LUDLOW INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits Members of the Board of Education Ludlow Independent School District Ludlow, Kentucky

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Ludlow Independent School District (District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, 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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2024 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 of Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the 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 opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement from fraud is higher than 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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 judgement, 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, budgetary comparison information, pension schedules, and OPEB schedules as listed in the table of contents, 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.

Other Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, combining and individual school activity fund financial statements, 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. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, combining and individual school activity fund financial statements, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are 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 30, 2024, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Maddox & Associates CPAs Inc.

Fort Thomas, Kentucky October 30, 2024

As management of the Ludlow Independent School District (District) we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information found within the body of this report.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The assets and deferred outflows of the District were more than its liabilities and deferred outflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$26,882,926 (net position). The unrestricted net position, which represents the amounts available to meet the District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors, was a deficit of (\$2,346,829). The District is committed to provide postemployment benefits to its employees. As a result, the District has recognized substantial liabilities in the financial statements for these benefits. As of year-end, the District has liabilities of for postemployment benefits of \$3,406,935 which caused the deficit balance in the unrestricted net position. The District's total net position increased by \$1,599,965.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The discussion and analysis provided here are intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements consist of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) the notes to the financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

The *statement of net position* presents financial information on all of the District's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference 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 District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the District 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 the related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the District that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the District include instruction, support services, district and school administration, business and plant operations, student transportation, and operation of non-instructional services. Fixed assets and debt is also supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 of this report.

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. This is the state mandated accounting system including a chart of accounts for all Kentucky public school districts utilizing the MUNIS administrative software. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds. The proprietary fund is for food service operations. The fiduciary fund is a trust fund established by benefactors to aid in student education, welfare, and teacher support. All other activities of the District are included in the governmental funds. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11-19 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is necessary to acquire a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 20-52 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position presents financial information on all of the District's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference 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 District is improving or deteriorating.

Net Position

	Government	al Activities	Business-Type Activities				
	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023			
Assets							
Current assets	\$ 30,584,694	\$ 26,199,743	\$ 259,792	\$ 574,197			
Noncurrent assets	15,557,798	9,329,007	31,110	34,538			
Total assets	46,142,492	35,528,750	290,902	608,735			
Deferred outflows	1,715,182	2,300,500	99,533	96,289			
Liabilities							
Current liabilities	1,037,128	636,845	-	-			
Noncurrent liabilities	17,884,516	10,568,455	224,551	189,599			
Total liabilities	18,921,644	11,205,300	224,551	189,599			
Deferred inflows	2,098,729	1,781,834	120,259	74,580			
Net position							
Net investment in capital assets	451,292	3,035,883	26,278	34,538			
Restricted	28,732,838	20,251,850	19,347	406,307			
Unrestricted	(2,346,829)	1,554,383					
Total net position	\$ 26,837,301	\$ 24,842,116	\$ 45,625	\$ 440,845			

Change in Net Position

	Governmer	ntal Activities	Business-Type Activities			
	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023		
Revenues:						
Local revenue sources	\$ 5,672,088	\$ 4,356,822	\$ 85,874	\$ 64,507		
State revenue sources	6,942,423	28,842,192	51,259	42,571		
Federal revenue sources	2,474,254	1,755,296	691,592	776,173		
Total revenues	\$ 15,088,765	\$ 34,954,310	\$ 828,725	\$ 883,251		
Expenses:						
Instruction	6,538,866	5,033,657	-	-		
Student support	868,117	759,331	-	-		
Instruction staff	1,001,327	1,365,344	-	-		
District administrative	1,085,093	919,654	-	-		
School administrative	698,651	714,843	-	-		
Business support	209,068	208,379	-	-		
Plant operations and maintenance	2,210,320	1,286,586	-	-		
Student transportation	137,722	31,121	-	-		
Food service	-	-	931,403	822,526		
Community services	113,696	164,172	-	-		
Facility construction	-	1,857	-	-		
Building construction	-	-	-			
Building improvements	-	-	-	-		
Interest on long-term debt	523,262	165,324				
Total expenses	\$ 13,386,122	\$ 10,650,268	\$ 931,403	\$ 822,526		
Transfers	292,542	30,461	(292,542)	(30,461)		
Change in net position	\$ 1,995,185	\$ 24,334,503	\$ (395,220)	\$ 30,264		

GOVERNMENTAL FUND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Governmental Funds

The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the District's government funds reported combined fund balances of \$30,311,034 a change of \$4,251,910 from the prior year.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the District. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$1,158,969. The total general fund balance decreased (\$637,484).

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of the fiscal year, the District had \$15,554,397 in capital assets net of depreciation. Net capital assets changed by \$6,190,852.

		Governmen	tivities		Business-Ty	pe Activities		
		6/30/2024		6/30/2023		30/2024	6/	30/2023
Land	\$	391,300	\$	391,300	\$	-	\$	-
Land and improvements		2,454		3,784		-		-
Buildings and improvements		6,303,773		6,515,635		-		-
Technology equipment		-		(122)		-		-
General equipment		4,487		7,292		26,278		34,538
Construction in progress		8,826,105		2,411,118		-		-
Total capital assets, net	\$	15,528,119	\$	9,329,007	\$	26,278	\$	34,538

Long-Term Obligations

At the end of the fiscal year, the District had \$18,164,847 in long-term liabilities. Long-term liabilities increased \$7,530,405.

	Government	tal Activities	Business-Ty	pe Activities
	6/30/2024	6/30/2023	6/30/2024	6/30/2023
Compensated absences	\$ 226,423	\$ 167,276	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds payable	15,076,827	6,293,124	-	-
Net OPEB liability	1,803,000	2,907,608	-	121,701
Net pension liability	1,058,597	1,622,173	545,338	67,898
Total long-term liabilities	\$ 18,164,847	\$ 10,990,181	\$ 545,338	\$ 189,599

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Kentucky state statutes and the Kentucky Department of Education require school districts to adopt a budget that has a minimum 2% contingency. The District adopted a general fund budget that had a contingency of 22%.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

General fund revenue for the District for 2025 is budgeted to increase approximately \$120,000. Expenditures are budgeted to increase approximately \$780,000 over the prior year. The 2025 budget has a 17% contingency.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Finance Officer, Andy Remlinger, 28 N. Ludlow Ave., Ludlow, KY 41075.

	Governmental	Business-Type	
•	Activities	Activities	Total
Assets			
Current assets	ć 40 740 700	ć <u>250.450</u>	ć 40.070.000
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,712,730	\$ 258,159	\$ 16,970,889
Investments	13,440,893	-	13,440,893
Receivables	431,071	-	431,071
Inventory	-	1,633	1,633
Noncurrent assets	20.670	4 000	24544
Net OBEP asset - CERS	29,679	4,832	34,511
Capital assets, net	15,528,119	26,278	15,554,397
Total assets	46,142,492	290,902	46,433,394
Deferred outflows of resources			
OPEB related	1,463,042	16,434	1,479,476
Pension related	252,140	83,099	335,239
Total deferred outflows of resources	1,715,182	99,533	1,814,715
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Unearned revenue	273,660	-	273,660
Accrued interest payable	162,350	-	162,350
Compensated absences	60,759	-	60,759
Bonds payable	540,359	-	540,359
Noncurrent liabilities			
Compensated absences	165,664	-	165,664
Bonds payable	14,536,468	-	14,536,468
Net OPEB liability - TRS	1,803,000	-	1,803,000
Net pension liability	1,379,384	224,551	1,603,935
Total liabilities	18,921,644	224,551	19,146,195
Deferred inflows of resources			
OPEB related	1,884,530	85,389	1,969,919
Pension related	214,199	34,870	249,069
Total deferred inflows of resources	2,098,729	120,259	2,218,988
Net position			
Net investment in capital assets	451,292	26,278	477,570
Restricted (deficit)	28,732,838	19,347	28,752,185
Unrestricted (deficit)	(2,346,829)		(2,346,829)
Total net position (deficit)	\$ 26,837,301	\$ 45,625	\$ 26,882,926

	Expenses	arges for ervices	G	Operating rants and ontribution	Gra	apital nts and ributions	Revenue over Expenses
Governmental Activities							
Instruction	\$ 6,538,866	\$ 30,400	\$	2,750,621	\$	-	\$ (3,757,845)
Support services:							
Student	868,117	-		438,262		-	(429,855)
Instructional staff	1,001,327	-		397,645		-	(603,682)
District administration	1,085,093	-		202,215		-	(882,878)
School administration	698,651	-		273,068		-	(425,583)
Business	209,068	-		16,793		-	(192,275)
Plant operation	2,210,320	-		1,013,681		-	(1,196,639)
Student transportation	137,722	-		109,397		-	(28,325)
Community service	113,696	-		116,787		-	3,091
Interest on long-term debt	523,262	 -		278,440		-	 (244,822)
Total governmental activities	13,386,122	 30,400		5,596,909		-	 (7,758,813)
Business-Type Activities							
Food service	931,403	 54,955		742,851		-	 (133,597)
Total business-type activities	931,403	 54,955		742,851		-	 (133,597)
Total school district	\$ 14,317,525	\$ 85,355	\$	6,339,760	\$	-	 (7,892,410)

	Governmental Activities		l Business-Type Activities		Total
Revenue over expenses	\$	(7,758,813)	\$	(133,597)	\$ (7,892,410)
General Revenues					
Property taxes		2,539,282		-	2,539,282
Motor vehicle taxes		292,139		-	292,139
Utilities tax		221,481		-	221,481
SEEK		3,802,590		-	3,802,590
Federal direct revenue		17,178		-	17,178
Investment earnings		1,592,934		30,919	1,623,853
Other		995,852		-	995 <i>,</i> 852
Transfers		292,542		(292,542)	 -
Total general revenues		9,753,998		(261,623)	 9,492,375
Change in net position		1,995,185		(395,220)	1,599,965
Net position (deficit) - beginning of year		24,842,116		440,845	 25,282,961
Net position (deficit) - end of year	\$	26,837,301	\$	45,625	\$ 26,882,926

Ludlow Independent School District Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

			Special		Ν	on-Major		Total
	General	I	Revenue	Construction	Go۱	vernmental	Go	overnmental
	Fund		Fund	Fund		Funds		Funds
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,158,675	\$	(157,411)	\$ 15,117,472	\$	593 <i>,</i> 994	\$	16,712,730
Investments	-		-	13,440,893		-		13,440,893
Receivables			431,071			-		431,071
Total assets	\$ 1,158,675	\$	273,660	\$ 28,558,365	\$	593,994	\$	30,584,694
Liabilities								
Unearned revenue	\$-	\$	273,660	\$-	\$	-	\$	273,660
Total liabilities			273,660		<u> </u>	-		273,660
Fund balances								
Restricted	-		-	28,558,365		174,473		28,732,838
Assigned	(294)		54,974	-		-		54,680
Unassigned	1,158,969		(54,974)			419,521		1,523,516
Total fund balances	1,158,675		-	28,558,365		593,994		30,311,034
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,158,675	\$	273,660	\$ 28,558,365	\$	593 <i>,</i> 994	\$	30,584,694

Ludlow Independent School District Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

Total fund balances - governmental funds	\$ 30,311,034
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement	
of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial	
resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Capital assets	15,528,119
Deferred outflow and inflow of resources are applicable to future	
periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Deferred outflows - OPEB	1,463,042
Deferred outflows - pensions	252,140
Deferred inflows - OPEB	(1,884,530
Deferred inflows - pension	(214,199
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period	
and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Accrued interest payable	(162,350
Bonds payable	(15,076,827
Compensated absences	(226,423
Net OPEB liability (asset)	(1,773,321
Net pension liability	(1,379,384
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 26,837,301

Ludlow Independent School District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Special		Non-Major	Total
	General	Revenue	Construction	Governmental	Governmental
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds
Revenues			- Tunu	- Tunus	- Tanas
From local sources:					
Property taxes	\$2,033,042	\$-	\$-	\$ 506,240	\$ 2,539,282
Motor vehicle taxes	292,139	÷ _	÷ _	-	292,139
Utility taxes	221,481	_	_	_	221,481
Earnings on investments	111,071	125	1,481,738	_	1,592,934
Tuition	30,400	125	1,401,750	_	30,400
Other local revenue	26,231	109,769	_	859,852	995,852
	20,251	109,769	-	059,052	995,852
Intergovernmental state:	-	-	-	244 270	2 002 500
SEEK	3,461,220	-	-	341,370	3,802,590
On-behalf	2,510,708	-	-	278,440	2,789,148
Other	7,033	343,652	-	-	350,685
Intergovernmental federal	-	2,457,076	-	-	2,457,076
Federal direct	17,178				17,178
Total revenues	8,710,503	2,910,622	1,481,738	1,985,902	15,088,765
Expenditures					
Instruction	5,337,816	1,198,992	_	61,496	6,598,304
Support services:	3,337,810	1,130,332		01,490	0,550,504
Student	255,295	353,755	_	289,976	899,026
Instruction staff	891,909	140,327	_	205,570	1,032,236
District administrative	1,072,307	34,227	-	-	1,106,534
		54,227	-	-	
School administrative	734,099	-	-	-	734,099
Business support	212,159	-	-	-	212,159
Plant operation	886,209	974,853	-	359,799	2,220,861
Student transpiration	36,125	106,570	-	-	142,695
Community services	-	116,787	-	-	116,787
Building construction	-	-	6,414,987	-	6,414,987
Principal	-	-	-	625,000	625,000
Interest	-			450,771	450,771
Total expenditures	9,425,919	2,925,511	6,414,987	1,787,042	20,553,459
Excess of revenues over (under)					
expenditures	(715,416)	(14,889)	(4,933,249)	198,860	(5,464,694)
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers in	92,821	14,889	250,000	797,331	1,155,041
Transfers out	(14,889)	-	-	(847,610)	(862,499)
Bond premium	-	-	109,062	-	109,062
Bond proceeds	-	-	9,315,000	-	9,315,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	77,932	14,889	9,674,062	(50,279)	9,716,604
Net change in fund balances	(637,484)	-	4,740,813	148,581	4,251,910
Fund balances - beginning	1,796,159		23,817,552	445,413	26,059,124
Fund balances - end of year	\$1,158,675	\$-	\$28,558,365	\$ 593,994	\$ 30,311,034

Ludlow Independent School District Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 4,251,910
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 asset is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Capital outlay Depreciation expense	6,414,987 (215,875)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, but the proceeds increase long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	(9,424,062)
Repayment of long-term debt are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	640,359
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the funds.	
Change in accrued interest payable	(87,850)
Change in compensated absences	(59,147)
Change in OPEB liabilities and deferred amounts	333 <i>,</i> 356
Change in pension liabilities and deferred amounts	572,789
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 2,426,467

	Food Service		
Assets			
Current assets	4	252 452	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	258,159	
Inventories for consumption		1,633	
Total current assets		259,792	
Noncurrent assets			
Net OPEB asset - CERS		4,832	
Capital assets, net		26,278	
Total noncurrent assets		31,110	
Total assets		290,902	
Deferred outflows of resources			
OPEB related		16,434	
Pension related	_	83,099	
Total deferred outflows of resources		99,533	
Liabilities			
Net pension liability		224,551	
Total long-term liabilities		224,551	
Total liabilities		224,551	
Deferred inflows of resources			
OPEB related		85,389	
Pension related		34,870	
Total deferred inflow of resources		120,259	
Net position			
Net investment in capital assets		26,278	
Restricted	_	19,347	
Total net position (deficit)	\$	45,625	

Ludlow Independent School District Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes In Fund Net Position – Proprietary Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Food
On oracting revenues		Service
Operating revenues Food service	\$	46,573
Other operating revenue	ç	40,373 8,382
Total operating revenues		54,955
Operating expenses		
Salaries and wages		258,770
Employee benefits		205,161
Purchased services		16,344
Materials and supplies		435,284
Other operating expenses		7,584
Depreciation		8,260
Total operating expenses		931,403
Operating loss		(876,448)
Non operating revenues		
Operating grants - state		5,177
On-behalf revenue		46,082
Operating grants - federal		671,299
Donated commodities		20,293
Transfers out		(292,542)
Interest income		30,919
Total other financing sources (uses)		481,228
Net change in fund balances		(395,220)
Fund balances - beginning of year		440,845
Fund balances - end of year	\$	45,625

Cash flows from operating activities Cash received:		Food Service
From food service sales	\$	70,105
Cash paid:	Ŷ	70,105
To employees		(391,376)
To suppliers		(423,316)
For operating expenses		(23,928)
Cash transfer		(292,542)
Net cash used in operating activities		(1,061,057)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities		
Non operating grants		742,851
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		742,851
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest on investments		30,919
Net cash provided by investing activities		30,919
Net increase in cash		(287,287)
Cash - beginning of year		545,446
Cash - end of year	\$	258,159
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities Operating loss	\$	(876,448)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash in operating activities		8 200
Depreciation Transfers out		8,260 (202 E 42)
Changes in:		(292,542)
Receivables		15,150
Inventory		11,968
Deferred outflows		(3,244)
Deferred inflows		45,679
Net OPEB liability		(126,533)
Net pension liability		156,653
Net cash used in operating activities	\$	(1,061,057)
Noncash activities		
Commodities received from federal	\$	20,293
On-behalf payments received state	\$	46,082

	Trust Fund	
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	46,232
Total assets	\$	46,232
Net Position		
Restricted		46,232
Total net position		46,232
Total liabilities and net position	\$	46,232

	 Trust Fund
Additions	
Private donations	\$ 2,728
Total operating revenues	 2,728
Deductions	
Salaries and wages	 35,386
Total operating expenses	 35,386
Change in net position	 (32,658)
Net position - beginning of year	 78,890
Net position - end of year	\$ 46,232

NOTE 1: ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Ludlow Independent Board of Education (Board), a five-member group, is the level of government which has oversight responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary education within the jurisdiction of Ludlow Independent School District (District). The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the commitment requirements of these funding source entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity as defined by Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards. Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to develop policies which may influence operations, and primary accountability for fiscal matters.

The District, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of the Board. The financial statements presented herein do not include funds of groups or organizations, which although associated with the school system, have not originated with the Board; such as Band Boosters, Parent-Teacher Associations, and others.

The financial statements of the District include those separately administered organizations that are controlled by or dependent on the Board. Control or dependence is determined on the basis of budget adoption, funding, and appointment of the respective governing board.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the financial statements of the following organization are included in the accompanying financial statements:

Ludlow Independent Board of Education Finance Corporation – The Board authorized the establishment of the Ludlow Independent Board of Education Finance Corporation (Corporation), (a non-profit, non-stock, public and charitable corporation organized under the School Bond Act and KRS 273 and KRS 58.180) as an agency of the District for financing the costs of school building facilities. The members of the Board also comprise the Corporation's Board of Directors.

Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the District as a whole. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the District. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program 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 are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the District segregates transactions related to certain District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to determine legal compliance. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental and proprietary fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds, if any, are presented in a single column.

Governmental Fund Types

The *General Fund* is the primary operating fund of the District. This used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Kentucky. This is a major fund of the District.

The *Special Revenue Fund* accounts for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to disbursements for specified purposes. It includes federal financial programs where unused balances are returned to the grantor at the close of the specified project periods as well as state grant programs. Project accounting is employed to maintain integrity for the various sources of funds. The separate projects of federally-funded grant programs are identified in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards included in this report. This is a major fund of the District.

The District Activity Fund is a special revenue fund that accounts for funds received at the school level.

The School Activity Fund is a special revenue fund that accounts for activities of student groups and other types of activities requiring clearing accounts. These funds are accounted for in accordance with the Uniform Program of Accounting for School Activity Funds.

The *Capital Outlay Fund* is the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) fund and receives those funds designated by the state as capital outlay funds and is restricted for use in financing projects identified by the district's facility plan.

The *Building Fund* is the Facility Support Program of Kentucky (FSPK) fund and accounts for funds generated by the building tax levy required to participate in the School Facilities Construction Commission's construction funding and state matching funds, where applicable. Funds may be used for projects identified in the District's facility plan.

The *Construction Fund* is used to account for proceeds from sales of bonds and other revenues to be used for authorized construction. This is a major fund of the District.

The *Debt Service Fund* is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest and related cost, as required by state law.

Proprietary Fund Types (Enterprise Funds)

The *Food Service Fund* accounts for school food service activities, including the National School Lunch Program, which is conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Amounts have been recorded for in-kind contribution of commodities from the USDA. This is a major fund of the District.

Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary funds account for assets held by the District in a trustee capacity for the benefit of others and cannot be used to support District activities.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. The District also reports a fiduciary fund which focuses on net position and changes in net position.

Fund Financial Statements

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they have been earned and they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days of year end. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

However, debt service expenditures as well as expenditures related to long-term compensated absences and postemployment benefits are recorded only when payment is due.

Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows/Outflows, and Net Position/Fund Balance

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with an initial maturity date of ninety days or less.

The District is authorized by state statute to invest in the following subject to additional requirements of KRS 66.480:

- Obligations of the United States and of its Agencies and instrumentalities
- Certificates of Deposit
- Bankers Acceptances
- Commercial Paper
- Bonds and Securities of other State and Local Governments
- Mutual Funds, Exchange Traded Funds, Individual Equity Securities and High-quality Corporate bonds managed by a professional investment manager

Investments

Investments with a maturity of less than one year are stated at cost. Investments with a maturity greater than one year are stated at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an investment in an orderly transaction at year end.

Receivables

Accounts receivables are presented, when necessary, net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. No allowance has been recorded for the current fiscal year.

Capital Assets

General capital and leased assets are those assets that generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position, but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets utilized by the proprietary funds are reported in both the business-type activities column of the government-wide statement of net position and in the respective funds.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and disposals during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets are depreciated except for land. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description Estimated I	
Buildings	50 Years
Improvements	20 Years
Infrastructure	40 Years
Vehicles	7 Years
Genenal equipment	7 Years

Deferred Outflows

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period, and therefore, are deferred until that time. The District recognized deferred outflows of resources related to pensions and other postemployment benefits on the government-wide financial statements.

Payables and Accrued Liabilities

All payables and accrued liabilities are reported on the government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, compensated absences, contractually required pension and OPEB contributions that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as liabilities on the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current fiscal year. Bonds and other long-term obligations are recognized as a liability on the governmental fund financial statements when due.

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences are payments to employees for accumulated sick leave. These amounts also include the related employer's share of applicable taxes and retirement contributions. District employees may accumulate unused sick leave up to a specified amount depending on their date of hire. Sick leave is payable to employees upon termination or retirement at 30.00% of the current rate of pay on the date of termination or retirement. The District uses the termination method to calculate the compensated absences amounts. The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements. The current portion is the amount estimated to be used in the following year. An expenditure is recognized in the governmental fund as payments come due each period, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements. Compensated absences not recorded at the fund level represent a reconciling item between the fund level and government-wide presentations.

Long-Term Obligations

All long-term debt to be repaid from governmental resources is reported as liabilities in the governmentwide statements. Long-term debt consists of bonds, notes, and lease liabilities. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Long-term debt for governmental funds is not reported as a liability in the fund financial statements. The debt proceeds are reported as an other financing source and payment of principal and interest are reported as expenditures.

Pensions

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

Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County Employee Retirement System (CERS) and additions to/deductions from CERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis of as they are reported by CERS. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Deferred Inflows

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and, are therefore, deferred until that time. The District recognized deferred inflows of resources related to pension and other postemployment benefits on the government-wide financial statements. In the governmental funds, certain revenue transactions have been reported as unavailable revenue. Revenue that is earned by not available is reported as a deferred inflow of resources until such time as the revenue becomes available.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows. Net position is comprised of three components: net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt are included in this component of net position.

Restricted net position consists of restricted net assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Assets are reported as restricted when constraints are placed on asset use by external parties or by law through enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position is the amount of net amount of assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that does not meet the definition of the two preceding categories.

Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable. Amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

Restricted. Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, enabling legislation, state or federal laws, or externally imposed conditions by grantors or creditors.

Committed. Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action by District Council ordinance.

Assigned. Amounts that are designated for a specific purpose but are not spendable until a budget ordinance is passed or a there is majority passed vote by District Council.

Unassigned. All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the District's policy is to first apply the expense toward restricted resources and then toward unrestricted resources. In governmental funds, the District's policy is to first apply the expenditure toward restricted fund balance, and then to committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balances in that order.

Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied in September on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all the real and personal property in the county. The billings are considered due upon receipt by the taxpayer; however, the actual date is based on a period ending 30 days after the tax bill mailing. Property taxes collected are recorded as revenues in the fiscal year for which they were levied. All taxes collected are initially deposited into the General Fund and then transferred to the appropriate fund.

The District levies a utility gross receipts license tax on telephone communication services, cablevision services, electric power, water, and gas furnished within the District's boundaries.

Revenues

Amounts reported as program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided or fines imposed by a given function or segment, and (2) grants and contributions (including special assessments) that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on the decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as interfund receivables/payables. These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the statement of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, where are presented as internal balances.

Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature an infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the District administration and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during the fiscal year.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the District's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the basic financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Budgetary Process

An annual budget is adopted for each governmental fund by ordinance prior to July 1. The budget can be amended by a subsequent ordinance. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the function level.

Subsequent Events

The District evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and disclosure through October 30, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

At year end, the District's bank balance was \$17,982,088 and the carrying amount was \$17,017,121. The bank balance was fully covered by FDIC insurance and collateralized securities held by the financial institution, but not in the name of the District.

	Bank Account						
	Central		Regions				
Fund	Bank	US Bank	Bank	Total			
General	\$ 1,158,675	\$-	\$-	\$ 1,158,675			
Special revenue	(157,411)	-	-	(157,411)			
District activity	419,521	-	-	419,521			
Student activity	174,473	-	-	174,473			
Construction	(706,520)	4,363,052	11,460,940	15,117,472			
Food service	258,159	-	-	258,159			
Trust	46,232			46,232			
Total funds	\$ 1,193,129	\$ 4,363,052	\$ 11,460,940	\$ 17,017,121			
Bank balance	\$ 2,158,096	\$ 4,363,052	\$ 11,460,940	\$ 17,982,088			
Outstanding items	(964,967)			(964,967)			
Book balance	\$ 1,193,129	\$ 4,363,052	\$ 11,460,940	\$ 17,017,121			
Governmental funds				\$ 16,712,730			
Proprietary fund				258,159			
Fiduciary fund				46,232			
Total funds				\$ 17,017,121			

Cash and cash equivalents at year end consisted of the following:

Custodial credit risk- deposits. This is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with state statute depository restrictions.

NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS

At year end, the District had the following Investments:

Investment	Balance 6/30/2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$ 13,440,893	\$ 13,440,893	\$-	\$-
Total investments at fair value	13,440,893	13,440,893		

Investment	Fair Value	Cost Basis	U	nrealized Gain
U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$ 13,440,893	\$ 13,148,680	\$	292,213
Total investments at fair value	13,440,893	13,148,680		292,213

Fair value of investments. The District measures and records its investments using fair value measurements established by generally accepted accounting principles. These principles recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy as follows:

Level 1: Quoted prices for individual investments in active markets;

Level 2: Observable inputs other than those in Level 1; and

Level 3: Unobservable inputs

Credit risk. Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. The District manages credit risk by investing in securities backed by the U.S. Government.

Custodial credit risk – investments. Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty to the transaction, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments. To limit its exposure, the District requires investments to be held by a third party acting as the District's agent separate form where the investment was purchased or by the trust department of the bank where purchased, in the District's name.

The District's investment policy follows state statute and allows it to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury.

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year is summarized below:

	Balance 7/1/2023	Additions		Additions Disposals		Additions Disposals		Additions Disposals			Balance /30/2024
Governmental Activities							<u> </u>				
Land	\$ 391,300	\$	-	\$	-	\$	391,300				
Land and improvements	112,189		-		-		112,189				
Buildings and improvements	13,030,049		-		-	1	3,030,049				
Technology equipment	749,592		-		-		749,592				
Vehicles	167,625		-		-		167,625				
General equipment	193,858		-		-		193,858				
Construction in progress	2,411,118		6,414,987		-		8,826,105				
Total at historical cost	17,055,731		6,414,987		-	2	3,470,718				
Less accumulated depreciation											
Land and improvements	108,405		1,330		-		109,735				
Buildings and improvements	6,514,414		211,862		-		6,726,276				
Technology equipment	749,714		(122)		-		749,592				
Vehicles	167,625		-		-		167,625				
General equipment	186,566		2,805		-		189,371				
Total accumulated depreciation	7,726,724		215,875		-		7,942,599				
Capital assets - net	\$ 9,329,007	\$	6,199,112	\$	-	\$1	.5,528,119				

	Balance					B	Balance	
	7/	/1/2023	Additions		Disposals		6/30/2024	
Business-type Activities								
Buildings and improvements	\$	71,290	\$	-	\$	-	\$	71,290
Technology equipment		5,246		-		-		5,246
General equipment		160,336		-		-		160,336
Total at historical cost		236,872		-		-		236,872
Less accumulated depreciation								
Buildings and improvements		71,290		-		-		71,290
Technology equipment		5,246		-		-		5,246
General equipment		125,798		8,260		-		134,058
Total accumulated depreciation		202,334		8,260		-		210,594
Capital assets - net	\$	34,538	\$	(8,260)	\$	-	\$	26,278

NOTE 3: CAPITAL ASSETS - CONTINUED

Depreciation was charged to following government functions:

Depreciation was charged to the following functions:

	Gov	ernmental	Busir	ness-type
Instruction	\$	144,419	\$	-
District admin support		10,591		-
School admin support		124		-
Plant operations		60,741		-
Food service		-		8,260
Depreciation expense	\$	215,875	\$	8,260

NOTE 5: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the year is summarized below:

							Amount					
		Balance					E	Balance	Dι	e Within		Long-
Governmental Activities	J	uly 1, 2023	A	Additions	Re	ductions	Jun	e 30, 2024	0	ne Year		Term
Compensated absences	\$	167,276	\$	59,147	\$	-	\$	226,423	\$	60,759	\$	165,664
Bonds payable		6,293,124		9,424,062		640,359	1	5,076,827		540,359		14,536,468
Net OPEB liability		2,907,608		-	1	L,104,608		1,803,000		-		1,803,000
Net pension liability		1,622,173		-		563,576		1,058,597		-		1,058,597
Total long-term liabilities	\$	10,990,181	\$	9,483,209	\$ 2	2,308,543	\$1	8,164,847	\$	601,118		17,563,729

							Amount					
Balance							E	Balance	Due	Within		Long-
Business-type Activities	July 1, 2023		Additions Reduct		eductions	June 30, 2024		One Year		Term		
Net OPEB liability	\$	121,701	\$	-	\$	121,701	\$	0	\$	-	\$	-
Net pension liability		67,898		477,440		-		545,338		-		545,338
Total long-term liabilities	\$	189,599	\$	477,440	\$	121,701	\$	545,338	\$	-		545,338

NOTE 4: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES - CONTINUED

Bonds Payable

The District issues general obligations bonds to provide funds for the acquisition of equipment and the construction of facilities. The bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the District. General obligations outstanding at year end are as follows:

Issue	Proceeds	Rates	Balance June 30, 2024
2007 07-12	\$ 1,340,000	3.600% - 4.200%	\$ 350,000
2014	3,095,000	1.000% - 4.125%	2,060,000
2015Ref	835,000	1.000% - 4.125%	170,000
2016	1,135,000	2.000% - 3.000%	835,000
2023	2,295,000	4.000% - 5.000%	2,275,000
2023B	9,315,000	5.00%	9,095,000
Total Bond premium	\$ 18,015,000		14,785,000 291,827
Bonds payable, net			\$ 15,076,827

Bond activity for the year is summarized below:

					Amount	
	Balance			Balance	Due Within	Long-
Issue	July 1, 2023	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2024	One Year	Term
2007 07-12	\$ 430,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 265,000
2014	2,235,000	-	175,000	2,060,000	180,000	1,880,000
2015Ref	250,000	-	80,000	170,000	85,000	85,000
2016	885,000	-	50,000	835,000	50,000	785,000
2023	2,295,000	-	20,000	2,275,000	100,000	2,175,000
2023B	_	9,315,000	220,000	9,095,000	25,000	9,070,000
Total bonds	\$ 6,095,000	\$ 9,315,000	\$ 625,000	\$ 14,785,000	\$ 525,000	\$ 14,260,000
Bond premiums	198,124	109,062	15,359	291,827	15,359	276,468
Bonds payable, net	\$ 6,293,124	\$ 9,424,062	\$ 640,359	\$ 15,076,827	\$ 540,359	\$ 14,536,468

NOTE 4: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES – CONTINUED

	Ludlow Ind	ependent	School Fa					
	School [District	Construction C	Construction Commission				
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Service			
2025	\$ 336,055	\$ 609,603	\$ 188,945	\$ 69,884	\$ 1,204,487			
2026	347,611	597,523	195,389	62,887	1,203,410			
2027	380,246	584,471	179,754	55 <i>,</i> 306	1,199,777			
2028	397,074	568,511	167,926	48,577	1,182,088			
2029	413,653	551,323	91,347	43,525	1,099,848			
2030-2034	2,348,592	2,466,774	518,408	157,948	5,491,722			
2035-2039	2,896,281	1,915,247	218,719	71,451	5,101,698			
2040-2044	3,253,810	1,143,829	171,190	21,922	4,590,751			
2045-2048	2,680,000	343,250			3,023,250			
Total payments	\$ 13,053,322 \$ 8,780,531		\$ 1,731,678	\$ 531,500	\$ 24,097,031			
			Total principal p Total interest p	\$ 14,785,000 9,312,031				
			Total debt servi	\$ 24,097,031				

Debt service requirements for the District's general obligation bonds are as follows:

Compensated absences

Upon retirement from the school system, employees will receive from the District an amount equal to 30.00% of the value of accumulated sick leave. The compensated absences at year end is \$226,423.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS

The District's employees are provided with two pension plans, based on each position's college degree requirement. The County Employees Retirement System (CERS) covers employees whose position does not require a college degree or teaching certification. The Kentucky Teachers Retirement System (TRS) covers positions requiring teaching certification or otherwise requiring a college degree.

General Information about the CERS Pension Plan

Plan Description

CERS is a cost-sharing multi-employer public employee retirement system which covers substantially all regular full-time employees of each county, city, and school board and any additional eligible local agencies electing to participate in the Plan. The Plan is administered by the CERS Board of Trustees and is divided into a divided into non-hazardous duty and hazardous duty classifications.

Benefits Provided

CERS provides retirement, death, and disability benefits to plan members. Retirement benefits maybe extended to beneficiaries under certain circumstances. Employees are vested in the plan after five years of service.

For retirement purposes, non-hazardous employees are grouped into three tiers based on hire date:

Tier 1	Participation date Unreduced retirement Reduced retirement	Before September 1, 2008 27 years service or 65 years old At least 5 years service and 55 years old, or 25 years service and any age
Tier 2	Participation date Unreduced retirement	September 1, 2008 to December 31, 2013 At least 5 years service and 65 years old, or age 57+ with sum of service years plus age equal
	Reduced retirement	At least 10 years service and 60 years old
Tier 3	Participation date	On or after January 1, 2014
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old, or age 57+ with sum of service years plus age equal
	Reduced retirement	Not available

Prior to July 1, 2009, cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) were provided annually equal to the percentage increase in the annual average of the consumer price index for all urban consumers for the most recent calendar year, not to exceed 5% in any plan year. Effective July 2, 2009, and on July 1 of each year thereafter, the COLA is limited to 1.5% provided the recipient has been receiving a benefit for at least 12 months prior to the effective date of the COLA. If the recipient has been receiving a benefit for less than 12 months prior to the effective date of the COLA, the increase shall be reduced on a pro-rata basis for each month the recipient has not been receiving benefits in the 12 months preceding the effective date of the COLA. The Kentucky General Assembly reserves the right to suspend or reduce cost-of-living adjustments if, in its judgment, the welfare of the Commonwealth so demands.

Contributions

Employees – Tier 1 plan members are required to contribute 5% of their creditable compensation. Employees who begin participation on or after September 1, 2008 (Tier 2 and Tier 3) are required to contribute an additional 1%.

Employers – The contribution rate for the current year was 23.34%. The District made all required contributions for fiscal year in the amount of \$180,626.

General Information about the TRS Pension Plan

Plan Description

Teaching certified employees of the District and other employees whose positions require at least a college degree are provided pensions through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (KTRS)—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation established to provide retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the Commonwealth. KTRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the KRS. KTRS is a blended component unit of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. KTRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at http://www.ktrs.ky.gov/05_publications/index.htm.

Benefits Provided

For employees who have established an account in a retirement system administered by the Commonwealth prior to July 1, 2008, employees become vested when they complete five (5) years of credited service. To qualify for monthly retirement benefits, payable for life, employees must either: 1.) Attain age fifty-five (55) and complete five (5) years of Kentucky service, or

2.) Complete 27 years of Kentucky service.

Participants that retire before age 60 with less than 27 years of service receive reduced retirement benefits. Non-university employees with an account established prior to July 1, 2002 receive monthly payments equal to two (2) percent (service prior to July 1, 1983) and two and one-half (2.5) percent (service after July 1, 1983) of their final average salaries for each year of credited service. New employees (including second retirement accounts) after July 1, 2002 will receive monthly benefits equal to 2% of their final average salary for each year of service if, upon

retirement, their total service less than ten years. New employees after July 1, 2002 who retire with ten or more years of total service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.5% of their final average salary for each year of service, including the first ten years. In addition, employees who retire July 1, 2004 and later with more than 30 years of service will have their multiplier increased for all years over 30 from 2.5% to 3.0% to be used in their benefit calculation. Effective July 1, 2008, the System has been amended to change the benefit structure for employees hired on or after that date.

Benefits Provided - Continued

Final average salary is defined as the member's five (5) highest annual salaries for those with less than 27 years of service. Employees at least age 55 with 27 or more years of service may use their three (3) highest annual salaries to compute the final average salary. KTRS also provides disability benefits for vested employees at the rate of sixty (60) percent of the final average salary. A life insurance benefit, payable upon the death of a member, is \$2,000 for active contributing employees and \$5,000 for retired or disabled employees.

Cost of living increases are one and one-half (1.5) percent annually. Additional ad hoc increases and any other benefit amendments must be authorized by the General Assembly.

Contributions

Contribution rates are established by Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS). Non-university employees are required to contribute 12.855% of their salaries to the System. University employees are required to contribute 10.400% of their salaries. KRS 161.580 allows each university to reduce the contribution of its employees by 2.215%; therefore, university employees contribute 8.185% of their salary to KTRS.

The Commonwealth of Kentucky, as a non-employer contributing entity, pays matching contributions at the rate of 13.105% of salaries for local school district and regional cooperative employees hired before July 1, 2008 and 14.105% for those hired after July 1, 2008. For local school district and regional cooperative employees whose salaries are federally funded, the employer contributes 16.105% of salaries. If an employee leaves covered employment before accumulating five (5) years of credited service, accumulated employee pension contributions plus interest are refunded to the employee upon the member's request.

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

CERS

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$1,603,935 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for CERS. The net pension liability for the plan was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The District's proportion of the net pension liability for CERS was based on the actual liability of the employees and former employees relative to the total liability of the System as determined by the actuary. At June 30, 2022, the District's proportion was 0.0250%.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of (\$22,194) related to CERS

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

TRS

The District did not report a liability for the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS because the Commonwealth of Kentucky provides the pension support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The State's proportionate share of the TRS net pension liability associated with the district is \$24,124,188.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$1,573,040 related to TRS. The District also recognized revenue of \$1,573,040 for TRS support provided by the Commonwealth.

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

	CERS						
	C	Deferred	Deferred			Net	
	(Dutflow	Inflow		Inflow D		Deferral
Change in liability experience	\$ 83,033		\$	4,358	4,358		
Change of assumptions		-		147,002			
Change in investment experience		-		21,879			
Change in proportionate share of contributions	71,580			75,830			
		154,613	\$	249,069	\$	(94,456)	
Subsequent contributions		180,626					
Total	\$	335,239					

The contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$180,626 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. The net deferral of (\$94,456) will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Net		
Deferral		
\$	(87,519)	
	(27,216)	
	35,806	
	(15,527)	
\$	(94,456)	
	\$	

Actuarial assumptions

CERS

The total pension liability, net pension liability, and sensitivity information as of June 30, 2023 were based on an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2021. The total pension liability was rolled forward from the valuation date to the plan's fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, using generally accepted actuarial principles

There was a change in the investment return assumption from 6.25% to 6.50%. The total pension liability as of June 30, 2023 was determined using these updated assumptions.

The actuarial assumptions are:

Employer fiscal year end	2024
Plan year end	2023
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Asset valuation method	20% of the difference between the market value of assets and the expected actuarial value of assets is recognized
Amortization method	Level percent of pay
Amortization period	30-year closed period at June 30, 2019
Payroll growth rate	2.00%
Investment return	6.25%
Inflation	2.30%
Salary increase - nonhazardous	3.30% to 10.30%
Salary increase - hazardous	3.55% to 19.05%
Mortality	
	System-specific mortality table based on mortality experience
	from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates form P-
	2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019
Phase-in provision	Board certified rate is phased into the actuarially determined rate in accordance with HB 362 enacted in 2018

TRS

The total pension liability, net pension liability, and sensitivity information as of June 30, 2023 were based on an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2022. The total pension liability was rolled forward from the valuation date to the plan's fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, using generally accepted actuarial principles

There were no changes in the assumptions effecting the total pension liability as of June 30, 2023.

Actuarial assumptions - Continued

TRS - Continued

The actuarial assumptions are:

Employer fiscal year end	2024
Plan year end	2023
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases, including inflation	3.00% - 7.50%
Investment return	7.10%
Municipal bond index rate:	
Prior measurement date	3.37%
Measurement date	3.66%
Year FNP is expected to be depleted	NA
Single equvalent interest rate:	
Prior measurement date	7.10%
Measurement date	7.10%
Post-retirement benefit increases	1.50% annually
Mortality	

Rates based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 5-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the board on September 20, 2021. The Municipal Bond Index Rate used for this purpose is the June average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index.

Long-term expected rate of return

The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of returns are developed foreach asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rate of return for each major asset class is summarized in the tables below.

Long-term expected rate of return – continued

CERS

	Target	Long-term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return
Public equity	50.00%	5.90%
Private Equity	10.00%	11.73%
Core bonds	10.00%	2.45%
Specialty credit/high yield	10.00%	3.65%
Cash	0.00%	1.39%
Real estate	7.00%	4.99%
Real return	13.00%	5.15%
Expected real return	100.00%	5.75%
Long-term inflation assumption		2.50%

TRS

		Long-term
	Target	Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return
Large Cap US Equity	35.40%	5.00%
Small Cap US Equity	2.60%	5.50%
Developed International Equity	15.70%	5.50%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.30%	6.10%
Fixed Income	15.00%	1.90%
High Yield Bonds	5.00%	3.80%
Additional categories	5.00%	3.60%
Real Estate	7.00%	3.20%
Private Equity	7.00%	8.00%
Cash	2.00%	1.60%
Expected real return	100.00%	7.10%
Long-term inflation assumption		2.50%

Discount rate

A single discount rate of 6.50% and 7.10% was used to measure the total pension liability for CERS and TRS, respectively, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. The single discount rate is based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments for each plan. Based on the stated assumptions and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, the non-hazardous and hazardous pension plans' fiduciary net position and future contributions were separately projected and were each sufficient to finance all the future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of the projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability for each plan.

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

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	Current			
	1% Decrease 5.50%	Discount Rate 6.50%	1% Increase 7.50%	
District's proportionate share of the CERS net pension liability	\$ 2,025,064	\$ 1,603,935	\$ 1,253,960	

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued CERS and TRS financial report.

NOTE 6: OPEB PLAN

General Information about the CERS Plan

Plan Description

The CERS Insurance fund is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan which provides group health insurance benefits for plan members that are regular full-time members employed in positions of each participating county, District, and school board, and any additional eligible local agencies electing to participate in the System. OPEB benefits may be extended to beneficiaries of plan members under certain circumstances. The Plan is administered by the CERS Board of Trustees and is divided into a divided into non-hazardous duty and hazardous duty classifications.

Benefits Provided

The CERS Insurance hospital and medical benefits to eligible plan members receiving benefits from CERS. The eligible non-Medicare retirees are covered by the Department of Employee Insurance (DEI) plans. Premium payments are submitted to DEI. The KRS board contracts with Humana to provide health care benefits to the eligible Medicare retirees. The CERS Insurance Fund pays a prescribed contribution for whole or partial payment of required premiums to purchase hospital and medical insurance. For health insurance purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers based on hire date:

Tier 1	
Participation date	Before July 1, 2003
Insurance eligibility	10 years of service credit required
Benefit	Set percentage of single coverage health insurance based
	on service credit accrued at retirement
Tier 2	
Participation date	After September 1, 2008 and before December 31, 2013
Insurance eligibility	15 years of service credit required
Benefit	Set dollar amount based on service credit accrued,
	increased annually
Tier 3	
Participation date	After December 31, 2013
Insurance eligibility	15 years of service credit required
Benefit	Set dollar amount based on service credit accrued,
	increased annually

Contributions

Employee Contributions. Tier 1 plan members are not required to contribute. Employees who begin participation on or after September 1, 2008 (Tier 2 and Tier 3) are required to contribute 1.0% of creditable compensation to an account created for payment of health insurance benefits.

Employer Contributions – The contribution rate for the current year was 0.00%. The District made all required contributions for the fiscal year in the amount of \$0.

General Information about the TRS Plan

Plan Description

Teaching certified employees of the District and other employees whose positions require at least a college degree are provided OPEBs through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (KTRS)—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined OPEB pension plan with a special funding situation established to provide retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the Commonwealth. KTRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the KRS. KTRS is a blended component unit of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. KTRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at http://www.ktrs.ky.gov/05_publications/index.htm.

Benefits Provided

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The KTRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to employees under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. Once retired employees and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the KTRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

Contributions

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, six percent (6%) of the gross annual payroll of employees before July 1, 2008 is contributed. Three percent (3%) is paid by member contributions and three quarters percent (.75%) from Commonwealth appropriation and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) from the employer. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan. The District made all required contributions for the fiscal year in the amount of \$153,092.

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

CERS

At June 30, 2024, the District reported an asset of \$34,511 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability for CERS. The net OPEB liability for the plan was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the District's share of 2023 contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the 2023 contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023 the District's proportionate share was 0.00250%.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$29,478 related to CERS.

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

TRS

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$1,803,000 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability for TRS. The net OPEB liability for the plan was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the District's share of 2023 contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the 2023 contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023 the District's proportionate share was 0.07401%.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of (\$22,194) related to TRS.

CERS and TRS

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

	CERS					
	Deferred		Deferred		Net	
	Outflow		Inflow			Deferral
Change in liability experience	\$	24,059	\$	490,024		
Change of assumptions		67,916		47,330		
Change in investment experience		-		8,010		
Change in proportionate share of contributions		25,409		64,555		
		117,384	\$	609,919	\$	(492,535)
Subsequent contributions		-				
Total	\$	117,384				

		TRS	
	Deferred	Deferred	Net
	Outflow	Inflow	Deferral
Change in liability experience	\$-	\$ 611,000	
Change of assumptions	410,000	-	
Change in investment experience	34,000	-	
Change in proportionate share of contributions	765,000	749,000	
	1,209,000	\$ 1,360,000	\$ (151,000)
Subsequent contributions	153,092		
Total	\$ 1,362,092		

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

	Total			
	Deferred Outflow	Deferred Inflow	Net Deferral	
Change in liability experience	\$ 24,059	\$ 1,101,024		
Change of assumptions	477,916	47,330		
Change in investment experience	34,000	8,010		
Change in proportionate share of contributions	790,409	813,555		
	1,326,384	\$ 1,969,919	\$ (643,535)	
Subsequent contributions	153,092			
Total	\$ 1,479,476			

The contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$153,092 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2024. The net deferral of (\$643,535) will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

Year ending		Net		
June 30		Deferral		
2025	\$	(218,384)		
2026		(208,307)		
2027		(46,043)		
2028	(47,801)			
2028	(54,000)			
Thereafter	(69,000)			
	\$	(643,535)		

Implicit Subsidy

The fully-insured premiums paid for the Kentucky Employees' Health plan are blended rates based on the combined experience of active and retired members. Because the average cost of providing health care benefits to retirees under age 65 is higher than the average cost of providing health care benefits to active employees, there is an implicit employer subsidy for the non-Medicare eligible retirees. This implicit subsidy is included in the calculation of the total OPEB liability.

Actuarial assumptions

CERS

The total OPEB liability, net OPEB liability, and sensitivity information as of June 30, 2023 were based on an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2021. The total OPEB liability was rolled forward from the valuation date to the plan's fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, using generally accepted actuarial principles

There was a change in the investment return assumption from 5.70% to 5.93%. The total pension liability as of June 30, 2023 was determined using these updated assumptions.

Employer fiscal year end	2024
Plan year end	2023
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2021
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Asset valuation method	20% of the difference between the market value of assets and the expected actuarial value of assets is recognized
Amortization method	Level percent of pay
Amortization period	30-year closed period at June 30, 2019
Payroll growth rate	2.00%
Investment return	6.25%
Inflation	2.30%
Salary increase - nonhazardous	3.30% to 10.30%
Salary increase - hazardous Mortality	3.55% to 19.05%
	System-specific mortality table based on mortality experience
	from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates form P-
	2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019
Healthcare trend rates:	
Pre-65	Initial trend starting at 6.30% at January 1, 2023, gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years. The 2022 premiums were known at the time of the valuation and were incorporated into the liability measurement.
Post-65	Initial trend starting at 6.30% at January 1, 2023, gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years. The 2022 premiums were known at the time of the valuation and were incorporated into the liability measurement.

Actuarial assumptions – continued

TRS

Employer fiscal year end	2024
Plan year end	2023
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2022
Inflation	2.50%
Real wage growth	0.25%
Wage inflation	2.75%
Salary increases, including inflation	3.00% - 7.50%
Investment return	
Health trust	7.10%
Life trust	7.10%
Municipal bond index rate:	3.66%
Year FNP is expected to be depleted	
Health trust	NA
Life trust	NA
Single equvalent interest rate:	
Health trust	7.10%
Life trust	7.10%
Health trust health care cost trends	
	6.75% for FYE 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50%
Medical trend	by FYE 2032
	1.55% for FYE 2023 with an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FYE
Medicare Part B premiums	2034

Long-term expected rate of return

The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of returns are developed foreach asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rate of return for each major asset class is summarized in the tables below.

Long-term expected rate of return - continued

CERS

		Long-term
	Target	Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return
Public equity	50.00%	5.90%
Private Equity	10.00%	11.73%
Core bonds	10.00%	2.45%
Specialty credit/high yield	10.00%	3.65%
Cash	0.00%	1.39%
Real estate	7.00%	4.99%
Real return	13.00%	5.15%
Expected real return	100.00%	5.75%
Long-term inflation assumption		2.50%

TRS - MIF

	Long-term				
	Target	Expected			
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return			
Large Cap US Equity	35.40%	5.00%			
Small Cap US Equity	2.60%	5.50%			
Developed International Equity	15.00%	5.50%			
Emerging Markets Equity	5.00%	6.10%			
Fixed Income	9.00%	1.90%			
High Yield Bonds	8.00%	3.80%			
Additional categories	9.00%	3.70%			
Real Estate	6.50%	3.20%			
Private Equity	8.50%	8.00%			
Cash	1.00%	1.60%			
Expected real return	100.00%	7.10%			
Long-term inflation assumption		2.50%			

Long-term expected rate of return - continued

TRS - LIF

		Long-term
	Target	Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Nominal Return
US Equity	40.00%	5.20%
Developed International Equity	15.00%	5.50%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.00%	6.10%
Fixed Income	21.00%	1.90%
Additional categories	5.00%	4.00%
Real Estate	7.00%	3.20%
Private Equity	5.00%	8.00%
Cash	2.00%	1.60%
Expected real return	100.00%	7.10%
Long-term inflation assumption		2.50%

Discount rate

Single discount rates of 5.93% and 7.10% for CERS and TRS respectively were used to measure the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023. The single discount rates are based on the expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments of 6.25%, and a municipal bond rate of 3.66%, as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index" as of June 30, 2023. Based on the stated assumptions and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, each plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected separately and were sufficient to finance the future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on insurance plan investments was applied to all periods of the projected benefit payments paid from the plan. However, the cost associated with the implicit employer subsidy was not included in the calculation of the plans actuarially determined contributions, and any cost associated with the implicit subsidy will not be paid out of the plan trusts. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was applied to future expected benefit payments associated with the implicit subsidy.

The projection of cash flows used to determine the single discount rate must include an assumption regarding future employer contributions made each year. Future contributions are projected assuming that each participating employer in each insurance plan contributes the actuarially determined employer contribution each future year calculated in accordance with the current funding policy.

Sensitivity of District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease 4.93%	1% Increase 6.93%	
District's proportionate share of the CERS net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ 64,764	\$ (34,511)	\$ (117,642)
		Current	
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
	6.10%	7.10%	8.10%
District's proportionate share of the TRS net			
OPEB liability	\$ 2,318,000	\$ 1,803,000	\$ 1,376,000
Total	\$ 2,382,764	\$ 1,768,489	\$ 1,258,358

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	Current			
	1% Decrease	Trend Rate	1% Increase	
District's proportionate share of the CERS net				
OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (110,614)	\$ (34,511)	\$ 58,974	
District's proportionate share of the TRS net				
OPEB liability	1,298,000	1,803,000	2,431,000	
Total	\$ 1,187,386	\$ 1,768,489	\$ 2,489,974	

OPEB plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued CERS financial report.

NOTE 7: ON-BEHALF

For the year ended June 30, 2024, payments made by the Commonwealth of Kentucky on behalf of the District for insurance benefits, retirement benefits, technology, and debt service. The following amounts were recorded in the Statement of Activities and the Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance:

Fund				
General	\$	2,510,708		
Debt service		278,440		
Food service		46,082		
	\$	2,835,230		
Туре				
Retirement	\$	1,573,040		
Health insurance less federal reimbursement		877,516		
Life insurance		1,200		
Administrative fee		9,600		
HRA/Dental/Vision insurance		39,813		
Technology		55,621		
Debt service		278,440		
	\$	2,835,230		

NOTE 8: FUND TRANSFERS

The following transfers were made during the year:

From	То	Purpose		Amount
General fund	Special revenue	Technology Match	\$	14,889
Capital outlay	General fund	Projects 50,		50,279
Building	Debt service	Debt service 772,		772,467
Capital outlay	Debt service	Projects		24,864
Food service	Construction fund	Projects		250,000
Food service	General fund	Indirect costs		42,542
		Total transfers	\$	1,155,041

Transfers are reported in financial statements as follows:

	Transfers In		Transfers Out		Ne	t Transfer
Governmental funds	\$	1,155,041	\$	862,499	\$	292,542
Proprietary fund		-		292,542		(292,542)
	\$	1,155,041	\$	1,155,041	\$	-

NOTE 9: CONTINGENCIES

Grants. The District receives funding from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. These funds are to be used for designated purposes only. If the federal or state grantor finds that funds have not been used for the intended purposes, the grantor may request a refund of monies advanced or refuse to reimburse the District for its expenditures. The amount of such future refunds and unreimbursed expenditures, if any, is not expected to be significant. Continuation of the District's grant programs is contingent upon the grantors satisfaction that the funds provided are being spent as intended and the grantors intent to continue their programs.

Litigation. The District is party to various legal proceedings which normally occur in governmental operations. It is neither possible to determine the outcome of these proceedings nor possible to estimate the effects adverse decisions may have on the future expenditures or revenue sources of the District. In the opinion of District management and its legal counsel these legal proceedings are not likely to have a material adverse impact on the accompanying financial statements. Therefore, no provision for any liability that may result upon adjudication of any cases has been made in the accompanying financial statements

NOTE 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees, and natural disasters. The District has obtained insurance coverage through a commercial insurance company. In addition, the District has effectively managed risk through various employee education and prevention programs. All risk general liability management activities are accounted for in the General Fund. Expenditures and claims are recognized when probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated.

Management estimates that the amount of actual or potential claims against the District as of June 30, 2024, will not materially affect the financial condition of the District. Therefore, the General Fund contains no provision for estimated claims. No claim has exceeded insurance coverage amounts in the past three fiscal year.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Ludlow Independent School District Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance
	Original	Final	Actual	Final to Actual
Revenues				
From local sources:				
Property taxes	\$ 2,000,343	\$ 2,000,343	\$ 2,033,042	\$
Motor vehicle taxes	260,000	260,000	292,139	32,139
Utility taxes	215,000	215,000	221,481	6,481
Earnings on investments	25,000	25,000	111,071	86,071
Tuition	-	-	30,400	30,400
Other local revenue	516,200	516,200	26,231	(489,969)
Intergovernmental state:				
SEEK	3,400,000	3,400,000	3,461,220	61,220
On-behalf	-	-	2,510,708	2,510,708
Other	9,300	9,300	7,033	(2,267)
Intergovernmental federal	-	-	-	
Federal direct	15,000	15,000	17,178	2,178
Total revenues	6,440,843	6,440,843	8,710,503	2,269,660
Expenditures				
Instruction	3,623,482	3,623,482	5,337,816	(1,714,334)
Support services:				
Student	217,859	217,859	255,295	(37 <i>,</i> 436)
Instruction staff	595,825	595,825	891,909	(296,084)
District administrative	602,970	602,970	1,072,307	(469,337)
School administrative	456,072	456,072	734,099	(278,027)
Business support	269,219	269,219	212,159	57,060
Plant operation and maintenance	661,642	661,642	886,209	(224,567)
Student transpiration	33,774	33,774	36,125	(2,351)
Contingency	1,800,000	1,800,000		1,800,000
Total expenditures	8,260,843	8,260,843	9,425,919	(1,165,076)
Excess of revenues over (under)			<i></i>	
expenditures	(1,820,000)	(1,820,000)	(715,416)	1,104,584
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	35,000	35,000	92,821	57,821
Transfers out	(15,000)	(15,000)	(14,889)	111
Total other financing sources (uses)	20,000	20,000	77,932	57,932
Net change in fund balances	(1,800,000)	(1,800,000)	(637,484)	1,162,516
Fund balances - beginning	1,800,000	1,800,000	1,796,159	(3,841)
Fund balances - end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 1,158,675	\$ 1,158,675

Ludlow Independent School District Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Special Revenue Fund Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgetec	l Amounts		Variance
	Original	Final	Actual	Final to Actual
Revenues				
From local sources:				
Earnings on investments	\$ (86)	\$ (86)	\$ 125	\$ 211
Other local revenue	114,173	114,173	109,769	(4,404)
Intergovernmental state:				()
Other	421,335	421,335	343,652	(77,683)
Intergovernmental federal	1,118,100	1,118,100	2,457,076	1,338,976
Total revenues	1,653,522	1,653,522	2,910,622	1,257,100
Expenditures				
Instruction	1,079,711	1,079,711	1,198,992	(119,281)
Support services:				
Student	184,136	184,136	353,755	(169,619)
Instruction staff	(688,407)	(688,407)	140,327	(828,734)
District administrative	194,546	194,546	34,227	160,319
Plant operation and maintenance	728,295	728,295	974,853	(246,558)
Student transpiration	107,200	107,200	106,570	630
Community services	80,455	80,455	116,787	(36,332)
Total expenditures	1,685,936	1,685,936	2,925,511	(1,239,575)
Excess of revenues over (under)				
expenditures	(32,414)	(32,414)	(14,889)	17,525
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	15,000	15,000	14,889	(111)
Total other financing sources (uses)	15,000	15,000	14,889	(111)
Net change in fund balances	(17,414)	(17,414)	-	17,414
Fund balances - beginning				
Fund balances - end of year	\$ (17,414)	\$ (17,414)	\$-	\$ 17,414

The District's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a basis other than Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The major differences between the budgetary accounting method and GAAP are:

Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

In accordance with state law, the District prepares a general school budget based upon the amount of revenue to be raised by local taxation, including the rate of levy and from estimates of other Local, State and Federal revenues. The budget contains estimated expenditures for current expenses, debt service, capital outlay and other necessary expenses. The budget must be approved by the Board.

The District must formally and publicly examine estimated revenues and expenditures for the subsequent fiscal year by January 31 of each calendar year.

The District must prepare an annual allocation to schools by March 1 of each year for the following fiscal year. This allocation must include the amount for certified and classified staff based on the District's staffing policy and the amount for instructional supplies, materials, travel and equipment.

The District must adopt a tentative working budget for the subsequent fiscal year by May 30 of each year. This budget must contain a minimum 2.00% contingency.

Finally, the District must adopt a final working budget and submit it to the Kentucky Department of Education by September 30 of the current fiscal year.

The Board has the ability to amend the working budget.

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							District's	
							proportionate	Plan
							share of the	fiduciary
		District's		District's			net pension	net position
		proportion	pro	oportionate			liability	as a percentage
Year M	leasurement	of the net	sl	hare of the		District's	as a percentage	of the total
ended	period	pension	n	et pension		covered	covered	pension
June 30	June 30	liability		liability		payroll	payroll	liability
2024	2023	0.0250%	\$	1,603,935	\$	717,060	223.68%	57.48%
2023	2022	0.0234%	\$	1,690,071	\$	683,090	247.42%	52.42%
2022	2021	0.0269%	\$	1,712,472	\$	686,086	249.60%	57.33%
2021	2020	0.2726%	\$	2,091,050	\$	675,240	309.68%	47.81%
2020	2019	0.0295%	\$	2,075,873	\$	744,530	278.82%	50.45%
2019	2018	0.0320%	\$	1,951,577	\$	803,973	242.74%	53.54%
2018	2017	0.0343%	\$	2,008,387	\$	845 <i>,</i> 309	237.59%	53.32%
2017	2016	0.0338%	\$	1,666,254	\$	821,411	202.85%	55.50%
2016	2015	0.0369%	\$	1,588,116	\$	875 <i>,</i> 953	181.30%	59.97%
2015	2014	0.0352%	\$	1,141,000	\$	700,766	162.82%	66.80%

Schedule of District's Contributions - CERS

								Contributions
Year	Cor	ntractually		Со	ntribution	I	District's	as a percentage
ended	r	equired	Actual	d	deficiency		covered	of covered
June 30	contribution		contribution		(excess)		payroll	payroll
2024	\$	180,626	\$ 180,626	\$	-	\$	773,890	23.34%
2023	\$	192,505	\$ 192,505	\$	-	\$	717,060	26.85%
2022	\$	183,139	\$ 183,139	\$	-	\$	683,090	26.81%
2021	\$	165,060	\$ 165,060	\$	-	\$	686,086	24.06%
2020	\$	168,317	\$ 168,317	\$	-	\$	675,240	24.93%
2019	\$	159,925	\$ 159,925	\$	-	\$	744,530	21.48%
2018	\$	154,202	\$ 154,202	\$	-	\$	803,973	19.18%
2017	\$	157,904	\$ 157,904	\$	-	\$	845,309	18.68%
2016	\$	140,132	\$ 140,132	\$	-	\$	821,411	17.06%
2015	\$	154,780	\$ 154,780	\$	-	\$	875,953	17.67%

						District's	
				State's		proportionate	Plan
				proportionate		share of the	fiduciary
		District's	District's	share of the		net pension	net position
		proportion	proportionate	net pension		liability	as a percentage
Year	Measurement	of the net	share of the	liability	District's	as a percentage	of the total
ended	period	pension	net pension	associated with	covered	covered	pension
June 30	June 30	liability	liability	the District	payroll	payroll	liability
2024	2023	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 24,124,188	\$5,101,429	0.00%	57.68%
2023	2022	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 24,185,386	\$4,967,826	0.00%	56.41%
2022	2021	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 17,240,184	\$4,452,924	0.00%	65.59%
2021	2020	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 18,130,034	\$4,270,921	0.00%	58.27%
2020	2019	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 17,010,398	\$4,139,817	0.00%	58.76%
2019	2018	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 17,276,026	\$4,323,779	0.00%	59.30%
2018	2017	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 37,666,022	\$4,543,022	0.00%	39.83%
2017	2016	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 40,545,833	\$4,402,858	0.00%	35.22%
2016	2015	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 31,903,351	\$4,303,489	0.00%	42.49%
2015	2014	0.0000%	\$-	\$ 25,919,015	\$3,021,774	0.00%	45.59%

Schedule of District's Contributions - TRS

									Contributions
Year	Cont	tractually			Cor	ntribution		District's	as a percentage
ended	required		Actual		deficiency		covered		of covered
June 30	con	tribution	contribution		(excess)		payroll		payroll
2024	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,103,067	0.00%
2023	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,101,429	0.00%
2022	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,967,826	0.00%
2021	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,452,924	0.00%
2020	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,270,921	0.00%
2019	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,139,817	0.00%
2018	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,323,779	0.00%
2017	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,543,022	0.00%
2016	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,402,858	0.00%
2015	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,303,489	0.00%

	Schedule	of District's Pr	opor	tionate Shar	e of	the Net OPE	B Liability - CERS	
							District's	
							proportionate	Plan
							share of the	fiduciary
		District's	0	District's			net OPEB	net position
		proportion	pro	portionate			liability	as a percentage
Year	Measurement	of the net	sh	are of the	District's		as a percentage	of the total
ended	period	OPEB	n	net OPEB		covered	covered	OPEB
June 30	June 30	liability	liab	ility (asset)		payroll	payroll	liability
2024	2023	0.0250%	\$	(34,511)	\$	717,060	-4.81%	104.23%
2023	2022	0.0234%	\$	461,309	\$	683,090	67.53%	60.95%
2022	2021	0.0269%	\$	514,068	\$	686,086	74.93%	58.41%
2021	2020	0.0273%	\$	658,125	\$	675,240	97.47%	51.67%
2020	2019	0.0295%	\$	496,328	\$	744,530	66.66%	60.44%
2019	2018	0.0302%	\$	568,917	\$	803,973	70.76%	57.62%
2018	2017	0.0343%	\$	689,789	\$	845,310	81.60%	52.39%

Schedule of District's Contributions - CERS

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									Contributions
Year	Cor	ntractually			Со	ntribution		District's	as a percentage
ended	required		Actual		deficiency			covered	of covered
June 30	0 contribution		cor	ntribution		(excess)		payroll	payroll
2024	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	773,890	0.00%
2023	\$	137,257	\$	137,257	\$	-	\$	717,060	19.14%
2022	\$	125,862	\$	125,862	\$	-	\$	683,090	18.43%
2021	\$	121,431	\$	121,431	\$	-	\$	686,086	17.70%
2020	\$	115,811	\$	115,811	\$	-	\$	675,240	17.15%
2019	\$	120,878	\$	120,878	\$	-	\$	744,530	16.24%
2018	\$	125,758	\$	125,758	\$	-	\$	803,973	15.64%
2017	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	845,310	0.00%

	Schedule of	District's Prop	oortionate Share	of th	ie Net OPEB Li	iability - TRS M	edical Insurance P	lan
					State's		District's	
				pr	oportionate		proportionate	Plan
				s	hare of the		share of the	fiduciary
		District's	District's		net OPEB		net OPEB	net position
		proportion	proportionate		liability		liability	as a percentage
Year	Measurement	of the net	share of the	ĩ	associated	District's	as a percentage	of the total
ended	period	OPEB	net OPEB		with the	covered	covered	OPEB
June 30	June 30	liability	liability		District	payroll	payroll	liability
2024	2023	0.0740%	\$ 1,803,000	\$	1,519,000	\$5,101,429	35.34%	52.97%
2023	2022	0.1034%	\$ 2,568,000	\$	844,000	\$4,967,826	51.69%	47.75%
2022	2021	0.0709%	\$ 1,521,000	\$	1,236,000	\$4,452,924	34.16%	51.47%
2021	2020	0.0688%	\$ 1,735,000	\$	1,390,000	\$4,270,921	40.62%	32.58%
2020	2019	0.0665%	\$ 1,947,000	\$	1,572,000	\$4,139,817	47.03%	32.58%
2019	2018	0.0679%	\$ 2,355,000	\$	2,029,000	\$4,323,779	54.47%	25.54%
2018	2017	0.7340%	\$ 2,617,000	\$	2,138,000	\$4,543,022	57.60%	21.18%

Schedule of District's Contributions - TRS Medical Insurance Plan

									Contributions
Year	Cor	ntractually			Сс	ontribution		District's	as a percentage
ended	required		Actual		c	deficiency		covered	of covered
June 30	contribution		contribution		(excess)			payroll	payroll
2024	\$	153,092	\$	153,092	\$	-	\$	5,103,067	3.00%
2023	\$	137,257	\$	137,257	\$	-	\$	5,101,429	2.69%
2022	\$	125,862	\$	125,862	\$	-	\$	4,967,826	2.53%
2021	\$	121,431	\$	121,431	\$	-	\$	4,452,924	2.73%
2020	\$	115,811	\$	115,811	\$	-	\$	4,270,921	2.71%
2019	\$	120,878	\$	120,878	\$	-	\$	4,139,817	2.92%
2018	\$	125,758	\$	125,758	\$	-	\$	4,323,779	2.91%
2017	\$	129,713	\$	129,713	\$	-	\$	4,543,022	2.86%

Ludlow Independent School District Schedule of District's Share of Net OPEB Liability and Contributions – TRS Life Insurance Plan June 30, 2024

	Schedule	of District's Pr	oportic	onate Shar	e of tl	ne Net OPEB	Liability - TRS	Life Insurance Plar	n
					!	State's		District's	
					pror	portionate	proportionate	Plan	
					sha	are of the		share of the	fiduciary
		District's	Dis	strict's	n	et OPEB		net OPEB	net position
		proportion	propo	ortionate	ľ	liability		liability	as a percentage
Year	Measurement	of the net	shar	re of the	associated		District's	as a percentage	of the total
ended	period	OPEB	net	t OPEB	v	with the	covered	covered	OPEB
June 30	June 30	liability	lia	ability	ſ	District	payroll	payroll	liability
2024	2023	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	38,000	\$5,101,429	0.00%	76.91%
2023	2022	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	42,000	\$4,967,826	0.00%	73.97%
2022	2021	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	16,000	\$4,452,924	0.00%	89.15%
2021	2020	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	42,000	\$4,270,921	0.00%	71.57%
2020	2019	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	37,000	\$4,139,817	0.00%	73.40%
2019	2018	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	35,000	\$4,323,779	0.00%	74.97%
2018	2017	0.0000%	\$	-	\$	29,000	\$4,543,022	0.00%	79.99%

	S	chedule o	f Distr	ict's Cont	tributi	ons - TRS L	.ife Iı	nsurance Pla	n
									Contributions
Year	Cont	ractually			Con	tribution		District's	as a percentage
ended	ree	quired	A	ctual	de	deficiency		covered	of covered
June 30	cont	ribution	conti	ribution	(e	(excess)		payroll	payroll
2024	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,103,067	0.00%
2023	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,101,429	0.00%
2022	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,967,826	0.00%
2021	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,452,924	0.00%
2020	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,270,921	0.00%
2019	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,139,817	0.00%
2018	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,323,779	0.00%
2017	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,543,022	0.00%

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	District Activity Fund	Student Activity Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Building Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables	\$ 419,521 - -	\$ 174,473 - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$
Total assets	\$ 419,521	\$ 174,473	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ 593,994
Liabilities						
Unearned revenue	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$-
Total liabilities						
Fund balances						
Restricted	-	174,473	-	-	-	174,473
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	419,521					419,521
Total fund balances	419,521	174,473				593,994
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 419,521	\$ 174,473	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ 593,994

Ludlow Independent School District Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Nonmajor Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

	District Activity Fund	Student Activity Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Building Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
Revenues						
From local sources:						
Property taxes	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$ 506,240	\$-	\$ 506,240
Motor vehicle taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Earnings on investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuition	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other local revenue	546,240	313,612	-	-	-	859,852
Intergovernmental state:	-	-	-	-	-	
SEEK	-	-	75,143	266,227	-	341,370
On-behalf	-	-	-	-	278,440	278,440
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental federal Federal direct	-	-	-	-	-	-
	- 546,240		- 75,143	-	- 278,440	1 095 002
Total revenues	540,240	313,612	/3,143	772,467	278,440	1,985,902
Expenditures						
Instruction	61,496	-	-	-	-	61,496
Support services:						
Student	-	289,976	-	-	-	289,976
Instruction staff	-	-	-	-	-	-
District administrative	-	-	-	-	-	-
School administrative	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business support	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plant operation	359,799	-	-	-	-	359,799
Student transpiration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Community services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Building construction	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal Interest	-	-	-	-	625,000	625,000
	421 205				450,771	450,771
Total expenditures Excess of revenues over (under)	421,295	289,976			1,075,771	1,787,042
expenditures	124,945	23,636	75,143	772,467	(797,331)	198,860
Other financing sources (uses)	,				(/0/)00_)	
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	797,331	797,331
Transfers out	-	-	(75,143)	(772,467)	-	(847,610)
Original issue discount	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bond proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (use	-	-	(75,143)	(772,467)	797,331	(50,279)
Net change in fund balances	124,945	23,636	-	-	-	148,581
Fund balances - beginning	294,576	150,837		-		445,413
Fund balances - end of year	\$419,521	\$ 174,473	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ 593,994

Ludlow Independent School District Combining Statement of School Activity Funds Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fur	nd Balance	Fund Balance				
	Jun	e 30, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements		Jun	e 30, 2024
Ludlow High School	\$	102,903	\$ 227,249	\$	212,116	\$	118,036
Goetz Elementary		47,934	37,929		29,426		56,437
Totals	\$	150,837	\$ 265,178	\$	241,542	\$	174,473

Ludlow Independent School District Statement of School Activity Funds Ludlow High School Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund Balar					Fund Balance
Fund Name	June 30, 20		Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers	June 30, 2024
Principal's office	\$ 2,6	29	\$ 5,101	\$ 2,097	-	\$
Staff generated	1	62	-	-	-	162
Ludlow Christian scholars	9,6	63	3,067	500	-	12,230
Band scholarship	-		1,200	1,200	-	-
Service learning	4	14	-	-	-	414
Central office	3,2	78	905	244	-	3,939
Book rental	7,0	17	7,071	14,088	-	-
Student fees	9	44	15,949	5,959	(5,685)	5,249
Technology	5,5	00	2,120	-	-	7,620
Athletic AD	2,0	01	50,270	21,388	(19,318)	11,565
Softball	4,9	51	6,464	3,039	(263)	8,113
Volleyball	4,8	69	16,082	10,489	(6,255)	4,207
Soccer	1,7	28	2,926	2,946	(1,525)	183
Track	1	96	25	-	(150)	71
Baseball	9	28	4,293	4,071	(145)	1,005
HS football	3,8	09	32,520	27,217	(3,408)	5,704
MS cheerleading	1,1	39	2,201	3,160	500	680
HS cheerleading	2,9	45	4,374	4,771	-	2,548
Boys basketball	7,4	01	12,773	13,967	(1,765)	4,442
Girls basketball	5,2	45	9,384	9,829	(1,797)	3,003
Cross country		51	-	-	-	51
Band	1,2	11	8,290	9,266	(76)	159
Band drinks	5	74	12	637	51	-
Student council	1,1	74	932	1,070	(326)	710
March madness		73	-	-	-	73
NHS	4,5	58	9,599	9,603	(25)	4,529
SADD	1,0	94	876	682	277	1,565
HS drama	1,3	21	-	-	-	1,321
MS drama	8	42	-	-	-	842
PCC	1	98	-	-	-	198
Yearbook	6,0	06	2,197	741	-	7,462
Academic team		7	-	-		7
Class of 2029	4	73	-	-	(473)	-
Class of 2024		74	1,837	2,276	573	208
Class of 2025		75	5,660	1,100	(4,600)	35
Holding	10,0	21	10,043	10,043	-	10,021

Ludlow Independent School District Statement of School Activity Funds - Continued Ludlow High School Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Fund Balance				Fund Balance
Fund Name	June 30, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers	June 30, 2024
Sweep	-	-	42,672	42,872	200
Student recognition	301	100	694	500	207
Box tops for education	320	-	227	-	93
Miscellaneous	201	-	-	-	201
Life skills	356	-	-	-	356
MD Class	46	-	-	-	46
MS Track	966	-	-	-	966
MS Basketball Boys	1,676	-	1,778	102	-
MS Basketball Girls	-	-	-	-	-
MS Football	3,764	8,889	5,987	-	6,666
MS Basketball AD	2,702	2,089	375		4,416
MS Volleyball AD		-		936	936
Totals	\$ 102,903	\$ 227,249	\$ 212,116	\$-	\$ 118,036

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing	Pass Through Grantor's Number	Expen for	deral nditures r FYE 0/2024	
U.S. Department of Education	Listing			2024	
Passed through Kentucky Department of Education					
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)					
Special Education_Grants to States (IDEA, Part B)	84.027	3810002 23	\$ 30,297		
	84.027	3810002 24	226,970		
Special Education_Preschool Grants (IDEA, Preschool)	84.173	3800002 22	29		
	84.173	3800002 23	201		
	84.173	3800002 24	13,373	270,870	
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	3100002 23	14,595		
The Forants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010 84.010	3100002 23	316,248	330,843	
	04.010	5100002 24	510,240	550,045	
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287	3400002 24	115,010		
	84.287	3400002 24	843		
	84.287	3400002 24	80,978	196,831	
Title II Composition of the time in struction (thete Compte	04 267	2220002.22	24 407		
Title II Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367 84.367	3230002 23 3230002 24	24,497	EE 110	
	84.307	3230002 24	30,622	55,119	
Title IV Student Support and Academic	84.424	3420002 22	18,258	18,258	
Education Stabilization Fund Under the Coronavirus					
Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act	84.425C	4000002 20	16,580		
	84.425U	4200002 22	1,305,160		
	84.425U	4200000 23	32,328		
	84.425W	4980002 23	4,767	1,358,835	
Passed through NKCES					
School-Based Mental Health Services	84.184H		70,496	70,496	
Arts in Education	84.351		17,572	17,572	
Total U.S Depa	rtment of Ed	ucation		2,318,824	

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing	Pass Through Grantor's Number	Fede Expend for I 6/30/	litures FYE
U.S. Department of Justice				
Passed through NKCES				
Stop School Violence	16.839		8,034	8,034
Total U.S D	epartment of Jus	tice	-	8,034
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Passed through NKCES				
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services	93.243		12,742	12,742
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	4200003 23	53,069	
	93.575	4200003 24	64,407	117,476
Total U.S D U.S. Department of Agriculture	epartment of He	alth and Human	Services _	130,218
Passed through Kentucky Department of Education				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	7760005 23	23,781	
5	10.553	7760005 24	86,851	
National School Lunch Program	10.555	7750002 23	84,193	
_	10.555	7750002 24	357,338	
Commodities	10.555		20,293	
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	7690024 23	2,124	
	10.559	7740023 23	20,450	595,030
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	7790021 23	11,734	
-	10.558	7790021 24	74,600	
	10.558	7800016 23	815	
	10.558	7800016 24	8,178	95,327
State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition	10.560	7700001 23	1,235	1,235
Total U.S D	epartment of Ag	riculture	-	691,592

Total Expenditures of Federal Awards

\$3,148,668

NOTE 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of Ludlow Independent School District (District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the District.

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts, if any, shown on the schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

NOTE 3: INDIRECT COST RATE

The District has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 4: SUBRECIPIENTS

The District did not provide federal funds to subrecipients for the year ended June 30, 2024.

NOTE 5: COMMODITIES

Nonmonetary assistance is recorded in the schedule at the fair value of the USDA commodities received and disbursed.

NOTE 6: FEDERAL AWARDS RECONCILIATION

Federal revenues reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 2,457,076
Federal grants reported on the Statement or Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position - Proprietary Fund	671,299
Donated commodities reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position - Proprietary Fund	 20,293
Schedule of expenditures of federal awards	\$ 3,148,668

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*



Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits Members of the Board of Education Ludlow Independent School District Ludlow, Kentucky

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Ludlow Independent School District (District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 30, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 such that there are 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 preceding paragraph 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. Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated October 30, 2024.

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

Maddox & Associates CPAs Inc.

Ludlow, Kentucky October 30, 2024 Ludlow Independent School District Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by Uniform Guidance June 30, 2024

Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits Members of the Board of Education Ludlow Independent School District Ludlow, Kentucky

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Program

We have audited Ludlow Independent School District's (District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Ludlow Independent School District Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by Uniform Guidance June 30, 2024

Auditor's Responsibilities

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance and the audit requirements prescribed by the Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits, in the *Auditor Responsibilities and State Compliance Requirements* sections contained in the Kentucky Public School Districts' Audit Contract and Requirements, we:

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

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

Ludlow Independent School District Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by Uniform Guidance June 30, 2024

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Maddox & Associates CPAs Inc.

Fort Thomas, Kentucky October 30, 2024

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial		
statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP:	Unmo	odified
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes	X No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes	X None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	Yes	<u>X</u> No
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes	<u> X </u> No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	Yes	X None reported
Type of report the auditor issued on compliance with major		
programs:	Unmo	odified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in		
accordance with Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 500.516(a))?	Yes	X None reported
Identification of Major Programs		
ALN Name of Federal Program or Cluster		
84.425C, 84.425U, 84.425W Elementary and Secondary Education	n Relief Fund	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B		
programs:	\$ 75	50,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee	X Yes	No
SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS		
Newsweet and		

None reported

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None reported

NO PRIOR FINDINGS

Ludlow Independent School District Management Letter Year Ended June 30, 2024

Kentucky State Committee for School District Audits Members of the Board of Education Ludlow Independent School District Fort Thoomas, Kentucky

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Ludlow Independent School District (District) for the year ended June 30, 2024, we considered the District's internal control in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

However, during our audit we became aware of matters that our opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiencies. The memorandum that accompanies this letter summarizes our comments and recommendations regarding these matters. Any uncorrected comments from the prior year have been listed in this letter. A separate report dated October 30, 2024 contains our report on the District's internal control. This letter does not affect our report dated October 30, 2024 on the financial statements of the District.

We will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed the comments and recommendation with various District personnel, and we will be pleased to discuss them in further detail at our convenience, to perform additional study of these matters, or to assist you in implementing the recommendations.

Maddox & Associates CPAs Inc.

October 30, 2024

Ludlow Independent School District Management Letter Year Ended June 30, 2024

Central Office

No matters are reportable

Ludlow High School

No matters are reportable

Goetz Elementary School

No matters are reportable

Prior Year Comments

No prior year comments were repeated in the current year.