

**SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**OF**  
**BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP**

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Board of Education**  
**Blairstown, Warren County**  
**New Jersey**

**Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**  
**For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

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**Financial Report**

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**Blairstown Township School District**

**Board of Education**

**Blairstown, New Jersey**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024**

**Prepared by**

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## **Introductory Section**

December 9, 2024

Honorable President and  
Members of the Board of Education  
Blairstown School District  
County of Warren, New Jersey

Dear Board Members:

The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Blairstown School District (District) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, is now submitted. Responsibility for the data's accuracy and the presentation's completeness and fairness, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the Board of Education (Board). To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data presented in this report is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present the financial position and results of operations of the various funds and account groups of the District fairly. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to understand the District's financial activities have been included.

The annual comprehensive financial report is presented in four sections: introductory, financial, statistical, and single audit. The introductory section includes this transmittal letter, the District's organizational chart, and a list of principal officials. The financial section includes the general purpose financial statements and schedules and the auditor's report. The statistical section includes selected financial and demographic information, generally presented multi-yearly. The District is required to undergo a single annual audit in conformity with the provisions of the Single Audit Act of 1984 and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Uniform Guidance, *Audits of State and Local Governments*, and the state Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants, and State Aid Payments*. Information related to this single audit, including the auditor's report on the internal control structure and compliance with applicable laws and regulations and findings and recommendations, are included in the single audit section of this report.

**1) REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES:** Blairstown School District is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the GASB as established by NCGA Statements No. 3. All funds and account groups of the District are included in this report. The Blairstown Board of Education and the Blairstown Elementary School constitute the District's reporting entity. The District provides a full range of educational services appropriate to grade levels Pre- Kindergarten through Six and operates a full spectrum program for children with disabilities. These services include regular as well as special education for handicapped youngsters. The Pre-Kindergarten program will continue bringing additional students into the building now that the District has two classes. The District completed the 2019-2020 fiscal year with an average enrollment of 468 students. The following details the district's student enrollment changes over the last five years.

#### Fiscal Year Average Daily Student Enrollment Percent Change

2012-2013	554	-8.2%
2013-2014	531	-4.3%
2014-2015	542	+2%

2015-2016	508	-6.3%
2016-2017	481	-5.3%
2017-2018	464	-3.7%
2018-2019	458	-1.3%
2019-2020	468	+2.18%
2020-2021	404	-12.7%
2021-2022	429	+6.18%
2022-2023	430	+0.23%
2023-2024	429	-0.23%

## **2) ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK:**

Enrollment has been decreasing over the last several years, as outlined above. Annual reductions in state aid are a concern for the future of this district, particularly if enrollment increases with the 2% cap in mind.

## **3) MAJOR INITIATIVES:**

The district is continuing to use Linkit! for its benchmark assessments. Students take three benchmark assessments in math and ELA. The data is utilized for RtI to drive instruction to enhance learning and student achievement further.

The district has completed its 1:1 initiative, as every classroom has a Chromebook cart and 25 Chromebooks. Kindergarten through second grade has touchscreen Chromebooks. Also, the district is in the process of replacing smartboards with Promethean boards.

Professional development includes training in readers/writers workshop with Jennifer Serravallo. The focus is on enhancing reading skills. Also, the district is working with motivational speaker Steve Bollar, aka Stand Tall Steve. Steve is working with the administration, teachers, and students further to enhance the culture and climate of the district.

The district is continuing to improve our RtI process by working with IDE on implementing tier 1 intervention in the classroom.

Fountas and Pinnell's intervention and remediation strategies will continue to be implemented.

## **4) INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS:**

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the District are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived, and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

As a recipient of federal and state financial assistance, the District is also responsible for ensuring an adequate internal control structure to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. This internal control structure is also subject to periodic evaluation by the District management.



As part of the District's single audit described earlier, tests are made to determine the adequacy of the internal control structure, including that portion related to federal and state financial assistance programs, as well as to determine that the District has complied with applicable laws and regulations.

#### **5) BUDGETARY CONTROLS:**

Besides internal accounting controls, the District maintains budgetary controls. These budgetary controls aim to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the municipality's voters. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general and special revenue funds. Project-length budgets are approved for the capital improvements accounted for in the capital projects fund. The final budget amount, as amended for the fiscal year, is reflected in the financial section.

An encumbrance accounting system records outstanding purchase commitments on a line-item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are either canceled or are included as re-appropriations of fund balance in the subsequent year. Those amounts to be re-appropriated are reported as reservations of fund balance on June 30, 2022.

#### **6) ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS:**

The District's accounting records reflect generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The District's accounting system is organized based on funds and account groups. These funds and account groups are explained in "Notes to the Financial Statements," Note 1.

#### **7) FINANCIAL INFORMATION AT FISCAL YEAR-END:**

As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the District continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management.

#### **8) CASH MANAGEMENT:**

The District's investment policy is largely guided by state statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statements", Note 2. The District has adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. The law requires governmental units to deposit public funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where funds are secured following the Act.

#### **9) RISK MANAGEMENT:**

The Board carries various forms of insurance, including but not limited to general liability, automobile liability and comprehensive/collision, hazard, and theft insurance on property and contents, and fidelity bonds.

#### **10) OTHER INFORMATION:**

##### **A) Independent Audit**

State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants or registered municipal accountants. The Board selected the accounting firm of Ardito & Company. In addition to meeting the

requirements outlined in state statutes, the audit was also designed to meet the Single Audit Act of 1984 and the related OMB Uniform Guidance and state Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB. The auditor's report on the general purpose financial statements and combining individual fund statements and schedules is included in the financial section of this report. The auditor's reports related specifically to the single audit are included in the single audit section of this report.

## **11) ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

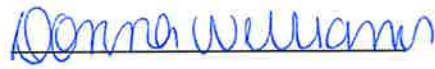
We would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Blirstown School Board for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of the school district, thereby contributing their full support to the development and maintenance of our financial operation.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dr. Patrick Ketch

Superintendent

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Donna Williams", written over a horizontal line.

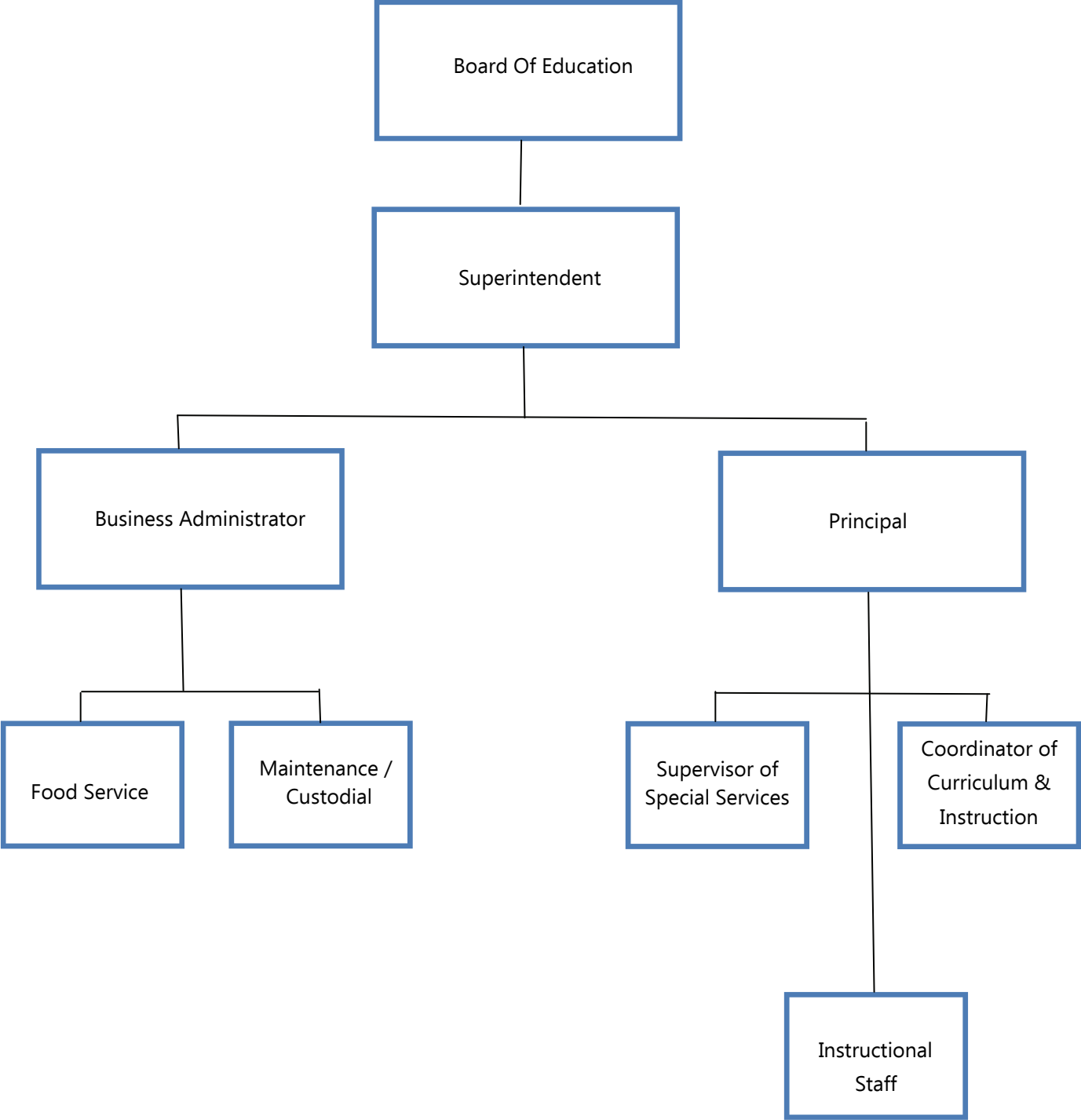
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Business Administrator

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**ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



**BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**ROSTER OF OFFICIALS**

**JUNE 30, 2024**

<b><u>Members of the Board of Education</u></b>	<b><u>Term Expires</u></b>
Jeremy Cook, President	2026
Shanna Sikkes, Vice-President	2024
Kathryn Hawkswell	2024
Sotie Hambos	2024
Karen Klein	2025
Kevin Doell	2025
Erin Allison	2025
Deborah Furhmann	2026
Danielle Ryan	2026

**Other Officials**

Dr. Patrick Ketch, Superintendent

Donna Williams, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Joseph Schneider, Treasurer

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BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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## **Financial Section**

# **Independent Auditor's Report**



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

The Honorable President and  
Members of the Board of Education  
Blairstown Township School District  
County of Warren  
Blairstown, New Jersey 07825

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

#### ***Opinions***

We have audited the financial statements of the government activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education, 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 accompanying 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 Blairstown Township School District Board of Education, 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 for Opinions***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in ***Government Auditing Standards***, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. 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 Blairstown School District Board of Education, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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.

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, we:

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

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

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and pension and post-employment benefit trend information as noted 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.

### ***Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education's basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-

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major fund financial statements, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*; and New Jersey OMB's Circulars 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, 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 non-major fund financial statements, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### ***Other Information***

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

### ***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with ***Government Auditing Standards***, we have also issued our report dated December 9, 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 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 internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with ***Government Auditing Standards*** the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Ardito & Company LLC*

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Frenchtown, New Jersey

December 9, 2024

***Anthony Ardito***

Anthony Ardito

Certified Public Accountant

Licensed Public School Accountant No. 2369

ARDITO & COMPANY LLC

Frenchtown, New Jersey

December 9, 2024

**Required Supplementary Information -  
Part I**

**Management's Discussion and Analysis**

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024  
UNAUDITED

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

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2024 are as follows:

- ◆ In total, Net Position decreased \$105,572 which represents a 4.5% decrease from 2023.
- ◆ General revenues accounted for \$7,871,440 in revenue or 74.2% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions accounted for \$2,742,297 or 25.8% of total revenues of \$10,613,737.
- ◆ Total assets of governmental activities decreased by \$622,730, as cash and cash equivalents increased by \$295,397, receivables decreased by \$1,256,408, and capital assets increased by \$338,167.
- ◆ The School District had \$10,719,309 in expenses; only \$2,742,297 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues (primarily property taxes) of \$7,871,440 were available to provide for these programs.
- ◆ Among major funds, the General Fund had \$10,994,222 in revenues and \$12,042,376 in expenditures. The General Fund's surplus balance decreased \$1,048,154 over 2023, which compares favorably to the budgeted decrease of \$1,330,062.

**Using this Generally Accepted Accounting Principals Report (GAAP)**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Blairstown Township School District as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities. The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate view of the School District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail.

For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the School District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of Blairstown Township School District, the General Fund is by far the most significant fund.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024  
UNAUDITED

**Reporting the School District as a Whole**

**Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities**

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the School District to provide programs and activities, the view of the School District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during 2024?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's Net Position and changes in those assets. This change in Net Position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School District as a whole, the financial positions of the School District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, and some not. Nonfinancial factors include the School District's property tax base, current laws in New Jersey restricting revenue growth, facility condition, required educational programs and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the School District is divided into two distinct kinds of activities:

- Governmental activities--All of the School District's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant facilities, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities.
- Business-type Activity--This service is provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all the expenses of the goods or services provided. The Food Service enterprise fund is reported as a business activity.

**Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds**

**Fund Financial Statements**

The analysis of the School District's major funds begins on page 23. Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the School District's major funds. The School District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the School District's most significant funds. The School District's major governmental funds are the General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, and Capital Projects Fund.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024  
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**Governmental Funds**

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

**The School District as a Whole**

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the School District as a whole.

Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's Net Position for 2024 compared to 2023.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 2,053,263	\$ 3,014,160
Capital Assets	<u>1,993,935</u>	<u>1,655,768</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>4,047,198</u>	<u>4,669,928</u>
 <b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	 <u>133,410</u>	 <u>187,575</u>
 <b>Liabilities</b>		
Long-Term Liabilities	1,237,181	1,540,417
Other Liabilities	<u>550,562</u>	<u>493,800</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>1,787,743</u>	<u>2,034,217</u>
 <b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	 <u>138,281</u>	 <u>463,130</u>
 <b>Net Position</b>		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Debt	1,993,935	1,655,768
Restricted	-	(263,618)
Unrestricted	<u>260,649</u>	<u>968,006</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$ 2,254,584</u>	<u>\$ 2,360,156</u>

Total assets of governmental activities decreased by \$622,730, as cash and cash equivalents increased by \$295,397, receivables decreased by \$1,256,408, and capital assets increased by \$338,167.

The cash increase and receivable decrease was due to the tax levy payment received from the constituent townships related to the prior year. The increase in capital assets was due to capital additions, net of depreciation expense.

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Table 2 shows the changes in Net Position from fiscal year 2023.

**Table 2**  
**Changes in Net Position**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$ 143,898	\$ 135,064
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,598,399	3,114,799
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	7,759,915	7,607,760
Federal & State Aid on Capital Asset Projects	-	-
Investment Earnings	53,904	28,482
Other	<u>57,621</u>	<u>133,260</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>10,613,737</u>	<u>11,019,365</u>
<b>Program Expenses</b>		
Instruction	5,406,589	5,695,146
Support Services:		
Tuition	285,547	166,922
Pupils and Instructional Staff	1,693,771	1,979,560
General Administration, School Administration, Business	887,884	884,833
Operations and Maintenance of Facilities	1,100,327	1,061,888
Pupil Transportation	970,344	879,870
Business-Type Activities	174,321	146,764
Interest and Fiscal Charges	<u>200,526</u>	<u>144,460</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>10,719,309</u>	<u>10,959,443</u>
 Increase in Net Position	 <u>\$ (105,572)</u>	 <u>\$ 59,922</u>

**Governmental Activities**

The unique nature of property taxes in New Jersey creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for the School District operations. Property taxes made up 73.1% percent of revenues for governmental activities for the Blairstown Township School District for the fiscal year 2024.

Instruction comprises 50.4% of district expenses. Support services expenses make up 46.1% of the expenses.

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The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services compared to 2023. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State entitlements.

**Table 3**

	<u>Total Cost of Services 2024</u>	<u>Net Cost of Services 2024</u>	<u>Total Cost of Services 2023</u>	<u>Net Cost of Services 2023</u>
Instruction	\$ 5,406,589	\$ 3,982,358	\$ 5,695,146	\$3,959,070
Support Services:				
Tuition	285,547	227,668	166,922	128,849
Pupils and Instructional Staff	1,693,771	1,224,284	1,979,560	1,339,253
General Admin., School Admin., Business	887,884	707,915	884,833	683,015
Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	1,100,327	877,298	1,061,888	819,687
Pupil Transportation	970,344	773,662	879,870	679,184
Business-Type Activities	174,321	(16,699)	146,764	(43,938)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	200,526	200,526	144,460	144,460
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$ 10,719,309</u>	<u>\$ 7,977,012</u>	<u>\$ 10,959,443</u>	<u>\$ 7,709,580</u>

Instruction expenses include activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and student.

Pupils and instructional staff include the activities involved with assisting staff with the content and process of teaching to students.

General administration, school administration and business include expenses associated with administrative and financial supervision of the District.

Operation and maintenance of facilities activities involve keeping the school grounds, buildings and equipment in an effective working condition.

Pupil transportation includes activities involved with the conveyance of students to and from school, as well as to and from school activities, as provided by state law.

Business-type activities includes expenses related to activities provided by the School District which are designed to provide for students to participate in food service.

Interest and fiscal charges involve the transactions associated with the payment of interest and other related charges to debt of the School District and unallocated depreciation.

The dependence upon tax revenues is apparent. Over 73.7% of instruction activities are supported through taxes and other general revenues; for all activities general revenue support is 77.2%. The community, as a whole, is the primary support for the Blairstown Township School District.



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**The School District's Funds**

Information about the School District's major funds starts on page 23. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues and other sources of \$11,475,454 and expenditures of \$12,520,868. The General Fund's surplus balance decreased \$1,048,154 over 2023, which compares favorably to the budgeted decrease of \$1,330,062.

**General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

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

During the course of the fiscal 2024 year, the School District amended its General Fund budget as needed. The School District uses program based budgeting and the budgeting systems are designed to tightly control total program budgets but provide flexibility for program management.

For the General Fund, budget basis revenue and other financing sources, excluding on-behalf payments, was \$8,912,106, \$153,080 over original budgeted estimates of \$8,759,026. This difference was due primarily to non-budgeted state aids and other non-budgeted miscellaneous revenues.

General fund revenues fell short of expenditures by \$1,055,362. Again this deficit compares to a budgeted deficit of \$1,330,062, which was due to withdrawals of maintenance reserve, capital reserves, and the budgeted use of surplus needed to balance the 2023-2024 budget. The budgeted deficit was reduced due to revenue increases and cost savings in the area of capital outlay.

Overall general fund balance (budget basis) was \$1,413,117, and amounts ear-marked and reserved for future purposes were \$1,054,535, creating a surplus in unreserved fund balance of \$358,582. Management believes unreserved fund balance at statutory levels will provide adequate working capital for the district.

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**Capital Assets**

At the end of the fiscal year 2024, the School District had \$1,987,617 invested in land, buildings, furniture and equipment, and vehicles. Table 4 shows fiscal 2024 balances compared to 2023.

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

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Land Improvements	-	-
Buildings and Improvements	1,376,606	1,011,501
Machinery and Equipment	<u>111,011</u>	<u>130,480</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 1,987,617</u>	<u>\$ 1,641,981</u>

Overall capital assets increased \$345,636 from fiscal year 2023 to fiscal year 2024. The increase in capital assets was due to capital improvements, net of depreciation expense for the year.

Capital improvements of \$560,649 were purchased during fiscal year 2024.

**Debt Administration**

At June 30, 2024, the School District had \$155,638 as outstanding long term debt. Of this amount, \$155,638 is for compensated absences.

At June 30, 2024, the School District's overall legal debt margin was \$27,330,860 and the unvoted debt margin was the same.

**For the Future**

In conclusion, the Blairstown Township School District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. In addition, the School District's system for financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls are well regarded. The School District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenge of the future.

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

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information contact the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary at Blairstown Township School District, PO Box E, One Sunset Hill Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825.

## **Basic Financial Statements**

## **DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District. These statements include the financial activities of the overall District, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the District.

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit A-1

## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2024

	GOVERNMENTAL BUSINESS-TYPE		
	<u>ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,126,661	\$ 128,287	\$ 1,254,948
Receivables, Net	749,343	3,518	752,861
Interfund Receivables		38,423	38,423
Inventory		7,031	7,031
Capital Assets, Net (Note 5):	1,987,617	6,318	1,993,935
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>3,863,621</b>	<b>183,577</b>	<b>4,047,198</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Pension Deferred Outflows	133,410		133,410
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable	254,862	8,357	263,219
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings	209,761		209,761
Unemployment Compensation Claims Payable	562		562
Interfund Payables	38,423		38,423
Unearned Revenue	35,673	2,924	38,597
Net Pension Liability (Note 8)	1,081,543		1,081,543
Noncurrent Liabilities (Note 6):			
Due Beyond One Year	155,638		155,638
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,776,462</b>	<b>11,281</b>	<b>1,787,743</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Pension Deferred Inflows	138,281		138,281
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	1,987,617	6,318	1,993,935
Restricted for:			
Other Purposes			
Unrestricted	94,671	165,978	260,649
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 2,082,288</b>	<b>\$ 172,296</b>	<b>\$ 2,254,584</b>

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit A-2

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Functions/Programs	PROGRAM REVENUES			NET(EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION		
	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES
						TOTAL
Governmental Activities:						
Instruction:						
Regular	\$ 3,687,684	\$ 11,863	\$ 1,063,957		\$ (2,611,864)	\$ (2,611,864)
Special Education	1,389,564	4,470	277,186		(1,107,908)	(1,107,908)
Other Special Instruction	329,341	1,059	65,696		(262,586)	(262,586)
Support Services:						
Tuition	285,547	919	56,960		(227,668)	(227,668)
Student & Instruction Related Services	1,693,771	5,448	464,039		(1,224,284)	(1,224,284)
School Administrative Services	216,293	696	43,146		(172,451)	(172,451)
General and Business Admin. Services	671,591	2,160	133,967		(535,464)	(535,464)
Plant Operations and Maintenance	1,100,327	3,539	219,490		(877,298)	(877,298)
Pupil Transportation	970,344	3,121	193,561		(773,662)	(773,662)
Other Fiscal Charges	1,127				(1,127)	(1,127)
Unallocated Depreciation	199,399				(199,399)	(199,399)
Total Governmental Activities	10,544,988	33,275	2,518,002		(7,993,711)	(7,993,711)
Business-Type Activities:						
Food Service	174,321	110,623	80,397			\$ 16,699
Total Business-Type Activities	174,321	110,623	80,397	-		16,699
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<b>\$ 10,719,309</b>	<b>\$ 143,898</b>	<b>\$ 2,598,399</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (7,993,711)</b>	<b>\$ 16,699</b>
General Revenues:						
Taxes:						
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes, Net					\$ 7,759,915	\$ 7,759,915
Investment Earnings					50,317	\$ 3,587
Miscellaneous Income					57,621	57,621
Total General Revenues, Special Items, Extraor. Items & Transfers					7,867,853	3,587
Change in Net Position					(125,858)	20,286
Net Position—Beginning					2,208,146	152,010
Prior Period Adjustment						-
Net Position—Beginning (As Restated)					2,208,146	152,010
Net Position—Ending					\$ 2,082,288	\$ 172,296
						\$ 2,254,584

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

## **FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Individual Fund statements and schedules present more detailed information for the individual fund in a format that segregates information by fund type.



## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit B-1

BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

June 30, 2024

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,113,756	\$ 12,905	\$ 1,126,661
Interfund Receivables	92,869	9,468	102,337
Tax Levy Receivable	527,414		527,414
Other Accounts Receivable	4,988		4,988
Receivables from Other Governments	96,340	120,601	216,941
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,835,367</b>	<b>\$ 142,974</b>	<b>\$ 1,978,341</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 249,048	\$ 5,814	\$ 254,862
Payable for Payroll Liabilities	209,761		209,761
Payable for Unemployment Claims	562		562
Interfund Payable	47,891	92,869	140,760
Deferred Revenue	4,287	31,386	35,673
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>511,549</b>	<b>130,069</b>	<b>641,618</b>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>			
<u>Restricted for:</u>			
Maintenance Reserve	302,428		302,428
Capital Reserve	460,094		460,094
Unemployment Compensation	7,445		7,445
Student Activities		12,905	12,905
<u>Assigned to:</u>			
General Fund-Designated for Subsequent Year's Expend.	284,568		284,568
<u>Unassigned:</u>			
General Fund - Undesignated	269,283		269,283
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>1,323,818</b>	<b>12,905</b>	<b>1,336,723</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 1,835,367</b>	<b>\$ 142,974</b>	<b>\$ 1,978,341</b>

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement  
of net position (A-1) are different because:

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

The cost of the assets is \$4,815,745 and the  
accumulated depreciation is \$2,828,128 (see Note 5).

\$ 1,987,617

Deferred Outflows related to pension contributions subsequent  
to the Net Pension Liability measurement date and other deferred items are not current  
financial resources and therefore are not report in the fund statements. (See Note 7)

133,410

Deferred Inflows related to pension actuarial gains from experience and  
differences in actual return and assumed returns and other deferred items are not reported  
as liabilities in the fund statements. (See Note 7)

(138,281)

Long-term liabilities, including Net Pension Liability, are not due and  
payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as  
liabilities in the funds (see Note 7)

(1,081,543)

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due  
and payable in the current period and therefore are not  
reported as liabilities in the funds (see Note 6).

(155,638)

Net Position of governmental activities

\$ 2,082,288

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit B-2

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Special Revenue Fund</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
<b>Local sources:</b>			
Local Tax Levy	\$ 7,759,915		\$ 7,759,915
Tuition	33,275		33,275
Miscellaneous	81,225	\$ 26,713	107,938
<b>Total - Local Sources</b>	<u>7,874,415</u>	<u>26,713</u>	<u>7,901,128</u>
<b>State Sources</b>	3,082,005	-	3,082,005
<b>Federal Sources</b>	37,802	454,519	492,321
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u><b>10,994,222</b></u>	<u><b>481,232</b></u>	<u><b>11,475,454</b></u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
<b>Current:</b>			
Regular Instruction	2,537,577	352,077	2,889,654
Special Education Instruction	1,090,197		1,090,197
Other Special Instruction	258,388		258,388
Support services and undistributed costs:			
Tuition	224,029		224,029
Student and Instruction Related Services	1,202,695	126,171	1,328,866
School Administrative Services	169,695		169,695
Other Administrative Services	472,939		472,939
Plant Operations and Maintenance	861,625		861,625
Pupil Transportation	755,625		755,625
Unallocated Benefits	3,435,955		3,435,955
Charter School	422,893		422,893
<b>Capital Outlay</b>	610,758	244	611,002
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u><b>12,042,376</b></u>	<u><b>478,492</b></u>	<u><b>12,520,868</b></u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>(1,048,154)</u>	<u>2,740</u>	<u>(1,045,414)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(1,048,154)	2,740	(1,045,414)
Fund Balance—July 1	2,371,972	10,165	2,382,137
Prior Period Adjustment	-	-	-
Fund Balance—July 1 (Restated)	<u>2,371,972</u>	<u>10,165</u>	<u>2,382,137</u>
<b>Fund Balance—June 30</b>	<u><b>\$ 1,323,818</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 12,905</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 1,336,723</b></u>

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit B-3

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (from B-2)** **\$(1,045,414)**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement  
of activities (A-2) are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However,  
in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their  
estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which  
capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the period.

Depreciation Expense	\$ (215,013)	
Capital Outlays	<u>560,649</u>	345,636

Pension contributions are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However,  
in the statement of activities, the contributions are adjusted for actuarial valuation adjustments, including  
service and interest costs, administrative costs, investment returns, and experience/assumption.  
This is the amount by which net pension liability and deferred inflows/outflows related to pension  
changed during the period.

360,180

In the statement of activities, compensated absences is accrued regardless of  
when paid. In the governmental funds, compensated absences are reported  
when paid. This is the amount by which the current year's compensated  
absence payments exceed the current year's amount earned.

213,740

**Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities** **\$ (125,858)**

**The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.**

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit B-4

STATEMENT OF PROPRIETARY NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2024

		Business-Type Activities- Enterprise Funds	
		<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets:</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	128,287	\$ 128,287
Accounts Receivable - Federal & State		3,518	3,518
Other Receivables		-	-
Interfund Receivable		38,423	38,423
Inventories		7,031	7,031
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>177,259</b>	<b>177,259</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>			
Furniture, Machinery and Equipment		150,321	150,321
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(144,003)	(144,003)
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>		<b>6,318</b>	<b>6,318</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>183,577</b>	<b>183,577</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities:</b>			
Accounts Payable		8,357	8,357
Deferred Revenue		2,924	2,924
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>11,281</b>	<b>11,281</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>11,281</b>	<b>11,281</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Invested in Capital Assets Net of Related Debt		6,318	6,318
Unrestricted		165,978	165,978
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>172,296</b>	<b>\$ 172,296</b>

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	<b>Business-type Activities- Enterprise Fund</b>	
	<b>Food Service</b>	<b>Total Enterprise</b>
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>		
Charges for Services:		
Daily Sales - Reimbursable Programs	\$ 80,615	\$ 80,615
Daily Sales - Non-Reimb. Programs	30,008	30,008
Miscellaneous	3,587	3,587
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>114,210</b>	<b>114,210</b>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>		
Cost of Sales - Reimbursable Programs	61,825	61,825
Cost of Sales - Non-reimbursable Programs	10,626	10,626
Salaries	43,631	43,631
Employee Benefits	13,949	13,949
Other Purchased Professional Services	8,872	8,872
Miscellaneous	3,085	3,085
Supplies	24,864	24,864
Depreciation	7,469	7,469
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>174,321</b>	<b>174,321</b>
Operating Income (Loss)	(60,111)	(60,111)
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):</b>		
State Sources:		
State School Lunch Program	2,720	2,720
Federal Sources:		
National School Lunch Program	50,856	50,856
Supply Chain Assistance	14,680	14,680
P-EBT Administrative Cost Reimbursement	653	653
Food Distribution Program	11,488	11,488
<b>Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	<b>80,397</b>	<b>80,397</b>
Income (Loss)	20,286	20,286
Change in Net Position	20,286	20,286
Total Net Position—Beginning	152,010	152,010
<b>Total Net Position—Ending</b>	<b>\$ 172,296</b>	<b>\$ 172,296</b>

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit B-6

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<b>Business-Type Activities- Enterprise Funds</b>	
	<b><u>Food Service</u></b>	<b><u>Total Enterprise</u></b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Receipts from Customers	\$ 114,210	\$ 114,210
Payments to Employees	(43,631)	(43,631)
Payments for Employee Benefits	(13,949)	(13,949)
Payments to Suppliers	(88,983)	(88,983)
<b>Net Cash Provided by (used for) Operating Activities</b>	<b>(32,353)</b>	<b>(32,353)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
State Sources	2,747	2,747
Federal Sources	66,736	66,736
Operating Transfer from other Funds	(26,262)	(26,262)
<b>Net Cash Provided by (used for) Non-Capital Financing Activities</b>	<b>43,221</b>	<b>43,221</b>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	10,868	10,868
Balances—Beginning of Year	117,419	117,419
<b>Balances—End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 128,287</b>	<b>\$ 128,287</b>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (used) by Operating Activities:</b>		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (60,111)	\$ (60,111)
Depreciation	7,469	7,469
Provided by (used for) Operating Activities:		
Federal Commodities	11,488	11,488
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	150	150
(Increase) Decrease in Inventories	(115)	(115)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	8,766	8,766
Total Adjustments	27,758	27,758
<b>Net Cash Provided by (used for) Operating Activities</b>	<b>\$ (32,353)</b>	<b>\$ (32,353)</b>

The accompanying Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments (Statement No.34). This Statement provides for the most significant change in financial reporting in over twenty years and is scheduled for a phase-in implementation period (based on amount of revenues) starting with fiscal years ending 2002 (for larger governments). The District was not required to implement the new model until the 2003-2004 school year.

In addition, the School District has implemented GASB Statement No.37, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus, Statement No.38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures, Statement No.40, Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, an amendment of GASB Statement No.3, and Statement 44, Economic Condition Reporting: The Statistical Section (GASB 44), an amendment of NCGA Statement 1, Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Principles is found in the Introduction, a revised statistical section in the Outline of the ACFR, GASB Statement No. 45, Other Post-retirement Employee Benefits, GASB No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, and GASB No. 63 and 65, Deferred Outflows and Inflows and Net Position, and Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities, GASB No. 68, Accounting for Pensions, an amendment of GASB No. 27, GASB No. 75, Accounting for OPEB, GASB 84, Fiduciary Activities, GASB 87, Leases, GASB 96, Subscriptions, GASB 98, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, and GASB 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. The implementation of these statements did not effect net position balances as previously reported for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

**A. Reporting Entity:**

The Blairstown Township School District is a Type II district located in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey. As a Type II district, the School District functions independently through a Board of Education. The board is comprised of nine members elected to three-year terms. The purpose of the district is to educate students in grades K-6. The Blairstown Township School District had an approximate enrollment at June 30, 2024, of 429 students.

The primary criterion for including activities within the District's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of the GASB *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, is whether:

- the organization is legally separate (can sue or be sued in their own name)
- the District holds the corporate powers of the organization
- the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's board
- the District is able to impose its will on the organization
- the organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the District
- there is a fiscal dependency by the organization on the District

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the District has no component units.



BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**B. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting:**

The School District's basic financial statements consist of District-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.

**Basis of Presentation**

*District-wide 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 overall District, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activity of the District. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees and charged to external parties. The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activity of the School District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the business-type activity of the District and for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or

function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function or business segment is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School District.

*Fund Financial Statements :* During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category—*governmental*, *proprietary*, and *fiduciary*—are presented. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has elected to require New Jersey districts to treat each governmental fund as a major fund in accordance with the option noted in GASB No.34, paragraph 76. The NJDOE believes that the presentation of all funds as major is important for public interest and to promote consistency among district financial reporting models.

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

The District reports the following governmental funds:

**General Fund** - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District and is used to account for all expendable financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for vehicles and movable instructional or noninstructional equipment which are classified in the Capital Outlay subfund.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**B. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting (Continued):**

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Continued)**

As required by the New Jersey State Department of Education, the District includes budgeted Capital Outlay in this fund. Generally accepted accounting principles as they pertain to governmental entities state that General Fund resources may be used to directly finance capital outlays for long-lived improvements as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenues. Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid, district taxes and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to fixed assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to Current Expense by board resolution.

**Special Revenue Fund** - The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue from State and Federal Government, (other than major capital projects, debt service or the enterprise funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**

The District reports the following proprietary fund:

**Enterprise (Food Service) Fund** - The Enterprise Fund accounts for all revenues and expenses pertaining to the Board's cafeteria operations. The food service fund is utilized to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The stated intent is that the costs (i.e. expenses including depreciation and indirect costs) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

**Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements.

*District-wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements:* The District-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting; the enterprise fund and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures. Ad Valorem (Property) Taxes are susceptible to accrual as under New Jersey Statute a municipality is required to remit to its school district the entire balance of taxes in the amount voted

upon or certified, prior to the end of the school year. The District records the entire approved tax levy as revenue (accrued) at the start of the fiscal year, since the revenue is both measurable and available. The District is entitled to receive monies under the established payment schedule and the unpaid amount is considered to be an "accounts receivable". Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**B. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting (Continued):**

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements* : Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. “Measurable” means the amount of the transaction can be determined and “available” means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

All governmental and business-type activities and enterprise funds of the District follow FASB Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins, unless those pronouncements conflict with GASB pronouncements.

**C. Budgets/Budgetary Control:**

Annual appropriated budgets are prepared in the spring of each year for the general, special revenue and debt service funds. The budgets are submitted to the county office. In accordance with P.L.2011 c.202, which became effective January 17, 2012, the School District eliminated the April annual voter referendum on budgets which met the statutory tax levy cap limitations and the board of education members are elected at the November general election. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the minimum chart of accounts referenced in N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-2(f)1. Transfers of appropriations may be made by School Board resolution at any time during the fiscal year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-11. In addition, transfers are also covered by changes in N.J.A.C.6A:23A-2.3, that can require approval through the state department. All budget amendments/transfers must be approved by School Board resolution and are subject to transfer limitations and approvals per P.L. 2004, c.73(S-1701).

All budget amounts presented in the accompanying supplementary information reflect the original budget and the amended budget (which have been adjusted for legally authorized revisions of the annual budgets during the year). Appropriations, except remaining project appropriations, encumbrances and unexpended grant appropriations, lapse at the end of each fiscal year. The capital projects fund presents the remaining project appropriations compared to current year expenditures.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the fiscal year. For governmental funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles with the exception of the legally mandated revenue recognition of the last state aid payment for budgetary purposes only and the special revenue fund as noted below. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**C. Budgets/Budgetary Control (Continued):**

The accounting records of the special revenue fund are maintained on the grant accounting budgetary basis. The grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the grant accounting budgetary basis recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

**D. Encumbrance Accounting:**

Under encumbrance accounting purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Open encumbrances in governmental funds, other than the special revenue fund, are reported as reservations of fund balances at fiscal year end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund, for which the District has received advances, are reflected in the balance sheet as deferred revenues at fiscal year end.

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next fiscal year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next fiscal year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current fiscal year end.

**E. Assets, Liabilities and Equity:**

**Cash and Cash Equivalents:**

Cash and cash equivalents includes petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

**Interfund Transactions:**

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the District-wide statements are reported in the same manner as general revenues.

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 and after non-operating revenues/expenses in the enterprise fund. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

**Inventories:**

Inventory purchases, other than those recorded in the enterprise fund, are recorded as expenditures during the year of purchase. Enterprise fund inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

**Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts:**

No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as all amounts are considered collectible.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**E. Assets, Liabilities and Equity (Continued):**

**Capital Assets:**

The District has established a formal system of accounting for its capital assets. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. The School District does not possess any infrastructure. The capitalization threshold used by school districts in the State of New Jersey is \$2,000.

All reported capital assets except for land and construction in progress are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method under the half-year convention over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
School Buildings	50
Building Improvements	20
Electrical/Plumbing	30
Vehicles	8
Office and Computer Equipment	5-10
Instructional Equipment	10
Grounds Equipment	15

In the fund financial statements, fixed assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition. Fixed assets are not capitalized and related depreciation is not reported in the fund financial statements.

**Compensated Absences:**

The District accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No.16 (GASB 16), "Accounting for Compensated Absences". A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits.

District employees are granted vacation and sick leave in varying amounts under the District's personnel policies. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated vacation. Sick leave benefits provide for ordinary sick pay and upon retirement are reimbursed \$40 per unused sick day up to a maximum of 150 unused sick days with a minimum of 20 years of service in the district.

The liability for compensated absences was accrued using the termination payment method, whereby the liability is calculated based on the amount of sick leave that is expected to become eligible for payment upon termination. The District estimates its accrued compensated absences liability based on the accumulated sick and vacation days at the balance sheet date by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination payments. Salary related payments for the employer's share of social security and medicare taxes, as well as pension contributions, are included.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**E. Assets, Liabilities and Equity (Continued):**

For the District-wide Statements, the current portion is the amount estimated to be used in the following year. In accordance with GAAP, for the governmental funds, in the Fund Financial Statements, all of the compensated absences are considered long-term and therefore, are not a fund liability and represents a reconciling item between the fund level and District-wide presentations.

**Deferred Revenue:**

Deferred revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Property taxes that were received as of June 30, 2024, but which were levied to finance subsequent fiscal years operations, have been recorded as deferred revenue. Grants and entitlement received before the eligible requirements are met are also recorded as deferred revenue.

**Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations:**

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported on the District-wide 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, contractually required pension contributions and compensated absences that are 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 year. Bonds are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due.

**Net Position:**

Net Position represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net Position invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net Position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. The School District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

**Fund Balance Reserves:**

The School District reserves those portions of fund balance which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and, therefore, are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion which is available for appropriation in future periods. A fund balance reserve has been established for encumbrances, capital reserve, and maintenance reserve.

**Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources**

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

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**E. Assets, Liabilities and Equity (Continued):**

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

**Operating Revenues and Expenses:**

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the enterprise fund. For the School District, these revenues are sales for food service. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the enterprise fund.

**Allocation of Indirect Expenses:**

The District reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses are allocated to functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Employee benefits, including the employer's share of social security, workers compensation and medical and dental benefits, were allocated based on salaries of that program. Depreciation expense, where practicable, is specifically identified by function and is included in the indirect expense column of the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense, that could not be attributed to a specific function, is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities. Interest on long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

**Extraordinary and Special Items:**

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of management and are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither of these types of transactions occurred during the fiscal year.

**Management Estimates:**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

**Deposits:**

New Jersey statutes require that school districts deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey, which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories. School districts are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed depository insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal at least 5% of the average daily balance of collected public funds on deposit.

In addition to the above collateral requirement, if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures" ("GASB 40"), the district's accounts are profiled in order to determine exposure, if any, to Custodial Credit Risk (risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty the municipality would not be able to recover the value of its deposits or investment). Deposits are considered to be exposed to Custodial Credit Risk if they are: uncollateralized or collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the government's name. At June 30, 2024, all of the district's deposits were collateralized by securities held in its name and, accordingly, not exposed to custodial credit risk. The district does not have a policy for custodial credit risk.

As of June 30, 2024, cash and cash equivalents of the District consisted of the following:

	Cash and Cash Equivalents (A-1)
Checking Accounts	\$ 1,254,948
	<u>\$ 1,254,948</u>

The carrying amount of the Board's cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2024, was \$1,254,948 and the bank balance was \$1,510,073. All bank balances were covered by federal depository insurance and/or covered by a collateral pool maintained by the banks as required by New Jersey statutes. Of these bank balances, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurances and \$1,260,073 was covered by collateral pool.



BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 3: RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2024, consisted of intergovernmental. All receivables are considered collectible in full. A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables follows:

	Governmental Fund Financial Statements	Government-Wide Financial Statements
State Aid	\$ 96,340	\$ 96,518
Federal Aid	120,601	123,941
Tax Levy - Blairstown Township	527,414	527,414
Other Local	4,988	4,988
Gross Receivable	<u>\$ 749,343</u>	<u>\$ 752,861</u>
Less: Allow. for Uncollectibles		
Total Receivables, Net	<u><u>\$ 749,343</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 752,861</u></u>

The local tax levy receivable was received in the subsequent year.

**NOTE 4: INVENTORY**

Inventory in the Food Service Fund at June 30, 2024, consisted of the following:

Food	<u><u>\$ 7,031</u></u>
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The value of Federal donated commodities as reflected on Schedule A (required by the Single Audit Law of 1996, as revised) is the difference between market value and cost of the commodities at the date of purchase and has been included as an item of nonoperating revenue in the financial statements.

**NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS**

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

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
<i>Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 500,000			\$ 500,000
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	<u>500,000</u>			<u>500,000</u>
<i>Capital Assets Being Depreciated:</i>				
Land Improvements	296,068			296,068
Buildings and Building Improvements	2,665,071	\$ 512,950		3,178,021
Machinery and Equipment	793,957	47,699		841,656
Total at Historical Cost	<u>4,255,096</u>	<u>560,649</u>		<u>4,815,745</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Land Improvements	(296,068)			(296,068)
Building and Improvements	(1,653,570)	(147,845)		(1,801,415)
Equipment	(663,477)	(67,168)		(730,645)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(2,613,115)</u>	<u>(215,013)</u>		<u>(2,828,128)</u>
	<u>1,641,981</u>	<u>345,636</u>		<u>1,987,617</u>
<b>Government Activity Capital Assets, Net</b>	<u><b>\$ 1,641,981</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 345,636</b></u>		<u><b>\$ 1,987,617</b></u>

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS -(Continued)**

On January 11, 2001, the NJ State Department of Education announced that effective July 1, 2001, the capitalization threshold used by school districts in the State of New Jersey is increased to \$2,000. The previous threshold was \$500. Applying the higher capitalization threshold retroactively (removal of old assets from the General Fixed Assets Account Group) will be permitted by the State regulations in situations where (1) the assets have been fully depreciated, or (2) the assets have exceeded their useful lives. The retirement of machinery and equipment is due to the retroactive application of the higher threshold of equipment capitalization. That is, the District has removed from their records assets with a historical cost greater than \$500 but not greater than \$2,000 that were fully depreciated or had exceeded their useful lives.

Depreciation expense was charged to functions as follows:

Regular Instruction	\$ 3,557
School Administrative Services	4,739
Plant Operation and Maintenance	1,648
Pupil Transportation	5,670
Unallocated	199,399
Total	<u>\$ 215,013</u>

**NOTE 6: LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

Bonds are authorized in accordance with State law by the voters of the municipality through referendums. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. Bonds issued by the Board are general obligation bonds.

**A. Long-Term Obligation Activity:**

Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended June 30, 2024, are as follows:

	Balance <u>7/1/2023</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Balance <u>6/30/2024</u>	Amounts Due Within <u>One Year</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences Payable	\$ 369,378		\$ (213,740)	\$ 155,638	
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 369,378</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ (213,740)</u>	<u>\$ 155,638</u>	<u>-</u>

Compensated absences have been liquidated in the General Fund.

As of June 30, 2024, the District had no issued bonds or authorized but not issued bonds.

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**NOTE 7: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

**GRANT PROGRAMS**

The Board participates in state and federally assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The Board is potentially liable for any expenditures which may be disallowed pursuant to the terms of these grant programs. Management is not aware of any material items of noncompliance which would result in the disallowance of program expenditures.

**LITIGATION**

The Board is not involved in claims and lawsuits incidental to its operations.

**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS**

Description of Plans - All required employees of the District are covered by either the Public Employees' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund which have been established by state statute and are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits (Division). According to the State of New Jersey Administrative Code, all obligations of both Systems will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should the Systems terminate. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirement System and the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund. These reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pension and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625 or on the internet at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrprts.shtml>.

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) - The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66 to provide retirement benefits, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund is considered a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan with a special funding situation, as under current statute, 100% of employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on behalf of the District and the system's other related non-contributing employers. Membership is mandatory for substantially all teachers or members of the professional staff certified by the State Board of Examiners, and employees of the Department of Education who have titles that are unclassified, professional and certified.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - 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 Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and additions to/deductions from the TPAF's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the TPAF. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

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

The employer contributions for the district are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A 18:66-33. Therefore, the district (employer) is considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the district (employer) does not contribute directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the district. However, the state's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the district was \$17,623,907 as measured on June 30, 2023 and \$16,406,802 measured on June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$432,968 and revenue of \$432,968 for support provided by the State. The measurement period for the pension expense and revenue reported in the district's financial statements (A-2) at June 30, 2024 is based upon changes in the collective net pension liability with a measurement period of June 30, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Accordingly, the pension expense and the related revenue associated with the support provided by the State is based upon the changes in the collective net pension liability between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.

Although the district does not report net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows related to the TPAF, the following schedule illustrates the collective net pension liability and deferred items and the State's portion of the net pension liability associated with the district. The collective amounts are the total of all New Jersey local governments participating in the TPAF plan.

	<u>6/30/2023</u>	<u>6/30/2024</u>
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$4,996,491,160	\$2,498,730,891
Collective deferred inflows of resources	\$19,532,696,776	\$14,719,080,314
Collective net pension liability (Nonemployer-State of New Jersey)	\$51,594,415,806	\$51,032,669,551
State's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the district	\$16,406,802	\$17,623,907
State's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the district as a percentage of the collective net pension liability	0.031800%	0.034535%

*Actuarial assumptions* - The total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases	2.75-5.65% based on years of service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality table with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

*Long-Term Expected Rate of Return* - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.0% at June 30, 2023) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

<u><i>Asset Class</i></u>	<u><i>Target Allocation</i></u>	<u><i>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</i></u>
US Equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-US devel.markets equity	12.75%	9.22%
International Small Cap Equit	1.25%	9.22%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	11.13%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.50%
Real Estate	8.00%	8.58%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.40%
High Yeld	4.50%	6.97%
Private Credit	8.00%	9.20%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.19%
Cash equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
US Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Risk mitigation	3.00%	6.21%

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

*Discount rate* - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments in determining the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of the State's net pension liability to changes in the discount rate* - Since the District has no proportionate share of the net pension liability because of the special funding situation, the district would not be sensitive to any changes in the discount rate. The following presents the State's net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the discount rate shown above, as well as what the State's 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:

	<u>Current</u>	
<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
<u>(6.00%)</u>	<u>(7.00%)</u>	<u>(8.00%)</u>
State's Collective Net Pension Liability	\$ 60,267,919,597	\$ 51,109,961,824    \$ 43,396,784,734

*Pension plan fiduciary net position* - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at <http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml>. The plan fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2023 was \$27,130,181,268.

*Amortization of Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources* - Amount reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (excluding employer specific amounts) related to pensions will be recognized in the state's pension expense as follows:

	<u>Year Ended June 30:</u>
2024	(\$3,918,676,894)
2025	(3,446,016,070)
2026	(1,604,289,401)
2027	(1,742,641,843)
2028	(1,672,806,952)
Thereafter	<u>56,606,524</u>
Total	<u>(\$12,327,824,636)</u>

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

*Pension Expense* - The components of allocable pension expense and pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers, for state and local employers for the year ending June 30, 2023 are as follows:

Service cost	\$1,364,281,690
Interest on total pension liability	5,268,967,929
Member contributions	(933,033,324)
Administrative expense	13,581,904
Expected investment return net of investment expenses	(1,703,986,173)
Pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers	(449,590)
Recognition (amortization) of deferred inflows/outflows:	
Differences between expected and actual experience	195,761,712
Changes in assumptions	(3,048,968,450)
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	<u>99,467,335</u>
Total pension expense	<u>\$1,255,623,033</u>

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)** - The Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) was established as of January 1, 1955 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, school district, or public agency, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state or local jurisdiction.

*Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* - 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 PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$1,081,543 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2022 valuation was determined by an experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021. The District's proportion of the net pension liability is based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.0075% which was an decrease of 0.00029% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense/(benefit) of (\$42,408). At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred</u> <u>Outflows of</u> <u>Resources</u>	<u>Deferred</u> <u>Inflows of</u> <u>Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 10,341	\$ 4,421
Changes of assumptions	2,376	65,546
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	4,981	-
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	15,923	68,314
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	99,789	
Total	<u>\$ 133,410</u>	<u>\$ 138,281</u>

\$99,789 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date (i.e. for the school year ending June 30, 2024, the plan measurement date is June 30, 2023) will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	<u>Year Ended June 30:</u>
2024	(\$114,335)
2025	(63,817)
2026	89,180
2027	(15,960)
2028	<u>271</u>
Total	<u>(\$104,660)</u>



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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

	<u>6/30/2023</u>	<u>6/30/2024</u>
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$1,660,772,008	\$1,080,204,730
Collective deferred inflows of resources	3,236,303,935	1,780,216,457
Collective net pension liability (Non State - Local Group)	\$15,091,376,611	\$14,606,489,066
District's portion of net pension liability	\$1,171,039	\$1,081,543
District's proportion %	0.00775966%	0.00740454%

*Actuarial assumptions* - The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%

Salary Increases: 2.75%-6.55% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return: 7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

**Long-Term Expected Rate of Return** - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2023) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
US Equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-US devel.markets equity	12.75%	9.22%
International Small Cap Equit	1.25%	9.22%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	11.13%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.50%
Real Estate	8.00%	8.58%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.40%
High Yeild	4.50%	6.97%
Private Credit	8.00%	9.20%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.19%
Cash equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
US Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Risk mitigation	3.00%	6.21%

*Discount rate* - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate* - The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, 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:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
	<u>(6.00%)</u>	<u>(7.00%)</u>	<u>(8.00%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,407,939	\$1,081,543	\$ 803,737

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

*Pension Expense* - The components of allocable pension expense and pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers, for state and local employers for the year ending June 30, 2023 are as follows:

Service cost	\$351,968
Interest on total Pension liability	1,329,197
Benefit changes	
Member contributions	(283,862)
Administrative expens	6,211
Expected investment return net of investment expenses	(783,497)
Pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers	(5,231)
Recognition (amortization) of deferred inflows/outflows:	
Differences between expected and actual experience	22,945
Changes in assumptions	(641,839)
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	<u>(38,301)</u>
Total pension expense/(benefit)	<u><u>(\$42,408)</u></u>

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at <http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml>.

**Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (DCRP)** - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) was established as of July 1, 2007 under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et seq.). The DCRP is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund. The DCRP provides eligible members, and their beneficiaries with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting and benefit provisions are established by N. J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et. seq.

The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by state statute. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. The State Treasurer has the right under current law to make temporary reductions in member rates based on the existence of surplus plan assets in the retirement system; however statute also requires the return to the normal rate when such surplus pension assets no longer exist.

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**PERS and TPAF Vesting and Benefit Provisions** - The vesting and benefit provisions for PERS are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and 43.3B, and N.J.S.A. 18A:6C for TPAF. All benefits vest after eight to ten years of service, except for medical benefits that vest after 25 years of service. Retirement benefits for age and service are available at age 60 and are generally determined to be 1/60 of the final average salary for each year of service credit, as defined. Final average salary equals the average salary for the final three years of service prior to retirement (or highest three years' compensation if other than the final three years). Members may seek early retirement after achieving 25 years of service credit or they may elect deferred retirement after achieving eight to ten years of service in which case benefits would begin the first day of the month after the member attains normal retirement age.

The TPAF and PERS provides for specified medical benefits for members who retire after achieving 25 years of qualified service, as defined, or under the disability provisions of the System. Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested for 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, members' beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the members' accounts.

**Significant Legislation** - Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, effective June 28, 2011 made various changes to the manner in which the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) operate and to the benefit provisions of those systems.

Chapter 78's provisions impacting employee pension and health benefits include:

□ New members of the PERS hired on or after June 28, 2011 (Tier 5 members) will need 30 years of creditable service and age 65 for receipt of the early retirement benefit without a reduction of ¼ of 1% for each month that the member is under age 65. □ The eligibility age to qualify for a service retirement in the PERS is increased from age 63 to 65 for Tier 5 members. □ The annual benefit under special retirement for new PFRS members enrolled after June 28, 2011 (Tier 3 members), will be 60% instead of 65% of the member's final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. □ Increases in active member contribution rates. PERS active member rates increase from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years; PFRS active member rate increase from 8.5% to 10%. For fiscal year 2012, the member contribution rates increased in October 2011. The phase-in of the additional incremental member contribution rates for PES members will take place in July of each subsequent fiscal year.

□ The payment of automatic cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) additional increases to current and future retirees and beneficiaries is suspended until reactivated as permitted by this law. □ New employee contribution requirements towards the cost of employer-provided health benefit coverage. Employees are required to contribute a certain percentage of the cost of coverage. The rate of contribution is determined based on the employee's annual salary and the selected level of coverage. The increased employee contributions will be phased in over a 4-year period for those employed prior to Chapter 78's effective date with a minimum contribution required to be at least 1.5% of salary. □ In addition, this new legislation changes the method for amortizing the pension systems' unfunded accrued liability (from a level percent of pay method to a level dollar of pay).

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**NOTE 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

**Contribution Requirements** - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A, Chapter 62, P.L. of 1994, Chapter 115, P.L. of 1997 (PERS) and N.J.S.A. 18:66 (TPAF) requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. TPAF and PERS provide for employee contributions of 6.5% of employees' annual compensation, as defined. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in both TPAF and PERS. The current TPAF rate is 6.5% and the PERS rate is 6.5% of covered payroll.

<u>Three-Year Trend Information for PERS</u>		
Year	Annual	Percentage
<u>Funding</u>	<u>Pension</u>	<u>of APC</u>
	<u>Cost (APC)</u>	<u>Contributed</u>
6/30/2024	\$99,789	100 %
6/30/2023	\$97,853	100 %
6/30/2022	\$89,824	100 %

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the State of New Jersey did contribute \$1,774,164 to the TPAF for post-retirement benefits on behalf of the District. Also, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:66-66 the State of New Jersey reimbursed the District \$300,744 during the year ended June 30, 2024, for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members, as calculated on their base salaries. The PERS amounts have been included in the fund-based statements as pension expense and the TPAF on-behalf amounts have been included in fund-based statements as revenues and expenditures. The PERS and TPAF amounts have been modified and included in the District-wide financial statements in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68.

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**NOTE 9: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

**Plan description and benefits provided**

The State of New Jersey reports a liability as a result of its statutory requirements to pay other post-employment (health) benefit for State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan. The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan is a multiple-employer defined benefit OPES plan that is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan provides medical, prescription drug, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents of local education employers.

The employer contributions for the participating local education employers are legally required to be funded by the State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32f. According to N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32f, the State provides employer-paid coverage to employees who retire from a board of education or countycollege with 25 years or more of service credit in, or retires on a disability pension from, one or more of the following plans: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS), or the Alternate Benefit Program (ABP). Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L., 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage. Additional information on Pensions and OPEB can be accessed on the Division of Pensions & Benefits Financial Reports webpage: <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml>.

**Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability**

The State, a nonemployer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to OPEB for qualified retired PERS and TPAF participants. The LEA's proportionate share percentage determined under paragraphs 193 and 203 through 205 of GASBS No. 75 is zero percent. Accordingly, the LEA did not recognize any portion of the collective net OPEB liability on the Statement of Net Position. Accordingly, the following OPEB liability note information is reported at the State's level and is not specific to the board of education.

The total nonemployer OPEB liability does not include certain other postemployment benefit obligations that are provided by the local education employers. The reporting of these benefits are the responsibility of the individual local education employers.

*Actuarial assumptions and other imputes.* The June 30, 2024 GASB 75 reporting is based on a measurement date of June 30, 2023. The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021 for TPAF, PERS and PFRS. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability:       \$     52,361,668,239

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**NOTE 9: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS-(Continued)**

	<u>TPAF/ABP</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>PFRS</u>
Salary Increases	2.75% to 4.25%	2.75% to 6.55%	3.25% to 16.25%
Based on service years			

**(a) Health Care Trend Assumptions**

For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 6.50% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after nine years. For post-65 medical benefits PPO, the trend is increasing to 14.8% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For HMO, the trend is increasing to 17.4% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 9.5% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after seven years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.00%.

**(b) Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.65%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the Division. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Healthy "Teachers" (TPAF/ABP), "General" (PERS), and "Safety" (PFRS) classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Postretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021. Disability mortality was based on the Pub-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021 for current disabled retirees. Future disabled retirees was based on the Pub-2010 "Safety" (PFRS), "General" (PERS), and "Teachers" (TPAF/ABP) classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability reported by the State of New Jersey

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
<b>The State's Total OPEB Liability Balance at 6/30/2022</b>	<b>\$50,646,462,966</b>
<u>Changes for the year:</u>	
Service Cost	2,136,235,476
Interest on the Total OPEB Liability	1,844,113,951
Change in Benefit Terms	-
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(980,424,863)
Changes of Assumptions	105,539,463
Gross Benefit Payments	-
Contributions from Members/Employers	(1,390,258,754)
Net changes	<u>1,715,205,273</u>
<b>The State's Total OPEB Liability Balance at 6/30/2023</b>	<b><u>\$52,361,668,239</u></b>

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**NOTE 9: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS-(Continued)**

**The State's total OPEB liability attributable to the District: \$24,412,675**

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflects a change in the discount rate from 3.54 percent in 2022 to 3.65 percent in 2023 and other changes.

**Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate.** The following presents the total OPEB liability of the State for school board retirees, as well as what the State's total OPEB liability for school board would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage -point lower or 1- percentage-point higher than the current discount rate:

June 30, 2023			
	At 1% Decrease <u>2.65%</u>	At Discount Rate <u>3.65%</u>	At 1% Increase <u>4.65%</u>
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$61,385,066,712	\$52,361,668,239	\$45,116,926,835

June 30, 2022			
	At 1% Decrease <u>2.54%</u>	At Discount Rate <u>3.54%</u>	At 1% Increase <u>4.54%</u>
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$59,529,589,697	\$50,646,462,966	\$43,527,080,995

**Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates.** The following presents the total OPEB liability of the State, as well as what the State's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage- point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

June 30, 2023			
	At 1% Decrease	Health Care Cost Trend Rate	At 1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$43,468,257,358	\$52,361,668,239	\$63,998,719,320



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**NOTE 9: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS-(Continued)**

	June 30, 2022		
	Health Care Cost		
	<u>At 1% Decrease</u>	<u>Trend Rate</u>	<u>At 1% Increase</u>
Total OPEB Liability (School Retirees)	\$41,862,397,291	\$50,646,462,966	\$62,184,866,635

**OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the board of education recognized OPEB expense and related revenue of \$284,872 determined by the State as the total OPEB liability for benefits provided through a defined benefit OPEB plan that is not administered through a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASBS No. 75 and in which there is a special funding situation.

In accordance with GASBS No. 75, the District's proportionate share of school retirees OPEB is zero, and there is no recognition of the allocation of proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. At June 30, 2023, the State reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to retired school employee's OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows</u>
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$7,639,717,639	\$13,791,541,217
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	<u>7,445,895,322</u>	<u>14,449,948,556</u>
Total	<u>\$15,085,612,961</u>	<u>\$28,241,489,773</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to retired school employee's OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2024	(\$2,611,225,301)
2024	(\$2,611,225,301)
2025	(\$2,269,523,460)
2026	(\$1,338,024,839)
2027	(273,877,609)
Thereafter	<u>(4,052,000,302)</u>
	<u>(\$13,155,876,812)</u>

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**NOTE 10: DEFERRED COMPENSATION**

The Board offers its employees a choice of the following deferred compensation plans created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The plans, which are administered by the entities listed below, permits participants to defer a portion of their salary until future years. Amounts deferred under the plans are not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency. The plan administrators are as follows:

American United Life

The Equitable

**NOTE 11: COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

The District accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No.16 (GASB 16), "Accounting for Compensated Absences". A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits.

District employees are granted vacation and sick leave in varying amounts under the District's personnel policies. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated vacation. Sick leave benefits provide for ordinary sick pay and upon retirement are reimbursed \$60 per unused sick day accumulated up to a maximum of 200 total unused sick days.

In the district-wide *Statement of Assets*, the liabilities whose average maturities are greater than one year should be reported in two components--the amount due within one year and the amount due in more than one year.

The liability for vested compensated absences of the proprietary fund types is recorded within those funds as the benefits accrue to employees. As of June 30, 2024, no liability existed for compensated absences in the proprietary fund types.

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**NOTE 12: RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

**Property and Liability Insurance** - The District maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, student accident and surety bonds. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the Statistical Section of this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

**New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance** - The District has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the *Benefit Reimbursement Method*. Under this plan, the District is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The District is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State. The following is a summary of District contributions, employee contributions, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the District's expendable trust fund for the current and previous two years:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>District Contributions</u>	<u>Employee Contributions</u>	<u>Amount Reimbursed</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2023-2024	\$276	\$11,823	\$28,765	\$8,007
2022-2023	\$398	\$10,252	\$5,885	\$24,673
2021-2022	\$43	\$9,360	\$897	\$11,402

**NOTE 13: FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED**

General Fund -(Exhibit B-1) Of the \$1,323,818 General Fund fund balance at June 30, 2024, \$302,428 is reserved for maintenance reserve; \$460,094 is reserve for capital reserve; \$284,568 has been anticipated as revenue for the year ended June 30, 2024; \$7,445 is reserved for unemployment compensation; and \$269,283 is unreserved and undesignated.

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 14: INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES**

The following interfund balances remained on the balance sheet at June 30, 2024:

	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
General Fund		\$ 38,423
Enterprise Fund	\$ 38,423	
Total	<u>\$ 38,423</u>	<u>\$ 38,423</u>

The general fund owes the enterprise fund state and federal free and reduced lunch subsidies received in the current fund cash account but not yet transferred to the enterprise fund.

**NOTE 15: CALCULATION OF EXCESS SURPLUS**

The designation for Reserved Fund Balance – Excess Surplus is a required calculation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-7, as amended. New Jersey school districts are required to reserve General Fund fund balance at the fiscal year end of June 30 if they did not appropriate a required minimum amount as budgeted fund balance in their subsequent years' budget. The excess fund balance at June 30, 2024 is zero.

**NOTE 16: MAINTENANCE RESERVE ACCOUNT**

A maintenance reserve account was established by the School District Board of Education for the accumulation of funds for use in accordance with PL 2007 c.62 (A1). The maintenance reserve account is maintained in the general fund and its activity is included in the general fund annual budget.

The activity of the maintenance reserve for the July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 fiscal year is as follows:

Beginning balance June 30, 2023	\$ 474,880
Deposits: June Board resolution June 22, 2024	77,548
Budgeted Withdrawal	<u>(250,000)</u>
Ending balance June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 302,428</u>

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 17: CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT**

A capital reserve account was established by the School District Board of Education for the accumulation of funds for use in accordance with PL 2007 c.62 (A1). The capital reserve account is maintained in the general fund and its activity is included in the general fund annual budget.

The activity of the capital reserve for the July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 fiscal year is as follows:

Beginning balance June 30, 2023	\$ 660,077
Deposits: June Board resolution June 22, 2024	66,017
Budgeted Withdrawal	<u>(266,000)</u>
Ending balance June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 460,094</u>

**NOTE 18: TAX ABATEMENTS**

As defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), a tax abatement is an agreement between a government and an individual or entity in which the government promises to forgo tax revenues and the individual or entity promises to subsequently take a specific action that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the government or its citizens. School districts are not authorized by New Jersey statute to enter into tax abatement agreements. However, the county or municipality in which the school district is situated may have entered into tax abatement agreements, and that potential must be disclosed in these financial statements. If the county or municipality entered into tax abatement agreements, those agreements will not directly affect the school district's local tax revenue because N.J.S.A. 54:4-75 and N.J.S.A. 54:4-76 require that amounts so forgiven must effectively be recouped from other taxpayers and remitted to the school district.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART II**

<b>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES</b>
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BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<b>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
<b>Local Sources:</b>					
Local Tax Levy	\$ 7,759,915		\$ 7,759,915	\$ 7,759,915	
Tuition	20,000		20,000	33,275	\$ 13,275
Miscellaneous	50,002		50,002	81,225	31,223
<b>Total - Local Sources</b>	<u>7,829,917</u>		<u>7,829,917</u>	<u>7,874,415</u>	<u>44,498</u>
<b>State Sources:</b>					
Equalization Aid	406,915		406,915	406,915	
Transportation Aid	83,167		83,167	83,167	
Special Education Aid	351,956		351,956	351,956	
Security Aid	52,071		52,071	52,071	
Stabilization Aid				24,513	24,513
Other State Aid				81,267	81,267
TPAF Pension (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)				1,394,194	1,394,194
TPAF Post Retirement Medical (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)				379,448	379,448
TPAF Pension LTD Insurance (On-Behalf - Non-Budgeted)				522	522
TPAF Social Security (Reimbursed - Non-Budgeted)				300,744	300,744
<b>Total State Sources</b>	<u>894,109</u>		<u>894,109</u>	<u>3,074,797</u>	<u>2,180,688</u>
Impact Aid	35,000		35,000	37,802	2,802
<b>Total Federal Sources</b>	<u>35,000</u>		<u>35,000</u>	<u>37,802</u>	<u>2,802</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u><b>8,759,026</b></u>		<u><b>8,759,026</b></u>	<u><b>10,987,014</b></u>	<u><b>2,227,988</b></u>



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Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
<b>Current Expense:</b>					
<b>Regular Programs - Instruction</b>					
Kindergarten - Salaries of Teachers	285,920	17,642	303,562	302,550	1,012
Grades 1-5 - Salaries of Teachers	1,667,852	(87,004)	1,580,848	1,568,483	12,365
Grades 6-8 - Salaries of Teachers	321,728	(3,988)	317,740	313,748	3,992
<b>Regular Programs - Home Instruction:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	3,000	(3,000)			
Purchased Professional - Educational Services	3,000	(3,000)			
<b>Regular Programs - Undistributed Instruction</b>					
Other Salaries for Instruction	44,809	67,849	112,658	112,316	342
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	171,200	(23,979)	147,221	146,045	1,176
General Supplies	125,000	(38,892)	86,108	85,840	268
<b>TOTAL REG. PROGRAMS - INSTRUCTION</b>	<b>2,622,509</b>	<b>(74,372)</b>	<b>2,548,137</b>	<b>2,528,982</b>	<b>19,155</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION - INSTRUCTION</b>					
<b>Learning and/or Language Disabilities:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	145,418	(71,928)	73,490	73,195	295
General Supplies	600	1,272	1,872	1,872	
<b>Total Learning and/or Language Disabilities:</b>	<b>146,018</b>	<b>(70,656)</b>	<b>75,362</b>	<b>75,067</b>	<b>295</b>
<b>Behavioral Disabilities:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	66,682	(66,682)			
General Supplies	300	(300)			
<b>Total Behavioral Disabilities</b>	<b>66,982</b>	<b>(66,982)</b>			
<b>Multiple Disabilities:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	93,325	(4,103)	89,222	88,724	498
General Supplies	300	3,329	3,629	3,556	73
<b>Total Multiple Disabilities</b>	<b>93,625</b>	<b>(774)</b>	<b>92,851</b>	<b>92,280</b>	<b>571</b>
<b>Resource Room/Resource Center:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	608,715	99,345	708,060	707,392	668
Other Salaries for Instruction		286	286	286	
General Supplies	1,600	5,840	7,440	6,450	990
<b>Total Resource Room/Resource Center</b>	<b>610,315</b>	<b>105,471</b>	<b>715,786</b>	<b>714,128</b>	<b>1,658</b>

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<b>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>Preschool Disabilities - Part-Time:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	58,852	4,012	62,864	62,182	682
Other Salaries for Instruction	16,573	1,397	17,970	17,970	
Purchased Services (400-500 Series)		9,381	9,381	9,381	
General Supplies	700		700	610	90
<b>Total Preschool Disabilities - Part-Time</b>	<b>76,125</b>	<b>14,790</b>	<b>90,915</b>	<b>90,143</b>	<b>772</b>
<b>Preschool Disabilities - Full-Time:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	99,219	(5,125)	94,094	93,338	756
Other Salaries for Instruction	56,657	(41,493)	15,164	15,164	
Purchased Services (400-500 Series)		9,381	9,381	9,381	
General Supplies	700		700	696	4
<b>Total Preschool Disabilities - Full-Time</b>	<b>156,576</b>	<b>(37,237)</b>	<b>119,339</b>	<b>118,579</b>	<b>760</b>
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL ED. - INSTRUCTION</b>	<b>1,149,641</b>	<b>(55,388)</b>	<b>1,094,253</b>	<b>1,090,197</b>	<b>4,056</b>
<b>Basic Skills/Remedial - Instruction:</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	233,052	23,398	256,450	256,450	
General Supplies	600		600	67	533
<b>Total Basic Skills/Remedial - Instruction</b>	<b>233,652</b>	<b>23,398</b>	<b>257,050</b>	<b>256,517</b>	<b>533</b>
<b>School Sponsored Co/Extra Curricular Activities-Instruction:</b>					
Salaries	15,200	(13,093)	2,107	2,107	
<b>Total School Sponsored Co/Extra Curricular Activities-Instr.</b>	<b>15,200</b>	<b>(13,093)</b>	<b>2,107</b>	<b>2,107</b>	
Other Salaries for Instruction		512	512	(236)	748
<b>Total Before/After School Programs-Instruction</b>		<b>512</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>(236)</b>	<b>748</b>
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTION</b>	<b>4,021,002</b>	<b>(118,943)</b>	<b>3,902,059</b>	<b>3,877,567</b>	<b>24,492</b>
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES</b>					
<b>Instruction:</b>					
Tuition to Other LEAs Within the State-Regular					
Tuition to Other LEAs Within the State-Special					
Tuition to Private Schools for the Disabled - Within State	131,000	93,029	224,029	224,029	
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>131,000</b>	<b>93,029</b>	<b>224,029</b>	<b>224,029</b>	

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Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<b>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>Health Services:</b>					
Salaries	68,957	(1,650)	67,307	67,307	
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	6,500	(2,602)	3,898	3,898	
Supplies and Materials	2,500	1,684	4,184	4,184	
<b>Total Health Services</b>	<u>77,957</u>	<u>(2,568)</u>	<u>75,389</u>	<u>75,389</u>	
<b>Other Supp. Services Students-Related Serv.:</b>					
Salaries	94,566	(94,566)			
Purchased Professional - Educational Services	110,000	170,023	280,023	280,023	
Supplies and Materials	300	(169)	131	131	
<b>Total Other Supp. Serv. Students-Related Serv.</b>	<u>204,866</u>	<u>75,288</u>	<u>280,154</u>	<u>280,154</u>	
<b>Other Supp. Services Students-Extra.Services:</b>					
Salaries	328,538	(112,009)	216,529	216,529	
Purchased Professional - Educational Services					
<b>Total Other Supp. Services Students-Extra.Services</b>	<u>328,538</u>	<u>(112,009)</u>	<u>216,529</u>	<u>216,529</u>	
<b>Other Supp. Services Students-Regular:</b>					
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	77,935	(1,729)	76,206	76,206	
Supplies and Materials	500	(393)	107	107	
<b>Total Other Supp. ServicesStudents-Regular</b>	<u>78,435</u>	<u>(2,122)</u>	<u>76,313</u>	<u>76,313</u>	
<b>Other Supp. Services Students-Special:</b>					
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	397,111	(12,833)	384,278	384,278	
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	40,500	83	40,583	40,583	
Purchased Professional - Educational Services	14,000	1,947	15,947	15,947	
Supplies and Materials	3,500	564	4,064	4,064	
Other Objects	600	410	1,010	1,010	
<b>Total Other Supp. ServicesStudents-Special</b>	<u>455,711</u>	<u>(9,829)</u>	<u>445,882</u>	<u>445,882</u>	
<b>Improvement of Instuction Services:</b>					
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	11,000	(3,045)	7,955	7,955	
<b>Total Improvement of Instuction Services</b>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>(3,045)</u>	<u>7,955</u>	<u>7,955</u>	

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<b><u>Original Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Budget Transfers</u></b>	<b><u>Final Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Actual</u></b>	<b>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</b>
<b>Educational Media Services/School Library:</b>					
Salaries	75,079	(184)	74,895	74,895	
Purchased Professional - Technical Services	1,400	(43)	1,357	1,294	63
Supplies and Materials	7,000	43	7,043	7,043	
<b>Total Educational Media Services/School Library</b>	<b>83,479</b>	<b>(184)</b>	<b>83,295</b>	<b>83,232</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Instructional Staff Training Services:</b>					
Salaries of Other Professional Staff					
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	10,000	7,241	17,241	17,241	
Supplies and Materials	1,000	(1,000)			
<b>Total Instructional Staff Training Services</b>	<b>11,000</b>	<b>6,241</b>	<b>17,241</b>	<b>17,241</b>	
<b>Supp. Services - General Administration:</b>					
Salaries	198,281	18,230	216,511	216,511	
Legal Services	12,000	27,087	39,087	39,087	
Audit Fees	17,500	313	17,813	17,813	
Other Purchased Professional Services	4,500	(1,312)	3,188	3,188	
Communications/Telephone	25,500	(805)	24,695	24,695	
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	21,200	(7,126)	14,074	14,074	
General Supplies	4,000	(2,154)	1,846	1,846	
BOE In-House Training/Meeting Supplies	400	600	1,000	1,000	
Miscellaneous Expenditures	4,200	429	4,629	4,629	
BOE Membership Dues and Fees	5,000	1,535	6,535	6,535	
<b>Total Supp. Services - General Administration</b>	<b>292,581</b>	<b>36,797</b>	<b>329,378</b>	<b>329,378</b>	

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</u>
<b>Support Services - School Administration:</b>					
Salaries of Principals/Assistant Principals	114,744	3,278	118,022	118,022	
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	50,028	(447)	49,581	49,581	
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	500	(490)	10	10	
Supplies and Materials	1,000	(107)	893	893	
Other Objects	1,200	(11)	1,189	1,189	
<b>Total Support Services - School Administration</b>	<b>167,472</b>	<b>2,223</b>	<b>169,695</b>	<b>169,695</b>	
<b>Central Services:</b>					
Salaries	119,862	2,356	122,218	122,218	
Purchased Technical Services	19,500	(347)	19,153	18,343	810
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	500	(283)	217	217	
Supplies and Materials	1,500	13	1,513	1,513	
Miscellaneous Expenditures	1,300	(30)	1,270	1,270	
<b>Total Central Services</b>	<b>142,662</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>144,371</b>	<b>143,561</b>	<b>810</b>
<b>Required Maintenance for School Facilities:</b>					
Salaries	69,302	(12,302)	57,000	55,076	1,924
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	225,000		225,000	156,404	68,596
General Supplies	25,000		25,000	18,963	6,037
<b>Total Required Maintenance for School Facilities</b>	<b>319,302</b>	<b>(12,302)</b>	<b>307,000</b>	<b>230,443</b>	<b>76,557</b>
<b>Other Operations and Maintenance of Plant:</b>					
Salaries	166,060	(19,779)	146,281	146,281	
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	6,000	12,747	18,747	18,747	
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	25,000	(5,278)	19,722	19,582	140
Rental of Land & Bldg Other than Lease Purch Agrmt	1,000	(1,000)			
Insurance	82,000	9,052	91,052	91,052	
General Supplies	31,000	(2,774)	28,226	28,226	
Energy (Electricity)	100,000	70,182	170,182	170,182	
Energy (Oil)	100,000	(10,938)	89,062	89,062	
<b>Total Other Operations and Maintenance of Plant</b>	<b>511,060</b>	<b>52,212</b>	<b>563,272</b>	<b>563,132</b>	<b>140</b>

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</u>
<b>Care and Upkeep of Grounds:</b>					
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	21,500		21,500	19,226	2,274
<b>Total Care and Upkeep of Grounds:</b>	21,500		21,500	19,226	2,274
<b>Security:</b>					
Purch Prof & Tech Services		50,839	50,839	42,972	7,867
General Supplies		5,852	5,852	5,852	
<b>Total Security</b>		56,691	56,691	48,824	7,867
<b>Student Transportation Services</b>					
Salaries for Pupil Transpor.(Between Home & School)-Regular	38,669	93	38,762	38,762	
Salaries for Pupil Transpor.(Between Home & School)-Special	101,783	(40,821)	60,962	60,953	9
Management Fee - ESC & CTSA Trans. Program	5,000	(5,000)			
Other Purchased Professional - Technical Services	1,000		1,000	1,000	
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	5,000	18,957	23,957	23,957	
Contracted Services - Aid in Lieu of Payments-Nonpublic Sch.		14,250	14,250	14,250	
Contracted Services - Aid in Lieu of Payments-Nonpublic Sch.	15,000	5,684	20,684	20,684	
Contracted Services (Between Home and Sch.)-Vendors	341,719	30,902	372,621	372,621	
Contract Services (Other than Between Home & School)-Vendors	16,000	2,402	18,402	18,402	
Contracted Services (Special Education Students)-Vendors	155,000	36,604	191,604	191,604	
Supplies and Materials	7,000	6,392	13,392	13,392	
<b>Total Student Transportation Services</b>	686,171	69,463	755,634	755,625	9
<b>ALLOCATED BENEFITS</b>					
Unused Sick Payments to Terminated/Retired Staff	15,000		15,000	8,595	6,405
<b>TOTAL ALLOCATED BENEFITS</b>	15,000		15,000	8,595	6,405
<b>UNALLOCATED BENEFITS</b>					
Social Security Contributions	95,000	8,331	103,331	103,331	
Other Retirement Contributions-Regular	100,000	8,650	108,650	108,650	
Workmen's Compensation	55,000	(1,262)	53,738	53,738	
Health Benefits	997,000	325	997,325	996,388	937
Tuition Reimbursement	34,000	(19,632)	14,368	11,175	3,193
Other Employee Benefits	81,000	6,765	87,765	87,765	
<b>TOTAL UNALLOCATED BENEFITS</b>	1,362,000	3,177	1,365,177	1,361,047	4,130

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<b>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</b>
On-behalf TPAF pension Contrib. (non-budgeted)				1,394,194	(1,394,194)
On-behalf TPAF PRM Contrib. (non-budgeted)				379,448	(379,448)
On-behalf TPAF pension LTD Ins. (non-budgeted)				522	(522)
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contrib. (non-budgeted)				300,744	(300,744)
<b>TOTAL ON-BEHALF CONTRIBUTIONS</b>				2,074,908	(2,074,908)
<b>TOTAL PERSONAL SERV.-EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>	1,377,000	3,177	1,380,177	3,444,550	(2,064,373)
<b>TOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>4,899,734</b>	<b>254,771</b>	<b>5,154,505</b>	<b>7,131,158</b>	<b>(1,976,653)</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE</b>	<b>8,920,736</b>	<b>135,828</b>	<b>9,056,564</b>	<b>11,008,725</b>	<b>(1,952,161)</b>
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>					
<b>Equipment:</b>					
Security		23,356	23,356	23,356	
Undistributed Expenditures-Instruction	22,000	25,699	47,699	47,699	
<b>Total Equipment</b>	22,000	49,055	71,055	71,055	
<b>Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services</b>					
Architectural/Engineering Services		48,982	48,982	48,982	
Construction Services	266,000	223,594	489,594	489,594	
Assessment for Debt Service on SDA Funding	1,127	(1,127)		1,127	(1,127)
<b>Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services</b>	267,127	271,449	538,576	539,703	(1,127)
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>289,127</b>	<b>320,504</b>	<b>609,631</b>	<b>610,758</b>	<b>(1,127)</b>

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-1

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
GENERAL FUND

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Transfers</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)</u>
Transfer of Funds to Charter Schools	437,162	(14,269)	422,893	422,893	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>9,647,025</b>	<b>442,063</b>	<b>10,089,088</b>	<b>12,042,376</b>	<b>(1,953,288)</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>(887,999)</b>	<b>(442,063)</b>	<b>(1,330,062)</b>	<b>(1,055,362)</b>	<b>274,700</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>(887,999)</b>	<b>(442,063)</b>	<b>(1,330,062)</b>	<b>(1,055,362)</b>	<b>274,700</b>
<b>Fund Balance, July 1</b>	2,468,479		2,468,479	2,468,479	
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>					
<b>Fund Balance, July 1 (Restated)</b>	2,468,479		2,468,479	2,468,479	
<b>Fund Balance, June 30</b>	<b>\$ 1,580,480</b>	<b>\$ (442,063)</b>	<b>\$ 1,138,417</b>	<b>\$ 1,413,117</b>	<b>\$ 274,700</b>
<b>Recapitulation:</b>					
<b>Restricted for:</b>					
Maintenance Reserve				302,428	
Capital Reserve				460,094	
Unemployment Compensation				7,445	
<b>Assigned to:</b>					
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				284,568	
<b>Unassigned:</b>					
Unrestricted Fund Balance				358,582	
<b>Fund Balance per Governmental Funds(Budgetary Basis)</b>				1,413,117	
<b>Reconciliation to Governmental Funds Statement(GAAP Basis):</b>					
Last State Aid Payment not recognized on GAAP basis				(89,299)	
<b>Fund Balance per Governmental Funds(GAAP Basis)</b>				<u>1,323,818</u>	



## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-2

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Local Sources		\$ 26,713	\$ 26,713	\$ 26,713	-
State Sources		9,468	9,468	-	\$ (9,468)
Federal Sources	\$ 169,000	288,885	457,885	435,967	(21,918)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>169,000</b>	<b>325,066</b>	<b>494,066</b>	<b>462,680</b>	<b>(31,386)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
<b>Instruction</b>					
Salaries of Teachers	42,000	(40,579)	1,421	-	1,421
Purchased Professional & Tech. Serv.		120,275	120,275	118,620	1,655
Tuition	115,000	-	115,000	115,000	
General Supplies		120,906	120,906	103,607	17,299
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>157,000</b>	<b>200,602</b>	<b>357,602</b>	<b>337,227</b>	<b>20,375</b>
<b>Support Services</b>					
Other Salaries		2,820	2,820	2,100	720
Personal Services-Employee Bene.	12,000	(12,000)	-	-	
Purchased Professional Serv.		91,234	91,234	85,334	5,900
Supplies and Materials		16,391	16,391	12,000	4,391
Student Activities		23,035	23,035	23,035	
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>121,480</b>	<b>133,480</b>	<b>122,469</b>	<b>11,011</b>
<b>Facilities Acq. &amp; Construction Svs</b>					
Instructional Equipment		244	244	244	
<b>Total Facilities &amp; Construction Svs</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>169,000</b>	<b>322,326</b>	<b>491,326</b>	<b>459,940</b>	<b>31,386</b>
<b>Total Outflows</b>	<b>169,000</b>	<b>322,326</b>	<b>491,326</b>	<b>459,940</b>	<b>31,386</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balance Beginning</b>				10,165	
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>				-	
<b>Fund Balance Beginning (Restated)</b>				10,165	
<b>Fund Balance Ending</b>				\$ 12,905	
<b>Recapitulation:</b>					
Restricted:					
Student Activities				\$ 12,905	
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>				\$ 12,905	

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit C-3

**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

**Explanation of Differences between Budgetary Inflows and Outflows and  
GAAP Revenues and Expenditures**

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
<b>Sources/Inflows of Resources</b>		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue"		
from the budgetary comparison schedule (Exhibits C-1 and C-2, respectively)	\$ 10,987,014	\$ 462,680
Difference - budget to GAAP:		
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized.		
Prior Year Encumbrances	N/A	18,552
Current Year Encumbrances	N/A	-
Adjustment for: Prior year Final State Aid Payment excluded in State Source Revenues that is considered a revenue for GAAP reporting purposes	96,507	N/A
Adjustment for: Current Year Final State Aid Payment included in State Source Revenues that is not considered a revenue for GAAP reporting purposes	(89,299)	N/A
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds. (Exhibit B-2)	<u>\$ 10,994,222</u>	<u>\$ 481,232</u>
<b>Uses/outflows of resources</b>		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedules (Exhibits C-1 and C-2, respectively)	\$ 12,042,376	\$ 459,940
Differences - budget to GAAP		
Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but not received are reported in the year the order is placed for <i>budgetary</i> purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for <i>financial reporting</i> purposes.		
Prior Year Encumbrances	N/A	18,552
Current Year Encumbrances	N/A	-
Transfers to and from other funds are presented as outflows of budgetary resources but are not expenditures for financial reporting purposes.	N/A	N/A
Net transfers (outflows) to general fund	N/A	N/A
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds (Exhibit B-2)	<u>\$ 12,042,376</u>	<u>\$ 478,492</u>

**Blairstown School District**  
**Required Supplementary Information - Part III**  
**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit L-3**

**Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) **	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) **	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the District	<u>\$ 17,623,907</u>	<u>\$ 16,406,802</u>	<u>\$ 17,501,678</u>	<u>\$ 25,094,095</u>	<u>\$ 23,115,075</u>	<u>\$ 23,322,737</u>	<u>\$ 25,444,435</u>	<u>\$ 30,290,411</u>	<u>\$ 25,764,460</u>	<u>\$ 22,838,525</u>
Total	<u>\$ 17,623,907</u>	<u>\$ 16,406,802</u>	<u>\$ 17,501,678</u>	<u>\$ 25,094,095</u>	<u>\$ 23,115,075</u>	<u>\$ 23,322,737</u>	<u>\$ 25,444,435</u>	<u>\$ 30,290,411</u>	<u>\$ 25,764,460</u>	<u>\$ 22,838,525</u>
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 4,115,234	\$ 4,000,714	\$ 3,799,937	\$ 3,893,993	\$ 3,889,877	\$ 3,989,343	\$ 4,102,804	\$ 3,946,077	\$ 3,932,605	\$ 4,070,098
District's proportionate share of the of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	34.68%	32.29%	35.50%	24.60%	26.95%	26.49%	25.41%	22.33%	28.71%	33.64%

\*\* Note: TPAF is a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 in which the State of New Jersey is 100% responsible for contributions to the plan. Since the district (employer) does not contribute directly to the plan there is no net pension liability to report in the financial statements of the district.

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)**

**Exhibit L-1**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.0074670%	0.0077597%	0.0076699%	0.0076078%	0.0081325%	0.0084145%	0.0081284%	0.00707789%	0.00724517%	0.00753810%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 1,081,543</u>	<u>\$ 1,171,039</u>	<u>\$ 908,620</u>	<u>\$ 1,465,348</u>	<u>\$ 1,465,348</u>	<u>\$ 1,656,771</u>	<u>\$ 1,892,163</u>	<u>\$ 2,096,269</u>	<u>\$ 1,626,395</u>	<u>\$ 1,411,338</u>
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 492,644	\$ 539,441	\$ 566,479	\$ 564,308	\$ 562,867	\$ 569,460	\$ 588,394	\$ 586,836	\$ 1,105,311	\$ 991,562
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	219.54%	217.08%	160.40%	259.67%	260.34%	290.94%	321.58%	357.22%	147.14%	142.33%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (Local)	65.23%	62.91%	70.33%	58.32%	56.27%	53.60%	58.18%	40.14%	47.92%	52.08%

**Blairstown School District**  
**Required Supplementary Information - Part III**  
**Schedule of District Contributions**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit L-2**

**Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution **	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution **	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contribution deficiency (excess)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 4,115,234	\$ 4,000,714	\$ 3,799,937	\$ 3,893,993	\$ 3,889,877	\$ 3,989,343	\$ 4,102,804	\$ 3,946,077	\$ 3,932,605	\$ 4,070,098
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

\*\* Note: TPAF is a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 in which the State of New Jersey is 100% responsible for contributions to the plan. The district (employer) does not contribute to the plan.

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 99,789	\$ 97,853	\$ 89,824	\$ 83,225	\$ 79,335	\$ 83,980	\$ 76,198	\$ 63,192	\$ 68,996	\$ 63,696
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(99,789)</u>	<u>(97,853)</u>	<u>(89,824)</u>	<u>(83,225)</u>	<u>(79,335)</u>	<u>(83,980)</u>	<u>(76,198)</u>	<u>(63,192)</u>	<u>(68,996)</u>	<u>(63,696)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 492,644	\$ 539,441	\$ 566,479	\$ 564,308	\$ 562,867	\$ 569,460	\$ 588,394	\$ 586,836	\$ 1,105,311	\$ 991,562
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	20.26%	18.14%	15.86%	14.75%	14.09%	14.75%	12.95%	10.77%	6.24%	6.42%

**Blairstown School District**  
**Required Supplementary Information - Part III**  
**Schedule of Changes in the State's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years \***

**Exhibit M-1**

**State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan (TPAF and PERS)**

<b>The State of New Jersey's Total OPEB Liability</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Service Cost	\$ 2,136,235,476	\$ 2,770,618,025	\$ 3,217,184,264	\$ 1,790,973,822	\$ 1,734,404,850	\$ 1,984,642,729	\$ 2,391,878,884	\$ 1,723,999,319		
Interest	1,844,113,951	1,342,187,139	1,556,661,679	1,503,341,357	1,827,787,206	1,970,236,232	1,699,441,736	1,823,643,792		
Change in Benefit Terms	-	-	(63,870,842)							
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(980,424,863)	1,399,200,736	(11,385,071,658)	11,544,750,637	(7,323,140,818)	(5,002,065,740)				
Benefit Payments	-	(13,586,368,097)	59,202,305	(1,180,515,618)	(1,280,958,373)	(1,232,987,247)	(1,242,412,566)	(1,223,298,019)		
Contributions from Members	(1,390,258,754)	(1,329,476,059)	-	35,781,384	37,971,171	42,614,005	45,748,749	46,273,747		
Changes of Assumptions or other inputs	105,539,463	42,650,252	(1,186,417,186)	12,386,549,981	622,184,027	\$ (5,291,448,855)	\$ (7,086,599,129)	8,611,513,521		
<b>Net change in total OPEB liability</b>	<b>1,715,205,273</b>	<b>(9,361,188,004)</b>	<b>(7,802,311,638)</b>	<b>26,080,881,563</b>	<b>(4,381,751,937)</b>	<b>(7,529,008,876)</b>	<b>(4,191,942,326)</b>	<b>10,982,132,360</b>		
<b>Total OPEB Liability - Beginning</b>	<b>\$ 50,646,462,966</b>	<b>\$60,007,650,970</b>	<b>\$67,809,962,608</b>	<b>\$ 41,729,081,045</b>	<b>\$ 46,110,832,982</b>	<b>\$ 53,639,841,858</b>	<b>\$ 57,831,784,184</b>	<b>\$ 46,849,651,824</b>		
<b>Total OPEB Liability - Ending</b>	<b>\$ 52,361,668,239</b>	<b>\$50,646,462,966</b>	<b>\$60,007,650,970</b>	<b>\$ 67,809,962,608</b>	<b>\$ 41,729,081,045</b>	<b>\$ 46,110,832,982</b>	<b>\$ 53,639,841,858</b>	<b>\$ 57,831,784,184</b>		
<b>The State of New Jersey's total OPEB liability **</b>	<b>\$ 52,361,668,239</b>	<b>\$50,646,462,966</b>	<b>\$60,007,650,970</b>	<b>\$ 67,809,962,608</b>	<b>\$ 41,729,081,045</b>	<b>\$ 46,110,832,982</b>	<b>\$ 53,639,841,858</b>	<b>\$ 57,831,784,184</b>		
<b>The State of New Jersey's OPEB liability attributable to the District **</b>	<b>\$ 24,412,675</b>	<b>\$ 23,065,425</b>	<b>\$ 26,633,437</b>	<b>\$ 31,642,485</b>	<b>\$ 19,580,244</b>	<b>\$ 22,334,141</b>	<b>\$ 25,652,341</b>	<b>\$ 27,922,912</b>		
<b>The District's proportionate share of the total OPEB liability</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>	<b>Zero</b>		
<b>District's covered employee payroll</b>	<b>\$ 4,607,878</b>	<b>\$ 4,540,155</b>	<b>\$ 4,366,416</b>	<b>\$ 4,458,301</b>	<b>\$ 4,452,744</b>	<b>\$ 4,558,803</b>	<b>\$ 4,691,198</b>	<b>\$ 4,532,913</b>		
<b>Total District's OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>0.00%</b>		
<b>District's contribution</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>None</b>		
<b>State's covered employee payroll ***</b>	<b>\$ 15,314,749,297</b>	<b>\$14,753,355,408</b>	<b>\$14,425,669,769</b>	<b>\$ 14,267,738,657</b>	<b>\$ 13,929,083,479</b>	<b>\$ 13,640,275,833</b>	<b>\$ 13,493,400,208</b>	<b>\$ 13,493,400,208</b>		
<b>Total State's OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll</b>	<b>341.90%</b>	<b>343.29%</b>	<b>415.98%</b>	<b>475.27%</b>	<b>299.58%</b>	<b>338.05%</b>	<b>397.53%</b>	<b>428.59%</b>		

\*\* Note: Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) for employees of the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is considered a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 in which the State of New Jersey is 100% responsible for contributions to the health insurance plan. The district (employer) does not contribute to the plan and the district's OPEB liability is zero.

\*\*\* Covered payroll for the Measurement Period ending June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2023 is based on the payroll on the June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2022 census data, respectively

\* - Until a full ten year trend is compiled, information will be presented for those years for which information is available.

BLAIRSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION-PART III**  
**Pension and Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Schedules**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

**Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)**

**Pension Schedules**

*Changes of benefit terms.* The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66. TPAF provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of TPAF. Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested for 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, members' beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the members' accounts.

Changes of assumptions. Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality table with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

**OPEB Schedules**

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASBS No. 75.

Changes of assumptions. Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflects a change in the discount rate from 3.54 percent in 2022 to 3.65 percent in 2023.

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)**

**Pension Schedules**

*Changes of benefit terms.* The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS.

Changes of assumptions. Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality table with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

**OPEB Schedules**

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASBS No. 75.

Changes of assumptions. Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflects a change in the discount rate from 3.54 percent in 2022 to 3.65 percent in 2023.

<b>OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION</b>
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<b>SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DETAIL STATEMENTS</b>
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The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.



**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES-BUDGETARY BASIS**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	<b>Title I Part A</b>	<b>Title II Part A</b>	<b>Title IV</b>	<b>IDEA Basic</b>	<b>IDEA Preschool</b>	<b>ARP ESSER III</b>	<b>ARP Accel Learn</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>							
Local Sources							
Federal Sources	\$ 71,784	\$ 9,180	\$ 10,000	\$ 145,190	\$ 13,134	\$ 53,836	\$ 17,277
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>71,784</b>	<b>9,180</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>145,190</b>	<b>13,134</b>	<b>53,836</b>	<b>17,277</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>							
<b>Instruction:</b>							
Salaries of Teachers							
Purchased Professional & Tech. Serv.				20,228	11,772		
Tuition				115,000			
General Supplies	33,204	1,180	4,000	8,962	362	53,592	
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>33,204</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>144,190</b>	<b>12,134</b>	<b>53,592</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Support Services:</b>							
Other Salaries							
Personal Services-Employee Bene.							
Purchased Professional Serv.	34,580	8,000	6,000	1,000	1,000		17,277
Supplies and Materials	4,000						
Student Activities							
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>38,580</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,277</b>
<b>Facilities Acq. &amp; Construction Svs</b>							
Instructional Equipment						244	
<b>Total Facilities &amp; Construction Svs</b>						<b>244</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>71,784</b>	<b>9,180</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>145,190</b>	<b>13,134</b>	<b>53,836</b>	<b>17,277</b>
<b>Total Outflows</b>	<b>71,784</b>	<b>9,180</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>145,190</b>	<b>13,134</b>	<b>53,836</b>	<b>17,277</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balance Beginning</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balance Beginning (Restated)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balance Ending</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**  
**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES-BUDGETARY BASIS**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	ARP Summer	ARP Beyond School Day	ARP Mental	REAP	Local	Student Activity	Totals
<b>REVENUES</b>							
Local Sources					\$ 938	\$ 25,775	\$ 26,713
Federal Sources	\$ 24,961	\$ 25,330	\$ 15,000	\$ 50,275			435,967
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>24,961</b>	<b>25,330</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>50,275</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>25,775</b>	<b>462,680</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>							
<b>Instruction:</b>							
Salaries of Teachers							-
Purchased Professional & Tech. Serv.	13,492	22,853		50,275			118,620
Tuition							115,000
Geneal Supplies	1,369				938		103,607
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>14,861</b>	<b>22,853</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50,275</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>337,227</b>
<b>Support Services:</b>							
Other Salaries	2,100						2,100
Personal Services-Employee Bene.							-
Purchased Professional Serv.		2,477	15,000				85,334
Supplies and Materials	8,000						12,000
Student Activities						23,035	23,035
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>10,100</b>	<b>2,477</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>23,035</b>	<b>122,469</b>
<b>Facilities Acq. &amp; Construction Svs</b>							
Instructional Equipment							244
<b>Total Facilities &amp; Construction Svs</b>							<b>244</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>24,961</b>	<b>25,330</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>50,275</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>23,035</b>	<b>459,940</b>
<b>Total Outflows</b>	<b>24,961</b>	<b>25,330</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>50,275</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>23,035</b>	<b>459,940</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>2,740</b>
<b>Fund Balance Beginning</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,165</b>	<b>10,165</b>
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balance Beginning (Restated)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,165</b>	<b>10,165</b>
<b>Fund Balance Ending</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ 12,905</b>	<b>\$ 12,905</b>

<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND DETAIL STATEMENTS</b>
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The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities and equipment purchases other than those financed by proprietary funds.

N/A

<b>PROPRIETARY FUND DETAIL STATEMENTS</b>
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Proprietary Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the district's board is that the costs of providing goods or services be financed through user charges.

**Food Services Fund** - This fund provides for the operation of food services in all schools within the school district.

**THIS SECTION HAS ALREADY BEEN INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS B-4, B-5 AND B-6.**

<b>FIDUCIARY FUND DETAIL STATEMENTS</b>
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Fiduciary Funds are defined by GASB No. 84 as four funds. (1) pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, (2) investment trust funds, (3) private-purpose trust funds, and (4) custodial funds.

N/A

<b>LONG-TERM DEBT SCHEDULES</b>
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The Long-Term Schedules are used to reflect the outstanding principal balances of the general long-term liabilities of the school district. This includes serial bonds outstanding and obligations under capital leases.

N/A

Blairstown Township School District  
**Statistical Section**

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**Sources:**

Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (ACFR) for the relevant year.

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Net Position by Component,**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

**Exhibit J-1**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Governmental activities</b>										
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 2,160,655	\$ 2,123,767	\$ 2,594,039	\$ 2,479,187	\$ 2,633,025	\$ 1,561,716	\$ 1,451,137	\$ 1,595,079	\$ 1,641,981	\$ 1,987,617
Restricted	701,353	1,176,353	762,671	892,663	453,784	1,042,705	(186,919)	(50,739)	(263,618)	-
Unrestricted	(1,178,208)	(1,369,886)	(1,388,981)	(1,210,164)	(1,635,089)	(1,386,125)	239,535	649,052	829,783	94,671
<b>Total governmental activities net position</b>	<b>\$ 1,683,800</b>	<b>\$ 1,930,234</b>	<b>\$ 1,967,729</b>	<b>\$ 2,161,686</b>	<b>\$ 1,451,720</b>	<b>\$ 1,218,296</b>	<b>\$ 1,503,753</b>	<b>\$ 2,193,392</b>	<b>\$ 2,208,146</b>	<b>\$ 2,082,288</b>
<b>Business-type activities</b>										
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 3,707	\$ 15,412	\$ 11,559	\$ 7,705	\$ 3,853	\$ 21,451	\$ 16,088	\$ 10,725	\$ 13,787	\$ 6,318
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted	28,934	29,152	38,166	43,733	50,481	18,305	44,197	96,117	138,223	165,978
<b>Total business-type activities net position</b>	<b>\$ 32,641</b>	<b>\$ 44,564</b>	<b>\$ 49,725</b>	<b>\$ 51,438</b>	<b>\$ 54,334</b>	<b>\$ 39,756</b>	<b>\$ 60,285</b>	<b>\$ 106,842</b>	<b>\$ 152,010</b>	<b>\$ 172,296</b>
<b>District-wide</b>										
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 2,164,362	\$ 2,139,179	\$ 2,605,598	\$ 2,486,892	\$ 2,636,878	\$ 1,583,167	\$ 1,467,225	\$ 1,605,804	\$ 1,655,768	\$ 1,993,935
Restricted	701,353	1,176,353	762,671	892,663	453,784	1,042,705	(186,919)	(50,739)	(263,618)	-
Unrestricted	(1,149,274)	(1,340,734)	(1,350,815)	(1,166,431)	(1,584,608)	(1,367,820)	283,732	745,169	968,006	260,649
<b>Total district net position</b>	<b>\$ 1,716,441</b>	<b>\$ 1,974,798</b>	<b>\$ 2,019,454</b>	<b>\$ 2,213,124</b>	<b>\$ 1,506,054</b>	<b>\$ 1,258,052</b>	<b>\$ 1,564,038</b>	<b>\$ 2,300,234</b>	<b>\$ 2,360,156</b>	<b>\$ 2,254,584</b>

Source: ACFR Schedule A-1



**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Changes in Net Position, Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

**Exhibit J-2**

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Expenses</b>										
Governmental activities										
Instruction										
Regular	\$ 4,129,910	\$ 4,129,910	\$ 4,492,062	\$ 4,469,364	\$ 3,982,115	\$ 3,789,568	\$ 4,411,066	\$ 3,981,156	\$ 3,979,027	\$ 3,687,684
Special education	1,405,663	1,405,663	1,433,918	1,586,673	1,392,095	1,469,439	1,589,634	1,494,822	1,429,928	1,389,564
Other special education	369,183	369,183	540,649	550,729	505,214	362,686	308,589	271,810	286,191	329,341
Support Services:										
Tuition	125,854	125,854	267,116	168,799	194,837	217,458	261,251	194,031	166,922	285,547
Student & instruction related services	1,761,178	1,761,178	2,015,117	2,160,203	1,945,371	1,719,686	1,924,603	1,776,382	1,979,560	1,693,771
School administrative services	234,315	234,315	277,690	297,546	262,654	237,430	193,426	216,059	220,883	216,293
General administrative services	748,301	748,301	798,826	787,628	665,657	697,122	675,558	567,926	663,950	671,591
Plant operations and maintenance	1,053,076	1,053,076	1,172,209	1,061,480	2,278,376	842,124	1,424,681	987,648	1,061,888	1,100,327
Pupil transportation	753,359	753,359	937,620	897,794	867,082	855,688	918,277	856,141	879,870	970,344
Other Support Services										
Non-Budgeted Contributions										
Charter Schools										
Interest and other fiscal charges	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127	1,127
Unallocated depreciation	147,817	147,817	166,316	183,085	222,256	95,405	94,965	122,749	143,333	199,399
Total governmental activities expenses	<u>10,729,783</u>	<u>10,729,783</u>	<u>12,102,650</u>	<u>12,164,428</u>	<u>12,316,784</u>	<u>10,287,733</u>	<u>11,803,177</u>	<u>10,469,851</u>	<u>10,812,679</u>	<u>10,544,988</u>
Business-type activities:										
Food service	95,210	95,210	125,416	123,524	107,204	99,650	48,954	189,177	146,764	174,321
Child Care										
Total business-type activities expense	<u>95,210</u>	<u>95,210</u>	<u>125,416</u>	<u>123,524</u>	<u>107,204</u>	<u>99,650</u>	<u>48,954</u>	<u>189,177</u>	<u>146,764</u>	<u>174,321</u>
Total district expenses	<u>\$ 10,824,993</u>	<u>\$ 10,824,993</u>	<u>\$ 12,228,066</u>	<u>\$ 12,287,952</u>	<u>\$ 12,423,988</u>	<u>\$ 10,387,383</u>	<u>\$ 11,852,131</u>	<u>\$ 10,659,028</u>	<u>\$ 10,959,443</u>	<u>\$ 10,719,309</u>
<b>Program Revenues</b>										
Governmental activities:										
Charges for services:										
Instruction (Tuition)	\$ 66,780	\$ 66,780	\$ 52,828	\$ 18,845	\$ 41,920	\$ 63,665	\$ 1,510	\$ 49,850	\$ 34,122	\$ 33,275
Business and other support services										
Operating grants and contributions	\$ 4,257,078	\$ 4,257,078	\$ 5,208,427	\$ 5,636,304	\$ 4,731,074	\$ 3,936,860	\$ 5,086,672	\$ 3,488,660	\$ 3,025,039	2,518,002
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total governmental activities program revenues	<u>4,323,858</u>	<u>4,323,858</u>	<u>5,261,255</u>	<u>5,655,149</u>	<u>4,772,994</u>	<u>4,000,525</u>	<u>5,088,182</u>	<u>3,538,510</u>	<u>3,059,161</u>	<u>2,551,277</u>
Business-type activities:										
Charges for services										
Food service	64,228	64,228	78,677	78,298	71,961	53,430	266	16,258	100,942	110,623
Child care										
Operating grants and contributions	43,582	43,582	51,762	46,709	37,886	31,389	69,179	219,377	89,760	80,397
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total business type activities program revenues	<u>107,810</u>	<u>107,810</u>	<u>130,439</u>	<u>125,007</u>	<u>109,847</u>	<u>84,819</u>	<u>69,445</u>	<u>235,635</u>	<u>190,702</u>	<u>191,020</u>
Total district program revenues	<u>\$ 4,431,668</u>	<u>\$ 4,431,668</u>	<u>\$ 5,391,694</u>	<u>\$ 5,780,156</u>	<u>\$ 4,882,841</u>	<u>\$ 4,085,344</u>	<u>\$ 5,157,627</u>	<u>\$ 3,774,145</u>	<u>\$ 3,249,863</u>	<u>\$ 2,742,297</u>
<b>Net (Expense)/Revenue</b>										
Governmental activities	\$ (6,405,925)	\$ (6,405,925)	\$ (6,841,395)	\$ (6,509,279)	\$ (7,543,790)	\$ (6,287,208)	\$ (6,714,995)	\$ (6,931,341)	\$ (7,753,518)	\$ (7,993,711)
Business-type activities	12,600	12,600	5,023	1,483	2,643	(14,831)	20,491	46,458	43,938	16,699
Total district-wide net expense	<u>\$ (6,393,325)</u>	<u>\$ (6,393,325)</u>	<u>\$ (6,836,372)</u>	<u>\$ (6,507,796)</u>	<u>\$ (7,541,147)</u>	<u>\$ (6,302,039)</u>	<u>\$ (6,694,504)</u>	<u>\$ (6,884,883)</u>	<u>\$ (7,709,580)</u>	<u>\$ (7,977,012)</u>

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**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Changes in Net Position, Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

**Exhibit J-2**

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position</b>										
Governmental activities:										
Property taxes levied for general purposes, net	\$ 6,618,000	\$ 6,618,000	\$ 6,520,000	\$ 6,650,000	\$ 6,625,000	\$ 6,900,000	\$ 6,900,000	\$ 7,196,000	\$ 7,607,760	\$ 7,759,915
Taxes levied for debt service										
Restricted grants and contributions	51,321	51,321	279,084	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Aid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment earnings	4,725	4,725	7,421	15,403	21,255	11,544	4,595	4,967	27,252	50,317
Miscellaneous income	34,741	34,741	49,365	37,833	187,569	138,504	85,810	420,013	133,260	57,621
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>6,708,787</u>	<u>6,708,787</u>	<u>6,855,870</u>	<u>6,703,236</u>	<u>6,833,824</u>	<u>7,050,048</u>	<u>6,990,405</u>	<u>7,620,980</u>	<u>7,768,272</u>	<u>7,867,853</u>
Business-type activities:										
Investment earnings	41	41	138	230	253	253	38	99	1,230	3,587
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>41</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>1,230</u>	<u>3,587</u>
Total district-wide	<u>\$ 6,708,828</u>	<u>\$ 6,708,828</u>	<u>\$ 6,856,008</u>	<u>\$ 6,703,466</u>	<u>\$ 6,834,077</u>	<u>\$ 7,050,301</u>	<u>\$ 6,990,443</u>	<u>\$ 7,621,079</u>	<u>\$ 7,769,502</u>	<u>\$ 7,871,440</u>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>										
Governmental activities	\$ 302,862	\$ 302,862	\$ 14,475	\$ 193,957	\$ (709,966)	\$ 762,840	\$ 275,410	\$ 689,639	\$ 14,754	\$ (125,858)
Business-type activities	12,641	12,641	5,161	1,713	2,896	(14,578)	20,529	46,557	45,168	20,286
Total district	<u>\$ 315,503</u>	<u>\$ 315,503</u>	<u>\$ 19,636</u>	<u>\$ 195,670</u>	<u>\$ (707,070)</u>	<u>\$ 748,262</u>	<u>\$ 295,939</u>	<u>\$ 736,196</u>	<u>\$ 59,922</u>	<u>\$ (105,572)</u>

Source: ACFR Schedule A-2

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Fund Balances, Governmental Funds,**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
*(modified accrual basis of accounting)*

**Exhibit J-3**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General Fund										
Reserved	\$ 1,087,700	\$ 1,267,456	\$ 782,974	\$ 1,422,572	\$ 544,907	\$ 1,396,303	\$ 1,550,735	\$ 1,901,273	\$ 1,778,020	\$ 1,054,535
Unreserved	52,757	57,531	45,212	59,731	120,379	145,536	271,838	315,555	593,952	269,283
Total general fund	<u>\$ 1,140,457</u>	<u>\$ 1,324,987</u>	<u>\$ 828,186</u>	<u>\$ 1,482,303</u>	<u>\$ 665,286</u>	<u>\$ 1,541,839</u>	<u>\$ 1,822,573</u>	<u>\$ 2,216,828</u>	<u>\$ 2,371,972</u>	<u>\$ 1,323,818</u>
All Other Governmental Funds										
Reserved					-	\$ 2,602	\$ 4,047	\$ 8,647	\$ 10,165	\$ 12,905
Unreserved, reported in:										
Special revenue fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital projects fund	-	-	\$ 281,584	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service fund										
Trust and agency fund										
Total all other governmental funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>281,584</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>\$ 4,047</u>	<u>\$ 8,647</u>	<u>\$ 10,165</u>	<u>\$ 12,905</u>

Source: ACFR Schedule B-1

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Changes in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds,**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-4**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b>Revenues</b>										
Tax levy	\$ 6,618,000	\$ 6,520,000	\$ 6,520,000	\$ 6,650,000	\$ 6,625,000	\$ 6,900,000	\$ 6,900,000	\$ 7,196,000	\$ 7,607,760	\$ 7,759,915
Tuition charges	66,780	59,727	52,828	18,845	41,920	63,665	-	49,850	34,122	33,275
Miscellaneous	39,466	69,338	56,786	53,236	208,824	150,048	91,915	424,980	160,512	107,938
State sources	2,899,946	2,940,062	3,340,529	3,179,128	3,363,563	3,243,543	3,291,574	3,238,576	3,552,838	3,082,005
Federal sources	399,910	307,747	296,875	288,834	287,787	287,485	346,831	477,665	637,575	492,321
Total revenue	10,024,102	9,896,874	10,267,018	10,190,043	10,527,094	10,644,741	10,630,320	11,387,071	11,992,807	11,475,454
<b>Expenditures</b>										
Instruction										
Regular Instruction	2,718,085	2,785,241	2,671,506	2,549,373	2,631,014	2,557,873	2,690,893	2,809,709	2,921,554	2,889,654
Special education instruction	926,342	860,090	853,911	906,318	921,011	993,217	971,010	1,056,309	1,051,186	1,090,197
Other special instruction	243,294	225,397	321,961	314,580	334,250	245,145	188,498	192,073	210,388	258,388
Other instruction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Support Services:										
Tuition	82,939	49,369	159,070	96,419	128,904	146,983	159,582	137,111	122,710	224,029
Student & instruction related services	1,160,629	1,130,048	1,200,020	1,233,922	1,287,059	1,162,363	1,175,622	1,255,272	1,455,238	1,328,866
General administrative services	447,082	443,114	446,345	445,159	435,660	466,457	407,918	396,583	440,534	472,939
School administrative services	154,415	163,325	165,367	169,960	173,772	160,483	118,152	152,677	162,378	169,695
Plant operations and maintenance	692,337	854,055	696,413	604,676	1,470,458	567,557	847,775	683,258	778,980	861,625
Pupil transportation	490,799	462,494	552,691	507,156	567,992	572,703	555,249	599,318	641,151	755,625
Other Support Services										
Unallocated employee benefits	2,061,356	2,261,881	2,415,855	2,564,194	2,656,782	2,560,618	2,934,356	3,154,359	3,413,402	3,435,955
Charter Schools	373,117	335,600	344,163	340,779	309,105	305,133	277,132	255,104	388,830	422,893
Capital Outlay	401,962	141,730	654,933	84,974	428,104	37,101	21,954	296,443	249,794	611,002
Debt service:										
Principal										
Interest and other charges										
Total expenditures	9,752,357	9,712,344	10,482,235	9,817,510	11,344,111	9,775,633	10,348,141	10,988,216	11,836,145	12,520,868
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	271,745	184,530	(215,217)	372,533	(817,017)	869,108	282,179	398,855	156,662	(1,045,414)
<b>Other Financing Sources (uses)</b>										
Note Proceeds										
Other										
Transfers in	15,301									
Transfers out	(15,301)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	\$ 271,745	\$ 184,530	\$ (215,217)	\$ 372,533	\$ (817,017)	\$ 869,108	\$ 282,179	\$ 398,855	\$ 156,662	\$ (1,045,414)
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: ACFR Schedule B-2

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND OTHER LOCAL REVENUE BY SOURCE  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
UNAUDITED

Exhibit J-5

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Interest on</u> <u>Investments</u>	<u>Refund</u> <u>Prior Year</u> <u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Cost</u> <u>Share</u>	<u>Tuition</u>	<u>Refunds</u>	<u>Sale of</u> <u>Assets</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 4,725	\$ 500		\$ 66,780			\$ 34,241	\$ 106,246
2016	5,399	7,948		59,727		\$ 30,000	20,412	123,486
2017	7,421	29,596		52,828			19,769	109,614
2018	15,403			18,845			28,577	62,825
2019	21,255	25,803	\$ 61,826	41,920	\$ 33,108		44,791	228,703
2020	11,544		53,738	63,665	13,843		47,523	190,313
2021	4,595	20,384	58,555	-			6,871	90,405
2022	4,967	16,542	59,335	49,850		310,000	16,455	457,149
2023	27,252	17,194		34,122	18,261		63,933	160,762
2024	50,317	13,121		33,275	7,056		10,731	114,500

SOURCE: District Records

Blairstown Township School District  
Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property-**Blairstown Township**,  
Last Nine Fiscal Years

**Exhibit J-6**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Vacant <u>Land</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Farm Reg.</u>	<u>Qfarm</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Industrial</u>	Total Assessed Value	Less: Tax- Exempt Property	Public Utilities <b>a</b>	Net Valuation Taxable	Total Direct School Tax Rate <b>b</b>	Estimated Actual (County Equalized Value)
2015	\$17,534,500	\$553,802,200	\$73,824,500	\$2,129,800	\$59,922,200	\$7,506,300	\$ 812,711,502	\$95,881,017	\$2,110,985	\$716,830,485	\$0.742	\$747,038,890
2016	16,459,000	553,436,700	74,089,900	2,161,200	58,825,700	7,506,300	810,249,679	95,338,017	2,432,862	714,911,662	0.755	712,612,284
2017	16,383,200	554,080,200	73,348,600	2,154,600	58,811,400	7,406,800	811,128,643	96,664,417	2,279,426	714,464,226	0.778	721,829,604
2018	16,149,900	554,611,400	72,389,300	2,117,000	58,729,300	7,406,800	808,683,577	94,990,933	2,288,944	713,692,644	0.758	709,362,651
2019	16,014,700	553,340,800	72,772,000	2,121,500	59,326,400	7,406,800	808,696,405	95,364,233	2,349,972	713,332,172	0.757	698,104,592
2020	16,363,100	551,619,900	73,095,300	2,114,400	59,362,200	7,664,000	806,090,845	93,528,633	2,343,312	712,562,212	0.774	726,196,562
2021	15,296,300	551,828,700	70,930,500	2,104,000	58,437,100	7,664,000	804,777,492	95,922,033	2,594,859	708,855,459	0.792	727,192,468
2022	13,964,700	551,227,100	71,348,400	2,081,000	58,506,100	7,664,000	804,574,223	97,266,233	2,516,690	707,307,990	0.839	728,556,641
2023	14,143,600	551,886,500	70,545,600	2,047,200	58,401,800	7,664,000	806,011,794	98,936,833	2,386,261	707,074,961	0.875	788,832,953
2024	13,498,300	551,087,800	71,266,000	2,056,600	58,581,900	7,664,000	806,648,936	100,276,133	2,218,203	706,372,803	0.896	860,006,265

Source: District records Tax list summary & Municipal Tax Assessor

**Note:** Real property is required to be assessed at some percentage of true value (fair or market value) established by each county board of taxation.

Reassessment occurs when ordered by the County Board of Taxation

**a** Taxable Value of Machinery, Implements and Equipment of Telephone, Telegraph and Messenger System Companies

**b** Tax rates are per \$100

Blairstown Township School District  
Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property-**Hardwick Township**,  
Last Ten Fiscal Years

**Exhibit J-6**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Vacant Land	Residential	Farm Reg.	Qfarm	Commercial	Industrial	Total Assessed Value	Less: Tax- Exempt Property	Public Utilities <b>a</b>	Net Valuation Taxable	Total Direct School Tax Rate <b>b</b>	Estimated Actual (County Equalized Value)
2015	\$5,660,800	\$110,017,450	\$39,201,100	\$1,050,100	\$705,700	\$627,000	\$227,338,257	\$69,620,400	\$455,707	\$157,717,857	\$0.778	\$210,701,695
2016	5,640,900	111,075,050	38,132,600	1,040,900	705,700	627,000	227,339,808	69,638,300	479,358	157,701,508	0.836	194,779,597
2017	5,555,700	112,159,350	37,735,800	1,005,600	705,700	627,000	228,217,999	69,938,800	490,049	158,279,199	0.822	186,361,299
2018	5,894,900	113,171,150	37,252,000	916,650	705,700	627,000	229,741,582	70,571,100	603,082	159,170,482	0.705	187,209,847
2019	5,384,300	112,005,350	37,710,800	1,002,050	705,700	627,000	228,536,194	70,571,100	529,894	157,965,094	0.608	185,060,822
2020	4,564,200	109,432,850	40,487,600	937,600	705,700	627,000	229,793,721	72,485,800	552,971	157,307,921	0.879	190,664,492
2021	4,540,700	109,533,450	40,175,300	968,600	705,700	627,000	230,284,542	73,145,300	588,492	157,139,242	0.819	198,944,896
2022	4,198,700	108,901,150	40,604,700	939,000	705,700	627,000	230,428,742	73,819,000	588,492	156,609,742	0.804	199,820,243
2023	3,909,400	110,082,100	40,732,100	1,100,800	705,700	627,000	231,732,692	73,987,100	588,492	157,745,592	0.902	207,846,691
2024	4,040,500	108,806,100	40,863,500	916,000	705,700	627,000	231,410,764	74,916,900	535,064	156,493,864	0.914	222,879,586

Source: District records Tax list summary & Municipal Tax Assessor

**Note:** Real property is required to be assessed at some percentage of true value (fair or market value) established by each county board of taxation.

Reassessment occurs when ordered by the County Board of Taxation

**a** Taxable Value of Machinery, Implements and Equipment of Telephone, Telegraph and Messenger System Companies

**b** Tax rates are per \$100

Blairstown Township School District  
Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates - **Blairstown Township**  
Last Ten Fiscal Years  
*(rate per \$100 of assessed value)*

**Exhibit J-7**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Blairstown Township Board of Education						Total Direct and Overlapping Tax Rate
	Basic Rate <sup>a</sup>	General Obligation Debt Service <sup>b</sup>	Total Direct	North Warren Regional School District	Blairstown Township	Warren County	
2015	\$0.742	-0-	\$0.742	\$0.703	\$0.020	\$0.766	\$2.231
2016	\$0.755	-0-	\$0.755	\$0.720	\$0.020	\$0.781	\$2.276
2017	\$0.778	-0-	\$0.778	\$0.747	\$0.020	\$0.770	\$2.315
2018	\$0.758	-0-	\$0.758	\$0.769	\$0.020	\$0.760	\$2.307
2019	\$0.757	-0-	\$0.757	\$0.808	\$0.020	\$0.714	\$2.299
2020	\$0.774	-0-	\$0.774	\$0.838	\$0.075	\$0.729	\$2.416
2021	\$0.792	-0-	\$0.792	\$0.873	\$0.085	\$0.721	\$2.471
2022	\$0.839	-0-	\$0.839	\$0.878	\$0.123	\$0.720	\$2.560
2023	\$0.875	-0-	\$0.875	\$0.912	\$0.276	\$0.759	\$2.822
2024	\$0.896	-0-	\$0.896	\$0.943	\$0.273	\$0.769	\$2.881

Source: District Records and Municipal Tax Collector

**Note:** NJSA 18A:7F-5d limits the amount that the district can submit for a general fund tax levy . The levy when added to other components of the district's net budget may not exceed the prebudget year net budget by more than the spending growth limitation calculated as follows: the prebudget year net budget increased by the cost of living or 2.5 percent, whichever is greater, plus any spending growth adjustments.

**a** The district's basic tax rate is calculated from the A4F form which is submitted with the budget and the Net valuation taxable.

**b** Rates for debt service are based on each year's requirements.



Blairstown Township School District  
Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates - **Hardwick Township**  
Last Ten Fiscal Years  
*(rate per \$100 of assessed value)*

**Exhibit J-7**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Blairstown Township Board of Education				Overlapping Rates			Total Direct and Overlapping Tax Rate
	General Obligation			Hardwick Township	North Warren Regional			
	Debt Service				School District	Warren County		
	Basic Rate <sup>a</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	Total Direct					
2015	\$0.778	*	-0-	\$0.778	\$0.277	\$0.847	\$0.893	\$2.795
2016	\$0.836	*	-0-	\$0.836	\$0.324	\$0.866	\$0.880	\$2.906
2017	\$0.822	*	-0-	\$0.822	\$0.330	\$0.911	\$0.906	\$2.969
2018	\$0.705	*	-0-	\$0.705	\$0.417	\$1.019	\$0.913	\$3.054
2019	\$0.608	*	-0-	\$0.608	\$0.458	\$1.133	\$0.895	\$3.094
2020	\$0.879	*	-0-	\$0.879	\$0.512	\$1.000	\$0.867	\$3.258
2021	\$0.819	*	-0-	\$0.819	\$0.517	\$1.013	\$0.890	\$3.239
2022	\$0.804	*	-0-	\$0.804	\$0.536	\$1.250	\$0.891	\$3.481
2023	\$0.902	*	-0-	\$0.902	\$0.549	\$1.219	\$0.896	\$3.566
2024	\$0.914	*	-0-	\$0.914	\$0.579	\$1.117	\$0.896	\$3.506

\* - The Hardwick Township Board of Education (Non-operating district) Was merged with Blairstown School District effective June 30, 2009.

Source: District Records and Municipal Tax Collector

**Note:** NJSA 18A:7F-5d limits the amount that the district can submit for a general fund tax levy . The levy when added

**a** The district's basic tax rate is calculated from the A4F form which is submitted with the budget and the Net valuation taxable.

**b** Rates for debt service are based on each year's requirements.

Blairstown Township School District  
Principal Property Tax Payers-**Blairstown Township**,  
Current Year and Nine Years Ago

**Exhibit J-8**

Taxpayer	Current			Nine Years Ago		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank [Optional]	% of Total District Net Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank [Optional]	% of Total District Net Assessed Value
Public Service Gas & Electric	\$ 9,195,500	1	1.30%	2,078,500	2	0.71%
Blairstown Realty Associates, LLC	8,826,700	2	1.25%			
JD Air, Inc.	2,865,700	3	0.41%			
First National Bank of Hope	2,707,100	4	0.38%	1,360,600	6	0.46%
Rite Aid	2,486,200	5	0.35%			
Blair Academy	2,044,600	6	0.29%			
Embarq	1,984,733	7	0.28%			
Grater, LLC	1,963,500	8	0.28%	1,392,400	5	0.47%
Individual Taxpayer #1	1,705,000	9	0.24%	1,265,446	7	0.43%
Individual Taxpayer #2	1,693,700	10	0.24%	789,900	10	0.27%
Great Atlantic & Pacific Co.				6,592,000	1	2.24%
Jersey Central Power & Light				2,078,500	3	0.71%
Blair Air				1,613,000	4	0.55%
Woodborne Lane				1,070,000	8	0.36%
JMS Associates				800,000	9	0.27%
Total	<u>\$ 35,472,733</u>		<u>5.02%</u>	<u>\$ 19,040,346</u>		<u>6.47%</u>

Source: District ACFR & Municipal Tax Assessor

Blairstown Township School District  
Principal Property Tax Payers- **Hardwick Township**,  
Current Year and Nine Years Ago

**Exhibit J-8**

Taxpayer	Current			Nine Years Ago		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank [Optional]	% of Total District Net Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank [Optional]	% of Total District Net Assessed Value
JCP&L	\$ 996,100	1	0.64%			
PSE&G	996,100	2	0.64%			
Individual Taxpayer #1	782,500	3	0.50%	859,400	2	0.65%
Individual Taxpayer #2	706,300	4	0.45%	612,500	6	0.46%
Individual Taxpayer #3	690,700	5	0.44%	519,000	7	0.39%
Individual Taxpayer #4	633,000	6	0.40%			
Individual Taxpayer #5	627,000	7	0.40%			
Individual Taxpayer #6	608,300	8	0.39%	802,700	3	0.60%
Individual Taxpayer #7	603,700	9	0.39%	462,900	9	0.35%
Individual Taxpayer #8	603,700	10	0.39%	424,600	10	0.32%
Westbrook Realty				969,000	1	0.73%
Terra Co., LLC				735,300	4	0.55%
Homestead Farm Assoc., LLC				671,900	5	0.51%
United Telephone Co. of NJ., Inc.				502,692	8	0.38%
Total	<u>\$ 7,247,400</u>		<u>4.63%</u>	<u>\$ 6,559,992</u>		<u>4.94%</u>

Source: District ACFR & Municipal Tax Assessor

**Blairstown Township School District  
Property Tax Levies and Collections,  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-9**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Taxes Levied for the Fiscal Year	Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Collections in Subsequent Years
		Amount	Percentage of Levy	
2015	\$6,618,000	\$6,618,000	100.00%	-
2016	\$6,520,000	\$6,520,000	100.00%	-
2017	\$6,520,000	\$6,520,000	100.00%	-
2018	\$6,650,000	\$6,650,000	100.00%	-
2019	\$6,625,000	\$6,625,000	100.00%	-
2020	\$6,900,000	\$6,900,000	100.00%	-
2021	\$6,900,000	\$6,900,000	100.00%	-
2022	\$7,196,000	\$7,196,000	100.00%	-
2023	\$7,607,760	\$7,607,760	100.00%	-
2024	\$7,759,915	\$7,759,915	100.00%	-

Source: District records including the Certificate and Report of School Taxes (A4F form)

**Note:**

School taxes are collected by the Municipal Tax Collector. Under New Jersey State Statute, a municipality is required to remit to the school district the entire property tax balance, in is the amount voted upon or certified prior to the end of the school year.

**Blairstown Township School District  
Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-10**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Governmental Activities			Business-Type Activities	Total District	Percentage of Personal Income <sup>a</sup>	Per Capita <sup>a</sup>
	General Obligation Bonds <sup>b</sup>	Capital Leases	Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs)	Capital Leases			
2015	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2016	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2017	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2018	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2019	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2020	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2021	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2022	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2023	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2024	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

Source: District ACFR Schedules I-1, I-2

**Note:** Details regarding the district's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

**a** See Exhibit NJ J-14 for personal income and population data. These ratios are calculated using personal income and population for the prior calendar year.

**b** Includes Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) refunding

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Ratios of Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-11**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	General Bonded Debt Outstanding			Percentage of Actual Taxable Value <sup>a</sup> of Property	Per Capita <sup>b</sup>
	Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs)	Deductions	Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding		
2015	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2016	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2017	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2018	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2019	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2020	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2021	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2022	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2023	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2024	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

**Note:** Details regarding the district's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

**a** See Exhibit NJ J-6 for property tax data.

**b** Population data can be found in Exhibit NJ J-14.

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\* Current data unavailable

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Ratios of Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt**  
**As of June 30, 2024**

**Exhibit J-12**

<u><b>Governmental Unit</b></u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Estimated Percentage Applicable <sup>a</sup></u>	<u>Estimated Share of Overlapping Debt</u>
<b>Debt repaid with property taxes</b>			
Blairstown Township	\$ 5,096,844	100.000%	\$ 5,096,844
Hardwick Township	540,000	100.000%	540,000
North Warren Regional School District	-	0.000%	-
<b>Other debt</b>			
Warren County (Includes apportionment for Blairstown and Hardwick Townships)	10,570,000	8.087%	854,809
Subtotal, overlapping debt			6,491,653
<b>Blairstown School District Direct Debt</b>			-
<b>Total direct and overlapping debt</b>			<u><u>\$ 6,491,653</u></u>

**Sources:** Township Finance Officer, Warren County Finance Office  
and Utility Authorities

**Note:** Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic boundaries of the District. This schedule estimates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the residents and businesses of the district. This process recognizes that, when considering the District's ability to issue and repay long-term debt, the entire debt burden borne by the residents and businesses should be taken into account. However this does not imply that every taxpayer is a resident, and therefore responsible for repaying the debt, of each overlapping payment.

**a** For debt repaid with property taxes, the percentage of overlapping debt applicable is estimated using taxable assessed property values. Applicable percentages were estimated by determining the portion of another governmental unit's taxable value that is within the district's boundaries and dividing it by each unit's total taxable value.

Blairstown Township School District  
Legal Debt Margin Information,  
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Exhibit J-13

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2024 \*

	Equalized valuation basis	
	2021	993,754,986
	2022	1,083,867,170
	2023	1,202,081,012
	[A]	\$ 3,279,703,168
Average equalized valuation of taxable property	[A/3]	\$ 1,093,234,389
Debt limit (2 1/2 % of average equalization value)	[B]	27,330,860
Net bonded school debt	[C]	-
Legal debt margin	[B-C]	\$ 27,330,860

	Fiscal Year									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Debt limit	\$22,810,083	\$22,518,575	\$22,482,614	\$22,482,614	\$17,704,487	\$17,897,750	\$18,181,323	\$18,719,003	\$25,055,360	\$27,330,860
Total net debt applicable to limit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Legal debt margin	\$22,810,083	\$22,518,575	\$22,482,614	\$22,482,614	\$17,704,487	\$17,897,750	\$18,181,323	\$18,719,003	\$25,055,360	\$27,330,860
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Source: Abstract of Ratables and District Records ACFR Schedule J-7

a Limit set by NJSA 18A:24-19 for a K through 6 district; other % limits would be applicable for other districts

\* The legal debt margin includes Blairstown Township & Hardwick Township



**Blairstown Township School District  
Demographic and Economic Statistics  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-14**

Year	Population <sup>a</sup>	Personal Income (thousands of dollars) <sup>b</sup>	Per Capita Personal Income <sup>c</sup>	Unemployment Rate <sup>d</sup>
2015	7,453	\$ 381,001,470	\$50,741 R	5.0%
2016	7,437	\$ 381,052,372	\$51,503 R	4.2%
2017	7,387	\$ 379,474,410	\$53,149 R	3.9%
2018	7,353	\$ 383,383,754	\$54,973 R	3.5%
2019	7,349	\$ 393,934,629	\$56,956 R	3.2%
2020	7,319	\$ 409,783,980	\$60,525 R	8.5%
2021	7,321	\$ 423,549,134	\$63,041 R	5.5%
2022	7,345	\$ 444,556,125	\$62,921 R	3.6%
2023	7,357	\$ 463,792,637	\$62,921 *	3.8%
2024	7,367	\$ 463,539,007	\$62,921 *	*

**Source:**

<sup>a</sup> Population information provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development;  
Includes Blairstown and Hardwick Townships

<sup>b</sup> Personal income provided by US Dept Commerce

<sup>c</sup> Per Capita provided by NJ Dept of Labor

<sup>d</sup> Unemployment data provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development

R =Revised

\* Current data unavailable

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Principal Employers,**  
**Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

**Exhibit J-15**  
**N/A**

Employer	2024			2015		
	Employees	Rank (Optional)	Percentage of Total Employment	Employees	Rank (Optional)	Percentage of Total Employment
		1	0.00%	-		0.00%
		2	0.00%	-		0.00%
		3	0.00%	-		0.00%
		4	0.00%	-		0.00%
		5	0.00%	-		0.00%
		6	0.00%	-		0.00%
		7	0.00%	-		0.00%
		8	0.00%	-		0.00%
		9	0.00%	-		0.00%
		10	0.00%	-		0.00%
	-			-		0.00%
	-			-		0.00%
	-			-		0.00%
	-		0.00%	-		0.00%

**Source:**

No reliable information is available at the local or county level.

**Blairstown Township School District**  
**Full-time Equivalent District Employees by Function/Program,**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-16**

<u><b>Function/Program</b></u>	<u><b>2015</b></u>	<u><b>2016</b></u>	<u><b>2017</b></u>	<u><b>2018</b></u>	<u><b>2019</b></u>	<u><b>2020</b></u>	<u><b>2021</b></u>	<u><b>2022</b></u>	<u><b>2023</b></u>	<u><b>2024</b></u>
Instruction										
Regular	33.0	34.0	33.0	32.0	30.6	31.5	31.5	31.5	32.0	31.5
Special education	12.3	11.5	12.9	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	13.6	12.7
Other instruction	6.0	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	8.3	7.8
Support Services:										
Tuition										
Student & instruction related services	27.5	23.2	24.1	25.4	25.7	23.5	22.5	22.5	23.8	22.7
General administrative services	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1
School administrative services	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	2.3	2.3
Business administrative services	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
Plant operations and maintenance	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.0	4.5	4.5
Pupil transportation	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	2.3	2.6
Total	91.6	88.0	89.4	88.7	87.6	86.3	85.3	84.5	90.3	87.7

**Source:** District Personnel Records

**Blairstown Township School District  
Operating Statistics  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-17**

Fiscal Year	Enrollment	Operating Expenditures <sup>a</sup>	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff <sup>b</sup>	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) <sup>c</sup>	Average Daily Attendance (ADA) <sup>c</sup>	% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
						Elementary				
2015	542	\$ 8,977,278	\$ 16,563	-0.50%	51	10.6:1	541.7	516.3	1.71%	95.3%
2016	508	\$ 9,235,014	\$ 18,179	9.76%	49	10.4:1	508.4	486.6	-6.15%	95.7%
2017	481	\$ 9,483,139	\$ 19,715	8.45%	53	9.1:1	481.3	463.3	-5.33%	96.3%
2018	466	\$ 9,391,757	\$ 20,154	2.22%	51	9.1:1	463.9	446.5	-3.62%	96.2%
2019	457	\$ 10,606,902	\$ 23,210	15.16%	50	9.1:1	458.3	435.1	-1.21%	94.9%
2020	463	\$ 9,433,399	\$ 20,375	-12.22%	52	8.9:1	468.0	466.4	2.12%	99.7%
2021	404	\$ 10,049,055	\$ 24,874	22.08%	51	7.9:1	402.0	388.0	-14.10%	96.5%
2022	429	\$ 10,436,669	\$ 24,328	-2.20%	51	8.4:1	436.3	408.3	8.53%	93.6%
2023	430	\$ 11,197,521	\$ 26,041	7.04%	54	8.0:1	431.6	404.9	-1.08%	93.8%
2024	429	\$ 11,486,973	\$ 26,776	2.82%	52	8.3:1	430.2	402.2	-0.32%	93.5%

**Sources:** District records, ASSA and Schedules J-12, J-14

**Note:** Enrollment based on annual October district count.

- a Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay; Schedule J-1
- b Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certificated staff. Prior to 2023, amount include aides.
- c Average daily enrollment and average daily attendance are obtained from the School Register Summary (SRS).

**Blairstown Township School District  
School Building Information  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

**Exhibit J-18**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b><u>District Building</u></b>										
<b><u>Elementary</u></b>										
Blairstown Elementary (1929)										
Square Feet	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762	78,762
Capacity (students)	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0	510.0
Enrollment	541.7	508.4	481.0	466.0	457.0	463.0	404.0	429.0	430.0	429.0

Number of Schools at June 30, 2024

**Source:** District records, ASSA

Elementary = 1

Note: Enrollment is based on the annual October district count.

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REQUIRED MAINTENANCE FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024**

Exhibit J-19

UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES - REQUIRED  
 MAINTENANCE FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES  
 11-000-261-xxx

<u>School Facilities</u>	<u>Project #</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Total</u>
Blairstown Elementary	040	\$268,546	\$470,948	\$270,672	\$188,179	\$195,448	\$164,058	\$403,993	\$138,662	\$212,149	\$230,443	\$2,274,552
<b>Total School Facilities</b>		<b>268,546</b>	<b>470,948</b>	<b>270,672</b>	<b>188,179</b>	<b>195,448</b>	<b>164,058</b>	<b>403,993</b>	<b>138,662</b>	<b>212,149</b>	<b>230,443</b>	<b>929,799</b>
Other Facilities												
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$268,546</b>	<b>\$470,948</b>	<b>\$270,672</b>	<b>\$188,179</b>	<b>\$195,448</b>	<b>\$164,058</b>	<b>\$403,993</b>	<b>\$138,662</b>	<b>\$212,149</b>	<b>\$230,443</b>	<b>\$2,274,552</b>

BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION  
INSURANCE SCHEDULE  
6/30/2024  
UNAUDITED

	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
Commercial Package Policy - NJ Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG):		
<u>PROPERTY SECTION:</u>		
Blanket Building and Contents (fund limit)	\$ 500,000,000	\$ 1,000
Accounts Receivable	250,000	1,000
Automobile Physical Damage	In Blanket Limit	1,000
Electronic Data Processing Equipment	250,000	1,000
<u>LIABILITY SECTION:</u>		
Comprehensive General Liability	11,000,000	
Automobile Liability	11,000,000	
Employee Benefit Liability	11,000,000	1,000
<u>CRIME:</u>		
Blanket Employee Dishonesty	50,000	500
Forgery	50,000	500
Theft/Disappearance/Destruction:		
Inside	50,000	500
Outside	50,000	500
Computer Fraud	50,000	500
<u>SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL LIABILITY - NJSIG</u>	11,000,000	5,000
Zurich Insurance Company (NJSIG):		
<u>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPAIRMENT LIABILITY: (Site Pollution)</u>		
Limit of Liability:		
Incident	1,000,000	100,000
Fund Annual Aggregate	11,000,000	
<u>UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK LIABILITY: (Chubb)</u>		
Claims & Remedation Costs Per Incident/Aggregate	1,000,000	5,000
Aggregate Limit for Defense Costs	1,000,000	
Total Policy Aggregate	2,000,000	
<u>PRIMARY FLOOD: (Selective)</u>		
Building	500,000	2,000
Contents	500,000	2,000
<u>WORKERS' COMPENSATION (NJSIG):</u>		
(a) Statutory Benefits	Included	
(a) Employer's Liability	5,000,000	
Supplemental Coverage (optional)	Included	
Selective Insurance Company		
Public Employees' Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond -		
Business Administrator	200,000	
Board Secretary	25,000	
Treasurer	200,000	

## **Single Audit Section**





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### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards***

#### Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable President and  
 Members of the Board of Education  
 Blairstown Township School District  
 County of Warren  
 Blairstown, New Jersey 07825

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, and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 9, 2024.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) 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 that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

### **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*** or audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Blairstown Township School District, in a separate letter dated December 9, 2024 entitled "Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings".

### **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 for New Jersey Department of Education use, 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.

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December 9, 2024

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### **Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance For Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by New Jersey OMB circular 15-08**

Honorable President and  
 Members of the Board of Education  
 Blairstown Township School District  
 County of Warren  
 Blairstown, New Jersey 07825

#### **Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program**

##### ***Opinion on Each Major State Program***

We have audited the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the New Jersey State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Blairstown Township School District Board of Education's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education 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 state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

##### ***Basis for Opinion on Each Major State 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; the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*. Our responsibilities under those standards, and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education, 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 opinion on compliance for each major state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Blairstown Township School District Board of Education'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 state programs.

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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 New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, **Government Auditing Standards**, and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, 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 New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of 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.

### ***Report on Internal Control Over Compliance***

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

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of New Jersey OMB circular 15-08, and for New Jersey Department of Education use. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024

Schedule A

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing No.	FAIN Number	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance At June 30, 2023	Carryover/ Walkover Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Adjust.	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances	Balance at June 30, 2024			Cumulative Total Expenditures
					From	To							Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor	
U.S. Department of Education																
General Fund:																
Impact Aid	84.041	N/A	N/A	37,802	7/1/23	6/30/24			\$ 37,802	\$ (37,802)						\$ 37,802
Total General Fund							-	-	37,802	(37,802)	-	-	-	-	-	37,802
U.S. Department of Education Passed-Through State Department of Education:																
Special Revenue Fund:																
Title I	84.010	S010A230030	N/A	71,784	7/1/23	6/30/24	\$ (15,758)		77,663	(71,784)		\$ (11,300)	\$ 1,421			71,784
Total Title I Cluster							(15,758)	-	77,663	(71,784)	-	-	(11,300)	1,421	-	71,784
Title II (A)	84.367	S367B230027	N/A	9,180	7/1/23	9/30/24	-			(9,180)			(9,180)	-		9,180
Title IV	84.424A	S424B230027	N/A	10,000	7/1/23	9/30/24	-		9,771	(10,000)			(229)	-		10,000
I.D.E.A. Part B, Basic Regular	84.027	H027A230100	N/A	145,190	7/1/23	6/30/24	(4,448)		148,576	(145,190)			(1,062)	-		145,190
I.D.E.A. Part B, Basic Preschool	84.173	H173A230114	N/A	13,134	7/1/23	6/30/24	-		13,124	(13,134)			(10)	-		13,134
Total Special Education Cluster							(4,448)	-	161,700	(158,324)	-	-	(1,072)	-	-	158,324
Rural Education Achievement Program	84.358A	S358B230030	S358A232692	50,275	7/1/22	9/30/23				(50,275)			(50,275)			50,275
Total REAP							-	-	-	(50,275)	-	-	(50,275)	-	-	50,275
American Rescue Plan-ESSER III	84.425U	S425U230027	ARP	317,142	3/13/20	9/30/24	(8,584)		60,523	(53,836)			(1,948)	50		317,092
American Rescue Plan-Accel. Learn. Coaching & Ed. Support	84.425U	S425U230027	ARP	50,000	3/13/20	9/30/24	-		-	(17,277)			(17,277)	-		50,000
American Rescue Plan-Evidence Based Summer Learning	84.425U	S425U230027	ARP	40,000	3/13/20	9/30/24	(850)		25,721	(24,961)			(14,279)	14,190		25,810
American Rescue Plan-Evidence Based Beyond the Sch. Day	84.425U	S425U230027	ARP	40,000	3/13/20	9/30/24	(7,390)		21,891	(25,330)			(12,696)	1,867		38,133
American Rescue Plan-NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing	84.425U	S425U230027	ARP	45,000	3/13/20	9/30/24	-		12,655	(15,000)			(2,345)	-		45,000
CRRSA - Learning	84.425D	S425D230027	CRRSA	25,000	3/13/20	9/30/23	(14,000)		14,000				-	-		25,000
Total Education Stabilization Fund							(30,824)	-	134,790	(136,404)	-	-	(48,545)	16,107	-	501,035
Total Special Revenue Fund							(51,030)	-	383,924	(435,967)	-	-	(120,601)	17,528	-	800,598
U.S. Department of Agriculture																
Passed-Through State Dept. of Agriculture																
Enterprise Fund:																
Child Nutrition Cluster:																
National School Lunch Program (Food Distribution)	10.555	231NJ304N1199	N/A		7/1/22	6/30/23	2,515			(2,515)						2,515
National School Lunch Program (Food Distribution)	10.555	241NJ304N1199	N/A	11,897	7/1/23	6/30/24			11,897	(8,973)				\$ 2,924		8,973
National School Lunch Program	10.555	231NJ304N1199	N/A		7/1/22	6/30/23	(3,887)		3,887							
National School Lunch Program	10.555	241NJ304N1199	N/A	50,856	7/1/23	6/30/24			47,516	(50,856)		\$ (3,340)				50,856
P-EBT Administrative Cost	10.649	242222S900941	N/A	653	7/1/23	6/30/24			653	(653)			-			653
Supply Chain Assistance Funding	10.555	241NJ344N8903	N/A	14,680	7/1/23	6/30/24			14,680	(14,680)			-			14,680
Total Enterprise Fund							(1,372)	-	78,633	(77,677)	-	-	(3,340)	2,924	-	77,677
TOTAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE							\$ (52,402)	-	\$ 500,359	\$ (551,446)	-	-	\$ (123,941)	\$ 20,452	-	\$ 916,077

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

**Note: This Schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance.**

## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance  
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024

## Schedule B

STATE GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE	GRANT OR STATE PROJECT NUMBER	GRANT PERIOD	AWARD AMOUNT	BALANCE 6/30/2023	CARRY- OVER AMOUNT	CASH RECEIVED	BUDGET. EXPEND.	ADJUST.	REPAYMENT OF PRIOR YEARS' BALANCES	BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 2024			MEMO		
										(ACCTS. RECEIV.)	INTERFUND PAYABLE/ DEFER. REVENUE	DUE TO GRANTOR	BUDGETARY RECEIVABLE	CUMULATIVE TOTAL EXPEND.	
State Department of Education															
General Fund															
Equalization Aid	24-495-034-5124-078	7/1/23-6/30/24	\$ 406,915			\$ 406,915	\$ (406,915)						*	\$ 40,640	\$ 406,915
Transportation Aid	24-495-034-5124-014	7/1/23-6/30/24	83,167			83,167	(83,167)						*	8,306	83,167
Special Education Aid	24-495-034-5124-089	7/1/23-6/30/24	351,956			351,956	(351,956)						*	35,152	351,956
Security Aid	24-495-034-5124-084	7/1/23-6/30/24	52,071			52,071	(52,071)						*	5,201	52,071
Stabilization Aid	24-100-034-5120-494	7/1/23-6/30/24	24,513			24,513	(24,513)						*		24,513
Extraordinary Aid	24-495-034-5124-044	7/1/23-6/30/24	77,922				(77,922)			\$ (77,922)			*		77,922
Extraordinary Aid	23-495-034-5124-044	7/1/22-6/30/23	93,154	\$ (93,154)		93,154	-						*		-
Non-Public Transportation Aid	24-100-034-5124-068	7/1/23-6/30/24	3,345				(3,345)			(3,345)			*		3,345
Non-Public Transportation Aid	23-100-034-5124-068	7/1/22-6/30/23	3,120	(3,120)		3,120	-						*		-
On Behalf TPAF Pension	24-495-034-5094-002	7/1/23-6/30/24	1,394,194			1,394,194	(1,394,194)						*		1,394,194
On Behalf TPAF Pension PMR	24-495-034-5094-001	7/1/23-6/30/24	379,448			379,448	(379,448)						*		379,448
On Behalf TPAF Pension LTD Ins	24-495-034-5094-004	7/1/23-6/30/24	522			522	(522)						*		522
Reimb. TPAF Soc.Secur.Contrib.	24-495-034-5094-003	7/1/23-6/30/24	300,744	(28,201)		313,872	(300,744)			(15,073)			*		300,744
Total General Fund				(124,475)		3,102,932	(3,074,797)			(96,340)			*	89,299	3,074,797
Special Revenue Fund:															
SDA Grant - Emergency and Capital Aid	24-100-034-5120-519	7/1/23-6/30/24	9,468	-		9,468				\$ 9,468			*		-
Total Special Revenue Fund				-	-	9,468	-	-	-	-	9,468	-	*	-	-
State Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund:															
Nat.School Lunch Prog.(State Share)	23-100-034-5124-122	7/1/24-6/30/23		(204)		204							*		
Nat.School Lunch Prog.(State Share)	24-100-034-5124-122	7/1/23-6/30/24	2,720			2,542	(2,720)			(178)			*		2,720
Total Enterprise Fund				(204)		2,746	(2,720)	-		(178)			*		2,720
Total State Financial Assistance				\$ (124,679)	-	\$ 3,115,146	\$ (3,077,517)	-	-	\$ (96,518)	\$ 9,468	-	*	\$ 89,299	\$ 3,077,517
Less: On-behalf TPAF Pension Amounts															
On Behalf TPAF Pension	24-495-034-5094-002	7/1/23-6/30/24	1,394,194				1,394,194								
On Behalf TPAF Pension PMR	24-495-034-5094-001	7/1/23-6/30/24	379,448				379,448								
On Behalf TPAF Pension LTD Ins	24-495-034-5094-004	7/1/23-6/30/24	522				522								
Total State Expenditures Subject to Major Program Determination							\$ (1,303,353)								

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 1. GENERAL**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes state award activity of the Board of Education, Blairstown Township School District. The Board of Education is defined in Note 1 to the Board's basic financial statements. All state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as state financial assistance passed through other government agencies is included on the schedules of expenditure of state financial assistance.

**NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accompanying federal and state schedules of expenditures of awards and financial assistance are presented on the budgetary basis of accounting with the exception of programs recorded in the food service fund, which are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. These bases of accounting are described in Note 1 to the Board's basic financial statements. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

**NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The basic financial statements present the general fund and special revenue fund on a GAAP basis. Budgetary comparison statements or schedules (RSI) are presented for the general fund and special revenue fund to demonstrate finance-related legal compliance in which certain revenue is permitted by law or grant agreement to be recognized in the audit year, whereas for GAAP reporting, revenue is not recognized until the subsequent year or when expenditures have been made.

The general fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the modified accrual basis with the exception of the revenue recognition of the last state aid payment in the current budget year, which is mandated pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:22-44.2*. For GAAP purposes, that payment is not recognized until the subsequent budget year due to the state deferral and recording of the last state aid payment in the subsequent year. The special revenue fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the grant accounting budgetary basis which recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. The special revenue fund also recognizes the last state aid payment in the current budget year, consistent with *N.J.S.A. 18A:22-4.2*.

The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is \$7,208 for the general fund and \$18,552 for the special revenue fund. See Exhibit C-3 for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue funds. Awards and financial assistance revenues are reported in the Board's basic financial statements on a GAAP basis as presented on the following page:



NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
JUNE 30, 2024

**NOTE 3. (Continued)**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 37,802	\$ 3,082,005	\$ 3,119,807
Special Revenue Fund	454,519	-	454,519
Food Service Fund	<u>77,677</u>	<u>2,720</u>	<u>80,397</u>
Total Financial Assistance	<u>\$ 569,998</u>	<u>\$ 3,084,725</u>	<u>\$ 3,654,723</u>

**NOTE 4. OTHER**

Revenues and expenditures reported under the Food Distribution Program represent current year value received and current year distributions respectively. The amount reported as TPAF Pension Contributions represents the amount paid by the state on behalf of the district for the year ended June 30, 2024. TPAF Social Security Contributions represents the amount reimbursed by the state for employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30, 2024.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

**Financial Statement Section**

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

1) Material weakness(es) identified?   x   Yes    No

2) Were significant deficiencies identified  
that were not considered to be material  
weaknesses?

   Yes  
  x   None  
Reported

Noncompliance material to financial  
statements noted?

   Yes   x   No

**Federal Awards**

**Not Applicable**

Internal control over major programs:

1) Material weakness(es) identified?    Yes    No

2) Were significant deficiencies identified  
that were not considered to be material  
weaknesses?

   Yes  
   None

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

N/A

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported  
in accordance with 2 CFR 200 section .516(a) of ?

   Yes    No

Identification of major programs:

<u>Assistance Listing</u>	<u>FAIN Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
N/A		

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and  
Type B programs:

N/A

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

   yes    no

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**State Financial Assistance Section**

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and  
Type B programs:

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

x yes    no

Internal Control over major programs:

1) Material weakness(es) identified?

   yes x no

2) Were significant deficiencies identified  
that were not considered to be material  
weaknesses?

   yes x none

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

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are  
required to be reported in accordance with  
NJ OMB Circular letter 15-08 as applicable?

   yes x no

Identification of major programs:

**State Grant/Project Number(s)****Name of State Program**24-495-034-5093-003Reimbursed TPAF Soc.Secur.Contrib.

State Aid Cluster:

24-495-034-5122-078Equalization Aid24-495-034-5122-089Special Education Aid24-495-034-5122-084Security Aid

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**Section II-Financial Statement Findings**

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, fraud, noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, and abuse related to the financial statements for which *Government Auditing Standards* requires reporting.

**Financial Statement**

**Finding 2024-001**

**Criteria or Specific Requirement:**

General ledger assets and liabilities should be reconciled to the underlying account detail.

**Condition:**

Balance sheet asset and liability general ledger accounts were not reconciled to the underlying account detail. As a result, assets, liabilities, and revenues in the governmental funds board secretary reports were misstated.

**Context:**

Reconciliations were not prepared for the year resulting in \$8,510,651 of adjustments that compare to \$1,978,341 in governmental fund assets after reconciliation adjustments.

**Effect:**

\$8,510,651 of cumulative differences were recorded as of June 30, 2023 to correct the financial statements.

**Cause:**

Lack of internal controls over the monitoring of the reconciliation of the general ledger assets and liabilities.

**Recommendation:**

The district should document and implement internal controls to monitor the preparation of asset and liability reconciliations to ensure accounts are reconciled to the underlying account detail on a monthly basis.

**Views of management and planned corrective actions:**

The School Business Administrator will document and implement internal controls sufficient to monitor the preparation of general ledger reconciliations, ensuring accounts are properly reconciled to the underlying account detail.

**Section III - Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs**

This section identifies audit findings required to be reported by 2 CFR 200 section .516 of the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and NJOMB Circular Letter 15-08, as applicable.

**Federal Awards**                      N/A

**State Awards**                        N/A

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS  
AND QUESTIONED COSTS AS PREPARED BY MANAGEMENT  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

**STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS**

N/A

In accordance with *government auditing standards* , our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. There were no prior year recommendations.