

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT · FISCAL YEAR 2021

Hart County Board of Education Hartwell, Georgia

Including Independent Auditor's Report



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of Georgia
Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia
Members of the State Board of Education
and
Mr. Jaybez Floyd, Superintendent and Members of the
Hart County Board of Education

Report on the Financial Statements

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

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

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

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The *Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards* is presented for purposes of additional analysis 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*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying supplementary 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. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 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 information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 25, 2022 on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A copy of this report has been filed as a permanent record and made available to the press of the State, as provided for by Official Code of Georgia Annotated section 50-6-24.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

March 25, 2022

INTRODUCTION

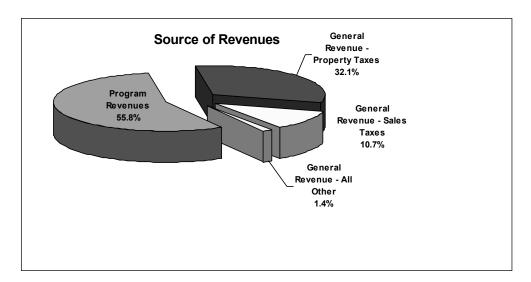
The Hart County Board of Education's (School District's) financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 includes a series of basic financial statements that report financial information for the School District as a whole and its funds. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide financial information about all of the School District's activities and present both a short-term and long-term view of the School District's finances on a global basis. The fund financial statements provide information about all of the School District's funds. Information about these funds, such as the School District's general fund, is important in its own right, but will also give insight into the School District's overall soundness as reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2021 are as follows:

On the government-wide financial statements:

- The School District's net position at June 30, 2021 was \$26.7 million. Net position reflects the difference between all assets and deferred outflows of resources of the School District (including capital assets, net of depreciation) and all liabilities, both short-term and long-term, and deferred inflows of resources. The net position at June 30, 2021 of \$26.7 million represented an increase of over \$3.1 million when compared to the prior year. The primary reason for this increase in net position was the net costs of operations increased only by \$642,000 from the prior year while general revenues and special items increased about \$2.1 million from the prior year.
- The School District had \$45.1 million in expenses relating to governmental activities; \$26.9 million of the \$45.1 million in expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. However, general revenues (primarily property and sales taxes) of \$21.4 million were adequate to provide for these programs.
- As stated above, general revenues accounted for \$21.3 million or about 44% of all revenues totaling over \$48.2 million. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, grants, and contributions accounted for the balance of these revenues. (Percentages in table below have been rounded to one decimal place.)



On the fund financial statements:

• Among major funds, the general fund had \$42.4 million in revenues and about \$40.6 million in expenditures. The general fund balance of \$10.4 million at June 30, 2021 increased roughly \$2.2 million from the prior year.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements consists of three parts; management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements including notes to the financial statements and supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two levels of statements that present different views of the School District. These include the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements include the 'Statement of Net Position' and 'Statement of Activities'. These statements provide information about the activities of the School District presenting both short-term and long-term information about the School District's overall financial status.

The fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the School District, reporting the School District's operation in more detail. The 'governmental funds' statements disclose how basic services are financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. In the case of the Hart County School District, the general fund, capital projects fund, and debt service fund are all considered to be major funds. The School District has no funds reported as nonmajor funds as defined by generally accepted accounting principles.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements. Additionally, other supplementary information (not required) is also presented that further supplements understanding of the financial statements.

Government-Wide Statements

Since Hart County School District has no operations that have been classified as "business-type activities", the government-wide financial statements are basically a consolidation of all of the School District's operating funds into one column called governmental activities. In reviewing the government-wide financial statements, a reader might ask the question, are we in a better financial position now than last year? The 'Statement of Net Position' and the 'Statement of Activities' provides the basis for answering this question. These financial statements include all School District's assets and liabilities and uses the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's net position and any changes in net position. The change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School District as a whole, the financial position of the School District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the results of many factors, including those not under the School District's control, such as the property tax base, facility conditions, required educational programs, student-teacher ratios, and other factors.

When analyzing government-wide financial statements, it is important to remember these statements are prepared using an economic resources measurement focus (accrual accounting) and involve the following steps to format the Statement of Net Position:

- · Capitalize current outlays for capital assets
- Depreciate capital assets
- Report long-term debt, including pension and postemployment obligations, as a liability
- Calculate revenue and expense using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting
- Allocate net position as follows:
 - Net Investment in capital assets,
 - o *Restricted net position* is amounts with constraints placed on the use by external sources such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations,
 - o Unrestricted for no specific use.

Fund Financial Statements

The School District uses many funds or sub-funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions during the fiscal year. The fund financial statements presented in this report provide detail information about the School District's significant or major funds. As discussed previously, the School District has no nonmajor funds as defined by generally accepted accounting principles.

The School District has one kind of fund as discussed below:

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

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net position, which is the difference between total assets, deferred outflows of resources, total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, is one indicator of the financial condition of the School District. When revenues exceed expenses, the result is an increase in net position. When expenses exceed revenues, the result is a decrease in net position. The relationship between revenues and expenses can be thought of as the School District's operating results. The School District's net position, as measured in the Statement of Net Position is one way to measure the School District's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the School District's net position - as measured in the Statement of Activities - are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. However, the School District's goal and mission is to provide success for each child's education, not to generate profits as private corporations do. For this reason, many other nonfinancial factors should be considered in assessing the overall health of the School District.

In the case of the Hart County School District, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$26.7 million at June 30, 2021. To better understand the School District's actual financial position and ability to deliver services in future periods, it is necessary to review the various components of the net position category. For example, of the \$26.7 million of net position, almost \$5.2 million was restricted for continuation of various State and Federal programs, debt service and ongoing capital projects. Accordingly, these funds were not available to meet the School District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

In addition, the School District had \$70.1 million (net of related debt) invested in capital assets e.g., land, buildings, and equipment). The School District uses these capital assets to provide educational services to students within geographic boundaries served by the School District. Because of the very nature and on-going use of the assets being reported in this component of net position, it must be recognized that this portion of the net position is *not* available for future spending.

Because of the restrictions on net position as discussed above, the School District had an unrestricted deficit of almost \$48.6 million at June 30, 2021. The reader should remember this deficit includes pension related charges recorded because of the implementation (fiscal year 2015) of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date on Amendment to GASB Statement No. 68; and also includes charges recorded because of the implementation (fiscal year 2018) of GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions. The School District believes it is also meaningful to view the School District's Net Position in the following manner:

Net position associated with pension obligations	\$	(26,942,233)
Net position associated with postemployment benefits others than pension obligations		(31,217,277)
Net position exclusive of pension obligations and postemployment benefits		84,827,393
Net position, June 30, 2021	\$_	26,667,883

The above analysis reflects, despite pension obligations and postemployment benefits, the School District's net position is a positive \$26.7 million and management believes the School District's financial position is sound.

Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's net position for this fiscal year as compared to the prior fiscal year.

Table 1 Net Position

		Governmental Activities				
		Fiscal Year 2021		Fiscal Year 2020		
Assets			_	_		
Current and Other Assets	\$	20,585,266	\$	20,745,365		
Capital Assets, Net	_	74,961,803	-	72,028,323		
Total Assets	_	95,547,069	=	92,773,688		
Deferred Outflows of Resources						
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plan		9,902,107		9,055,304		
Related to OPEB Plan	_	7,249,096	-	2,168,000		
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	_	17,151,203	_	11,223,304		
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	_	112,698,272	-	103,996,992		
Liabilities						
Current and Other Liabilities		5,470,813		6,453,588		
Long-Term Liabilities		5,248,863		7,461,823		
Net Pension Liability		36,048,091		31,920,979		
Net OPEB Liability	_	32,100,786	-	26,120,893		
Total Liabilities	_	78,868,553	_	71,957,283		
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plan		796,249		1,962,144		
Related to OPEB Plan	_	6,365,587	-	6,530,192		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	_	7,161,836	_	8,492,336		
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resource	s _	86,030,389	=	80,449,619		
Net Position						
Net Investment in Capital Assets		70,099,193		65,687,629		
Restricted		5,157,854		6,250,325		
Unrestricted (Deficit)	_	(48,589,164)	-	(48,390,581)		
Total Net Position	\$_	26,667,883	\$	23,547,373		

In connection with the deficit shown above, management presents the following additional information:

Total unrestricted net position (Deficit)	\$	(48,589,164)
Add: Unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of net pension obligations	1	26,942,233
Unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of postemployment benefits other than pension obligations	n 	31,217,277
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension obligation and postemployment benefits effect	d \$	9,570,346

The above analysis shows that the recognition of liabilities for pension obligations and post-employment benefits on the financial statements as required by generally accepted principles has had a severe effect on the School District's unrestricted net position. However, despite these obligations, management believes the School District's financial position is sound.

Table 2
Change in Net Position

		Governmental Activities			
		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year	
		2021		2020	
Revenues					
Program Revenues:					
Charges for Services	\$	347,797	\$	689,516	
Operating Grants and Contributions		24,751,125		24,145,655	
Capital Grants and Contributions	_	1,799,110		754,304	
Total Program Revenues	_	26,898,032	_	25,589,475	
General Revenues and Special Items:					
Property Taxes		15,507,472		13,781,851	
Sales Taxes		5,145,753		4,574,841	
Investment Earnings		8,451		95,241	
Miscellaneous		766,479		1,027,945	
Special Items	_	(77,938)		(215,719)	
Total General Revenues and Special Items	_	21,350,217		19,264,159	
Total Revenues	_	48,248,249	_	44,853,634	
Program Expenses					
Instruction		28,655,317		27,338,864	
Support Services					
Pupil Services		1,507,668		1,408,029	
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,882,607		1,696,875	
Educational Media Services		554,700		538,682	
General Administration		548,155		488,881	
School Administration		2,570,470		2,438,175	
Business Administration		374,276		368,373	
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		3,546,462		3,719,780	
Student Transportation Services		2,142,299		2,119,172	
Central Support		297,603		238,098	
Other Support Services		176,855		93,043	
Operations of Non-Instructional Services					
Enterprise Operations		273,549		318,240	
Food Services		2,511,970		2,391,246	
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Term Debt	_	85,807		20,102	
Total Expenses	_	45,127,738		43,177,560	
Increase in Net Position	\$ _	3,120,511	\$_	1,676,074	

Cost of Providing Services

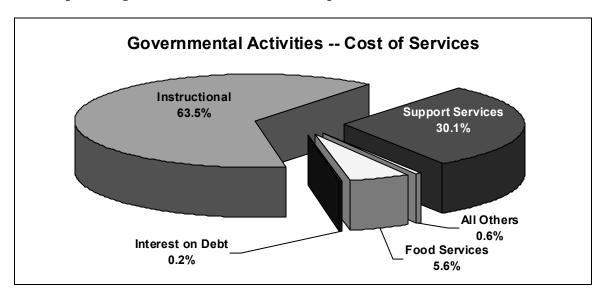
The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting these services. Table 3 shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. Net cost of services can be defined as the total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental revenue provided for specific programs. The net cost reflects the financial burden on the School District's taxpayers by each activity as compared to the prior fiscal year.

Table 3
Cost of Services

		Total Cos	t of	Services		Net Cost	of S	ervices
		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year	_	Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year
	_	2021	_	2020	_	2021	_	2020
Instruction	\$	28,655,317	\$	27,338,864	\$	10,977,530	\$	9,822,035
Support Services								
Pupil Services		1,507,668		1,408,029		1,087,575		1,127,341
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,882,607		1,696,875		935,859		756,975
Educational Media Services		554,700		538,682		68,339		39,480
General Administration		548,155		488,881		(213,329)		(455,710)
School Administration		2,570,470		2,438,175		1,442,481		1,334,287
Business Administration		374,276		368,373		370,286		368,373
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		3,546,462		3,719,780		1,794,657		2,587,015
Student Transportation Services		2,142,299		2,119,172		1,002,521		1,398,824
Central Support Services		297,603		238,098		284,558		237,309
Other Support Services		176,855		93,043		175,727		91,265
Operations of Non-Instructional Services								
Enterprise Operations		273,549		318,240		107,218		66,859
Food Services		2,511,970		2,391,246		110,477		193,929
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Term Debt	_	85,807		20,102	_	85,807	_	20,102
Total Expenses	\$_	45,127,738	\$	43,177,560	\$_	18,229,706	\$	17,588,084

The overall School District expenses increased about \$1.9 million from the prior year while the net costs of providing those services only increased by almost \$642,000.00. The lower increase in the net costs of services versus the increase in expenditures in fiscal year 2021 resulted primarily from the fact that operating and capital grants increased by \$1.6 million as compared to the prior year that effectively lowered the net costs of services in fiscal year 2021.

The chart below shows a functional summary of the expenses made by the School District during fiscal year 2021. The percentages are rounded to one decimal place.



FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FUNDS

Information about the School District's governmental funds is presented starting on Exhibit "C" of this report. Governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The governmental funds had total revenues of \$48.6 million and total expenditures of almost \$47.5 million in fiscal year 2021. Total governmental fund balances of \$14.8 million on June 30, 2021, increased roughly \$1.1 million from the prior year. The increase in fund balance was primarily attributable to the fact the School District's total governmental expenditures in fiscal year 2021 were about \$970,000 less than in fiscal year 2020.

General Fund Budget Highlights

The School District's budget is prepared according to Georgia Law. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund. During the course of fiscal year 2021, the School District amended its general fund budget as needed.

The School District budget is adopted at the aggregate level and maintained at the program, function, object, and site levels to facilitate budgetary control. The budgeting systems are designed to control the total budget, but provide flexibility to meet the ongoing programmatic needs. The budgeting systems are also designed to control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management as well.

Even though property tax revenues exceeded the final budget by \$1.9 million and State Funds exceeded the final budget amount by \$2.0 million, total revenues exceeded budget amounts by only \$1.4 million. This situation occurred because Federal revenues were almost \$3.4 million less than the final budgeted amount, mainly because COVID-19 grants were delayed and not received in time to be counted as fiscal year 2021 revenues.

The general fund's final actual expenditures of over \$40.5 million were less than the final budgeted amount by about \$900,000. This small under expenditure of about 2% of the final budget demonstrates the School District did a creditable job of managing and controlling expenditures during the fiscal year.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the School District had almost \$75.0 million invested in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, all in governmental activities. These assets are made up of a broad range of items including buildings; land; land improvements; and instructional food service, transportation and maintenance equipment. Table 4 reflects a summary of these balances, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, as compared to the prior fiscal year.

Table 4
Capital Assets at June 30
(Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities				
	Fiscal Year Fiscal Yea				
	2021		2020		
Land	\$ 2,016,464	\$	2,016,464		
Construction in Progress	4,949,284		2,814,605		
Land Improvements	1,209,641		1,323,755		
Buildings and Improvements	64,544,285		63,413,490		
Equipment	 2,242,129		2,460,009		
			_		
Total	\$ 74,961,803	\$	72,028,323		

Additional information about the School District's capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

Long-Term Liabilities

At June 30, 2021, the School District had about \$5.2 million in total debt outstanding which consisted of \$5.0 million in bond debt and about \$249,000 in unamortized bond premiums. Table 5 summarizes the School District's debt as compared to the prior fiscal year.

Table 5
Change in Long-Term Liabilities

		Governmental Activities			
		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year	
	_	2021	_	2020	
	-	_	_		
General Obligation Bonds Payable	\$	5,000,000	\$	7,090,000	
Unamortized Bond Premiums		248,863	_	371,823	
	-	_	_		
Total	\$	5,248,863	\$	7,461,823	
	-		_		

Additional information about the School District's debt can be found in the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

FACTORS BEARING ON THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FUTURE

Currently known circumstances that are expected to have a significant effect on financial position or results of operations in future years are as follows:

- The School District is financially stable. The School District's operating millage for fiscal year 2021 was unchanged from the prior year and remained at 13.156 mills, which produced over \$1,065,000 per mill of ad valorem tax revenues. The School District will construct additional facilities to accommodate the growth at various schools as needed. The School District plans to fund additional capital outlays, in part, with the one percent local sales tax revenue and state capital outlay grants.
- Revenues from property taxes increased about 11.1% from the prior year while State funds for operating purposes decreased by about 5.4% from the prior year. The general fund had an unassigned fund balance of \$9.1 million at June 30, 2021, which was an increase of almost \$2.0 million from the prior year. This increase in unassigned general fund balance occurred even through the Board's general fund covered a temporary deficit of almost \$1.5 million in Federal Covid-19 grants at June 30, 2021, which were temporarily delayed by the Federal Government.
- The Board anticipates significant financial challenges going forward due to expected continued
 higher health insurance and benefit costs for employees. In spite of these challenges, the School
 District will continue to be a good steward of tax dollars while providing a quality educational
 opportunity.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Mr. David Seagraves, Director of Operations, P.O. Box 696, 284 Campbell Drive, Hartwell, Georgia 30643. You may also email your questions to Mr. Seagraves at dseagraves@hart.k12.ga.us.



HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

		GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	14,693,340.10
Investments		156,965.59
Accounts Receivables		
Taxes		1,386,347.30
State Government		3,769,497.53
Federal Government		530,497.15
Prepaid Items		47,109.81
Inventories		1,509.01
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable		6,965,748.00
Capital Assets, Depreciable (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)		67,996,055.00
Total Assets		95,547,069.49
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Outflow of District Contributions - Pension Plan		3,626,146.00
Deferred Outflow of Resources - Pension Plan		6,275,961.00
Deferred Outflow of District Contributions - OPEB		805,357.00
Deferred Outflow of Resources - OPEB		6,443,739.00
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		17,151,203.00
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	112,698,272.49
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$	843,704.14
Interest Payable		50,450.00
Salaries and Benefits Payable		4,143,817.89
Contracts Payable		212,635.31
Retainages Payable		220,206.00
Proportionate Share of Collective Net Pension Liability		36,048,091.00
Proportionate Share of Collective Net OPEB Liability		32,100,786.00
Long-Term Debt		
Due Within One Year		1,270,605.68
Due in More Than One Year		3,978,257.02
Total Liabilities	_	78,868,553.04
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension Plan		796,249.00
Deferred Inflows of Resources - OPEB		6,365,587.00
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		7,161,836.00
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets		70,099,193.12
Restricted		
Continuation of State and Federal Programs		775,331.04
Debt Service		3,705,822.59
Capital Projects		676,701.17
Unrestricted (Deficit)		(48,589,164.47)
Total Net Position		26,667,883.45
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position	\$	112,698,272.49

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

				PR	OGRAM REVENUES	5			NET (EXPENSES)
					OPERATING		CAPITAL		REVENUES
			CHARGES FOR		GRANTS AND		GRANTS AND		AND CHANGES IN
	EXPENSES		SERVICES		CONTRIBUTIONS		CONTRIBUTIONS		NET POSITION
		-		•		•		-	
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES									
Instruction	\$ 28,655,316.66	\$	93,172.06	\$	16,217,307.63	\$	1,367,306.44	\$	(10,977,530.53)
Support Services									
Pupil Services	1,507,667.53		-		420,092.65		-		(1,087,574.88)
Improvement of Instructional Services	1,882,607.36		-		946,747.80		-		(935,859.56)
Educational Media Services	554,700.23		-		486,361.31		-		(68,338.92)
General Administration	548,154.63		-		735,043.53		26,439.63		213,328.53
School Administration	2,570,470.29		-		1,123,522.21		4,467.37		(1,442,480.71)
Business Administration	374,276.09		-		3,989.98		-		(370,286.11)
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	3,546,462.47		4,800.00		1,728,632.36		18,373.23		(1,794,656.88)
Student Transportation Services	2,142,298.73		-		830,898.12		308,880.00		(1,002,520.61)
Support Services - Central	297,602.83		-		13,044.83		-		(284,558.00)
Other Support Services	176,855.28		-		1,128.27		-		(175,727.01)
Operations of Non-Instructional Services									
Enterprise Operations	273,548.85		166,330.79		-		-		(107,218.06)
School Nutrition Program	2,511,970.46		83,494.08		2,244,355.81		73,643.53		(110,477.04)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	85,806.70		-		-		-		(85,806.70)
3		-		•		•		-	<u> </u>
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 45,127,738.11	\$	347,796.93	\$	24,751,124.50	\$	1,799,110.20	-	(18,229,706.48)
	General Revenue	5							
	Taxes								
	Property 7	Гахе	es						
	For Mai	nter	nance and Operat	tior	ns				15,507,472.57
	Sales Taxe	25							
	Special	Pur	pose Local Option	n S	ales Tax				
	For C	apit	tal Projects/Debt	Sei	vices	\$	4,390,539.84		
	Other S	ales	a Tax				755,213.23		5,145,753.07
	Investment E	arn	ings						8,450.91
	Miscellaneou	s							766,478.92
	Special Item								,
	•	al o	of Capital Assets -	Se	e Note 15				(12,387.00)
	•		le Taxes - See No						(65,551.39)
		_	neral Revenues ar					-	21,350,217.08
					•			-	, ,
	Chan	ge i	in Net Position						3,120,510.60
	Net Position	- Be	eginning of Year					_	23,547,372.85
	Net Position	- Er	nd of Year					\$	26,667,883.45

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2021

		GENERAL		CAPITAL PROJECTS		DEBT SERVICE		
		FUND		FUND	_	FUND		TOTAL
ASSETS								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	11,368,051.37	¢	_	\$	3,325,288.73	¢	14,693,340.10
Investments	Ф	156,965.59	Ф	_	Ф	3,323,200.73	Ф	156,965.59
Receivables, Net		130,903.39						130,903.39
Taxes		955,363.44		_		430,983.86		1,386,347.30
State Government		2,658,551.93		1,110,945.60		-30,303.00		3,769,497.53
Federal Government		530,497.15		-		_		530,497.15
Inventories		1,509.01		_		_		1,509.01
Prepaid Items	_	47,109.81		-		-	_	47,109.81
Total Assets	\$	15,718,048.30	\$	1,110,945.60	\$	3,756,272.59	\$ _	20,585,266.49
LIABILITIES								
Accounts Payable	\$	795,653.69	\$	48,050.45	\$	-	\$	843,704.14
Salaries and Benefits Payable		4,143,817.89		-		-		4,143,817.89
Contracts Payable		-		212,635.31		-		212,635.31
Retainages Payable		-		220,206.00		-		220,206.00
Total Liabilities		4,939,471.58	_	480,891.76	_	-		5,420,363.34
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes	_	365,718.43		-	_	-	_	365,718.43
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable		48,618.82		-		-		48,618.82
Restricted		761,993.47		630,053.84		3,756,272.59		5,148,319.90
Committed		455,330.69		-		-		455,330.69
Assigned		9,210.29		-		-		9,210.29
Unassigned		9,137,705.02	_	-		-		9,137,705.02
Total Fund Balances	_	10,412,858.29	-	630,053.84		3,756,272.59	_	14,799,184.72
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows								
of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$ _	15,718,048.30	\$ =	1,110,945.60	\$ =	3,756,272.59	\$ =	20,585,266.49

EXHIBIT "D"

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

Total fund balances - governmental funds (Exhibit "C")		\$	14,799,184.72
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are			
different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources			
and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
Land	\$	2,016,464.00	
Construction in progress		4,949,284.00	
Buildings and improvements		76,868,037.00	
Equipment		7,290,524.00	
Land improvements		2,477,867.00	
Accumulated depreciation	_	(18,640,373.00)	74,961,803.00
Certain revenues will be collected after year end but are not available soon enough			
to pay for the current periods expenditures.			
Unavailable property taxes			365,718.43
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and,			
therefore, are not reported in the funds.			
Net pension liability	\$	(36,048,091.00)	
Net OPEB liability		(32,100,786.00)	(68,148,877.00)
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB are			
applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.			
Related to pensions	\$	9,105,858.00	
Related to OPEB		883,509.00	9,989,367.00
Long-term liabilities, and related accrued interest, are not due and payable			
in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
Bonds payable	\$	(5,000,000.00)	
Accrued interest payable		(50,450.00)	
Unamortized bond premiums	_	(248,862.70)	(5,299,312.70)
Net position of governmental activities (Exhibit "A")		\$	26,667,883.45

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

		GENERAL		CAPITAL PROJECTS		DEBT SERVICE		
		FUND		FUND		FUND		TOTAL
	_		_		_	_		
REVENUES								
Property Taxes	\$	15,507,654.04	\$	-	\$	- \$	5	15,507,654.04
Sales Taxes		755,213.23		-		4,685,736.22		5,440,949.45
State Funds		19,224,464.37		1,490,230.20		-		20,714,694.57
Federal Funds		5,823,238.14		-		-		5,823,238.14
Charges for Services		347,796.93		-		-		347,796.93
Investment Earnings		5,995.27		260.38		2,195.26		8,450.91
Miscellaneous		766,478.92	_	-				766,478.92
Total Revenues	_	42,430,840.90	_	1,490,490.58	_	4,687,931.48		48,609,262.96
EXPENDITURES								
Current								
Instruction		25,160,619.04		166,863.65		-		25,327,482.69
Support Services				,				
Pupil Services		1,447,948.53		_		_		1,447,948.53
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,752,707.36		_		_		1,752,707.36
Educational Media Services		512,439.23		_		_		512,439.23
General Administration		495,828.68		_		_		495,828.68
School Administration		2,341,186.30		_		_		2,341,186.30
Business Administration		351,028.09		-		-		351,028.09
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		3,360,830.67		109,707.35		-		3,470,538.02
Student Transportation Services		2,003,320.99		-		-		2,003,320.99
Central Support Services		266,700.83		-		-		266,700.83
Other Support Services		176,843.28		-		-		176,843.28
Enterprise Operations		273,548.85		-		-		273,548.85
Food Services Operation		2,411,013.65		-		-		2,411,013.65
Capital Outlay		-		4,300,428.92		-		4,300,428.92
Debt Service								
Principal		-		-		2,090,000.00		2,090,000.00
Interest		-		-		243,600.00		243,600.00
Total Expenditures	_	40,554,015.50	_	4,576,999.92	_	2,333,600.00		47,464,615.42
Revenues over (under) Expenditures		1,876,825.40	_	(3,086,509.34)	_	2,354,331.48		1,144,647.54
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Sale of Capital Assets		4,125.00		_		_		4,125.00
Transfers In		371,333.08		3,716,563.18		_		4,087,896.26
Transfers Out		-		-		(4,087,896.26)		(4,087,896.26)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		375,458.08	_	3,716,563.18	_	(4,087,896.26)	_	4,125.00
CDECIAL ITEM								
SPECIAL ITEM		(65 55400)						(65 554 00)
Refund of Intangible Taxes - See Note 15	_	(65,551.39)		-	_	-	_	(65,551.39)
Net Change in Fund Balances		2,186,732.09		630,053.84		(1,733,564.78)		1,083,221.15
Fund Balances - Beginning	_	8,226,126.20	_	-	_	5,489,837.37	_	13,715,963.57
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ _	10,412,858.29	\$ _	630,053.84	\$ _	3,756,272.59	; _	14,799,184.72

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

JUNE 30, 2021

Net change in fund balances total governmental funds (Exhibit "E")					\$	1,083,221.15
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are						
different because:						
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However,						
in the Statement of Activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over						
their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.		\$		4,411,083.00		
Capital outlay (net) Depreciation expense - buildings		•		(975,992.00)		
Depreciation expense - equipment				(370,985.00)		
Depreciation expense - land improvement				(114,114.00)		2,949,992.00
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In the Statement of Activities, only the gain or loss on the sale or disposal of						
the capital assets equipment is reported, whereas in the governmental						
funds, the entire proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net assets differs from the change in fund balances by the						
carrying value of the capital assets sold or disposed of.						(16,512.00)
carrying value of the capital assets sold of disposed of.						(10,312.00)
Certain revenues are not deferred in the Statement of Activities based on						
availability as they are in the government funds.						
Unavailable property taxes		(255 200 20)				
June 30, 2020	\$	(365,899.90)		(404.47)		
June 30, 2021	-	365,718.43 \$		(181.47)		
Unavailable sales tax revenue						
June 30, 2020				(295,196.38)		(295,377.85)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither						
transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds						
report the effect of premiums, discounts and the difference between the						
carrying value of refunded debt and the acquisition cost of refunded debt when						
debt is first issued. These amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement						
of Activities.						
Bond principal payments		\$. 2	2,090,000.00		
Amortization of bond premiums			_	122,959.97	_	2,212,959.97
District pension/OPEB contributions are reported as expenditures in the						
governmental funds when made. However, they are reported as deferred						
outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported						
net pension/OPEB liability is measured a year before the District's report date.						
Pension/OPEB expense, which is the change in the net pension/OPEB liability						
adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related						
to pensions/OPEB, is reported in the Statement of Activities.						
Pension expense (net)		\$		(2,114,414.00)		
OPEB expense (net)			_	(734,192.00)		(2,848,606.00)
Come items reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of						
Some items reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in						
governmental funds.						
Accrued interest expense						
June 30, 2020		\$		85,283.33		
June 30, 2021		,	_	(50,450.00)		34,833.33
Change in net position of governmental activities (Exhibit "B")					\$ =	3,120,510.60

NOTE 1: DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

Reporting Entity

The Hart County Board of Education (School District) was established under the laws of the State of Georgia and operates under the guidance of a board elected by the voters and a Superintendent appointed by the Board. The School District is organized as a separate legal entity and has the power to levy taxes and issue bonds. Its budget is not subject to approval by any other entity. Accordingly, the School District is a primary government and consists of all the organizations that compose its legal entity.

Additionally, the School District has been granted Charter School Status by the State of Georgia as provided in Georgia Annotated Code section 20-2-84. This status gives the School District freedom from many State rules and regulations in exchange for the School District's agreement to increase academic achievements by its students.

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Basis of Presentation

The School District's basic financial statements are collectively comprised of the government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements. The government-wide statements focus on the School District as a whole, while the fund financial statements focus on major funds. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared between years and between governments to enhance the information's usefulness.

Government-Wide Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the financial activities of the overall School District. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

The Statement of Net Position presents the School District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and liabilities, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories as follows:

- 1. **Net investment in capital assets** consists of the School District's total investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.
- 2. **Restricted net position** consists of resources for which the School District is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position consists of resources not meeting the definition of the two
preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by
management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the School District's governmental activities.

Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses (expenses of the School District related to the administration and support of the School District's programs, such as office and maintenance personnel and accounting) are not allocated to programs.

Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the School District's funds. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The School District reports the following major governmental funds:

- The general fund is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
- The capital projects fund accounts for and reports financial resources including Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), bond proceeds and grants from Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission that are restricted, committed or assigned for capital outlay expenditures, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.
- The debt service fund accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned including taxes (sales) legally restricted for the payment of general longterm principal and interest.

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are reported on the financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, sales taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the fiscal year in which the underlying transaction (sale) takes place. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The School District uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The School District considers certain revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. The School District considers all intergovernmental revenues to be available if they are collected within 120 days after year-end. Property taxes, sales taxes and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term liabilities and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The School District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program costs are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted resources available to finance the program. It is the School District's policy to first apply grant resources to such programs, followed by cost-reimbursement grants, then general revenues.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, investments in the State of Georgia local government investment pool (Georgia Fund 1) and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition in authorized financial institutions. Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) §45-8-14 authorizes the School District to deposit its funds in one or more solvent banks, insured Federal savings and loan associations or insured chartered building and loan associations.

Investments

The School District can invest its funds as permitted by O.C.G.A.§36-83-4. In selecting among options for investment or among institutional bids for deposits, the highest rate of return shall be the objective, given equivalent conditions of safety and liquidity.

Investments made by the School District in nonparticipating interest-earning contracts (such as certificates of deposit) and repurchase agreements are reported at cost. Participating interest-earning contracts and money market investments with a maturity at purchase of one year or less are reported at amortized cost. All other investments are reported at fair value.

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

Receivables

Receivables consist of amounts due from property and sales taxes, grant reimbursements due on Federal, State or other grants for expenditures made but not reimbursed and other receivables disclosed from information available. Receivables are recorded when either the asset or revenue recognition criteria has been met. Receivables recorded on the basic financial statements do not include any amounts which would necessitate the need for an allowance for uncollectible receivables.

Inventories

Food Inventories

On the basic financial statements, inventories of donated food commodities used in the preparation of meals are reported at their Federally assigned value and purchased foods inventories are reported at cost (calculated on the first-in, first-out basis). The School District uses the consumption method to account for inventories whereby donated food commodities are recorded as an asset and as revenue when received, and expenses/expenditures are recorded as the inventory items are used. Purchased foods are recorded as an asset when purchased and expenses/expenditures are recorded as the inventory items are used.

Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit future accounting periods are recorded as prepaid items, in both the government-wide and governmental fund financial statements.

Capital Assets

On the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are recorded at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value on the date donated. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of assets or materially extend the useful lives of the assets is not capitalized. The School District does not capitalize book collections or works of art.

Capital acquisition and construction are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund financial statements at the time of purchase (including ancillary charges), and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line for all assets, except land, and is used to allocate the actual or estimated historical cost of capital assets over estimated useful lives.

Capitalization thresholds and estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the government-wide statements are as follows:

	С	apitalization	Estimated
	Policy		Useful Life
Land		All	N/A
Land Improvements	\$	20,000.00	20 years
Buildings and Improvements	\$	100,000.00	25 to 80 years
Equipment	\$	5,000.00	5 to 20 years
Intangible Assets	\$	100.000.00	Individually determined

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Long-Term Liabilities and Bond Discounts/Premiums

In the School District's government-wide financial statements, outstanding debt is reported as liabilities. Bond premiums and discounts and the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying value of refunded debt are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. To conform to generally accepted accounting principles, bond premiums and discounts should be amortized using the effective interest method. The effect of this deviation is deemed to be immaterial to the fair presentation of the basic financial statements. Bond issuance costs are recognized as an outflow of resources in the fiscal year in which the bonds are issued.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the School District recognizes the proceeds of debt and premiums as other financing sources of the current period. Bond issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

Pensions

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

Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Georgia School Employees Post-Employment Benefit Fund (School OPEB Fund) and additions to/deductions from School OPEB Fund fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by School OPEB Fund. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Fund Balances

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

The School District's fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable consists of resources that cannot be spent either because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted consists of resources that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant constraints either (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed consists of resources that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board. The Board is the School District's highest level of decision-making authority, and the formal action that is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment is a resolution approved by the Board. Committed fund balance also should incorporate contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned consists of resources constrained by the School District's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. The intent should be expressed by (1) the Board or (2) the budget or finance committee, or the Superintendent, or designee, to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

Unassigned consists of resources within the general fund not meeting the definition of any aforementioned category. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States 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.

Property Taxes

The Hart County Board of Commissioners adopted the property tax levy for the 2020 tax digest year (calendar year) on October 13,2020 (levy date) based on property values as of January 1, 2020. Taxes were due on December 20, 2020 (lien date). Taxes collected within the current fiscal year or within 60 days after year-end on the 2020 tax digest are reported as revenue in the governmental funds for fiscal year 2021. The Hart County Tax Commissioner bills and collects the property taxes for the School District, withholds 2.5% of taxes collected as a fee for tax collection and remits the balance of taxes collected to the School District. Property tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, for maintenance and operations amounted to \$15,507,654.04.

The tax millage rate levied for the 2020 tax digest year (calendar year) for the School District was as follows (a mill equals \$1 per thousand dollars of assessed value):

School Operations 13.156 mills

Additionally, Title Ad Valorem Tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, which are included in the property tax revenues shown above, amounted to \$1,496,130.16 during fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

Sales Taxes

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), at the fund reporting level, during the year amounted to \$4,685,736.22 and is to be used for capital outlay for educational purposes or debt service. This sales tax was authorized by local referendum and the sales tax must be re-authorized at least every five years. The most recent authorization expires December 31, 2024.

NOTE 3: BUDGETARY DATA

The budget is a complete financial plan for the School District's fiscal year and is based upon careful estimates of expenditures together with probable funding sources. The budget is legally adopted each year for the general fund. There is no statutory prohibition regarding over expenditure of the budget at any level. The budget for all governmental funds, except for various funds noted in Schedule "7," is prepared and adopted by fund, function and object. The legal level of budgetary control was established by the Board at the aggregate function level. The budget for the general fund was prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary process begins with the School District's administration presenting an initial budget for the Board's review. The administration makes revisions as necessary based on the Board's guidelines, and a tentative budget is approved. After approval of this tentative budget by the Board, such budget is advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality, as well as the School District's website. At the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board after advertisement, the Board receives comments on the tentative budget, makes revisions as necessary and adopts a final budget. The approved budget is then submitted, in accordance with provisions of O.C.G.A.§20-2-167(c), to the Georgia Department of Education. The Board may increase or decrease the budget at any time during the year. All unexpended budget authority lapses at fiscal year-end.

See the General Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget to Actual in the Supplementary Information Section for a detail of any over/under expenditures during fiscal year 2021.

NOTE 4: DEPOSITS AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Collateralization of Deposits

O.C.G.A. § 45-8-12 provides that there shall not be on deposit at any time in any depository for a time longer than ten days a sum of money which has not been secured by surety bond, by guarantee of insurance, or by collateral. The aggregate of the face value of such surety bond and the market value of securities pledged shall be equal to not less than 110% of the public funds being secured after the deduction of the amount of deposit insurance. If a depository elects the pooled method (O.C.G.A. § 45-8-13.1) the aggregate of the market value of the securities pledged to secure a pool of public funds shall be not less than 110% of the daily pool balance.

Acceptable security for deposits consists of any one of or any combination of the following:

- (1) Surety bond signed by a surety company duly qualified and authorized to transact business within the State of Georgia,
- (2) Insurance on accounts provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
- (3) Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other direct obligations of the United States or of the State of Georgia,

- (4) Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other obligations of the counties or municipalities of the State of Georgia,
- (5) Bonds of any public authority created by the laws of the State of Georgia, providing that the statute that created the authority authorized the use of the bonds for this purpose,
- (6) Industrial revenue bonds and bonds of development authorities created by the laws of the State of Georgia, and
- (7) Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness, or other obligations of a subsidiary corporation of the United States government, which are fully guaranteed by the United States government both as to principal and interest or debt obligations issued by or securities guaranteed by the Federal Land Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank, the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, the Central Bank for Cooperatives, the Farm Credit Banks, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association, and the Federal National Mortgage Association.

Categorization of Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2021, the School District had deposits with a carrying amount of \$11,525,016.96,and a bank balance of \$12,540,207.85. The bank balances insured by Federal depository insurance were \$740,037.05 and deposits covered by the State' Secure Deposit Program SDP) were \$150,537.97.

The School District participates in the State's Secure Deposit Program (SDP), a multi-bank pledging pool. The SDP requires participating banks that accept public deposits in Georgia to operate under the policy and procedures of the program. The Georgia Office of State Treasurer (OST) sets the collateral requirements and pledging level for each covered depository. There are four tiers of collateralization levels specifying percentages of eligible securities to secure covered deposits: 25%, 50%, 75%, and 110%. The SDP also provides for collateral levels to be increased in the amount of up to 125% if economic or financial conditions warrants. The program lists the types of eligible criteria. The OST approves authorized custodians.

In accordance with the SDP, if a covered depository defaults, losses to public depositors are first satisfied with any applicable insurance, followed by demands of payment under any letters of credit or sale of the covered depository collateral. If necessary, any remaining losses are to be satisfied by assessments made against the other participating covered depositories. Therefore, for disclosure purposes, all deposits of the SDP are considered to be fully collateralized.

At June 30, 2021, \$11,649,632.83 of the School District's bank balance was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and Uncollateralized \$
Uninsured with collateral held by the pledging financial institution
Uninsured with collateral held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the School District's name 11,649,632.83

Total \$ 11,649,632.83

Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents balances to carrying value of deposits is as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents

Statement of Net Position \$ 14,693,340.10

Add:

Deposits with original maturity of three months or more reported as investments 156,965.59

Less:

Investment pools reported as cash and cash equivalents

Georgia Fund 1 3,325,288.73

Total carrying value of deposits - June 30, 2021 \$ 11,525,016.96

Categorization of Cash Equivalents

The School District reported cash equivalents of \$3,325,288.73 in Georgia Fund 1, a local government investment pool, which is included in the cash balances above. Georgia Fund 1 is not registered with the SEC as an investment company and does not operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. The investment is valued at the pool's share price, \$1.00 per share, which approximates fair value. The pool is an AAAf rated investment pool by Standard and Poor's. The weighted average maturity of Georgia Fund 1 may not exceed 60 days. The weighted average maturity for Georgia Fund 1 on June 30, 2021 was 36 days.

Georgia Fund 1, administered by the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer, is not required to be categorized since the School District did not own any specific identifiable securities in the pool. The investment policy of the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer for the Georgia Fund 1, does not provide for investment in derivatives or similar investments. Additional information on the Georgia Fund 1 is disclosed in the State of Georgia Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which is publicly available at https://sao.georgia.gov/statewide-reporting/acfr.

NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in the capital assets for governmental activities during the fiscal year:

	-	Balances July 1, 2020	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Balances June 30, 2021
Governmental Activities						
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated:						
Land	\$	2,016,464.00 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	2,016,464.00
Construction in Progress		2,814,605.00	4,167,926.00		(2,033,247.00)	4,949,284.00
Total Capital Assets						
Not Being Depreciated		4,831,069.00	4,167,926.00		(2,033,247.00)	6,965,748.00
Capital Assets Being Depreciated						
Buildings and Improvements		74,761,250.00	73,540.00	-	2,033,247.00	76,868,037.00
Equipment		7,386,935.00	169,617.00	266,028.00	-	7,290,524.00
Land Improvements		2,477,867.00	-	-	-	2,477,867.00
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:						
Buildings and Improvements		11,347,760.00	975,992.00	-	-	12,323,752.00
Equipment		4,926,926.00	370,985.00	249,516.00	-	5,048,395.00
Land Improvements		1,154,112.00	114,114.00			1,268,226.00
Total Capital Assets,						
Being Depreciated, Net		67,197,254.00	(1,217,934.00)	16,512.00	2,033,247.00	67,996,055.00
Governmental Activities						
Capital Assets - Net	\$	72,028,323.00 \$	2,949,992.00 \$	16,512.00 \$	- \$	74,961,803.00

Current year depreciation expense by function is as follows:

Instruction		\$ 1,178,586.00
Support Services		
General Administration	\$ 25,455.00	
School Administration	4,301.00	
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	17,689.00	
Student Transportation Services	164,159.00	211,604.00
Food Services	 	 70,901.00
		 _
		\$ 1,461,091.00

NOTE 6: INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2021, consisted of the following:

	-	Transfers From				
	Debt Service					
Transfers to		Fund				
General Fund	\$	371,333.08				
Capital Projects Fund		3,716,563.18				
Total	\$	4,087,896.26				

The debt service fund transferred \$371,333.08 to the general fund derived from Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) revenues to provide funding for certain expenditures that were eligible under the ESPLOST referendum.

The debt service fund transferred \$3,716,563.18 to the capital projects fund derived from ESPLOST revenues to provide funding for certain capital outlay projects.

NOTE 7: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The changes in long-term liabilities during the fiscal year for governmental activities were as follows:

			Governmental Activities							
		Balance						Balance		Due Within
	_	July 1, 2020	_ :	Additions		Deductions		June 30, 2021	_	One Year
General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds Unamortized Bond Premiums	\$_	7,090,000.00 371,822.67	\$	-	\$	2,090,000.00 122,959.97	\$	5,000,000.00 248,862.70	\$ _	1,160,000.00 110,605.68
	\$_	7,461,822.67	\$	-	\$	2,212,959.97	\$	5,248,862.70	\$_	1,270,605.68

General Obligation Debt Outstanding

The School District's bonded debt consists of general obligation bonds that are generally noncallable with interest payable semiannually. Bond proceeds primarily pay for acquiring or constructing capital facilities. The School District repays general obligation bonds from voter-approved property taxes. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the School District.

The School District's outstanding bonds from direct placement related to governmental activities of \$5,000,000.00 contain a provision that in an event of nonpayment, the paying agent will notify the State of Georgia Department of Education to withhold funds.

General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Description	Interest Rates	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
General Government - Series 2019	3.00 % - 5.00%	5/23/2019	10/1/2024 \$	5,000,000.00	\$ 5,000,000.00

The following schedule details debt service requirements to maturity for the School District's total general obligation bonds payable:

		General Obligation Debt				Unamortized		
Fiscal Year Ended June 30:	_	Principal	oal Interest		Principal Interest			Bond Premium
2022	\$	1,160,000.00	\$	184,400.00	\$	110,605.68		
2023		1,220,000.00		142,600.00		110,605.68		
2024		1,280,000.00		92,600.00		27,651.34		
2025	_	1,340,000.00	_	33,500.00		-		
Total Principal and Interest	\$	5,000,000.00	\$_	453,100.00	\$	248,862.70		

NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

Insurance

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors or omissions; job related illness or injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Georgia School Boards Association Risk Management Fund

The School District participates in the Georgia School Boards Association Risk Management Fund (the Fund), a public entity risk pool organized on August 1, 1994, to develop and administer a plan to reduce risk of loss on account of general liability, motor vehicle liability, errors and omissions liability, cyber risk and property damage, including safety engineering and other loss prevention and control techniques, and to administer the Fund including the processing and defense of claims brought against members of the Fund. The School District pays an annual contribution to the Fund for coverage. Reinsurance is provided to the Fund through agreements by the Fund with insurance companies according to their specialty for property (including coverage for flood and earthquake), machinery breakdown, general liability, errors and omissions, crime, cyber risk and automobile risks. Reinsurance limits and retentions vary by line of coverage.

Workers' Compensation

Georgia Education Workers' Compensation Trust

The School District participates in the Georgia Education Workers' Compensation Trust (the Trust), a public entity risk pool organized on December 1, 1991, to develop, implement and administer a program of workers' compensation self-insurance for its member organizations. The School District pays an annual premium to the Trust for its general workers' compensation insurance coverage. Specific excess of loss insurance coverage is provided through an agreement by the Trust with the Safety National Casualty Company to provide coverage for potential losses sustained by the Trust in excess of \$1.0 million loss per occurrence, up to the statutory limit. Employers' Liability insurance coverage is also provided with limits of \$2.0 million. The Trust covers the first \$1.0 million of each Employers Liability claim with Safety National providing additional Employers Liability limits up to a \$2.0 million per occurrence maximum. Safety National Casualty Company also provides \$2.0 million in aggregate coverage to the Trust, attaching at 107% of the loss fund and based on the Fund's annual normal premium.

Unemployment Compensation

The School District is self-insured with regard to unemployment compensation claims. The School District accounts for claims within the general fund with expenses/expenditures and liability being reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated.

Changes in the unemployment compensation claims liability during the last two fiscal years are as follows:

		Beginning		Claims and		
		of Year		Changes in	Claims	End of Year
		Liability	_	Estimates	Paid	Liability
	_		-			
2020	\$	-	\$	485.17	\$ 485.17	\$ _
2021	\$	-	\$	5,008.50	\$ 5,008.50	\$ -

Surety Bond

The School District purchased a surety bond to provide additional insurance coverage as follows:

Position Covered	 Amount
Superintendent	\$ 100,000.00

NOTE 9: FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

The School District's financial statements include the following amounts presented in the aggregate at June 30, 2021:

Nonspendable				
Inventories	\$	1,509.01		
Prepaid Assets		47,109.81	\$	48,618.82
Restricted	_			
Bus Replacement	\$	231,660.00		
Continuation of Federal Programs		467,499.88		
Capital Projects		630,053.84		
Debt Service		3,756,272.59		
Flex Benefits		62,833.59		5,148,319.90
Committed	-			
School Activity Accounts				455,330.69
Assigned				
Catering Fund				9,210.29
Unassigned				9,137,705.02
			-	
Fund Balance, June 30, 2021			\$	14,799,184.72

When multiple categories of fund balance are available for an expenditure, the School District will start with the most restricted category and spend those funds first before moving down to the next category with available funds.

NOTE 10: SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

Commitments under Construction contracts

The following is an analysis of significant outstanding construction or renovation contracts executed by the School District as of June 30, 2021, together with funding available:

		Unearned		Expenditures		Expenditures		Funding
		Executed	Executed through			Available		
Project		Contracts (1)(3)		6/30/2021 (2)		6/30/2021 (2) From		From State (1)
Hartwell Elementary Renovations	\$_	632,914.03	\$	4,949,284.45	\$	42,651.80		

- (1) The amounts described are not reflected in the basic financial statements.
- (2) Payments include contracts and retainages payable at year-end.
- (3) The amounts described will be funded with ESPLOST revenues and remaining funding available from the State.

Operating Leases

The School District leases various copiers under the provisions of one or more long-term lease agreements classified as operating leases for accounting purposes. Rental expenditures under the terms of the operating leases totaled \$54,601.56 for governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2021. The following future minimum lease payments were required under operating leases at June 30, 2021:

	G	overnmental
Year Ending		Activities
2022	\$	33,786.49

NOTE 11: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Federal Grants

Amounts received or receivable principally from the Federal government are subject to audit and review by grantor agencies. This could result in requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for any costs which are disallowed under grant terms. Any disallowances resulting from the grantor audit may become a liability of the School District. However, the School District believes that such disallowances, if any, will be immaterial to its overall financial position.

Litigation

The School District is a defendant in various legal proceedings pertaining to matters incidental to the performance of routine School District operations. The ultimate disposition of these proceedings is not presently determinable but is not believed to have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the School District.

NOTE 12: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

Georgia School Personnel Post-Employment Health Benefit Fund

Plan Description: Certified teachers and non-certified public school employees of the School District as defined in §20-2-875 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) are provided OPEB through the School OPEB Fund - a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan, reported as an employee trust fund and administered by a Board of Community Health (Board). Title 20 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit terms of the group health plan to the Board.

Benefits Provided: The School OPEB Fund provides healthcare benefits for retirees and their dependents due under the group health plan for public school teachers, including librarians, other certified employees of public schools, regional educational service agencies and non-certified public school employees. Retiree medical eligibility is attained when an employee retires and is immediately eligible to draw a retirement annuity from Employees' Retirement System (ERS), Georgia Judicial Retirement System (JRS), Legislative Retirement System (LRS), Teachers Retirement System (TRS) or Public School Employees Retirement System (PSERS). If elected, dependent coverage starts on the same day as retiree coverage. Medicare-eligible retirees are offered Standard and Premium Medicare Advantage plan options. Non-Medicare eligible retiree plan options include Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA), Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) and a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP). The School OPEB Fund also pays for administrative expenses of the fund. By law, no other use of the assets of the School OPEB Fund is permitted.

Contributions: As established by the Board, the School OPEB Fund is substantially funded on a payas-you-go basis; that is, annual cost of providing benefits will be financed in the same year as claims occur. Contributions to the School OPEB Fund from the School District were \$805,357.00 for the year ended June 30, 2021. Active employees are not required to contribute to the School OPEB Fund.

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

At June 30, 2021, the School District reported a liability of \$32,100,786.00 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020. The total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. An expected total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was actuarially determined based on employer contributions during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2020, the School District's proportion was 0.218556%, which was an increase of 0.005709% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School District recognized OPEB expense of \$1,539,549.00. At June 30, 2021, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	_	ОРЕВ					
		Deferred		Deferred			
		Outflows of		Inflows of			
	_	Resources		Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	3,504,409.00			
Changes of assumptions		5,308,757.00		2,856,280.00			
Net difference between projected and							
actual earnings on OPEB plan investments		83,667.00		-			
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions		1,051,315.00		4,898.00			
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	_	805,357.00		<u>-</u>			
Total	\$_	7,249,096.00	\$_	6,365,587.00			

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

Year Ended June 30:	OPEB			
2022	\$	(373,591.00)		
2023	\$	(375,836.00)		
2024	\$	(253,256.00)		
2025	\$	196,191.00		
2026	\$	651,247.00		
Thereafter	\$	233,397.00		

Actuarial assumptions: The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019 using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement and rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2020:

OPEB:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	3.00% - 8.75%, including inflation
Long-term expected rate of return	7.30%, compounded annually, net of investment expense, and including inflation
Healthcare cost trend rate	
Pre-Medicare Eligible	7.00%
Medicare Eligible	5.25%
Ultimate trend rate	
Pre-Medicare Eligible	4.50%
Medicare Eligible	4.50%
Year of Ultimate trend rate	
Pre-Medicare Eligible	2029
Medicare Eligible	2023

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 combined Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale BB as follows:

- For TRS members: The Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2019 projection scale (set forward one year and adjusted 106%) is used for death prior to retirement and for service retirement and beneficiaries. The Pub-2010 Teachers Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees projected generationally with MP-2019 Projection scale (set forward one year and adjusted 106%) is used for disability retirements. For both, rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate.
- For PSERS members: The RP-2000 Blue-Collar Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 3 years for males and 2 years for females) is used for the period after service retirement and for beneficiaries of deceased members. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 5 years for both males and females) is used for the period after disability retirement. Rates of mortality in active service were based on the RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB. There is a margin for future morality improvement in the tables used by the plan.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the pension systems, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2018, with the exception of the assumed annual rate of inflation changed from 2.75% to 2.50%, effective with the June 30, 2018 valuation.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2019 valuation.

Projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculation.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Target allocation	Real Rate of Return*				
30.00%	0.50%				
70.00%	9.20%				
100.00%					
	30.00% 70.00%				

^{*}Net of Inflation

Discount Rate: In order to measure the total OPEB liability for the School OPEB Fund, a single equivalent interest rate of 2.22% was used as the discount rate, as compared with last year's rate of 3.58%. This is comprised mainly of the yield or index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation bonds with an average rating of AA or higher (2.21% per the Municipal Bond Buyers Index Rate). The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from members and from the employer will be made at the current level as averaged over the last five years, adjusted for annual projected changes in headcount. Projected future benefit payments for all current plan members were projected through 2118.

Sensitivity of the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate: The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 2.22%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (1.22%) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.22%) than the current discount rate:

		1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate		1% Increase
	_	(1.22%)	 (2.22%)	_	(3.22%)
School District's proportionate					
share of the Net OPEB liability	\$	37,713,128.00	\$ 32,100,786.00	\$	27,612,481.00

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

	Current Healthcare Cost					
	_	1% Decrease		Trend Rate		1% Increase
School District's proportionate						
share of the net OPEB liability	\$	26,727,131.00	\$	32,100,786.00	\$	39,058,109.00

OPEB plan fiduciary net position: Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which is publicly available at https://sao.georgia.gov/statewide-reporting/acfr.

NOTE 13: RETIREMENT PLANS

The School District participates in various retirement plans administered by the State of Georgia, as further explained below.

Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS)

Plan Description: All teachers of the School District as defined in O.C.G.A §47-3-60 and certain other support personnel as defined by §47-3-63 are provided a pension through the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS). TRS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, is administered by the TRS Board of Trustees (TRS Board). Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. The Teachers Retirement System of Georgia issues a publicly available separate financial report that can be obtained at www.trsga.com/publications.

Benefits Provided: TRS provides service retirement, disability retirement, and death benefits. Normal retirement benefits are determined as 2% of the average of the employee's two highest paid consecutive years of service, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service up to 40 years. An employee is eligible for normal service retirement after 30 years of creditable service, regardless of age, or after 10 years of service and attainment of age 60. Ten years of service is required for disability and death benefits eligibility. Disability benefits are based on the employee's creditable service and compensation up to the time of disability. Death benefits equal the amount that would be payable to the employee's beneficiary had the employee retired on the date of death. Death benefits are based on the employee's creditable service and compensation up to the date of death.

Contributions: Per Title 47 of the O.C.G.A., contribution requirements of active employees and participating employers, as actuarially determined, are established and may be amended by the TRS Board. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §47-3-63, the employer contributions for certain full-time public school support personnel are funded on behalf of the employer by the State of Georgia. Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Employees were required to contribute 6.00% of their annual pay during fiscal year 2021. The School District's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2021 was 19.06% of annual School District payroll, of which 18.91% of

payroll was required from the School District and 0.15% of payroll was required from the State. For the current fiscal year, employer contributions to the pension plan were \$3,626,146.00 and \$28,772.50 from the School District and the State, respectively.

Public School Employees Retirement System (PSERS)

Plan Description: PSERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by the Georgia General Assembly in 1969 for the purpose of providing retirement allowances for public school employees who are not eligible for membership in the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia. The ERS Board of Trustees, plus two additional trustees, administers PSERS. Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. PSERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.ers.ga.gov/financials.

Benefits Provided: A member may retire and elect to receive normal monthly retirement benefits after completion of ten years of creditable service and attainment of age 65. A member may choose to receive reduced benefits after age 60 and upon completion of ten years of service.

Upon retirement, the member will receive a monthly benefit of \$15.50, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Death and disability benefits are also available through PSERS. Additionally, PSERS may make periodic cost-of-living adjustments to the monthly benefits. Upon termination of employment, member contributions with accumulated interest are refundable upon request by the member. However, if an otherwise vested member terminates and withdraws his/her member contribution, the member forfeits all rights to retirement benefits.

Contributions: The general assembly makes an annual appropriation to cover the employer contribution to PSERS on behalf of local school employees (bus drivers, cafeteria workers, and maintenance staff). The annual employer contribution required by statute is actuarially determined and paid directly to PSERS by the State Treasurer in accordance with O.C.G.A. §47-4-29(a) and 60(b). Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Individuals who became members prior to July 1, 2012 contribute \$4 per month for nine months each fiscal year. Individuals who became members on or after July 1, 2012 contribute \$10 per month for nine months each fiscal year. The State of Georgia, although not the employer of PSERS members, is required by statute to make employer contributions actuarially determined and approved and certified by the PSERS Board of Trustees. The current fiscal year contribution by the State of Georgia was \$88,317.00.

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

At June 30, 2021, the School District reported a liability of \$36,048,091.00 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS.

The TRS net pension liability reflected a reduction for support provided to the School District by the State of Georgia for certain public school support personnel. The amount recognized by the School District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State of Georgia support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School District were as follows:

School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability \$ 36,048,091.00

State of Georgia's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District 281,240.00

Total \$ 36,329,331.00

The net pension liability for TRS was measured as of June 30, 2020. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on contributions to TRS during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

At June 30, 2020, the School District's TRS proportion was 0.148812%, which was an increase of 0.000361% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

At June 30, 2021, the School District did not have a PSERS liability for a proportionate share of the net pension liability because of a Special Funding Situation with the State of Georgia, which is responsible for the net pension liability of the plan. The amount of the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District is \$563,934.00.

The PSERS net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The State's proportion of the net pension liability associated with the School District was based on actuarially determined contributions paid by the State during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School District recognized pension expense of \$5,756,468.00 for TRS and \$113,483.00 for PSERS and revenue of \$15,908.00 for TRS and \$113,483.00 for PSERS. The revenue is support provided by the State of Georgia. For TRS the State of Georgia support is provided only for certain support personnel.

At June 30, 2021, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		TRS					
	-	Deferred		Deferred			
		Outflows of		Inflows of			
		Resources		Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	1,569,906.00	\$	-			
Changes of assumptions		3,712,995.00		-			
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		868,224.00		-			
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions		124,836.00		796,249.00			
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	-	3,626,146.00	_	<u>-</u>			
Total	\$_	9,902,107.00	\$_	796,249.00			

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

Year Ended June 30:	TRS			
	_			
2022	\$	1,067,915.00		
2023	\$	1,752,385.00		
2024	\$	1,820,675.00		
2025	\$	838 737.00		

Actuarial assumptions: The total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Teachers Retirement System:

Inflation 2.50%

Salary increases 3.00% – 8.75%, average, including inflation

Investment rate of return 7.25%, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

Post-retirement benefit increases 1.50% semi-annually

Post-retirement mortality rates for service retirements and beneficiaries were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP-2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. Post-retirement mortality rates for disability retirements were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP-2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. The Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table with ages set forward one year and adjusted 106% as used for death prior to retirement. Future improvement immortality rates were assumed using the MP-2019 projection scale generationally. These rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2018.

Public School Employees Retirement System:

Salary increases

Inflation 2.75%

Investment rate of return 7.30%, net of pension plan investment expense,

N/A

including inflation

Post-retirement benefit increases 1.50% semi-annually

Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Blue-Collar Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 3 years for males and 2 years for females) for the period after service retirements and for dependent beneficiaries. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 5 years for both males and females) was used for death after disability retirement. There is a margin for future mortality improvement in the tables used by the System. Based on the results of the most recent experience study adopted by the Board on December 17, 2015, the numbers of expected future deaths are 9-11% less than the actual number of deaths that occurred during the study period for healthy retirees and 9-11% less than expected under the selected table for disabled retirees. Rates of mortality in active service were based on the RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014, with the exception of the assumed investment rate of return.

The long-term expected rate of return on TRS and PSERS pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

	TRS	PSERS	Long-term
	Target	Target	expected real
Asset class	allocation	allocation	rate of return*
Fixed income	30.00%	30.00%	(0.10)%
Domestic large stocks	51.00%	46.20%	8.90%
Domestic small stocks	1.50%	1.30%	13.20%
International developed market stocks	12.40%	12.40%	8.90%
International emerging market stocks	5.10%	5.10%	10.90%
Alternative		5.00%	12.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	

^{*} Rates shown are net of the 2.75% assumed rate of inflation with the exception of TRS, which assumed a rate of 2.50% rate of inflation.

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total TRS pension liability was 7.25%. The discount rate used to measure the total PSERS pension liability was 7.30%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer and nonemployer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the TRS and PSERS pension plans' fiduciary net position were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate: The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

Teachers Retirement System:		1% Decrease (6.25%)		Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
School District's proportionate share					
of the net pension liability	\$	57,163,667.00	\$	36,048,091.00 \$	18,739,373.00

Pension plan fiduciary net position: Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS and PSERS financial report which is publicly available at www.trsga.com/publications and http://www.ers.ga.gov/financials.

NOTE 14: TAX ABATEMENTS

The School District property tax revenues were reduced by \$475,768.00 under agreements entered into by the Hart County Industrial Building Authority. Under the Hart County Industrial Building Authority annual budget for fiscal year 2021, the companies reimburse the School District a portion of the reduction in tax revenues. The School District received \$9,962.00 in fiscal year 2021.

NOTE 15: SPECIAL ITEMS

During fiscal year 2021, the School District sold or otherwise disposed of certain capital assets. These items were removed from the capital assets records at their net carrying values and combined with the proceeds received resulted in a net loss of loss of \$12,387.00. This amount is reflected as a net loss on disposal of capital assets and is reported as a Special Item on the Statement of Activities.

During fiscal year 2021, a payment of \$65,551.39 was made by the School District to the Hart County Clerk of Courts to repay overpayments made to the Hart County Board of Education in prior years for intangible taxes. This overpayment of intangible taxes occurred from fiscal years 2014 through 2020 and is reflected as a Special Item on the Statement of Activities and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.



HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

									Plan fiduciary
	School		Stat	te of Georgia's				School District's	net position
	District's		р	roportionate				proportionate	as a
For the	proportion		sha	are of the NPL				share of the NPL	percentage
Year	of the	School District's	as	sociated with				as a percentage	of the total
Ended	Net Pension	proportionate		the School		S	chool District's	of its covered	pension
June 30	Liability (NPL)	share of the NPL		District	Total	C	overed payroll	payroll	liability
2021	0.148812%	\$ 36,048,091.00	\$	281,240.00	\$ 36,329,331.00	\$	19,331,093.87	186.48%	77.01%
2020	0.148451%	\$ 31,920,979.00	\$	255,022.00	\$ 32,176,001.00	\$	18,261,881.51	174.80%	78.56%
2019	0.154995%	\$ 28,770,392.00	\$	224,602.00	\$ 28,994,994.00	\$	18,587,526.00	154.78%	80.27%
2018	0.156171%	\$ 29,024,861.00	\$	287,143.00	\$ 29,312,004.00	\$	18,123,644.58	160.15%	79.33%
2017	0.154251%	\$ 31,823,701.00	\$	417,161.00	\$ 32,240,862.00	\$	17,141,563.32	185.65%	76.06%
2016	0.157317%	\$ 23,949,951.00	\$	318,791.00	\$ 24,268,742.00	\$	16,826,837.86	142.33%	81.44%
2015	0.161447%	\$ 20,396,699.00	\$	253,305.00	\$ 20,650,004.00	\$	16,675,342.84	122.32%	84.03%

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

			Con	tributions in relation					Contribution as a	
For the Year Contractually required		to	the contractually	Cont	ribution deficiency	S	chool District's	percentage of		
Ended June 30		contribution (1)	requ	required contribution (1) (e:		(excess)	C	overed payroll	covered payroll	
2021	\$	3,626,146.00	\$	3,626,146.00	\$	_	\$	19,172,835.84	18.91%	
2020	\$	4,056,219.00	\$	4,056,219.00	\$	-	\$	19,331,093.87	20.98%	
2019	\$	3,786,475.00	\$	3,786,475.00	\$	-	\$	18,261,881.71	20.73%	
2018	\$	3,103,292.00	\$	3,103,292.00	\$	-	\$	18,587,526.00	16.70%	
2017	\$	2,560,930.00	\$	2,560,930.00	\$	-	\$	18,123,644.58	14.13%	
2016	\$	2,414,356.00	\$	2,414,356.00	\$	-	\$	17,141,563.32	14.08%	
2015	\$	2,183,657.63	\$	2,183,657.63	\$	-	\$	16,826,837.86	12.98%	
2014	\$	2,047,732.10	\$	2,047,732.10	\$	-	\$	16,675,342.84	12.28%	
2013	\$	1,937,974.36	\$	1,937,974.36	\$	-	\$	16,984,876.13	11.41%	
2012	\$	1,747,678.54	\$	174,767,854.00	\$	(173,020,175.46)	\$	17,000,764.13	10.28%	

⁽¹⁾ For years 2015 and earlier, the contribution amount includes payments made pn-behalf of School District employees by the State of Georgia

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

	School									School District's	Plan fiduciary
	District's			Stat	e of Georgia's					proportionate	net position as
For the	proportion of			pı	roportionate					share of the NPL	a percentage
Year	the Net	Schoo	ol District's	sha	ire of the NPL					as a percentage	of the total
Ended	Pension	prop	ortionate	associated with			Sc	chool District's	of its covered	pension	
June 30	Liability (NPL)	share	of the NPL	the	School District	Total covered payroll payroll		Total covered payroll		payroll	liability
2021	0.00%	\$	-	\$	563,934.00	\$	563,934.00	\$	1,367,941.72	N/A	84.45%
2020	0.00%	\$	-	\$	510,603.00	\$	510,603.00	\$	1,258,898.26	N/A	85.02%
2019	0.00%	\$	-	\$	461,154.00	\$	461,154.00	\$	1,262,321.52	N/A	85.26%
2018	0.00%	\$	-	\$	424,765.00	\$	424,765.00	\$	1,228,006.34	N/A	85.69%
2017	0.00%	\$	-	\$	524,469.00	\$	524,469.00	\$	1,147,993.79	N/A	81.00%
2016	0.00%	\$	-	\$	353,701.00	\$	353,701.00	\$	1,093,099.00	N/A	87.00%
2015	0.00%	\$	-	\$	302,528.00	\$	302,528.00	\$	1,066,517.76	N/A	88.29%

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY SCHOOL OPEB FUND

								School District's	
	School		S	tate of				proportionate	
	District's	istrict's Georgia's					share of the	Plan fiduciary	
	proportion of		proportionate					NOL as a	net position
For the	the Net		sha	ire of the				percentage of	as a
Year	OPEB	School District's	NOL	associated		S	chool District's	its covered-	percentage
Ended	Liability	proportionate	with	the School			covered-	employee	of the total
June 30	(NOL)	share of the NOL		District	Total	otal employee payroll		payroll	OPEB liability
2024	0.2405560/	¢ 32.400.706.00	.		¢ 22.400.706.00		10 10 1 00 01	477 2007	2.000/
2021	0.218556%	\$ 32,100,786.00	\$	-	\$ 32,100,786.00	\$	18,104,886.91	177.30%	3.99%
2020	0.212847%	\$ 26,120,893.00	\$	-	\$ 26,120,893.00	\$	17,000,736.08	153.65%	4.63%
2019	0.212676%	\$ 27,030,466.00	\$	-	\$ 27,030,466.00	\$	16,975,884.71	159.23%	2.93%
2018	0.212736%	\$ 29,889,322.00	\$	-	\$ 29,889,322.00	\$	16,502,817.24	181.12%	1.61%

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS SCHOOL OPEB FUND

For the Year Ended June 30			 outions in relation to intractually required contribution	Contribution deficiency (excess)			chool District's vered-employee payroll	Contribution as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	
2024	_	005 357 00	 005 357 00			_	40 202 222 54	4.40%	
2021	\$	805,357.00	\$ 805,357.00	\$	-	\$	18,283,323.54	4.40%	
2020	\$	739,107.00	\$ 739,107.00	\$	-	\$	18,104,886.91	4.08%	
2019	\$	1,146,329.00	\$ 1,146,329.00	\$	-	\$	17,000,736.08	6.74%	
2018	\$	1,102,279.00	\$ 1,102,279.00	\$	-	\$	16,975,884.71	6.49%	
2017	\$	1,109,218.00	\$ 1,109,218.00	\$	-	\$	16,502,817.24	6.72%	

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Teachers Retirement System

Changes of assumptions: In 2010 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Mortality Tables rather than the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2010. In 2010, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2010, assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.

On November 18, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement, disability, withdrawal and salary increases. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to RP-2000 White Collar Mortality Table with future mortality improvement projected to 2025 with the Society of Actuaries' projection scale BB (set forward one year for males).

On May 15, 2019, the Board adopted recommended changes from the smoothed valuation interest rate methodology that has been in effect since June 30, 2009, to a constant interest rate method. In conjunction with the methodology, the long-term assumed rate of return in assets (discount rate) has been changed from 7.50% to 7.25%, and the assumed annual rate of inflation has been reduced from 2.75% to 2.50%.

In 2019 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the Pub-2010 Teacher Headcount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table from the RP-2000 Mortality Tables. In 2019, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

Public School Employees Retirement System

Changes of benefit terms: The member contribution rate was increased from \$4.00 to \$10.00 per month for members joining the System on or after July 1, 2012. The monthly benefit accrual rate was increased from \$14.75 to \$15.00 per year of credible service effective July 1, 2017. The monthly benefit accrual was increased from \$15.00 to \$15.25 per year of credible service effective July 1, 2018. The monthly benefit accrual was increased from \$15.25 to \$15.50 per year of credible service effective July 1, 2019. A 2% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) was granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2016, another July 2017, and another July 2018. Two 1.5% COLAs were granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2019 and January 2020.

Changes of assumptions: In 2010 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Mortality Tables rather than the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2010. In 2010, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

On December 17, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement and withdrawal. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Blue Collar Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 3 years for males and 2 years for females).

On March 15, 2018, the Board adopted a new funding policy. Because of this new funding policy, the assumed investment rate of return was reduced from 7.50% to 7.40% for June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation. In addition, based on the Board's new funding policy, the assumed investment rate of return was further reduced by 0.10% from 7.40% to 7.30% as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date. The assumed investment rate of return remained at 7.30% for the June 30, 2019 valuation.

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

School OPEB Fund

Changes of benefit terms: There have been no changes in benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions: The June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was revised, for various factors, including the methodology used to determine how employees and retirees were assigned to each of the OPEB Funds and anticipated participation percentages. Current and former employees of State organizations (including technical colleges, community service boards and public health departments) are now assigned to State OPEB fund based on their last employer payroll location; irrespective of retirement affiliation.

The June 30, 2019 decremental valuation were changed to reflect the Teachers Retirement Systems experience study.

The discount rate was updated from 3.07% as of June 30, 2016 to 3.58% as of June 30, 2017 to 3.87% as of June 30, 2018, to 3.58% as of June 30, 2019, and to 2.22% as of June 30, 2020.

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ${\tt BUDGET\ AND\ ACTUAL}$

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

		NONAPPROPRIATE	D BUDGETS	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
		ORIGINAL (1)	FINAL (1)	AMOUNTS	OVER/UNDER
REVENUES					
Property Taxes	\$	13,590,939.00 \$	13,590,939.00 \$	15,507,654.04 \$	1,916,715.04
Sales Taxes		422,277.00	422,277.00	755,213.23	332,936.23
State Funds		17,170,929.00	17,183,477.00	19,224,464.37	2,040,987.37
Federal Funds		2,532,227.00	9,207,971.00	5,823,238.14	(3,384,732.86)
Charges for Services		422,000.00	422,000.00	347,796.93	(74,203.07)
Investment Earnings		3,268.00	3,268.00	5,995.27	2,727.27
Miscellaneous		225,937.00	213,389.00	766,478.92	553,089.92
Total Revenues	_	34,367,577.00	41,043,321.00	42,430,840.90	1,387,519.90
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>					
Current					
Instruction		21,152,825.00	24,832,805.00	25,160,619.04	(327,814.04)
Support Services					
Pupil Services		1,180,317.00	2,228,285.00	1,447,948.53	780,336.47
Improvement of Instructional Services		873,248.00	1,727,114.00	1,752,707.36	(25,593.36)
Educational Media Services		498,850.00	504,215.00	512,439.23	(8,224.23)
General Administration		361,052.00	432,955.00	495,828.68	(62,873.68)
School Administration		2,392,980.00	2,426,672.00	2,341,186.30	85,485.70
Business Administration		344,064.00	348,352.00	351,028.09	(2,676.09)
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		3,496,373.00	4,274,149.00	3,360,830.67	913,318.33
Student Transportation Services		1,848,713.00	1,970,708.00	2,003,320.99	(32,612.99)
Central Support Services		286,124.00	288,267.00	266,700.83	21,566.17
Other Support Services		86,350.00	86,350.00	176,843.28	(90,493.28)
Enterprise Operations		-	-	273,548.85	(273,548.85)
Food Services Operation		2,250,206.00	2,326,974.00	2,411,013.65	(84,039.65)
Total Expenditures	_	34,771,102.00	41,446,846.00	40,554,015.50	892,830.50
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures		(403,525.00)	(403,525.00)	1,876,825.40	2,280,350.40
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
Transfers In		-	-	371,333.08	371,333.08
Sale of Capital Assets		_	-	4,125.00	4,125.00
Total Other Financing Sources	_			375,458.08	375,458.08
SPECIAL ITEM					
Refund of Intangible Taxes - See Note 15	_	<u> </u>		(65,551.39)	(65,551.39)
Net Change in Fund Balances		(403,525.00)	(403,525.00)	2,186,732.09	2,590,257.09
Fund Balances - Beginning		8,400,415.02	8,400,415.02	8,226,126.20	(174,288.82)
Adjustments	_	0.40	(37,284.39)		37,284.39
Fund Balances - Ending	\$_	7,996,890.42 \$	7,959,605.63 \$	10,412,858.29 \$	2,453,252.66

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Notes to the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual

(1) Original and Final Budget amounts do not include the budgeted revenues or expenditures of the programs listed below.

The actual revenues and expenditures of those programs for fiscal year 2021 are as follows:

	_	Revenues	 Expenditures		
		•			
School Activity Funds	\$	568,890.77	\$ 530,401.10		
American Rescue Plan Act - ESSER III		-	419,460.00		
Family Connection Program		49,444.59	49,444.59		
Council for the Arts		7,500.00	7,500.00		
Pre-Kindergarten Program		523,807.02	523,807.02		
R.O.T.C. Program		77,336.34	201,268.25		
Catering and Banquet Fund		4,994.46	4,045.44		
	\$_	1,231,973.18	\$ 1,735,926.40		

The accompanying schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances budget and actual is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is the basis of accounting used in the presentation of the fund financial statements.

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

FUNDING AGENCY PROGRAM/GRANT	ASSISTANCE LISTING NUMBER	PASS- THROUGH ENTITY ID NUMBER		EXPENDITURES IN PERIOD
Agricultura II C Department of				
Agriculture, U. S. Department of Child Nutrition Cluster				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
Food Services				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	215GA324N1199	\$	589,204.08
National School Lunch Program	10.555	215GA324N1199	4	1,668,958.34
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.555	213071321111133	_	2,258,162.42
Total ois: Department of Fig. realitate			_	2,250,102.12
Education, U. S. Department of				
Education Stabilization Fund				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	S425D210012		2,295,060.06
Special Education Cluster				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
Special Education				
Grants to States	84.027A	H027A190073		96,700.29
Grants to States	84.027A	H027A200073		664,417.78
Preschool Grants	84.173A	H173A190081		7,961.00
Preschool Grants	84.173A	H173A200081	_	17,707.56
Total Special Education Cluster			_	786,786.63
Other Programs				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048A	V048A200010		42,828.43
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365A	S365A190010		5,106.06
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365A	S365A200010		4,657.55
Migrant Education - State Grant Program	84.011	S011A190011		5,184.00
Migrant Education - State Grant Program	84.011	S011A200011		1,230.22
Rural Education Achievement Program	84.358B	S358B190010		308.00
Rural Education Achievement Program	84.424A	S358B200010		69,642.28
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424A	S424A190001		59,429.09
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424A	S424A200011		23,995.83
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367A	S367A190001		51,652.65
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367A	S367A200001		134,502.45
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	S010A190010		133,806.26
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	S010A200010		1,033,556.80
Total Other Programs				1,565,899.62
Total U. S. Department of Education				4,647,746.31
Health and Human Services, U.S. Department of				
Pass-Through From Bright From the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning				
	02 575	2110C A CCCE		10 124 50
COVID-19 - Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	2110GACCC5	_	10,134.50
Defense, U.S. Department of				
Department of the Army	12. UNKNOWN			
R.O.T.C. Program				201,268.25
			_	
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$	7,117,311.48

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the Hart County Board of Education (the "Board") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Board, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the Board.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

Note 3. Indirect Cost Rate

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

Note 4. Donated Personal Protective Equipment

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the federal government donated personal protective equipment (PPE) to Georgia Emergency

Management and Homeland Security Agency (GEMA/HS). GEMA/HS, then, donated PPE with an estimated fair market value of \$19,790.00 to the

Hart County Board of Education. This amount is not included in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and is not subject to audit.

Therefore, this amount is unaudited.

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF STATE REVENUE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

GOVERNMENTAL

		FUND TYPES			
				CAPITAL	
		GENERAL		PROJECTS	
GENCY/FUNDING		FUND		FUND	TOTAL
GRANTS	_	TOND		TOND	TOTAL
Bright From the Start:					
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning					
Pre-Kindergarten Program	\$	490,174.90	\$	- \$	490,174.90
Education, Georgia Department of	Ψ	430,174.30	Ψ	Ψ	430,174.30
Quality Basic Education					
Direct Instructional Cost					
Kindergarten Program		990,029.00		_	990,029.00
Kindergarten Program - Early Intervention Program		203,856.00		_	203,856.00
Primary Grades (1-3) Program		2,178,093.00			2,178,093.00
		751,128.00		_	751,128.00
Primary Grades - Early Intervention (1-3) Program				_	
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program		1,070,312.00		-	1,070,312.00
Upper Elementary Grades - Early Intervention (4-5) Program		485,627.00		-	485,627.00
Middle School (6-8) Program		2,267,133.00		-	2,267,133.00
High School General Education (9-12) Program		1,856,880.00		-	1,856,880.00
Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (9-12) Program		748,997.00		-	748,997.00
Students with Disabilities		3,086,600.00		-	3,086,600.00
Gifted Student - Category VI		520,378.00		-	520,378.00
Remedial Education Program		23,516.00		-	23,516.00
Alternative Education Program		161,599.00		-	161,599.00
English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)		129,517.00		-	129,517.00
Media Center Program		374,238.00		-	374,238.00
20 Days Additional Instruction		115,755.00		-	115,755.00
Staff and Professional Development		66,478.00		-	66,478.00
Principal Staff and Professional Development		1,301.00		-	1,301.00
Indirect Cost					
Central Administration		517,197.00		-	517,197.00
School Administration		778,535.00		-	778,535.00
Facility Maintenance and Operations		786,483.00		-	786,483.00
Mid-term Adjustment Hold-Harmless		361,743.00		-	361,743.00
Amended Formula Adjustment		(569,860.00)		-	(569,860.00
Charter System Adjustment		364,495.00		-	364,495.00
Categorical Grants					
Pupil Transportation					
Regular		529,326.00		-	529,326.00
Bus Replacement		231,660.00		_	231,660.00
Nursing Services		72,807.00		_	72,807.00
Vocational Supervisors		13,646.55		_	13,646.55
Other State Programs		.5,0 .0.55			.5,5 .5.55
Career, Technical and Agricultural Education Program		91,461.30		_	91,461.30
Food Services		50,744.00		_	50,744.00
Hygiene Products in Georgia Schools		1,532.00		_	1,532.00
Math and Science Supplements		49,296.00		_	49,296.00
Preschool Disability Services		100,722.92		_	100,722.92
		-		-	77,220.00
Pupil Transportation - State Bonds		77,220.00 28,772.50		-	•
Teachers Retirement		28,772.50		-	28,772.50
Georgia Emergency Management Agency		21 200 61			21 200 6
Donations to LEA for COVID		31,380.61		-	31,380.61
Georgia State Financing and Investment					
Commission					
Reimbursement on Construction Projects		47,929.00		1,490,230.20	1,538,159.20
Office of the State Treasurer					
Public School Employees Retirement		88,317.00		-	88,317.00
CONTRACT					
Human Resources, Georgia Department of					
Human Resources, Georgia Department of Family Connection		49,444.59			49,444.59
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	49,444.59		<u> </u>	49,444.59



HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

PROJECT SPLOST IV		ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST (1)	CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS (2)	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
(i) Acquiring, constructing, equipping and furnishing new				
school buildings and facilities, including but not limited to:				
(ia) an agricultural science facility and related facilities,	\$	1,100,000.00 \$	2,996,269.61	Completed
(ib) a multi-purpose gymnasium and wellness facility	4	1,100,000.00 \$	2,330,203.01	Completed
at the Hart County High School and facilities for a				
college and career academy,		16,900,000.00	21,919,204.44	Completed
(ii) adding to, renovating, improving, equipping and		10,500,000.00	21,515,20 1.11	Completed
furnishing existing school buildings and facilities and				
other facilities,		_	1,605,347.35	Completed
(iii) acquiring technology equipment, computer software			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	p
and hardware, safety and security equipment and				
other school equipment,		_	267,551.03	Completed
(iv) acquiring school buses and other school vehicles,		_	70,874.99	Completed
(v) acquiring textbooks and band instruments,		_	-	Completed
(vi) acquiring land and		_	_	Completed
(vii) acquiring any capital property necessary or desirable				•
for the foregoing purposes, both real and personal				
(together, the "Projects"), all at a maximum cost of				
\$18,000,000.00; and payment of principal and interest				
on Series 2015 General Obligation Bonds.		-	-	Completed
SPLOST IV Totals	•	18,000,000.00	26,859,247.42	•
	•			
SPLOST V				
(i) Acquiring miscellaneous new equipment, fixtures and				
furnishings for the school system, including safety and				
security equipment, technology equipment and software,				
and heating and air condition equipment;		7,939,379.00	7,939,379.00	6/30/25
(ii) expanding, renovating, repairing, improving, and				
equipping existing school system facilities, including				
parking lots, elementary school playgrounds, and other				
school system facilities; and		8,479,684.00	8,479,684.00	6/30/25
(iii) acquiring, constructing and equipping new school				
system facilities, including a concession/locker				
room/restroom building, with the maximum cost of the				
projects described in items (i) - (iii) payable from said tax				
being \$18,000,000.00;		1,580,937.00	1,950,911.00	6/30/25
(iv) paying any general obligation debt of the School				
District issued in conjunction with the continuation				
of such sales and use tax; and		-	-	6/30/25
(v) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing.		<u> </u>	121,609.51	6/30/25
SPLOST V Totals		18,000,000.00	18,491,583.51	
	\$	36,000,000.00 \$	45,350,830.93	
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HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

PROJECT	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN CURREN' YEAR (3) (4	Γ	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN PRIOR YEARS (3) (4)	TOTAL COMPLETION COST	EXCESS PROCEEDS NOT EXPENDED
SPLOST IV					
(i) Acquiring, constructing, equipping and furnishing new					
school buildings and facilities, including but not limited to:					
(ia) an agricultural science facility and related facilities,	\$ -	\$	2,996,269.61	\$ 2,996,269.61	\$ -
(ib) a multi-purpose gymnasium and wellness facility					
at the Hart County High School and facilities for a					
college and career academy,	-		21,919,204.44	21,919,204.44	-
(ii) adding to, renovating, improving, equipping and					
furnishing existing school buildings and facilities and					
other facilities,	-		1,605,347.35	1,605,347.35	-
(iii) acquiring technology equipment, computer software					
and hardware, safety and security equipment and			267.554.02	267 554 02	
other school equipment,	-		267,551.03	267,551.03	-
(iv) acquiring school buses and other school vehicles,	-		70,874.99	70,874.99	-
(v) acquiring textbooks and band instruments,(vi) acquiring land and	-		-	-	-
(vii) acquiring land and (vii) acquiring any capital property necessary or desirable	-		-	-	-
for the foregoing purposes, both real and personal					
(together, the "Projects"), all at a maximum cost of					
\$18,000,000.00; and payment of principal and interest					
on Series 2015 General Obligation Bonds.	_		_	_	_
SPLOST IV Totals			26,859,247.42	26,859,247.42	
			-,,		
SPLOST V					
(i) Acquiring miscellaneous new equipment, fixtures and					
furnishings for the school system, including safety and					
security equipment, technology equipment and software,					
and heating and air condition equipment;	1,577,610	54	984,360.68	-	-
(ii) expanding, renovating, repairing, improving, and					
equipping existing school system facilities, including					
parking lots, elementary school playgrounds, and other					
school system facilities; and	3,030,618	94	4,244,612.85	-	-
(iii) acquiring, constructing and equipping new school					
system facilities, including a concession/locker					
room/restroom building, with the maximum cost of the					
projects described in items (i) - (iii) payable from said tax					
being \$18,000,000.00;	-		45,911.00	-	-
(iv) paying any general obligation debt of the School					
District issued in conjunction with the continuation					
of such sales and use tax; and	-		-	-	-
(v) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing.			121,609.51		
SPLOST V Totals	4,608,229	48	5,396,494.04		·
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	\$ 4,608,229	48 \$	32,255,741.46	\$ 26,859,247.42	ъ <u>-</u>

- (1) The School District's original cost estimate as specified in the resolution calling for the imposition of the Local Option Sales Tax.
- (2) The School District's current estimate of total cost for the projects. Includes all cost from project inception to completion.
- (3) The voters of Hart County approved the imposition of a 1% sales tax to fund the above projects and retire associated debt. Amounts expended for these projects may include sales tax proceeds, state, local property taxes and/or other funds over the life of the projects.
- (4) In addition to the expenditures shown above, the School District has incurred interest to provide advance funding for the above projects as follows:

Prior Years	\$ 1,324,460.26
Current Years	243,600.00
Total	\$ 1,568,060.26

Section II

Compliance and Internal Control Reports



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

The Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of Georgia
Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia
Members of the State Board of Education
and
Mr. Jaybez Floyd, Superintendent and Members of the
Hart County Board of Education

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Hart County Board of Education (School District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 25, 2022. We conducted our audit 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the basic financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

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 District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Lug S. Lligg

Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

March 25, 2022



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

The Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of Georgia
Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia
Members of the State Board of Education
and
Mr. Jaybez Floyd, Superintendent and Members of the
Hart County Board of Education

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Hart County Board of Education's (School District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The School District's major federal programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the School District's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the School District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control over compliance.

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

March 25, 2022

Section III Auditee's Response to Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITEE'S RESPONSE SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters were reported.

PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

Section IV

Findings and Questioned Costs

HART COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued:

Governmental Activities and Each Major Fund Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

• Material weakness(es) identified? No • Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None Reported

No

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted:

Federal Awards

Internal Control over major programs:

• Material weakness(es) identified? No

• Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None Reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:

Unmodified All major programs

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?

No

Identification of major programs:

Assistance Listing Number Assistance Listing Program or Cluster Title

Education Stabilization Fund 84.425

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$750,000.00

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? Yes

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters were reported.

III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.