## CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For Year Ended June 30, 2023



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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Education Cortland Enlarged City School District, New York

## **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Cortland Enlarged City School District, New York, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Cortland Enlarged City School District, New York, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Basis for Opinions**

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

## **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

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

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

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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

## **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, schedule of changes in District's total OPEB liability and related ratio, schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability, schedule of District contributions, and budgetary comparison information on pages 4-13 and 51-55 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

## Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Cortland Enlarged City School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplemental information as listed in the table of contents and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying supplementary information as listed in the table of contents and schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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 themselves, and other records used to prepare 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 supplementary information as listed in the table of contents and schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 13, 2023 on our consideration of Cortland Enlarged City 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 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 Cortland Enlarged City School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Rochester, New York October 13, 2023

Mongel, Metzger, Barr & Co. LLP

## **Cortland Enlarged City School District**

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

## For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

The following is a discussion and analysis of the School District's financial performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. This section is a summary of the School District's financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, and/or conditions. It is also based on both the government-wide and fund-based financial statements. The results of the current year are discussed in comparison with the prior year, with an emphasis placed on the current year. This section is only an introduction and should be read in conjunction with the School District's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

At the close of the fiscal year, the total liabilities plus deferred inflows (what the district owes) exceeded its total assets plus deferred outflows (what the district owns) by \$49,259,788 (net position) a decrease of \$7,131,144 from the prior year.

As of the close of the fiscal year, the School District's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$12,971,327 a decrease of \$1,571,664 in comparison with the prior year.

New York State Law limits the amount of unreserved fund balance that can be retained by the General Fund to 4% the ensuing year's budget, exclusive of the amount designated for the subsequent year's budget. At the end of the current fiscal year, the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$2,138,642. This amount was within the statutory limit.

General revenues which includes Federal and State Aid, Real Property Taxes, Investment Earnings, Compensation for Loss, and Miscellaneous accounted for \$51,565,454 or 87% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of Charges for services, Operating Grants and Contributions, and Capital Grants and Contributions accounted for \$7,477,625 or 13% of total revenues.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School District's basic financial statements. The School District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains individual fund statements and schedules in addition to the basic financial statements.

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all School District's assets plus deferred outflow of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflow of resources, with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The *governmental* activities of the School District include instruction, pupil transportation, cost of food sales, general administrative support, community service, and interest on long-term debt.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on the pages immediately following this section as the first two pages of the basic financial statements.

#### Fund Financial Statements

A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements. All funds of the School District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

*Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the School District's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The School District maintains seven individual governmental funds: General Fund, Special Aid Fund, School Lunch Fund, Debt Service Fund, Permanent Fund, Miscellaneous Special Revenue fund and Capital Projects Fund. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund, the special aid fund, and the capital projects fund which are reported as major funds. Data for the school lunch fund, the miscellaneous special revenue fund, the debt service fund, and the permanent fund are aggregated into a single column and reported as non-major funds.

The School District adopts, and voters approve an annual budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund within the basic financial statements to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

The *Fiduciary Funds* are used to account for assets held by the School District in an agency capacity which accounts for assets held by the School District on behalf of others. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of these funds are *not* available to support the School District's programs.

The financial statements for the governmental and fiduciary funds can be found in the basic financial statement section of this report.

	Major Feature of the District-Wide and Fund Financial Statements									
Government-Wide Fund Financial Statements										
	Statements	Governmental Funds	Fiduciary Funds							
Scope	Entire District (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the School District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education, scholarship programs, and building maintenance	Instances in which the School District administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as student activities monies							
Required financial statements	Statement of net position Statement of activities	Balance sheet Statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance	Statement of fiduciary net position statement of changes in fiduciary net position							
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus							
Type of asset/liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally, assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can							
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid							

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the governmentwide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found following the basic financial statement section of this report.

## **Government-Wide Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all the School District's assets and liabilities. All current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position, the difference between the District's assets plus deferred outflow of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflow of resources, is one way to measure the District's financial health or position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively. Additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of the school buildings and facilities must also be considered to assess the District's overall health.

All District's services are reported in the government-wide financial statements as governmental activities. Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation, and administration. Property taxes, federal and state aid, and investment earnings finance most of these activities.

#### Financial Analysis of the School District As A Whole

#### Net Position

		Total			
	 Governmen	Variance			
ASSETS:	 <u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>			
Current and Other Assets	\$ 20,123,898	\$ 44,913,885	\$	(24,789,987)	
Capital Assets	67,450,792	66,269,832		1,180,960	
Total Assets	\$ 87,574,690	\$ 111,183,717	\$	(23,609,027)	
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</b>					
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 25,402,166	\$ 29,464,884	\$	(4,062,718)	
LIABILITIES:					
Long-Term Debt Obligations	\$ 127,381,727	\$ 140,022,285	\$	(12,640,558)	
Other Liabilities	6,380,200	11,995,165		(5,614,965)	
Total Liabilities	\$ 133,761,927	\$ 152,017,450	\$	(18,255,523)	
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</b>					
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 28,474,717	\$ 45,022,083	\$	(16,547,366)	
NET POSITION:					
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 44,215,821	\$ 40,974,814	\$	3,241,007	
Restricted For,					
Capital Reserve	3,629,276	3,504,244		125,032	
Debt Service Reserve	1,221,397	1,215,780		5,617	
Other Purposes	5,486,230	5,655,062		(168,832)	
Unrestricted	 (103,812,512)	 (107,740,832)		3,928,320	
Total Net Position	\$ (49,259,788)	\$ (56,390,932)	\$	7,131,144	

#### Key Variances

- Current and Other Assets decreased as a result of the NYS ERS and TRS pension systems no longer reporting a net pension asset
- Long-Term Debt Obligations decreased as a result of the net difference between an increase to the net pension liability and a decrease to the OPEB obligation
- Deferred Inflows of Resources decreased as a result of decreased to the pension system amortization of the net differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments

The District's financial position is the product of many factors.

By far, the largest component of the School District's net position reflects its investment in capital assets, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The School District uses these capital assets to provide services to the students and consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the School District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Restricted net position consists of Capital Reserve, Debt Service Reserve, and Other Purposes. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position is deficit of \$103,812,512.

#### **Changes in Net Position**

The District's total revenue increased to \$59,043,079. State and federal aid 54% and property taxes 31% accounted for most of the District's revenue. The remaining 15% of the revenue comes from operating grants and contributions, capital grants and contributions, charges for services, investment earnings, compensation for loss, and miscellaneous revenues.

The total cost of all the programs and services increased to \$51,911,935. The District's expenses are predominately related to education and caring for the students (Instruction) 80%. General support which included expenses associated with the operation, maintenance and administration of the District accounted for 11% of the total costs. See table below:

	Governmen	Total <u>Variance</u>				
	 <u>2023</u>	2022	<u>variance</u>			
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
Program -						
Charges for Service	\$ 307,324	\$ 277,711	\$	29,613		
Operating Grants & Contributions	7,076,086	8,198,614		(1,122,528)		
Capital Grants & Contributions	94,215	460,700		(366,485)		
Total Program	\$ 7,477,625	\$ 8,937,025	\$	(1,459,400)		
<u>General -</u>				<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>		
Property Taxes	\$ 18,468,119	\$ 18,339,806	\$	128,313		
State and Federal Aid	31,635,726	30,378,351		1,257,375		
Investment Earnings	148,971	405		148,566		
Compensation for Loss	29,374	8,076		21,298		
Miscellaneous	1,283,264	857,122		426,142		
Total General	\$ 51,565,454	\$ 49,583,760	\$	1,981,694		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 59,043,079	\$ 58,520,785	\$	522,294		
EXPENSES:						
General Support	\$ 5,720,492	\$ 4,996,426	\$	724,066		
Instruction	41,451,361	38,037,748		3,413,613		
Pupil Transportation	2,308,459	2,040,967		267,492		
Community Services	9,399	22,195		(12,796)		
School Lunch	1,789,417	1,548,441		240,976		
Interest	632,807	935,764		(302,957)		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 51,911,935	\$ 47,581,541	\$	4,330,394		
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	\$ 7,131,144	\$ 10,939,244				
NET POSITION, BEGINNING						
OF YEAR	 (56,390,932)	 (67,330,176)				
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ (49,259,788)	\$ (56,390,932)				

#### Key Variances

• Instruction expense increased as a result of changes in the actuarially determined liabilities for the state pension systems and OPEB.









## Financial Analysis of the School District's Funds

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$12,971,327 which is less than last year's ending fund balance of \$14,542,991.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the District. At the end of the current year, the total fund balance of the General Fund was \$11,513,349. Fund balance for the General Fund increased by \$850,983 compared with the prior year. See table below:

				Total	
<b>General Fund Balances:</b>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<b>Variance</b>		
Restricted	\$ 8,608,298	\$ 8,192,078	\$	416,220	
Assigned	766,409	407,682		358,727	
Unassigned	2,138,642	2,062,606		76,036	
<b>Total General Fund Balances</b>	\$ 11,513,349	\$ 10,662,366	\$	850,983	

## **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The difference between the original budget and the final amended budget was \$146,914. This change is attributable to carryover encumbrances of \$7,682 from the 2021-22 school year, \$135,632 for use of repair reserve, and \$3,600 for use of tax certiorari reserve.

The key factors for budget variances in the general fund are listed below along with explanations for each.

Expenditure Items:	Budget Variance Original Vs. Amended	Explanation for Budget Variance
General Support	\$552,331	Increases in facilities costs and increased repair costs.
Employee Benefits	(\$658,004)	Adjustments to actual benefits costs.
Debt Service-Principal	\$408,978	New GASB 87 requirement.

Revenue Items:	Budget Variance Amended Vs. Actual	Explanation for Budget Variance
Miscellaneous	\$560,030	Additional Medicaid reimbursement than expected.
State Sources	(\$302,031)	BOCES Refund and 4408 adjustments.
Expenditure Items:	Budget Variance Amended Vs. Actual	Explanation for Budget Variance
Instructional	\$686,867	COVID-19 funding reclassification to General Fund.

## **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

## **Capital Assets**

By the end of the 2023 fiscal year, the District had invested \$67,004,166 in a broad range of capital assets, including land, work in progress, buildings and improvements, and machinery and equipment. The change in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, is reflected below:

<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>
\$ 503,239	\$	503,239
3,522,416		765,864
60,096,004		61,411,949
2,882,507		2,863,054
\$ 67,004,166	\$	65,544,106
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More detailed information can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

## Long-Term Debt

At year end, the District had \$127,381,727 in general obligation bonds and other long-term debt outstanding as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Serial Bonds	\$ 18,007,000	\$ 21,139,000
Unamortized Bond Premium	2,952,414	3,354,623
Leases	341,408	394,831
OPEB	98,345,741	112,286,843
Net Pension Liability	4,943,377	-
Retainage	84,503	-
Compensated Absences	2,707,284	2,846,988
<b>Total Long-Term Obligations</b>	\$ 127,381,727	\$ 140,022,285

More detailed information can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

### **Factors Bearing on the District's Future**

The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the District's operational and financial performance will depend on further developments, including the duration and spread of the outbreak and its impact on school districts, including its residents, employees, and vendors, none of which can be predicted. Federal revenue sources are expected to decrease due to less pandemic-related funding.

The District will continue to mitigate the impact of rising costs of education on the overall budget, including using reserve funds as permitted by law to lessen their budgetary impact. The property tax levy requires using reserves judiciously. These issues and concerns are exacerbated by COVID-19 requiring management to plan carefully and prudently to provide the educational resources necessary to meet student needs and flexibility on how students are taught.

The District also anticipates working within a difficult NYS budget cycle, which may impact our financial assistance through State Aid. Coupled with rising costs, our expense budget continues to be close to our revenue budget, potentially requiring the district to request a tax levy override for the upcoming school years.

#### **Contacting the School District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the following:

Cortland Enlarged City School District 1 Valley View Drive Cortland, New York 13045

## Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2023

	G	overnmental <u>Activities</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	13,467,037
Investments		369,748
Accounts receivable		6,262,720
Inventories		24,393
Capital Assets:		
Land		503,239
Work in progress		3,522,416
Other capital assets (net of depreciation)		63,425,137
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	87,574,690
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred outflows of resources	\$	25,402,166
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$	132,505
Accrued liabilities		649,806
Unearned revenues		142,347
Due to other governments		582
Due to teachers' retirement system		2,051,681
Due to employees' retirement system		171,743
Bond anticipation notes payable		1,500,000
Other Liabilities		1,731,536
Long-Term Obligations:		
Due in one year		4,586,745
Due in more than one year		122,794,982
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	133,761,927
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred inflows of resources	\$	28,474,717
NET POSITION		
	\$	44 215 221
Net investment in capital assets Restricted For:	Ф	44,215,821
Debt service		1,221,397
Capital reserves		3,629,276
Other purposes		5,486,230
Unrestricted		(103,812,512)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	(49,259,788)
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(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

## Statement of Activities

## For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

<u>Functions/Programs</u> Primary Government -		<u>Expenses</u>		Charges for Grants and Gra			Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Charges for		Operating Grants and		Capital ants and tributions	R ( 	et (Expense) Revenue and Changes in <u>Net Position</u> overnmental <u>Activities</u>
General support	\$	5,720,492	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(5,720,492)																																																																			
Instruction		41,451,361		49,115		5,348,127		94,215		(35,959,904)																																																																			
Pupil transportation		2,308,459		-		-		-		(2,308,459)																																																																			
Community services		9,399		-		-		-		(9,399)																																																																			
School lunch		1,789,417		258,209		1,727,959		-		196,751																																																																			
Interest		632,807		_		-				(632,807)																																																																			
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	\$	51,911,935	\$	307,324	\$	7,076,086	\$	94,215	\$	(44,434,310)																																																																			
General Revenues: Property taxes								\$	18,468,119																																																																				
		te and federal ai								31,635,726																																																																			
		estment earning								148,971																																																																			
Compensation for loss										29,374																																																																			
Miscellaneous										1,283,264																																																																			
Total General Revenues									\$	51,565,454																																																																			
	Cha	anges in Net Po	sition						\$	7,131,144																																																																			
	Net	Position, Begi	nning	g of Year						(56,390,932)																																																																			
	Net	Position, End	of Y	ear					\$	(49,259,788)																																																																			

#### **Balance Sheet**

**Governmental Funds** 

June 30, 2023

	Special Capital General Aid Projects		-		Nonmajor overnmental	Total Governmental				
ASSETS		<u>Fund</u>		<b>Fund</b>		<u>Fund</u>		<b>Funds</b>		Funds
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	10,463,912	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,003,125	\$	13,467,037
Investments		-		-		-		369,748		369,748
Receivables		3,130,224		1,657,323		1,349,920		125,253		6,262,720
Inventories		-		-		-		24,393		24,393
Due from other funds	<u> </u>	3,463,318		-		-		5,919		3,469,237
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	17,057,454	\$	1,657,323	\$	1,349,920	\$	3,528,438	\$	23,593,135
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, A Liabilities -	ND FUN	D BALANCES								
Accounts payable	\$	70,991	\$	4,491	\$	57,023	\$	-	\$	132,505
Accrued liabilities		596,691		-		-		7,125		603,816
Notes payable - bond anticipation notes		-		-		1,500,000		-		1,500,000
Due to other funds		-		1,643,969		1,641,441		183,827		3,469,237
Due to other governments		385		-		-		197		582
Due to TRS		2,051,681		-		-		-		2,051,681
Due to ERS		159,569		-		-		12,174		171,743
Other liabilities		1,852,100		-		-		-		1,852,100
Compensated absences		161,090		-		-		5,673		166,763
Unearned revenue				8,863		-		12,920		21,783
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	4,892,507	\$	1,657,323	\$	3,198,464	\$	221,916	\$	9,970,210
Deferred Inflows -										
Deferred inflows of resources	\$	651,598	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	651,598
	<u> </u>	001,090	Ψ		Ψ		Ψ		<u><u></u></u>	001,050
Fund Balances -	\$		\$		\$		\$	211 551	¢	211 551
Nonspendable Restricted	Э	- 8,608,298	¢	-	ф	1,102	ф	311,551	\$	311,551
				-		1,102		1,441,447		10,050,847
Assigned		766,409		-		-		1,553,524		2,319,933
Unassigned		2,138,642		<u> </u>	¢	(1,849,646)	¢		¢	288,996
TOTAL FUND BALANCE TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	11,513,349	\$		\$	(1,848,544)	\$	3,306,522	\$	12,971,327
DEFERRED INFLOWS AND										
FUND BALANCES	\$	17,057,454	\$	1,657,323	\$	1,349,920	\$	3,528,438		
	Amour	nts reported for	govern	nmental activiti	es in th	ie				
	Statem	ent of Net Posit	tion are	e different beca	use:					
	Capital	assets/right to u	ise asse	ts used in gover	nmenta	l activities are no	ot finan	cial resources		
	and the	refore are not re	ported i	in the funds.						67,450,792
	Taxes 1	eceivable is defe	erred fo	r those amounts	collect	ed after ninety (9	90) day	s		
	on func	l basis, while the	ose amo	ounts are recorde	ed as re	venue on the full				
	accrual	basis.								651,598
	Interest	is accrued on o	utstandi	ing bonds in the	statem	ent of net positio	m			
		in the funds.	utotunu	ing condo in the	statem	ent of net positio				(45,990)
		lowing long-terr	n oblig	ations are not du	io and r	avable in the				
			-		-	vernmental fund	c.			
		al bonds payable		e not reported n	r une go	verninentar rund				(18,007,000)
	Leas	1.5	-							(341,408)
		inage								(84,503)
	OPE	-								
		pensated absend	205							(98,345,741)
				26						(2,540,521) (2,952,414)
		mortized bond p		15						(2,952,414)
		rred outflow - pe								12,228,733
		erred outflow - C								13,173,433
		pension liability								(4,943,377)
		red inflow - pen								(909,121) (27,565,506)
		erred inflow - OI sition of Govern		Activities					\$	(27,565,596) ( <b>49,259,788</b> )
	THET PO	shou or Govern	mienta	a Activities					φ	(47,437,100)

#### (See accompanying notes to financial statements)

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

#### **Governmental Funds**

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

REVENUES		General <u>Fund</u>		Special Aid <u>Fund</u>		Capital Projects <u>Fund</u>		Nonmajor overnmental <u>Funds</u>	Go	Total overnmental <u>Funds</u>
	\$	18,374,804	\$		\$		\$		\$	18,374,804
Real property taxes and tax items Charges for services	φ	49,115	φ	-	φ	-	ф	-	φ	49,115
Use of money and property		159,766		-		-		(10,795)		49,113 148,971
Sale of property and compensation for loss		29,374		-		-		(10,795)		29,374
Miscellaneous		1,195,030		9,587		-		87,028		1,291,645
State sources		31,439,511		551,273		94,215		31,688		32,116,687
Federal sources		196,215		4,787,267		,215		1,696,271		6,679,753
Sales		190,215		4,707,207		-		258,209		258,209
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	51,443,815	\$	5,348,127	\$	94,215	\$	2,062,401	\$	58,948,558
EXPENDITURES										
General support	\$	4,571,772	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,571,772
Instruction		26,004,152		5,334,375		-		-		31,338,527
Pupil transportation		1,346,350		11,143		450,898		-		1,808,391
Community services		9,399		-		-		-		9,399
Employee benefits		13,368,524		33,535		-		252,264		13,654,323
Debt service - principal		3,998,978		-		-		-		3,998,978
Debt service - interest		1,162,731		-		-		-		1,162,731
Cost of sales		-		-		-		1,032,137		1,032,137
Other expenses		-		-		-		530,906		530,906
Capital outlay		-		-		3,227,819		-		3,227,819
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	50,461,906	\$	5,379,053	\$	3,678,717	\$	1,815,307	\$	61,334,983
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES										
OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	981,909	\$	(30,926)	\$	(3,584,502)	\$	247,094	\$	(2,386,425)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
Transfers - in	\$	-	\$	30,926	\$	100,000	\$	-	\$	130,926
Transfers - out		(130,926)		-		-		-		(130,926)
Proceeds from obligations		-		-		813,555		-		813,555
Premium on obligations issued		-		-		-		1,206		1,206
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING										
SOURCES (USES)	\$	(130,926)	\$	30,926	\$	913,555	\$	1,206	\$	814,761
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$	850,983	\$	-	\$	(2,670,947)	\$	248,300	\$	(1,571,664)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING										
OF YEAR		10,662,366				822,403		3,058,222		14,542,991
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	11,513,349	\$	-	\$	(1,848,544)	\$	3,306,522	\$	12,971,327
(See accompanying notes to financial statements)			17							

(See accompanying notes to financial statements)

## CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to Statement of Activities For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	\$	(1,571,664)
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 those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. The following are the amounts by which capital outlays and additions of assets in excess depreciation in the current period:		
Capital Outlay\$Additions to Assets, Net3,979,856Depreciation and Amortization(2,798,896)		1,180,960
Bond proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term obligations in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term obligations in the Statement of Net Position. The following details these items as they effect the governmental activities:		
Debt Repayments\$ 3,998,978Proceeds from Bond Issuance(452,000)Unamortized Bond Premium402,209Proceeds from Lease Financing(361,555)		
		3,587,632
In the Statement of Activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due.		127,715
The Retainage liability does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds.		(84,503)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenue in the funds.		93,315
The net OPEB liability does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds.		4,934,988
(Increase) decrease in proportionate share of net pension asset/liability reported in the Statement of Activi do not provide for or require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues or expenditures in the governmental funds	ties	
Teachers' Retirement System Employees' Retirement System		(644,446) (654,307)
In the Statement of Activities, vacation pay, teachers' retirement incentive and judgments and claims are measured by the amount accrued during the year. In the governmental funds, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount actually paid. The following provides the differences of these items as presented in the governmental activities:		
Compensated Absences		161,454
CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$	7,131,144

# CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK Statement of Fiduciary Net Position

## June 30, 2023

ASSETS	Custodial <u>Funds</u>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	109,239
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	109,239
NET POSITION		
Restricted for individuals, organizations and other governments	\$	109,239
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	109,239

## Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Custodial	
		<b>Funds</b>
ADDITIONS		
Library tax levy	\$	416,298
Student activity		181,553
TOTAL ADDITIONS	\$	597,851
DEDUCTIONS		
Student activity	\$	187,283
Library tax levy		416,298
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	\$	603,581
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$	(5,730)
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR		114,969
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$	109,239

## Notes To The Basic Financial Statements

#### June 30, 2023

#### I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Cortland Enlarged City School District, New York (the District) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

## A. <u>Reporting Entity</u>

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

The reporting entity of the District is based upon criteria set forth by GASB Statement 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended by GASB Statement 39, *Component Units* and GASB Statement No. 61 *The Financial Reporting* Entity. The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The District is not a component unit of another reporting entity. The decision to include a potential component unit in the District's reporting entity is based on several criteria including legal standing, fiscal dependency, and financial accountability. Based on the application of these criteria, the following is a brief review of certain entities included in the District's reporting entity.

## 1. <u>Extraclassroom Activity Funds</u>

The extraclassroom activity funds of the District represent funds of the students of the District. The Board of Education exercises general oversight of these funds. The extraclassroom activity funds are independent of the District with respect to its financial transactions, and the designation of student management. Separate audited financial statements (cash basis) of the extraclassroom activity funds can be found at the District's business office. The District accounts for assets held as an agency for various student organizations in an agency fund.

## B. Joint Venture

The District is one of several component school districts in the Onondaga Cortland Madison Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES). The BOCES is a voluntary, cooperative association of school districts in a geographic area that shares planning, services, and programs which provide educational and support activities. There is no authority or process by which a school district can terminate its status as a BOCES component.

BOCES are organized under §1950 of the New York State Education Law. A BOCES Board is considered a corporate body. Members of a BOCES Board are nominated and elected by their component member boards in accordance with provisions of §1950 of the New York State Education Law. All BOCES property is held by the BOCES Board as a corporation (§1950(6)). In addition, BOCES Boards also are considered municipal corporations to permit them to contract with other municipalities on a cooperative basis under §119-n(a) of the New York State General Municipal Law.

A BOCES' budget is comprised of separate budgets for administrative, program, and capital costs. Each component school district's share of administrative and capital cost is determined by resident public school district enrollment as defined in Education Law, Section 1950(4)(b)(7). In addition, component districts pay tuition or a service fee for programs in which its students participate.

During the year, the District was billed \$7,416,221 for BOCES administrative and program costs.

The District's share of BOCES aid amounted to \$2,110,185.

Financial statements for the BOCES are available from the BOCES administrative office.

## C. <u>Basis of Presentation</u>

## 1. <u>Districtwide Statements</u>

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present financial information about the District's governmental activities. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government in its entirety, except those that are fiduciary. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal transactions. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, state aid, intergovernmental revenues, and other exchange and nonexchange transactions. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants, while the capital grants column reflects capital specific grants.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between program expenses and revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses, principally employee benefits, are allocated to functional areas in proportion to the payroll expended for those areas. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and 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.

## 2. Fund Statements

The fund statements provide information about the District's funds, including fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category (governmental and fiduciary) are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

The District reports the following governmental funds:

#### a. <u>Major Governmental Funds</u>

<u>**General Fund</u></u> - This is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial transactions that are not required to be accounted for in another fund.</u>** 

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

<u>**Capital Projects Fund</u>** - This fund is used to account for the financial resources used for acquisition of school buses.</u>

**b.** <u>Nonmajor Governmental</u> - The other funds which are not considered major are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds as follows:

<u>School Lunch Fund</u> - Used to account for transactions of the District's lunch, breakfast and milk programs.

<u>Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund</u> - This fund accounts for and reports those revenues that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes.

**Debt Service Fund** - This fund accounts for the accumulation of resources and the payment of principal and interest on long-term obligations for governmental activities.

<u>**Permanent Fund</u></u> - Used to account for and report resources that are legally restricted to the extent that earnings, not principle, may be used for purposes that benefit the District.</u>** 

c. <u>Fiduciary</u> - Fiduciary activities are those in which the District acts as trustee or agent for resources that belong to others. These activities are not included in the District-wide financial statements, because their resources do not belong to the District, and are not available to be used.

<u>**Custodial Funds</u>** - These funds are strictly custodial in nature and do not involve the measurement of results of operations. Assets are held by the District as agent for various student groups or extraclassroom activity funds.</u>

## D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The District-Wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the District gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include property 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 grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The fund financial statements 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 District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within one year after the end of the fiscal year.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

## E. <u>Property Taxes</u>

Real property taxes are levied annually by the Board of Education no later than August 1, and become a lien on August 23, 2022. Taxes are collected during the period September 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023.

The City of Cortland and Counties of Cortland and Tompkins, in which the District is located, enforce uncollected real property taxes. An amount representing all uncollected real property taxes must be transmitted by the counties and City to the District within two years from the return of unpaid taxes to the counties and City. Real property taxes receivable expected to be collected within 60 days of year end, less similar amounts collected during this period in the preceding year are recognized as revenues. Otherwise, deferred revenues offset real property taxes receivable.

## F. <u>Restricted Resources</u>

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

## G. Interfund Transactions

The operations of the District include transactions between funds. These transactions may be temporary in nature, such as with interfund borrowing. The District typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of providing cash flow. These interfund receivables and payables are expected to be repaid within one year. Permanent transfers of funds include the transfer of expenditures and revenues to provide financing or other services.

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

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

Refer to Note VII for a detailed disclosure by individual fund for interfund receivables, payables, expenditures, and revenues activity.

## H. <u>Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are made in a variety of areas, including computation of encumbrances, compensated absences, potential contingent liabilities and useful lives of long-lived assets.

## I. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

New York State Law governs the District's investment policies. Resources must be deposited in FDIC-insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. Permissible investments include obligations of the United States Treasury, United States Agencies, repurchase agreements and obligations of New York State or its localities.

Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by FDIC insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of the State and its municipalities and Districts.

Investments are stated at fair value.

## J. <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts, when applicable.

In addition, the District will report a receivable relating to a lease arrangement. The receivable is recorded at the present value of the future payments and recognized over the life of the lease.

No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been provided since it is believed that such allowance would not be material.

## K. Inventory and Prepaid Items

Inventories of food and/or supplies for school lunch are recorded at cost on a first-in, first-out basis or, in the case of surplus food, at stated value which approximates market. Purchases of inventoriable items in other funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase, and are considered immaterial in amount.

Prepaid items represent payments made by the District for which benefits extend beyond year end. These payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the District-wide and fund financial statements. These items are reported as assets on the statement of net position or balance sheet using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of purchase and an expense/expenditure is reported in the year the goods or services are consumed.

A non-spendable fund balance for these non-liquid assets (inventories and prepaid items) has been recognized to signify that a portion of fund balance is not available for other subsequent expenditures.

#### L. <u>Capital Assets</u>

In the District-wide financial statements, capital assets are accounted for at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated capital assets which are recorded at their acquisition value at the date of donation.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. A capitalization threshold of \$1,000 is used to report capital assets. The range of estimated useful lives by type of assets is as follows:

	Сар	italization	Depreciation	Estimated
<u>Class</u>	Tł	<b>reshold</b>	Method	<u>Useful Life</u>
Buildings	\$	50,000	SL	25-50 Years
Improvements	\$	5,000	SL	20-50 Years
Machinery & Equipment	\$	1,000	SL	3-20 Years

The investment in infrastructure type assets have not been segregated for reporting purposes since all costs associated with capital projects are consolidated and reported as additions to buildings and improvements.

## M. <u>Right To Use Assets</u>

The District-wide financial statements, right-to-use-assets are reported within the major class of the underlying asset and valued at the future minimum lease payment. Amortization is between 4 and 5 years based on the contract terms and/or estimated replacement of the assets.

## N. <u>Unearned Revenue</u>

The District reports unearned revenues on its Statement of Net Position and its Balance Sheet. On the Statement of Net Position, unearned revenue arises when resources are received by the District before it has legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when the District has legal claim to resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed and revenue is recognized.

## O. <u>Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources</u>

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses/expenditure) until then.

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

## P. <u>Vested Employee Benefits – Compensated Absences</u>

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

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

Certain District employees are granted vacation in varying amounts, based primarily on length of service and service position. Some earned benefits may be forfeited if not taken within varying time periods.

Consistent with GASB Statement 16, Accounting for Compensated Absences, the liability has been calculated using the vesting/termination method and an accrual for that liability is included in the District-wide financial statements. The compensated absences liability is calculated based on the pay rates in effect at year end.

In the funds statements only the amount of matured liabilities is accrued within the General Fund based upon expendable and available financial resources. These amounts are expensed on a pay-as-you-go basis.

## Q. Other Benefits

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

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

In addition to providing pension benefits, the District provides post-employment health coverage to retired employees in accordance with the provision of various employment contracts in effect at the time of retirement. Substantially all of the District's employees may become eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the District. Health care benefits are provided through plans whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. The cost of providing post-retirement benefits may be shared between the District and the retired employee. The District recognizes the cost of providing health insurance by recording its share of insurance premiums as an expenditure.

## R. <u>Short-Term Debt</u>

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

The District may issue Bond Anticipation Notes (BAN), in anticipation of proceeds from the subsequent sale of bonds. These notes are recorded as current liabilities of the funds that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of bonds. State law requires that a BAN issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term financing within five years after the original issue date.

## S. <u>Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations</u>

Payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported in the district-wide financial statements. In the governmental funds, payables and accrued liabilities are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources. Claims and judgments, other postemployment benefits payable and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the funds financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment in the current year. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements when due.

Long-term obligations represent the District's future obligations or future economic outflows. The liabilities are reported as due in one year or due within more than one year in the Statement of Net Position.

## T. <u>Equity Classifications</u>

## 1. <u>District-Wide Statements</u>

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

**a.** <u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> - consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, constructions or improvements of those assets.

**b.** <u>Restricted Net Position</u> - reports net position when constraints placed on the assets or deferred outflows of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

On the Statement of Net Position the following balances represent the restricted for other purposes:

		<u>Total</u>
Workers' Compensation	\$	537,465
Unemployment Costs		300,148
Retirement Contribution - TRS		656,900
Retirement Contribution - ERS		1,102,314
Insurance		245,877
Tax Certiorari		797,297
Repair		440,990
Miscellaneous Reserves		507,208
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	_	898,031
<b>Total Net Position - Restricted for</b>		
Other Purposes	\$	5,486,230

**c.** <u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> - reports the balance of net position that does not meet the definition of the above two classifications . The reported deficit of \$103,812,512 at year end is the result of full implementation of GASB #75 regarding retiree health obligations and the New York State Pension system unfunded pension obligation.

## 2. Fund Statements

In the fund basis statements there are five classifications of fund balance:

**a.** <u>Nonspendable Fund Balance</u> – Includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Nonspendable fund balance includes:

	Total
Inventory in School Lunch	\$ 24,393
Permanent Fund Endowment	 287,158
Total Nonspendable Fund Balance	\$ 311,551

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**b.** <u>**Restricted Fund Balances**</u> – Includes amounts with constraints placed on the use of resources either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. All encumbrances of funds other than the general fund are classified as restricted fund balance. The District has established the following restricted fund balances:

**Capital Reserve** - According to Education Law §3651, must be used to pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued. The creation of a capital reserve fund requires authorization by a majority of the voters establishing the purpose of the reserve, the ultimate amount, its probable term and the source of the funds. Expenditures may be made from the reserve only for a specific purpose further authorized by the voters. The form for required legal notice for the vote on establishing and funding the reserve and the form of the proposition to be placed on the ballot are set forth in §3651 of the Education Law. The Reserve is accounted for in the General Fund under restricted fund balance. Year-end balance is as follows:

			Total
Name	Maximum	<b>Total Funding</b>	Year to Date
<u>of Reserve</u>	<b>Funding</b>	<b>Provided</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Capital Reserve	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 5,229,002	\$ 3,629,276

**<u>Reserve for Debt Service</u>** - According to General Municipal Law §6-1, the Reserve for Debt Service must be established for the purpose of retiring the outstanding obligations upon the sale of District property or capital improvement that was financed by obligations that remain outstanding at the time of the sale. Also, earnings on project monies invested together with unused proceeds are reported here.

**<u>Repair Reserve</u>** - According to General Municipal Law §6-d, must be used to pay the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment, which repairs are of a type not recurring annually. The Board of Education, without voter approval, may establish a repair reserve fund by a majority vote of its members. Voter approval is required to fund this reserve (Opinion of the New York State Comptroller 81-401). Expenditures from this reserve may be made only after a public hearing has been held, except in emergency situations. If no hearing is held, the amount expended must be repaid to the reserve fund over the next two subsequent fiscal years.

**Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve** - According to General Municipal Law §6-p, must be used for the payment of accrued employee benefits due to an employee upon termination of the employee's service. This reserve may be established by a majority vote of the Board and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other reserves and funds that may be legally appropriated.

**Insurance Reserve** - According to General Municipal Law §6-n, must be used to pay liability, casualty and other types of losses, except losses incurred for which the following types of insurance may be purchased: life, accident, health, annuities, fidelity and surety, credit, title residual value and mortgage guarantee. In addition, this reserve may not be used for any purpose for which a special reserve may be established pursuant to law (for example, for unemployment compensation insurance). The reserve may be established by Board action, and funded by budgetary appropriation, or such other funds as may be legally appropriated. There is no limit on the amount that may be accumulated in the Insurance Reserve, however, the annual contribution to this reserve may not exceed the greater of \$33,000 or 5% of the budget. Settled or compromised claims up to \$25,000 may be paid from the reserve without judicial approval.

**<u>Retirement Contribution Reserve</u>** - According to General Municipal Law §6-r, must be used financing retirement contributions. The reserve must be accounted for separate and apart from all other funds and a detailed report of the operation and condition of the fund must be provided to the Board.

<u>Teachers' Retirement Reserve</u> – General Municipal Law §6r was amended to include a Teachers' Retirement Reserve (TRS) sub-fund. The reserve has an annual funding limit of 2% of the prior year TRS salaries and a maximum cumulative total balance of 10% of the previous years TRS salary.

**Tax Certiorari Reserve** - According to General Municipal Law §3651.1-a, must be used to establish a reserve fund for tax certiorari claims and to expend from the fund without voter approval. The monies held in the reserve shall not exceed the amount which might reasonably be deemed necessary to meet anticipated judgments and claims arising out of tax certiorari proceedings. Any resources deposited to the reserve which are not expended for tax certiorari proceeding in the year such monies are deposited must be returned to the General Fund on or before the first day of the fourth fiscal year after deposit of these monies.

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

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

**Encumbrances** - Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments of expenditures are recorded for budgetary control purposes in order to reserve applicable appropriations, is employed as a control in preventing over-expenditure of established appropriations. Open encumbrances are reported as restricted fund balance in all funds other than the General Fund and the School Lunch Fund, since they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities and will be honored through budget appropriations in the subsequent year.

Total

Restricted fund balances include the following:

	<u>1 otal</u>
<u>General Fund -</u>	
Workers' Compensation	\$ 537,465
Unemployment Costs	300,148
Retirement Contribution - ERS	1,102,314
Retirement Contribution - TRS	656,900
Insurance	245,877
Tax Certiorari	797,297
Repair	440,990
Capital Reserves	3,629,276
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	898,031
<u>Capital Fund -</u>	
Capital Bus Purchase	1,102
<u> Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund -</u>	
Fund Balance	213,788
<u>Permanent Fund -</u>	
Fund Balance	6,262
<u>Debt Service Fund -</u>	
Debt Service	1,221,397
<b>Total Restricted Fund Balance</b>	\$ 10,050,847

	<u>Total</u>
Retirement Contribution - ERS	\$ 351,195
Retirement Contribution - TRS	220,000
Repair	120,000
Workers' Compensation	220,000
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	50,000
Total	\$ 961,195

The District appropriated and/or budgeted funds from the following reserves for the 2023-24 budget:

**c.** <u>**Committed</u>** - Includes amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the school districts highest level of decision making authority, i.e., the Board of Education. The District has no committed fund balances as of June 30, 2023.</u>

**d.** <u>Assigned Fund Balance</u> – Includes amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. All encumbrances of the General Fund are classified as assigned fund balance. Encumbrances represent purchase commitments made by the District's purchasing agent through their authorization of a purchase order prior to year-end. The District assignment is based on the functional level of expenditures.

Management has determined significant encumbrances for the General Fund to be \$70,400, Capital Fund to be \$7,400, and Special Aid Fund to be \$12,400. The District reports the following significant encumbrances:

<u>Capital Projects Fund -</u>	
Capital Improvements	\$ 6,812,927
<u>Special Aid Fund -</u>	
Instructional	\$ 1,034,215

Assigned fund balances include the following:

	<u>Total</u>
General Fund - Encumbrances	\$ 26,409
General Fund - Appropriated for Taxes	740,000
School Lunch Fund - Year End Equity	 1,553,524
<b>Total Assigned Fund Balance</b>	\$ 2,319,933

e. <u>Unassigned Fund Balance</u> –Includes all other general fund amounts that do not meet the definition of the above four classifications and are deemed to be available for general use by the school district and could report a surplus or deficit. In funds other than the general fund, the unassigned classification is used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted or assigned.

NYS Real Property Tax Law 1318 limits the amount of unexpended surplus funds a school district can retain to no more than 4% of the District's budget for the general fund for the ensuing fiscal year. Nonspendable and restricted fund balance of the general fund are excluded from the 4% limitation. Amounts appropriated for the subsequent year and encumbrances are also excluded from the 4% limitation.

## 3. Order of Use of Fund Balance

The District's policy is to apply expenditures against nonspendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. For all funds, nonspendable fund balances are determined first and then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined. Any remaining fund balance amounts for funds other than the general fund are classified as restricted fund balance. In the general fund, the remaining amounts are reported as unassigned. Assignments of fund balance cannot cause a negative unassigned fund balance.

## U. <u>New Accounting Standards</u>

The District has adopted all current Statements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) that are applicable. At June 30, 2023, the District implemented the following new standards issued by GASB:

GASB has issued Statement No. 91, Conduit Debt Obligations.

GASB has issued Statement No. 93, Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates, Paragraph 11b.

GASB has issued Statement No. 96, Subscription Based Information Technology.

GASB has issued Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022 (leases, PPPs, and SBITAs).

## V. <u>Future Changes in Accounting Standards</u>

GASB has issued Statement No. 100, Accounting for Changes and Error Corrections-an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62, which will be effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2023.

GASB has issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, which will be effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023.

The District will evaluate the impact each of these pronouncements may have on its financial statements and will implement them as applicable and when material.

## II. <u>Changes in Accounting Principles</u>

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA)*. The implementation of the statement changes the reporting for SBITAs. There was no financial statement impact for the implementation of the Statement.

## III. Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

By its nature as a local government unit, the District is subject to various federal, state, and local laws and contractual regulations. An analysis of the District's compliance with significant laws and regulations and demonstration of its stewardship over District resources follows.

## A. <u>Budgets</u>

The District administration prepares a proposed budget for approval by the Board of Education for the General Fund.

The voters of the District approved the proposed appropriation budget.

Appropriations established by adoption of the budget constitute a limitation on expenditures (and encumbrances) which may be incurred. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year unless expended or encumbrances will lapse if not expended in the subsequent year. Appropriations authorized for the current year are increased by the planned use of specific reserves, and budget amendments approved by the Board of Education as a result of selected new revenue sources not included in the original budget (when permitted by law). These supplemental appropriations may occur subject to legal restriction, if the Board approves them because of a need which exists which was not determined at the time the budget was adopted. The budget was increased \$7,682 for carry over encumbrances, \$135,632 for use of the Repair Reserve, and \$3,600 for use of the Tax Certiorari Reserve.

Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with GAAP. Appropriations authorized for the year are increased by the amount of encumbrances carried forward from the prior year.

Budgets are established and used for individual capital projects fund expenditures as approved by a special referendum of the District's voters. The maximum project amount authorized is based primarily upon the cost of the project, plus any requirements for external borrowings, not annual appropriations. These budgets do not lapse and are carried over to subsequent fiscal years until the completion of the projects.

## B. <u>Encumbrances</u>

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

## C. <u>Deficit Net Position</u>

The District-wide unrestricted net position had a deficit at June 30, 2023 of \$49,259,788. The deficit is the result of the implementation of GASB Statement 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions", which required the recognition of an unfunded liability of \$98,345,741 at June 30, 2023. Since New York State Laws provide no mechanism for funding the liability, the subsequent accruals are expected to increase the deficit.

#### D. Deficit Fund Balance – Capital Projects Fund

The Capital Projects Fund had a deficit fund balance of \$1,848,544 at June 30, 2023, which is a result of expenses incurred by the 2023-2027 Capital Project in excess of funding recognized.

## IV. Cash and Cash Equivalents

**Credit risk:** In compliance with the State Law, District investments are limited to obligations of the United States of America, obligations guaranteed by agencies of the Unites States of America where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America, obligations of the State, time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit issued by a bank or trust company located in, and authorized to do business in, the State, and obligations issued by other municipalities and authorities within the State.

**Concentration of Credit risk:** To promote competition in rates and service cost, and to limit the risk of institutional failure, District deposits and investments are placed with multiple institutions. The District's investment policy limits the amounts that may be deposited with any one financial institution.

**Interest rate risk:** The District has an investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates

The District's aggregate bank balances included balances not covered by depository insurance at year end, collateralized as follows:

Uncollateralized	\$ -
Collateralized with Securities held by the Pledging	
Financial Institution	6,291,577
Collateralized within Trust Department or Agent	 7,791,279
Total	\$ 14,082,856

Restricted cash represents cash where use is limited by legal requirements. These assets represent amounts required by statute to be reserved for various purposes. Restricted cash as of year end includes \$10,050,847 within the governmental funds and \$109,239 in the fiduciary funds.

## V. <u>Investments</u>

The District has few investments (primarily donated scholarship funds) and chooses to disclose its investments by specifically identifying each. The District's investment policy for these investments is also governed by New York State statutes. Investments are stated at fair value, and are categorized as either:

- A. Insured or registered, or investments held by the District or by the District's agent in the District's name, or
- **B.** Uninsured and unregistered, with the investments held by the financial institutes trust department in the District's name, or
- **C.** Uninsured and unregistered, with investments held by the financial institution or its trust department, but not in the District's name.

				U	nrealized		
		(	Carrying	In	vestment	Type of	
Investments	Fund	1	<u>Amount</u>	Ga	ain/(Loss)	Invesment	<b>Category</b>
Aqua America, Inc.	Permanent Fund	\$	25,942	\$	21,366	Common Stock	А
Techne Corp.	Permanent Fund	\$	261,216	\$	248,516	Common Stock	А
Metlife	Misc Special Revenue Fund	\$	82,590	\$	82,590	Common Stock	А

The District does not typically purchase investments for a long enough duration to cause it to believe that it is exposed to any material interest rate risk.

## VI. <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables at June 30, 2023 for individual major funds and nonmajor funds, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

		<b>Governmental Activities</b>												
		General		Special Aid		<b>Capital Projects</b>		onmajor						
<b>Description</b>		<b>Fund</b>		Fund		Fund		<b>Funds</b>		<u>Total</u>				
Accounts Receivable	\$	268,691	\$	4,841	\$	-	\$	9,694	\$	283,226				
Due From State and Federal		1,080,742		1,652,482		1,349,920		115,559		4,198,703				
Due From Other Governments		949,584		-		-		-		949,584				
Taxes Receivable		831,207		-		-		-		831,207				
<b>Total Receivables</b>	\$	3,130,224	\$	1,657,323	\$	1,349,920	\$	125,253	\$	6,262,720				

District management has deemed the amounts to be fully collectible.

## VII. Interfund Receivables, Payables, Revenues and Expenditures

	Interfund												
	R	<u>leceivables</u>		<u>Payables</u>	R	levenues	<b>Expenditures</b>						
General Fund	\$	3,463,318	\$	-	\$	-	\$	130,926					
Special Aid Fund		-		1,643,969		30,926		-					
Capital Projects Fund		-		1,641,441		100,000		-					
Nonmajor Funds		5,919		183,827		-		-					
Total	\$	3,469,237	\$	3,469,237	\$	130,926	\$	130,926					

Interfund Receivables, Payables, Revenues and Expenditures at June 30, 2023 were as follows:

Interfund receivables and payables between governmental activities are eliminated on the Statement of Net Position. The District typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of mitigating the effects of transient cash flow issues. All interfund payables are not necessarily expected to be repaid within one year.

Transfers are used to finance certain special aid programs, support capital project expenditures, school lunch programs and debt service expenditures.

#### VIII. Capital Assets and Lease Assets

## A. <u>Capital Assets</u>

Capital asset balances and activity were as follows:

		Balance				Balance		
<u>Туре</u>	7/1/2022		<b>Additions</b>		<u>Deletions</u>		<u>6/30/2023</u>	
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>								
Capital Assets that are not Depreciated -								
Land	\$	503,239	\$ -	\$	-	\$	503,239	
Work in progress		765,864	 3,312,322		555,770		3,522,416	
Total Nondepreciable	\$	1,269,103	\$ -	\$	555,770	\$	4,025,655	
Capital Assets that are Depreciated -								
Buildings and Improvements	\$	96,220,260	\$ 261,426	\$	-	\$	96,481,686	
Machinery and equipment		8,084,665	 643,047		545,036		8,182,676	
Total Depreciated Assets	\$	104,304,925	\$ 904,473	\$	545,036	\$	104,664,362	
Less Accumulated Depreciation -								
Buildings and Improvements	\$	34,808,311	\$ 1,577,371	\$	-	\$	36,385,682	
Machinery and equipment		5,221,611	 439,182		360,624		5,300,169	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$	40,029,922	\$ 2,016,553	\$	360,624	\$	41,685,851	
Total Capital Assets Depreciated, Net								
of Accumulated Depreciation	\$	64,275,003	\$ (1,112,080)	\$	184,412	\$	62,978,511	
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	\$	65,544,106	\$ (1,112,080)	\$	740,182	\$	67,004,166	

## (VIII.) (Continued)

## B. <u>Lease Assets</u>

A summary of the lease asset activity during the year ended June 30, 2023 is as follows:

<u>Type</u> Lease Assets:	Balance <u>7/1/2022</u>	A	dditions	]	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance 5/30/2023
Equipment	\$ 2,928,293	\$	503,243	\$	1,792,895	\$ 1,638,641
Total Lease Assets	\$ 2,928,293	\$	503,243	\$	1,792,895	\$ 1,638,641
Less Accumulated Amortization -						
Equipment	\$ 2,202,567	\$	782,343	\$	1,792,895	\$ 1,192,015
Total Accumulated Amortization	\$ 2,202,567	\$	782,343	\$	1,792,895	\$ 1,192,015
Total Lease Assets, Net	\$ 725,726	\$	(279,100)	\$	-	\$ 446,626

C. Other capital assets (net of depreciation and amortization):

Depreciated Capital Assets (net)	\$ 62,978,511
Amortized Lease Assets (net)	 446,626
Total Other Capital Assets (net)	\$ 63,425,137

**D**. Depreciation/Amortization expense for the period was charged to functions/programs as follows:

<b>Governmental Activities:</b>		epreciation	Am	<u>ortization</u>	<u>Total</u>			
General Government Support	\$	124,735	\$	-	\$	124,735		
Instruction		1,537,460		782,343		2,319,803		
Pupil Transportation		338,203		-		338,203		
School Lunch		16,155		-		16,155		
Total Depreciation and Amortization Expense	\$	2,016,553	\$	782,343	\$	2,798,896		

## IX. <u>Short-Term Debt</u>

Transactions in short-term debt for the year are summarized below:

	Interest		Balance						Balance
<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Rate</u>		7/1/2022	1	<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>	<u>(</u>	<u>6/30/2023</u>
7/29/2022	2.00%	\$	8,000,000	\$	-	\$	8,000,000	\$	-
7/14/2023	4.25%		-		1,500,000		-		1,500,000
ort-Term Debt		\$	8,000,000	\$	1,500,000	\$	8,000,000	\$	1,500,000
	7/29/2022	Maturity  Rate    7/29/2022  2.00%    7/14/2023  4.25%	Maturity  Rate    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$    7/14/2023  4.25%	Maturity  Rate  7/1/2022    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$ 8,000,000    7/14/2023  4.25%	Maturity  Rate  7/1/2022  2    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$ 8,000,000  \$    7/14/2023  4.25%  -  -	Maturity  Rate  7/1/2022  Additions    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$ 8,000,000  \$ -    7/14/2023  4.25%  -  1,500,000	Maturity  Rate  7/1/2022  Additions    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$ 8,000,000  \$ - \$    7/14/2023  4.25%  - 1,500,000	Maturity  Rate  7/1/2022  Additions  Deletions    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$ 8,000,000  \$ -  \$ 8,000,000    7/14/2023  4.25%  -  1,500,000  -	Maturity  Rate  7/1/2022  Additions  Deletions  9    7/29/2022  2.00%  \$ 8,000,000  \$ -  \$ 8,000,000  \$ -  \$ 8,000,000  \$ -  \$ 8,000,000  \$ -  \$ 1,500,000  \$ - <td< td=""></td<>

Interest on short-term debt for June 30, 2023 was composed of:

Interest Paid	\$ 160,000
Less: Interest Accrued in the Prior Year	(147,111)
Plus: Interest Accrued in the Current Year	16,091
<b>Total Short-Term Interest Expense</b>	\$ 28,980

# X. Long-Term Debt Obligations

	Balance <u>7/1/2022</u>	4	Additions	Deletions	Balance <u>6/30/2023</u>	Due Within One Year
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>						
<b>Bonds and Notes Payable -</b>						
Serial Bonds	\$ 21,139,000	\$	452,000	\$ 3,584,000	\$ 18,007,000	\$ 3,717,000
Unamortized Bond Premium	3,354,623		-	402,209	2,952,414	402,209
Lease Liability	394,831		361,555	414,978	341,408	216,270
<b>Total Bonds and Notes Payable</b>	\$ 24,888,454	\$	813,555	\$ 4,401,187	\$ 21,300,822	\$ 4,335,479
<u>Other Liabilities -</u>						
Net Pension Liability	\$ -	\$	4,943,377	\$ -	\$ 4,943,377	\$ -
OPEB	112,286,843		-	13,941,102	98,345,741	-
Retainage	-		84,503		84,503	84,503
Compensated Absences	2,846,988		-	139,704	2,707,284	166,763
<b>Total Other Liabilities</b>	\$ 115,133,831	\$	5,027,880	\$ 14,080,806	\$ 106,080,905	\$ 251,266
Total Long-Term Obligations	\$ 140,022,285	\$	5,841,435	\$ 18,481,993	\$ 127,381,727	\$ 4,586,745

Long-term liability balances and activity for the year are summarized below:

The General Fund has typically been used to liquidate long-term liabilities such as compensated absences.

Existing serial and statutory bond obligations:

Description	Original <u>Amount</u>	Issue <u>Date</u>	Final <u>Maturity</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Amount utstanding <u>6/30/2023</u>
<u>Serial Bonds -</u>					
Buses	\$ 551,000	2018	2024	2.375%-2.500%	\$ 115,000
Buses	\$ 575,000	2019	2024	1.750%-1.875%	240,000
Buses	\$ 529,000	2021	2025	1.25%	325,000
Construction	\$ 24,560,000	2014	2026	2.000%-5.000%	7,615,000
Construction	\$ 3,300,000	2014	2029	2.000%-5.000%	1,630,000
SED Project	\$ 4,270,000	2021	2035	4.000%-5.000%	3,855,000
Construction	\$ 4,740,000	2018	2032	5.00%	3,450,000
Buses	\$ 399,000	2022	2027	1.125%-1.250%	325,000
Buses	\$ 452,000	2023	2028	2.4%-3.9%	452,000
<b>Total Serial Bonds</b>					\$ 18,007,000
<u>Leases -</u>					
Lease - IT Equipment	\$ 361,555	2023	2025	3.33%	\$ 245,290
Lease - IT Equipment	\$ 285,265	2022	2024	0.77%	 96,118
<b>Total Leases</b>					\$ 341,408

## (X.) (Continued)

	Serial	Bond	S		Lea	ases	
Year	<b>Principal</b>		Interest	P	rincipal	I	nterest
2024	\$ 3,717,000	\$	846,216	\$	216,270	\$	8,571
2025	3,770,000		672,764		125,138		3,181
2026	3,820,000		500,824		-		-
2027	1,105,000		319,098		-		-
2028	1,055,000		268,803		-		-
2029-33	3,735,000		661,000		-		-
2034-35	805,000		48,600		-		-
Total	\$ 18,007,000	\$	3,317,305	\$	341,408	\$	11,752

The following is a summary of debt service requirements:

Interest on long-term debt for June 30, 2023 was composed of:

Total Long-Term Interest Expense	\$ 603,827
Plus: Interest Accrued in the Current Year	29,899
Less: Bond Premium Amortization	(402,209)
Less: Interest Accrued in the Prior Year	(26,594)
Interest Paid	\$ 1,002,731

## XI. Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources

The following is a summary of the deferred inflows/outflows of resources:

	Deferred			Deferred
	<b>Outflows</b>			<b>Inflows</b>
Pension	\$ 12,228,733	\$	5	909,121
OPEB	 13,173,433			27,565,596
Total	\$ 25,402,166	5	3	28,474,717

#### XII. Pension Plans

## A. <u>General Information</u>

The District participates in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) and the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). These are cost-sharing multiple employer public employee retirement systems. The Systems offer a wide range of plans and benefits, which are related to years of service and final average salary, vesting of retirement benefits, death, and disability.

## (XII.) (Continued)

## B. **Provisions and Administration**

A 10-member Board of Trustees of the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board administers TRS. TRS provides benefits to plan members and beneficiaries as authorized by the Education Law and the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (NYSRSSL). Membership is mandatory and automatic for all full-time teachers, teaching assistants, guidance counselors and administrators employed in New York Public Schools and BOCES who elected to participate in TRS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the system, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that contains financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to NYSTRS, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, New York 12211-2395 or by referring to the TRS Comprehensive Annual Financial report, which can be found on the System's website at <u>www.nystrs.org</u>.

ERS provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. The net position of the System is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the System. The Comptroller of the State of New York serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of the System. NYSRSSL govern obligations of employers and employees to contribute, and benefits to employees. Once a public employer elects to participate in the System, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The District also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan (GLIP), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The System is included in the State's financial report as a pension trust fund. ERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to NYSERS, Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York 12244 or by referring to the ERS Comprehensive Annual Report, which can be found at <u>www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php</u>.

## C. Funding Policies

The Systems are noncontributory except for employees who joined after July 27, 1976, who contribute 3 percent of their salary for the first ten years of membership, and employees who joined on or after January 1, 2010 who generally contribute 3.0 to 3.5 percent of their salary for their entire length of service. In addition, employee contribution rates under ERS tier VI vary based on a sliding salary scale. For TRS, contribution rates are established annually by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board pursuant to Article 11 of the Education Law. For ERS, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions for the ERS' fiscal year ended March 31. The District paid 100% of the required contributions as billed by the TRS and ERS for the current year .

The District's share of the required contributions, based on covered payroll paid for the District's year ended June 30, 2023:

<b>Contributions</b>	<u>ERS</u>	TRS
2023	\$ 478,590	\$ 2,051,681

## (XII.) (Continued)

## D. <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> <u>Inflows of Resources related to Pensions</u>

At June 30, 2023, the District reported the following asset/(liability) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) for each of the Systems. The net pension asset/(liability) was measured as of March 31, 2023 for ERS and June 30, 2022 for TRS. The total pension asset/(liability) used to calculate the net pension asset/(liability) was determined by an actuarial valuation. The District's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability) was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the Systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the TRS and ERS Systems in reports provided to the District.

		<u>ERS</u>		TRS
Measurement date	Ma	rch 31, 2023	Ju	ine 30, 2022
Net pension assets/(liability)	\$	(3,146,287)	\$	(1,797,090)
District's portion of the Plan's total net pension asset/(liability)		0.0146721%		0.0936520%

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized pension expenses of \$1,133,982 for ERS and \$2,417,673 for TRS. At June 30, 2023 the District's reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred of Re		Deferre of Re	ed Inflo source	
	ERS	TRS	ERS		TRS
Differences between expected and					
actual experience	\$ 335,104	\$ 1,883,123	\$ 88,360	\$	36,011
Changes of assumptions	1,528,040	3,486,050	16,888		723,919
Net difference between projected and					
actual earnings on pension plan					
investments	-	2,322,011	18,484		-
Changes in proportion and differences					
between the District's contributions and					
proportionate share of contributions	73,534	592,068	21,197		4,262
Subtotal	\$ 1,936,678	\$ 8,283,252	\$ 144,929	\$	764,192
District's contributions subsequent to the					
measurement date	171,743	 1,837,060	-		-
Grand Total	\$ 2,108,421	\$ 10,120,312	\$ 144,929	\$	764,192

## (XII.) (Continued)

District contributions subsequent to the measurement date which will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>ERS</u>	<u>TRS</u>
2023	\$ -	\$ 1,493,883
2024	436,192	851,544
2025	(144,473)	(165,384)
2026	645,811	4,660,214
2027	854,219	638,103
Thereafter	-	40,700
Total	\$ 1,791,749	\$ 7,519,060

### E. <u>Actuarial Assumptions</u>

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

	ERS	TRS
Measurement date	March 31, 2023	June 30, 2022
Actuarial valuation date	April 1, 2022	June 30, 2021
Interest rate	5.90%	6.95%
Salary scale	4.40%	5.18%-1.95%
Decrement tables	April 1, 2015-	July 1, 2015-
	March 31, 2020	June 30, 2020
	System's Experience	System's Experience
Inflation rate	2.90%	2.40%
COLA's	1.50%	1.30%

For ERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020 System experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on the Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2019. For TRS, annuitant mortality rates are based on plan member experience adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale MP-2021.

The long-term rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns net of 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. Best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation as of March 31, 2023 are summarized as follows:

Long Term Expected Rate of Return				
	ERS	TRS		
Measurement date	March 31, 2023	June 30, 2022		
<u>Asset Type -</u>				
Domestic equity	4.30%	6.50%		
International equity	6.85%	7.20%		
Global equity	0.00%	6.90%		
Private equity	7.50%	9.90%		
Real estate	4.60%	6.20%		
Opportunistic portfolios	5.38%	0.00%		
Real assets	5.84%	0.00%		
Bonds and mortgages	0.00%	0.60%		
Cash	0.00%	-0.30%		
Private debt	0.00%	5.30%		
Real estate debt	0.00%	2.40%		
High-yield fixed income securities	0.00%	3.30%		
Domestic fixed income securities	0.00%	1.10%		
Global fixed income securities	1.50%	0.06%		
Short-term	0.00%	0.00%		
Credit	5.43%	0.00%		

The real rate of return is net of the long-term inflation assumption of 2.5% for ERS and 2.4% for TRS.

## F. <u>Discount Rate</u>

The discount rate used to calculate the total pension liability was 5.90% for ERS and 6.95% for TRS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially. Based upon the assumptions, the Systems' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## G. <u>Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to the Discount Rate Assumption</u>

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 5.90% for ERS and 6.95% for TRS, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentagepoint lower (4.90% for ERS and 5.95% for TRS) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.90% for ERS and 7.95% for TRS) than the current assumption :

<u>ERS</u> Employer's proportionate share of the net pension	1% Decrease <u>(4.90%)</u>	Current Assumption <u>(5.90%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(6.90%)</u>
asset (liability)	\$ (7,603,226)	\$ (3,146,287)	\$ 578,004
TRS Employer's proportionate	1% Decrease <u>(5.95%)</u>	Current Assumption <u>(6.95%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(7.95%)</u>
share of the net pension asset (liability)	\$ (16,570,011)	\$ (1,797,090)	\$ 10,626,840

#### H. <u>Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position</u>

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

	(In Thousands)			
	ERS	TRS		
Measurement date	March 31, 2023	June 30, 2022		
Employers' total pension liability	\$ 232,627,259	\$ 133,883,474		
Plan net position	211,183,223	131,964,582		
Employers' net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (21,444,036)	\$ (1,918,892)		
Ratio of plan net position to the employers' total pension asset/(liability)	90.78%	98.60%		

#### I. <u>Payables to the Pension Plan</u>

For ERS, employer contributions are paid annually based on the System's fiscal year which ends on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 based on paid ERS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 amounted to \$171,743.

For TRS, employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 are paid to the System in September, October and November 2023 through a state aid intercept. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 represent employee and employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 based on paid TRS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier and employee contributions for the fiscal year as reported to the TRS System. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 amounted to \$2,051,681.

#### XIII. Postemployment Benefits

#### A. <u>General Information About the OPEB Plan</u>

*Plan Description* – The District's defined benefit OPEB plan, provides OPEB for all permanent full-time general and public safety employees of the District. The plan is a single employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the District. Article 11 of the State Compiled Statutes grants the authority to establish and amend the benefit terms and financing requirements to the District Board. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 75.

*Benefits Provided* – The District provides healthcare and life insurance benefits for retirees and their dependents. The benefit terms are dependent on which contract each employee falls under. The specifics of each contract are on file at the District offices and are available upon request.

*Employees Covered by Benefit Terms* – At June 30, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	329
Active Employees	401
Total	730

## B. <u>Total OPEB Liability</u>

The District's total OPEB liability of \$98,345,741 was measured as of July 1, 2023, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs – The total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.5 percent
Salary Increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Discount Rate	3.54 percent
Healthcare Cost Trend Rates	Initial rate of 7.80% decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.94%
Retirees' Share of Benefit-Related Costs	Varies depending on contract

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

Mortality rates were based on the RPH-2014 Mortality Tables, sex distinct, with generational mortality adjusted to 2006 using scale MP-2014 and projected forward with scale MP-2018.

## (XIII.) (Continued)

## C. Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at June 30, 2022	\$ 112,286,843
Changes for the Year -	
Service cost	\$ 3,946,263
Interest	2,458,349
Differences between expected and actual experience	(6,794,383)
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	(10,837,365)
Benefit payments	 (2,713,966)
Net Changes	\$ (13,941,102)
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 98,345,741

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 2.14 percent in 2022 to 3.54 percent in 2023.

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.54 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.54 percent) than the current discount rate:

		Discount	
	1% Decrease	Rate	1% Increase
	<u>(2.54%)</u>	<u>(3.54%)</u>	<u>(4.54%)</u>
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 116,523,256	\$ 98,345,741	\$ 83,929,395

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

		Healthcare			
	1% Decrease	<b>Cost Trend Rates</b>	1% Increase		
	(6.80%	(7.80%	(8.80%		
	Decreasing	Decreasing	Decreasing		
	<u>to 2.94%)</u>	<u>to 3.94%)</u>	<u>to 4.94%)</u>		
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 82,569,011	\$ 98,345,741	\$ 118,883,637		

## (XIII.) (Continued)

## D. <u>OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB expense of (\$2,261,177). At June 30, 2023, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	 erred Outflows f Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Differences between expected and						
actual experience	\$ -	\$	16,215,216			
Changes of assumptions	10,499,622		11,350,380			
Contributions after measurement date	2,673,811		-			
Total	\$ 13,173,433	\$	27,565,596			

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

\$ (6,916,311)
(2,434,150)
(1,847,549)
(2,736,006)
(2,899,958)
(232,000)
\$ (17,065,974)
-

#### XIV. <u>Risk Management</u>

## A. <u>General Information</u>

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to injuries to employees, theft, damages, natural disasters, etc. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past two years.

#### B. <u>Health Insurance</u>

The District is a participant in the BOCES sponsored Cooperative Health Insurance Fund of Central New York, a non-risk-retained public entity risk pool for its employees' health insurance coverage. The pool is operated for the benefit of the 30 individual governmental units located within the pool's geographic area. The District pays an annual premium to the Plan for this health insurance coverage. The Plan uses a reinsurance agreement to reduce its exposure to large losses on insured events. Plan members are subject to a supplemental assessment in the event of deficiencies. If the Plan's assets were to be exhausted, members would be responsible for the Plan's liabilities. The total cost incurred by the Plan totaled \$8,590,591. The Plan was fully funded as of the last audit.

## (XIV.) (Continued)

## C. <u>Workers' Compensation</u>

The District is a member of the Onondaga Cortland-Madison Workers' Compensation Consortium (the Plan). Current membership of the Plan includes participants from various municipal entities. The Plan is administered by Onondaga Cortland-Madison BOCES and utilizes a third party administrator who is responsible for processing claims, estimating liabilities and providing actuarial services. The Plan participants are charged an annual assessment which is allocated in light of comparative experience and relative exposure based on the estimated total liability of the participating members actuarially computed each year.

The Plan establishes a liability for both reported and unreported insured events, which includes estimates of both future payments of losses and related claim adjustment expenses. However, because actual claims costs depend on complex factors, the process used in computing claims liabilities does not necessarily result in an exact amount. Such claims are based on the ultimate cost of claims (including future claim adjustment expenses) that have been reported but not settled, and claims that have been incurred but not reported. Adjustments to claims liabilities are charged or credited to expenses in the period in which they are made. During the year ended June 30, 2023, the District incurred premiums or contribution expenditures totaling \$240,036.

## D. <u>Unemployment</u>

District employees are entitled to coverage under the New York State Unemployment Insurance Law. The District has elected to discharge its liability to the New York State Unemployment Insurance Fund (the Fund) by the benefit reimbursement method, a dollar-for-dollar reimbursement to the fund for benefits paid from the fund to former employees. The District has established a self-insurance fund to pay these claims. The claim and judgment expenditures of this program for the 2022-23 fiscal year totaled \$6,383. The balance of the fund at June 30, 2023 was \$300,148 and is recorded in the General Fund as an Unemployment Insurance Reserve. In addition, as of June 30, 2023, no loss contingencies existed or were considered probable or estimable for incurred but not reported claims payable.

#### XV. Commitments and Contingencies

#### A. Litigation

The District has received one notice of claim which is in the discovery phase, any potential financial impact cannot be known at this time.

### B. Grants

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

## XVI. <u>Tax Abatement</u>

The County of Cortland IDA, and the District enter into various property tax abatement programs for the purpose of Economic Development. As a result the district property tax revenue was reduced \$199,399. The District received payment in lieu of tax (PILOT) payments totaling \$138,077 to help offset the property tax reduction.

### XVII. <u>Related Party</u>

The District Treasurer and Executive Secretary are related (Daughter and Mother) and in 2022-23 the Executive Secretary was processing payroll. Moving forward in 2023-24, the Payroll Coordinator will be doing Admin and Instructional Staff, and Alana (the Treasurers mom and Executive Secretary) will be doing payroll for CSEA members.

## XVIII. Subsequent Events

On July 13, 2023 the District issued a Bond Anticipation Note in the amount of \$9,000,000 at 4.75% which matures July 12, 2024.

In addition, the District approved up to a 60 month service contract with the Onondaga – Cortland – Madison Board of Cooperative Education Services in order for the Regional Information Center to furnish certain services to the District beginning on or about July 31, 2023. Annual payment for equipment and support is not to exceed \$109,032 plus overage charges per year over the term of the contract.

## CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

## Schedule of Changes in District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratio

## For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY											
		<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Service cost	\$	3,946,263	\$	4,052,559	\$	3,269,815	\$	3,570,360	\$	4,587,124	\$ 6,075,083
Interest		2,458,349		2,429,344		3,560,051		3,941,893		4,402,903	3,822,045
Changes in benefit terms		-		(82,904)		(3,832,071)		(3,547,239)		(413,435)	-
Differences between expected											
and actual experiences		(6,794,383)		-		(13,374,441)		-		(21,948,121)	(18,002,723)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		(10,837,365)		1,318,542		20,317,729	(1,437,354)		(3,750,860)		-
Benefit payments		(2,713,966)		(2,606,382)		(2,422,591)		(2,315,616)		(2,296,407)	 (2,124,442)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	\$	(13,941,102)	\$	5,111,159	\$	7,518,492	\$	212,044	\$	(19,418,796)	\$ (10,230,037)
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	\$	112,286,843	\$	107,175,684	\$	99,657,192	\$	99,445,148	\$	118,863,944	\$ 129,093,981
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	\$	98,345,741	\$	112,286,843	\$	107,175,684	\$	99,657,192	\$	99,445,148	\$ 118,863,944
Covered Employee Payroll	\$	19,094,321	\$	21,226,602	\$	22,810,688	\$	23,060,798	\$	23,218,578	\$ 21,705,853
Total OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Cov	vered										
Employee Payroll		515.05%		528.99%		469.85%		432.15%		428.30%	547.61%

TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY

10 years of historical information is not available, and will be added each year subsequent to the year of implementation until 10 years of historical data is present.

### CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

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

### For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

#### NYSERS Pension Plan

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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability (assets)	0.0147%	0.0148%	0.0144%	0.0141%	0.0151%	0.0154%	0.0152%	0.0158%	0.0156%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets)	\$ 3,146,287	\$ (1,206,501)	\$ 14,341	\$ 3,745,293	\$ 1,072,944	\$ 496,425	\$ 1,425,583	\$ 2,538,034	\$ 428,173
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,343,143	\$ 4,320,104	\$ 4,710,644	\$ 4,498,326	\$ 4,536,304	\$ 4,645,689	\$ 4,587,530	\$ 4,416,615	\$ 4,196,188
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	72.443%	-27.928%	0.304%	83.260%	23.652%	10.686%	31.075%	57.466%	10.204%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	90.78%	98.60%	99.95%	86.39%	96.27%	98.24%	94.70%	90.70%	97.90%
			NŸ	STRS Pension I	lan				
	<u>2023</u>	2022	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability (assets)	0.0937%	0.0960%	0.1023%	0.1061%	0.1097%	0.1125%	0.1129%	0.1106%	0.1119%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets)	\$ 1,797,090	\$ (16,639,637)	\$ 2,828,132	\$ (2,757,316)	\$ (1,983,239)	\$ (855,416)	\$ 1,208,966	\$ (11,490,559)	\$ (12,464,165)
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 18,748,857	\$ 17,234,093	\$ 16,615,719	\$ 17,645,793	\$ 17,939,015	\$ 17,984,187	\$ 17,551,132	\$ 16,808,753	\$ 16,626,195
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	9.585%	-96.551%	17.021%	-15.626%	-11.055%	-4.756%	6.888%	-68.361%	-74.967%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	98.60%	0.00%	97.80%	102.20%	101.53%	100.66%	99.01%	110.46%	111.48%

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until 10 years of historical data is present.

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## CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

## Schedule of District Contributions

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

	NYSERS Pension Plan																
	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>		<u>20</u>	<u>)20</u>		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contributions	\$ 478,5	90 5	\$ 660,511	\$ 654	,163	\$ 6	23,461	\$	646,522	\$	656,420	\$	647,257	\$	767,850	\$	791,786
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(478,5	90)	(660,511)	(654	,163)	(6	23,461)		(646,522)		(656,420)		(647,257)		(767,850)		(791,786)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	- 3	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,343,1	43 5	\$ 4,320,104	\$ 4,710	,644	\$ 4,4	98,326	\$	4,536,304	\$	4,645,689	\$	4,587,530	\$	4,416,615	\$ 4	4,196,188
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	11.0	2%	15.29%	13	.89%		13.86%		14.25%		14.13%		14.11%		17.39%		18.87%
					NYS'	TRS P	ension Pl	an									
	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>		<u>20</u>	<u>)20</u>		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contributions	\$ 2,051,6	81 5	\$ 1,878,921	\$ 1,738	,432	\$ 1,7	01,874	\$	2,015,557	\$	2,090,133	\$	2,309,646	\$	2,913,063	\$ 2	2,685,851
Contributions in relation to the contractually required																	
contribution	(2,051,6	81)	(1,878,921)	(1,738	,432)	(1,7	01,874)		(2,015,557)		(2,090,133)	(	2,309,646)	(	(2,913,063)	(	2,685,851)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	- 3	\$-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 18,748,8	57 5	\$ 17,234,093	\$ 16,615	,719	\$ 17,6	45,793	\$	17,939,015	<b>\$</b> 1	17,984,187	\$ 1	7,551,132	\$1	16,808,753	\$1	6,626,195
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	10.9	4%	10.90%	10	.46%		9.64%		11.24%		11.62%		13.16%		17.33%		16.15%

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# CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance -

## Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual - General Fund

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original <u>Budget</u>				Current Year's <u>Revenues</u>	er (Under) Revised <u>Budget</u>
REVENUES						
Local Sources -						
Real property taxes	\$ 18,227,859	\$	16,264,798	\$	16,227,708	\$ (37,090)
Real property tax items	240,600		2,203,661		2,147,096	(56,565)
Charges for services	65,000		65,000		49,115	(15,885)
Use of money and property	64,650		64,650		159,766	95,116
Sale of property and						
compensation for loss	10,500		10,500		29,374	18,874
Miscellaneous	635,000		635,000		1,195,030	560,030
State Sources -						
Basic formula	29,172,589		24,367,749		24,127,508	(240,241)
Lottery aid	-		4,804,840		4,909,773	104,933
BOCES	2,348,680		2,348,680		2,110,185	(238,495)
Textbooks	179,097		179,097		109,087	(70,010)
All Other Aid -						
Computer software	41,176		41,176		64,761	23,585
Library loan	-		-		13,825	13,825
Other aid	-		-		104,372	104,372
Federal Sources	 80,000		80,000		196,215	 116,215
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 51,065,151	\$	51,065,151	\$	51,443,815	\$ 378,664
Appropriated reserves	\$ 100,000	\$	239,232			
Appropriated fund balance	\$ 400,000	\$	400,000			
Prior year encumbrances	\$ 7,682	\$	7,682			
TOTAL REVENUES AND						
APPROPRIATED RESERVES/ FUND BALANCE	\$ 51,572,833	\$	51,712,065			

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## CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

### Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance -

Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) and Actual - General Fund

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget		Current Amended Year's Budget Expenditures			Enc	umbrances	encumbered Balances
EXPENDITURES				_				
General Support -								
Board of education	\$	42,050	\$ 43,133	\$	36,763	\$	-	\$ 6,370
Central administration		244,800	247,277		246,272		-	1,005
Finance		554,400	670,839		643,300		-	27,539
Staff		216,000	233,459		215,075		-	18,384
Central services		2,775,068	3,206,563		3,035,859		-	170,704
Special items		415,500	398,878		394,503		-	4,375
Instructional -								
Instruction, administration and improvement		1,726,936	1,710,061		1,691,586		167	18,308
Teaching - regular school		12,674,372	12,959,337		12,767,159		7,653	184,525
Programs for children with								
handicapping conditions		7,404,075	7,656,415		7,547,807		-	108,608
Occupational education		725,000	711,856		711,856		-	-
Teaching - special schools		95,100	119,496		90,033		-	29,463
Instructional media		1,942,138	1,351,384		1,246,752		5,439	99,193
Pupil services		2,331,295	2,208,879		1,948,959		13,150	246,770
Pupil Transportation		1,393,149	1,402,320		1,346,350		-	55,970
Community Services		40,000	40,000		9,399		-	30,601
Employee Benefits		14,083,463	13,425,459		13,368,524		-	56,935
Debt service - principal		3,590,000	3,998,978		3,998,978		-	-
Debt service - interest		1,154,487	 1,162,731		1,162,731		-	 -
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	51,407,833	\$ 51,547,065	\$	50,461,906	\$	26,409	\$ 1,058,750
Other Uses -								
Transfers - out	\$	165,000	\$ 165,000	\$	130,926	\$	-	\$ 34,074
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND								
OTHER USES	\$	51,572,833	\$ 51,712,065	\$	50,592,832	\$	26,409	\$ 1,092,824
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$	-	\$ -	\$	850,983			
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR		10,662,366	 10,662,366		10,662,366			
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	10,662,366	\$ 10,662,366	\$	11,513,349			

Note to Required Supplementary Information:

A reconciliation is not necessary since encumbrances are presented in a separate column on this schedule.

# Supplementary Information CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK Schedule of Change From Adopted Budget To Final Budget And The Real Property Tax Limit For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

## CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET:

FINAL BUDGET	\$ 51,712,065
Use of Tax Certiorari Reserve	3,600
Use of Repair Reserve	135,632
Budget revisions -	
Original Budget	\$ 51,572,833
Prior year's encumbrances	7,682
Adopted budget	\$ 51,565,151

## SECTION 1318 OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW LIMIT CALCULATION:

2023-24 voter approved expenditure budget		\$ 53,466,042
Unrestricted fund balance:		
Assigned fund balance	\$ 766,409	
Unassigned fund balance	2,138,642	
Total Unrestricted fund balance	\$ 2,905,051	
Less adjustments:		
Appropriated fund balance	\$ 740,000	
Encumbrances included in assigned fund balance	26,409	
Total adjustments	\$ 766,409	
General fund fund balance subject to Section 1318 of		
Real Property Tax Law		 2,138,642
ACTUAL PERCENTAGE		 4.00%
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## Supplementary Information CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND Schedule of Project Expenditures For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

			Expenditures Methods of Financing								
	Original	Revised	Prior	Current		Unexpended		Local	State		Fund
Project Title	<b>Appropriation</b>	Appropriation	Years	Year	<u>Total</u>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Obligations</b>	Sources	Sources	<u>Total</u>	Balance
Smart Schools Bond Act	\$ 2,270,295	\$ 2,270,295	\$ 1,859,217	\$ 94,215	\$ 1,953,432	\$ 316,863		\$ -	\$ 1,953,432	\$ 1,953,432	\$-
2021-22 Bus Purchases	399,000	399,000	410,733	-	410,733	(11,733)	399,000	-	-	399,000	(11,733)
2022-2023 Bus Purchases	-	-	-	450,898	450,898	(450,898)	-	452,000	-	452,000	1,102
STEAM Initiative	100,000	100,000	-	100,000	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000	-
2023-2027 Capital Project	32,500,000	32,500,000	665,864	2,672,049	3,337,913	29,162,087	-	1,500,000	-	1,500,000	(1,837,913)
Lease Financing Activity				361,555	361,555	(361,555)		361,555		361,555	
TOTAL	\$ 35,269,295	\$ 35,269,295	\$ 2,935,814	\$ 3,678,717	\$ 6,614,531	\$ 28,654,764	\$ 399,000	\$ 2,413,555	\$ 1,953,432	\$ 4,765,987	\$ (1,848,544)

# **Supplementary Information**

# CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

# **Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds**

## June 30, 2023

## Special

				Special						
			Rev	enue Funds	6					Total
		School	Miscellaneous			Debt		Nonmajor		
	Lunch		Permanent		Spec	ial Revenue	Service		Governmental	
		<b>Fund</b>		<b>Fund</b>	Fund		<b>Fund</b>		<b>Funds</b>	
ASSETS										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,650,187	\$	6,262	\$	131,198	\$	1,215,478	\$	3,003,125
Investments		-		287,158		82,590		-		369,748
Receivables		125,253		-		-		-		125,253
Inventories		24,393		-		-		-		24,393
Due from other funds						-		5,919		5,919
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,799,833	\$	293,420	\$	213,788	\$	1,221,397	\$	3,528,438
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALAN	CES									
Liabilities -										
Accrued liabilities	\$	7,125	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,125
Due to other funds		183,827		-		-		-		183,827
Due to other governments		197		-		-		-		197
Due to ERS		12,174		-		-		-		12,174
Compensated Absences		5,673		-		-		-		5,673
Unearned revenue		12,920				-				12,920
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	221,916	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	221,916
Fund Balances -										
Nonspendable	\$	24,393	\$	287,158	\$	-	\$	-	\$	311,551
Restricted		-		6,262		213,788		1,221,397		1,441,447
Assigned		1,553,524		-		-		-		1,553,524
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$	1,577,917	\$	293,420	\$	213,788	\$	1,221,397	\$	3,306,522
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND										
FUND BALANCES	\$	1,799,833	\$	293,420	\$	213,788	\$	1,221,397	\$	3,528,438

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## **Supplementary Information**

## CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

				Special						
	Revenue Funds									Total
	School Lunch		Permanent		Miscellaneous Special Revenue		Debt Service		Nonmajor Governmental	
		Fund		Fund		<u>Fund</u>		<b>Fund</b>		<b>Funds</b>
REVENUES										
Use of money and property	\$	4,724	\$	(19,957)	\$	27	\$	4,411	\$	(10,795)
Miscellaneous		375		-		86,653		-		87,028
State sources		31,688		-		-		-		31,688
Federal sources		1,696,271		-		-		-		1,696,271
Sales		258,209		-		-		-		258,209
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	1,991,267	\$	(19,957)	\$	86,680	\$	4,411	\$	2,062,401
EXPENDITURES										
Employee benefits	\$	252,264	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	252,264
Cost of sales		1,032,137		-		-		-		1,032,137
Other expenses		524,922		-		5,984		-		530,906
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	1,809,323	\$	-	\$	5,984	\$	-	\$	1,815,307
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES										
OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	181,944	\$	(19,957)	\$	80,696	\$	4,411	\$	247,094
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
Premium on obligations issued	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,206	\$	1,206
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING										
SOURCES (USES)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,206	\$	1,206
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$	181,944	\$	(19,957)	\$	80,696	\$	5,617	\$	248,300
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING										
OF YEAR		1,395,973		313,377		133,092		1,215,780		3,058,222
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	1,577,917	\$	293,420	\$	213,788	\$	1,221,397	\$	3,306,522

# Supplementary Information CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK Net Investment in Capital Assets/Right to Use Assets For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

Capital assets/right to use assets, net		\$ 67,450,792
Deduct:		
Bond payable	\$ 18,007,000	
Leases	341,408	
Unamortized bond premium	2,952,414	
Retainage Payable	84,503	
Assets purchased with short-term financing	1,849,646	
		 23,234,971
Net Investment in Capital Assets/Right to use Assets		\$ 44,215,821

# **Supplementary Information**

# CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

# For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Assistance	Pass-Through		
Grantor / Pass - Through Agency	Listing	Agency		Total
Federal Award Cluster / Program	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>	Ex	<u>penditures</u>
U.S. Department of Education:				
Passed Through NYS Education Department -				
Special Education Cluster IDEA -				
Special Education - Grants to States (IDEA, Part B)	84.027	0032-23-0152	\$	850,177
ARP - Special Education - Grants to				
States (IDEA, Part B)-COVID-19	84.027X	5532-22-0152		123,683
Special Education - Preschool Grants (IDEA Preschool)	84.173	0033-22-0152		3,705
Special Education - Preschool Grants (IDEA Preschool)	84.173	0033-23-0152		44,570
ARP - Special Education - Preschool				
Grants (IDEA Preschool)-COVID-19	84.173X	5533-22-0152		9,611
Total Special Education Cluster IDEA			\$	1,031,746
Education Stabilization Funds -				
ARP - ESSER 3-COVID-19	84.425U	5880-21-0560	\$	2,427,307
CRRSA - ESSER 2-COVID-19	84.425D	5891-21-0560		396,604
Total Education Stabilization Funds			\$	2,823,911
Title IIA - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant	84.367	0147-22-0560		13,899
Title IIA - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant	84.367	0147-23-0560		70,958
Title IV - Student Support and Enrichment Program	84.424	0204-22-0560		3,118
Title IV - Student Support and Enrichment Program	84.424	0204-23-0560		35,271
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0011-22-2046		142
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0011-23-2046		5,035
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0021-22-0560		1,190
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0021-23-0560		801,997
Total U.S. Department of Education			\$	4,787,267
U.S. Department of Agriculture:				
Passed Through NYS Education Department -				
Child Nutrition Cluster -				
National School Breakfast Program	10.553	110200010000	\$	388,859
National School Lunch Program	10.555	110200010000		997,977
National School Lunch Program-Non-Cash				
Assistance (Commodities)	10.555	110200010000		119,455
Supply Chain Assistance-COVID-19	10.555	110200010000		127,695
Summer Food Service Program	10.559	110200010000		55,382
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			\$	1,689,368
P-EBT Grant	10.649	110200010000		6,903
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			\$	1,696,271
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$	6,483,538



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* 

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Education Cortland Enlarged City School District, New York

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Cortland Enlarged City School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 13, 2023.

## Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

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## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Cortland Enlarged City 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 District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Mongel, Metzger, Barn & Co. LAP

Rochester, New York October 13, 2023