ABLE	6,699

The deficits resulted from adjustments for accrued liabilities. The general fund is liable for any deficit by providing operating transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

Note 4 - Equity in Pooled Cash And Investments

Monies held by the Career Center are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Career Center treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Career Center treasury, in

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commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts, including passbook accounts.

Interim monies held by the Career Center can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities.
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days.
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met.
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions.
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days) in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met.

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Protection of the Career Center's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. Except as noted above, an investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Career Center, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Career Center will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. As of June 30, 2024, \$176,514 of the Career Center's bank balance of \$426,514 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized.

The Career Center has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by:

Eligible securities pledged to the Career Center and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105% of the deposits being secured; or

Participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total market value of the securities pledged to be 102% of the deposits being secured or a rate set by the Treasurer of State.

Investments

As of June 30, 2024, the Career Center had the following investments.

	Fair Value	Fair Value Hierarchy	Weighted Average Maturity (Years)
Federal Farm Credit Bank	\$1,259,539	Level 2	2.46
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	2,832,227	Level 2	1.80
Federal National Mortgage Association	667,576	Level 2	1.05
Federal Home Loan Bank	3,091,512	Level 2	1.31
Commercial Paper	995,943	Level 2	0.08
Treasury Notes	850,937	Level 2	4.17
Negotiable CDs	2,016,248	Level 2	0.10
Money Market Funds	5,783,059	N/A	0.00
Total Fair Value	<u>\$17,497,041</u>		
Portfolio Weighted Average Maturity			1.17

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The Career Center categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs. Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. All investments of the Center are valued using quoted market prices. STAROhio is reported at its share price (net asset value per share).

The Career Center has no investment policy that addresses interest rate risk. State statute requires that an investment mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Career Center, and that an investment must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Credit Risk – Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. It is the Career Center’s policy to limit its investments that are not obligations of the U.S. Government to investments which have the highest credit quality rating issues by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Career Center’s investments in Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Treasury Notes, Federal Home Loan Bank, and Federal National Mortgage Association were rated AAA by Standard & Poor’s and Fitch ratings and Aaa by Moody’s Investment Service. The Career Center’s investments in Commercial Paper was rated A-1+ by Standard & Poor’s ratings and P-1 by Moody’s Investment Service. Investments in STAROhio were rated AAAM by Standard & Poor’s. Negotiable CDs and Money Market Funds are not rated.

Custodial Credit Risk – For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Career Center will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The governmental agency notes are exposed to custodial credit risk in that they are uninsured, unregistered, and held by the counterparty’s trust department or agent but not in the Career Center’s name. The Career Center has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in state statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The Career Center places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer. The Career Center’s investment in Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Notes represents 16% of the total investments, the Certificate of Deposit represents 12% of the total investments, Federal Farm Credit Bank represents 7% of the total investments, Treasury Notes represents 5% of the total investments, Money Market Mutual Funds represents 32% of the total investments, the Federal National Mortgage Association represents 4% of total investments, Federal Home Loan Bank represents 18% of total investments, and Commercial Paper represents 6% of total investments.

Note 5 - Property Taxes

Property taxes include amounts levied against real, public utility and tangible personal (business) property. The assessed value, by property classification, upon which taxes collected in 2024 were based, is as follows:

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	2023 Second Half Collections		2024 First Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/residential and other real estate	\$6,088,709,780	94.53%	\$6,353,090,650	94.42%
Public Utility	352,507,290	5.47%	375,493,040	5.58%
Total Assessed Value	<u>\$6,441,217,070</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$6,728,583,690</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis. First half tax collections are received by the Career Center in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half distributions occur in a new fiscal year. Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and tangible personal (used in business) property located in the District. Real property taxes are levied after April 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, the lien date. All property is required to be revalued every six years.

2024 tangible personal property taxes are levied after April 1, 2023, on the value as of December 31, 2023. Collections are made in 2024. Tangible personal property assessments are six and one quarter.

Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment was due by February 27. If paid semi-annually, the first payment (at least one-half of amount billed) was due February 27, with the remainder due on July 24.

The county auditor remits portions of the taxes collected with periodic settlements of real and public utility property taxes in February and August and tangible personal property taxes in June and October to all taxing districts.

The Career Center received property taxes from the Warren County auditor. The county auditor periodically advances to the Career Center its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the county by June 30, 2024 are available to finance current fiscal year operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

Note 6 – Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2024, consisted of property taxes, accounts, interest, interfund, and intergovernmental. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of state programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of intergovernmental receivables follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund:	\$217,004
Nonmajor Governmental Funds:	
Able Grant Fund	29,961
Food Service	2,599
Perkins Grant	13,938
RemotEDx Grant	400
Total	<u>\$263,902</u>

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Note 7 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities				
<i>Capital Assets, not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$456,000	\$0	\$0	\$456,000
Construction in Progress	4,856,524	1,143,739	4,317,363	1,682,900
<i>Capital Assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Land Improvements	1,231,897	0	0	1,231,897
Buildings and Improvements	26,499,147	4,329,983	0	30,829,130
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	7,396,878	278,603	0	7,675,481
Vehicles	596,218	0	0	596,218
Totals at Historical Cost	41,036,664	5,752,325	4,317,363	42,471,626
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Land Improvements	575,516	52,225	0	627,741
Building Improvements	15,154,416	1,120,695	0	16,275,111
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	6,806,182	251,794	0	7,057,976
Vehicles	395,068	25,768	0	420,836
Total Accumulated Depreciation	22,931,182	1,450,482	0	24,381,664
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$18,105,482	\$4,301,843	\$4,317,363	\$18,089,962
Leased Assets:				
Building	3,275,000	0	0	3,275,000
Total Leased Asset, Being depreciated	3,275,000	0	0	3,275,000
Less: Accumulated Amortization	595,454	297,727	0	893,181
Total Leased Asset, net	2,679,546	(297,727)	0	2,381,819
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 20,785,028	4,004,116	\$4,317,363	\$ 20,471,781

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

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Instruction:	
Vocational	\$1,102,778
Adult Education	114,266
Support Services:	
Instructional Staff	4,332
School Administration	37,983
Business	14,610
Operations and Maintenance	81,661
Pupil Transportation	20,266
Central	368,739
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	3,574
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$1,748,209</u>

Note 8 - Risk Management

The Career Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During the fiscal year 2024, the Career Center contracted with Wright Insurance Company for general liability insurance with a \$1,000,000 single occurrence limit and a \$3,000,000 aggregate and property and building replacement of \$87,852,971 (which includes the Atrium Academy) carrying a \$5,000 deductible and 100% coinsurance. Vehicles are also covered under a business policy with American Family Home Insurance Company which carries \$1,000 Comprehensive Deductible , \$500 Collision Deductible and a \$1,000,000 limit on liability with \$5,000 deductible for medical and \$1,000,000 Limit for Each Accident, uninsured motorists.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year.

The Career Center provided an option for medical/surgical benefits (PPO administered by Anthem for health care coverage) and prescription coverage through CVS Caremark. The Career Center paid the following amounts:

For the PPO plan, the Career Center paid for Secondary Instruction staff \$2,465.67 per month for a family plan, \$1,774.32 for an employee and kids plan, or \$959.17 for single coverage and all other staff the Career Center paid \$2,619.78 per month for a family plan, \$1,885.22 for an employee and kids plan, or \$1,019.12 for single coverage for medical and prescription insurance through Anthem–Blue Access which represents eighty-five percent of the total premium.

For the HDHP plan, the Career Center paid for Secondary Instruction staff \$1,894.90 per month for a family plan, \$1,363.62 for an employee and kids plan, or \$737.16 for single coverage and all other staff the Career Center paid \$2,013.34 per month for a family plan, \$1,448.84 for an employee and kids plan, or \$783.23 for single coverage for medical and prescription insurance through Anthem – Blue Access which represents eighty-five percent of the total premium.

The Career Center paid \$15.62 for family coverage and \$6.71 for single coverage per month to EPC Vision Benefit Plan, which represents eighty-five percent of the premium required.

Dental insurance was provided by Delta Dental. The Career Center paid \$99.45 for family coverage and \$34.28 for single coverage for the in-network (HMO), which represents eighty-five percent of the total premium. The Career Center paid \$4.73 to EPC for Sun Life Insurance Company.

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Note 9 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability (Asset)

Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions/OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) represent the Career Center’s proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the Career Center’s obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The Career Center cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the Career Center does receive the benefit of employees’ services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system’s board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients.

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 10 for the required OPEB disclosures.

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description

Career Center non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about

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SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

	Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 *	Eligible to Retire on or after August 1, 2017
Full Benefits	Any age with 30 years of service credit	Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit
Actuarially Reduced Benefits	Age 60 with 5 years of service credit Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit

* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

An individual whose benefit effective date is before April 1, 2018, is eligible for a cost of living adjustment (COLA) on the first anniversary date of the benefit. New benefit recipients must wait until the fourth anniversary of their benefit for COLA eligibility. The COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit. The COLA is indexed to the percentage increase in the CPI-W, not to exceed 2.5 percent and with a floor of 0 percent. A three-year COLA suspension was in effect for all benefit recipients for the years 2018, 2019, and 2020. The Retirement Board approved a 2.5 percent COLA for calendar year 2023.

Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the Career Center is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. For fiscal year 2024, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The Career Center's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$378,431 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$34,076 is reported as accrued wages and benefits.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description

Career Center licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial

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report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information, and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans: a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan, and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. In April 2017, the Retirement Board made the decision to reduce COLA granted on or after July 1, 2017, to 0 percent upon a determination by its actuary that it was necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the retirement system. Benefit recipients' base benefit and past cost-of living increases are not affected by this change. Effective July 1, 2022, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 3 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2023 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2018. Effective July 1, 2023, a one-time ad-hoc COLA of 1 percent of the base benefit was granted to eligible benefit recipients to begin on the anniversary of their retirement benefit in fiscal year 2024 as long as they retired prior to July 1, 2019. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3307.67(E) the STRS Ohio Retirement Board may adjust the COLA upon a determination by the board's actuary that a change will not materially impair the fiscal integrity of the system or is necessary to preserve the fiscal integrity of the system. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 34 years of service credit at any age.

Eligibility changes for DB Plan members who retire with actuarially reduced benefits will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility will be five years of qualifying service credit and age 60, or 30 years of service credit regardless of age.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 11.09 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. The member determines how to allocate the member and employer money among various investment choices offered by STRS. The remaining 2.91 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate is deposited into the member's DC account and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age fifty and after termination of employment.

New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the

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defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy

Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. The 2024 employer and employee contribution rate of 14 percent was equal to the statutory maximum rates. For 2024, the full employer contribution was allocated to pension.

The Career Center's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$1,686,197 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount \$68,047 is reported as accrued wages and benefits.

Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Career Center's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Career Center's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$3,882,802	\$16,391,641	\$20,274,443
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability:			
Current Measurement Date	0.07027040%	0.07611650%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.07557600%	0.07671419%	
Change in Proportionate Share	-0.00530560%	-0.00059769%	
Pension Expense	\$319,346	\$1,570,981	\$1,890,327

At June 30 2024, reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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	SERS	STRS	Total
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$166,892	\$597,605	\$764,497
Changes of assumptions	27,504	1,349,940	1,377,444
Changes in employer proportionate share of net pension liability	0	262,540	262,540
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	378,431	1,686,197	2,064,628
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$572,827</u>	<u>\$3,896,282</u>	<u>\$4,469,109</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$0	\$36,374	\$36,374
Changes of assumptions	0	1,016,117	1,016,117
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	54,576	49,126	103,702
Changes in employer proportionate share of net pension liability	209,740	240,862	450,602
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$264,316</u>	<u>\$1,342,479</u>	<u>\$1,606,795</u>

\$2,064,628 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30:	SERS	STRS	Total
2025	(\$48,195)	(\$95,146)	(\$143,341)
2026	(222,658)	(528,238)	(750,896)
2027	198,040	1,603,517	1,801,557
2028	2,893	(112,527)	(109,634)
Total	<u>(\$69,920)</u>	<u>\$867,606</u>	<u>\$797,686</u>

Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations. Future benefits for all current plan members were projected through 2137.

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Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2023 and compared with June 30, 2022, are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	3.25% to 13.58%	3.25% to 13.58%
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA	2.00%, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement	2.00%, on or after April 1, 2018, COLAs for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of system expenses	7.00% net of system expenses
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)

Mortality rates were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weight Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Future improvement in mortality rates is reflected by applying the MP-2020 projection scale generationally.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined by using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' Statement of Investment Policy. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating an arithmetic weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. As of June 30, 2023:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00%	0.75%
US Equity	24.75%	4.82%
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50%	5.19%
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75%	5.98%
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00%	2.24%
Private Equity	12.00%	7.49%
Real Estate/Real Assets	17.00%	3.70%
Private Debt/Private Credit	5.00%	5.64%
Total	100.00%	

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Discount Rate

The total pension liability for 2023 was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent. The discount rate determination did not use a municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employers would contribute the actuarially determined contribution rate of projected compensation over the remaining 21-year amortization period of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The actuarially determined contribution rate for fiscal year 2023 was 14 percent. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.00 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all 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 benefits to determine the total pension liability. The annual money weighted rate of return, calculated as the internal rate of return on pension plan investments, for fiscal year 2023 was 6.90 percent.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Discount Rate 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$5,730,817	\$3,882,802	\$2,326,201

Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Report Date

Governor DeWine signed HB33 in July 2023 authorizing SERS to implement a Contribution Based Benefit Cap beginning August 1, 2024. Any effect on the net pension liability is unknown.

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation compared to those used in the June 30, 2022, actuarial valuation are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.50%	2.50%
Projected Salary Increases	From 2.50% to 8.50% based on service	From 2.50% to 8.50% based on age
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of investments expense, including inflation	7.00% net of investments expense, including inflation
Discount Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Payroll Increases	3.00%	3.00%
Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA)	0.00%	0.00%

Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-

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retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation *	Long-Term Expected Rate of Return **
Domestic Equity	26.00%	6.60%
International Equity	22.00%	6.80%
Alternatives	19.00%	7.38%
Fixed Income	22.00%	1.75%
Real Estate	10.00%	5.75%
Liquidity Reserves	1.00%	1.00%
Total	100.00%	

* Final target weights reflected October 1, 2022.

** 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25%, and is net of investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the Career Center's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the Career Center's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.00 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.00 percent) than the current assumption:

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	1% Decrease 6.00%	Current Discount Rate 7.00%	1% Increase 8.00%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$25,206,716	\$16,391,641	\$8,936,500

Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Report Date

In March 2024, the STRS Board made the eligibility rule requiring 34 years of service for an unreduced retirement permanent, effective June 1, 2024. Eligibility for a reduced retirement benefit has been lowered from 30 to 29 years of service. The effect of these changes on the net pension liability is currently unknown.

Note 10 - Defined Benefit OPEB Plans

See Note 9 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Health Care Plan Description

The Career Center contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. The following types of credit purchased after January 29, 1981, do not count toward health care coverage eligibility: military, federal, out-of-state, municipal, private school, exempted, and early retirement incentive credit. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

The Health Care program is financed through a combination of employer contributions, recipient premiums, investment returns, and any funds received on behalf of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. The System's goal is to maintain a health care reserve account with a 20-year solvency period in order to ensure that fluctuations in the cost of health care do not cause an interruption in the program. However, during any period in which the 20-year solvency period is not achieved, the System shall manage the Health Care Fund on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

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Funding Policy

State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2024, no allocation was made to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2024, this amount was \$30,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2024, the Career Center's surcharge obligation was \$8,859.

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14.00% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The Career Center's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$8,859 for fiscal year 2024.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description

The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Health care premiums were reduced by a Medicare Part B premium credit beginning in 2023. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy

Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. All benefit recipients pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

Net OPEB Liabilities (Assets), OPEB Expense (Income), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Career Center's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) was based on the Career Center's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share and OPEB expense:

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	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$1,077,541	\$0	\$1,077,541
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)	0	(1,480,361)	(1,480,361)
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset:			
Current Measurement Date	0.06540680%	0.07611650%	
Prior Measurement Date	0.07122030%	0.07671419%	
Change in Proportionate Share	-0.00581350%	-0.00059769%	
OPEB Expense	(\$98,433)	(\$69,454)	(\$167,888)

At June 30 2024, reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	SERS	STRS	Total
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$2,244	\$2,308	\$4,552
Changes of assumptions	364,348	218,079	582,427
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	8,351	2,642	10,993
Changes in employer proportionate share of net OPEB liability	119,222	21,506	140,728
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	8,859	0	8,859
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>\$503,024</u>	<u>\$244,535</u>	<u>\$747,559</u>
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$555,729	\$225,794	\$781,523
Changes of assumptions	306,032	976,721	1,282,753
Changes in employer proportionate share of net OPEB liability	137,593	0	137,593
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$999,354</u>	<u>\$1,202,515</u>	<u>\$2,201,869</u>

\$8,859 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability (adjustment to net OPEB asset) in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year			
Ending June 30:	SERS	STRS	Total
2025	(\$124,798)	(\$418,933)	(\$543,731)
2026	(120,593)	(196,306)	(316,899)
2027	(85,888)	(75,061)	(160,949)
2028	(65,382)	(102,386)	(167,768)
2029	(50,898)	(93,927)	(144,825)
Thereafter	(57,630)	(71,367)	(128,997)
Total	<u>(\$505,189)</u>	<u>(\$957,980)</u>	<u>(\$1,463,169)</u>

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Actuarial Assumptions – SERS

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2023, compared with June 30, 2022, are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.40%	2.40%
Future Salary Increases, Including Inflation	3.25% to 13.58%	3.25% to 13.58%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00% net of investment expense	7.00% net of investment expense, including inflation
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)	Entry Age Normal (Level Percent of Payroll)
Fiduciary Net Position is Projected to be Depleted	2048	2044
Municipal Bond Index Rate:		
Measurement Date	3.86%	3.69%
Prior Measurement Date	3.69%	1.92%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR), net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:		
Measurement Date	4.27%	4.08%
Prior Measurement Date	4.08%	2.27%
Health Care Cost Trend Rate	6.75% to 4.40%	7.00% to 4.40%

Mortality rates among healthy retirees were based on the PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20 percent for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35 percent for females. Mortality among disabled members were based upon the PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to

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2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8 percent for females. Mortality rates for contingent survivors were based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5 percent for males and adjusted 122.5 percent for females. Mortality rates for actives is based on PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table. Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five-year period ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2016 through 2020, and was adopted by the Board on April 15, 2021. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a long-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.00 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. As of June 30, 2023:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	2.00%	0.75%
US Equity	24.75%	4.82%
Non-US Equity Developed	13.50%	5.19%
Non-US Equity Emerging	6.75%	5.98%
Fixed Income/Global Bonds	19.00%	2.24%
Private Equity	12.00%	7.49%
Real Estate/Real Assets	17.00%	3.70%
Private Debt/Private Credit	5.00%	5.64%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2023, was 4.27 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2023, was 4.08 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the contribution rate of 1.50 percent of projected covered payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and no contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be depleted in 2048 by SERS'actuaries. The Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the single equivalent interest rate for both the June 30, 2022, and the June 30, 2023, total OPEB liability. The Municipal Bond Index Rate is the single rate that will generate a present value of benefit payments equal to the sum of the present value determined by the long-term expected rate of return, and the present value determined by discounting those benefits after the date of depletion. The Municipal Bond Index Rate was 3.86 percent at June 30, 2023, and 3.69 percent at June 30, 2022.

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Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates

The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.27%) and higher (5.27%) than the current discount rate (4.27%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%) and higher (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (3.27%)	Current Discount Rate (4.27%)	1% Increase (5.27%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$1,377,406	\$1,077,541	\$841,086
	1% Decrease (5.75% decreasing to 3.40%)	Current Trend Rate (6.75% decreasing to 4.40%)	1% Increase (7.75% decreasing to 5.40%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$791,632	\$1,077,541	\$1,456,409

Changes Between Measurement Date and Reporting Date

In September 2023, the SERS Board changed minimum compensation to \$30,000 from \$25,000 for purposes of the surcharge. Any effect on the net OPEB liability is unknown.

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation compared to the prior year are presented below:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%	Varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation	7.00%, net of investment expenses, including inflation
Payroll Increases	3.00%	3.00%
Discount Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Health Care Cost Trends:		
Medical		
Pre-Medicare	7.50% initial, 4.14% ultimate	7.50% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Medicare	-10.94% initial, 4.14% ultimate	-68.78% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Prescription Drug		
Pre-Medicare	-11.95% initial, 4.14% ultimate	9.00% initial, 3.94% ultimate
Medicare	1.33% initial, 4.14% ultimate	-5.47% initial, 3.94% ultimate

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

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Healthy retirees post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110 percent for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020; pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table adjusted 95 percent for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Disabled Annuitant Table projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2021. An actuarial experience study is done on a quinquennial basis.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation *	Long-Term Expected Rate of Return **
Domestic Equity	26.00%	6.60%
International Equity	22.00%	6.80%
Alternatives	19.00%	7.38%
Fixed Income	22.00%	1.75%
Real Estate	10.00%	5.75%
Liquidity Reserves	1.00%	1.00%
Total	100.00%	

* Final target weights reflected at October 1, 2022.

** 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25%, and is net of investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actual rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed STRS continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2023. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.00 percent was applied to all periods of projected health care costs to determine the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset) to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate

The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.00 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

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	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$1,252,932)	(\$1,480,361)	(\$1,678,427)
	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase
Proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	(\$1,687,619)	(\$1,480,361)	(\$1,230,722)

Changes Between the Measurement Date and the Reporting date

In March, 2024, the STRS Board made changes to the eligibility for the maximum health care premium subsidy, going into effect initially with the January 2025 benefit. In May, 2024, the Board aligned the eligibility for the health care premium subsidy with the changes to pension eligibility made in March 2024. The effect on the net OPEB liability (asset) is unknown at this time.

Note 11 - Compensated Absences

The criteria for determining vested vacation and sick leave components are derived from negotiated agreements and State laws. Eligible classified employees may earn up to ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending upon length of service. Accumulated, unused vacation time is paid to classified employees upon termination of employment. Teachers do not earn vacation time. Teachers, administrators and classified employees earn sick leave at the rate of one and one-fourth days per month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of 255 days. Upon retirement, payment shall be made for accrued but unused sick days on the basis of 25 percent of member's actual accumulated sick leave days to a maximum of 60 days.

Note 12 - Long-Term Liabilities

The changes in the Career Center's long-term obligations (non-current liabilities) during the year consist of the following:

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	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deductions	Ending Balance	Due In One Year
Governmental Activities:					
General Obligation Bonds:					
2024 Energy Loan Fund Agreement	\$0	\$1,224,823	\$0	\$1,224,823	\$83,054
2020 GO Bonds	375,000	0	50,000	325,000	50,000
2020 School Energy Conservative Bonds	225,000	0	30,000	195,000	30,000
2021 Ohio Development Services Agency Energy Loan	960,778	0	114,730	846,048	115,160
Subtotal Bonds and Notes	1,560,778	1,224,823	194,730	2,590,871	278,214
Leased Liability	2,760,000	0	270,000	2,490,000	280,000
Compensated Absences	841,475	186,969	184,015	844,429	189,344
Subtotal Bonds, Notes and Other Amounts	5,162,253	1,411,792	648,745	5,925,300	747,558
Net Pension Liability	21,141,399	0	866,956	20,274,443	0
Net OPEB Liability	999,940	77,601	0	1,077,541	0
Total Long-Term Obligations	<u>\$27,303,592</u>	<u>\$1,489,393</u>	<u>\$1,515,701</u>	<u>\$27,277,284</u>	<u>\$747,558</u>

2021 Ohio Development Services Agency Energy Loan – On February 25, 2021 the Career Center issued \$1,188,952 in energy loans to finance capital improvements for the energy conservation project. The loan will mature on September 1, 2031.

2020 GO Bonds – On May 15, 2020, the Career Center issued \$500,000 in general obligation bonds to finance capital improvements for the energy conservation project. The bonds will mature on December 1, 2029 and have an interest rate of 2.330%.

2020 School Energy Conservation Bonds – On May 15, 2020 the Career Center issued \$300,000 in bonds to finance the energy conservation project. The bonds will mature on December 1, 2029 and have an interest rate of 2.390%.

2023 Ohio Department of Development ELF Loan – On September 8, 2023 the Career Center issued \$1,224,823 in energy loans to finance capital improvements for energy efficiency upgrades to the main facilities in the Career Center. The loan will mature on September 1, 2038.

The Center is subject to a debt limit that is 9 percent of the full assessed valuation of taxable real property. At June 30, 2024 that amount was \$6,728,583,690. As of June 30, 2024 the total outstanding debt applicable to the limit was \$2,590,871 which is 0.43 percent of the total debt limit.

Leased liability will be paid from the General Fund. Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the person is paid which is typically the General Fund. Notes payable will be paid from the General fund. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension liability and net OPEB liability; however, employer pension and OPEB contributions are made from the fund benefitting from their service.

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Fiscal Year Ending June 30	General Obligation Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$278,214	\$16,264	\$294,478
2026	278,854	14,030	292,884
2027	284,497	11,795	296,292
2028	290,140	9,445	299,585
2029	290,787	6,971	297,758
2030-2034	783,506	10,420	793,926
2035-2039	384,873	2,410	387,283
Total	<u>\$2,590,871</u>	<u>\$71,335</u>	<u>\$2,662,206</u>

Note 13 - Lease Liability – Leased Assets

The Career Center entered into a lease agreement with the City of Middletown and Miami University for the building known as the WCCC Atrium Campus located at 5757 Innovation Dr. Middletown, Ohio 45005. Annual rent payments for the lease are the bond payments issued to construct the building. The term of the lease is 20 years.

During the period, there were no outflows of resources recognized for variable payments not previously included in the measurement of the lease liability. Also, there were no outflows of resources recognized for other payments, such as residual value guarantees or termination penalties, not previously included in the measurement of the lease liability during the period. There were no commitments under leases before the commencement of the lease term.

Principal and interest amounts for the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$280,000	\$80,502	\$360,502
2026	285,000	71,568	356,568
2027	295,000	62,113	357,113
2028	305,000	52,048	357,048
2029	315,000	41,648	356,648
2030-2032	1,010,000	56,847	1,066,847
	<u>\$2,490,000</u>	<u>\$364,726</u>	<u>\$2,854,726</u>

Note 14 - Interfund Transactions

Interfund balances at June 30, 2024, consist of the following individual receivables and payables and transfers in the governmental balance sheet (such amounts are removed from consolidated columns in the statement of net position):

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	Interfund		Transfers	
	Receivable	Payable	In	Out
General Fund	\$33,616	\$0	\$0	\$4,951,000
Permanent Improvement	13,158	0	4,425,000	0
Other Governmental	0	46,774	526,000	0
Total All Funds	<u>\$46,774</u>	<u>\$46,774</u>	<u>\$4,951,000</u>	<u>\$4,951,000</u>

The interfund payables are expected to be repaid within one year. The Career Center is continuing to evaluate the user charges in adult education major fund to bring revenue generation in line with expenditures. The transfers are routine in nature with the majority of the money being transferred to the permanent improvement capital projects fund for the Career Center's share of the roof replacement cost.

Note 15 - Jointly Governed Organization

The Career Center is a participant in the Southwest Ohio Computer Association (SWOCA), which is a computer consortium. SWOCA is an association of public schools and educational service centers within the boundaries of Butler, Preble, and Warren Counties. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member Career Centers. The governing board of SWOCA consists of the superintendent (or the superintendent's designee) from each member district. The Career Center paid \$52,144 for services provided during the fiscal year. Financial information can be obtained from the fiscal agent, Butler Tech, 3603 Hamilton- Middletown Road, Hamilton, Ohio 45011.

Note 16 - Statutory Reserves

As stated in H.B. 412, the Career Center is required to maintain through reserves for capital acquisitions. A reserve represents resources whose use is limited because of contractual or statutory restrictions.

	Capital Improvements
Set Aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2023	\$0
Current Year Set Aside Requirements	254,477
Qualified Disbursements	(697,510)
Set Aside Balance as of June 30, 2024	<u>(443,033)</u>

Although the Career Center had qualifying disbursements during the year that reduced the capital acquisition below zero, the amount is not carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Note 17 – Fund Balance Allocation

The Career Center has chosen to present to the consolidated summary of fund balance classification on the financial statements. The detail of those fund balance classifications are outlined below:

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Fund Balances	General	Permanent Improvement	Non-Major Funds	Total
Nonspendable on:				
Prepays	\$9,664	\$0	\$192	\$9,856
Total Nonspendable	9,664	0	192	9,856
Restricted for:				
Student Activity	0	0	73,086	73,086
Pell Grant	0	0	14,306	14,306
Classroom Facilities Maintenance	0	0	1,349,662	1,349,662
Building	0	0	153,887	153,887
Student Scholarships	0	0	963	963
Other Grants	0	0	3,418	3,418
Food Service	0	0	53,911	53,911
Total Restricted	0	0	1,649,233	1,649,233
Assigned to:				
Encumbrances	507,252	0	0	507,252
Adult Education	0	0	127,793	127,793
Budgetary Resources	954,197	0	0	954,197
Permanent Improvement	0	5,629,515	0	5,629,515
Public School Funds	51,724	0	0	51,724
Total Assigned	1,513,173	5,629,515	127,793	7,270,481
Unassigned	6,880,887	0	(49,975)	6,830,912
Total Fund Balance	\$8,403,724	\$5,629,515	\$1,727,243	\$15,760,482

Note 18 – Contingencies

Grants

The Career Center received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Career Center at June 30, 2024.

Litigation

As of June 30, 2024, the Career Center did not have any pending litigation.

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Note 19 – Center Foundation

Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to adjust/reconcile funding as enrollment information is updated by schools throughout the State, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, additional ODE adjustments for fiscal year 2024 are not finalized. As a result, the impact of future FTE adjustments on the fiscal year 2024 financial statements is not determinable, at this time. Management believes this may result in either an additional receivable to, or a liability of, the Career Center.

Note 20 – Tax Abatements entered Into By Other Governments

Other governments entered into property tax abatement agreements with property owners under the Ohio Community Reinvestment Area (“CRA”) and Enterprise Zone Agreement (“EZA”) programs with the taxing districts of the Center. The CRA program is a directive incentive tax exemption program benefiting property owners who renovate or construct new buildings. Under this program, the other governments designated areas to encourage revitalization of the existing housing stock and the development of new structures. The EZA program is an economic development tool administered by municipal and county governments that provides real and personal property tax exemptions to businesses making investments in the community. Within the taxing districts of the Center, Warren County has entered into CRA and EZA agreements. Under these agreements the Center’s property taxes were reduced by \$149,160.

Note 21 – Implementation of New Accounting Principles

New Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2024, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections; and portions of GASB Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022.

GASB Statement No. 100 enhances accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 100 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

GASB Statement No. 99 addresses a variety of topics and includes clarification of provisions related to accounting and reporting of leases under GASB Statement No. 87, provides extension of the period which the London Interbank Offered Rate is considered appropriate benchmark interest rate, guidance on disclosure of nonmonetary transaction, accounting for pledges of future revenues when resources are not received by the pledging government under GASB Statement No. 48, and terminology updates related to certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 63 and No. 53. These topics under GASB Statement No. 99 provisions were implemented in a prior year.

Other topics in GASB Statement No. 99 includes classification of other derivative instruments within the scope of GASB Statement No. 53, clarification of provisions related to accounting and reporting of Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships under GASB Statement No. 94, and clarification of provisions to accounting and reporting of subscription-based information technology arrangements under GASB Statement No. 96. These topics under GASB Statement No. 99 provisions were implemented and did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Year	Career Center's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2024	0.07027040%	\$3,882,802	\$2,787,814	139.28%	76.06%
2023	0.07557600%	4,087,738	2,823,193	144.79%	75.82%
2022	0.07569590%	2,792,959	2,612,829	106.89%	82.86%
2021	0.07341530%	4,855,843	2,573,779	188.67%	68.55%
2020	0.06806270%	4,072,311	2,334,933	174.41%	70.85%
2019	0.06266290%	3,588,820	2,018,059	177.84%	71.36%
2018	0.05904460%	3,527,784	1,973,286	178.78%	69.50%
2017	0.06015550%	4,402,828	1,868,207	235.67%	62.98%
2016	0.06311340%	3,601,312	1,863,703	193.23%	69.16%
2015	0.06086300%	3,080,242	1,786,421	172.43%	71.70%

(1) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Contributions for Net Pension Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	Career Center's Contractually Required Contribution	Career Center's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	Career Center's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$378,431	(\$378,431)	\$0	\$2,703,079	14.00%
2023	390,294	(390,294)	0	2,787,814	14.00%
2022	395,247	(395,247)	0	2,823,193	14.00%
2021	365,796	(365,796)	0	2,612,829	14.00%
2020	360,329	(360,329)	0	2,573,779	14.00%
2019	315,216	(315,216)	0	2,334,933	13.50%
2018	272,438	(272,438)	0	2,018,059	13.50%
2017	276,260	(276,260)	0	1,973,286	14.00%
2016	261,549	(261,549)	0	1,868,207	14.00%
2015	245,636	(245,636)	0	1,863,703	13.18%

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Year	Career Center's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2024	0.07611650%	\$16,391,641	\$11,205,986	146.28%	80.02%
2023	0.07671419%	17,053,661	10,920,429	156.16%	78.88%
2022	0.07814193%	9,991,147	10,500,421	95.15%	87.78%
2021	0.07543612%	18,252,857	10,088,829	180.92%	75.48%
2020	0.07479353%	16,540,140	9,582,907	172.60%	77.40%
2019	0.07250718%	15,942,701	9,061,000	175.95%	77.30%
2018	0.07050611%	16,748,878	7,796,686	214.82%	75.30%
2017	0.07152652%	23,942,082	7,951,907	301.09%	66.80%
2016	0.06972967%	19,271,241	7,273,407	264.95%	72.10%
2015	0.07025447%	17,088,318	7,730,223	221.06%	74.70%

(1) Amounts presented as of the District's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Contributions for Net Pension Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	Career Center's Contractually Required Contribution	Career Center's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	Career Center's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$1,686,197	(\$1,686,197)	\$0	12,044,264	14.00%
2023	1,568,838	(1,568,838)	0	11,205,986	14.00%
2022	1,528,860	(1,528,860)	0	10,920,429	14.00%
2021	1,470,059	(1,470,059)	0	10,500,421	14.00%
2020	1,412,436	(1,412,436)	0	10,088,829	14.00%
2019	1,341,607	(1,341,607)	0	9,582,907	14.00%
2018	1,268,540	(1,268,540)	0	9,061,000	14.00%
2017	1,091,536	(1,091,536)	0	7,796,686	14.00%
2016	1,113,267	(1,113,267)	0	7,951,907	14.00%
2015	1,018,277	(1,018,277)	0	7,273,407	14.00%

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	Career Center's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability
2024	0.06540680%	\$1,077,541	\$2,787,814	38.65%	30.02%
2023	0.07122030%	999,940	2,823,193	35.42%	30.34%
2022	0.07081240%	1,340,183	2,612,829	51.29%	24.08%
2021	0.06999370%	1,521,192	2,573,779	59.10%	18.17%
2020	0.06475880%	1,628,548	2,334,933	69.75%	15.57%
2019	0.06022600%	1,670,832	2,018,059	82.79%	13.57%
2018	0.05663520%	1,519,940	1,973,286	77.03%	12.46%
2017	0.05719827%	1,630,362	1,868,207	87.27%	11.49%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

(2) Amounts presented as of the Career Center's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Contributions for Net OPEB Liability
School Employees Retirement System of Ohio
Last Nine Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	Career Center's Contractually Required Contribution (2)	Career Center's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	Career Center's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$8,859	(\$8,859)	\$0	\$2,703,079	0.33%
2023	10,580	(10,580)	0	2,787,814	0.38%
2022	15,532	(15,532)	0	2,823,193	0.16%
2021	12,062	(12,062)	0	2,612,829	0.46%
2020	15,692	(15,692)	0	2,573,779	0.61%
2019	27,806	(27,806)	0	2,334,933	1.19%
2018	27,769	(27,769)	0	2,018,059	1.38%
2017	15,689	(15,689)	0	1,973,286	0.80%
2016	12,797	(12,797)	0	1,868,207	0.68%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2016 is not available.

(2) Includes surcharge.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Eight Fiscal Years (1) (2)

Year	Career Center's Proportion of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB (Asset)/Liability
2024	0.07611650%	(\$1,480,361)	\$11,205,986	(13.21%)	168.52%
2023	0.07671419%	(1,986,385)	10,920,429	(18.19%)	230.73%
2022	0.07814193%	(1,647,559)	10,500,421	(15.69%)	174.73%
2021	0.07543612%	(1,325,789)	10,088,829	(13.14%)	182.13%
2020	0.07479353%	(1,238,760)	9,582,907	(12.93%)	174.74%
2019	0.07250718%	(1,165,116)	9,061,000	(12.86%)	176.00%
2018	0.07050611%	2,750,888	7,796,686	35.28%	47.10%
2017	0.07152652%	3,825,257	7,951,907	48.10%	37.30%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2017 is not available.

(2) Amounts presented as of the Career Center's measurement date which is the prior fiscal year end.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Career Center's Contributions for Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Last Nine Fiscal Years (1)

Year	Career Center's Contractually Required Contribution	Career Center's Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	Career Center's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Career Center's Covered Payroll	Career Center's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,044,264	0.00%
2023	0	0	0	11,205,986	0.00%
2022	0	0	0	10,920,429	0.00%
2021	0	0	0	10,500,421	0.00%
2020	0	0	0	10,088,829	0.00%
2019	0	0	0	9,582,907	0.00%
2018	0	0	0	9,061,000	0.00%
2017	0	0	0	7,796,686	0.00%
2016	0	0	0	7,951,907	0.00%

(1) The schedule is intended to show information for the past 10 years and the additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available. Information prior to 2016 is not available.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center, Warren County, Ohio
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance from Final Budget
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$12,113,486	\$12,604,627	\$12,608,372	\$3,745
Revenue in lieu of taxes	208,486	216,940	217,004	64
Tuition and Fees	77,618	80,765	80,789	24
Investment Earnings	339,431	353,193	353,298	105
Intergovernmental	11,778,914	12,256,490	12,260,131	3,641
Other Revenues	44,930	46,752	46,766	14
Total Revenues	24,562,865	25,558,767	25,566,360	7,593
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	20,160	21,722	21,726	(4)
Special	266,389	287,030	287,084	(54)
Vocational	11,276,346	12,150,053	12,152,357	(2,304)
Other	592,346	638,242	638,363	(121)
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,323,241	1,425,768	1,426,038	(270)
Instructional Staff	1,131,492	1,219,162	1,219,393	(231)
General Administration	53,441	57,582	57,593	(11)
School Administration	1,822,359	1,963,558	1,963,930	(372)
Fiscal	752,633	810,948	811,102	(154)
Operations and Maintenance	2,072,803	2,233,406	2,233,830	(424)
Pupil Transportation	250,537	269,949	270,000	(51)
Central	556,819	599,962	600,076	(114)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	54,732	58,973	58,984	(11)
Extracurricular Activities	86,453	93,151	93,169	(18)
Capital Outlay	367,274	395,731	395,806	(75)
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	180,693	194,693	194,730	(37)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	13,305	14,336	14,339	(3)
Total Expenditures	20,821,023	22,434,266	22,438,520	(4,254)
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	3,741,842	3,124,501	3,127,840	3,339
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Advances In	827,650	861,207	861,463	256
Transfers In	961	1,000	1,000	0
Transfers (Out)	(4,662,769)	(5,024,047)	(5,025,000)	(953)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(3,834,158)	(4,161,840)	(4,162,537)	(697)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(92,316)	(1,037,339)	(1,034,697)	2,642
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year (includes prior year encumbrances appropriated)	10,360,680	10,360,680	10,360,680	0
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$10,268,364	\$9,323,341	\$9,325,983	\$2,642

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

Warren County Career Center
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Note 1 – Budgetary Process

All funds, except custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the appropriations resolution and the certificate of estimated resources which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount that the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriation resolution is Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on expenditures plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by Board. The legal level of control has been established by Board at the fund level. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified by the Career Center Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary schedules reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary schedules reflect the amounts on the final amended certificate of estimated resources issued during the fiscal year 2024.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment by the Board throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by Board during the year.

While the Center is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balance on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP basis are as follows:

1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).
3. Outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as expenditures (budget basis) rather than restricted, committed, or assigned fund balance (GAAP basis).
4. Advances in and advances out are operating transactions (budget basis) as opposed to balance sheet transactions.

The following tables summarize the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP and budgetary basis statements for major funds with required budgetary supplemental information. Only the general and major special revenue funds are reported for comparison.

Warren County Career Center
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Change in Fund Balance

	<u>General</u>
GAAP Basis	(\$3,144,482)
Revenue Accruals	1,047,254
Expenditure Accruals	776,314
Transfers In	1,000
Transfers Out	(74,000)
Advances In	861,463
Encumbrances	(499,467)
Funds Budgeted Elsewhere	(2,779)
Budget Basis	<u><u>(\$1,034,697)</u></u>

Note 2 - Net Pension Liability

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2023-2024: There were no changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement period.

2022: Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) increased from 0.50% to 2.50%.

2020-2021: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for this fiscal year.

2019: With the authority granted the Board under Senate Bill 8, the Board has enacted a three year COLA delay for future benefit recipients commencing benefits on or after April 1, 2018.

2018: SERS changed from a fixed 3.00% annual increase to a Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) based on the changed in the Consumer Price Index Index (CPI-W), with a cap of 2.50% and a floor of 0.00%.

2014-2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

Changes in Assumptions:

2023-2024: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) was increased from 2.00% to 2.50% for calendar year 2024.

2022: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.00% to 2.40%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 3.50% to 1.75%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was increased from 0.50% to 0.85%,
- (4) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) was reduced from 2.50% to 2.00%,
- (5) The discount rate was reduced from 7.50% to 7.00%,
- (6) Rates of withdrawal, compensation, participation, spouse coverage assumption, retirement, and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, and,
- (7) Mortality among active members, service retirees and beneficiaries, and disabled members were updated.

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2018-2021: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2017: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%,
- (4) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience,
- (5) Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females,
- (6) Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates,
- (7) Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement, and
- (8) The discount rate was reduced from 7.75% to 7.50%.

2014-2016: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2019-2024: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

2018: STRS decreased the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to zero.

2014-2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

Changes in Assumptions:

2024: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2023: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table:
 - a. Adjusted 110.0% for males, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (2) Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Employee Table:
 - a. Adjusted 95.0% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (3) Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on Pub-2010 Teachers Disable Annuitant Table:
 - a. Projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020
- (4) Projected salary increases changed from 2.50% to 12.50% to 2.50% to 8.50%

2022: There were changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date, which the discount rate was

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adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45%.

2019-2021: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2018: The following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%,
- (2) The inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%,
- (3) The payroll growth assumption was lowered to 3.00%,
- (4) Total salary increases rate was lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, in addition to a decrease of 0.25% due to lower inflation,
- (5) The healthy and disabled mortality assumptions were updated to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016, and
- (6) Rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience.

2014-2017: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

Note 3 - Net OPEB (Asset)/Liability

School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2024: Effective January 1, 2024, the non-Medicare disability health care subsidy amounts will change to reflect amounts equal to that of service retirees by years of service.

2017-2023: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for these fiscal years.

Changes in Assumptions:

2024: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:

Prior Measurement Date	4.08%
Measurement Date	4.27%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:

Prior Measurement Date	3.69%
Measurement Date	3.86%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:

Prior Measurement Date	4.08%
Measurement Date	4.27%
- (4) The assumption for percent of pre-Medicare eligible retirees who choose the Wraparound plan increased from 10% to 20%.
- (5) The health care trend assumption on retiree premiums was updated to not apply trend to the \$35 surcharge.
- (6) The morbidity factors were updated based on the Society of Actuaries' June 2013 research report Health Care Costs—From Birth to Death by Dale Yamamoto and from the ASOP 6 practice note developed by the American Academy of Actuaries.

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- (7) An assumption was added to assume that 15% of pre-65 retirees who waive will elect coverage upon Medicare eligibility.

2023: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.27% |
| Measurement Date | 4.08% |
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 1.92% |
| Measurement Date | 3.69% |
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.27% |
| Measurement Date | 4.08% |
- (4) Health care trend rates were updated.

2022: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.63% |
| Measurement Date | 2.27% |
- (2) Investment Rate of Return:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 7.50% |
| Measurement Date | 7.00% |
- (3) Assumed Rate of Inflation:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.00% |
| Measurement Date | 2.40% |
- (4) Payroll Growth Assumption:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 3.50% |
| Measurement Date | 1.75% |
- (5) Assumed Real Wage Growth:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 0.50% |
| Measurement Date | 0.85% |
- (6) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.45% |
| Measurement Date | 1.92% |
- (7) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Prior Measurement Date | 2.63% |
| Measurement Date | 2.27% |
- (8) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience.
- (9) Rate of health care participation for future retirees and spouses was updated to reflect recent.
- (10) Mortality among active members was updated to the following:
- PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table.
- (11) Mortality among service retired members was updated to the following:
- PUB-2010 General Employee Amount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 94.20% for males and set forward 2 years and adjusted 81.35% for females.
- (12) Mortality among beneficiaries was updated to the following:

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- a. PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Contingent Survivor mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 1 year and adjusted 105.5% for males and adjusted 122.5% for females.
- (13) Mortality among disabled member was updated to the following:
 - a. PUB-2010 General Disabled Retiree mortality table projected to 2017 with ages set forward 5 years and adjusted 103.3% for males and set forward 3 years and adjusted 106.8% for females.
- (14) Mortality rates are projected using a fully generational projection with Scale MP-2020.

2021: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.22%
 - Measurement Date 2.63%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.13%
 - Measurement Date 2.45%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.22%
 - Measurement Date 2.63%

2020: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.70%
 - Measurement Date 3.22%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.62%
 - Measurement Date 3.13%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.70%
 - Measurement Date 3.22%

2019: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.63%
 - Measurement Date 3.70%
- (2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.56%
 - Measurement Date 3.62%
- (3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:
 - Prior Measurement Date 3.63%
 - Measurement Date 3.70%

2018: Amounts reported for the fiscal year incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

- (1) Discount Rate:

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Fiscal Year 2018	3.63%
Fiscal Year 2017	2.98%
(2) Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Fiscal Year 2018	3.56%
Fiscal Year 2017	2.92%
(3) Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation:	
Fiscal Year 2018	3.63%
Fiscal Year 2017	2.98%

2017: The following changes of assumptions affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date:

- (1) The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%,
- (2) Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%,
- (3) Assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%,
- (4) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience,
- (5) Mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females,
- (6) Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates, and
- (7) Mortality among disabled members was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

2024: Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024. The change in the subsidy percentage and the base amount for all retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (NME) participants, from 2.2% per year in last year's valuation to 2.5% per year, capped at 75%, as well as the unfreezing of the NME subsidy, the removal of the 6% cap on the year over year subsidy increase for Medicare Eligible (ME) participants, the changes in deductible and office visits copays for Aetna's Medicare Advantage plan, and updates in the medical and PBM vendor contracts. In addition, there were benefit changes related to the change in eligibility for unreduced Pension benefits.

2023: Salary increase rates were updated based on the actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021 and were changed from age based to service based. Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience.

2022: The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2022 from 2.055% to 2.100%. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2022. The Medicare Part D subsidy was updated to reflect it is expected to be negative in CY2022. The Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

2021: There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year end 2021 premium based on June 30, 2020 enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984% to 2.055% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy

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percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

2020: There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were trended to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to reflect the current price renewals. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2020 from 1.944% to 1.984% per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2020. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1% for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021.

2019: The subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was increased from 1.900% to 1.944% per year of service effective January 1, 2019. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2019 and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2020. The Board is extending the current Medicare Part B partial reimbursement program for one year. Under this program, benefit recipients currently enrolled in the STRS Ohio Health Care Program and Medicare Part B receive \$29.90 per month to reimburse a portion of the Medicare Part B premium. The reimbursement was set to be reduced to \$0 beginning January 1, 2020. This impacts about 85,000 benefit recipients.

2018: The subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.10% to 1.90% per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 1, 2019.

2017: There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for this fiscal year.

Changes in Assumptions:

2024: Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024. The change in the subsidy percentage and the base amount for all retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (NME) participants, from 2.2% per year in last year's valuation to 2.5% per year, capped at 75%, as well as the unfreezing of the NME subsidy, the removal of the 6% cap on the year over year subsidy increase for Medicare Eligible (ME) participants, the changes in deductible and office visits copays for Aetna's Medicare Advantage plan, and updates in the medical and PBM vendor contracts. In addition, there were benefit changes related to the change in eligibility for unreduced Pension benefits.

2023: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for these fiscal years.

2022: There were changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date, which the discount rate was adjusted to 7.00% from 7.45%.

2021: There were changes in assumptions during the measurement year, which decreased the total OPEB liability by approximately \$0.26 billion. The assumption changes included changes in healthcare costs and trends.

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2020: There were changes in assumptions during the measurement year, which increased the total OPEB liability by approximately \$0.04 billion. The assumption changes included changes in healthcare costs and trends.

2019: The discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13% to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB). Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated.

2018: The discount rate was increased from 3.26% to 4.13% based on the methodology defined under GASB Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB) and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75% to 7.45%. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

2017: There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for this fiscal year.

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**WARREN COUNTY CAREER CENTER
WARREN COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Federal Grant/ Pass Through Grantor Program Title	Assistance Listing Number	Pass Through Entity Number	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
Cash Assistance:			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	3L70	<u>\$13,421</u>
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution):			
National School Lunch Program	10.555	3L60	28,218
Cash Assistance:			
National School Lunch Program	10.555	3L60	92,319
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	10.555	3L60	<u>27,032</u>
Total National School Lunch Program			<u>147,569</u>
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>160,990</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>160,990</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
<i>Direct Program:</i>			
Student Financial Assistance Cluster:			
Federal Pell Grant Program	84.063	N/A	216,172
Federal Direct Student Loans	84.268	N/A	<u>410,778</u>
Total Student Financial Assistance Cluster			<u>626,950</u>
Rural Education	84.358	N/A	<u>1,628</u>
<i>Direct Program:</i>			
COVID - 19 HEERF Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) Formula Grant	84.425N	N/A	138,092
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>			
COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief - Homeless Children and Youth	84.425W	N/A	<u>400</u>
Total Education Stabilization Fund			<u>138,492</u>
<i>Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:</i>			
Adult Education - Basic Grants to States	84.002	3120	352,858
Career & Technical Education - Basic Grants to State	84.048	3L90	<u>430,639</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>1,550,567</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY			
<i>Passed Through Ohio Facilities Construction Commission:</i>			
COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	5CV3	<u>13,462</u>
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury			<u>13,462</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$1,725,019</u>

See accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

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**NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
2 CFR 200.510(b)(6)
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

NOTE A – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Warren County Career Center (the Career Center) under programs of the federal government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Career Center, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the Career Center.

NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE C – INDIRECT COST RATE

The Career Center has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE D - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER

The Career Center commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the Career Center assumes it expends federal monies first.

NOTE E – FOOD DONATION PROGRAM

The Career Center reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the entitlement value. The Career Center allocated donated food commodities to the respective program that benefitted from the use of those donated food commodities.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Warren County Career Center
Warren County
3529 N. State Route 48
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To the Board of Education:

We have audited, 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Warren County Career Center, Warren County, (the Career Center) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Career Center's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 16, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

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



Keith Faber
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December 16, 2024



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Warren County Career Center
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To the Board of Education:

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited Warren County Career Center's, Warren County, (the Career Center) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Warren County Career Center's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024. Warren County Career Center's major federal program is identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Warren County Career Center complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Career Center and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Career Center's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Career Center's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Career Center's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Career Center's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the Career Center's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Career Center's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

Warren County Career Center
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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements
Applicable to the Major Federal Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance
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Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio
December 16, 2024

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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
2 CFR § 200.515
JUNE 30, 2024**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Career and Technical Education – Basic Grants to States (Perkins V)
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	Yes

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

None

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None

OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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