

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Elmwood Park, New Jersey**

**ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
of the  
Elmwood Park Board of Education  
Elmwood Park, New Jersey  
For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**Prepared by  
Business Office**

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## **INTRODUCTORY SECTION**

# ELMWOOD PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

September 30, 2024

Members of the Board of Education  
Elmwood Park Public Schools  
60 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Dear Board Members:

The annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) of the Elmwood Park Board of Education (the Board) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 is hereby submitted. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and completeness and fairness of the presentation (including all disclosures) rests with the management of the District. 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 fairly the financial position and the respective changes in financial position of the District. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the District's financial activities have been included.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with the narrative. The District's MD&A can be found immediately following the "Independent Auditor's Report."

The annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) 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 independent auditor's report, management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) and the basic financial statements including the district-wide financial statements presented in conformity with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34. The basic financial statements also include individual financial statements, notes to the financial statements and required supplemental information (RSI). The statistical section includes selected financial and demographic information generally presented on a multi-year basis.

Every district is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the Single Audit Act and the related U.S. Uniform Guidance and the State Treasury Circular OMB 15-08. Information related to this single audit, including the auditors' 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

Our District provides a full range of educational services appropriate to grade levels K through 12. These include regular and special education for handicapped, school-aged individuals. The District completed with an average daily enrollment of 2,616. The following Average Daily Enrollment figures, reported in the School Summary Register, detail the changes in student enrollment over the last ten (10) years:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Average Daily Enrollment</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
2023/24	2,616	0.42%
2022/23	2,605	4.19%
2021/22	2,500	0.22%
2020/21	2,495	-2.65%
2019/20	2,563	0.58%
2018/19	2,548	-2.65%
2017/18	2,601	1.17%
2016/17	2,572	1.53%
2015/16	2,533	0.07%
2014/15	2,531	0.16%

## 2. ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

The Borough of Elmwood Park is almost fully developed with only a nominal amount of land that remains vacant. Most land use changes reflect the results of redevelopment. This has resulted in a static tax base. The Borough could experience a growth in ratables as a portion of the former Marcal site is said to be redeveloped into a warehouse which will be leased.

The District's General Fund was in a deficit position at the end of the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years. The District obtained a state aid advance loan in 2012-2013 in the amount of \$2,214,497, which was to be repaid over ten years. This loan was reflected as budgetary revenue pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-56, and as other financing source on the GAAP basis governmental fund statements. As reflected in the June 2018 audit, the district identified funds to satisfy the loan. As of June 30, 2019, the district had paid off the outstanding amount in full.

## 3. MAJOR INITIATIVES

The capacities of the schools in the district were compared to the current enrollments in 2022-23 and the enrollment projections in the 2027-28 school year.

At the elementary level, a small shortage of seating currently exists in two schools in 2022-23, with the largest being at Gilbert Avenue (-31). Sixteenth Avenue is nearly at capacity (+3). In Memorial Middle School and Memorial High School, which are housed in the same building, there is currently a small shortage of seating (-12).

By 2027-28, a shortage of seating is projected in each of the three elementary schools due to the district's intention to expand the current pre-kindergarten program. Gantner Avenue is projected to have the largest number of unhoused students (-143). In Memorial Middle School and Memorial High School, surplus seating is projected (+23) due to a projected decline in enrollment.

In the last decade, enrollments (PK-12) have been fairly stable in the Elmwood Park School District. However, it appears a change in trend is on the horizon due to 390 new housing units in Elmwood Park, as well as the district's intention to expand its current pre-kindergarten program in September 2025. The projected enrollment gain is not expected to occur equally across each of the grade configurations. Most of the gain is projected at the elementary level (PK-5), while middle school enrollments (6-8) are projected to be fairly stable and high school enrollments (9-12) are projected to decline.

To meet the increase of ESL/ELL/ML students the district has employed an additional 3 teachers to provide resources. The district has provided formal and ongoing training in the proper utilization of our new district-wide benchmark program, LinkIt and the updated NJSLs and the diversified learner. The district will continue to be provided to all staff members to continue the progress of rigorous instruction, implementation of effective assessments, and the application of 21st century technology, as well as establishing Professional Learning Communities for our teachers throughout the district. District in-service days have focused on a diversified curriculum meeting the needs of each type of learner, as well as establishing Professional Learning Communities for our teachers throughout the district.

The district has continued SEL programming at all levels and has addressed wellness needs through additional staffing within the counseling department as well as the development of wellness centers in each of the 5 buildings. Staff members will continue to be trained within the methodologies in effectively evaluating and monitoring the SEL programs periodically through the year, and provide the staff with avenues of support and resources regarding their students and their own emotional well-being.

In addition to the above professional development, training will continue to be provided to all staff members to continue the progress of rigorous instruction, implementation of effective assessments, and the application of 21<sup>st</sup> century technology. The district also continues to offer frequent PLC articulation time throughout the school year, after-school hours and during summer recess. The Quality School Assurance Continuum (QSAC) review will occur in the Spring of 2025.

#### 4. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS

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

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

In addition to internal accounting controls, the District maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the voters of the municipality. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund and the special revenue fund. The final budget amount as amended for FY 2023/2024 is reflected in the budgetary comparison schedules of the required supplementary information.

An encumbrance accounting system is used to record outstanding purchase commitments on a line-item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are either canceled or are included as re-appropriation of fund balance in the subsequent year. Those amounts to be re-appropriated are reported as assigned fund balance on June 30, 2024.

## 6. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS

Our District accounting records reflect generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The accounting system of the District is organized on the basis of funds. These funds are explained in "Notes to the Financial Statements."

## 7. DEBT ADMINISTRATION

On June 30, 2024, the District had \$16,345,078 outstanding in General Obligation Bonds, including unamortized premium. The proceeds of these bonds were used to provide funds for major capital improvements to the District's buildings and grounds.

## 8. CASH MANAGEMENT

The investment policy of the District is guided in large part by State statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statements." 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 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 the funds are secured in accordance with 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

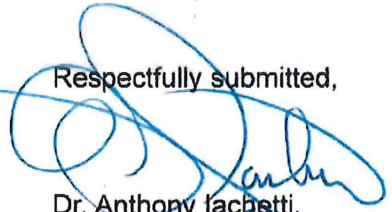
**Independent Audit.** State statute requires an annual audit by an independent certified public accountant or registered municipal accountant. The Board's Finance Committee selected the accounting firm of Lerch Vinci & Bliss, LLP, CPA's. In addition to meeting the requirements as set forth in State statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of the Single Audit Act and the related U.S. Uniform Guidance and State Treasury Circular Letter OMB 15-08.

The auditor's report on the basic financial statements 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of the District, as well as contributing their full support to the development and maintenance of our financial operations. Further, the preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of our financial and accounting staff and other members in the central office.

Respectfully submitted,

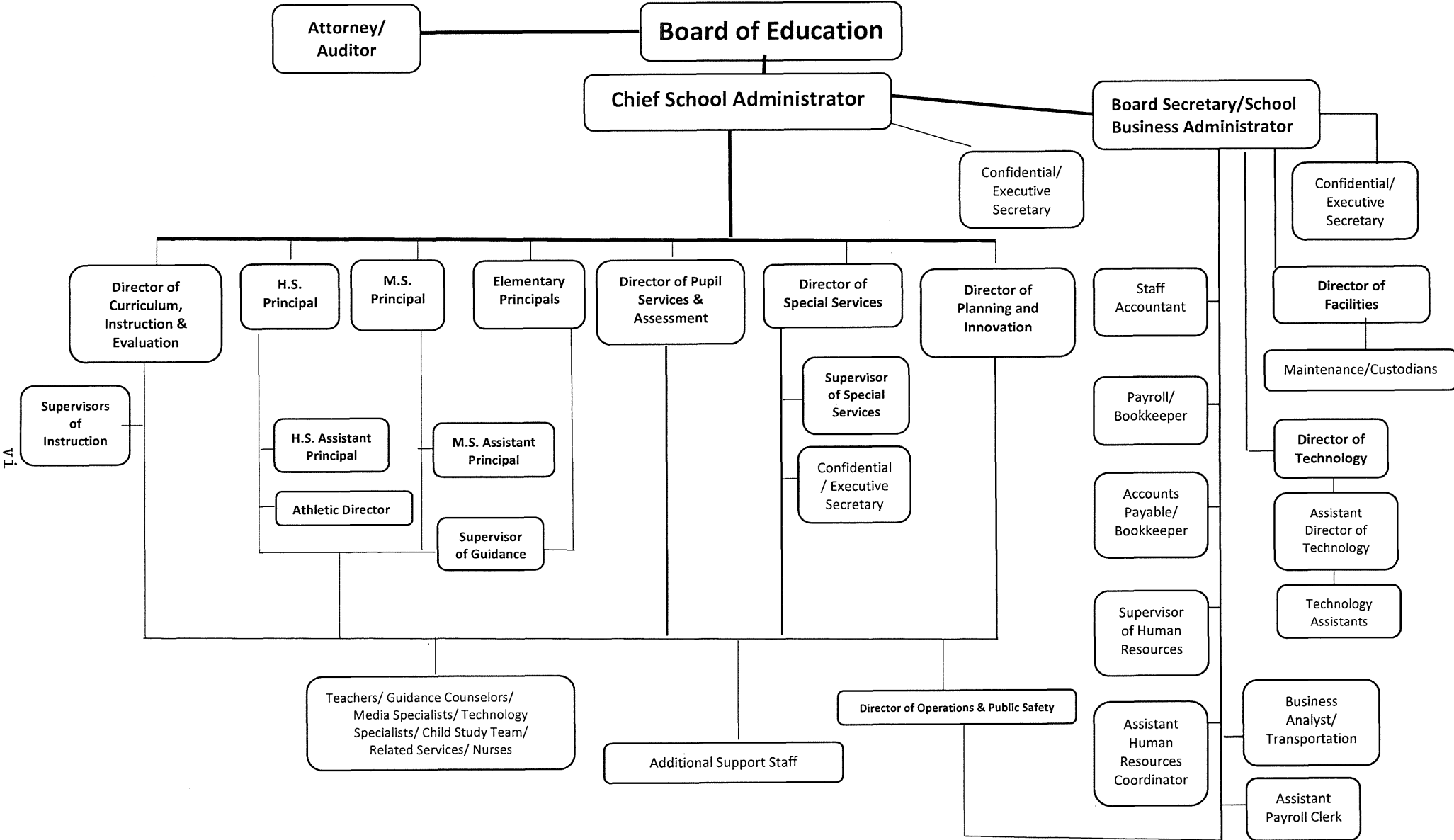


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Elmwood Park Board of Education  
**ADMINISTRATION**  
 Organizational Chart



**ELMWOOD PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY**

**Roster of Officials  
June 30, 2024**

<b><u>Members of the Board of Education</u></b>	<b><u>Term Expires December 31</u></b>
Louise Gerardi, President	2025
Dorin Aspras, Vice President	2026
Keith Cannizzo	2024
Douglas DeMatteo	2026
Chakib Fakhoury	2024
Elizabeth Mierzejewski	2026
Carrie Parette	2025
Karen Pena	2024
Daniel Zoltek	2025

**Other Officials**

Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent

Mark S. Jacobus, Board Secretary/Business Administrator

Joanne Wilson, Treasurer of School Monies

Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC., Board Attorney

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
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JUNE 30, 2024**

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JOHN CUIFFO, CPA, PSA

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable President and Members  
of the Board of Education  
Elmwood Park Board of Education  
Elmwood Park, New Jersey

### Report on the Financial Statements

#### *Opinions*

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Elmwood Park Board of Education as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board of Education'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 Elmwood Park Board of Education as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the fiscal 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, 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 Elmwood Park 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 the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

## ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of 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 generally accepted auditing standards, 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 generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Elmwood Park Board of Education'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 Elmwood Park Board of Education's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

## ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, pension information and other postemployment benefits information 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by New Jersey OMB Circular 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 of the Elmwood Park Board of Education. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate 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 schedules 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 introductory section, financial schedules and statistical section 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 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 September 30, 2024 on our consideration of the Elmwood Park Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Elmwood Park Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Elmwood Park Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*LERCH, VINCI & BLISS, LLP*

LERCH, VINCI & BLISS, LLP  
Certified Public Accountants  
Public School Accountants



Jeffrey C. Bliss  
Public School Accountant  
PSA Number CS00932

Fair Lawn, New Jersey  
September 30, 2024

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

# ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

As management of the Elmwood Park Board of Education (the Board or District), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Elmwood Park Board of Education for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the letter of transmittal, which can be found in the introductory section of this report and the District's financial statements and related notes to the financial statement which immediately follows this section.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for the 2023-2024 fiscal year include the following:

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Elmwood Park Board of Education exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the fiscal year by \$61,091,721. (Net Position)
- The District's total net position increased by \$9,963,559, or 19%.
- Overall District revenues were \$71,870,285. General revenues accounted for \$55,462,671, or 77%, of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$16,407,614, or 23% of total revenues.
- The school district had \$60,585,740 in expenses for governmental activities; only \$15,054,224 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges, grants or contributions. General revenues (predominantly property taxes) of \$55,462,671 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$40,262,518. Of this amount, \$34,748,306 is restricted for capital projects, \$2,111,853 is restricted for required maintenance of District facilities, \$2,228,222 is restricted for excess surplus, \$607,120 is restricted for other purposes and \$1,215,748 is committed or assigned for year end encumbrances and the remaining amount is the unassigned fund deficit of (\$648,731).
- The General Fund fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$33,834,901, an increase of \$1,620,241 compared to the ending fund balance at June 30, 2023 of \$32,214,660.
- The General Fund unassigned budgetary fund balance at June 30, 2024 was \$2,070,579, which represents an increase of \$126,285 when compared to the ending unassigned budgetary fund balance at June 30, 2023 of \$1,944,294.

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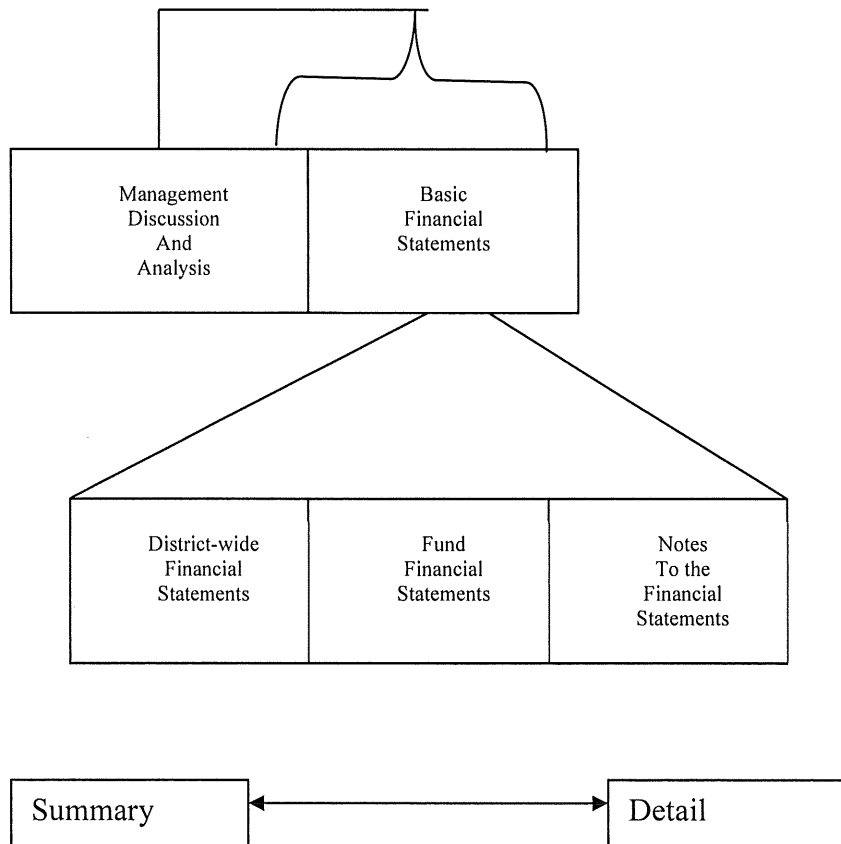
## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial section of the annual report consists of four parts – Independent Auditor's Report, required supplementary information which includes the management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and supplemental information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are *district wide financial statements* that provide both *short-term* and *long-term* information about the District's *overall* financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on *individual* parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in *more detail* than the district-wide statements.
- The *governmental funds statements* tell how basic services were financed in the *short term* as well as what remains for future spending.
- *Proprietary funds* statements offer *short-term* and *long-term* financial information about the activities the district operated like *businesses*.

The basic financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The following shows how the various parts of this Annual Report are arranged and related to one another.



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## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The table below summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District's activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Major Features of the District-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

	District-Wide Statements	Fund Financial Statements	
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds
Scope	Entire district (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the district that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as instruction, building maintenance, transportation, and administration.	Activities the district operates similar to private businesses: Enterprise Funds
Required financial Statements	Statement of Net Position Statement of Activities	Balance Sheet Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	Statement of Net position Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position, Statement of Cash Flows
Accounting Basis and Measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset, liability and deferred inflows/outflows information	All assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows, both financial and capital, short-term and Long-term	Generally, assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon there after; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term
Type of inflow/outflow Information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable.	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

### District-Wide Statements

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

The two district-wide statements report the District's *net position* and how it has changed. Net position – the difference between the District's assets/deferred outflows and liabilities/deferred inflows – is one way to measure the District's financial health or *position*.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position is an indicator of whether its financial condition is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

In the district-wide financial statements the District's activities are shown in two categories:

- *Governmental activities* – Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation, administration, and plant operation and maintenance. Property taxes and Federal and State aid finance most of these activities.
- *Business type activities* – These are activities for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The District's food services (cafeteria) program and summer session programs are included under this category.

### Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's *funds* – focusing on its most significant or "major" funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs:

- Some funds are required by State law and bond covenants.
- The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (federal and state grants).

The District has two kinds of funds:

- *Governmental funds* – Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how *cash and other financial resources* that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed *short-term* view that helps to determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the district-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.
- *Proprietary funds* – Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the district-wide statements.
  - *Enterprise Funds* – This fund is established to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The stated intent is that costs of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The District currently has two enterprise funds, for its food service (cafeteria) program and summer session program.

### Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found following the fund financial statements.

### Other Information

In addition to the financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the District's budget process. The District adopts an annual expenditure budget for the general, special revenue and debt service funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general and special revenue funds as required supplementary information. The required supplementary information can be found following the notes to the financial statements.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

### Other Information (Continued)

The District also presents required supplementary information regarding the accounting and reporting for pensions as required under GASB Statement No. 68 and post-retirement medical benefits as required under GASB Statement No. 75. The required supplementary information can be found following the notes to the financial statements.

Combining and individual financial schedules are presented immediately following the major budgetary comparisons if required.

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

**Net Position.** The District's *combined* net position was \$61,091,721 and \$51,128,162 on June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively as follows:

	<b>Governmental</b>		<b>Business-Type</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>Activities</b>		<b>Activities</b>			
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
<b>Assets</b>						
Current and Other Assets	\$ 42,389,268	\$ 35,005,094	\$ 523,402	\$ 482,756	\$ 42,912,670	\$ 35,487,850
Capital Assets	43,559,422	44,273,586	389,224	251,001	43,948,646	44,524,587
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>85,948,690</b>	<b>79,278,680</b>	<b>912,626</b>	<b>733,757</b>	<b>86,861,316</b>	<b>80,012,437</b>
<b>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>508,541</b>	<b>609,970</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>508,541</b>	<b>609,970</b>
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>86,457,231</b>	<b>79,888,650</b>	<b>912,626</b>	<b>733,757</b>	<b>87,369,857</b>	<b>80,622,407</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Long-Term Liabilities	22,820,004	25,512,522			22,820,004	25,512,522
Other Liabilities	2,273,830	2,984,872	9,266	12,340	2,283,096	2,997,212
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>25,093,834</b>	<b>28,497,394</b>	<b>9,266</b>	<b>12,340</b>	<b>25,103,100</b>	<b>28,509,734</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>1,175,036</b>	<b>984,050</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>1,175,036</b>	<b>984,511</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>26,268,870</b>	<b>29,481,444</b>	<b>9,266</b>	<b>12,801</b>	<b>26,278,136</b>	<b>29,494,245</b>
<b>Net Position</b>						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	26,442,477	25,234,523	389,224	251,001	26,831,701	25,485,524
Restricted	37,018,397	28,379,569			37,018,397	28,379,569
Unrestricted	(3,272,513)	(3,206,886)	514,136	469,955	(2,758,377)	(2,736,931)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 60,188,361</b>	<b>\$ 50,407,206</b>	<b>\$ 903,360</b>	<b>\$ 720,956</b>	<b>\$ 61,091,721</b>	<b>\$ 51,128,162</b>

By far the largest portion of the District's net position reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land and improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles, furniture and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to its students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. Restricted net position represents amounts reserved for specific purposes by outside parties or state laws and regulations. Unrestricted net position represents amounts available to the government that are neither restricted nor invested in capital assets.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

The District's total net position of \$61,091,721 at June 30, 2024 represents a \$9,963,559, or 19%, increase from the prior year. The following presents the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

### Changes in Net Position For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type</u> <u>Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Revenues</b>						
Program Revenues						
Charges for Services and Sales	\$ 326,832	\$ 309,854	\$ 501,997	\$ 598,960	\$ 828,829	\$ 908,814
Operating Grants and Contributions	14,027,835	15,686,693	851,393	812,378	14,879,228	16,499,071
Capital Grants and Contributions	699,557	915,908			699,557	915,908
General Revenues						
Property Taxes, Levied	37,147,412	37,161,093			37,147,412	37,161,093
State Aid - Unrestricted	16,178,560	12,902,827			16,178,560	12,902,827
Miscellaneous Income	2,136,699	1,107,035	-	32,283	2,136,699	1,139,318
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>70,516,895</b>	<b>68,083,410</b>	<b>1,353,390</b>	<b>1,443,621</b>	<b>71,870,285</b>	<b>69,527,031</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
Instruction						
Regular	19,362,163	18,506,247			19,362,163	18,506,247
Special	10,702,485	10,653,159			10,702,485	10,653,159
Other Instruction	1,470,088	3,045,415			1,470,088	3,045,415
School Sponsored Activities and Athletics	1,196,728	1,090,551			1,196,728	1,090,551
Support Services						
Student and Instruction Related Services	9,150,831	8,996,580			9,150,831	8,996,580
General Administrative Services	1,626,687	1,376,093			1,626,687	1,376,093
School Administrative Services	3,660,588	3,514,832			3,660,588	3,514,832
Central Administrative Services	1,480,250	1,356,066			1,480,250	1,356,066
Plant Operations and Maintenance	7,809,810	6,105,356			7,809,810	6,105,356
Pupil Transportation	3,713,261	3,218,162			3,713,261	3,218,162
Interest on Long-Term Debt	412,849	649,751			412,849	649,751
Food Services			1,304,823	1,470,239	1,304,823	1,470,239
Summer Session	-	-	16,163	18,772	16,163	18,772
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>60,585,740</b>	<b>58,512,212</b>	<b>1,320,986</b>	<b>1,489,011</b>	<b>61,906,726</b>	<b>60,001,223</b>
<b>Change in Net Position Before Transfers</b>	<b>9,931,155</b>	<b>9,571,198</b>	<b>32,404</b>	<b>(45,390)</b>	<b>9,963,559</b>	<b>9,525,808</b>
<b>Transfers</b>	<b>(150,000)</b>	<b>(20,000)</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Position</b>	<b>9,781,155</b>	<b>9,551,198</b>	<b>182,404</b>	<b>(25,390)</b>	<b>9,963,559</b>	<b>9,525,808</b>
<b>Net Position, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>50,407,206</b>	<b>40,856,008</b>	<b>720,956</b>	<b>746,346</b>	<b>51,128,162</b>	<b>41,602,354</b>
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 60,188,361</b>	<b>\$ 50,407,206</b>	<b>\$ 903,360</b>	<b>\$ 720,956</b>	<b>\$ 61,091,721</b>	<b>\$ 51,128,162</b>

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**Governmental Activities.** The District's total governmental activities' revenues, which includes State and Federal grants, were \$70,516,895 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, property taxes of \$37,147,412 represented 53% of revenues. Another significant portion of revenues came from grants and contributions and unrestricted state aid which totaled \$30,905,952 and represented 44% of revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

The total cost of all governmental activities programs and services was \$60,585,740 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The District's expenses are predominantly related to educating and caring for students. Instruction costs were \$32,731,464 (54%) of total expenses and support services costs were \$27,441,427 (45%) of total expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

For fiscal year 2024, total governmental activities revenues exceeded expenses and transfers out increasing net position for governmental activities by \$9,781,155 from the previous year.

**Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities.** The District's total cost of services was \$60,585,740. After applying program revenues, derived from operating and capital grants and contributions of \$14,727,392 and charges for services of \$326,832 the net cost of services of the District is \$45,531,516 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

### Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities

	<u>Total Cost of Services</u>		<u>Net Cost of Services</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Instruction:				
Regular	\$ 19,362,163	\$ 18,506,247	\$ 15,030,999	\$ 14,078,377
Special Education	10,702,485	10,653,159	5,404,558	5,292,472
Other Instruction	1,470,088	3,045,415	1,234,362	1,055,700
School Sponsored Activities and Athletics	1,196,728	1,090,551	979,450	894,175
Support Services:				
Student & Instruction Related Services	9,150,831	8,996,580	7,083,456	6,683,579
General Administrative Services	1,626,687	1,376,093	1,528,691	1,264,557
School Administrative Services	3,660,588	3,514,832	3,143,412	2,940,199
Central Administrative Services	1,480,250	1,356,066	1,413,586	1,266,044
Plant Operations and Maintenance	7,809,810	6,105,356	6,289,966	4,951,113
Pupil Transportation	3,713,261	3,218,162	3,082,864	2,603,160
Interest on Long Term Debt	412,849	649,751	340,172	570,381
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 60,585,740</b>	<b>\$ 58,512,212</b>	<b>\$ 45,531,516</b>	<b>\$ 41,599,757</b>

**Business-Type Activities** – The District's total business-type activities revenues were \$1,353,390 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Operating grants and contributions accounted for 63% of total revenues and the remaining 37% of revenues was from charges for services and sales.

Total cost of all business-type activities programs and services was \$1,320,986 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Food service expenses represented 99% all of the total expenses and the summer session program expenses represented 1% of the total expenses.

For fiscal year 2024, total business-type activities revenues were more than expenses increasing net position by \$182,404, or 25% from the previous year.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a *combined* fund balance of \$40,262,518 at June 30, 2024, an increase of \$7,909,192 from last year's fund balance of \$32,353,326. The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

Revenues for the District's governmental funds were \$73,945,448 while total expenditures were \$66,030,721 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

### GENERAL FUND

The General Fund includes the primary operations of the District in providing educational services to students from grades K through 12 including pupil transportation, extra-curricular activities and plant operation and maintenance costs.

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund Revenues.

	<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Amount of</u> <u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
Local Sources:				
Property Tax Levy	\$ 35,460,498	\$ 34,765,194	\$ 695,304	2%
Tuition and Fees	134,892	152,256	(17,364)	-11%
Miscellaneous	2,136,699	1,107,035	1,029,664	93%
State Sources	29,957,791	26,117,044	3,840,747	15%
Federal Sources	<u>16,501</u>	<u>47,097</u>	<u>(30,596)</u>	-65%
Total General Fund Revenues	<u>\$ 67,706,381</u>	<u>\$ 62,188,626</u>	<u>\$ 5,517,755</u>	9%

For fiscal year 2024, total General Fund revenues increased \$5,517,755, or 9%, from the previous year.

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund expenditures.

	<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>Year Ended</u> <u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>Amount of</u> <u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
Instruction	\$ 32,591,923	\$ 31,728,340	\$ 863,583	3%
Support Services	25,190,776	21,800,007	3,390,769	16%
Debt Service	23,256	23,256	-	100%
Capital Outlay	<u>577,184</u>	<u>1,596,670</u>	<u>(1,019,486)</u>	-64%
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 58,383,139</u>	<u>\$ 55,148,273</u>	<u>\$ 3,234,866</u>	6%

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

### GENERAL FUND (Continued)

For fiscal year 2024, total General Fund expenditures increased \$3,234,866, or 6% from the previous year.

In fiscal year 2024, General Fund revenues exceeded expenditures and other financing uses by \$1,620,241. Therefore, the total fund balance at June 30, 2023 of \$32,214,660 increased to a fund balance of \$33,834,901 at June 30, 2024.

### CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the District had \$43,559,422 invested in land, buildings, furniture, equipment and vehicles for governmental activities and \$389,224 for business type activity. The following is a comparison of the June 30, 2024 and 2023 balances:

#### Capital Assets at June 30, 2024 and 2023 (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 443,610	\$ 443,610			\$ 443,610	\$ 443,610
Construction in Progress	503,622	6,082			503,622	6,082
Land Improvements	3,650,100	3,874,048			3,650,100	3,874,048
Buildings and Improvements	37,016,660	38,782,454	\$ 216,020	\$ 170,594	37,232,680	38,953,048
Furniture, Equipment and Vehicles	1,932,690	1,132,812	173,204	80,407	2,105,894	1,213,219
Right-to-use Leased Equipment	12,740	34,580	-	-	12,740	34,580
<b>Total Capital Assets, Net</b>	<b>\$ 43,559,422</b>	<b>\$ 44,273,586</b>	<b>\$ 389,224</b>	<b>\$ 251,001</b>	<b>\$ 43,948,646</b>	<b>\$ 44,524,587</b>

Additional information on the District's capital assets is presented in Note 3 of this report.

### LONG TERM LIABILITIES

At June 30, 2024 the District had \$22,820,004 of total outstanding long-term liabilities. For fiscal year 2023-2024 total outstanding long-term liabilities decreased by \$2,692,518. The following is a comparison of the June 30, 2024 and 2023 balances:

#### Outstanding Long-Term Liabilities as of June 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Serial Bonds (including unamortized premium)	\$ 16,345,078	\$ 19,217,269
Compensated Absences	1,120,926	1,082,538
Leases Payable	13,455	36,067
Net Pension Liability	5,340,545	5,176,648
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 22,820,004</b>	<b>\$ 25,512,522</b>

Additional information of the District's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 3 of this report.

# **ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

## **Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

### **GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

Over the course of the year, the District revised the annual operating budget several times. Revisions in the budget were made through budget transfers to prevent over expenditures in specific line item accounts and the appropriation of restricted and unassigned fund balances.

For fiscal year 2024 General Fund budgetary revenues exceeded budgetary expenditures and other financing uses increasing budgetary fund balance \$1,885,692. After deducting fund balances restricted, committed and assigned, the unassigned budgetary fund balance increased \$126,285 from an unassigned fund balance of \$1,944,294 at June 30, 2023 to \$2,070,579 at June 30, 2024. In addition at June 30, 2024 the District had balances in its capital reserve of \$28,478,927, maintenance reserve of \$2,111,853, emergency reserve of \$450,000 and reserved excess surplus of \$2,228,222.

### **FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE**

While many factors influence the district's future, the availability of funding for increased enrollment, staffing needs special education costs and the economy will have the most impact on educational and fiscal decisions in the future.

Many factors were considered by the District's administration during the process of developing the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget. The primary factors were the District's projected student population, anticipated State and federal aid as well as increasing salary and related benefit costs.

These indicators were considered when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2024-2025. Budgeted expenditures in the General Fund increased approximately 7% to \$70,994,122 for fiscal year 2024-2025. The majority of the increase was funded by additional State aid awarded to the District in the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

### **CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information contact the Business Office, Elmwood Park Board of Education, 60 East 53<sup>rd</sup> Street, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## **DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 39,883,502	\$ 142,148	\$ 40,025,650
Receivables, Net	2,512,036	369,318	2,881,354
Internal Balances	(6,270)	6,270	-
Inventory		5,666	5,666
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	947,232		947,232
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	<u>42,612,190</u>	<u>389,224</u>	<u>43,001,414</u>
Total Assets	<u>85,948,690</u>	<u>912,626</u>	<u>86,861,316</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Deferred Amounts on Net Pension Liability	<u>508,541</u>	-	<u>508,541</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>508,541</u>	-	<u>508,541</u>
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>86,457,231</u>	<u>912,626</u>	<u>87,369,857</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts Payable and Other Current Liabilities	1,463,425		1,463,425
Payable to Other Governments	77,671		77,671
Accrued Interest Payable	147,080		147,080
Unearned Revenue	585,654	9,266	594,920
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Due Within One Year	2,083,455		2,083,455
Due Beyond One Year	<u>20,736,549</u>	-	<u>20,736,549</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>25,093,834</u>	<u>9,266</u>	<u>25,103,100</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Deferred Amount on Refunding of Debt	758,412		758,412
Deferred Amounts on Net Pension Liability	<u>416,624</u>	-	<u>416,624</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>1,175,036</u>	-	<u>1,175,036</u>
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>26,268,870</u>	<u>9,266</u>	<u>26,278,136</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	26,442,477	389,224	26,831,701
Restricted for:			
Capital Projects	34,748,306		34,748,306
Plant Maintenance	2,111,853		2,111,853
Student Activities	155,286		155,286
Debt Service	2,952		2,952
Unrestricted	<u>(3,272,513)</u>	<u>514,136</u>	<u>(2,758,377)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 60,188,361</u>	<u>\$ 903,360</u>	<u>\$ 61,091,721</u>

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

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
Instruction:							
Regular	\$ 19,362,163	\$ 35,091	\$ 4,296,073	\$ -	\$ (15,030,999)		\$ (15,030,999)
Special Education	10,702,485	99,801	5,198,126		(5,404,558)		(5,404,558)
Other Instruction	1,470,088		235,726		(1,234,362)		(1,234,362)
School Sponsored Activities and Athletics	1,196,728	191,940	25,338		(979,450)		(979,450)
Support Services:							
Student & Instruction Related Services	9,150,831		2,067,375	-	(7,083,456)		(7,083,456)
General Administrative Services	1,626,687		97,996		(1,528,691)		(1,528,691)
School Administrative Services	3,660,588		517,176		(3,143,412)		(3,143,412)
Central Administrative Services	1,480,250		66,664		(1,413,586)		(1,413,586)
Plant Operations and Maintenance	7,809,810		820,287	699,557	(6,289,966)		(6,289,966)
Pupil Transportation	3,713,261		630,397		(3,082,864)		(3,082,864)
Interest on Long Term Debt	412,849	-	72,677	-	(340,172)	-	(340,172)
Total Governmental Activities	60,585,740	326,832	14,027,835	699,557	(45,531,516)	-	(45,531,516)
Business-Type Activities:							
Food Service	1,304,823	499,243	851,393			\$ 45,813	45,813
Summer Session Program	16,163	2,754	-	-	-	(13,409)	(13,409)
Total Business-Type Activities	1,320,986	501,997	851,393	-	-	32,404	32,404
Total Primary Government	\$ 61,906,726	\$ 828,829	\$ 14,879,228	\$ 699,557	(45,531,516)	32,404	(45,499,112)

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

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**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

		<b>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</b>		
		<b><u>Governmental Activities</u></b>	<b><u>Business-Type Activities</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
General Revenues:				
Property Taxes:				
Levied for General Purposes		\$ 35,460,498		\$ 35,460,498
Levied for Debt Service		1,686,914		1,686,914
State Aid - Unrestricted		15,995,951		15,995,951
State Aid for Debt Service Principal		182,609		182,609
Interest Earnings		1,548,461		1,548,461
Miscellaneous Income		588,238		588,238
Transfers		<u>(150,000)</u>	<u>\$ 150,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total General Revenues and Transfers		<u>55,312,671</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>55,462,671</u>
Change in Net Position		9,781,155	182,404	9,963,559
Net Position, Beginning of Year		<u>50,407,206</u>	<u>720,956</u>	<u>51,128,162</u>
Net Position, End of Year		<u>\$ 60,188,361</u>	<u>\$ 903,360</u>	<u>\$ 61,091,721</u>

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## **FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
BALANCE SHEET  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 33,455,885	\$ 155,286	\$ 6,269,379	\$ 2,952	\$ 39,883,502
Receivables From Other Governments	472,510	2,039,526			2,512,036
Due from Other Funds	<u>1,197,456</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,197,456</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 35,125,851</u>	<u>\$ 2,194,812</u>	<u>\$ 6,269,379</u>	<u>\$ 2,952</u>	<u>\$ 43,592,994</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 191,008	\$ 178,745			\$ 369,753
Accrued Salaries and Wages	66,136				66,136
Compensated Absences Payable	18,278				18,278
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable	1,866				1,866
Employee Deposits Payable	1,007,392				1,007,392
Payable to State Government		77,671			77,671
Due to Other Funds	6,270	1,197,456			1,203,726
Unearned Revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>585,654</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>585,654</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,290,950</u>	<u>2,039,526</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,330,476</u>
Fund Balances:					
Restricted					
Capital Reserve	20,996,122				20,996,122
Capital Reserve - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	7,482,805				7,482,805
Maintenance Reserve	2,111,853				2,111,853
Emergency Reserve	450,000				450,000
Reserved Excess Surplus	1,114,111				1,114,111
Reserved Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	1,114,111				1,114,111
Student Activities		154,168			154,168
Capital Projects			\$ 6,269,379		6,269,379
Debt Service				\$ 2,952	2,952
Committed					
Year-End Encumbrances	135,394				135,394
Assigned					
Year-End Encumbrances	1,079,236	1,118			1,080,354
Unassigned	<u>(648,731)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(648,731)</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>33,834,901</u>	<u>155,286</u>	<u>6,269,379</u>	<u>2,952</u>	<u>40,262,518</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 35,125,851</u>	<u>\$ 2,194,812</u>	<u>\$ 6,269,379</u>	<u>\$ 2,952</u>	<u>\$ 43,592,994</u>

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
BALANCE SHEET  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2024**

**Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (Exhibit B-1)** **\$ 40,262,518**

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 \$74,531,695 and the accumulated depreciation is \$30,972,273.

43,559,422

Amounts resulting from the refunding of debt are reported as deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources on the statement of net position and amortized over the life of the debt.

(758,412)

Certain amounts resulting from the measurement of the net pension liability are reported as either deferred inflows of resources or deferred outflows of resources on the statement of net position and amortized over future years.

Deferred Outflows of Resources  
Deferred Inflows of Resources

\$ 508,541  
(416,624)

91,917

The District has financed capital assets through the issuance of serial bonds and long-term lease obligations. The interest accrual at year end is:

(147,080)

Long-term liabilities, are not due payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds

General Obligation Bonds (including unamortized premium)  
Compensated Absences  
Leases Payable  
Net Pension Liability

(16,345,078)  
(1,120,926)  
(13,455)  
(5,340,545)

(22,820,004)

**Total Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A-1)** **\$ 60,188,361**

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

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Local Sources:					
Property Tax Levy	\$ 35,460,498			\$ 1,686,914	\$ 37,147,412
Tuition	134,892				134,892
Interest Earned	1,548,461				1,548,461
Miscellaneous	588,238	\$ 211,594	-	-	799,832
Total - Local Sources	37,732,089	211,594	-	1,686,914	39,630,597
State Sources	29,957,791	167,185		255,286	30,380,262
Federal Sources	16,501	3,918,088	-	-	3,934,589
Total Revenues	67,706,381	4,296,867	-	1,942,200	73,945,448
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Current Expenditures					
Instruction					
Regular	19,395,535	1,553,497			20,949,032
Special Education	10,612,153	730,972			11,343,125
Other Instruction	1,594,588	18,003			1,612,591
School Sponsored Activities and Athletics	989,647	255,320			1,244,967
Support Services					
Student and Instruction Related Services	8,661,758	1,102,898			9,764,656
General Administrative Services	1,517,471				1,517,471
School Administrative Services	4,002,868				4,002,868
Central Administrative Services	1,553,562				1,553,562
Plant Operations and Maintenance	5,780,589				5,780,589
Pupil Transportation	3,674,528				3,674,528
Debt Service					
Principal	22,612			1,890,000	1,912,612
Interest	644			752,200	752,844
Cost of Issuance				141,513	141,513
Capital Outlay	577,184	699,557	\$ 503,622	-	1,780,363
Total Expenditures	58,383,139	4,360,247	503,622	2,783,713	66,030,721
Excess (Deficiencies) of Revenues					
Over/(Under) Expenditures	9,323,242	(63,380)	(503,622)	(841,513)	7,914,727
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Refunding Bond Proceeds				13,335,000	13,335,000
Premium on Refunding Bonds				1,040,078	1,040,078
Payment to Refunding Escrow Agent				(14,230,613)	(14,230,613)
Transfers In		80,000	6,773,001	700,000	7,553,001
Transfers Out	(7,703,001)	-	-	-	(7,703,001)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(7,703,001)	80,000	6,773,001	844,465	(5,535)
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,620,241	16,620	6,269,379	2,952	7,909,192
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	32,214,660	138,666	-	-	32,353,326
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 33,834,901	\$ 155,286	\$ 6,269,379	\$ 2,952	\$ 40,262,518

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

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF  
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
WITH THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (Exhibit B-2)** **\$ 7,909,192**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeds capital outlay in the current period.

Capital Outlays	\$ 1,780,363	
Depreciation Expense	<u>(2,494,527)</u>	
		(714,164)

The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds while the repayment of principal of long term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.

Debt Issued or Incurred:		
Issuance of Refunding Bonds	(13,335,000)	
Original Issue Premium	(1,040,078)	
Principal Repayments:		
General Obligations Bonds	1,890,000	
Payments to Escrow Agent	14,230,613	
Lease Payments	<u>22,612</u>	
		1,768,147

In the statement of activities, certain amounts related to the issuance of long term debt are deferred and amortized over the term of the debt. In the governmental funds, these amounts either provide or use current resources. These amounts represent the current year amortization of the costs related to the issuance of long term debt.

Deferred Amounts on Refunding of Debt	(40,320)	
Original Issue Premium	<u>194,291</u>	
		153,971

In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses - compensated absences and pension expense - are measured by the amounts earned or incurred during the year. In the governmental funds however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (paid): When the earned or incurred amount exceeds the paid amount, the difference is a reduction in the reconciliation; when the paid amount exceeds the earned amount, the difference is an addition to the reconciliation.

Increase in Compensated Absences	(38,388)	
Decrease in Pension Expense	<u>516,373</u>	
		477,985

In the Statement of Activities, interest on long-term debt is accrued, regardless of when due. In the governmental funds, interest is reported when due. The decrease in accrued interest is an addition in the reconciliation.

186,024

**Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A-2)** **\$ 9,781,155**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PROPRIETARY FUND  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
AS OF JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		
	<b>Enterprise Funds</b>		
	<b>Food</b>	<b>Non-Major</b>	
	<b>Service</b>	<b>Summer</b>	
		<b>Session Program</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 112,176	\$ 29,972	\$ 142,148
Intergovernmental Receivable	31,299		31,299
Other Accounts Receivable, Net	338,019		338,019
Due from Other Funds	6,270		6,270
Inventories	5,666	-	5,666
 Total Current Assets	 493,430	 29,972	 523,402
Capital Assets			
Building Improvements	272,309		272,309
Equipment	545,414		545,414
Accumulated Depreciation	(428,499)	-	(428,499)
 Total Capital Assets, Net	 389,224	 -	 389,224
 Total Assets	 882,654	 29,972	 912,626
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Current Liabilities			
Unearned Revenue	9,266	-	9,266
 Total Current Liabilities	 9,266	 -	 9,266
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Investment in Capital Assets	389,224		389,224
Unrestricted	484,164	29,972	514,136
 Total Net Position	 \$ 873,388	 \$ 29,972	 \$ 903,360

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

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PROPRIETARY FUND  
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND  
CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Food Service	Non-Major Summer Session Program	Total
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>			
Local Sources			
Daily Sales - Reimbursable Programs	\$ 346,178		\$ 346,178
Daily Sales - Non-Reimbursable Programs	153,065		153,065
Program Fees	-	\$ 2,754	2,754
Total Operating Revenues	499,243	2,754	501,997
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Salaries and Benefits	521,390	16,163	537,553
Cost of Sales - Reimbursable Programs	467,610		467,610
Cost of Sales - Non-Reimbursable Programs	69,873		69,873
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	101,215		101,215
Purchased Property Services	26,714		26,714
Supplies and Materials	46,243		46,243
Depreciation	71,778	-	71,778
Total Operating Expenses	1,304,823	16,163	1,320,986
Operating (Loss)	(805,580)	(13,409)	(818,989)
<b>Nonoperating Revenues</b>			
Local Sources			
Vendor Subsidy - Operating Profit Guarantee	96,484		96,484
State Sources			
State School Lunch Program	27,836		27,836
State School Breakfast Program	2,362		2,362
Federal Sources			
School Breakfast Program	94,455		94,455
National School Lunch Program	506,377		506,377
Administrative Cost Program for Pandemic EBT	653		653
Supply Chain Assistance	62,339		62,339
Food Distribution Program	60,887	-	60,887
Total Nonoperating Revenues	851,393	-	851,393
Income Before Transfers	45,813	(13,409)	32,404
Transfers In	150,000	-	150,000
Change in Net Position	195,813	(13,409)	182,404
Total Net Position, Beginning of Year	677,575	43,381	720,956
Total Net Position, End of Year	\$ 873,388	\$ 29,972	\$ 903,360

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

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds</b>		
	<b>Non-Major</b>		<b>Total</b>
	<b>Food Service</b>	<b>Summer Session Program</b>	
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 362,642	\$ 252	\$ 362,894
Cash Payments for Employees Salaries and Benefits	(521,390)	(16,163)	(537,553)
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(651,024)	-	(651,024)
Net Cash (Used for) Operating Activities	(809,772)	(15,911)	(825,683)
<b>Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities</b>			
Cash Received from (Paid to) Other Funds	150,000	-	150,000
Cash Received from Vendor Subsidy	54,978		54,978
Cash Received from State and Federal Subsidy Reimbursements	696,828	-	696,828
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	901,806	-	901,806
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities</b>			
Purchase of Capital Assets	(210,001)	-	(210,001)
Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities	(210,001)	-	(210,001)
Net (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(117,967)	(15,911)	(133,878)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	230,143	45,883	276,026
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 112,176</u>	<u>\$ 29,972</u>	<u>\$ 142,148</u>
Reconciliation of Operating (Loss) to Net Cash (Used for) Operating Activities			
Operating (Loss)	<u>\$ (805,580)</u>	<u>\$ (13,409)</u>	<u>(818,989)</u>
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating (Loss) to Net Cash (Used for) Operating Activities			
Depreciation	71,778		71,778
Non-Cash Federal Assistance - Food Distribution Program	60,887		60,887
Change in Assets, Liabilities and Deferred Inflows			
(Increase)/Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(136,787)		(136,787)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventory	963		963
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	(758)		(758)
Increase/(Decrease) in Deferred Commodities Revenue	(461)		(461)
Increase/(Decrease) in Unearned Revenue	186	(2,502)	(2,316)
Total Adjustments	(4,192)	(2,502)	(6,694)
Net Cash (Used For) Operating Activities	<u>\$ (809,772)</u>	<u>\$ (15,911)</u>	<u>\$ (825,683)</u>
Non-Cash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities:			
Value Received - Food Distribution Program	\$ 60,426		\$ 60,426

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

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Reporting Entity**

The Elmwood Park Board of Education (the “Board” or the “District”) is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an education institution. The Board consists of nine elected officials and is responsible for the fiscal control of the District. A Superintendent of Schools is appointed by the Board and is responsible for the administrative control of the District. A School Business Administrator/Board Secretary is also appointed by the Board and oversees the business functions of the District. Under existing statutes, the Board's duties and powers include, but are not limited to, the development and adoption of a school program; the establishment, organization and operation of schools; and the acquisition, maintenance and disposition of school property. The Board currently operates a Pre-Kindergarten through grade twelve (12) school district.

The Board also has broad financial responsibilities, including the approval of the annual budget and the establishment of a system of accounting and budgetary controls. The Superintendent of Schools is the Chief Administrative Officer of the District who is responsible for general supervision of all schools, planning and operational functions of the District. The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary is the Chief Financial Officer and is responsible for budgeting, financial accounting and reporting and reports through the Superintendent of Schools to the Board.

The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the Elmwood Park Board of Education this includes general operations, food service, summer session program and student related activities of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Based on the foregoing criteria, the District has no component units. Furthermore, the District is not includable in any other reporting entity as a component unit.

**B. New Accounting Standards**

During fiscal year 2024, the District adopted the following GASB statements:

- GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*, will be effective beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability.

Other accounting standards that the District is currently reviewing for applicability and potential impact on the financial statements include:

- GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, will be effective beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures.

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

**B. New Accounting Standards (Continued)**

- GASB Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*, will be effective beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. The requirements of this Statement will improve financial reporting by providing users of financial statements with essential information that currently is not often provided. The disclosures will provide users with timely information regarding certain concentrations or constraints and related events that have occurred or have begun to occur that make a school district vulnerable to a substantial impact. As a result, users will have better information with which to understand and anticipate certain risks to a school district's financial condition.
- GASB Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*, will be effective beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. The requirements for MD&A will improve the quality of the analysis of changes from the prior year, which will enhance the relevance of that information. They also will provide clarity regarding what information should be presented in MD&A. The requirements for the separate presentation of unusual or infrequent items will provide clarity regarding which items should be reported separately from other inflows and outflows of resources. The definitions of operating revenues and expenses and of nonoperating revenues and expenses will replace accounting policies that vary from school district to school district, thereby improving comparability. The addition of a subtotal for operating income (loss) and noncapital subsidies will improve the relevance of information provided in the proprietary fund statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net position. The requirement for presentation of major component unit information will improve comparability. The requirement that budgetary comparison information be presented as RSI will improve comparability, and the inclusion of the specified variances and the explanations of significant variances will provide more useful information for making decisions and assessing accountability.

**C. Basis of Presentation - Financial Statements**

The financial statements include both district-wide financial statements (based on the District as a whole) and fund financial statements (based on specific District activities or objectives). Both the district-wide and fund financial statements categorize activities as either governmental activities or business-type activities. While separate district-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. In the district-wide financial statements, the governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds while business-type activities incorporate data from the District's enterprise funds. Fiduciary funds are excluded from the district-wide financial statements. Currently the District has no fiduciary funds.

**District-Wide Financial Statements**

The district-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Board of Education. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. In the statement of net position, both the governmental and business-type activities columns (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column, and (b) reflect on a full accrual economic resource basis, which incorporates long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or other governmental entities, including other school districts, who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods or services provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Property taxes, unrestricted state aid and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the district-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges between the Board's proprietary funds since elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Basis of Presentation - Financial Statements (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements

Separate fund financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary activities, even though the latter are excluded from the district-wide financial statements. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major individual governmental and enterprise funds, each reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. The District considers all of its governmental and food service enterprise funds to be major funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The *general fund* is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District, except those to be accounted for in another fund.

The *special revenue fund* accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. This fund accounts for federal, state and local financial programs, with the exception of grants for major capital projects and the child nutrition programs, student activity funds derived from athletic events or other activities of pupil organizations and private donations for scholarship awards.

The *capital projects fund* accounts for the proceeds from the sale of bonds, financing agreements, grants and other revenues used for the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets, other than those financed by the proprietary funds.

The *debt service fund* accounts for the accumulation of resources that are restricted, committed or assigned for the payment of principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of governmental funds.

The District reports the following major proprietary fund which is organized to be self-supporting through user charges:

The *food service fund* accounts for the activities of the school cafeteria, which provides food service to students as well as a la carte and catering services for administrators, teachers and special events.

The District reports the following non-major proprietary fund which is organized to be self-supporting through user charges:

The *summer session fund* accounts for the activities of the District's middle school summer programs which provides classroom instruction during the summer recess.

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds". Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the district-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

Reclassifications

Certain amounts presented in the prior year data may have been reclassified in order to be consistent with the current year's presentation.

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

**D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

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

The district-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. All assets, all liabilities and all deferred outflows/inflows of resources associated with these operations are included on the Statement of Net Position. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e. when they are both measurable and available). Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Board considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Expenditures are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual basis of accounting, with the exception of debt service expenditures as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt, acquisitions under financing agreements, leases payable for intangible right-to-use leased assets and subscription arrangements for intangible right-to-use information technology (IT) software assets are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, tuition, unrestricted state aid, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Entitlements (formula-type grants and aid) are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met, including any time requirements, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source. Expenditure-driven grants and similar awards (reimbursement-type grants and awards) are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor or provider have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Board's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

**E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance**

***1. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments***

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Investments are reported at fair value and are limited by N.J.S.A. 18A:20-37.

***2. Receivables***

All receivables are reported at their gross value, and where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

3. *Inventories*

The cost of inventories of the governmental fund types are recorded as expenditures at the time individual inventory items are purchased.

Food Service Fund inventories, exclusive of the federal commodities, are valued at cost, using the first-in first-out (FIFO) method and consist of food and expendable supplies. The cost of such inventories is recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) commodity portion of the Food Service Fund inventory consists of food donated by the USDA. It is valued at estimated market prices by the USDA. The amount of unused commodities inventory at year-end is reported as deferred inflows of resources.

4. *Capital Assets*

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the district-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Board as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$2,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. The District was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of these capital assets through back trending. As the District constructs or acquires additional capital assets each period, they are capitalized and reported at historical cost, except for intangible right-to-use leased assets the measurement of which is discussed in Note 1. E.8. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend its useful life are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. The other property, plant, and equipment of the District is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Land Improvements	20
Buildings	20-50
Building Improvements	15-40
Heavy Equipment	10
Office Equipment and Furniture	5-10
Computer Equipment	5
Right-to-use Leased Equipment	5

5. *Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources*

In addition to assets, the statement of financial 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 future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Board has only one item which arises under the accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. It is the deferred amounts on net pension liability are reported in the district-wide statement of net position and result from: (1) differences between expected and actual experience; (2) changes in assumptions; (3) net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments; (4) changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions; and (5) contributions made subsequent to the measurement date. These amounts are deferred and amortized over future years.

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

**E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)**

**5. *Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources* (Continued)**

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial 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 future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Board has two items, which arise only under the accrual basis of accounting that qualify for reporting in this category. One item is the deferred amount on refunding of debt which results from a debt refunding reported in the district-wide statement of net position. Deferred amounts on debt refunding result from the difference on the transaction when the carrying value of the refunded debt is greater than its reacquisition price. These amounts are deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The other item that qualifies for reporting in this category is the deferred amounts on net pension liability. Deferred amounts on net pension liability are reported in the district-wide statement of net position and result from: (1) differences between expected and actual experience; (2) changes in assumptions; (3) net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments; and (4) changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions. These amounts are deferred and amortized over future years.

**6. *Compensated Absences***

It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate (with certain restrictions) earned but unused sick leave benefits. A long-term liability of accumulated sick leave and salary related payments has been recorded in the governmental activities in the district-wide financial statements, representing the Board's commitment to fund such costs from future operations. Proprietary Funds accrue accumulated sick leave and salary related payments in the period that they are earned. A liability is reported in the governmental funds only to the amount actually due at year end as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

**7. *Pensions***

In the district-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, 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 retirement systems sponsored and administered by the State of New Jersey and additions to/deductions from these retirement systems' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the retirement systems. 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.

In the governmental fund financial statements, net pension liabilities represent amounts normally expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources for required pension contributions that are due and payable at year end. Pension expenditures are recognized based on contractual pension contributions that are required to be made to the pension plan during the fiscal year.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

8. *Leases*

Leases Payable

Non-cancellable leases for the use of another entity's equipment are recognized as a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset in the district-wide and proprietary fund type financial statements. The District recognizes lease liabilities with an initial, individual value of \$2,000 or more. The lease liability is subsequently reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made each year. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the asset's useful life. Leases are monitored for changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of the lease and the lease assets and liabilities are remeasured if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability. Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term liabilities on the statement of net position.

In the fund financial statements leases payable are recognized as other financing sources at the initial amount of the lease liability. Intangible right-to-use leased assets are reported as capital outlay expenditures.

9. *Long-Term Obligations*

In the district-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Differences resulting from debt refundings are classified as deferred inflows of resources. Bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Differences resulting from debt refundings are also deferred and amortized over the life of the refunded bonds or new bonds whichever is less using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported with the unamortized bond premium. Bond issuance costs (other than for prepaid insurance) are treated as an expense.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

10. *Net Position/Fund Balance*

District-Wide Statements

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

- **Net Investment in Capital Assets** – consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included.
- **Restricted Net Position** – reports net position when constraints placed on the residual amount of noncapital assets are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- **Unrestricted Net Position** – any portion of net position not already classified as either net investment in capital assets or net position – restricted is classified as net position – unrestricted.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

10. Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

Governmental Fund Statements

Fund balance categories are designed to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on the District's fund balance more transparent. These categories are comprised of a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds.

Restricted Fund Balance – Amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

Capital Reserve – This restriction was created by the District in accordance with NJAC 6A:23A-14.1 to fund future capital expenditures (See Note 2C).

Capital Reserve - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures – This designation was created to dedicate the portion of capital reserve fund balance appropriated in the 2024/2025 original budget certified for taxes.

Maintenance Reserve – This restriction was created by the Board in accordance with NJAC 6A:23A-14.2 to accumulate funds for the required maintenance of school facilities in accordance with the EFCA (NJSA 18A:7G-9) for a thorough and efficient education. (See Note 2D).

Emergency Reserve – This restriction was created in accordance with NJAC 6A:23A-14.4(A)1 to accumulate funds in accordance with State statute to finance unanticipated general fund expenditures required for a thorough and efficient education. (See Note 2E).

Reserved Excess Surplus – This restriction was created in accordance with NJSA 18A:7F-7 to represent the June 30, 2024 audited excess surplus that is required to be appropriated in the 2025/2026 original budget certified for taxes.

Reserved Excess Surplus – Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures - This restriction was created in accordance with NJSA 18A:7F-7 to represent the June 30, 2023 audited excess surplus that was appropriated in the 2024/2025 original budget certified for taxes.

Student Activities – This restriction was created in accordance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.12 to represent the accumulation of funds derived from athletic events and other student organizations reserved for the payment of student group activities.

Capital Projects – Represents fund balance restricted specifically for capital acquisitions and improvements in the Capital Projects Fund.

Debt Service – Represents fund balance restricted specifically for the repayment of long-term debt principal and interest in the Debt Service Fund.

Committed Fund Balance – Amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.

Year-End Encumbrances – Represents outstanding purchase orders at year end for contracts awarded by formal action of the Board of Trustee's for specific purposes from available resources of the current year for which the goods and materials have not yet been received or the services have not yet been rendered at June 30.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

10. *Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)*

**Assigned Fund Balance** – Amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority.

**Year-End Encumbrances** – Represent outstanding purchase orders for goods or services approved by management for specific purposes from available resources of the current year for which the goods and materials have not yet been received or the services have not yet been rendered at June 30.

**Unassigned Fund Balance** – Represents fund balance that has not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the governmental funds.

In the general operating fund and other governmental funds (special revenue, capital projects and debt service fund types), it is the District's policy to consider restricted resources to have been spent first when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (i.e., committed, assigned or unassigned) fund balances are available, followed by committed and then assigned fund balances. Unassigned amounts are used only after the other resources have been used.

11. *Fund Balance Policies*

Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various categories based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The Board of Education itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the District's highest level of decision-making authority. The Board of Trustees is the highest level of decision-making authority for the school district that can, by adoption of a resolution or formal Board action prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the resolution remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another resolution) to remove or revise the limitation.

Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Board of Education for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The Board has authorized the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to assign fund balance. The Board may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

F. Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

1. *Program Revenues*

Amounts reported as program revenues in the district-wide statement of activities include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods or services, provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all property taxes, unrestricted state aid, investment earnings and miscellaneous revenues.

2. *Property Taxes*

Property taxes are levied pursuant to law and are collected by the municipality and are transferred to the District as requested. Property tax revenues are recognized in the year they are levied and become available. Property taxes collected in advance of the year-end for which they are levied and transferred to the District are reported as deferred inflows of resources. The tax bills are mailed annually in June by the municipal tax collector and are levied and due in four quarterly installments on August 1, November 1, February 1 and May 1 of the fiscal year. When unpaid, taxes or any other municipal lien, or part thereof, on real property, remains in arrears on April 1<sup>st</sup> in the year following the calendar year levy when the same became in arrears, the tax collector of the municipality shall, subject to the provisions of New Jersey Statute, enforce the lien by placing the property on a tax sale. The municipality may institute annual "in rem" tax foreclosure proceedings to enforce the tax collection or acquisition of title to the property.

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

**F. Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses (Continued)**

**3. *Tuition Revenues and Expenditures***

Tuition Revenues - Tuition charges were established by the Board of Education based on estimated costs. The charges are subject to adjustment when the final costs are determined and certified by the State Department of Education.

Tuition Expenditures - Tuition charges for the fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 were based on rates established by the receiving district. These rates are subject to change when the actual costs have been certified by the State Department of Education.

**4. *On-Behalf Payments***

Revenues and expenditures of the general fund include payments made by the State of New Jersey on-behalf of the District for social security, pension, long-term disability insurance and post-retirement medical benefit contributions for District employees enrolled in the Teacher Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) retirement system.

Revenues and expenses of governmental activities include the State's proportionate share of the on-behalf actuarial determined pension and post-retirement medical benefit amounts attributable to the District for District employees enrolled in the TPAF retirement system.

**5. *Proprietary Funds, Operating and Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses***

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the food service and summer session program enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses. Federal, State and vendor subsidies for the food service operation are considered nonoperating revenues.

**NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**A. Budgetary Information**

In accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey Department of Education ("the Department"), the District annually prepares its operating budget for the forthcoming year. The budget, except for the general fund and special revenue fund, which is more fully explained below and in the notes to the required supplementary information, is prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and serves as a formal plan for expenditures and the proposed means for financing them.

The District must prepare its budget in compliance with applicable laws limiting the amount by which the general fund property tax levy can increase in the annual school budget. The 2010 Tax Levy CAP Law is calculated using the formulas and provisions of NJSA 18A:7F-38. The law was originally adopted in 2007 and was most recently amended in 2018. The core of the tax-levy cap calculation is a 2% increase to the previous budget year's general fund tax levy with exceptions only for enrollment increases, increases for certain pension contributions in excess of 2%, certain healthcare increases, and amounts approved by a simple majority of voters at a special election. Additionally, school districts can bank the unused tax levy for use in any of the next three (3) succeeding budget years if they were not granted approval to exceed the tax levy cap by the voters. The restrictions are solely on the tax levy for the general fund and are not applicable to the debt service fund.

The annual budget is adopted in the spring of the preceding year for the general, special revenue and debt service funds. The District is not required to adopt an annual budget for the capital projects fund. The budget is submitted to the county superintendent for review and approval prior to adoption. Districts that have their school board members elected in November no longer have to submit their budgets that meet levy cap requirements for voter approval. Only a school board decision to exceed the tax levy cap would require voter approval for the additional amount on the November ballot. The Board adopted a resolution to move its annual election to the date of the general elections in accordance with the law; therefore voter approval of the annual budget is not required.

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**NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)**

**A. Budgetary Information (Continued)**

Budget adoptions and amendments are recorded in the District's board minutes. The budget is amended by the Board of Trustees as needed throughout the year. The budget for revenues, other resources, other uses, and fund balances is prepared by fund source and amount. The budget for expenditures is prepared by fund, program, function, object and amount. The legal level of budgetary control is established at the line item account 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. 6:20-2A.2(m)1. The Board approved several budget transfers during 2023/2024. Also, during 2023/2024 the Board increased the original budget of the General Fund by \$3,812,019 and the Special Revenue Fund by \$3,755,168. The increases were funded by the additional appropriation of unassigned fund balance, maintenance reserve, grant awards, student activity revenues and the reappropriation of prior year general fund encumbrances. During the fiscal year the Board authorized and approved additional fund balance appropriations from the general fund of unassigned fund balance of \$1,009,702 and maintenance reserve of \$1,343,962.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, with the exception of the legally mandated revenue recognition of certain state aid payments for budgetary purposes only and the treatment of encumbrances in the special revenue fund as described in the Notes to Required Supplementary Information (RSI). Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

Encumbrance accounting is employed in the governmental funds. 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 committed and/or assigned 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 which are reappropriated and honored during the subsequent fiscal year.

**B. Deficit Fund Equity**

The District has an unassigned fund deficit of \$648,731 in the General Fund as of June 30, 2024 as reported in the fund financial statements (modified accrual basis). NJSA 18A:22-44.2 provides that in the event a state school aid payment is not made until the following school budget year, districts must record these delayed state aid payments as revenue, for budget purposes only, in the current school budget year. The statute provides legal authority for school districts to recognize this revenue in the current budget year. GASB Statement No. 33, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions", requires that intergovernmental transactions (revenue, expenditure, asset, liability) should be recognized in symmetry (i.e., if one government recognizes an asset, the other government recognizes a liability). Since the State of New Jersey is recording certain 2023/2024 budgeted state aid payments in the subsequent fiscal year, the school district cannot recognize such payments on the GAAP (fund) financial statements until the year the State records the payable. Due to the timing difference of recording these delayed state aid payments, the General Fund deficit does not alone indicate that the District is facing financial difficulties; however, unless the State of New Jersey budgets the delayed payments in future years, the District may also report fund deficits in the future.

Pursuant to NJSA 18A:22-44.2, any negative unreserved, undesignated (i.e., unassigned) general fund balance that is reported as a direct result of a delay in the payment of state aid until the following fiscal year, is not considered as a violation of New Jersey Statute or regulation and is not considered an item in need of corrective action. The District deficit in the GAAP (fund) financial statements of \$648,731 in the General Fund is less than the delayed state aid payments at June 30, 2024.

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**NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)**

**C. Capital Reserve**

A capital reserve account was established by the District. The accumulation of funds will be used for capital outlay expenditures in subsequent fiscal years. The capital reserve is maintained in the general fund and its activity is included in the general fund annual budget.

Funds placed in the capital reserve are restricted to capital projects in the district’s approved Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP). Upon submission of the LRFP to the Department, a district may increase the balance in the capital reserve by appropriating funds in the annual general fund budget certified for taxes or by transfer by board resolution at year end of any unanticipated revenue or unexpended line-item appropriation amounts or both. A district may also appropriate additional amounts when the express approval of the voters has been obtained either by a separate proposal at budget time or by a special question at one of the four special elections authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:60-2. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23A-14.1(g), the balance in the reserve cannot at any time exceed the local support costs of uncompleted capital projects in its approved LRFP.

The activity of the capital reserve for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Balance, July 1, 2023		\$ 26,129,050
Increased by:		
Deposits Approved by Board Resolution	\$ 9,905,812	
Return of Unencumbered Budget Withdrawals	<u>1,623,966</u>	
		<u>11,529,778</u>
		37,658,828
Decreased by:		
Withdrawals Approved in District Budget		<u>9,179,901</u>
Balance, June 30, 2024		<u>\$ 28,478,927</u>

The June 30, 2024 LRFP balance of the total costs of uncompleted capital projects is estimated by management to be \$49,367,404. The withdrawals from the capital reserve were for use in a department approved facilities project, consistent with the district’s Long Range Facilities Plan. \$7,482,805 of the capital reserve balance at June 30, 2024 was designated and appropriated for use in the 2024/2025 original budget certified for taxes.

**D. Maintenance Reserve**

A maintenance reserve account was established by the District. The accumulation of funds will be used for required maintenance of school facilities expenditures in subsequent fiscal years. The maintenance reserve is maintained in the General Fund and its activity is included in the General Fund annual budget.

Funds placed in the maintenance reserve are restricted to required maintenance activities for a school facility as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan. A District may appropriate funds into the maintenance reserve in the annual General Fund budget certified for taxes or by transfer by board resolution at year end of any unanticipated revenue or unexpended line item appropriation amounts or both. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(g), the balance in the reserve cannot at any time exceed four percent of the replacement cost of the school district’s school facilities for the current year.

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**NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)**

**D. Maintenance Reserve (Continued)**

The activity of the maintenance reserve for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Balance, July 1, 2023		\$ 2,111,853
Increased by:		
Deposits Approved by Board Resolution	\$ 1,221,514	
Return of Unencumbered Budget Withdrawals	<u>122,448</u>	
		<u>1,343,962</u>
		3,455,815
Decreased by:		
Withdrawals Approved by Board Resolution		<u>1,343,962</u>
Balance, June 30, 2024		<u>\$ 2,111,853</u>

The June 30, 2024 comprehensive maintenance plan indicated a maximum maintenance reserve amount of \$2,111,853.

**E. Emergency Reserve**

An emergency reserve account was established by the District. The accumulation of funds will be used to finance unanticipated General Fund current expenditures required for a thorough and efficient education in subsequent fiscal years.

Funds placed in the emergency reserve are restricted to finance reasonably unforeseeable costs and shall not include additional costs due to poor planning. A District may appropriate funds into the emergency reserve in the annual General Fund budget certified for taxes or by transfer by board resolution at year end of any unanticipated revenue or unexpended line item appropriation amounts or both. Withdrawals from the reserve require the approval of the Commissioner unless the withdrawal is necessary to meet an increase in total health care costs in excess of four percent or the withdrawal is included in the original budget certified for taxes to finance school security improvements to school facilities pursuant to 18A:7G-6(c)1. Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-14.4(A), the balance in the reserve cannot at any time exceed the greater of \$250,000 or one percent of the school district's General Fund budget as certified for taxes up to a maximum of \$1,000,000.

The activity of the emergency reserve for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Balance, July 1, 2023	\$ <u>450,000</u>
Balance, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 450,000</u>

**F. Calculation of Excess Surplus**

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-7, as amended, the restricted fund balance for Excess Surplus is a required calculation pursuant to the New Jersey Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996 (CEIFA). New Jersey school districts are required to restrict General Fund fund balance in excess of 2% of budget expenditures at the fiscal year end of June 30 if they did not appropriate a required minimum amount as budgeted fund balance in their subsequent year's budget. The excess fund balance at June 30, 2024 is \$2,228,222. Of this amount, \$1,114,111 was designated and appropriated in the 2024/2025 original budget certified for taxes and the remaining amount of \$1,114,111 will be appropriated in the 2025/2026 original budget certified for taxes.

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NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Cash Deposits and Investments

Cash Deposits

The Board's deposits are insured through either the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF), Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) or New Jersey's Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). The Board is required to deposit their funds in a depository which is protecting such funds pursuant to GUDPA. The New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act requires all banks doing business in the State of New Jersey to pledge collateral equal to at least 5% of the average amount of its public deposits and 100% of the average amount of its public funds in excess of the lesser of 75% of its capital funds or \$200 million for deposits in excess of the FDIC and NCUSIF insured amounts. GUDPA does not protect intermingled trust funds, withholdings from an employee's salary or funds which may pass to the local government upon the happening of a future condition.

Bank balances are insured up to \$250,000 in the aggregate by the FDIC for each bank. NCUSIF insures credit union accounts up to \$250,000 in the aggregate for each financial institution. SIPC replaces cash claims up to a maximum of \$250,000 for each failed brokerage firm. At June 30, 2024, the book value of the Board's deposits was \$40,025,650 and bank and brokerage firm balances of the Board's deposits amounted to \$43,672,614. The Board's deposits which are displayed on the various fund balance sheets as "cash and cash equivalents" are categorized as:

<u>Depository Account</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
Insured	\$ 42,322,436
Uninsured and Collateralized	<u>1,350,178</u>
	<u>\$ 43,672,614</u>

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Board does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2024 the Board's bank balance of \$1,350,178 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Depository Account

Uninsured and Collateralized:	
Collateral held by pledging financial institution's trust department but not in the Board's name	<u>\$ 1,350,178</u>

Investments

The Board is permitted to invest public funds in accordance with the types of securities authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:20-37. Examples of the allowable investments are bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America; Government Money Market Mutual Funds; any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligations bear a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor; bonds or other obligations of the school district or bonds or other obligations of the local unit or units within which the school district is located; Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date of not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, issued by New Jersey school districts, municipalities, counties, and entities subject to the "Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law," (C.40A:5A-1 et seq.); Other bonds or obligations having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase may be approved by the Division of Investment in the Department of the Treasury for investment by school districts; Local Government investment pools; deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C.52:18A-90.4); and agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities, if transacted in accordance with the above statute.

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**A. Cash Deposits and Investments (Continued)**

**Investments (Continued)**

As of June 30, 2024, the Board had no outstanding investments.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments – For an investment, this is the risk, that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Board will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are held by an outside party. The Board does not have a policy for custodial credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rate will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Board does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk – Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. State law limits investments as noted above (N.J.S.A. 18A:20-37). The District does not have an investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be caused by the Board's investment in a single issuer. The Board places no limit in the amount the District may invest in any one issuer.

**B. Receivables**

Receivables as of June 30, 2024 for the district's individual major funds, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivables:				
Intergovernmental				
Local	\$ 68,673			\$ 68,673
State	403,837		\$ 1,567	405,404
Federal		\$ 2,039,526	29,732	2,069,258
Accounts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>338,019</u>	<u>338,019</u>
Gross Receivables	472,510	2,039,526	369,318	2,881,354
Less: Allowance for Uncollectibles	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Total Receivables	<u>\$ 472,510</u>	<u>\$ 2,039,526</u>	<u>\$ 369,318</u>	<u>\$ 2,881,354</u>

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**C. Unearned Revenue**

Governmental funds report unearned revenue in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of unearned revenue reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

	<u>Unearned</u>
Special Revenue Fund	
Unencumbered Grant Draw Downs	\$ 4,215
Grant Draw Downs Year-End for Encumbrances	<u>581,439</u>
 Total Deferred Revenue for Governmental Funds	 <u><u>\$ 585,654</u></u>

**D. Capital Assets**

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

	Balance, <u>July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	Balance, <u>June 30, 2024</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated:					
Land	\$ 443,610				\$ 443,610
Construction in Progress	<u>6,082</u>	\$ 503,622	-	\$ (6,082)	<u>503,622</u>
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	<u>449,692</u>	<u>503,622</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,082)</u>	<u>947,232</u>
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated:					
Land Improvements	4,779,018				4,779,018
Building and Building Improvements	63,911,108	121,205		6,082	64,038,395
Machinery and Equipment	3,502,314	1,155,536			4,657,850
Right-to-use Leased Equipment	<u>109,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>109,200</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>72,301,640</u>	<u>1,276,741</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,082</u>	<u>73,584,463</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:					
Land Improvements	(904,970)	(223,948)			(1,128,918)
Buildings and Improvements	(25,128,654)	(1,893,081)			(27,021,735)
Machinery and Equipment	(2,369,502)	(355,658)		-	(2,725,160)
Righ-to-use Leased Equipment	<u>(74,620)</u>	<u>(21,840)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(96,460)</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(28,477,746)</u>	<u>(2,494,527)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(30,972,273)</u>
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	<u>43,823,894</u>	<u>(1,217,786)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,082</u>	<u>42,612,190</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u><u>\$ 44,273,586</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (714,164)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 43,559,422</u></u>

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**D. Capital Assets (Continued)**

	Balance, July 1, 2023	Increases	Decreases	Balance, June 30, 2024
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>				
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated:				
Building Improvements	\$ 193,959	\$ 78,350		\$ 272,309
Equipment	413,763	131,651	-	545,414
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>607,722</u>	<u>210,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>817,723</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Building Improvements	(23,365)	(32,924)		(56,289)
Equipment	(333,356)	(38,854)	-	(372,210)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(356,721)</u>	<u>(71,778)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(428,499)</u>
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	<u>251,001</u>	<u>138,223</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>389,224</u>
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 251,001</u>	<u>\$ 138,223</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 389,224</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the District as follows:

**Governmental Activities:**

Instruction	
Regular	\$ 213,903
Special Education	3,106
Total Instruction	<u>217,009</u>

**Support Services**

Student and Instruction Related Services	36,562
General Administrative Services	36,475
School Administrative Services	15,452
Plant Operations and Maintenance	2,146,608
Pupil Transportation	42,421
Total Support Services	<u>2,277,518</u>

Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 2,494,527</u>
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**Business-Type Activities:**

Food Service Fund	<u>\$ 71,778</u>
Total Depreciation Expense - Business-Type Activities	<u>\$ 71,778</u>

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**D. Capital Assets (Continued)**

**Construction and Other Significant Commitments**

The District has the following active construction projects as of June 30, 2024:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Remaining Commitment</u>
Preschool Classroom Addition Projects at Elementary Schools	\$ 13,872,392
District-Wide Interior Door Upgrades	391,152
District-Wide LED Lighting Project	<u>737,569</u>
	<u>\$ 15,001,113</u>

**E. Interfund Receivables, Payables, and Transfers**

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2024, is as follows:

**Due To/From Other Funds**

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	\$ 1,197,456
Food Service Fund	General Fund	<u>6,270</u>
		<u>\$ 1,203,726</u>

The above balances are the result of revenues deposited in one fund which are due to another fund or to cover cash balances which were in an overdraft position.

The District expects all interfund balances to be liquidated within one year.

**Interfund Transfers**

<u>Transfer Out:</u>	<u>Transfer In:</u>				
	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ <u>80,000</u>	\$ <u>6,773,001</u>	\$ <u>700,000</u>	\$ <u>150,000</u>	\$ <u>7,703,001</u>

The above transfers are the result of budget appropriations or fund balances available in one fund to finance expenditures in another fund.

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**F. Leases Payable**

On February 13, 2020, the District entered into a 5 year lease agreement as lessee for the use of photo copiers. An initial lease liability was recorded in the amount of \$109,200. The lease has an interest rate of 2.5%. The District is required to make monthly payments of \$1,938. In addition, the District has the option to purchase the equipment for fair market value at the end of the lease term. As of June 30, 2024 the value of the lease liability was \$13,455. The equipment has a 5 year estimated useful life. The value of the right -to-use asset as of June 30, 2024 is \$109,200 and had accumulated depreciation of \$96,460.

The future principal and interest lease payments as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

**Governmental Activities:**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 13,455	\$ 112	\$ 13,567

**G. Long-Term Debt**

**General Obligation Bonds**

The Board issued general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities and other capital assets. The full faith and credit of the Board are irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of the bonds and the interest thereon.

Bonds payable at June 30, 2024 are comprised of the following issues:

\$9,290,000, 2014 Bonds, due in a final annual installment of \$470,000 on August 1, 2024 with interest at 5.00%.	\$ 470,000
\$21,275,000, 2014 Refunding Bonds, due in a final annual installment of \$1,500,000 on August 1, 2024 with interest at 5.00%.	1,500,000
\$13,335,000, 2024 Refunding Bonds, due in annual installments of \$70,000 to \$2,240,000 through August 1, 2034, interest at 5.00%	<u>13,335,000</u>
	<u>\$ 15,305,000</u>

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**G. Long-Term Debt (Continued)**

The Board's schedule of principal and interest for long-term debt issued and outstanding is as follows:

**Governmental Activities:**

Year Ended June 30,	<u>Serial Bonds</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2025	\$ 2,040,000	\$ 532,746	\$ 2,572,746
2026	1,940,000	614,750	2,554,750
2027	2,030,000	515,500	2,545,500
2028	2,140,000	411,250	2,551,250
2029	2,230,000	302,000	2,532,000
2030-2034	4,380,000	514,000	4,894,000
2035	<u>545,000</u>	<u>13,625</u>	<u>558,625</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 15,305,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,903,871</u>	<u>\$ 18,208,871</u>

**Statutory Borrowing Power**

The Board's remaining borrowing power under N.J.S. 18A:24-19, as amended, at June 30, 2024 was as follows:

4% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$ 106,198,631
Less: Net Debt Issued and Authorized But Not Issued	<u>15,305,000</u>
Remaining Borrowing Power	<u>\$ 90,893,631</u>

**Current Refundings of Debt**

On May 9, 2024 the District issued \$13,335,000 in School District Refunding Bonds having an interest rate of 5%. These Bonds were issued in order to currently refund certain principal maturities of the District's 2014 Bonds and 2014 Refunding Bonds. The total principal currently refunded was \$14,110,000. The reacquisition price was less than the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$748,412. This amount has been reported as Deferred Inflows of Resources on the financial statements and will be amortized over the new debt's life, which is the same as the refunded debt. This current refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next 10 years by \$608,754 and resulted in an economic gain of \$525,003.

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**NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (Continued)**

**H. Other Long-Term Liabilities**

**Changes in Long-Term Liabilities**

Long-term liability activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
<b>Governmental activities:</b>					
Bonds Payable	\$ 17,970,000	\$ 13,335,000	\$ 16,000,000	\$ 15,305,000	\$ 2,040,000
Add: Unamortized Premium	<u>1,247,269</u>	<u>1,040,078</u>	<u>1,247,269</u>	<u>1,040,078</u>	<u>-</u>
	19,217,269	14,375,078	17,247,269	16,345,078	2,040,000
Compensated Absences	1,082,538	61,751	23,363	1,120,926	30,000
Leases Payable	36,067		22,612	13,455	13,455
Net Pension Liability	<u>5,176,648</u>	<u>656,689</u>	<u>492,792</u>	<u>5,340,545</u>	<u>-</u>
Governmental Activities Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 25,512,522</u>	<u>\$ 15,093,518</u>	<u>\$ 17,786,036</u>	<u>\$ 22,820,004</u>	<u>\$ 2,083,455</u>

For the governmental activities, the liabilities for compensated absences, leases payable and net pension liability are generally liquidated by the general fund.

**NOTE 4 OTHER INFORMATION**

**A. Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to property, general liability, automobile coverage, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; student accident; termination of employees and natural disasters. The Board has obtained insurance coverage to guard against these events to minimize the exposure to the District should they occur. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the statistical section of this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

The District is a member of the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG or Group). The Group is a risk sharing public entity pool, established for the purpose of insuring against worker's compensation claims.

The relationship between the Board and the Group is governed by a contract and by-laws that have been adopted by resolution of each unit's governing body. The Board is contractually obligated to make all annual and supplementary contributions to the Group, to report claims on a timely basis, cooperate with the management of the Group, its claims administrator and attorneys in claims investigation and settlement, and to follow risk management procedures as outlined by the Group. Members have a contractual obligation to fund any deficit of the Group attributable to a membership year during which they were a member.

NJSIG provides its members with risk management services, including the defense of and settlement of claims and to establish reasonable and necessary loss reduction and prevention procedures to be followed by the members. Complete financial statements of the NJSIG are on file with the School's Business Administrator.

There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the previous year nor have there been any settlements in excess of insurance coverage's in any of the prior three years.

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**B. Contingent Liabilities**

The District is a party defendant in some lawsuits, none of a kind unusual for a school district of its size and scope of operation. In the opinion of the Board's Attorney the potential claims against the District not covered by insurance policies would not materially affect the financial condition of the District.

**Federal and State Awards** – The Board participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the Board may be required to reimburse the grantor government. As of June 30, 2024, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited by the various grantor agencies but the Board believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on any of the individual governmental funds or the overall financial position of the District.

**C. Federal Arbitrage Regulations**

The District is subject to Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code as it pertains to the arbitrage rebate on all tax-exempt obligations, both long and short-term debt. Under the 1986 Tax Reform Act, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) required that all excess earnings from investment proceeds be rebated to the IRS. Arbitrage, for purposes of these regulations, is defined as the difference between the yield on the investment and the yield on the obligations issued. If there are excess earnings, this amount may be required to be rebated to the IRS. At June 30, 2024, the District has not estimated its arbitrage earnings due to the IRS, if any.

**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans**

**Plan Descriptions and Benefits Provided**

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following contributory defined benefit public employee retirement systems (retirement systems) covering substantially all Board employees who are eligible for pension coverage:

**Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)** – Established in January 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide coverage, to substantially all full time employees of the State or any county, municipality, school district, or public agency provided the employee is not a member of another State-administered retirement system. Membership is mandatory for such employees. PERS is a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. For additional information about PERS, please refer to the State Division of Pension and Benefits (Division's) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions).

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.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

<b>Tier</b>	<b>Definition</b>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

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

Service retirement benefits of  $1/55^{\text{th}}$  of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of  $1/60^{\text{th}}$  of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tier 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tier 3 and 4 members with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 members with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least ten years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

**Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)** – Established in January 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66 to provide coverage to substantially all full time certified teachers or professional staff of the public school systems in the State. Membership is mandatory for such employees. TPAF is a cost sharing multiple- employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation, by which the State is responsible to fund 100% of local employer contributions, excluding any local employer early retirement incentive (ERI) contributions. For additional information about TPAF, please refer to the State Division of Pension and Benefits (Division's) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions).

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.

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

The following represent the membership tiers for TPAF:

<b>Tier</b>	<b>Definition</b>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of  $1/55^{\text{th}}$  of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of  $1/60^{\text{th}}$  of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tier 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tier 3 and 4 members with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 members with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the retirement age for their respective tier. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least ten years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following defined contribution public employee retirement program covering certain state and local government employees which include those Board employees who are eligible for pension coverage.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

**Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)** – established under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2008 to provide coverage to elected and certain appointed officials, effective July 1, 2007 and employees enrolled in PERS or TPAF on or after July 1, 2007 who earn in excess of established annual maximum compensation limits (equivalent to annual maximum wage for social security deductions). This provision was extended by Chapter 1, P.L. 2010, effective May 21, 2010, to new employees (Tier 2) of the PFRS and new employees who would otherwise be eligible to participate in PERS or TPAF on or after November 2, 2008 and do not earn the minimum salary required for tier 3 enrollment or do not work the minimum required hours for tier 4 and tier 5 enrollments but earn a base salary of at least \$5,000 are eligible for participation in the DCRP. Membership is mandatory for such individuals with vesting occurring after one (1) year of membership. DCRP is a defined contribution pension plan.

**Other Pension Funds**

The State established and administers a Supplemental Annuity Collective Trust Fund (SACT) which is available to active members of the State-administered retirement systems to purchase annuities to supplement the guaranteed benefits provided by their retirement system. The state or local government employers do not appropriate funds to SACT.

The cost of living increase for PERS and TPAF, are funded directly by each of the respective systems but are currently suspended as a result of reform legislation.

According to state law, all obligations of each retirement system will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should any retirement system be terminated.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits (“Division”), issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of each of the above systems. The financial reports may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions).

**Plan Amendments**

The authority to amend the provisions of the above plans rests with legislation passed by the State of New Jersey. Pension reforms enacted pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011 included provisions creating special Pension Plan Design Committees for TPAF and PERS, once a Target Funded Ratio (TFR) is met. The Pension Plan Design Committees will have the discretionary authority to modify certain plan design features, including member contribution rate; formula for calculation of final compensation of final salary; fraction used to calculate a retirement allowance; age at which a member may be eligible and the benefits for service or early retirement; and benefits provided for disability retirement. The committees will also have the authority to reactivate the cost of living adjustment (COLA) on pensions. However, modifications can only be made to the extent that the resulting impact does not cause the funded ratio to drop below the TFR in any one year of a 30-year projection period.

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the retirement systems are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental organizations. In doing so, the Division adheres to reporting requirements established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The accrual basis of accounting is used for measuring financial position and changes in net position of the pension trust funds. Under this method, contributions are recorded in the accounting period in which they are legally due from the employer or plan member, and deductions are recorded at the time the liabilities are due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan. The accounts of the Division are organized and operated on the basis of funds. All funds are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

**Investment Valuation**

The Division of Investment, Department of the Treasury, State of New Jersey (Division of Investment) manages and invests certain assets of the retirement systems. Empower Retirement (formerly Prudential) is the third-party administrator for the DCRP and provides record keeping, administrative services and investment options. Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade or investment date basis. Interest and dividend income is recorded on the accrual basis, with dividends accruing on the ex-dividend date. The net increase or decrease in the fair value of investments includes the net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements of the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. The financial reports may be obtained in writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, P.O. Box 290, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0290 or at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/doinvest](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/doinvest).

**Collective Net Pension Liability**

The collective net pension liability of the participating employers for local PERS at June 30, 2023 is \$14.6 billion and the plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability is 65.23%. The collective net pension liability of the State funded TPAF at June 30, 2023 is \$51.1 billion and the plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability is 34.68%.

The total pension liabilities for the June 30, 2023 measurement date were determined based on actuarial valuations as of July 1, 2022 which were rolled forward to June 30, 2023.

**Actuarial Methods and Assumptions**

In the July 1, 2022 PERS and TPAF actuarial valuation, the actuarial assumptions and methods used in these valuations were described in the Actuarial Assumptions and Methods section of the Actuary's report and are included here in this note to the financial statements. The pension systems selected economic and demographic assumptions and prescribed them for use for purposes of compliance with GASB Statement No. 68. The Actuary provided guidance with respect to these assumptions, and it is their belief that the assumptions represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

**Employer and Employee Pension Contributions**

The contribution policy is set by laws of the State of New Jersey and contributions are required by active members and participating employers. Plan members and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation with the amount of contributions by the State of New Jersey contingent upon the Annual Appropriations Act. As defined, the retirement systems require employee contributions based on 7.50% for PERS, 7.50% for TPAF and 5.50% for DCRP of the employee's annual compensation for fiscal year 2024.

PERS employers' and TPAF State's nonemployer contributions are based on actuarially determined amounts, which include the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 for TPAF, which is a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation, the State's annual pension contribution was more than the actuarial determined amount. For local PERS, which is a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan, the annual pension contributions were equal to the actuarial determined amounts. TPAF nonemployer contributions are made annually by the State of New Jersey to the pension system on behalf of the Board. PERS employer contributions are made annually by the Board to the pension system in accordance with Chapter 114, P.L. 1997. In the DCRP, which is a defined contribution plan, member contributions are matched by a 3% employer contribution. All PERS and DCRP contributions made by the Board for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022 were equal to the required contributions.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

**Employer and Employee Pension Contributions (Continued)**

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2023 and 2022 the Board was required to contribute for PERS and DCRP and the State of New Jersey, as a nonemployer contributing entity, contributed for TPAF, respectively, for normal cost pension and unfunded accrued liability contributions (including non-contributory group life insurance (NCGI)) the following amounts:

<u>Fiscal Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>On-behalf TPAF</u>	<u>DCRP</u>
2024	\$ 492,792	\$ 6,046,139	\$ 40,232
2023	432,565	5,722,155	47,981
2022	397,549	5,717,115	44,786

In addition for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022 the State contributed \$3,278, \$2,927 and \$3,050, respectively for TPAF for Long Term Disability Insurance Premium (LTDI).

The PERS contributions are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements (modified accrual basis) as an expenditure. The on-behalf TPAF contributions are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements (modified accrual basis) as both a revenue and expenditure in accordance with GASB Statement No. 85, *Omnibus 2017* (GASB No. 85). The DCRP contributions are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements (modified accrual basis) as an expenditure, as well as, the district-wide financial statements (accrual basis) as an expense.

Also, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:66-66 the State of New Jersey reimbursed the Board \$1,367,746 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members as calculated on their base salaries. This amount has been recognized in the district-wide financial statements (accrual basis) and the governmental fund financial statements (modified accrual basis) as both a revenue and expense/expenditure in accordance with GASB No. 85.

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

**Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)**

GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, (GASB No. 68) requires participating employers in PERS to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective pension expense based on a measurement date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year. The employer allocation percentages presented are based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the measurement period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Employer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes. Contributions from employers are recognized when due based on statutory requirements.

Although the NJ Division of Pensions and Benefits ("Division") administers one cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan, separate (sub) actuarial valuations are prepared to determine the actuarial determined contribution rate by group. Following this method, the measurement of the collective net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and pension expense are determined separately for each individual employer of the State and local groups of the plan.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

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

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

To facilitate the separate (sub) actuarial valuations, the Division maintains separate accounts to identify additions, deductions, and fiduciary net position applicable to each group. The allocation percentages are presented for each group. The allocation percentages for each group as of June 30, 2023 are based on the ratio of each employer's contributions to total employer contributions of the group for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

At June 30, 2024, the District reported in the statement of net position (accrual basis) a liability of \$5,340,545 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022. The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the ratio of the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the total contributions of all participating governmental entities, for the year ended June 30, 2023. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportionate share was .03687 percent, which was an increase of .00257 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2022 of .03430 percent.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized in the district-wide statement of activities (accrual basis) pension expense/(benefit) of (\$23,581) for PERS. The pension contribution made by the District during the current 2023/2024 fiscal year is the contribution that is applied to the net pension liability reported at the end of the current fiscal year of June 30, 2024 with a measurement date of the prior fiscal year end of June 30, 2023. Since the State of New Jersey applies the current year pension contribution towards the calculation of the net pension liability reported at the end of the current fiscal year, which has a measurement date of the preceding fiscal year end, there is no deferred outflows of resources reported as of June 30, 2024 for contributions made subsequent to the measurement date. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS pension from the following sources:

	<b><u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u></b>	<b><u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u></b>
Difference Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 51,062	\$ 21,830
Changes of Assumptions	11,732	323,660
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	24,594	
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between District Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	<u>421,153</u>	<u>71,134</u>
Total	<u>\$ 508,541</u>	<u>\$ 416,624</u>

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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources  
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**Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)**

At June 30, 2024, the amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS pension will be recognized in pension expense/(benefit) as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ (313,946)
2025	(14,018)
2026	353,364
2027	58,347
2028	8,170
Thereafter	-
	<u>\$ 91,917</u>

***Actuarial Assumptions***

The District's 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 Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	2.75-6.55%
	Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

***Mortality Rates***

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 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.

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

***Long-Term Expected Rate of Return***

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7% 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 actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plans 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 the PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	6.21%
Cash Equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.19%
US Equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	12.75%	9.22%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	11.13%
High Yield	4.50%	6.97%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.40%
Private Credit	8.00%	9.20%
Real Estate	8.00%	8.58%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.50%
International Small Cap Equity	1.25%	9.22%

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

*Discount Rate*

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for PERS 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 in determining the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability*

The following presents the District’s proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00, as well as what the District’s proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>6.00%</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>7.00%</u>	1% Increase <u>8.00%</u>
District's Proportionate Share of the PERS Net Pension Liability	\$ <u>6,952,253</u>	\$ <u>5,340,545</u>	\$ <u>3,968,768</u>

The sensitivity analysis was based on the proportionate share of the District’s net pension liability at as of the measurement date of June 30, 2023. A sensitivity analysis specific to the District’s net pension liability at June 30, 2023 was not provided by the pension system.

*Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position*

Detailed information about the PERS pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report from the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pension and Benefits. The financial report may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions).

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Related to Pensions (Continued)**

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

GASB No. 68, requires participating employers in TPAF to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective pension expense based on a measurement date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year. The non-employer allocation percentages presented are based on the ratio of the State's actual contributions made as an employer and non-employer adjusted for unpaid early retirement incentives to total contributions to TPAF during the measurement period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Non-employer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes.

The contribution policy for TPAF is set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66 and requires contributions by active members and non-employer contributions by the State. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the State's pension contribution was more than the actuarial determined amount.

In accordance with GASB No. 68, the District is not required to recognize a net pension liability for TPAF. The State of New Jersey, as a nonemployer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to TPAF on behalf of the District. Accordingly, the District's proportionate share percentage determined under Statement No. 68 is zero percent and the State's proportionate share is 100% of the net pension liability attributable to the District for TPAF. Therefore, in addition, the District does not recognize any portion of the TPAF collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized in the district-wide statement of activities (accrual basis) pension expense of \$1,730,854 for TPAF. This amount has been included in the district-wide statement of activities (accrual basis) as both a revenue and expense in accordance with GASB No. 85.

At June 30, 2024 the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the District is \$70,454,169. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022. The nonemployer allocation percentages are based on the ratio of the State's contributions made as a nonemployer attributable to the District adjusted for unpaid early retirement incentives relative to total contributions to TPAF during the year ended June 30, 2023. At June 30, 2023, the State's share of the net pension liability attributable to the District was .13806 percent, which was an increase of .00111 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2022 of .13695 percent.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

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

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

**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 Rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	2.75-4.25%
	Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

***Mortality Rates***

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.

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.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

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

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

**Long-Term Expected Rate of Return**

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7% 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 actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rate of return (expected returns, net of pension plans 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 the TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	6.21%
Cash Equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.19%
US Equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-US Developed Markets Equity	12.75%	9.22%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	11.13%
High Yield	4.50%	6.97%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.40%
Private Credit	8.00%	9.20%
Real Estate	8.00%	8.58%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.50%
International Small Cap Equity	1.25%	9.22%

***Discount Rate***

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability for TPAF 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.

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**D. Employee Retirement Systems and Pension Plans (Continued)**

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

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

***Sensitivity of Net Pension Liability***

The following presents the State's proportionate share of the TPAF net pension liability attributable to the District calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the State's proportionate share of the TPAF net pension liability attributable to the District that would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00% percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00% percent) than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease (<u>6.00%</u>)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (<u>7.00%</u>)</b>	<b>1% Increase (<u>8.00%</u>)</b>
State's Proportionate Share of the TPAF Net Pension Liability Attributable to the District	<u>\$ 83,078,250</u>	<u>\$ 70,454,169</u>	<u>\$ 59,821,692</u>

The sensitivity analysis was based on the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the District as of the measurement date of June 30, 2023. A sensitivity analysis specific to the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the District at June 30, 2023 was not provided by the pension system.

***Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position***

Detailed information about the TPAF pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report from the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pension and Benefits. The financial report may be accessed via the New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions).

**E. Post-Retirement Medical Benefits**

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the post-retirement health benefit program plan for school districts.

As a result of implementing GASB Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other than Pension Plans*, the post-retirement health benefit program plan is reported in a Custodial Fund in the New Jersey Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. In addition, the plan is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Therefore, the plan has no assets accumulated in a qualified trust. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pension* (GASB No. 75), the plan is classified as a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan with a special funding situation that is not administered through a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB No. 75.

**Plan Description and Benefits Provided**

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following post-retirement health benefit program plan covering certain local school district employees, including those Board employees and retirees eligible for coverage.

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**E. Post-Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)**

**State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Education Retired Employees Plan** (including Prescription Drug Program Fund) – N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32f provides medical coverage, prescription drug benefits and Medicare Part B reimbursement to qualified retired education employees and their covered dependents. The State of New Jersey provides employer-paid coverage to members of the TPAF who retire from a board of education or county college with 25 years of service or on a disability retirement. Under the provisions of Chapter 126, P.L. 1992, the State also provides employer-paid coverage to members of the PERS, the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS) or Alternate Benefits Program (ABP) who retire from a board of education or county college with 25 years of service or on a disability retirement. Retirees who are not eligible for employer paid health coverage at retirement can continue in the program if their employer participates in this program or if they are participating in the health benefits plan of their former employer and are enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B by paying the cost of the insurance for themselves and their covered dependents.

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.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the above Fund. The financial reports may be accessed via the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, website at [www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions).

**Plan Membership**

Membership of the defined benefit OPEB plan consisted of the following at June 30, 2022:

Active Plan Members	217,212
Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	<u>152,383</u>
Total	<u>369,595</u>

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the post-employment health benefit plans are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental organizations. In doing so, the Division adheres to reporting requirements established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The accrual basis of accounting is used for measuring financial position and changes in net position of the post-employment health benefit plan. Under this method, contributions are recorded in the accounting period in which they are legally due from the employer or plan member, and deductions are recorded at the time the liabilities are due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan. The accounts of the Division are organized and operated on the basis of funds. All funds are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus.

**Collective Net OPEB Liability**

The collective net OPEB liability of the State, as the non-employer contributing entity, of the plan at June 30, 2023 is \$52.4 billion, and the plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability is zero percent.

The total OPEB liabilities at June 30, 2023 were determined based on actuarial valuations as of June 30, 2022 which were rolled forward to June 30, 2023.

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**NOTE 4 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)**

**E. Post-Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)**

**Actuarial Methods and Assumptions**

In the June 30, 2022 OPEB actuarial valuation, the actuarial assumptions and methods used in these valuations were described in the Actuarial Assumptions and Methods section of the Actuary's report and are included here in this note to the financial statements. The Plan selected economic and demographic assumptions and prescribed them for use for purposes of compliance with GASB Statement No. 75. The Actuary provided guidance with respect to these assumptions, and it is their belief that the assumptions represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

**Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions**

The funding policy of the OPEB plan is pay as you go basis; therefore, there is no prefunding of the liability. Contributions to pay for the health benefit premiums of participating employees in the OPEB plan are made by the State, as a non-employer contributing entity, under a special funding situation in accordance with State statutes as previously disclosed. The State as a non-employer contributing entity made contributions of \$1.44 billion to the OPEB plan in fiscal year 2023.

The State sets the contribution rate based on a pay as you go basis rather than the actuarial determined contribution amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 75. The actuarial determined contribution represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) of the plan using a systematic and rational method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with OPEB through the Plan. The State's contributions, as a nonemployer contributing entity, to the State Health Benefits Program Fund – Local Education Retired Employees Plan for retirees' post-retirement benefits on behalf of the School District for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2023 and 2022 were \$1,645,538, \$1,503,196 and \$1,335,749, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year. The State's contributions to the State Health Benefits Program Fund – Local Education Retired Employees Plan for PERS retirees' post-retirement benefits on behalf of the School District was not determined or made available by the State of New Jersey. The on-behalf OPEB contributions are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements (modified accrual basis) as both a revenue and expenditure in accordance with GASB No. 85.

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

GASB Statement No. 75 requires participating employers in the State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Education Retired Employees Plan to recognize their proportionate share of the collective OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective OPEB expense based on a measurement date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year. The nonemployer allocation percentages presented are based on the ratio of the State's contributions made as a nonemployer toward the actuarially determined contribution amount to total contributions to the plan during the measurement period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Nonemployer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes.

In accordance with GASB No. 75, the District is not required to recognize an OPEB liability for the post-employment health benefit plan. The State of New Jersey, as a nonemployer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to the plan on behalf of the District. Accordingly, the District's proportionate share percentage determined under Statement No. 75 is zero percent and the State's proportionate share is 100% of the OPEB liability attributable to the District. Therefore, in addition, the District does not recognize any portion of the collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the plan.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized in the district-wide statement of activities (accrual basis) OPEB expense of \$2,532,270. This amount has been included in the district-wide statement of activities (accrual basis) as both a revenue and expense in accordance with GASB No. 85.

At June 30, 2024 the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District is \$54,954,266. The nonemployer allocation percentages are based on the ratio of the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District at June 30, 2023 to the total OPEB liability of the State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Education Retired Employees Plan at June 30, 2023. At June 30, 2023, the state's share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District was .10495 percent, which was a decrease of .00105 percent from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2022 of .10600 percent.

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**E. Post-Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)**

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)**

**Actuarial Assumptions**

The OPEB liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

	<u>PERS</u>	<u>TPAF</u>
Salary Increases	2.75% to 6.55% Based on Years of Service	2.75% to 4.25% Based on Years of Service

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Health “Teachers” (TPAF) and “General” (PERS) 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 disables retirees. Future disabled retirees was based on the Pub-2010 “General” (PERS) and “Teachers” (TPAF) classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021.

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

100% of active members are considered to participate in the plan upon retirement.

**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 4.5% 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%.

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**E. Post-Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)**

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)**

**Discount Rate**

The discount rate for June 30, 2023 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.

**Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

The change in the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 (measurement date June 30, 2023) is as follows:

	Total OPEB Liability (State Share 100%)
Balance, June 30, 2022 Measurement Date	\$ 53,683,718
Changes Recognized for the Fiscal Year:	
Service Cost	3,086,715
Interest on the Total OPEB Liability	1,935,422
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(2,403,259)
Changes of Assumptions	110,765
Gross Benefit Payments	(1,508,693)
Contributions from the Member	49,598
Net Changes	\$ 1,270,548
Balance, June 30, 2023 Measurement Date	\$ 54,954,266

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

The change in the total OPEB liability was based on the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District at June 30, 2023.

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E. Post-Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Sensitivity of OPEB Liability

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District calculated using the discount rate of 3.65%, as well as what the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District that would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.65%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.65%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(2.65%)</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>(3.65%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(4.65%)</u>
State's Proportionate Share of the OPEB Liability Attributable to the District	\$ 64,424,442	\$ 54,954,266	\$ 47,350,814

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates.* The following presents the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease <u></u>	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates <u></u>	1% Increase <u></u>
State's Proportionate Share of the OPEB Liability Attributable to the District	\$ 45,620,513	\$ 54,954,266	\$ 67,167,506

The sensitivity analyses were based on the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District at June 30, 2023. Sensitivity analyses specific to the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the District at June 30, 2023 were not provided by the pension system.

F. 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 school tax revenue 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.

For Elmwood Park Board of Education, the District's share of abated taxes resulting from the municipality having entered into a tax abatement agreement is indeterminate.

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**NOTE 4 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)**

**G. Subsequent Events**

**Appropriation of Fund Balance**

On August 27, 2024 the Board approved the appropriation of \$850,300 of General Fund unassigned fund balance to the 2024/2025 budget.

On August 27, 2024 the Board approved the appropriations of an additional \$141,544 of Maintenance Reserve restricted fund balance to the 2024/2025 budget.

**NOTE 5 RECENT HEALTHCARE DEVELOPMENTS**

In early March of 2020, the World Health Organization declared a pandemic following the global outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a newly discovered strain of coronavirus. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national public health emergency to unlock federal funds and assistance to help states and local governments fight the pandemic. The Governor of the State declared a state of emergency and a public health emergency on March 9, 2020. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, federal and State legislation and executive orders were implemented to mitigate the spread of the disease and provide relief to State and local governments. The pandemic and certain mitigation measures altered the behavior of businesses and people with negative impacts on regional, State and local economies. The national public health emergency and the State public health emergency have since ended, while the state of emergency declared by the State and several executive orders signed by the Governor remain to manage COVID-19 on an endemic level. Depending on future circumstances, ongoing actions could be taken by State, federal and local governments and private entities to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, its variants or other critical health care challenges.

To date, the overall finances and operations of the Board have not been materially adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, the degree of any future impact to the Board's operations and finances is difficult to predict due to the dynamic nature of the COVID-19 pandemic and any additional actions that may be taken by governmental and other health care authorities to manage the COVID-19 pandemic.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319 (the "Plan"), signed into law by the President of the United States on March 11, 2021, provided \$1.9 trillion in relief designed to provide funding to address the COVID-19 pandemic and alleviate the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Plan, in part, provides funding for State and local governments to offset costs to safely reopen schools during the COVID-19 pandemic and to subsidize COVID-19 testing and vaccination programs. In addition, the Plan includes \$350 billion in relief funds to public entities, such as the Board.

The Board has been awarded a total of \$8,197,974 in federal aid to address the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART II**  
**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Local Sources					
Property Tax Levy	\$ 35,460,498		\$ 35,460,498	\$ 35,460,498	
Tuition from Other LEA's / Within State				134,892	\$ 134,892
Interest Earned				1,548,461	1,548,461
Interest Earned in Emergency Reserve	250		250		(250)
Interest Earned in Maintenance Reserve	750		750		(750)
Interest Earned in Capital Reserve Funds	1,000		1,000		(1,000)
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	130,000	-	130,000	588,238	458,238
Total Local Revenues	35,592,498	-	35,592,498	37,732,089	2,139,591
State Sources					
Special Education Aid	2,318,383		2,318,383	2,318,383	-
Equalization Aid	16,347,421		16,347,421	16,347,421	-
Security Aid	760,674		760,674	760,674	-
Transportation Aid	547,120		547,120	547,120	-
Extraordinary Special Education Costs Aid				850,300	850,300
Nonpublic School Transportation Costs				82,810	82,810
Homeless Tuition Reimbursement				253,833	253,833
On-Behalf TPAF Contributions (Non-Budgeted)					
Pension Benefit Contribution				5,977,964	5,977,964
Pension - NCGI Premium				68,175	68,175
Post Retirement Medical Benefit Contribution				1,645,538	1,645,538
Long Term Disability Insurance				3,278	3,278
Reimbursed Social Security Contribution	-	-	-	1,367,746	1,367,746
Total State Revenues	19,973,598	-	19,973,598	30,223,242	10,249,644
Federal Sources					
Special Education Medicaid Initiative Reimbursement	53,315	-	53,315	16,501	(36,814)
Total Federal Revenues	53,315	-	53,315	16,501	(36,814)
Total Revenues	55,619,411	-	55,619,411	67,971,832	12,352,421
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES</b>					
Regular Programs - Instruction					
Salaries of Teachers					
Kindergarten	907,538	\$ (50,000)	857,538	536,241	321,297
Grades 1-5	3,861,353	51,858	3,913,211	3,629,868	283,343
Grades 6-8	2,437,622	(101,858)	2,335,764	2,209,458	126,306
Grades 9-12	3,773,653	(135,730)	3,637,923	3,324,551	313,372
Regular Programs - Home Instruction					
Salaries of Teachers	15,000	37,890	52,890	52,890	-
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	12,000	5,855	17,855	10,882	6,973
Regular Programs - Undistributed Instruction					
Other Salaries for Instruction	147,350	(6,091)	141,259	135,406	5,853
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	15,000	-	15,000	9,375	5,625
Purchased Technical Services	85,000	15,232	100,232	99,291	941
Other Purchased Services	260,700	23,699	284,399	199,348	85,051
General Supplies	1,103,132	(3,050)	1,100,082	214,518	885,564
Textbooks	26,552	(19,493)	7,059	7,059	-
Total Regular Programs	12,644,900	(181,688)	12,463,212	10,428,887	2,034,325

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES (Continued)</b>					
Special Education					
Learning / Language Disabilities					
Salaries of Teachers	\$ 456,655	\$ (25,000)	\$ 431,655	\$ 377,183	\$ 54,472
Other Salaries for Instruction	93,200	(10,000)	83,200	46,088	37,112
Total Learning / Language Disabilities	549,855	(35,000)	514,855	423,271	91,584
Behavioral Disabilities					
Salaries of Teachers	113,528	-	113,528	107,681	5,847
Other Salaries for Instruction	20,100	(10,000)	10,100	-	10,100
Total Behavioral Disabilities	133,628	(10,000)	123,628	107,681	15,947
Multiple Disabilities					
Salaries of Teachers	328,706	(28,000)	300,706	188,877	111,829
Other Salaries for Instruction	60,300	-	60,300	32,888	27,412
General Supplies	2,000	-	2,000	-	2,000
Total Multiple Disabilities	391,006	(28,000)	363,006	221,765	141,241
Resource Room / Resource Center					
Salaries of Teachers	1,983,840	237,224	2,221,064	2,217,337	3,727
Other Salaries for Instruction	176,400	(48,627)	127,773	111,076	16,697
General Supplies	1,000	-	1,000	198	802
Total Resource Room / Resource Center	2,161,240	188,597	2,349,837	2,328,611	21,226
Autism					
Salaries of Teachers	532,520	(50,000)	482,520	404,429	78,091
Other Salaries for Instruction	525,000	(178,915)	346,085	183,038	163,047
General Supplies	15,000	318	15,318	12,441	2,877
Total Autism	1,072,520	(228,597)	843,923	599,908	244,015
Preschool Disabilities - Part - Time					
Salaries of Teachers	192,645	-	192,645	126,266	66,379
Other Salaries for Instruction	37,200	-	37,200	-	37,200
Total Preschool Disabilities - Part - Time	229,845	-	229,845	126,266	103,579
Preschool Disabilities - Full - Time					
Salaries of Teachers	172,233	15,037	187,270	187,270	-
Other Salaries for Instruction	134,200	(63,036)	71,164	68,087	3,077
Total Preschool Disabilities - Full - Time	306,433	(47,999)	258,434	255,357	3,077
Home Instruction					
Salaries of Teachers	40,000	-	40,000	19,680	20,320
Total Home Instruction	40,000	-	40,000	19,680	20,320
Total Special Education	4,884,527	(160,999)	4,723,528	4,082,539	640,989

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES (Continued)</b>					
Basic Skills/Remedial					
Salaries of Teachers	\$ 518,899	\$ 1,914	\$ 520,813	\$ 508,996	\$ 11,817
Total Basic Skills/Remedial	518,899	1,914	520,813	508,996	11,817
Bilingual Education					
Salaries of Teachers	343,137	46,087	389,224	331,306	57,918
Total Bilingual Education	343,137	46,087	389,224	331,306	57,918
School Sponsored Co-Curricular Activities					
Salaries	214,008	15,251	229,259	229,206	53
Purchased Services	10,000	(7,500)	2,500	2,499	1
Supplies and Materials	8,000	(3,287)	4,713	4,285	428
Total School Sponsored Co-Curricular Activities	232,008	4,464	236,472	235,990	482
School Sponsored Athletics - Instruction					
Salaries	415,911	(3,381)	412,530	339,721	72,809
Purchased Services	125,500	(80,000)	45,500	15,872	29,628
Supplies and Materials	51,975	(500)	51,475	32,652	18,823
Other Objects	18,531	500	19,031	18,016	1,015
Total School Sponsored Athletics - Instruction	611,917	(83,381)	528,536	406,261	122,275
Other Suppl./At-Risk Program - Instruction					
Salaries of Teacher Tutors	300,000	-	300,000	181,341	118,659
Total Other Suppl./At-Risk Program - Instruction	300,000	-	300,000	181,341	118,659
Total - Instruction	19,535,388	(373,603)	19,161,785	16,175,320	2,986,465
Undistributed Expenditures					
Instruction (Tuition)					
Tuition - Other LEA's Within State - Special	880,000	(379,062)	500,938		500,938
Tuition to County Vocational School District-Reg.	558,900	(69,852)	489,048	456,000	33,048
Tuition to County Vocational School District-Spec.	1,116,720	-	1,116,720	691,857	424,863
Tuition to County Special Services School					
Districts & Regional Day Schools	2,222,850	448,098	2,670,948	1,297,264	1,373,684
Tuition to Private Schools - Disabled Within State	1,792,185	384,172	2,176,357	1,862,037	314,320
Tuition - State Facilities	65,000	-	65,000	-	65,000
Total Undistributed - Instruction (Tuition)	6,635,655	383,356	7,019,011	4,307,158	2,711,853
Attendance and Social Work Services					
Salaries	188,571	13,230	201,801	201,801	-
Supplies and Materials	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
Total Attendance and Social Work Services	189,571	13,230	202,801	201,801	1,000

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES (Continued)</b>					
Health Services					
Salaries	\$ 364,666	\$ (38,245)	\$ 326,421	\$ 291,860	\$ 34,561
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	63,500	73,613	137,113	121,313	15,800
Supplies and Materials	28,020	(15,145)	12,875	12,236	639
Total Health Services	456,186	20,223	476,409	425,409	51,000
Speech, OT, PT and Related Services					
Salaries	626,413	50,462	676,875	642,917	33,958
Purchased Professional - Educational Services	414,000	27,187	441,187	375,926	65,261
Supplies and Materials	4,000	-	4,000	4,000	-
Total Speech, OT, PT and Related Services	1,044,413	77,649	1,122,062	1,022,843	99,219
Other Support Services-Students-Extra Services					
Salaries	793,800	(191,952)	601,848	601,848	-
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	1,065,000	199,837	1,264,837	1,055,543	209,294
Supplies and Materials	2,000	-	2,000	-	2,000
Total Other Support Services-Extra Services	1,860,800	7,885	1,868,685	1,657,391	211,294
Guidance					
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	869,545	(159,068)	710,477	563,465	147,012
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	49,927	(4,388)	45,539	42,706	2,833
Other Purchased Services	8,800	-	8,800	4,959	3,841
Supplies and Materials	1,200	(123)	1,077	381	696
Total Guidance	929,472	(163,579)	765,893	611,511	154,382
Child Study Team					
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	911,421	149,562	1,060,983	1,060,983	-
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	40,388	1,137	41,525	41,525	-
Other Purchased Professional and Technical Services	150,000	(134,587)	15,413	13,373	2,040
Other Purchased Services	5,000	(1,493)	3,507	3,506	1
Supplies and Materials	15,000	539	15,539	15,539	-
Total Child Study Team	1,121,809	15,158	1,136,967	1,134,926	2,041
Improvement of Instruction Services					
Salaries of Supervisor of Instruction	122,651	3,029	125,680	125,680	-
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	34,063	-	34,063	31,273	2,790
Other Salaries		4,000	4,000	3,006	994
Other Purchased Professional and Technical Services	93,500	(10,242)	83,258	15,260	67,998
Other Purchased Services	10,000	-	10,000	3,506	6,494
Supplies and Materials	20,000	-	20,000	12,986	7,014
Total Improvement of Instruction Services	280,214	(3,213)	277,001	191,711	85,290

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES (Continued)</b>					
Educational Media Services/School Library					
Salaries	\$ 182,997	\$ 20,905	\$ 203,902	\$ 203,902	-
Salaries - Technology Coordinator	325,725	(5,198)	320,527	320,527	-
Other Purchased Services	8,000	(1,223)	6,777	6,776	\$ 1
Supplies and Materials	8,290	(3,285)	5,005	4,125	880
Total Educational Media Services/School Library	525,012	11,199	536,211	535,330	881
Instructional Staff Training Services					
Salaries of Supervisor of Instruction	117,651	3,213	120,864	120,864	-
Total Instructional Staff Training Services	117,651	3,213	120,864	120,864	-
Support Services General Administration					
Salaries	574,622	32,372	606,994	473,689	133,305
Legal Services	93,000	(3,450)	89,550	69,445	20,105
Audit Fees	45,000	37,750	82,750	82,750	-
Architectural/Engineering Services	15,000	6,000	21,000		21,000
Other Purchased Professional Services	24,350	-	24,350	5,660	18,690
Communications/Telephone	229,000	-	229,000	104,094	124,906
Miscellaneous Purchased Services	346,914	-	346,914	283,078	63,836
General Supplies	9,110	-	9,110	335	8,775
Miscellaneous Expenditures	2,000	-	2,000	1,300	700
BOE Membership Dues and Fees	28,055	2,275	30,330	27,806	2,524
Total Support Services General Administration	1,367,051	74,947	1,441,998	1,048,157	393,841
Support Services School Administration					
Salaries of Principals/Asst. Principals/Prog. Dir.	1,893,207	84,673	1,977,880	1,936,630	41,250
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	460,560	15,327	475,887	455,812	20,075
Other Purchased Services	59,792	-	59,792	55,723	4,069
Supplies and Materials	38,110	(3,732)	34,378	23,193	11,185
Total Support Services School Administration	2,451,669	96,268	2,547,937	2,471,358	76,579
Central Services					
Salaries	613,923	56,581	670,504	662,943	7,561
Purchased Professional Services	66,000	21,274	87,274	69,798	17,476
Purchased Technical Services	28,000	7,200	35,200	34,696	504
Travel	2,081	-	2,081	526	1,555
Other Objects	16,500	(6,000)	10,500	8,960	1,540
Supplies and Materials	12,768	-	12,768	9,738	3,030
Total Central Services	739,272	79,055	818,327	786,661	31,666

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES (Continued)</b>					
Administration Information Technology					
Salaries	\$ 281,000	\$ (29,055)	\$ 251,945	\$ 206,095	\$ 45,850
Purchased Technical Services	159,356	3,484	162,840	94,627	68,213
Other Purchased Services	39,052	266	39,318	7,787	31,531
Supplies and Materials	28,236	-	28,236	19,768	8,468
Total Administration Information Technology	507,644	(25,305)	482,339	328,277	154,062
Required Maintenance for School Facilities					
Salaries	369,932	-	369,932	329,029	40,903
Cleaning, Repair & Maintenance Services	545,107	2,122,162	2,667,269	1,658,196	1,009,073
General Supplies	107,404	31,149	138,553	90,438	48,115
Other Objects	1,180	475	1,655	1,075	580
Total Required Maintenance for School Facilities	1,023,623	2,153,786	3,177,409	2,078,738	1,098,671
Custodial Services					
Salaries	1,425,153	35,806	1,460,959	1,362,670	98,289
Salaries of Non-Instructional Aides	130,500	(36,660)	93,840	84,908	8,932
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	94,497	13,136	107,633	54,745	52,888
Other Purchased Property Services	37,886	-	37,886	14,919	22,967
Insurance	326,127	-	326,127	262,501	63,626
General Supplies	139,408	(51,450)	87,958	45,824	42,134
Energy (Natural Gas)	300,000	105,000	405,000	348,757	56,243
Energy (Electricity)	694,700	(135,000)	559,700	388,249	171,451
Energy (Gasoline)	10,000	-	10,000	-	10,000
Total Custodial Services	3,158,271	(69,168)	3,089,103	2,562,573	526,530
Care and Upkeep of Grounds					
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	130,000	-	130,000	81,648	48,352
General Supplies	28,632	-	28,632	2,184	26,448
Total Care and Upkeep of Grounds	158,632	-	158,632	83,832	74,800
Security					
Salaries	50,750	-	50,750	49,118	1,632
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	191,320	-	191,320	184,219	7,101
General Supplies	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Total Security	247,070	-	247,070	233,337	13,733
Student Transportation Services					
Salaries for Pupil Transportation (Between Home and School) - Regular	15,900	-	15,900	15,441	459
Salaries for Pupil Transportation (Between Home and School) - Special	15,900	-	15,900	15,441	459
Salaries for Pupil Transportation (Other Than Between Home & School)	30,000	(50)	29,950	26,480	3,470
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	9,500	7,170	16,670	16,123	547
Contracted Services - Aid-in-Lieu-Nonpublic Schools	200,000	71,018	271,018	253,619	17,399
Contracted Services (Other Than Between Home and School) - Vendors	165,000	(14,923)	150,077	82,014	68,063
Contracted Services (Regular) - ESC's & CTSA's	365,000	-	365,000	215,528	149,472
Contracted Services (Spec. Ed.) - ESC's & CTSA's	3,842,613	324,097	4,166,710	3,023,172	1,143,538
Miscellaneous Purchased Services - Transportation	1,393	186,295	187,688	150	187,538
Total Student Transportation Services	4,645,306	573,607	5,218,913	3,647,968	1,570,945

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
<b>CURRENT EXPENDITURES (Continued)</b>					
Unallocated Benefits					
Social Security Contributions	\$ 550,000	\$ 13,475	\$ 563,475	\$ 563,475	-
Other Retirement Contributions - PERS	495,000	-	495,000	492,792	\$ 2,208
Other Retirement Contributions - DCRP	60,000	(2,350)	57,650	40,232	17,418
Unemployment Compensation	100,000	-	100,000	94,963	5,037
Workmen's Compensation	237,539	-	237,539	218,671	18,868
Health Benefits	7,110,315	(77,600)	7,032,715	6,058,220	974,495
Tuition Reimbursement	64,260	-	64,260	45,000	19,260
Other Employee Benefits	112,000	56,198	168,198	168,197	1
Unused Sick Payment to Terminated/Retired Staff	13,086	10,277	23,363	23,363	-
Total Unallocated Benefits	<u>8,742,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,742,200</u>	<u>7,704,913</u>	<u>1,037,287</u>
On-Behalf TPAF Contributions (Non-Budgeted)					
Pension Benefit Contribution				5,977,964	(5,977,964)
Pension - NCGI Premium				68,175	(68,175)
Post Retirement Medical Benefit Contribution				1,645,538	(1,645,538)
Long Term Disability Insurance				3,278	(3,278)
Reimbursed Social Security Contribution	-	-	-	1,367,746	(1,367,746)
Total On-Behalf Contributions	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,062,701</u>	<u>(9,062,701)</u>
Total Undistributed Expenditures	<u>36,201,521</u>	<u>3,248,311</u>	<u>39,449,832</u>	<u>40,217,459</u>	<u>(767,627)</u>
Interest on Maintenance Reserve	750	-	750		750
Interest on Current Expense Emergency Reserve	250	-	250	-	250
Total Expenditures - Current Expenditures	<u>55,737,909</u>	<u>2,874,708</u>	<u>58,612,617</u>	<u>56,392,779</u>	<u>2,219,838</u>
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>					
Equipment					
Undistributed Expenditures - Req. Maint. for School Facilities		69,889	69,889	69,889	-
Undistributed Expenditures - Custodial Services	-	68,693	68,693	68,693	-
Total Equipment	<u>-</u>	<u>138,582</u>	<u>138,582</u>	<u>138,582</u>	<u>-</u>
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services					
Architectural/Engineering Services	847,991	160,418	1,008,409	129,584	878,825
Construction Services	7,631,910	(6,442,357)	1,189,553	309,018	880,535
Assessment for Debt Service on SDA Funding	170,358	-	170,358	170,358	-
Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	<u>8,650,259</u>	<u>(6,281,939)</u>	<u>2,368,320</u>	<u>608,960</u>	<u>1,759,360</u>
Interest on Capital Reserve	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
Total Capital Outlay	<u>8,651,259</u>	<u>(6,143,357)</u>	<u>2,507,902</u>	<u>747,542</u>	<u>1,760,360</u>
Transfer of Funds to Charter Schools	<u>1,175,000</u>	<u>77,667</u>	<u>1,252,667</u>	<u>1,242,818</u>	<u>9,849</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 65,564,168</u>	<u>\$ (3,190,982)</u>	<u>\$ 62,373,186</u>	<u>\$ 58,383,139</u>	<u>\$ 3,990,047</u>
(Under) Expenditures	<u>(9,944,757)</u>	<u>3,190,982</u>	<u>(6,753,775)</u>	<u>9,588,693</u>	<u>16,342,468</u>
Other Financing Sources / (Uses)					
Transfer Out - Special Revenue Fund		(80,000)	(80,000)	(80,000)	-
Transfer Out - Capital Projects Fund		(6,773,001)	(6,773,001)	(6,773,001)	-
Transfer Out - Debt Service Fund	(700,000)	-	(700,000)	(700,000)	-
Transfer Out - Food Service Enterprise Fund	-	(150,000)	(150,000)	(150,000)	-
Total Other Financing Sources / (Uses)	<u>\$ (700,000)</u>	<u>\$ (7,003,001)</u>	<u>\$ (7,703,001)</u>	<u>\$ (7,703,001)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final To Actual</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (10,644,757)	\$ (3,812,019)	\$ (14,456,776)	\$ 1,885,692	\$ 16,342,468
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	<u>34,668,519</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,668,519</u>	<u>34,668,519</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances, End of Year	<u>\$ 24,023,762</u>	<u>\$ (3,812,019)</u>	<u>\$ 20,211,743</u>	<u>\$ 36,554,211</u>	<u>\$ 16,342,468</u>
<b>Recapitulation of Fund Balance</b>					
<b>Restricted</b>					
Capital Reserve				\$ 20,996,122	
Capital Reserve - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				7,482,805	
Maintenance Reserve				2,111,853	
Emergency Reserve				450,000	
Reserved Excess Surplus				1,114,111	
Reserved Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				1,114,111	
<b>Committed</b>					
Year-End Encumbrances				135,394	
<b>Assigned</b>					
Year-End Encumbrances				1,079,236	
<b>Unassigned</b>				<u>2,070,579</u>	
Fund Balance Per State Budgetary Basis of Accounting				36,554,211	
<b>Reconciliation to Governmental Funds Statements (GAAP)</b>					
Less: State Aid Revenue Not Recognized on GAAP Basis				<u>(2,719,310)</u>	
Fund Balance Per Governmental Funds (GAAP)				<u>\$ 33,834,901</u>	

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final to Actual</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Intergovernmental					
State	\$ 193,372	\$ 112,836	\$ 306,208	\$ 228,537	\$ (77,671)
Federal	1,140,549	3,495,405	4,635,954	4,313,268	(322,686)
Local Sources					
Miscellaneous	70,000	146,927	216,927	211,594	(5,333)
Total Revenues	1,403,921	3,755,168	5,159,089	4,753,399	(405,690)
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Instruction					
Salaries	\$ 652,850	\$ (211,474)	\$ 441,376	\$ 371,376	\$ 70,000
Purchased Professional and Educational Services	51,534	(51,534)	-	-	-
Tuition	506,165	221,963	728,128	728,128	-
General Supplies	34,373	526,198	560,571	480,643	79,928
Textbooks	9,507	434,976	444,483	444,282	201
Other Objects		500	500	500	-
Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities		174,379	174,379	174,379	-
Athletic Activities	-	75,989	75,989	75,989	-
Total Instruction	1,254,429	1,170,997	2,425,426	2,275,297	150,129
Support Services					
Other Salaries		493,606	493,606	466,036	27,570
Personal Services - Employee Benefits		193,686	193,686	178,745	14,941
Purchased Professional and Technical Services		310,570	310,570	300,435	10,135
Purchased Professional and Educational Services	149,492	120,716	270,208	159,259	110,949
Other Purchased Services		169,413	169,413	151,009	18,404
Supplies and Materials	-	6,805	6,805	50	6,755
Total Support Services	149,492	1,294,796	1,444,288	1,255,534	188,754
Capital Outlay					
Buildings	-	1,289,375	1,289,375	1,280,996	8,379
Total Capital Outlay	-	1,289,375	1,289,375	1,280,996	8,379
Total Expenditures	1,403,921	3,755,168	5,159,089	4,811,827	347,262
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures	-	-	-	(58,428)	(58,428)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Transfers In - General Fund	-	-	-	80,000	80,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	80,000	80,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	-	21,572	21,572
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	132,596	-	132,596	132,596	-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 132,596	\$ -	\$ 132,596	\$ 154,168	\$ 21,572
<b>Recapitulation of Fund Balance</b>					
Restricted					
Student Activities				\$ 154,168	

**NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART II**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES  
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

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

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.

The following presents a reconciliation of the General and Special Revenue Funds from the budgetary basis of accounting as presented in the Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund and Special Revenue Fund to the GAAP basis of accounting as presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds.

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Special Revenue Fund</b>
<b>Sources/inflows of resources</b>		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue" from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ 67,971,832	\$ 4,753,399
Difference - Budget to GAAP:		
State Aid payments recognized for budgetary purposes, not recognized for GAAP statements. (2023-2024)	(2,719,310)	
State Aid payments recognized for GAAP statements, not recognized for budgetary purposes. (2022-2023)	2,453,859	
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized.		
Encumbrances - June 30, 2023		124,907
Encumbrances - June 30, 2024	-	(581,439)
Total revenues as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds.	<u>\$ 67,706,381</u>	<u>\$ 4,296,867</u>
<b>Uses/outflows of resources</b>		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total expenditures" from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ 58,383,139	\$ 4,811,827
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 financial reporting purposes.		
Encumbrances - June 30, 2023		130,977
Encumbrances - June 30, 2024	-	(582,557)
Total expenditures as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 58,383,139</u>	<u>\$ 4,360,247</u>

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART III**

**PENSION INFORMATION**

**AND**

**OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS INFORMATION**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

**Public Employees Retirement System**

**Last Ten Fiscal Years\***

	<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 Position Liability (Asset)	0.03687%	0.03430%	.03395%	.03455%	.03383%	.03565%	.03542%	0.03524%	0.03370%	0.03506%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 5,340,545	\$ 5,176,648	\$ 4,021,432	\$ 5,633,865	\$ 6,095,315	\$ 7,019,420	\$ 8,244,092	\$ 10,437,473	\$ 7,565,220	\$ 6,564,359
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 2,848,637	\$ 2,566,657	\$ 2,573,752	\$ 2,486,928	\$ 2,417,083	\$ 2,441,484	\$ 2,449,487	\$ 2,336,786	\$ 2,268,342	\$ 2,464,462
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	187.48%	201.69%	156.25%	226.54%	252.18%	287.51%	336.56%	446.66%	333.51%	266.36%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	65.23%	62.91%	70.33%	58.32%	56.27%	53.60%	48.10%	40.14%	47.93%	52.08%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the previous fiscal year-end.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS**

**Public Employees Retirement System**

**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	<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	\$ 492,792	\$ 432,565	\$ 397,549	\$ 377,938	\$ 329,049	\$ 354,608	\$ 328,084	\$ 313,079	\$ 289,739	\$ 289,037
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	<u>492,792</u>	<u>432,565</u>	<u>397,549</u>	<u>377,938</u>	<u>329,049</u>	<u>354,608</u>	<u>328,084</u>	<u>313,079</u>	<u>289,739</u>	<u>289,037</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	\$ 3,350,532	\$ 2,848,637	\$ 2,566,657	\$ 2,573,752	\$ 2,486,928	\$ 2,417,083	\$ 2,441,484	\$ 2,449,487	\$ 2,336,786	\$ 2,268,342
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	14.71%	15.18%	15.49%	14.68%	13.23%	14.52%	13.44%	12.78%	12.40%	12.74%

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**

**Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund**

**Last Ten Fiscal Years\***

	<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 Position Liability (Asset)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) Associated with the District	<u>\$ 70,454,169</u>	<u>\$ 70,656,250</u>	<u>\$ 64,917,328</u>	<u>\$ 84,319,464</u>	<u>\$ 78,125,309</u>	<u>\$ 78,909,522</u>	<u>\$ 79,894,315</u>	<u>\$ 91,219,332</u>	<u>\$ 72,022,972</u>	<u>\$ 63,892,836</u>
Total	<u>\$ 70,454,169</u>	<u>\$ 70,656,250</u>	<u>\$ 64,917,328</u>	<u>\$ 84,319,464</u>	<u>\$ 78,125,309</u>	<u>\$ 78,909,522</u>	<u>\$ 79,894,315</u>	<u>\$ 91,219,332</u>	<u>\$ 72,022,972</u>	<u>\$ 63,892,836</u>
District's Covered Payroll	\$ 17,082,644	\$ 16,348,717	\$ 15,974,491	\$ 15,245,371	\$ 14,606,965	\$ 13,693,149	\$ 13,506,891	\$ 12,040,919	\$ 11,393,763	\$ 11,250,968
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	34.68%	32.29%	35.52%	24.60%	26.95%	26.49%	25.41%	22.33%	28.71%	33.64%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the previous fiscal year-end.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY  
AND SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Change of Benefit Terms:** None.

**Change of Assumptions:** Assumptions used in calculating the net pension liability and  
statutorily required employer contribution are presented in Note 4D.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF  
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY**

**Postemployment Health Benefit Plan**

**Last Seven Fiscal Years\***

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>							
Service Cost	\$ 3,086,715	\$ 4,086,128	\$ 4,699,112	\$ 2,534,947	\$ 2,223,563	\$ 2,427,458	\$ 2,960,139
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	1,935,422	1,422,678	1,660,512	1,612,890	1,920,201	2,006,606	1,713,733
Changes of Benefit Terms			(68,132)				
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	(2,403,259)	(70,910)	(13,064,453)	11,754,289	(7,382,258)	(3,872,671)	
Changes of Assumptions	110,765	(14,401,139)	63,152	13,149,429	658,280	(5,513,442)	(7,165,584)
Gross Benefit Payments	(1,508,693)	(1,409,204)	(1,308,018)	(1,253,223)	(1,355,274)	(1,284,715)	(1,649,441)
Contribution from the Member	49,598	45,208	42,451	37,985	40,174	44,402	60,737
<b>Net Change in Total OPEB Liability</b>	1,270,548	(10,327,239)	(7,975,376)	27,836,317	(3,895,314)	(6,192,362)	(4,080,416)
<b>Total OPEB Liability - Beginning</b>	<u>\$ 53,683,718</u>	<u>\$ 64,010,957</u>	<u>\$ 71,986,333</u>	<u>\$ 44,150,016</u>	<u>\$ 48,045,330</u>	<u>\$ 54,237,692</u>	<u>58,318,108</u>
<b>Total OPEB Liability - Ending</b>	<u>\$ 54,954,266</u>	<u>\$ 53,683,718</u>	<u>\$ 64,010,957</u>	<u>\$ 71,986,333</u>	<u>\$ 44,150,016</u>	<u>\$ 48,045,330</u>	<u>\$ 54,237,692</u>
District's Proportionate Share of OPEB Liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's Proportionate Share of OPEB Liability	54,954,266	53,683,718	64,010,957	71,986,333	48,045,330	48,045,330	54,237,692
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	<u>\$ 54,954,266</u>	<u>\$ 53,683,718</u>	<u>\$ 64,010,957</u>	<u>\$ 71,986,333</u>	<u>\$ 48,045,330</u>	<u>\$ 48,045,330</u>	<u>\$ 54,237,692</u>
District's Covered Payroll	<u>\$ 19,931,281</u>	<u>\$ 18,915,374</u>	<u>\$ 18,548,243</u>	<u>\$ 17,732,299</u>	<u>\$ 17,024,048</u>	<u>\$ 16,134,633</u>	<u>\$ 15,956,378</u>
District's Proportionate Share of the Total OPEB Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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

\*The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the previous fiscal year end.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District will only present information for those years for which information is available.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE OPEB LIABILITY  
AND SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE OPEB LIABILITY  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Changes in Benefit Terms:**

None.

**Changes of Assumptions**

Assumptions used in calculating the OPEB liability  
are presented in Note 4E.

**SCHOOL LEVELS SCHEDULES**

**GENERAL FUND**

NOT APPLICABLE

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGETARY BASIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	<u>ESEA Title I</u>	<u>ESEA Title IIA</u>	<u>ESEA Title III</u>	<u>ESEA Title III Immigrant</u>	<u>ESEA Title IV</u>	<u>SDA Emergent and Capital Maint. Needs</u>	<u>(Exhibit) E-1a</u>	<u>(Exhibit) E-1b</u>	<u>(Exhibit) E-1c</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>										
Intergovernmental										
State						\$ 61,352		\$ 167,185	-	\$ 228,537
Federal	\$ 555,760	\$ 91,977	\$ 28,780	\$ 9,066	\$ 7,805		\$ 747,858	-	\$ 2,872,022	4,313,268
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	211,594	-	-	211,594
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 555,760</b>	<b>\$ 91,977</b>	<b>\$ 28,780</b>	<b>\$ 9,066</b>	<b>\$ 7,805</b>	<b>\$ 61,352</b>	<b>\$ 959,452</b>	<b>\$ 167,185</b>	<b>\$ 2,872,022</b>	<b>\$ 4,753,399</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>										
Instruction										
Salaries	\$ 313,776		\$ 17,600				-	-	\$ 40,000	\$ 371,376
Tuition							\$ 728,128	-	-	728,128
General Supplies	74,419			\$ 3,566	\$ 4,100		5,905	\$ 14,442	378,211	480,643
Textbooks							-	11,014	433,268	444,282
Other Objects							500	-	-	500
Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities							174,379	-	-	174,379
Athletic Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	75,989	-	-	75,989
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>388,195</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,600</b>	<b>3,566</b>	<b>4,100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>984,901</b>	<b>25,456</b>	<b>851,479</b>	<b>2,275,297</b>
Support Services										
Other Salaries				5,500			-	-	460,536	466,036
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	167,565		11,180				-	-	-	178,745
Purchased Professional and Technical Services							-	-	300,435	300,435
Purchased Professional and Educational Services					3,705		13,825	141,729	-	159,259
Other Purchased Services	\$ 91,977						19,154	-	39,878	151,009
Supplies and Materials	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	50
<b>Total Support Services</b>	<b>167,565</b>	<b>91,977</b>	<b>11,180</b>	<b>5,500</b>	<b>3,705</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,979</b>	<b>141,729</b>	<b>800,899</b>	<b>1,255,534</b>
Capital Outlay										
Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 61,352	-	-	1,219,644	1,280,996
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,352</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,219,644</b>	<b>1,280,996</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 555,760</b>	<b>\$ 91,977</b>	<b>\$ 28,780</b>	<b>\$ 9,066</b>	<b>\$ 7,805</b>	<b>\$ 61,352</b>	<b>\$ 1,017,880</b>	<b>\$ 167,185</b>	<b>\$ 2,872,022</b>	<b>\$ 4,811,827</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	(58,428)	-	-	(58,428)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>										
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	-	-	80,000
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,000</b>
Net Changes in Fund Balances	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,572	-	-	21,572
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	132,596	-	-	132,596
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 154,168	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 154,168

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGETARY BASIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Local <u>Grants</u>	IDEA <u>Basic</u>	IDEA <u>PreK</u>	ARP IDEA <u>Basic</u>	ARP IDEA <u>Preschool</u>	CRRSA <u>ESSER II</u>	Student <u>Activities</u>	Total Exhibit <u>E-1a</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>								
Intergovernmental								
State								
Federal								
Other Sources	\$ 19,654	\$ 715,400	\$ 26,553	\$ 2,634	\$ 210	\$ 3,061	\$ 191,940	\$ 747,858
		-	-	-	-	-		211,594
Total Revenues	\$ 19,654	\$ 715,400	\$ 26,553	\$ 2,634	\$ 210	\$ 3,061	\$ 191,940	\$ 959,452
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
Instruction								
Tuition		\$ 701,575	\$ 26,553					728,128
General Supplies				\$ 2,634	\$ 210	\$ 3,061		5,905
Other Objects	\$ 500							500
Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities							\$ 174,379	174,379
Athletic Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	75,989	75,989
Total Instruction	500	701,575	26,553	2,634	210	3,061	250,368	984,901
Support Services								
Purchased Professional and Educational Services		13,825						13,825
Other Purchased Services	19,154	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,154
Total Support Services	19,154	13,825	-	-	-	-	-	32,979
Total Expenditures	\$ 19,654	\$ 715,400	\$ 26,553	\$ 2,634	\$ 210	\$ 3,061	\$ 250,368	\$ 1,017,880
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	(58,428)	(58,428)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>								
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	80,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	80,000
Net Changes in Fund Balances	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,572	21,572
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	132,596	132,596
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 154,168	\$ 154,168

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGETARY BASIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Chapter 192 Services		Chapter 193 Services								Total Exhibit E-1b
	Compensatory Services	ESL	Examination & Classification	Corrective Speech	Supplemental Instruction	Nonpublic Textbooks	Nonpublic Nursing	Nonpublic Security	Nonpublic Technology		
<b>REVENUES</b>											
Intergovernmental											
State	\$ 64,642	\$ 8,149	\$ 11,094	\$ 27,900	\$ 9,829	\$ 11,014	\$ 20,115	\$ 4,936	\$ 9,506	\$ 167,185	
Federal											-
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	\$ 64,642	\$ 8,149	\$ 11,094	\$ 27,900	\$ 9,829	\$ 11,014	\$ 20,115	\$ 4,936	\$ 9,506	\$ 167,185	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>											
Instruction											
General Supplies								\$ 4,936	\$ 9,506	\$ 14,442	
Textbooks	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 11,014	-	-	-	11,014	
Total Instruction	-	-	-	-	-	11,014	-	4,936	9,506	25,456	
Support Services											
Purchased Professional and Educational Services	\$ 64,642	\$ 8,149	\$ 11,094	\$ 27,900	\$ 9,829	-	\$ 20,115	-	-	141,729	
Total Support Services	64,642	8,149	11,094	27,900	9,829	-	20,115	-	-	141,729	
Total Expenditures	\$ 64,642	\$ 8,149	\$ 11,094	\$ 27,900	\$ 9,829	\$ 11,014	\$ 20,115	\$ 4,936	\$ 9,506	\$ 167,185	
Net Changes in Fund Balances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND  
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
BUDGETARY BASIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	American Rescue Plan - ESSER III Programs						Total Exhibit E-1c
	<u>ESSER III</u>	<u>Accelerated Learning Coach and Educator Support</u>	<u>Evidence-Based Summer Learning and Enrichment</u>	<u>Evidence-Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day</u>	<u>NJTSS</u>	<u>Homeless and Children's Youth Transportation II</u>	
<b>REVENUES</b>							
Intergovernmental							
State							
Federal	\$ 2,491,497	\$ 253,992	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 1,533	\$ 2,872,022
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 2,491,497</u>	<u>\$ 253,992</u>	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ 45,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,533</u>	<u>\$ 2,872,022</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
Instruction							
Salaries				\$ 40,000			\$ 40,000
General Supplies	\$ 378,211						378,211
Textbooks	<u>433,268</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>433,268</u>
Total Instruction	<u>811,479</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>851,479</u>
Support Services							
Other Salaries	303,659	\$ 71,877	\$ 40,000		\$ 45,000		460,536
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	118,320	182,115					300,435
Other Purchased Services	38,345					\$ 1,533	39,878
Supplies and Materials	<u>50</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>
Total Support Services	<u>460,374</u>	<u>253,992</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45,000</u>	<u>1,533</u>	<u>800,899</u>
Capital Outlay							
Buildings	<u>1,219,644</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,219,644</u>
Total Capital Outlay	<u>1,219,644</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,219,644</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 2,491,497</u>	<u>\$ 253,992</u>	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ 45,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,533</u>	<u>\$ 2,872,022</u>
Net Changes in Fund Balances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PROJECT EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expended</u>		<u>Balance, June 30, 2024</u>
		<u>Prior Year</u>	<u>Current Year</u>	
Pre-Kindergarten Classroom Additions at Gantner Avenue, Gilbert Avenue, and 16th Avenue Elementary Schools	\$ 15,262,706	\$ -	\$ 503,622	\$ 14,759,084

**Reconciliation to GAAP Basis**

Project Balance, June 30, 2024	\$ 14,759,084
Less: Unearned Grant Revenue	(6,105,082)
Less: Unrealized Transfer from Capital Reserve	<u>(2,384,623)</u>
Fund Balance, June 30, 2024 - GAAP Basis	<u>\$ 6,269,379</u>

**Recapitulation of Fund Balance**

Restricted for Capital Projects	
Year-End Encumbrances	\$ 13,872,392
Available for Capital Projects	<u>(7,603,013)</u>
Total Fund Balance, GAAP Basis	<u>\$ 6,269,379</u>

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
BUDGETARY BASIS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**Revenues and Other Financing Sources**

## Revenues

State Sources - Preschool Facilities Expansion	\$ 6,105,082
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## Other Financing Sources

Transfer from Capital Reserve	6,773,001
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Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	\$ 12,878,083
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**Expenditures and Other Financing Uses**

## Expenditures

Architect and Engineering Services	\$ 412,533
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Other Purchased Professional and Technical Services	62,356
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Construction Services	25,708
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Other Objects	3,025
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Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	503,622
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Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	12,374,461
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Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ -
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Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 12,374,461
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Reconciliation to GAAP:

Fund Balance, June 30, 2024 - Budgetary Basis	\$ 12,374,461
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Less: Unearned Grant Revenue	(6,105,082)
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Fund Balance, June 30, 2024 - GAAP Basis	\$ 6,269,379
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**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
SCHEDULE OF PROJECT REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, PROJECT BALANCES AND PROJECT STATUS -  
PRE-KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM ADDITIONS AT  
GANTNER AVENUE, GILBERT AVENUE, AND 16TH AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS  
FROM INCEPTION AND THROUGH THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Prior Periods</u>	<u>Current Period</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Revised Authorized Cost</u>
<b>REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
State Sources - Preschool Facilities Expansion		\$ 6,105,082	\$ 6,105,082	\$ 6,105,082
Transfer from Capital Reserve	-	6,773,001	6,773,001	9,157,624
Total Revenues	-	12,878,083	12,878,083	15,262,706
<b>EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Expenditures				
Architect and Engineering Services		412,533	412,533	950,000
Other Professional and Technical Services		62,356	62,356	400,000
Construction Services	-	25,708	25,708	13,500,000
Supplies and Materials			-	392,000
Other Objects	-	3,025	3,025	20,706
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	-	503,622	503,622	15,262,706
Excess / (Deficiency) of Revenues over / (under) Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 12,374,461	\$ 12,374,461	\$ -

Additional Project Information:

Project Numbers	1345-070-23-PK01; 1345-080-23-PK01; 1345-090-23-PK01
Grant Date/ Letter of Notification	1/25/2024
Bond Authorization (Referendum) Date	N/A
Bonds Authorized	\$ -
Bond Issued	-
Original Authorized Cost	\$ 15,262,706
Increase/(Decrease)	-
Revised Authorized Cost	\$ 15,262,706
Percentage Increase Over Original Authorized Cost	0.00%
Percentage Completion	3.30%
Original Target Completion Date	January 31, 2026
Revised Completion Date	January 31, 2026

## **PROPRIETARY FUNDS**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NON-MAJOR ENTERPRISE FUNDS  
COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE PRESENTED ON EXHIBIT B-4

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE PRESENTED ON EXHIBIT B-5

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE PRESENTED ON EXHIBIT B-6

**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

**NOT APPLICABLE**

## **LONG-TERM DEBT**

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF SERIAL BONDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

Issue	Date of Issue	Amount of Issue	Annual Maturities		Interest Rate	Balance, July 1, 2023	Issued	Retired	Balance, June 30, 2024
			Date	Amount					
School Bonds	7/9/2014	\$ 9,290,000	8/1/2024	\$ 470,000	5.000 %	\$ 6,430,000		\$ 5,960,000	\$ 470,000
Refunding Schools Bonds	7/9/2014	21,275,000	8/1/2024	1,500,000	5.000	11,540,000		10,040,000	1,500,000
Refunding Schools Bonds	5/9/2024	13,335,000	8/1/2024	70,000	5.000				
			8/1/2025	1,940,000	5.000				
			8/1/2026	2,030,000	5.000				
			8/1/2027	2,140,000	5.000				
			8/1/2028	2,230,000	5.000				
			8/1/2029	2,240,000	5.000				
			8/1/2030	530,000	5.000				
			8/1/2031	535,000	5.000				
			8/1/2032	535,000	5.000				
			8/1/2033	540,000	5.000				
			8/1/2034	545,000	5.000				
								-	\$ 13,335,000
					\$ 17,970,000	\$ 13,335,000	\$ 16,000,000	\$ 15,305,000	
						Paid by Budget Bonds Refunded	\$ 1,890,000 14,110,000		
							\$ 16,000,000		

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF LEASE PAYABLES  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>Original <u>Issue</u></b>	<b>Interest <u>Rate</u></b>	<b>Balance, <u>July 1, 2023</u></b>	<b><u>Issued</u></b>	<b><u>Retired</u></b>	<b>Balance, <u>June 30, 2024</u></b>
Copiers	\$ 109,200	2.50%	\$ <u>36,067</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>22,612</u>	\$ <u>13,455</u>

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DEBT SERVICE FUND  
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Budget Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Final to Actual</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Local Sources					
Local Tax Levy	\$ 1,686,914		\$ 1,686,914	\$ 1,686,914	
State Sources					
Debt Service State Aid	<u>255,286</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,286</u>	<u>255,286</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenues	<u>1,942,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,942,200</u>	<u>1,942,200</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Regular Debt Service					
Principal	1,890,000		1,890,000	1,890,000	-
Interest	752,200		752,200	752,200	-
Cost of Issuance	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>141,513</u>	<u>\$ (141,513)</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>2,642,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,642,200</u>	<u>2,783,713</u>	<u>(141,513)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(700,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(700,000)</u>	<u>(841,513)</u>	<u>(141,513)</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES / (USES)</b>					
Refunding Bond Proceeds				13,335,000	13,335,000
Premium on Refunding Bonds				1,040,078	1,040,078
Payment to Refunding Escrow Agent				(14,230,613)	(14,230,613)
Transfer In - Capital Reserve	<u>700,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>700,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>844,465</u>	<u>144,465</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	-	2,952	2,952
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,952</u>	<u>\$ 2,952</u>

## STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the Elmwood Park Board of Education's annual comprehensive financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the district's overall financial health.

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These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the district's financial activities take place.

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Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the annual comprehensive financial reports for the relevant year.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**NET POSITION BY COMPONENT**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Governmental activities										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 15,057,857	\$ 17,710,996	\$ 18,431,982	\$ 19,137,424	\$ 19,729,688	\$ 20,286,423	\$ 21,266,965	\$ 23,162,256	\$ 25,234,523	\$ 26,442,477
Restricted	3,078,731	3,091,934	3,970,740	5,191,524	7,184,290	10,163,345	14,774,083	20,884,338	28,379,569	37,018,397
Unrestricted	(10,022,879)	(9,819,821)	(9,905,619)	(8,515,481)	(8,028,871)	(7,065,582)	(5,144,666)	(3,190,586)	(3,206,886)	(3,272,513)
Total governmental activities net position	<u>\$ 8,113,709</u>	<u>\$ 10,983,109</u>	<u>\$ 12,497,103</u>	<u>\$ 15,813,467</u>	<u>\$ 18,885,107</u>	<u>\$ 23,384,186</u>	<u>\$ 30,896,382</u>	<u>\$ 40,856,008</u>	<u>\$ 50,407,206</u>	<u>\$ 60,188,361</u>
Business-type activities										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 9,466	\$ 23,456	\$ 79,223	\$ 121,482	\$ 177,929	\$ 161,155	\$ 148,714	\$ 163,266	\$ 251,001	\$ 389,224
Restricted										
Unrestricted	668,874	277,869	299,291	308,253	228,135	158,604	422,350	583,080	469,955	514,136
Total business-type activities net position	<u>\$ 678,340</u>	<u>\$ 301,325</u>	<u>\$ 378,514</u>	<u>\$ 429,735</u>	<u>\$ 406,064</u>	<u>\$ 319,759</u>	<u>\$ 571,064</u>	<u>\$ 746,346</u>	<u>\$ 720,956</u>	<u>\$ 903,360</u>
District-wide										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 17,734,452	\$ 18,511,205	\$ 19,258,906	\$ 19,907,617	\$ 20,447,578	\$ 21,415,679	\$ 21,415,679	\$ 23,325,522	\$ 25,485,524	\$ 26,831,701
Restricted	3,091,934	3,970,740	5,191,524	7,184,290	10,163,345	14,774,083	14,774,083	20,884,338	28,379,569	37,018,397
Unrestricted	(9,541,952)	(9,606,328)	(8,207,228)	(7,800,736)	(6,906,978)	(4,722,316)	(4,722,316)	(2,607,506)	(2,736,931)	(2,758,377)
Total district net position	<u>\$ 11,284,434</u>	<u>\$ 12,875,617</u>	<u>\$ 16,243,202</u>	<u>\$ 19,291,171</u>	<u>\$ 23,703,945</u>	<u>\$ 31,467,446</u>	<u>\$ 31,467,446</u>	<u>\$ 41,602,354</u>	<u>\$ 51,128,162</u>	<u>\$ 61,091,721</u>

Note 1 - Net Position at June 30, 2014 is restated to reflect the implementation of GASB No. 68 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions".

Note 2 - Net Position at June 30, 2020 is restated to reflect the implementation of GASB No. 84 "Fiduciary Activities".

Note 3 - Net Position at June 30, 2021 is restated to reflect the implementation of GASB No. 87 "Leases".

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Expenses</b>										
Governmental Activities										
Instruction										
Regular	\$ 14,999,220	\$ 15,783,095	\$ 17,305,932	\$ 18,591,827	\$ 17,907,427	\$ 17,840,223	\$ 19,980,393	\$ 19,155,477	\$ 18,506,247	\$ 19,362,163
Special Education	9,844,230	9,663,299	10,436,257	10,273,035	10,659,067	11,693,525	11,729,724	10,856,587	10,653,159	10,702,485
Other Instruction	575,702	569,196	625,591	1,130,913	1,159,106	1,177,948	899,777	855,388	3,045,415	1,470,088
School Sponsored	572,849	613,296	672,594	603,415	801,019	932,553	780,801	924,794	1,090,551	1,196,728
Support Services:										
Tuition										
Student & instruction Related Services	5,439,445	5,600,381	6,667,445	6,933,736	7,896,193	7,687,696	8,016,637	7,460,571	8,996,580	9,150,831
General Administrative Services	1,807,366	1,272,670	1,256,669	1,201,790	1,063,522	1,478,353	1,519,874	1,441,941	1,376,093	1,626,687
School Administrative Services	2,801,552	2,890,800	3,438,947	3,649,080	3,653,932	3,402,486	3,905,484	3,698,841	3,514,832	3,660,588
Central Services and Admin. Info. Technolog	1,515,178	1,322,865	1,371,526	1,413,974	1,372,111	1,468,876	1,524,447	1,438,149	1,356,066	1,480,250
Plant Operations and Maintenance	3,700,896	3,669,476	3,754,899	3,776,579	4,076,207	3,684,940	3,919,240	3,991,798	6,105,356	7,809,810
Pupil Transportation	1,621,563	1,886,266	2,060,894	2,109,614	2,608,161	2,500,364	1,906,103	2,769,692	3,218,162	3,713,261
Unallocated Benefits	443,134									
Interest on Long-Term Debt		913,382	912,312	916,101	900,330	858,132	808,067	735,550	649,751	412,849
Total Governmental Activities Expenses	43,321,135	44,184,726	48,503,066	50,600,064	52,097,075	52,725,096	54,990,547	53,328,788	58,512,212	60,585,740
Business-Type Activities:										
Food service	891,617	947,926	931,821	1,003,913	1,098,382	873,687	822,427	1,554,324	1,470,239	1,304,823
Before/After Care Program	129,686									
Summer Session Program	24,818	36,945	36,415	19,719	38,069	33,793			18,772	16,163
Total Business-Type Activities Expense	1,046,121	984,871	968,236	1,023,632	1,136,451	907,480	822,427	1,554,324	1,489,011	1,320,986
Total District Expenses	\$ 44,367,256	\$ 45,169,597	\$ 49,471,302	\$ 51,623,696	\$ 53,233,526	\$ 53,632,576	\$ 55,812,974	\$ 54,883,112	\$ 60,001,223	\$ 61,906,726
<b>Program Revenues</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
Charges for Services	\$ 213,843	\$ 197,399	\$ 124,088	\$ 228,599	\$ 79,676	\$ 190,837	\$ 133,370	\$ 324,741	\$ 309,854	\$ 326,832
Operating Grants and Contributions	9,327,421	10,694,109	12,918,625	14,414,893	14,028,415	13,395,095	17,762,922	15,443,858	15,686,693	14,027,835
Capital Grants and Contributions		77,000	9,410	31,182				6,887	915,908	699,557
Total Governmental Activities Program Revenues	9,541,264	10,968,508	13,052,123	14,674,674	14,108,091	13,585,932	17,896,292	15,775,486	16,912,455	15,054,224

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
(Unaudited)  
*(accrual basis of accounting)*

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>										
Charges for Services										
Food Service	\$ 432,590	\$ 398,561	\$ 415,325	\$ 466,259	\$ 497,685	\$ 332,230		\$ 84,636	\$ 597,110	\$ 499,243
Before/After CARE Program	245,354	2,245								
Summer Session Program	17,667	22,656	16,149	8,998	27,570	12,525			1,850	2,754
Operating Grants and Contributions	531,571	566,237	588,951	574,596	577,525	476,420	\$ 1,073,732	1,624,970	812,378	851,393
Total Business Type Activities Program Revenues	1,227,182	989,699	1,020,425	1,049,853	1,102,780	821,175	1,073,732	1,709,606	1,411,338	1,353,390
Total District Program Revenues	\$ 10,768,446	\$ 11,958,207	\$ 14,072,548	\$ 15,724,527	\$ 15,210,871	\$ 14,407,107	\$ 18,970,024	\$ 17,485,092	\$ 18,323,793	\$ 16,407,614
<b>Net (Expense)/Revenue</b>										
Governmental Activities	\$ (33,779,871)	\$ (31,371,584)	\$ (35,450,943)	\$ (35,925,390)	\$ (37,988,984)	\$ (39,139,164)	\$ (37,094,255)	\$ (37,553,302)	\$ (41,599,757)	\$ (45,531,516)
Business-Type Activities	181,061	4,828	52,189	26,221	(33,671)	(86,305)	251,305	155,282	(77,673)	32,404
Total District-Wide Net Expense	\$ (33,598,810)	\$ (31,366,756)	\$ (35,398,754)	\$ (35,899,169)	\$ (38,022,655)	\$ (39,225,469)	\$ (36,842,950)	\$ (37,398,020)	\$ (41,677,430)	\$ (45,499,112)
<b>General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
Property Taxes Levied for General Purposes	\$ 29,579,684	\$ 31,160,280	\$ 31,783,486	\$ 32,973,746	\$ 33,692,252	\$ 33,770,852	\$ 34,446,269	\$ 34,765,194	\$ 34,765,194	\$ 35,460,498
Taxes Levied for Debt Service	2,123,084	2,128,740	2,292,850	2,390,209	2,394,530	2,141,484	2,391,430	2,264,688	2,395,899	1,686,914
Unrestricted Federal and State Aid	1,176,221	1,269,440	1,232,660	1,241,807	2,743,495	4,643,921	6,144,774	10,024,544	12,733,646	15,995,951
State Aid for Debt Service Principal			169,176	140,550	142,780	146,519	152,229	158,574	169,181	182,609
Cancellation Accounts Receivable/Payable		82,582								
Investment earnings	16,581		90,730	64,241	124,589	196,359	157,171		874,513	1,548,461
Miscellaneous Income	232,953	312,991	134,873	179,384	169,108	171,489	210,433	319,928	232,522	588,238
Transfers		(11,436)	381,843	(25,000)	(25,000)	(10,000)		(20,000)	(20,000)	(150,000)
Total Governmental Activities	33,128,523	34,942,597	36,085,618	36,964,937	39,241,754	41,060,624	43,502,306	47,512,928	51,150,955	55,312,671
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>										
Investment Earnings	143									
Miscellaneous									32,283	-
Transfers		11,436	(381,843)	25,000	25,000	10,000		20,000	20,000	150,000
Total Business-Type Activities	143	11,436	(381,843)	25,000	25,000	10,000	-	20,000	52,283	150,000
Total District-Wide	\$ 33,128,666	\$ 34,954,033	\$ 35,703,775	\$ 36,989,937	\$ 39,266,754	\$ 41,070,624	\$ 43,502,306	\$ 47,532,928	\$ 51,203,238	\$ 55,462,671
<b>Change in Net Position</b>										
Governmental Activities	\$ (651,348)	\$ 3,571,013	\$ 634,675	\$ 1,039,547	\$ 1,252,770	\$ 1,921,460	\$ 6,408,051	\$ 9,959,626	\$ 9,551,198	\$ 9,781,155
Business-Type Activities	181,204	16,264	(329,654)	51,221	(8,671)	(76,305)	251,305	175,282	(25,390)	182,404
Total District	\$ (470,144)	\$ 3,587,277	\$ 305,021	\$ 1,090,768	\$ 1,244,099	\$ 1,845,155	\$ 6,659,356	\$ 10,134,908	\$ 9,525,808	\$ 9,963,559

Note 1 - Changes in Net Position for the year ended June 30, 2020 is restated to reflect the implementation of GASB No. 84 "Fiduciary Activities".

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
(Unaudited)  
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General Fund										
Restricted	\$ 3,074,002	\$ 3,087,205	\$ 3,970,740	\$ 6,216,903	\$ 7,375,172	\$ 11,569,347	\$ 17,293,756	\$ 23,766,951	\$ 31,269,870	\$ 33,269,002
Committed								619,563	491,510	135,394
Assigned	29,600	65,719	31,442	166,540	551,627	343,154	196,751	376,982	962,845	1,079,236
Unassigned	29,177	104,031	88,167	308,597	203,689	34,431	756,403	495,811	(509,565)	(648,731)
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 3,132,779</b>	<b>\$ 3,256,955</b>	<b>\$ 4,090,349</b>	<b>\$ 6,692,040</b>	<b>\$ 8,130,488</b>	<b>\$ 11,946,932</b>	<b>\$ 18,246,910</b>	<b>\$ 25,259,307</b>	<b>\$ 32,214,660</b>	<b>\$ 33,834,901</b>
All Other Governmental Funds										
Restricted for:										
Student Activities							\$ 143,998	\$ 132,243	\$ 132,596	\$ 154,168
Capital Projects		\$ 6,969,798	\$ 2,300,730	\$ 1,186,862	\$ 122,365					6,269,379
Debt Service		4,729	4,729			\$ 137,857	137,857			2,952
Assigned									6,070	1,118
Unassigned	\$ (765,913)									
<b>Total all other governmental funds</b>	<b>\$ (765,913)</b>	<b>\$ 6,974,527</b>	<b>\$ 2,305,459</b>	<b>\$ 1,186,862</b>	<b>\$ 122,365</b>	<b>\$ 137,857</b>	<b>\$ 281,855</b>	<b>\$ 132,243</b>	<b>\$ 138,666</b>	<b>\$ 6,427,617</b>

Note 1 - Fund Balances at June 30, 2020 is restated to reflect the implementation of GASB No. 84 "Fiduciary Activities".

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS,**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

(Unaudited)

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Revenues</b>										
Tax Levy	\$ 33,289,020	\$ 34,076,336	\$ 35,363,955	\$ 36,086,782	\$ 35,912,336	\$ 36,837,699	\$ 37,171,512	\$ 37,029,882	\$ 37,161,093	\$ 37,147,412
Tuition	213,843	197,399	124,088	228,599	79,676	26,350	98,992	203,931	152,256	134,892
Miscellaneous	413,670	302,922	293,649	352,359	403,502	557,626	392,428	462,088	1,275,272	2,348,293
State Sources	6,340,110	7,098,021	7,393,918	9,520,545	13,639,212	15,704,588	18,056,198	23,689,451	26,631,965	30,380,262
Federal Sources	1,416,690	1,528,353	1,345,434	1,375,067	1,471,857	1,496,113	2,280,444	2,231,505	5,021,579	3,934,589
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>41,673,333</b>	<b>43,203,031</b>	<b>44,521,044</b>	<b>47,563,352</b>	<b>51,506,583</b>	<b>54,622,376</b>	<b>57,999,574</b>	<b>63,616,857</b>	<b>70,242,165</b>	<b>73,945,448</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>										
<b>Instruction</b>										
Regular Instruction	12,904,644	13,187,793	13,749,348	14,562,038	15,296,139	15,761,241	17,093,292	18,934,846	19,443,163	20,949,032
Special Education Instruction	9,123,082	8,884,888	9,268,202	9,005,598	9,762,852	10,951,825	10,616,931	10,732,066	11,067,127	11,343,125
Other Instruction	499,891	477,517	480,301	859,341	974,417	1,024,832	753,586	844,838	3,132,816	1,612,591
School Sponsored/Other Instructional	565,270	598,011	615,310	558,829	719,556	883,562	701,974	892,123	1,147,910	1,244,967
<b>Support Services:</b>										
Instruction - Tuition										
Student & Inst. Related Services	4,818,144	4,922,487	5,600,004	5,684,434	6,964,271	6,907,532	7,048,551	7,321,557	9,056,381	9,764,656
General Administration	1,106,989	1,204,673	1,134,287	1,125,445	1,030,356	1,389,431	1,407,681	1,412,926	1,424,764	1,517,471
School Administration	2,434,687	2,419,779	2,695,700	2,832,222	3,076,687	2,992,220	3,289,526	3,602,287	3,724,613	4,002,868
Central Administrative Services	1,429,273	1,227,405	1,194,069	1,183,349	1,220,314	1,363,533	1,334,285	1,382,171	1,434,337	1,553,562
Operations and Maintenance	3,462,358	3,399,914	3,284,256	3,324,884	3,695,230	3,511,625	3,638,309	3,867,688	4,448,631	5,780,589
Student Transportation	1,615,070	1,881,373	2,050,381	2,095,373	2,598,333	2,494,200	1,899,125	2,766,836	3,200,363	3,674,528
Employee Benefits										
Transfer to Charter Schools										
Capital Outlay	3,110,577	6,748,440	1,604,646	1,724,284	876,407	870,570	1,281,987	2,292,502	2,512,578	1,780,363
<b>Debt Service</b>										
Principal	1,658,332	1,945,688	1,906,088	1,877,373	2,699,866	1,575,000	1,640,000	1,736,511	1,822,053	1,912,612
Interest and Other Charges	542,893	1,231,798	1,198,655	1,167,988	1,128,215	1,072,300	1,008,000	934,070	845,653	752,844
Payment to Escrow Agent	736,846									
Cost of Issuance	604,928									141,513
<b>Total Governmental Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>44,612,984</b>	<b>48,129,766</b>	<b>44,781,247</b>	<b>46,001,158</b>	<b>50,042,643</b>	<b>50,797,871</b>	<b>51,713,247</b>	<b>56,720,421</b>	<b>63,260,389</b>	<b>66,030,721</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures</b>	<b>(2,939,651)</b>	<b>(4,926,735)</b>	<b>(260,203)</b>	<b>1,562,194</b>	<b>1,463,940</b>	<b>3,824,505</b>	<b>6,286,327</b>	<b>(51,848,929)</b>	<b>6,981,776</b>	<b>7,914,727</b>

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS,**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
*(modified accrual basis of accounting)*

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>										
Transfers in	\$ 44,539	\$ 416,843			\$ 250,000	\$ 1,325	\$ 25,513	\$ 188,357	\$ 65,000	\$ 7,553,001
Transfers out	(55,975)	(35,000)	\$ (25,000)	\$ (25,000)	(260,000)	(1,325)	(25,513)	(208,357)	(85,000)	(7,703,001)
Refunding Bond Proceeds										13,335,000
Proceeds from the Sale of Bonds	30,565,000									
Premium on Bonds	3,652,727									1,040,078
Payments to Refunding Escrow	(23,382,000)									(14,230,613)
Capital Leases/Lease Purchase Proceeds	556,855									
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>11,381,146</u>	<u>381,843</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>	<u>(5,535)</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>\$ 8,441,495</u>	<u>\$ (4,544,892)</u>	<u>\$ (285,203)</u>	<u>\$ 1,537,194</u>	<u>\$ 1,453,940</u>	<u>\$ 3,824,505</u>	<u>\$ 6,286,327</u>	<u>\$ (51,868,929)</u>	<u>\$ 6,961,776</u>	<u>\$ 7,909,192</u>
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	5.30%	7.68%	7.19%	6.88%	7.79%	5.30%	5.25%	4.91%	4.39%	4.15%

\* Noncapital expenditures are total expenditures less capital outlay.

Note 1 - Changes in Fund Balances for the year ended June 30, 2020 is restated to reflect the implementation of GASB No. 84 "Fiduciary Activities".

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND OTHER LOCAL REVENUE BY SOURCE  
LAST TEN YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30,</b>	<b><u>Tuition</u></b>	<b><u>Interest on Investments</u></b>	<b><u>Transfer from Payroll Trust and Agency</u></b>	<b><u>E-Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Athletic Gate Receipts</u></b>	<b><u>Energy Credits</u></b>	<b><u>Rebates/ Refunds</u></b>	<b><u>Other Misc.</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
2015	\$ 213,843	\$ 38,043		\$ 64,634				\$ 248,357	\$ 564,877
2016	197,399	90,730		76,982				57,891	423,002
2017	124,088	64,241	\$ 5,569	69,826	\$ 3,336		\$ 30,595	70,058	367,713
2018	228,599	127,589		73,914	4,914	\$ 10,686	44,794	31,800	522,296
2019	76,976	196,359		61,639	3,525	17,223	20,522	52,582	428,826
2020	26,350	154,521		84,609	7,975	10,573	15,339	93,262	392,629
2021	98,992	100,510		145,208		1,509	66,884	33,913	447,016
2022	203,931	135,248		105,989	5,301	11,677	45,592	16,121	523,859
2023	152,256	874,513		114,390		12,820	66,799	38,513	1,259,291
2024	134,892	1,548,461		209,715	6,251	4,564	335,089	32,619	2,271,591

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ASSESSED VALUE AND ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY**  
**LAST TEN YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Vacant Land	Residential	Qfarm	Commercial	Industrial	Apartment	Total Assessed Value	Public Utilities	Net Valuation Taxable	Estimated Actual (County Equalized) Value	Total Direct School Tax Rate <sup>a</sup>
2015	\$ 12,807,700	\$ 1,586,494,000		\$ 260,312,600	\$ 114,720,800	\$ 76,758,700	\$ 2,051,093,800	\$ 100	\$ 2,062,368,700	\$ 2,097,262,176	1.657
2016	12,184,900	1,593,960,300		259,987,400	114,105,700	82,130,300	2,062,368,600	99	2,072,358,499	2,105,355,467	1.684
2017	11,813,900	1,605,280,300		258,841,400	114,292,500	82,130,300	2,072,358,400	100	2,075,093,400	2,117,435,483	1.724
2018	12,723,200	1,608,122,000		257,549,400	114,568,400	82,130,300	2,075,093,300	90	2,076,266,690	2,309,774,854	1.730
2019	13,299,200	1,612,285,000		255,198,700	114,568,400	80,915,300	2,076,266,600	100	2,079,454,400	2,317,059,270	1.760
2020	13,576,600	1,620,518,200		247,144,200	117,300,000	80,915,300	2,079,454,300	89	2,079,454,389	2,341,089,896	1.781
2021	12,021,700	1,626,447,500		245,653,600	117,300,000	80,915,300	2,082,338,100	100	2,097,212,800	2,436,053,084	1.781
2022	8,259,600	1,633,964,100		249,210,300	117,300,000	88,478,700	2,097,212,700	89	2,097,212,789	2,469,579,292	1.775
2023	20,559,700	1,633,961,000		249,508,200	115,667,100	100,315,300	2,120,011,300	89	2,120,011,389	2,729,147,257	1.738
2024	9,918,300	1,635,946,300		249,866,800	166,937,400	119,900,300	2,182,569,100	89	2,182,569,189	2,947,288,849	1.720

Source: County Abstract of Ratables

<sup>a</sup> Tax rates are per \$100

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING PROPERTY TAX RATES**  
**LAST TEN YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
*(rate per \$100 of assessed value)*

Calendar Year	Total Direct School Tax Rate		Overlapping Rates		Total Direct and Overlapping Tax Rate
	Elmwood Park Local School District	Municipality of Elmwood Park	County of Bergen		
2015	\$ 1.657	\$ 0.881	\$ 0.245	\$	2.783
2016	1.684	0.861	0.250		2.795
2017	1.724	0.908	0.257		2.889
2018	1.730	0.920	0.273		2.923
2019	1.760	0.919	0.272		2.951
2020	1.781	0.941	0.280		3.002
2021	1.781	0.953	0.292		3.026
2022	1.775	0.952	0.285		3.012
2023	1.738	0.946	0.319		3.003
2024	1.720	1.035	0.314		3.069

Source: County Abstract of Ratables

\* Includes Library

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS,  
CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO  
(Unaudited)**

Taxpayer	2024		2015	
	Taxable Assessed Value	% of Total District Net Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value	% of Total District Net Assessed Value
Xchange Market Street LLC	\$ 52,201,500	2.39%		
Riverwalk III, LLC	20,400,000	0.93%		
RD Elmwood Assoc. c/o Ryan PTS Dept. 800	14,486,100	0.66%	\$ 21,503,500	1.05%
Riverfront Residential 1 LLC	14,000,000	0.64%	14,000,000	0.68%
Riverwalk III, LLC	11,430,000	0.52%		
Chipt Newark Elmwood Park LLC	10,768,800	0.49%		
LKD-3, LLC	9,750,000	0.45%	11,003,900	0.54%
Riverfront Residential 2 LLC	9,269,100	0.42%		
East Coast Elmwood Vill. LLC	9,107,900	0.42%	21,580,100	1.05%
RD Elmwood Assoc. c/o Ryan PTS Dept. 80000	8,793,800	0.40%		
Marcal Manufacturing LLC			13,000,000	0.63%
35 Market Street, L.P.			11,700,000	0.57%
LKD-1, LLC			11,496,700	0.56%
PRC-1, LLC			10,954,500	0.53%
Bankers Financial Corp			9,467,000	0.46%
SG National LLC			9,467,000	0.46%
	<u>\$ 160,207,200</u>	<u>7.34%</u>	<u>\$ 134,172,700</u>	<u>6.54%</u>

Source: Municipal Tax Assessor

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

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	\$ 33,289,020	\$ 33,289,020	100.00%	
2016	34,076,336	34,076,336	100.00%	
2017	35,363,955	35,363,955	100.00%	
2018	36,086,782	36,086,782	100.00%	
2019	35,912,336	35,912,336	100.00%	
2020	36,837,699	36,837,699	100.00%	
2021	37,171,512	37,171,512	100.00%	
2022	37,029,882	37,029,882	100.00%	
2023	37,161,093	37,161,093	100.00%	
2024	37,147,412	37,147,412	100.00%	

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Governmental Activities			Leases	Total District	Population	Per Capita
	General Obligation Bonds	Loans Payable	Capital and Other Financing Agreements				
2015	\$ 30,565,000	\$ 1,754,497	\$ 809,518		\$ 33,129,015	20,062	\$ 1,651
2016	29,165,000	1,524,497	493,830		31,183,327	20,100	1,551
2017	27,705,000	1,294,497	277,742		29,277,239	20,081	1,458
2018	26,220,000	1,064,497	115,369		27,399,866	20,116	1,362
2019	24,700,000				24,700,000	20,036	1,233
2020	23,125,000				23,125,000	19,965	1,158
2021	21,485,000			\$ 79,631	21,564,631	19,863	1,086
2022	19,770,000			58,120	19,828,120	21,267	932
2023	17,970,000			36,067	18,006,067	21,233	848
2024	15,305,000			13,455	15,318,455	21,256	721

Source: District records

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**RATIOS OF NET GENERAL BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	General Bonded Debt Outstanding			Percentage of Actual Taxable Value of Property	Per Capita
	General Obligation Bonds	Deductions	Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding		
2015	\$ 30,565,000		\$ 30,565,000	1.48%	1,524
2016	29,165,000		29,165,000	1.41%	1,451
2017	27,705,000		27,705,000	1.34%	1,380
2018	26,220,000		26,220,000	1.26%	1,303
2019	24,700,000	\$ 137,857	24,562,143	1.18%	1,226
2020	23,125,000	137,857	22,987,143	1.11%	1,151
2021	21,485,000	137,857	21,347,143	1.02%	1,075
2022	19,770,000		19,770,000	0.94%	930
2023	17,970,000		17,970,000	0.85%	846
2024	15,305,000	2,952	15,302,048	0.70%	720

Source: District records

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DEBT  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023  
(Unaudited)**

	<u><b>Total Debt</b></u>
Municipal Debt: (1)	
Elmwood Park School District	\$ 15,305,000
Borough of Elmwood Park	<u>32,607,118</u>
 Total Direct Debt	 <u>47,912,118</u>
Overlapping Debt Apportioned to the Municipality:	
Bergen County:	
County of Bergen (A)	20,645,825
Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission (B)	<u>6,090,748</u>
 Total Overlapping Debt	 <u>26,736,573</u>
 Total Direct and Overlapping Debt	 <u>\$ 74,648,691</u>

Source:

(1) Borough's 2023 Annual Debt Statement

(A) The debt for this entity was apportioned to the municipality by dividing the municipality's 2023 equalized value by the total 2023 equalized value for Bergen County.

(B) The debt was computed based upon municipal flow to the Authority.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

**Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2024**

	Equalized valuation basis
	2023 \$ 2,845,270,836
	2022 2,683,573,512
	2021 2,436,052,995
	<u>\$ 7,964,897,343</u>
Average equalized valuation of taxable property	<u>\$ 2,654,965,781</u>
Debt limit (4 % of average equalization value)	\$ 106,198,631
Total Net Debt Applicable to Limit	<u>15,305,000</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 90,893,631</u>

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Debt limit	\$ 83,525,942	\$ 82,663,201	\$ 83,368,272	\$ 86,164,254	\$ 89,114,276	\$ 114,615,927	\$ 93,657,747	\$ 95,474,694	\$ 100,300,117	\$ 106,198,631
Total net debt applicable to limit	<u>30,565,000</u>	<u>29,165,000</u>	<u>27,705,000</u>	<u>26,220,000</u>	<u>24,700,000</u>	<u>23,125,000</u>	<u>21,485,000</u>	<u>19,770,000</u>	<u>17,970,000</u>	<u>15,305,000</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 52,960,942</u>	<u>\$ 53,498,201</u>	<u>\$ 55,663,272</u>	<u>\$ 59,944,254</u>	<u>\$ 64,414,276</u>	<u>\$ 91,490,927</u>	<u>\$ 72,172,747</u>	<u>\$ 75,704,694</u>	<u>\$ 82,330,117</u>	<u>\$ 90,893,631</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	36.59%	35.28%	33.23%	30.43%	27.72%	20.18%	22.94%	20.71%	17.92%	14.41%

Source: Annual Debt Statements

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Per Capita Personal Income</u>	<u>Unemployment Rate</u>
2015	20,062	\$ 77,323	6.00%
2016	20,100	78,836	5.50%
2017	20,081	81,024	5.10%
2018	20,116	85,191	4.60%
2019	20,036	88,241	4.20%
2020	19,965	91,972	13.40%
2021	19,863	97,343	8.60%
2022	21,267	97,138	4.70%
2023	21,233	97,138 *	5.20%
2024	21,256	97,138 *	Not Available

Source: New Jersey State Department of Education

\* Estimated

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS,  
CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO  
(Unaudited)**

	<u>2024</u>		<u>2015</u>	
		Percentage of Total Municipal Employment		Percentage of Total Municipal Employment
<u>Employer</u>	<u>Employees</u>		<u>Employees</u>	

INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DISTRICT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>Function/Program</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Instruction										
Regular	121.0	126.0	112.0	117.0	130.0	134.0	138.0	154.0	146.90	135.50
Special Education	65.0	65.0	65.0	70.3	73.2	76.8	72.1	66.5	70.00	61.75
Other Instruction	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.00	1.50
Support Services:										
Student & instruction related services	56.0	55.3	56.8	59.7	65.9	63.5	65.5	61.7	75.70	81.90
General administrative Services	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.50	6.00
School Administrative Services	19.0	19.0	19.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	20.0	22.90	25.60
Business Administrative Services	11.6	10.6	13.8	12.3	12.3	10.8	11.8	10.8	7.68	8.34
Plant Operations and Maintenance	22.0	23.0	22.0	21.0	22.0	22.0	21.0	23.0	24.00	27.50
Pupil transportation	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.70	0.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>300.3</b>	<b>304.6</b>	<b>294.3</b>	<b>308.0</b>	<b>331.1</b>	<b>334.8</b>	<b>336.1</b>	<b>342.7</b>	<b>354.38</b>	<b>348.75</b>

Source: District Personnel Records

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OPERATING STATISTICS  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	Enrollment <sup>a</sup>		Teacher/Pupil Ratio							Average Daily Enrollment (ADE)	Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
			Operating Expenditures <sup>b</sup>	Cost Per Pupil <sup>c</sup>	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff	Elementary	Junior High School	High School				
2015	2,541	\$	37,959,408	\$ 14,939	5.44%	300	1:14	1:15	1:17	2,530.8	2,422.1	0.16%	95.70%
2016	2,508		38,203,840	15,233	1.97%	305	1:15	1:15	1:13	2,532.5	2,429.0	0.07%	95.91%
2017	2,542		40,071,858	15,764	3.49%	294	1:16	1:18	1:16	2,571.2	2,455.5	1.53%	95.50%
2018	2,601		41,231,513	15,852	0.56%	308	1:15	1:15	1:17	2,601.3	2,476.2	1.17%	95.19%
2019	2,548		45,338,155	17,794	12.25%	331	1:13	1:14	1:17	2,548.1	2,430.7	-2.05%	95.39%
2020	2,563		47,280,001	18,447	3.67%	335	1:12	1:13	1:14	2,562.8	2,466.3	0.58%	96.23%
2021	2,495		47,783,260	19,152	3.82%	336	1:13	1:14	1:16	2,495.0	2,385.3	-2.65%	95.60%
2022	2,564	d	51,757,338	20,186	5.40%	342	1:11	1:13	1:16	2,500.4	2,337.8	0.22%	93.50%
2023	2,620	d	58,080,105	22,168	9.82%	354	1:12	1:13	1:16	2,605.2	2,450.7	4.19%	94.07%
2024	2,672	d	61,443,389	22,995	3.73%	349	1:12	1:13	1:16	2,570.0	2,368.0	-1.35%	92.14%

Sources: District records

- Note:
- a Enrollment based on annual October district count
  - b Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay
  - c Cost per pupil represents operating expenditures divided by enrollment
  - d Enrollment includes resident Charter School students and Sent students

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL BUILDING INFORMATION  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b><u>District Building</u></b>										
<b>Gantner Elementary School</b>										
Square Feet	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453	38,453
Enrollment	354	375	359	352	317	310	332	323	342	342
<b>Gilbert Elementary School</b>										
Square Feet	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767	54,767
Enrollment	395	406	414	449	412	411	386	404	413	441
<b>16th Avenue School</b>										
Square Feet	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525	53,525
Enrollment	325	467	466	485	470	470	422	400	423	418
<b>High School/Middle School</b>										
Square Feet	210,822	210,822	210,822	210,822	210,822	210,822	212,460	212,460	212,460	212,460
Enrollment	1,267	1,260	1,303	1,315	1,349	1,372	1,355	1,374	1,383	1,369

Number of Schools at June 30, 2024  
 Elementary = 3  
 High/Middle School = 1

Source: District Records

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REQUIRED MAINTENANCE FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES  
LAST TEN YEARS  
(Unaudited)

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

	<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>School Facilities</b>										
Memorial/Middle/High School	\$ 320,628	\$ 317,224	\$ 265,472	\$ 385,596	\$ 332,452	\$ 306,447	\$ 414,603	\$ 426,887	\$ 361,259	\$ 752,175
Gantner Avenue Elementary School	62,269	57,860	48,420	70,331	60,638	54,982	75,039	77,261	206,439	353,965
Gilbert Avenue Elementary School	60,464	82,414	68,964	100,170	86,364	73,309	106,874	110,041	186,201	298,967
Sixteenth Avenue Elementary School	<u>118,539</u>	<u>95,586</u>	<u>79,993</u>	<u>116,189</u>	<u>100,175</u>	<u>90,832</u>	<u>123,965</u>	<u>127,637</u>	<u>189,456</u>	<u>673,631</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$ 561,900</u>	<u>\$ 553,084</u>	<u>\$ 462,849</u>	<u>\$ 672,286</u>	<u>\$ 579,629</u>	<u>\$ 525,570</u>	<u>\$ 720,481</u>	<u>\$ 741,826</u>	<u>\$ 943,355</u>	<u>\$ 2,078,738</u>

Source: District Records

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
INSURANCE SCHEDULE  
JUNE 30, 2024  
(Unaudited)**

	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
School Package Policy - (1)		
Building and Contents (All Locations)	\$ 500,000,000	\$ 5,000
Boiler and Machinery	100,000,000	25,000
Automobile Liability Coverage	16,000,000	1,000
Comprehensive General Liability	16,000,000	100
School Leaders Errors & Omissions Liability	16,000,000	10,000
Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability	21,987,041	
Public Employee Dishonest with Faithful Performance	50,000	500
Electronic Data Processing	500,000,000	1,000
School Violent Act Coverage (2)	1,000,000	
Cyber Liability (3)	2,000,000	25,000
Surety Bonds (4)		
Board Secretary/Business Administrator	350,000	
Treasurer of School Monies	350,000	

- (1) New Jersey School Insurance Group  
(2) AIG/National Union Fire Insurance Company  
(3) Great American Insurance Group  
(4) Hartford Fire Insurance Company

Source: District records

Source: School District's records

**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  
Elmwood Park Board of Education  
Elmwood Park, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Elmwood Park Board of Education's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2024.

**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

However, we noted certain matters that are not required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards that we reported to management of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in a separate report entitled, "Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings – Financial, Compliance and Performance" dated September 30, 2024.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Elmwood Park Board of Education'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 Elmwood Park Board of Education's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Fair Lawn, New Jersey  
September 30, 2024



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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAM;  
REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT  
ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE  
U.S. UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS  
REQUIRED BY NEW JERSEY OMB CIRCULAR 15-08**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Honorable President and Members  
of the Board of Education  
Elmwood Park Board of Education  
Elmwood Park, New Jersey

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program**

***Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program***

We have audited the Elmwood Park Board of Education's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement and the New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Elmwood Park Board of Education's major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The Elmwood Park Board of Education's major federal and 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

***Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal and 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; audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and audit requirements of New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid. Our responsibilities under those standards, U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Elmwood Park 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, regulation, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Elmwood Park Board of Education's federal and state programs.

## ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Elmwood Park Board of Education'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, audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, U.S. Uniform Guidance 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 omission, misrepresentation, 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education's compliance with the requirements of each major federal and state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, U.S. Uniform Guidance, and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 Elmwood Park Board of Education'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 Elmwood Park Board of Education's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Elmwood Park Board of Education'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 or state 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 or state 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 or state 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.


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 U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by U.S. Uniform Guidance and Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance Required by New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Elmwood Park Board of Education, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board of Education's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2024, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by the U.S. Uniform Guidance and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 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 financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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September 30, 2024

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal/Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	AL Number	FAIN Number	Grant Period	Award Amount	Balance, July 1, 2023		Carryover/ (Walkover) Amount Def. Rev.	Carryover/ (Walkover) Amount A/R	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Funds Released		Balance, June 30, 2024		Memo GAAP Receivable
					(Account Receivable)	Deferred Revenue					Def. Rev.	A/R	(Account Receivable)	Deferred Revenue	
U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed-through State Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund															
School Breakfast Program	10.553	231NJ304N1099	7/1/22-6/30/23	\$ 75,984	\$ (5,137)			\$ 5,137							-
School Breakfast Program	10.553	241NJ304N1099	7/1/23-6/30/24	94,455				88,891	\$ 94,455				\$ (5,564)		\$ (5,564)
National School Lunch Program	10.555	241NJ304N1099													
Cash Assistance			7/1/22-6/30/23	526,643	(27,835)			27,835							-
Cash Assistance			7/1/23-6/30/24	506,377				482,209	506,377				(24,168)		(24,168)
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution)			7/1/22-6/30/23	57,181		\$ 461			461	-	-				-
Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution)			7/1/23-6/30/24	60,426				60,426	60,426	-	-				-
Supply Chain Assistance			7/1/23-9/30/24	62,339				62,339	62,339	-	-				-
P-EBT Administrative Costs	10.649	242125900941	7/1/23-6/30/24	653	-	-	-	-	653	653	-	-	-	-	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster/Enterprise Fund					(32,972)	461	-	-	727,490	724,711	-	-	(29,732)	-	(29,732)
U.S. Department of Education Passed-through State Department of Education															
Special Revenue Fund															
ESEA															
Title I	84.010	S010A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23	494,411	(260,567)	14,092	\$ (14,092)	\$ 14,092	246,475				-	-	-
Title I	84.010	S010A230030	7/1/23-9/30/24	571,835			14,092	(14,092)	380,505	555,760			(205,422)	\$ 30,167	(175,255)
Title I SIA	84.010	S010A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23	20,000	(4,042)	3,936	(3,936)	3,936	106	-	-	-	-	-	-
Title I SIA	84.010	S010A230030	7/1/23-9/30/24		-	-	3,936	(3,936)	-	-	-	-	(3,936)	3,936	-
Total ESEA Title I					(264,609)	18,028	-	-	627,086	555,760	-	-	(209,358)	34,103	(175,255)
Title II, Part A	84.367A	S367A220029	7/1/22-9/30/23	76,659	(18,210)	7,860	(5,660)	5,660	12,550	2,200			-	-	-
Title II, Part A	84.367A	S367A230029	7/1/23-9/30/24	88,121	-	-	5,660	(5,660)	76,673	89,777	-	-	(17,108)	4,004	(13,104)
Total ESEA Title II, Part A					(18,210)	7,860	-	-	89,223	91,977	-	-	(17,108)	4,004	(13,104)
Title III	84.365	S365A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23	30,967	(30,709)	28,010	(28,010)	28,010	2,699				-	-	-
Title III	84.365	S365A230030	7/1/23-9/30/24	38,418			28,010	(28,010)	17,600	28,780			(48,828)	37,648	(11,180)
Title III, Immigrant	84.365	S365A220030	7/1/22-9/30/23		(3,566)	3,566			3,566	3,566			-	-	-
Title III, Immigrant	84.365	S365A230030	7/1/23-9/30/24	21,651	-	-	-	-	5,500	5,500	-	-	(16,151)	16,151	-
Total ESEA Title III					(34,275)	31,576	-	-	29,365	37,846	-	-	(64,979)	53,799	(11,180)
ESEA Title IV	84.424	S424A210031	7/1/22-9/30/23	42,654	(38,782)	18,592	(18,592)	18,592	20,190		-	-	-	-	-
ESEA Title IV	84.424	S424A220031	7/1/23-9/30/24	37,571	-	-	18,592	(18,592)	7,805	7,805	-	-	(48,358)	48,358	-
Total ESEA Title IV					(38,782)	18,592	-	-	27,995	7,805	-	-	(48,358)	48,358	-
I.D.E.A. Part B, Basic Regular	84.027	H027A220100	7/1/22-9/30/23	666,591	(26,419)	23,604	(23,604)	23,604	2,815				-	-	-
I.D.E.A. Part B, Basic Regular	84.027	H027A230100	7/1/23-9/30/24	715,981			23,604	(23,604)	712,900	715,400			(26,685)	24,185	(2,500)
I.D.E.A. Part B, ARP Basic	84.027X	H027X210100	7/1/21-9/30/22	139,076	(31,646)	2,634			31,646	2,634			-	-	-
I.D.E.A. Part B, Preschool	84.173	H173A220114	7/1/22-9/30/23	26,572	(26,572)				26,572				-	-	-
I.D.E.A. Part B, Preschool	84.173	H173A230114	7/1/23-9/30/24	26,553						26,553			(26,553)	-	(26,553)
I.D.E.A. Part B, ARP Preschool	84.173X	H173X210114	7/1/21-9/30/22	11,824	(210)	210	-	-	210	210	-	-	-	-	-
Total Special Education Cluster IDEA					(84,847)	26,448	-	-	774,143	744,797	-	-	(53,238)	24,185	(29,053)

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Federal/Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	AL Number	FAIN Number	Grant Period	Award Amount	Balance, July 1, 2023		Carryover/ (Walkover)	Carryover/ (Walkover)	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Funds Released		Balance, June 30, 2024		Memo
					(Account Receivable)	Deferred Revenue	Amount Def. Rev.	Amount A/R			Def. Rev.	A/R	(Account Receivable)	Deferred Revenue	GAAP Receivable
U.S. Department of Education															
Passed-through State Department of Education (Continued)															
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER)															
American Rescue Plan Consolidated															
ARP ESSER III	84.425U	S425U240027	3/13/20-9/30/24	\$ 4,463,617	\$ (3,410,604)	\$ 2,492,997			\$ 1,766,848	\$ 2,491,497			\$ (1,643,756)	\$ 1,500	\$ (1,642,256)
Accelerated Learning Coach and Educator Support	84.425U	S425U240027	3/13/20-9/30/24	256,877	(256,877)	256,877			90,115	253,992			(166,762)	2,885	(163,877)
Evidence Based Summer Learning and Enrichment	84.425U	S425U240027	3/13/20-9/30/24	40,000	(40,000)	40,000			40,000	40,000			-	-	-
Evidence Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day	84.425U	S425U240027	3/13/20-9/30/24	40,000	(40,000)	40,000			40,000	40,000			-	-	-
NJTSS Mental Health Support Staffing	84.425U	S425U240027	3/13/20-9/30/24	45,000	(45,000)	45,000			40,199	45,000			(4,801)	-	(4,801)
ARP Homeless Children and Youth II	84.425W	S425W240031	4/23/21-9/30/24	30,989					1,533	1,533			-	-	-
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II)															
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act															
ESSER II	84.425D	S425D210027	3/13/20-9/30/23	1,986,094	(272,558)	7,550			268,069	3,061	\$ 4,489	\$ (4,489)	-	-	-
Learning Acceleration	84.425D	S425D210027	3/13/20-9/30/23	127,458	(70,208)	12,412	-	-	57,796	-	12,412	(12,412)	-	-	-
Total ESSER Cluster					(4,135,247)	2,894,836	-	-	2,304,560	2,875,083	16,901	(16,901)	(1,815,319)	4,385	(1,810,934)
Total Special Revenue Fund					\$ (4,575,970)	\$ 2,997,340	-	-	3,852,372	4,313,268	16,901	(16,901)	\$ (2,208,360)	\$ 168,834	\$ (2,039,526)
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services															
General Fund															
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	2005NJ5MAP	7/1/23-6/30/24	16,501	-	-	-	-	16,501	16,501	-	-	-	-	-
Total General Fund					-	-	-	-	16,501	16,501	-	-	-	-	-
Total Federal Awards					\$ (4,608,942)	\$ 2,997,801	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,596,363	\$ 5,054,480	\$ 16,901	\$ (16,901)	\$ (2,238,092)	\$ 168,834	\$ (2,039,526)

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Grant Period	Award Amount	Balance, July 1, 2023	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Refund of Prior Years' Balances	Balance, June 30, 2024			Memo		
								(Accounts Receivable)	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor	GAAP Receivable	Cumulative Total Expenditures	
State Department of Education													
Current Expense:													
Equalization Aid	23-495-034-5120-078	7/1/22-6/30/23	\$ 12,963,648	\$ (1,178,224)	\$ 1,178,224								
Equalization Aid	24-495-034-5120-078	7/1/23-6/30/24	16,347,421		14,817,727	\$ 16,347,421		\$ (1,529,694)					\$ 16,347,421
Special Education Aid	23-495-034-5120-089	7/1/22-6/30/23	2,318,383	(210,710)	210,710								-
Special Education Aid	24-495-034-5120-089	7/1/23-6/30/24	2,318,383		2,101,442	2,318,383		(216,941)					2,318,383
Security Aid	23-495-034-5120-084	7/1/22-6/30/23	760,674	(69,135)	69,135								-
Security Aid	24-495-034-5120-084	7/1/23-6/30/24	760,674	-	689,495	760,674	-	(71,179)	-	-	-	-	760,674
Total State Aid Public Cluster			35,469,183	(1,458,069)	19,066,733	19,426,478	-	(1,817,814)	-	-	-	-	19,426,478
Transportation Aid	23-495-034-5120-014	7/1/22-6/30/23	547,120	(49,726)	49,726								-
Transportation Aid	24-495-034-5120-014	7/1/23-6/30/24	547,120		495,924	547,120		(51,196)					547,120
Nonpublic Transportation Aid	23-495-034-5120-014	7/1/22-6/30/23	63,638	(63,638)	63,638								-
Nonpublic Transportation Aid	24-495-034-5120-014	7/1/23-6/30/24	82,810			82,810		(82,810)				\$ (82,810)	82,810
Extraordinary Aid	23-495-034-5120-473	7/1/22-6/30/23	946,064	(946,064)	946,064								-
Extraordinary Aid	24-495-034-5120-473	7/1/23-6/30/24	850,300			850,300		(850,300)					850,300
Payment for Institutionalized Children - Unknown District of Residence													
Unknown District of Residence	23-495-034-5120-005	7/1/22-6/30/23	206,227	(206,227)	206,227								-
Payment for Institutionalized Children - Unknown District of Residence													
Unknown District of Residence	24-495-034-5120-005	7/1/23-6/30/24	253,833			253,833		(253,833)				(253,833)	253,833
On Behalf Payments													
TPAF Social Security	23-495-034-5094-003	7/1/22-6/30/23	1,275,372	(124,338)	124,338								-
TPAF Social Security	24-495-034-5094-003	7/1/23-6/30/24	1,367,746		1,300,552	1,367,746		(67,194)				(67,194)	1,367,746
TPAF Pension and OPEB													
Pension - NCGI Premium	24-495-034-5094-004	7/1/23-6/30/24	68,175		68,175	68,175							68,175
Pension Benefit Contribution	24-495-034-5094-002	7/1/23-6/30/24	5,977,964		5,977,964	5,977,964							5,977,964
Post-Retirement Medical Benefit Contribution	24-495-034-5094-001	7/1/23-6/30/24	1,645,538		1,645,538	1,645,538							1,645,538
Long-Term Disability Insurance	24-495-034-5094-004	7/1/23-6/30/24	3,278	-	3,278	3,278	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,278
Total General Fund				(2,848,062)	29,948,157	30,223,242	-	(3,123,147)	-	-	-	(403,837)	30,223,242
Special Revenue:													
Auxiliary Services Ch. 192:													
Compensatory Education	23-100-034-5120-067	7/1/22-6/30/23	84,006	18,581			\$ 18,581						-
Compensatory Education	24-100-034-5120-067	7/1/23-6/30/24	69,229		69,229	64,642				\$ 4,587			64,642
English as a Second Language	23-100-034-5120-067	7/1/22-6/30/23	14,533	6,013			6,013						-
English as a Second Language	24-100-034-5120-067	7/1/23-6/30/24	9,156	-	9,156	8,149	-	-	-	1,007	-		8,149
Total Auxiliary Services (Ch. 192) Cluster				24,594	78,385	72,791	24,594	-	-	-	5,594	-	72,791
Handicapped Services Ch. 193:													
Examination and Classification	23-100-034-5120-066	7/1/22-6/30/23	28,245	19,326			19,326						-
Examination and Classification	24-100-034-5120-066	7/1/23-6/30/24	34,976		34,976	11,094				23,882			11,094
Corrective Speech	23-100-034-5120-066	7/1/22-6/30/23	33,480	5,160			5,160						-
Corrective Speech	24-100-034-5120-066	7/1/23-6/30/24	27,900		27,900	27,900				-			27,900
Supplemental Instruction	23-100-034-5120-066	7/1/22-6/30/23	22,302	9,664			9,664					-	-
Supplemental Instruction	24-100-034-5120-066	7/1/23-6/30/24	19,824	-	19,824	9,829	-	-	-	9,995	-		9,829
Total Handicapped Services (Ch. 193) Cluster				34,150	82,700	48,823	34,150	-	-	-	33,877	-	48,823
New Jersey Nonpublic Aid:													
Textbook Aid	23-100-034-5120-064	7/1/22-6/30/23	13,596	41			41						-
Textbook Aid	24-100-034-5120-064	7/1/23-6/30/24	11,215		11,215	11,014				201			11,014
Nursing Services	23-100-034-5120-070	7/1/22-6/30/23	23,072	2,072			2,072						-
Nursing Services	24-100-034-5120-070	7/1/23-6/30/24	23,280		23,280	20,115				3,165			20,115
Nonpublic Technology	24-100-034-5120-373	7/1/23-6/30/24	9,506		9,506	9,506				-			9,506
Nonpublic Security	23-100-034-5120-084	7/1/22-6/30/23	42,230	4,171			4,171						-
Nonpublic Security	24-100-034-5120-084	7/1/23-6/30/24	39,770	-	39,770	4,936	-	-	-	34,834	-		4,936
Total New Jersey Nonpublic Aid				6,284	83,771	45,571	6,284	-	-	-	38,200	-	45,571

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Grant Period	Award Amount	Balance, July 1, 2023	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Refund of Prior Years' Balances	Balance, June 30, 2024			Memo		
								(Accounts Receivable)	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor	GAAP Receivable	Cumulative Total Expenditures	
State Department of Education (Continued)													
New Jersey Schools Development Authority Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs	N/A	7/1/23-6/30/24	\$ 61,352	-	\$ 61,352	\$ 61,352	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 61,352	
Total Special Revenue Fund				\$ 65,028	306,208	228,537	\$ 65,028	-	-	\$ 77,671	-	228,537	
Capital Projects Fund Preschool Facilities Expansion	23E00472	1/25/2024	6,105,082	-	-	-	-	\$ (6,105,082)	\$ 6,105,082	-	-	-	
Debt Service Fund Type II Debt Service Aid	24-495-034-5120-075	7/1/23-6/30/24	255,286	-	255,286	255,286	-	-	-	-	-	255,286	
State Department of Agriculture													
Food Service:													
National School Lunch Program													
State School Lunch Program	23-100-010-3350-023	7/1/22-6/30/23	20,822	(1,067)	1,067								
State School Lunch Program	24-100-010-3350-023	7/1/23-6/30/24	27,836		26,419	27,836		\$ (1,417)			\$ (1,417)	27,836	
State School Breakfast Program	23-100-010-3350-023	7/1/22-6/30/23	799	(66)	66								
State School Breakfast Program	24-100-010-3350-023	7/1/23-6/30/24	2,362	-	2,212	2,362	-	(150)	-	-	(150)	2,362	
Total Food Service Fund				(1,133)	29,764	30,198	-	(1,567)	-	-	(1,567)	30,198	
Total State Financial Assistance Subject to Single Audit Determination				\$ (2,784,167)	\$ 30,539,415	\$ 30,737,263	\$ 65,028	\$ (9,229,796)	\$ 6,105,082	\$ 77,671	\$ (405,404)	\$ 30,737,263	
State Financial Assistance													
Not Subject to Major Program Determination													
General Fund													
On-Behalf TPAF Pension System Contributions - NCGI	24-495-034-5094-004	7/1/23-6/30/24	68,175		(68,175)	(68,175)						(68,175)	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension System Contributions - Normal	24-495-034-5094-002	7/1/23-6/30/24	5,977,964		(5,977,964)	(5,977,964)						(5,977,964)	
On-Behalf TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Contribution	24-495-034-5094-001	7/1/23-6/30/24	1,645,538		(1,645,538)	(1,645,538)						(1,645,538)	
On-Behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Insurance	24-495-034-5094-004	7/1/23-6/30/24	3,278	-	(3,278)	(3,278)	-	-	-	-	-	(3,278)	
Total State Financial Assistance Subject to Major Program Determination				\$ (2,784,167)	\$ 22,844,460	\$ 23,042,308	\$ 65,028	\$ (9,229,796)	\$ 6,105,082	\$ 77,671	\$ (405,404)	\$ 23,042,308	

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF  
FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NOTE 1 REPORTING ENTITY**

The Elmwood Park Board of Education (the “Board” or the “District”) received and participated in numerous Federal Award and State Financial Assistance programs in the form of cost reimbursement grants and revenue sharing entitlements. The Board is the reporting entity for these programs. The Board is defined in Note 1 (A) to the Board’s Financial Statements.

**NOTE 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance (the “Schedules”) present the activity of all federal and state programs of the Board. All federal awards received directly from federal agencies or passed through other government agencies are included on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. All state awards received directly from state agencies or passed through other government agencies are included in the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance. The information in these Schedules are presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey OMB Circular Letter 15-08 *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*.

**NOTE 3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Schedules are prepared and presented using 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 basis of accounting are described in the Notes to the Budgetary Comparison Schedules (RSI) and Note 1(D) to the Board's financial statements, respectively. Therefore, some amounts presented in these schedules may differ from the amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements. The Board’s summary of significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the Board’s financial statements.

**NOTE 4 RELATIONSHIP TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The 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 a modified accrual basis with the exception of the revenue recognition of the delayed state aid payments in the current budget year, which is mandated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-44.2. For GAAP purposes, those payments are not recognized until the subsequent year due to the state deferral and recording of certain state aid payments 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, which may include the delayed state aid payments, whereas the GAAP basis does not. The special revenue fund also recognizes the delayed state aid payments in the current budget year, consistent with N.J.S.A. 18A:22-44.2.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF  
FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NOTE 4 RELATIONSHIP TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is a decrease of \$265,451 for the general fund a decrease of \$456,532 for the special revenue fund. See the Notes to Required Supplementary Information 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 financial statements on a GAAP basis as presented as follows:

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 16,501	\$ 29,957,791	\$ 29,974,292
Special Revenue Fund	3,918,088	167,185	4,085,273
Debt Service Fund		255,286	255,286
Food Service Fund	<u>724,711</u>	<u>30,198</u>	<u>754,909</u>
Total Financial Assistance	<u>\$ 4,659,300</u>	<u>\$ 30,410,460</u>	<u>\$ 35,069,760</u>

**NOTE 5 RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules may not necessarily agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state financial reports due to timing differences between the District's fiscal year and grant program years.

**NOTE 6 OTHER INFORMATION**

Revenues and expenditures reported under the Food Distribution Program as non-cash assistance represent current year value received and current year distributions, respectively. TPAF Social Security contributions in the amount of \$1,367,746 the amount reimbursed by the State for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The amount reported as TPAF Pension System Contributions in the amount of \$6,046,139, TPAF Post-Retirement Medical Benefits Contributions in the amount of \$1,645,538 and TPAF Long-Term Disability Insurance in the amount of \$3,278 represents the amount paid by the State on behalf of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

**NOTE 7 ON-BEHALF PROGRAMS NOT SUBJECT TO STATE SINGLE AUDIT**

On-behalf State Programs for TPAF Pension, Post-Retirement Medical Benefits and Long-Term Disability Insurance Contributions payments are not subject to a State single audit and, therefore, are excluded from major program determination. The Schedule of State Financial Assistance provides a reconciliation of State financial assistance reported in the District's financial statements and the amount subject to State single audit and major program determination.

**NOTE 8 DE MINIMIS INDIRECT COST RATE**

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

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

*Part I – Summary of Auditor's Results*

**Financial Statement Section**

Type of auditors' report issued on financial statements

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

1) Material weakness(es) identified?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      X no

2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not  
considered to be material weaknesses?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      X no

Noncompliance material to basic financial  
statements noted?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      X no

**Federal Awards Section**

Internal Control over major programs:

(1) Material weakness(es) identified?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      X no

(2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not  
considered to be material weaknesses?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      X none reported

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

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported  
in accordance with 2 CFR 200 section 516(a) of Circular  
U.S. Uniform Guidance

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      X no

Identification of major federal programs:

AL Number(s):

Name of Federal Program or Cluster:

84.425D

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental  
Act (CRRSA - ESSER II Cluster)

84.425U

American Rescue Plan - Elementary and  
Secondary Schools - Emergency Relief Fund  
(ARP-ESSER III Cluster)

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

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

X yes      \_\_\_\_\_ no

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONT'D)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

*Part I – Summary of Auditor's Results*

**State Awards Section**

Internal Control over major programs:

(1) Material weakness(es) identified? \_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   no

(2) Significant deficiencies identified that are not  
considered to be material weakness(es)? \_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   none reported

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

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported  
in accordance with N.J. Circular Letter 15-08?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes        X   no

Identification of major state programs:

GMIS Number(s):

Name of State Program:

24-495-034-5120-078

Equalization Aid - State Aid Public Cluster

24-495-034-5120-089

Special Education Aid - State Aid Public Cluster

24-495-034-5120-084

Security Aid - State Aid Public Cluster

24-495-034-5120-014

Transportation Aid /  
Nonpublic Transportation Aid

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

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

  X   yes      \_\_\_\_\_ no

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

***Part II – Schedule of Financial Statement Findings***

This section identifies the reportable conditions, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance related to the basic financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with paragraph 5.18 of *Government Auditing Standards*.

There are none.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONT'D)  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

***Part III – Schedule of Federal and State Award Findings and Questioned Costs***

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to the audit of major federal and state programs, as required by U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08.

**CURRENT YEAR FEDERAL AWARDS**

There are none.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

*Part III – Schedule of Federal and State Award Findings and Questioned Costs*

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to the audit of major federal and state programs, as required by U.S. Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08.

**CURRENT YEAR STATE AWARDS**

There are none.

**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

This section identifies the status of prior-year findings related to the basic financial statements and federal and state awards that are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 6.12 of *Government Auditing Standards*, U.S. OMB Circular A-133 (section .315(a)(b)) and New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08.

**Status of Prior Year Findings**

**Finding 2022-001**

Our audit of the Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) reimbursement to the State for salaries charged to Federal grant programs revealed certain salary charges included for reimbursement were non-TPAF employee salaries or non-pensionable TPAF stipend payments. Non-TPAF employee salaries and non-pensionable TPAF stipends should not be included for reimbursement to the State on the TPAF reimbursement voucher.

**Current Status**

Corrective action has been taken.