



DAYTON SMART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MONTGOMERY COUNTY JUNE 30, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Dayton SMART Elementary School Montgomery County 601 South Keowee Street Dayton, Ohio 45410

To the Board of Directors:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Dayton SMART Elementary School, Montgomery County, Ohio (the School), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School'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 financial position of the Dayton SMART Elementary School, Montgomery County, Ohio as of June 30, 2024, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the fiscal year ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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 School, 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 opinion.

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 School'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.

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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 School'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 School'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, 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.

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Supplementary information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School'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 January 27, 2025, on our consideration of the School'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 School'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 School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

January 27, 2025

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

As management of Dayton SMART Elementary School (the School), we offer readers of the School's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School's financial performance as a whole. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for the School are as follows:

- Total net position of the School increased \$368,953 during the fiscal year. Ending net position of the School was negative \$610,502 compared with negative \$1.0 million at June 30, 2023.
- Total assets increased by \$126,848 while total liabilities decreased by \$181,632 from the prior fiscal year end.
- The School's operating loss for fiscal year 2024 was \$733,203.
- Total revenues increased by \$455,302 compared to those reported for the prior fiscal year and total expenses increased by \$294,425 during the same period.

Using this Annual Financial Report

This financial report contains the basic financial statements of the School, as well as the Management's Discussion and Analysis and notes to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include a statement of net position, statement of revenues, expenses and change in net position, and a statement of cash flows. As the School reports its operations using enterprise fund accounting, all financial transactions and accounts are reported as one activity, therefore the entity wide and the fund presentation information is the same.

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position

The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and change in net position answer the question, "How did we do financially during the fiscal year?" The statement of net position includes all assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term, using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

This statement reports the School's net position; however, in evaluating the overall position and financial viability of the School, non-financial information such as the condition of the School's property and potential changes in the laws governing charter schools in the State of Ohio will also need to be evaluated. The statement of revenues, expenses and change in net position reports the change in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School as a whole, the financial position of the School has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

Financial Analysis

Table 1 provides a summary of the School's net position for 2024 and 2023:

Table 1 - Net Position

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		2024		2023		Change	
ASSETS							
Current Assets	\$	560,841	\$	378,472	\$	182,369	
Net OPEB Asset		55,008		84,121		(29,113)	
Capital Assets, Net		476,009		502,417		(26,408)	
Total Assets		1,091,858		965,010		126,848	
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS							
OF RESOURCES							
Pensions		282,530		281,006		1,524	
OPEB		83,690		40,551		43,139	
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		366,220		321,557		44,663	
LIABILITIES							
Current Liabilities		852,919		1,031,007		(178,088)	
Long-term liabilities:		ŕ				, , ,	
Due in more than one year		-		1,764		(1,764)	
Net Pension Liability		858,380		891,375		(32,995)	
Net OPEB Liability		76,504		45,289		31,215	
Total Liabilities		1,787,803		1,969,435		(181,632)	
DEFERRED INFLOWS							
OF RESOURCES							
Pensions		162,512		155,195		7,317	
OPEB		118,265		141,392		(23,127)	
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		280,777		296,587		(15,810)	
NET POSITION							
Net Investment in Capital Assets		(38,340)		(61,533)		23,193	
Restricted		314,735		118,822		195,913	
Unrestricted		(886,897)		(1,036,744)		149,847	
Total Net Position	\$	(610,502)	\$	(979,455)	\$	368,953	
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Current and other assets increased in comparison with the prior fiscal year end. This increase is the result of an increase in grant receivables related to an increase in federal and state grants owed at year end.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

The change in net pension/OPEB liability (asset) are due to changes in the retirement systems unfunded liabilities/assets that are passed through to the School's financial statements. All components of pension and OPEB accruals contribute to the fluctuations in deferred outflows/inflows, net OPEB asset and noncurrent liabilities are described in more detail in their respective notes.

Table 2 provides a summary of the School's change in net position for 2024 and 2023:

Table 2 - Change in Net Position

	2024	2023	Change
OPERATING REVENUES			
State Foundation	\$ 927,967	\$ 720,568	207,399
Other Operating Unrestricted Grants	5,452	5,816	(364)
Total Operating Revenues	933,419	726,384	207,035
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Salaries and Wages	669,942	497,292	172,650
Fringe Benefits	201,470	98,736	102,734
Purchased Services	637,640	579,207	58,433
Materials and Supplies	77,374	109,968	(32,594)
Depreciation/Amortization	51,438	50,597	841
Other	28,758	34,063	(5,305)
Total Operating Expenses	1,666,622	1,369,863	296,759
Operating Loss	(733,203)	(643,479)	(89,724)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
Interest and Fiscal Charges	(16,673)	(19,007)	2,334
Federal and State Grants	1,118,704	869,851	248,853
Other Non-operating revenue	125	711	(586)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	1,102,156	851,555	250,601
Change in Net Position	368,953	208,076	160,877
Net Position - Beginning of Year	(979,455)	(1,187,531)	
Net Position - End of Year	\$ (610,502)	\$ (979,455)	

Foundation, federal and state grants revenues increased in comparison with the prior fiscal year. This increase is due to the increased of grants received in fiscal year 2024.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

Capital Assets

The School had a decrease in capital assets in comparison with the prior year. This decrease represents the amount in which current year depreciation exceeded capital acquisitions. See Note 5 of the basic financial statements for additional details.

Debt

The School's loan and lease payable balances decreased in comparison with the prior year. This decrease represents current year principal retirement payments. See Note 6 of the basic financial statements for additional details.

Contacting the School

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the finances of the Dayton SMART Elementary School and to show the School's accountability for the monies it receives to all vested and interested parties, as well as meeting the annual reporting requirements of the State of Ohio. Any questions about the information contained within this report or requests for additional financial information should be directed to the Treasurer of Dayton SMART Elementary School, 601 South Keowee Street, Dayton, OH 45410.

Statement of Net Position As of June 30, 2024

ASSETS	
Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 231,384
Receivables:	
Intergovernmental	326,957
Prepaid Items	2,500
Total Current Assets	560,841
Noncurrent Assets:	
Net OPEB Asset	55,008
Capital Assets:	22,000
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation/Amortization	476,009
Total Noncurrent Assets	531,017
Total Assets	1,091,858
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension	282,530
OPEB	83,690
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	366,220
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	246,599
Accrued Wages and Benefits	75,873
Intergovernmental Payable	16,098
Notes Payable	512,585
Leases Payable	1,764
Total Current Liabilities	852,919
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Net Pension Liability	858,380
Net OPEB Liability	76,504
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	934,884
Total Liabilities	1,787,803
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension	162,512
OPEB	118,265
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	280,777
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(38 340)
Restricted for:	(38,340)
State Funded Programs	78,274
Federally Funded Programs	172,772
Other OPEB	8,681
	55,008
Unrestricted Total Not Regition	(886,897)
Total Net Position	\$ (610,502)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Dayton SMART Elementary School
Montgomery County, Ohio
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

OPERATING REVENUES	
State Foundation	\$ 927,967
Other Operating Unrestricted Grants	5,452
Total Operating Revenues	 933,419
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Salaries and Wages	669,942
Fringe Benefits	201,470
Purchased Services	637,640
Materials and Supplies	77,374
Depreciation/Amortization	51,438
Other	 28,758
Total Operating Expenses	1,666,622
Operating Loss	 (733,203)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest and Fiscal Charges	(16,673)
Federal and State Grants	1,118,704
Other Non-operating revenue	125
Total Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)	 1,102,156
Change in Net Position	368,953
Net Position - Beginning of Year	(979,455)
Net Position - End of Year	\$ (610,502)

Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash Received from State of Ohio	\$ 927,505
Cash Received from Other Operations	5,452
Cash Payments for Salaries and Wages	(650,502)
Cash Payments for Fringe Benefits	(234,936)
Cash Payments for Purchased Services	(698,782)
Cash Payments for Materials and Supplies	(141,430)
Cash Payments for Other Expenses	(29,050)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(821,743)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Federal and State Grants	1,007,653
Other	125
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	1,007,778
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Principal Paid on Long-term Debt	(82,351)
Interest Paid on Long-term Debt	(16,673)
Payments for Capital Acquisitions	(25,030)
Net Cash Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities	 (124,054)
The Cash esed in capital and reasons I maneing receivings	(121,031)
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	61,981
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	169,403
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 231,384
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating Loss	\$ (733,203)
Operating Loss Adjustments:	\$ (733,203)
	\$ (733,203) 51,438
Adjustments:	\$
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization	\$
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows:	\$ 51,438
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable	\$ 51,438 (9,045)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities and Deferred Inflows:	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139) 29,113
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities and Deferred Inflows: Accounts Payable	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139) 29,113 (124,644)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities and Deferred Inflows: Accounts Payable Accrued Wages and Benefits	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139) 29,113 (124,644) 22,858
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities and Deferred Inflows: Accounts Payable Accrued Wages and Benefits Intergovernmental Payable	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139) 29,113 (124,644) 22,858 4,285
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities and Deferred Inflows: Accounts Payable Accrued Wages and Benefits Intergovernmental Payable Net Pension Liability	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139) 29,113 (124,644) 22,858 4,285 (32,995)
Adjustments: Depreciation/Amortization (Increase) Decrease in Assets and Deferred Outflows: Intergovernmental Receivable Prepaid Items Deferred Outflows - Pension Deferred Outflows - OPEB Net OPEB Asset Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities and Deferred Inflows: Accounts Payable Accrued Wages and Benefits Intergovernmental Payable Net Pension Liability Net OPEB Liability	\$ 51,438 (9,045) (292) (1,524) (43,139) 29,113 (124,644) 22,858 4,285 (32,995) 31,215

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

NOTE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL AND REPORTING ENTITY

Dayton SMART Elementary School (the School) is a nonprofit corporation established pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Chapters 3314 and 1702 to address the needs of students in grades kindergarten through six. The School, which is part of the State's education program, is independent of any school district and nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. The School may sue and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, and contract for any services necessary for the operation of the School. The School qualifies as an exempt organization under Section 501c (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Management is not aware of any course of action or series of events that have occurred that might adversely affect the school's tax exempt status.

The School was approved for operation under contract with the Ohio Council of Community Schools (the Sponsor). The Sponsor is responsible for evaluating the performance of the School and has the authority to deny renewal of the contract at its expiration or terminate the contract prior to its expiration. The School paid the Sponsor a 3% sponsorship fee based on State Foundation revenue. The School entered into a service agreement with Mangen & Associates to provide certain financial and accounting services, including performing all duties required of the Treasurer of the School (Note 12).

The School operates under the direction of a five-member Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract, which include, but are not limited to, statemandated standards, admission standards, and qualifications of teachers.

Jointly Governed Organizations

The School was a participant in the Metropolitan Educational Technology Association (META). META is an educational solutions partner providing services across Ohio. META provides cost-effective fiscal, network, technology and student services, a purchasing cooperative, and other individual services based on each client's needs. The governing board of META consists of a president, vice president and six board members who represent the members of META. The Board works with META's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief Financial Officer to manage operations and ensure the continued progress of the organization's mission, vision, and values. The Board exercises total control over the operations of the Association including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. Each School's degree of control is limited to its representation on the Board. Financial information can be obtained from Ashley Widby, who serves as Chief Financial Officer, at 100 Executive Drive, Marion, Ohio 43302.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the School have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental nonprofit organizations. 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 School's accounting policies are described below.

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Basis of Presentation

The School's basic financial statements consist of a statement of net position, a statement of revenues, expenses and change in net position, and a statement of cash flows. Enterprise fund reporting focuses on the determination of the change in net position, financial position and cash flows.

Measurement Focus

Enterprise accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and change in net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School finances and meets the cash flow needs of its enterprise activities.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. The School's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each part gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the School receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements, and donations. 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 School must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School on a reimbursement basis.

Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

Budgetary Process

Community schools are statutorily required to adopt a budget by Ohio Revised Code Section 3314.032(C). However, unlike traditional public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow the specific budgetary process and limits set forth in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705, unless specifically provided in the contract between the School and its Sponsor. The contract between the School and its Sponsor does not prescribe a budgetary process for the School; therefore, no budgetary information is presented in the financial statements.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition value as of the date received. The School maintains a capitalization threshold of five hundred dollars.

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The School does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not. All reported capital assets except land and intangible assets are depreciated/amortized. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Land Improvements10 YearsBuilding Improvements25 YearsFurniture, Fixtures, and Equipment3-5 YearsVehicles7 Years

The School is reporting intangible right to use assets related to leased equipment. These intangible assets are being amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Deferred Outflows/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 assets that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. For the School, deferred outflows of resources are reported on the statement of net position for pensions and other postemployment benefits (OPEB). These deferred outflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are explained in Note 8 and Note 9.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. These deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are explained in Note 8 and Note 9.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

All monies received by the School are maintained in a demand deposit account. For internal accounting purposes, the School segregates its cash into separate funds.

Compensated Absences

Vacation and sick leave benefits are not carried forward to future fiscal years. The School does not pay sick leave benefits upon termination or retirement.

Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability (asset), 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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Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets. The School applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activities. For the School, these revenues are primarily foundation and related payments from the State. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activity of the School. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

Estimates

The preparation of 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 estimates.

NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS

At June 30, 2024, the bank balance was \$263,845. \$250,000 of the bank balance was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES

At fiscal year-end, intergovernmental receivables consisted primarily of foundation adjustments, federal grants, and pension system overpayments. All intergovernmental receivables are considered collectible within one year.

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NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Beginning						Ending	
	Balance		Additions		Deletions			Balance
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated/Amortized								
Land Improvements	\$	23,500	\$	-	\$	-	\$	23,500
Buildings Improvements		792,087		6,947		-		799,034
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment		52,575		18,083		-		70,658
Vehicles		156,108		-		-		156,108
Intangible Right to Use, Equipment		15,120						15,120
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated/Amortized		1,039,390		25,030		-		1,064,420
Less Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization								
Land Improvements		(22,325)		(1,175)		-		(23,500)
Buildings Improvements		(309,451)		(39,537)		-		(348,988)
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment		(40,017)		(7,702)		-		(47,719)
Vehicles		(156,108)		-		-		(156,108)
Intangible Right to Use, Equipment		(9,072)		(3,024)				(12,096)
Total Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization	-	(536,973)		(51,438)			-	(588,411)
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated/Amortized, Net		502,417		(26,408)				476,009
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$	502,417	\$	(26,408)	\$	_	\$	476,009

NOTE 6 – LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS

	Beginning Balance	A	dditions	Ι	Deletions	Ending Balance	 ue Within One Year
Mangen Note	\$ 591,912	\$	-	\$	(79,327)	\$ 512,585	\$ 512,585
Net Pension Liability Net OPEB Liability	891,375 45,289		31,215		(32,995)	858,380 76,504	\$ - - -
Leases Total Long-Term Obligations	\$ 4,788 1,533,364	\$	31,215	\$	(3,024)	\$ 1,764 1,449,233	\$ 1,764 514,349

In fiscal year 2014, the School entered into a promissory note with Mangen Family Foundation for operations and capital improvements. The note carried an interest rate of 0% and a maturity date of June 30, 2015. In fiscal year 2017, the School drew additional funds on the note and renegotiated the terms, extending the maturity date to June 30, 2018. The School drew and repaid \$25,000 during fiscal year 2018. The School renegotiated the terms of the note, extending the maturity date to June 30, 2025, with a 3% interest rate.

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Debt-service-to-maturity requirements to retire the notes are as follows:

Fiscal Year			
Ended June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$512,585	\$ 831	\$ 513,416

Leases Payable: The School has entered into a lease agreement with De Lage Landen Financial for the lease of two copiers with accessories. The term of the lease was 60 months and commenced on February 2020. A summary of principal amounts for the remaining leases is as follows:

Year Ended	Principal				
2025	\$	1,764			

NOTE 7 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees, and natural disasters. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the School contracted for its insurance coverage for commercial property – building and general liability.

The School also has non-profit directors and officer's liability insurance (D&O), employment practices liability (EP), and employee dishonesty bond. Settled claims have not exceeded commercial coverage in the past three years. There has been no significant change in coverage in the past year.

Worker's Compensation

The School pays the State Worker's Compensation System a premium for employee injury coverage. The premium is calculated by multiplying the annual total gross payroll by a factor that is calculated by the State.

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

NOTE 8 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

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

Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability

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 represents the School'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 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 this estimate annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the School's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the School 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 proportionate share of each plan's unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term net pension/OPEB liability (asset). Any liability for the contractually-required pension contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included in intergovernmental payable.

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 9 for the required OPEB disclosures.

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description – School non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a statewide, cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability, and survivor 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 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 year of service; 2.2 percent for the first 30 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 and 2024.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School 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 School's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$33,639 for fiscal year 2024. OF this amount, \$858 was reported as an intergovernmental payable.

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – School 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 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. 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 of their member contributions and 11.09 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. 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 after termination of employment at age 50 or later.

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 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.

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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. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2024 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$73,539 for fiscal year 2024. Of this amount, \$8,122 was reported as an intergovernmental payable.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows/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 independent actuarial valuation as of that date. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer's share of employer contributions in the pension plan relative to the total employer contributions of all participating employers.

Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability			
Prior Measurement Date	0.0031277%	0.003248770%	
Proportion of the Net Pension Liability			
Current Measurement Date	0.0045117%	0.002828360%	
Change in Proportionate Share	0.0013840%	-0.00042041%	
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension			
Liability	\$249,295	\$609,085	\$ 858,380
Pension Expense	\$50,018	\$29,958	\$79,976

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

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

	SERS		STRS		Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources					
Differences between expected and					
actual experience	\$	10,715	\$	22,207	\$ 32,922
Changes of assumptions		1,766		50,161	51,927
Changes in proportion and differences					
between School contributions					
and proportionate share of contributions		61,774		28,729	90,503
School contributions subsequent to the					
measurement date		33,639		73,539	 107,178
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	107,894	\$	174,636	\$ 282,530
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Differences between expected and					
actual experience	\$	-	\$	1,350	\$ 1,350
Changes of assumptions		-		37,756	37,756
Net difference between projected and					
actual earnings on pension plan investments		3,503		1,824	5,327
Changes in proportion and differences					
between School contributions					
and proportionate share of contributions				118,079	 118,079
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	3,503	\$	159,009	\$ 162,512

\$107,178 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from School 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:

	SERS	STRS	Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:			
2025	\$29,725	(\$17,841)	\$11,884
2026	10,658	(61,680)	(51,022)
2027	30,184	42,686	72,870
2028	185	(21,077)	(20,892)
Total	\$70,752	(\$57,912)	\$12,840

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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.

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, are presented below:

Wage Inflation
Future Salary Increases, including inflation
COLA or Ad Hoc COLA

Investment Rate of Return Actuarial Cost Method 2.40 percent
3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
2.0 percent, on and after April 1, 2018, COLA's for future retirees will be delayed for three years following commencement

7.00 percent net of investment expenses

Entry Age Normal

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 two 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 five years and adjusted 103.3 percent for males and set forward three 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 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.

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

	Target	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	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
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Total	100.00 %	

Discount Rate The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent. 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 rate of fiscal year 2023 was 14 percent. Projected inflows from investment earning 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 School's 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 School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what the School'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.

	Current						
	1% Decrease (6.00%)		Discount Rate		1% Increase		
			((7.00%)	(8.00%)		
School's proportionate share							
of the net pension liability	\$	367,946	\$	249,295	\$	149,353	

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Actuarial Assumptions – STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation, are presented below:

Inflation 2.50 percent

Projected salary increases Varies by service from 2.5% to 8.5%

Investment Rate of Return 7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation

Discount Rate of Return 7.00 percent Payroll Increases 3 percent Cost-of-Living Adjustments 0.0 percent

Post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% 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% for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2020. Post-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, were based on the results of the latest available actuarial experience study, which is 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 Real 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 does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS Ohio's investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

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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 School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate The following table presents the School'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 School'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 rate:

	Current						
	1%	Discount Rate		1% Increase			
	((6.00%)		(7.00%)		(8.00%)	
School's proportionate share							
of the net pension liability	\$	936,639	\$	609,085	\$	332,065	

Notes To The Basic Financial Statements For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

See Note 8 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset)

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Health Care Plan Description - The School 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, outof-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.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). 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.

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 School's surcharge obligation was \$3,790, which is reported as an intergovernmental payable.

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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. 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. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, 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.

OPEB Liability (Asset), OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows/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 School's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) was based on the School'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:

		SERS		STRS	 Total
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/asset					
Prior Measurement Date	0	0.0032257%	0.	.00324877%	
Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/asset					
Current Measurement Date	(0.0046438%	0.	00282836%	
				<u>.</u>	
Change in Proportionate Share	0	0.0014181%	-0.	00042041%	
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	76,504	\$	-	\$ 76,504
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB (Asset)	\$	-	\$	(55,008)	\$ (55,008)
OPEB Expense	\$	(1,388)	\$	(760)	\$ (2,148)

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

	SERS	STRS	Total
Deferred Outflows of Resources		<u> </u>	
Differences between expected and			
actual experience	\$ 158	\$ 86	\$ 244
Changes of assumptions	25,871	8,105	33,976
Net difference between projected and			
actual earnings on pension plan investments	593	99	692
Changes in proportion and difference			
between School contributions			
and proportionate share of contributions	42,229	2,759	44,988
School contributions subsequent to the			
measurement date	 3,790	 	3,790
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 72,641	\$ 11,049	\$ 83,690
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and			
actual experience	\$ 39,452	\$ 8,396	\$ 47,848
Changes of assumptions	21,731	36,290	58,021
Changes in proportion and difference			
between School contributions			
and proportionate share of contributions	 5,450	 6,946	 12,396
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 66,633	\$ 51,632	\$ 118,265

\$3,790 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from School contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability or an increase to the 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:

	 SERS		STRS		Total
Fiscal Year Ending June 30:					
2025	\$ (8,581)	\$	(21,967)	\$	(30,548)
2026	(6,674)		(7,487)		(14,161)
2027	(1,275)		(2,340)		(3,615)
2028	1,494		(3,524)		(2,030)
2029	2,317		(3,186)		(869)
Thereafter	 14,937		(2,079)		12,858
Total	\$ 2,218	\$	(40,583)	\$	(38,365)

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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, are presented below:

Wage Inflation
2.40 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation
3.25 percent to 13.58 percent
Investment Rate of Return
7.00 percent net of investments
expense, including inflation

Municipal Bond Index Rate:

Measurement Date 3.86 percent
Prior Measurement Date 3.69 percent

Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment expense,

including price inflation

Measurement Date 4.27 percent
Prior Measurement Date 4.08 percent

Medical Trend Assumption

Measurement Date6.75 to 4.40 percentPrior Measurement Date7.00 to 4.40 percent

Base Mortality: Healthy Retirees - 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. Disabled Retirees - 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.

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Contingent Survivors - 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. Actives - PUB-2010 General Amount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table.

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 in 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 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 capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. 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 target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as used in the June 30, 2020 five-year experience study, are summarized as follows:

	Target	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Cash	2.00 %	0.79 %
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	

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 state statute contribution rate of 1.50 percent of projected covered employee 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 for the SEIR 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 is 3.86 % at June 30, 2023 and 3.69 % at June 30, 2022.

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Sensitivity of the School's 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 (6.75% decreasing to 4.40%).

	1% Decrease (3.27%)		Current Discount Rate (4.27%)		1% Increase (5.27%)		
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability		\$	97,794	\$	76,504	\$	59,716
	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%)		
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$	5	6,205	\$	76,504	\$	103,403

Actuarial Assumptions – STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation is presented below:

Projected salary increases	Varies by service from 2.5 percent to 8.5 percent	nt		
Investment Rate of Return	7.00 percent, net of investment expenses, including inflation			
Payroll Increases	3 percent			
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	0 percent			
Discount Rate of Return	7.00 percent			
Health Care Cost Trends	Initial	Ultimate		
Medical				
Pre-Medicare	7.50 percent	4.14 percent		
Medicare	-10.94 percent	4.14 percent		
Prescription Drug				
Pre-Medicare	-11.95 percent	4.14 percent		
Medicare	1.33 percent	4.14 percent		

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

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For healthy retirees the post-retirement mortality rates are based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted 110% 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% 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.

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

Discount Rate The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB asset was 7.00 percent as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS Ohio 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. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.00 percent was used to measure the total OPEB asset as of June 30, 2023.

Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate 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.

^{** 10} year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should

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	1	% Decrease (6.00%)	Di	Current scount Rate (7.00%)		Increase (8.00%)
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	\$	(46,557)	\$	(55,008)	\$	(62,368)
	1%	Decrease		Current end Rate	1%	Increase
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB (asset)	\$	(62,709)	\$	(55,008)	\$	45,732

Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date

Healthcare trends were updated to reflect emerging claims and recoveries experience as well as benefit changes effective January 1, 2024.

NOTE 10 – EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Insurance Benefits

The School provides life insurance to all employees through a private carrier. Coverage in the amount of \$10,000 is provided to all certified and non-certified employees. Health, Dental and Vision insurance coverage is provided through Medical Mutual (health) and Guardian Insurance (dental and vision).

NOTE 11 – PURCHASED SERVICES

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, purchased service expenses for services rendered by various vendors were as follows:

Instructional Improvement Services	\$ 615
Health Services	56,122
Staff Services	320
Management Services	263,738
Data Processing Services	9,075
Professional/legal Services	62
Other Professional Services	102,230
Property Services	87,114
Travel Mileage/Meeting	370
Communications	18,782
Utilities	38,917
Contracted Food Services	 60,295
Total	\$ 637,640

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NOTE 12 – CONTRACTED FISCAL SERVICES

The School is a party to a fiscal services agreement with Mangen & Associates (M&A), which is an education finance consulting company. The Agreement may be terminated by either party, with or without cause, by giving the other party ninety days written notice to terminate. The Agreement provides that M&A will perform the following services:

- 1. Financial Management Services
- 2. Treasurer/Accounting Services
- 3. CCIP Administration

The School made \$144,812 in payments to M&A during fiscal year 2024 and had a liability for services of \$230,674 as of June 30, 2024 which is included as part of accounts payable. In addition, as disclosed in Note 6, the School had \$512,585 of outstanding capital and operating notes with the Mangen Family Foundation as of June 30, 2024. These notes carry a 3 percent interest rate.

NOTE 13 – CONTINGENCIES

Grants

The School received financial assistance from Federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the School. The effect of any such disallowed claims on the overall financial position of the School at June 30, 2024, if applicable, cannot be determined at this time. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the School at fiscal year-end.

Litigation

The School is not party to any legal proceedings.

Foundation Funding

School foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. However, there is an important nexus between attendance and enrollment for Foundation funding purposes. Community schools must provide documentation that clearly demonstrates students have participated in learning opportunities.

The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (ODEW) 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.

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Under Ohio Rev. Code Section 3314.08 ODEW may also perform an FTE review for the fiscal year that may result in an additional adjustment to the enrollment information as well as claw backs of Foundation funding due to a lack of evidence to support student participation and other matters of noncompliance. As of the date of this report, all ODEW adjustments for fiscal year 2024 have been finalized and resulted in no significant adjustments for the School.

NOTE 14 - CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

During the fiscal year, the School implemented the following Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements and Guides:

GASB Statement No. 100, Accounting Change and Error Corrections – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62. GASB 100 will improve the clarity of the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections, which will result in greater consistency in application in practice. In turn, more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information will be provided to financial statement users for making decisions or assessing accountability. In addition, the display and note disclosure requirements will result in more consistent, decision useful, understandable, and comprehensive information for users about accounting changes and error corrections. The implementation of the GASB pronouncement did not have any impact on beginning net position or fund balance.

NOTE 15 – MANAGEMENT'S PLAN TO ADDRESS DEFICIT NET POSITION

Dayton SMART Elementary School (School) began operations in fiscal year 2014 with loan support from private foundations since financial assistance was not available from the normal State / Federal start-up grants. These loans enabled the School to purchase and renovate the current School facility and provide gap funding for ongoing operations since State Foundation payments were not adequate to cover the high-quality instruction program provided to the School students during fiscal year 2014.

At June 30, 2024, the School had a deficit net position of \$(610,502). This negative net position is primarily the result of the School's net pension and OPEB liabilities, as reported by the pension systems. Fortunately, the School's Management Team has experience with starting Ohio community schools without the benefit of State/Federal start-up grants and has developed a comprehensive long-range plan to eliminate the deficit balance.

The Management's plan includes four primary areas of focus: (1) grow current student enrollment, (2) continue return-on investment budgeting, (3) trim expenditures not directly tied to student learning growth and (4) continued focus on process improvements in school operations and instruction. The Management Team is succeeding in making progress in each of these four priority areas. The School's enrollment decreased in fiscal year 2018, improved in fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020, and then decreased again in fiscal year 2021, fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023. The use of ROI budgeting is in place for all spending requests, expenditures are evaluated for impact on student learning growth prior to approval and internal auditing is conducted on a quarterly basis to ensure continued process improvements. The DSES Team (Board, Management, Teachers and Staff) will continue directing a significant amount of time and energy toward making stronger family connections to expand the awareness of the School's high academic performance and grow future student enrollment. In addition, financial planning will continue to focus on ROI confirmation for all purchases, trimming costs through process improvements and continued spending restrictions for any purchases not directly aligned to the School's instruction program.

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During fiscal year 2024, the School remained current on all outstanding payables with the exception of its Fiscal Management Company, Mangen & Associates (M&A) and its Operator, Miniya Academies. The amount owed to M&A at June 30, 2024 included charges for contracted service fees. The objective for fiscal year 2025 through 2026 is to pay off a portion of the amount owed to M&A and the Mangen Family Foundation when cash flow is adequate to cover these payments while leaving enough cash to sustain a high-quality instruction program for DSES students. The School's Board adopted a five-year balanced budget for fiscal year 2022-fiscal year 2026 which includes a plan for the sustaining payments toward the loan balance to the Mangen Family Foundation and the M&A outstanding payable. The long-term objective is to build an unencumbered cash reserve equal to three months of core operating expenditures to meet ongoing cash flow requirements without the need for an outside loan or any philanthropic contributions.

Schedule of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

School's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	 2024	 2023	2022 0.0027154%	 2021 0.0028251%	 2020 0.0029183%	 2019	 2018 0.0029311%	 2017 0.0034578%	 2016 0.0018383%	 2015 0.001565%
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 249,295	\$ 169,170	\$ 100,190	\$ 186,858	\$ 174,607	\$ 181,632	\$ 175,127	\$ 253,079	\$ 104,895	\$ 79,204
School's Covered Payroll	\$ 178,493	\$ 121,007	\$ 94,014	\$ 99,314	\$ 102,304	\$ 103,341	\$ 84,329	\$ 107,193	\$ 56,138	\$ 45,467
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	139.67%	139.80%	106.57%	188.15%	170.68%	175.76%	207.67%	236.10%	186.85%	174.20%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	76.06%	75.82%	82.86%	68.55%	70.85%	71.36%	69.50%	62.98%	69.16%	71.70%

Amounts presented as of the School's measurement date which is the prior fiscal period end.

Schedule of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2015
School's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.	00282836%	0.	00324877%	0.	00353225%	0	.00371623%	0.	.00297147%	0.	00317553%	0.	00414698%	0	.00310766%	0.	00294431%	0.	00270348%
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	609,085	\$	722,205	\$	451,630	\$	899,195	\$	657,123	\$	698,228	\$	985,124	\$	1,040,227	\$	813,721	\$	657,580
School's Covered Payroll	\$	382,443	\$	417,914	\$	433,236	\$	387,964	\$	322,836	\$	334,200	\$	445,993	\$	314,350	\$	310,500	\$	295,471
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		159.26%		172.81%		104.25%		231.77%		203.55%		208.93%		220.88%		330.91%		262.07%		222.55%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		80.00%		78.90%		87.80%		75.50%		77.40%		77.31%		75.29%		66.80%		72.10%		74.70%

Amounts presented as of the School's measurement date which is the prior fiscal period end.

Schedule of the School's Contributions - Pension School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

	2024	 2023	2022	 2021	 2020	_	2019	_	2018	_	2017	_	2016	 2015
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 33,639	\$ 24,989	\$ 16,941	\$ 13,162	\$ 13,904	\$	13,811	\$	13,951	\$	11,806	\$	15,007	\$ 7,399
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 (33,639)	 (24,989)	 (16,941)	 (13,162)	 (13,904)		(13,811)		(13,951)		(11,806)		(15,007)	 (7,399)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ 	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 	\$		\$	-	\$		\$		\$
School Covered Payroll	\$ 240,279	\$ 178,493	\$ 121,007	\$ 94,014	\$ 99,314	\$	102,304	\$	103,341	\$	84,329	\$	107,193	\$ 56,138
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%		13.50%		13.50%		14.00%		14.00%	13.18%

Schedule of the School's Contributions - Pension State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

	 2024	 2023	 2022	 2021	2020	_	2019	_	2018	_	2017	2016	 2015
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 73,539	\$ 53,542	\$ 58,508	\$ 60,653	\$ 54,315	\$	45,197	\$	46,788	\$	62,439	\$ 44,009	\$ 43,470
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 (73,539)	 (53,542)	 (58,508)	 (60,653)	 (54,315)		(45,197)		(46,788)		(62,439)	 (44,009)	 (43,470)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$		\$	-	\$		\$ 	\$ -
School Covered Payroll	\$ 525,279	\$ 382,443	\$ 417,914	\$ 433,236	\$ 387,964	\$	322,836	\$	334,200	\$	445,993	\$ 314,350	\$ 310,500
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%		14.00%		14.00%		14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

Schedule of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS) Last Eight Fiscal Years (1)

School's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	 2024	 2023 0.0032257%	 2022	 2021	 2020 0.0029004%	 2019	 2018	 2017
School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ 76,504	\$ 45,289	\$ 53,166	\$ 58,191	\$ 72,939	\$ 89,237	\$ 79,833	\$ 100,094
School's Covered Payroll	\$ 178,493	\$ 121,007	\$ 94,014	\$ 99,314	\$ 102,307	\$ 103,342	\$ 84,325	\$ 107,196
School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	42.86%	37.43%	56.55%	58.59%	71.29%	86.35%	94.67%	93.37%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	30.02%	30.34%	24.08%	18.17%	15.57%	13.57%	12.46%	11.49%

⁽¹⁾ Information prior to 2017 is not available. Schedule is intended to show ten years of information, and additional information will be displayed as it becomes available.

Amounts presented as of the School's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

Schedule of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)
State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS)
Last Eight Fiscal Years (1)

		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017
School's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset	0.0	00282836%	0.	.00324877%	0	.00352250%	0.	00371623%	0	.00297147%	0.	.00317553%	0.	00414698%	0.	00310766%
School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/(Asset)	\$	(55,008)	\$	(84,121)	\$	(74,469)	\$	(65,309)	\$	(49,207)	\$	(51,028)	\$	161,800	\$	166,198
School's Covered Payroll	\$	382,443	\$	417,914	\$	433,236	\$	387,964	\$	322,835	\$	334,196	\$	445,992	\$	314,348
School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability/Asset as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		-14.38%		-20.13%		-17.19%		-16.83%		-15.24%		-15.27%		36.28%		52.87%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability/Asset		168.52%		230.73%		174.73%		182.13%		174.74%		176.00%		47.11%		37.30%

⁽¹⁾ Information prior to 2017 is not available. Schedule is intended to show ten years of information, and additional information will be displayed as it becomes available.

Amounts presented as of the School's measurement date, which is the prior fiscal year end.

Schedule of the School's Contributions - OPEB School Employees Retirement System of Ohio (SERS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

	 2024	-	2023	2022	2021	2020	 2019	2018	2017	2016	 2015
Contractually Required Contribution (1)	\$ 3,790	\$	3,401	\$ 2,248	\$ 1,847	\$ 518	\$ 1,859	\$ 2,251	\$ 1,623	\$ 1,809	\$ 1,449
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(3,790)		(3,401)	 (2,248)	 (1,847)	 (518)	 (1,859)	 (2,251)	 (1,623)	 (1,809)	 (1,449)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	 -		-	 	 	 -	 -	 -	 	 	 -
School Covered Payroll	\$ 240,279	\$	178,493	\$ 121,007	\$ 94,014	\$ 99,314	\$ 102,307	\$ 103,342	\$ 84,325	\$ 107,196	\$ 56,137
OPEB Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (1)	1.58%		1.91%	1.86%	1.96%	0.52%	1.82%	2.18%	1.92%	1.69%	2.58%

(1) Includes Surcharge

Schedule of the School's Contributions - OPEB State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

	 2024	 2023	 2022	 2021	 2020	 2019	 2018	 2017	 2016	 2015
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ -		\$ -							
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	 	 	 	 	 	 -	 	 	 	
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ 	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 	\$
School Covered Payroll	\$ 525,279	\$ 382,443	\$ 417,914	\$ 433,236	\$ 387,964	\$ 322,835	\$ 334,196	\$ 445,992	\$ 314,348	\$ 310,503
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Pension Liability

Changes of benefit terms- SERS

There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal years 2014-2017 and 2019-2024.

The following changes were made to the benefit terms in 2018 as identified: The COLA was changed from a fixed 3.00% to a COLA that is indexed to CPI-W not greater than 2.5% with a floor of 0% beginning January 1, 2018. In addition, with the authority granted the Board under HB 49, the Board has enacted a three-year COLA suspension for benefit recipients in calendar years 2018-2020.

Changes in assumptions- SERS

There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal years 2014-2016, 2018-2021, and 2024. For fiscal year 2017, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%, (b) payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%, (c) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%, (d) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) 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, (f) 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 (g) mortality among disable member 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 (h) change in discount rate from 7.75% to 7.5%. For fiscal year 2022, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.00% to 2.40%, (b) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.% to 0.85%, (c) Cost-of-Living-Adjustments was reduced from 2.50% to 2.00% (d) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality amount active members, service retirees and beneficiaries, and disabled members were updated (i) change in discount rate from 7.50% to 7.00%. For fiscal year 2023, Cost-of-Living-Adjustments were increased from 2.00% to 2.50%.

Changes in benefit terms – STRS

There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal years 2014-2024.

Changes in assumptions – STRS

There were no changes in methods and assumptions used in the calculation of actuarial determined contributions for fiscal years 2014-2017, 2019-2021, and 2024. For fiscal year 2018, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) inflation assumption lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%, (b) investment return assumption lowered from 7.75% to 7.45%, (c) total salary increases rates lowered by decreasing the merit component of the individual salary increases, as well as by 0.25% due to lower inflation, (d) payroll growth assumption lowered to 3.00%, (e) updated the healthy and disable mortality assumption to the "RP-2014" mortality tables with generational improvement scale MP-2016, (f) rates of retirement, termination and disability were modified to better reflect anticipated future experience. For fiscal year 2022, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) investment return assumption lowered from 7.45% to 7.00%, (b) discount rate of return reduced from 7.45% to 7.00%.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

For fiscal year 2023, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) projected salary increases changed from, 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65, to, varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50% (b) 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.

Net OPEB Liability

Changes of benefit terms- SERS

There were no changes in benefit terms from the amounts reported for fiscal years 2018-2024.

Changes in Assumptions – SERS

Amounts reported for fiscal years 2018-2023 incorporate changes in key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability as presented below:

Municipal Bond Index Rate:	
Fiscal year 2024	3.86 percent
Fiscal year 2023	3.69 percent
Fiscal year 2022	1.92 percent
Fiscal year 2021	2.45 percent
Fiscal year 2020	3.13 percent
Fiscal year 2019	3.62 percent
Fiscal year 2018	3.56 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.92 percent
Single Equivalent Interest Rate, net of plan investment	expense,
including price inflation	
Fiscal year 2024	4.27 percent
Fiscal year 2023	4.08 percent
Fiscal year 2022	2.27 percent
Fiscal year 2021	2.63 percent
Fiscal year 2020	3.22 percent
Fiscal year 2019	3.70 percent
Fiscal year 2018	3.63 percent
Fiscal year 2017	2.98 percent
Medicare Trend Assumption	
Medicare	
Fiscal year 2024	6.75 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2023	7.00 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2022	5.125 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2020	5.25 percent decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2019	5.375 percent decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2018	5.50 percent decreasing to 5.00 percent

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Pre – Medicare	
Fiscal year 2024	7.00 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2023	7.00 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2022	6.75 percent decreasing to 4.40 percent
Fiscal year 2020	7.00 percent decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2019	7.25 percent decreasing to 4.75 percent
Fiscal year 2018	7.50 percent decreasing to 5.00 percent

Changes in Assumptions – STRS

For fiscal year 2018, the discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent 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 percent to 7.45 percent. 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.

For fiscal year 2019, the discount rate was increased from the blended rate of 4.13 percent to the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45.

For fiscal years 2020 and 2021, the health care cost trend rates were modified.

For fiscal year 2022, the discount rate was decreased from 7.45 percent to 7.00 percent. The health care cost trend rates modified.

For fiscal year 2023, projected salary increases changed from, 12.50% at age to 2.50% at age 65, to, varies by service from 2.50% to 8.50%. The health care cost trend rates were modified.

For fiscal year 2024, the following changes of assumption affected the total OPEB liability since the prior measurement date: (a) health care cost trend rates were changed to the following: Pre-Medicare from 7.50% initial - 3.94% ultimate to 7.50% initial - 4.14% ultimate; medical Medicare from -68.78% initial - 3.94% ultimate to -10.94% initial - 4.14% ultimate; prescription drug Pre-Medicare from 9.00% initial - 3.94% ultimate to -11.95% initial - 4.14% ultimate; Medicare from -5.47% initial - 3.94% ultimate to 1.33% initial - 4.14% ultimate.

Changes in Benefit Terms – STRS

For fiscal year 2018, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent 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 2020.

For fiscal year 2019, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was increased from 1.9 percent to 1.944 percent 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.

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For fiscal year 2020, claims 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.

For fiscal year 2021, 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 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.

There were no benefit term changes from the amounts reported for fiscal year 2022-2024.

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Federal	
FEDERAL GRANTOR	Assistance	
Pass Through Grantor	Listing	Total Federal
Program / Cluster Title	Number	Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		
Passed Through Ohio Department of Education and Workforce		
Child Nutrition Cluster:		
School Breakfast Program	10.553	\$15,978
National School Lunch Program	10.555	38,174
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	6,337
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		60,489
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		60,489
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Passed Through Ohio Department of Education and Workforce		
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	42,660
Special Education Cluster		
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	51,525
Total Special Education Cluster		51,525
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	3,127
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	4,097
COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund		
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER I and II) Fund	84.425D	65,358
American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) Fund	84.425U	608,191
Total COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund		673,549
Total U.S. Department of Education		774,958
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		\$835,447

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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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 Dayton SMART Elementary School (the School) 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 School, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the School.

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



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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

Dayton SMART Elementary School Montgomery County 601 South Keowee Street Dayton, Ohio 45410

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of Dayton SMART Elementary School, Montgomery County, Ohio (the School) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 27, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School'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 School'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 School's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

January 27, 2025



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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

Dayton SMART Elementary School Montgomery County 601 South Keowee Street Dayton, Ohio 45410

To the Board of Directors:

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited Dayton SMART Elementary School's, Montgomery County, (the School) 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 Dayton SMART Elementary School's major federal program for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Dayton SMART Elementary School's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, Dayton SMART Elementary School 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 fiscal 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 School 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 School's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

The School'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 School'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 School '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 School'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 School'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 School'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 School'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.

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

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

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

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

January 27, 2025

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DAYTON SMART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MONTGOMERY COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS 2 CFR § 200.515 JUNE 30, 2024

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

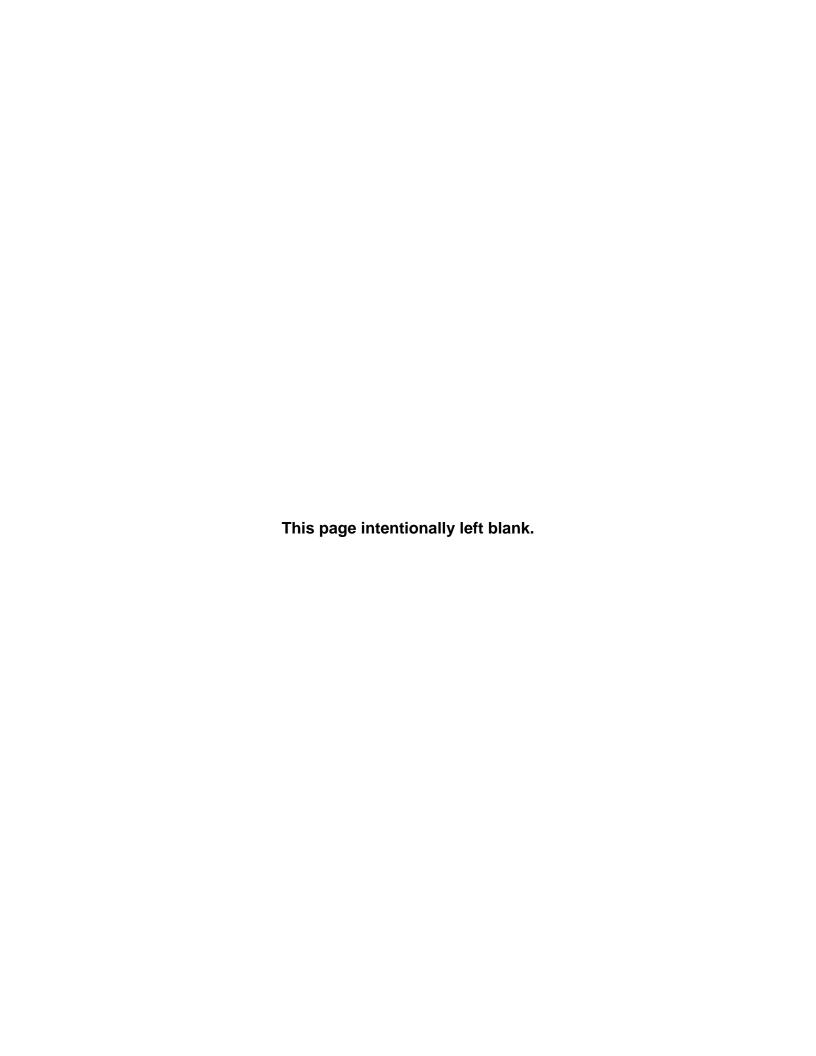
(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(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):	COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund – AL #84.425D & 84.425U
(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?	No

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

None

3.	FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS	

None





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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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