

Garfield School District RE-2

Financial Report

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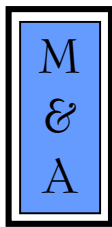
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2
Rifle, Colorado**

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Garfield School District RE-2, (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit includes performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considered internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluation of the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant account estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S OPINION
To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above presently fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Garfield School District RE-2, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

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

The budgetary comparison schedules in Section E are not a required part of the District's basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The budgetary comparison schedules have 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 financial statements, or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements taken as whole. The combining fund financial statements, individual budgetary schedules in Section F, and the Colorado Department of Education Auditor's Electronic Data Integrity Check Figures listed in the accompanying table of contents are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining fund financial statements, the individual budgetary schedules, and the Colorado Department of Education Auditor's Electronic Data Integrity Check Figures are the responsibility of management and were derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such 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 financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as whole.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S OPINION
To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2

Other Matters (continued)

Additionally, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards included in the Single Audit section is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is not a required part of the District's financial statements. Such 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 account and other records used to prepare the financial statements, or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepting in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

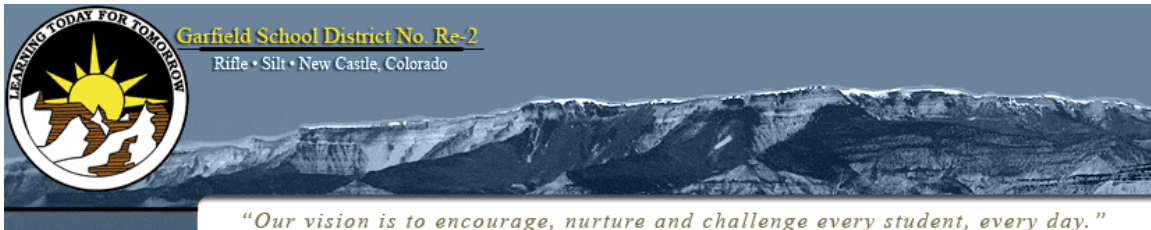
In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 25, 2017 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contract, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and on compliance.

McMahan and Associates, L.L.C.

McMahan and Associates, L.L.C.
October 25, 2017

Garfield School District RE-2

Management's Discussion and Analysis



"Our vision is to encourage, nurture and challenge every student, every day."

Garfield School District No. Re-2

Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2017

As management of the Garfield School District No. Re-2 (the District), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. A comparison to the prior year's activity is also provided in this document. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) district-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

District-wide Financial Statements: The district-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, using accounting methods similar to those used by a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the district's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g. uncollected taxes, accrued interest, and changes in long-term compensated absences).

Both of the district-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the District that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The category that is reported in the District-wide financial statements is as follows:

- **Governmental activities:** The District's basic services are included here, such as instructional services, support services, and student activities.

The district-wide financial statements can be found on pages **C1** and **C2** of this report.

Fund Financial Statements: A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the operations of the District by fund instead of the District as a whole. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Overview of the Financial Statements (continued)

Governmental Funds: Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the district-wide financial statements. However, unlike the district-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements. The District's most significant, or "major", governmental funds include the General Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Designated Purpose Grant Fund, and Bond Redemption Fund. The District reports the Pupil Activity Fund and the Food Service Fund as nonmajor funds.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the district-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the district-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for all of its funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for all funds to demonstrate compliance with state budget statutes.

The basic major governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages **C3** through **C6**.

Fiduciary Funds: Fiduciary Funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary Funds are not reflected in the district-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. The Fiduciary Fund used by the District accounts for student clubs and other organizations which exist with the explicit approval of, and are subject to revocation by, the District's Board of Education.

The basic Fiduciary Fund financial statements can be found on page **C7** of this report.

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 on pages **D1 – D30** of this report.

Other Information: In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents supplementary information concerning the District's annual appropriated budgets with comparison statements that demonstrate compliance with budgets for all funds.

District-wide Financial Analysis:

Garfield School District No. Re-2 Net Position:

The following table provides a summary of the District's net position as of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

	Governmental Activities	
	2016-17	2015-16
Assets:		
Current and other assets	\$ 27,059,354	\$ 28,955,053
Capital assets, net	117,534,505	122,946,559
Total Assets	144,593,859	151,901,612
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Charge on refunding	8,060,302	8,675,397
Pension related deferred outflow	65,587,597	11,482,065
Total Deferred Outflows	73,647,899	20,157,462
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities	5,825,000	5,362,687
Non-current liabilities:		
Bonded debt	87,168,378	99,334,493
Net Pension Liability	170,006,079	87,866,198
Total Liabilities	262,999,457	192,563,378
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Pension related deferred inflows	1,129,216	1,272,314
Total Deferred Inflows	1,129,216	1,272,314
Net Position:		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	24,541,127	23,612,066
Restricted for other purposes	11,741,281	13,671,434
Unrestricted	(87,250,472)	(59,060,118)
Total Net Position	\$ (50,968,064)	\$ (21,776,618)

Of the District's total assets in 2016-17, 81% are capital assets (e.g.: land, buildings, and equipment). The District's depreciation of assets and asset deletions exceeded additions to capital assets by \$5,405,435 for 2016-17. The District does not have the funds to be able to keep up with depreciation of capital assets, and is now maintaining records to estimate the amount of deferred maintenance, which is increasing each year. The District uses capital assets to provide instruction and related services to its students.

Since the 2014-15 financial statements, it was required to include the Net Pension Liability on the financial statements, which is the reason for the negative Total Net Position shown above. The Net Pension Liability takes the total assets of PERA (Public Employee Retirement Association), plus anticipated rates of return, less the anticipated amount that will be owed in the future for pension payments. The total PERA pension liability totals \$170,006,079. This represents a (\$82,139,881) increase in PERA pension liability. The increase is primarily the result of PERA changing actuarial assumptions regarding discount rate and investment return.

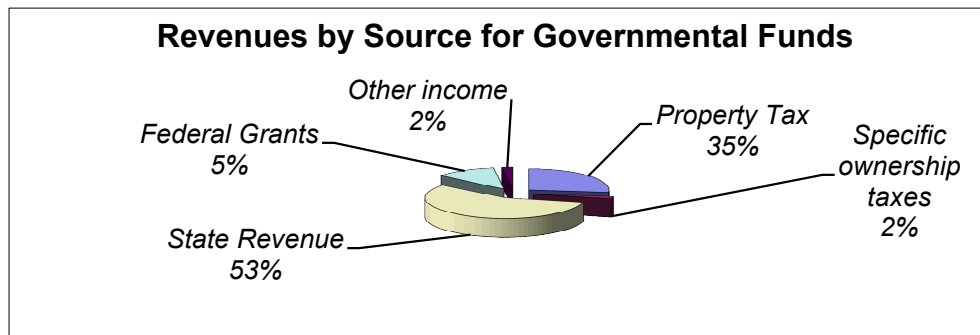
The Net Position Restricted for Other Purposes includes the net position of the Bond Redemption Fund, and TABOR emergency reserves in the General, Capital Project, Pupil Activity, and Food Service Funds.

District-wide Financial Analysis (continued)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 2015-16 and 2016-17

	Governmental Activities		
	2016-17	2015-16	Difference
Revenues:			
<i>Program revenues</i>			
Charges for services	\$ 1,058,301	\$ 1,035,627	22,674
Operating grants, contributions	3,607,416	6,126,235	(2,518,819)
<i>General revenues</i>			
Property taxes	14,589,805	19,156,757	(4,566,952)
Specific ownership taxes	986,337	1,005,048	(18,711)
State revenue	30,948,405	27,364,021	3,584,384
Investment earnings	97,924	45,536	52,388
Other	3,023,715	(28,930)	3,052,645
Total revenues	54,311,903	54,704,294	(392,391)
Expenses:			
Instructional programs	56,557,101	32,213,291	24,343,810
Supporting services	21,336,562	21,423,521	(86,959)
Student activities	721,196	682,535	38,661
Food services	1,825,026	1,322,635	502,391
Interest on long-term debt	3,063,464	3,269,559	(206,095)
Total Expenses	83,503,349	58,911,541	24,591,808
Change in net position	(29,191,446)	(4,207,247)	(24,984,199)
Net position - July 1	(21,776,618)	(17,569,371)	
Net position - June 30	\$ (50,968,064)	\$ (21,776,618)	

Governmental Activities: Net position may serve as an indicator of the District's financial position over time. The District's total net position decreased by (\$29,191,446) during fiscal year 2016-17, which is a continuing trend from 2015-16, when the net position decreased by (\$4,207,247). The increase in PERA pension liability/expenses totaling \$27,891,251 is the main reason for the decline in total Net position for 2016-17. The additional PERA pension liability is split amongst the above expenses based upon the percentage of total salaries in each category.

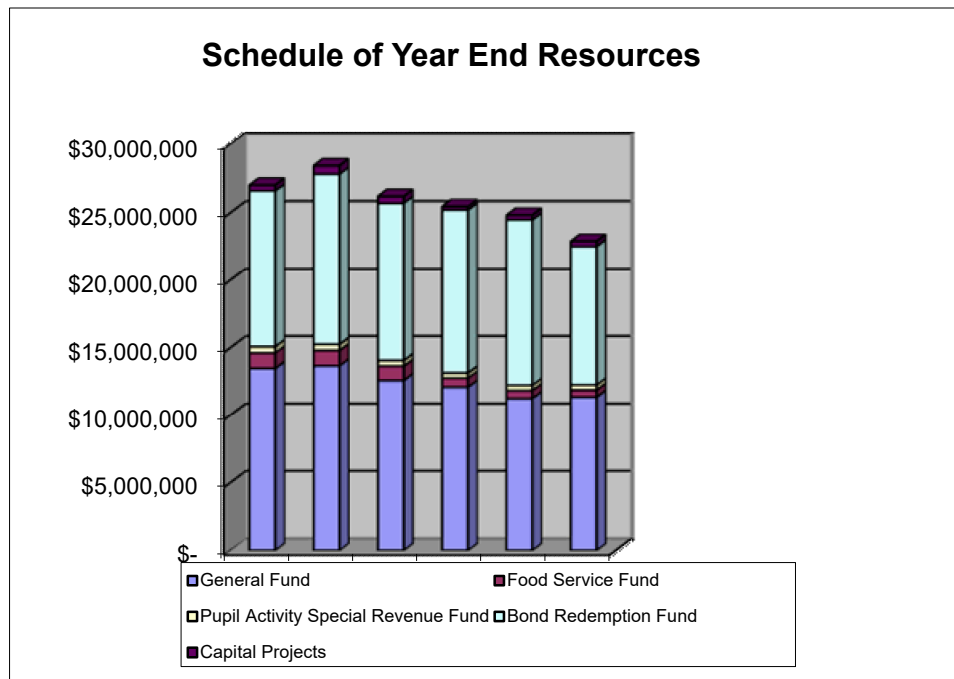


Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

As mentioned earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$22,898,101 a decrease of (\$1,927,059) compared to the prior year ending fund balances. The bond redemption fund realized a total fund balance decrease of (\$1,990,152), due to the use of prior year additional tax collections. The General Fund incurred an increase totaling \$105,259. This is essentially breaking even on a fund that had \$42,623,950 of expenditures. The following graph provides a view of the District's ending fund balances for the last six fiscal years:



Budget Variances in the General Fund: The District's budget is prepared according to Colorado law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

Budget vs. Actual Results, General Fund:

One of the most important variances to discuss is budgeted vs. actual revenues and expenditures in the general fund. The General Fund showed an increase in fund balance totaling \$105,260. This is a \$1,127,307 favorable variance compared to budget.

The District monitors variances that occur during the year, and includes a projection of year-end revenues and expenditures in the annual budget. All 2016-17 revenue and expenditure variances have been evaluated to determine whether they need to be included in the 2017-18 budget as a carryover or variance, to assure that the District is budgeting as closely as possible.

Capital Assets: The District's governmental capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, totaled \$117,534,505 as of June 30, 2017. The District capitalizes assets, including land, buildings and improvements, equipment, and construction in progress, with an original cost greater than \$5,000. The District's investment in capital assets decreased government-wide, net of depreciation expense, by (\$5,412,052) for fiscal year 2016-17 due to depreciation costs and capital asset deletions in excess of additional capital improvements. This decrease in investment in capital assets is a good indicator that the District is incurring deferred maintenance items that will need to be addressed in future years. The funds for capital asset additions are expended from the Capital Projects Fund and the Grant Fund for capital projects funded by grants.

Additional information as well as a detailed classification of the District's net capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements on Pages **D14** of this report.

Non-Current Liabilities: As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's non-current liabilities totaled \$262,999,457, representing an increase of \$75,798,766. This difference in long-term liabilities is due to the impact of including the Net Pension Liability totaling an increase of \$82,139,881, net of reductions in bonded debt and other totaling (\$6,341,115).

Colorado School law limits the amount of bonded indebtedness to the greater of 20% of the most current valuation for assessment of the taxable property in the District as certified by the County Assessor's Office, or 6% of the most recent actual valuation of the taxable property in the District, as certified by the County Assessor's Office. The District's legal bonded debt limit as of June 30, 2017 is \$245,830,948, which represents 20% of the certified assessed value of property within Re-2's taxing district.

Additional information, as well as a detailed classification of the District's total long-term liabilities, can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements on pages **D15 – D24** of this report.

Economic Factors

The Public-School Finance Act of 1994 is the largest source of revenue for the District's operating funds. The School Finance Act calculates per-pupil funding by school district based upon a formula that takes in to account cost of living, number of students, district size, personnel vs. nonpersonnel costs, number of at-risk students, amongst other factors. The purpose of this act was to establish a financial base of support for public education, to move towards a uniform mill levy tax state-wide for all districts, and to limit future growth of and reliance upon property tax to support public education. Funding sources for the School Finance Act is derived by the following formula:

$$\textit{Total Program Funding} = \textit{local property taxes} + \textit{general specific ownership taxes} + \textit{state equalization}$$

School district finance is also significantly affected by Amendment 23, which was approved by the voters in November, 2000. This state constitutional amendment requires that statewide base per pupil funding and state categorical program funding increase by inflation plus one percent for ten years beginning with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002. After that ten-year window expired, the state must increase funding at the rate of inflation. This funding calculation attempts to align Colorado districts to inflation-adjusted funding levels of 1988. The formula will also increase the District's reliance upon the state and decrease the District's reliance upon local funding over time.

Due to the recent economic recession coupled with competing state constitutional funding amendments, the state has not been able to fund school districts at the level required by Amendment 23 of the Colorado Constitution. This funding anomaly has put additional strain on school district finances and the certainty of funding to be received each year.

The majority of the revenue in Re-2's general fund, approximately 80%, comes from the state's funding formula. We will focus on that funding stream, since it accounts for such a large percentage of the District's revenue.

Most school district operating revenue comes from the School Finance Act of 1994 (SFA). Under this act, the District received \$7,203 per funded pupil in fiscal year 2016-17 with a funded pupil count of 4,761. SFA funding comes from general fund property taxes, specific ownership taxes, and state equalization. The District received 89% of SFA funding from the state and 11% from property taxes and specific ownership tax. Below is a graph that summarizes what has happened to SFA funding from 2007-08 to present, including student count data by year. Notice the sharp decline in funding per student between 2009-10 and 2012-13, due to cuts in K-12 education through the state. This reduction in funding was due to the legislature implementing a "negative factor" in the school finance funding formula, which is used to reduce school district funding in order to balance the state's budget. The total reduction from the negative factor between 2009-10 and 2016-17 totals \$4.5 million for Garfield Re-2. Per student funding increased for 2016-17, and an additional increase has been realized for 2017-18. However, after that point, funding for K-12 education is not as certain due to competing constitutional amendments and extremely limiting state constitutional revenue growth.

Student Count and Funding by Year		
	<i>Student Count, Excl. On-line</i>	<i>Per Student Funding</i>
2007-08	4,151	\$ 6,389
2008-09	4,488	\$ 6,582
2009-10	4,450	\$ 6,974
2010-11	4,497	\$ 6,324
2011-12	4,531	\$ 6,262
2012-13	4,638	\$ 6,257
2013-14	4,632	\$ 6,428
2014-15	4,663	\$ 6,809
2015-16	4,700	\$ 7,072
2016-17	4,761	\$ 7,203

The District's total program per pupil funding increased from \$7,072 to \$7,203 for fiscal years 2015-17 to 2016-17 respectively, representing a 1.85% increase between years. Despite this increase, the state stabilization factor, also known as the "negative factor", has still reduced Amendment 23 funding, including the inflationary adjustments required by Amendment 23.

The District's funded pupil count increased from 4,700 to 4,761 in 2015-16 to 2016-17. The district has statistically seen a 0 – 2% growth rate annually, with a relatively stable student population.

The State of Colorado is currently reviewing its 2018-19 budget. Colorado's K-12 funding forecasted for 2018-19 is showing currently that the State plans to fund inflation and student growth. The state's economic outlook will have an impact on next year's budget that is yet to be determined. Also, it is likely that the State will continue to increase the negative funding factor for K-12 education due to constitutional limitations on state-wide revenue growth. This will result in funding below inflation, or reduced funding, annually for school districts until the constitutional limitations are somehow fixed.

The District passed a continual mill levy override in 2004 and 2006. The 2004 mill levy override totals \$2.7 million, and is for operational expenditures at Coal Ridge High School, staff raises, and teachers/aides to minimize class size. The 2006 mill levy override totals \$1.6 million, and is for staff raises, and rising fuel/utilities costs. All of this funding is sustaining the recurring expenditures for the costs associated with the above purposes.

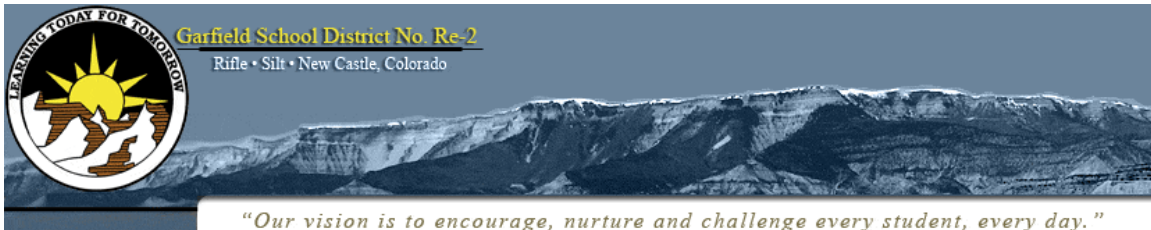
Next Year's Budget and Rates: The District's General Fund balance at the end of 2016-17 totaled \$11,353,619. The current school board believes in keeping the fund balance at a minimum of \$8 million to be able to sustain the District during low cash flow months without the need to borrow from the state on a short-term basis.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Garfield School District No. Re-2, District Finance Director, 839 Whiteriver Avenue, Rifle, Colorado 81650.

Garfield School District RE-2

Basic Financial Statements



Garfield School District RE-2

Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2017

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 25,160,212
Accounts and taxes receivable	835,694
Due from other governments	992,245
Prepaid expenses	36,679
Inventory	34,524
Total current assets	<u>27,059,354</u>
Capital assets:	
Land	1,105,238
Construction in progress	110,828
Buildings and improvements	178,389,246
Vehicles	4,105,395
Equipment	3,282,324
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(69,458,526)</u>
Net capital assets	<u>117,534,505</u>
Total assets	<u>144,593,859</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Charge on refunding	8,060,302
Pension related deferred outflow	<u>65,587,597</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>73,647,899</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts and other payables	568,327
Accrued salaries and benefits	2,322,637
Accrued interest	436,850
Compensated absences	1,042,822
Unearned revenue	710,513
Total current liabilities	<u>5,081,149</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Bonded debt and capital leases:	
Due within one year	5,825,000
Due in more than one year	87,168,378
Net Pension Liability	170,006,079
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>262,999,457</u>
Total liabilities	<u>268,080,606</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Pension related deferred inflow	<u>1,129,216</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>1,129,216</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	24,541,127
Restricted for:	
TABOR	1,484,000
Debt service	10,257,281
Unrestricted	<u>(87,250,472)</u>
Total net position	<u><u>\$ (50,968,064)</u></u>

The notes to information are an integral part to these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Change in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Total Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Direct instruction	\$ 49,280,769	\$ 272,092	\$ 2,206,940	\$ -	\$ (46,801,737)
Indirect instruction	7,276,332	-	-	-	(7,276,332)
Transportation	2,621,211	-	335,834	-	(2,285,377)
Custodial and maintenance	7,650,917	1,000	-	-	(7,649,917)
Support services	4,525,636	-	-	-	(4,525,636)
General administration	6,533,494	-	-	-	(6,533,494)
Community service	5,301	-	-	-	(5,301)
Student activities	721,196	529,234	144,724	-	(47,238)
Food service	1,825,026	255,975	919,918	-	(649,133)
Interest	3,063,464	-	-	-	(3,063,464)
Total	<u>\$ 83,503,346</u>	<u>\$ 1,058,301</u>	<u>\$ 3,607,416</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(78,837,629)</u>

General revenues:

Taxes:

Local property taxes - levied for general operations	7,741,962
Local property taxes - levied for debt service	6,847,843
Specific ownership taxes	986,337

State revenue	30,948,405
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	3,030,332
Interest and investment earnings	97,924
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	(6,617)
Total general revenues and transfers	<u>49,646,186</u>

Change in net position	(29,191,443)
Net position, beginning	(21,776,621)
Net position, ending	<u>\$ (50,968,064)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2

**Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Bond Redemption Fund	Designated Purpose Grants Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS						
Assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,784,788	\$ 10,230,916	\$ (282,370)	\$ 514,738	\$ 912,140	\$ 25,160,212
Accounts and taxes receivable	492,871	94,003	-	-	-	586,874
Due from other governments	459,387	-	530,090	-	2,768	992,245
Prepaid expenses	23,140	-	-	13,540	-	36,680
Inventories	-	-	-	-	34,524	34,524
Total assets and other debits	<u>\$ 14,760,186</u>	<u>\$ 10,324,919</u>	<u>\$ 247,720</u>	<u>\$ 528,278</u>	<u>\$ 949,432</u>	<u>\$ 26,810,535</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts and other current payables	\$ 382,915	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 142,785	\$ 9,352	\$ 535,052
Accrued compensation	2,230,277	-	54,591	-	36,816	2,321,684
Payroll withholdings and deductions	33,211	-	953	-	63	34,227
Unearned revenue	682,953	-	192,176	-	-	875,129
Total liabilities	<u>3,329,356</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>247,720</u>	<u>142,785</u>	<u>46,231</u>	<u>3,766,092</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:						
Unavailable property taxes	<u>77,212</u>	<u>67,638</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,492</u>	<u>146,342</u>
Fund balances:						
Nonspendable:						
Prepaid expenses	23,140	-	-	13,540	-	36,680
Inventory	-	-	-	-	34,524	34,524
Restricted:						
TABOR	1,360,000	-	-	63,000	61,000	1,484,000
Debt service	-	10,257,281	-	-	-	10,257,281
Committed	-	-	-	236,447	-	236,447
Assigned	-	-	-	72,505	806,185	878,690
Unassigned	9,970,479	-	-	-	-	9,970,479
Total fund balances	<u>11,353,619</u>	<u>10,257,281</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>385,492</u>	<u>901,709</u>	<u>22,898,101</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund balance	<u>\$ 14,760,187</u>	<u>\$ 10,324,919</u>	<u>\$ 247,720</u>	<u>\$ 528,277</u>	<u>\$ 949,432</u>	<u>\$ 26,810,535</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2017

Governmental Funds Total Fund Balance	\$	22,898,101
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Add:

Property taxes receivable will be collected this calendar year, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures, and therefore, are deferred inflows in the funds.		310,955
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Contributions and grants that are receivable but will not be available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures, and therefore, are deferred inflows in the funds.		248,820
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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not considered current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:

	Capital assets	186,993,032	
	Accumulated depreciation	<u>(69,458,526)</u>	117,534,506

Charges such as refunding costs on bonded debt, are treated as current transactions on the fund financial statements, but are capitalized and amortized on the Statement of Net Position:

Refunding costs		8,060,302
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Less:

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, premiums and discounts on bonds, accrued compensated absences, net pension liability, and accrued interest are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds. This is the amount of District long-term liabilities:

	Bond debt and interest coupons	(86,560,000)	
	Accrued compensated absences	(1,042,822)	
	Net pension liability	(170,006,079)	
	Premiums and discounts on bonded debt	(6,433,378)	
	Accrued interest	<u>(436,850)</u>	(264,479,129)

Changes in pension related actuarial assumptions, proportion of collective pension amounts, differences between actual and expected experience and investment earnings, and differences between actual and annualized contributions to the pension plan are recorded as deferred inflows or outflows of resources and amortized over the average remaining service life of all active and inactive plan members.

	Unamortized pension-related deferred outflows	65,587,597	
	Unamortized pension-related deferred inflows	<u>(1,129,216)</u>	<u>64,458,381</u>

Governmental Activities Net Position	\$	<u><u>(50,968,064)</u></u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	General Fund	Bond Redemption Fund	Designated Purpose Grants Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES						
Taxes:						
Property taxes	\$ 7,741,962	\$ 6,847,843	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,589,805
Specific ownership taxes	986,337	-	-	-	-	986,337
State income	32,395,386	-	-	226,253	27,228	32,648,867
Federal income	1,331,468	-	879,545	-	888,974	3,099,987
Investment Income	82,084	11,824	-	-	520	94,428
Other	1,239,309	-	471,882	1,941	933,649	2,646,781
Total revenues	<u>43,776,546</u>	<u>6,859,667</u>	<u>1,351,427</u>	<u>228,194</u>	<u>1,850,371</u>	<u>54,066,205</u>
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
Direct instruction	25,321,367	-	322,537	-	-	25,643,904
Indirect instruction	3,871,872	-	764,979	-	-	4,636,851
Transportation	1,648,284	-	-	-	-	1,648,284
Custodial and maintenance	5,267,423	-	28,359	10,044	-	5,305,826
Support services	2,723,731	-	-	163,431	1,260	2,888,422
General administration	3,786,274	-	-	-	-	3,786,274
Community service	5,000	-	338	-	-	5,338
Student activities	-	-	-	-	689,132	689,132
Food service	-	-	-	-	1,241,557	1,241,557
Debt service:						
Principal	-	5,805,000	-	-	-	5,805,000
Interest	-	3,022,806	-	-	-	3,022,806
Other	-	22,013	-	-	-	22,013
Capital outlay	-	-	235,214	1,062,643	-	1,297,857
Total expenditures	<u>42,623,951</u>	<u>8,849,819</u>	<u>1,351,427</u>	<u>1,236,118</u>	<u>1,931,949</u>	<u>55,993,264</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>1,152,595</u>	<u>(1,990,152)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,007,924)</u>	<u>(81,578)</u>	<u>(1,927,059)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in (out)	(1,047,336)	-	-	1,047,336	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,047,336)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,047,336</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	105,259	(1,990,152)	-	39,412	(81,578)	(1,927,059)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	<u>11,248,360</u>	<u>12,247,433</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>346,080</u>	<u>983,287</u>	<u>24,825,160</u>
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	<u>\$ 11,353,619</u>	<u>\$ 10,257,281</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 385,492</u>	<u>\$ 901,709</u>	<u>\$ 22,898,101</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Reconciliation of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balances
of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
June 30, 2017

Governmental Funds Change in Fund Balances	\$ (1,927,059)
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Add:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount of capital outlays reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.	1,402,575
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Debt and capital lease principal payments and transfer to refunding escrow result in a reduction of accumulated resources on the fund financial statements. The government-wide statements show these payments and refunding of bond premium as reductions against long-term liabilities.	5,805,000
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Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources, such as investment income related to the debt service forward delivery agreement, are not reported as revenues in the funds.	3,495
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	248,820
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Less:

Accrued compensated absences reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. This is the change in accrued compensated absences during the year.	22,262
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The costs of advanced refunding of bonds is expensed on the funds, but is capitalized and amortized over the life of the bonds on the government-wide financial statements. Also, accrued interest is recorded as incurred instead of when paid on the funds. This is the impact on interest expense from these items.	(40,658)
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The disposal of assets can result in a gain or loss equal to the difference between the sales proceeds and the book value of the asset. This is the gain or loss on the sale of District assets.	(6,617)
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The net pension liability and related deferrals reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources. This is the difference between employer contributions to the pension plan and the change in the pension liability and amortization of pension deferrals.	(27,891,251)
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount of depreciation expense reported as an expenditure in the governmental activities' functions.	(6,808,010)
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Governmental Activities Change in Net Position	\$ (29,191,443)
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
Agency Fund
June 30, 2017

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 43,533
Total assets	\$ 43,533

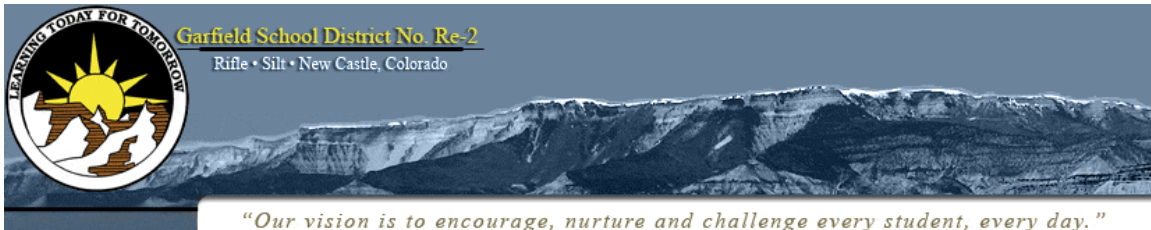
LIABILITIES

Due to student activities	43,533
Total liabilities	\$ 43,533

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Garfield School District RE-2

Notes to the Financial Statements



Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Garfield School District RE-2 (the "District") is one of three public school districts within Garfield County, Colorado. The District provides academic and vocational curriculum, student transportation, food services, athletic and cultural extracurricular activities, maintenance and general administrative services. The District's boundaries include the towns of New Castle, Silt and Rifle. The District's mission is to *"provide engaging educational experiences in a safe environment for students and staff which results in exemplary learning and teaching"*. The District operates the following schools:

Elementary Schools	Middle Schools	High School
Wamsley Elementary	Riverside Middle School	Rifle High School
Kathryn Senior	Rifle Middle School	Coal Ridge High School
Cactus Valley Elementary		
Highland Elementary		
Graham Mesa Elementary		
Elk Creek Elementary		

The District's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations).

The more significant accounting policies established by GAAP used by the District are discussed below.

A. Reporting Entity

The District was formed under the laws of the State of Colorado and operates under an elected Board of Education. As required by GAAP, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the District and its component units, entities for which the District is considered financially accountable. The District is considered financially accountable for legally separate organizations if it is able to appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and is either able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the District. Consideration is also given to organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based upon the above criteria, the District is not financially accountable for any other organization. No additional separate governmental units, agencies or nonprofit organizations are included in the financial statements of the District.

The District receives funding from local, state, and federal government sources and must comply with all the requirements of these funding sources. However, the District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity.

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

B. District-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The District's basic financial statements include both District-wide (financial activities of the overall District, except for fiduciary activities) and fund financial statements (reporting the District's major funds). Both the District-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties. The District has no business-type activities.

1. District-wide Financial Statements

In the District-wide Statement of Net Position, the governmental column is (a) presented on a consolidated basis by column, and (b) reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The District's net position is reported in three parts – net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted.

The District-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of the District's governmental functions. The governmental functions are also supported by general government revenues (property taxes, specific ownership taxes, etc.). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function or a business-type activity. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. The net costs by function are normally covered by general revenues.

The District-wide focus is on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in the District's Net Position resulting from the current year's activities.

2. Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the District are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements, including fiduciary funds. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The fund focus is on current available resources and budget compliance.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

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

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

B. District-wide and Fund Financial Statements (continued)

2. Fund Financial Statements (continued)

The *Bond Redemption Fund* accounts for transactions related to the District's general obligation bonds and interest.

The *Designated Purpose Grant Fund* accounts for various grants received by the District.

The *Capital Projects Fund* accounts for acquisitions of capital items.

The District reports the following fiduciary fund type:

The *Pupil Activity Agency Fund* accounts for assets held by the District as an agent for student clubs and other organizations which exist with the explicit approval of, and are subject to revocation by, the District's Board of Education.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Measurement focus refers to whether financial statements measure changes in current resources only (current financial focus) or changes in both current and long-term resources (long-term economic focus). Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues, expenditures, or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Financial statement presentation refers to classification of revenues by source and expenses by function.

1. Long-term Economic Focus and Accrual Basis

The governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements and fiduciary financial statements use the long-term economic focus and are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

2. Current Financial Focus and Modified Accrual Basis

The District's governmental fund financial statements use the current financial focus and are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if they are collected within sixty days after year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term liabilities and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

3. Financial Statement Presentation

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

D. Financial Statement Accounts

1. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as deposits that can be withdrawn at any time without notice or penalty and investments with original maturities of three months or less.

2. Investments

Investments are stated at fair value. The change in fair value of investments is recognized as an increase or decrease to investment assets and investment income.

The School's investment policy permits investments in the following type of obligations which corresponds with state statutes:

- U.S. Treasury Obligations (maximum maturity of 60 months)
- Federal Instrumentality Securities (maximum maturity of 60 months)
- FDIC-insured Certificates of Deposit (maximum maturity of 18 months)
- Corporate Bonds (maximum maturity of 36 months)
- Prime Commercial Paper (maximum maturity of 9 months)
- Eligible Bankers Acceptances
- Repurchase Agreements
- General Obligations and Revenue Obligations
- Local Government Investment Pools
- Money Market Mutual Funds

3. Receivables

Receivables are reported net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts.

4. Property Taxes

Property taxes are assessed in one year as a lien on the property, but not collected by the governmental units until the subsequent year. In accordance with GAAP, the assessed but uncollected property taxes have been recorded as a receivable and a deferred inflow.

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)

5. Inventory

Inventory is valued at lower of cost or market, using the first-in, first-out method. Inventory in the Food Services Fund consists of food and non-food items purchased in advance of consumption.

6. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Balances at year-end between funds are reported as "due from / due to other funds" in the fund financial statements. Any residual balances not eliminated between the governmental and business-type activities are reported as "internal balances" in the government-wide financial statements.

7. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, equipment, and vehicles, are the governmental activity columns in the government-wide financial statements. The District defines capital assets as assets with an initial cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical record exists. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair 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 the asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets, as applicable. Capital outlay for projects is capitalized as projects are constructed.

Buildings and improvements, equipment, and vehicles are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings and improvements	10 - 50
Equipment	5 - 20
Vehicles	10

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)

8. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow if resources (expense/expenditures) until then. The District has two items, charge on refunding and pension related deferred outflows, which qualify for reporting under this category on the Statement of Net Position. A charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. The amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded debt or refunding debt.

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applied to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category, unavailable property taxes on the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and pension related deferred inflows, reported in the Statement of Net Position. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow from resources in the period that the amounts become available.

See Note III (H) below for discussion on pension related deferred outflows and inflows.

9. Pensions

The District participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. 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.

10. Compensated Absences

Vested or accumulated leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported as expenditures and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it, which is the General Fund. Amounts of vested or accumulated leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the governmental activities column in the District-wide financial statements. Vested or accumulated leave of the proprietary fund type is recorded as an expense and a liability of that fund as the benefits accrue to employees. In accordance with provisions of GASB No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*, no liability is recorded for non-vesting accumulating rights.

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)

11. Long-term obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the bonds outstanding method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

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

12. Fund Balance Classifications

Governmental accounting standards establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. Fund balance classifications, include Non-spendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, and Unassigned. These classifications reflect not only the nature of funds, but also provide clarity to the level of restriction placed upon fund balance. Fund Balance can have different levels of restraint, such as external versus internal compliance requirements. Unassigned fund balance is a residual classification within the General Fund. The General Fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned balance. In all other funds, unassigned is limited to negative residual fund balance.

The District classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

Non-spendable - includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual requirements.

Spendable Fund Balance:

Restricted – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)

12. Fund Balance Classifications

Committed – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority which is the Board of Education. The District's original budget legislation begins with combining historical data, assessment of needs for the upcoming year and the Board of Education platform to review, and/or make changes to each department's budget. Before year end, a budgetary committee will meet again with each department for final review and approval of preliminary budget. The Budget is then formally presented to the Board of Education via an advertised public process for their review, revisions and final approval by year end. All subsequent budget requests made during the year, after the Board of Education approval, must be presented via a public process and again approval by the Board of Education.

Assigned – includes spendable fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund Balance may be assigned by the Board of Education or its management designee.

Unassigned - includes residual positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the other above-mentioned categories. Unassigned fund balance may also include negative balances for any governmental fund if expenditures exceed amounts restricted, committed, or assigned for those specific purposes.

The District uses restricted amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents/contracts that prohibit doing this, such as in grant agreements requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the District would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made.

The District has a formal minimum fund balance policy requiring \$8,000,000 of total fund balance for the General Fund. However, the District's budget includes a calculation of a targeted reserve positions and the Administration calculates targets and report them annually to the Board of Education.

In addition to the above note disclosure, GASB54 requires disclosure of the following fund definitions.

General Fund - The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund

Special Revenue Funds - Special revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The term "proceeds of specific revenue sources" establishes that one or more specific restricted or committed revenues should be the foundation for a special revenue fund.

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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)

12. Fund Balance Classifications (continued)

Capital Projects Funds - Capital projects funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. Capital projects funds exclude those types of capital-related outflows financed by proprietary funds or for assets that will be held in trust for individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Debt Service Funds - Debt service funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. Debt service funds should be used to report resources if legally mandated. Financial resources that are being accumulated for principal and interest maturing in future years also should be reported in debt service funds.

13. Interfund Transactions

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures or expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures or expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures or expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers.

14. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the District's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amount of revenues and expenditures or expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

15. Credit Risk

The receivables of the various funds of the District are primarily due from other governments. Management believes that the credit risk related to the receivables is minimal.

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II. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

A. Bond Trustee

Colorado state statutes require all property taxes levied for the purpose of satisfying bonded indebtedness to be administered by at least one third party custodian designated by the District. The third-party custodian is required to ensure all taxes levied to satisfy the obligations of bonded indebtedness are used accordingly. The District has entered into a custody agreement with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. in order to meet this requirement.

B. Budgetary Information

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with GAAP. As required by Colorado Statutes, all funds have legally adopted budgets and appropriations. The total expenditures for each fund may not exceed the amount appropriated. Appropriations for a fund may be increased if unanticipated revenues offset them. All appropriations lapse at year-end.

As required by Colorado Statutes, the District followed the required timetable noted below in preparing, approving, and enacting its budget for 2017.

1. The proposed budget was submitted to the Board of Education by May 31 of the year preceding the budget year. The proposed budget must include a description of major educational objectives and how the proposed budget fulfills those objectives.
2. Notice was published within ten (10) days which contained: availability of proposed budget for inspection, date and time of budget adoption meeting, and that any County taxpayer may file objections prior to the adoption of the budget.
3. The Board of Education certified revenue requirements to the local County Commissioners prior to December 15.
4. The final budget was adopted prior to June 30, along with an appropriation resolution.

During the year, supplemental appropriation resolutions were necessary. The budgetary comparison statements reflect the original budget and the final budget after legally authorized revisions were made.

C. TABOR Amendment

In November 1992, Colorado voters amended Article X of the Colorado Constitution by adding Section 20; commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights ("TABOR"). TABOR contains revenue, spending, tax and debt limitations that apply to the State of Colorado and local governments. TABOR requires, with certain exceptions, advance voter approval for any new tax, tax rate increase, mill levy above that for the prior year, extension of any expiring tax, or tax policy change directly causing a net tax revenue gain to any local government. Any revenues earned in excess of the fiscal year spending limit must be refunded in the next fiscal year, unless voters approve retention of such excess revenue.

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II. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability (continued)

C. TABOR Amendment (continued)

Except for refinancing debt at a lower interest rate or adding new employees to existing pension plans, TABOR requires advance voter approval for the creation of any multiple fiscal year debt or other financial obligation unless adequate present cash reserves are pledged irrevocably and held for payments in all future fiscal years.

TABOR also requires local governments to establish emergency reserves to be used for declared emergencies only. Emergencies, as defined by TABOR, exclude economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or fringe benefit increases. These reserves are required to be 3% or more of fiscal year spending. The District has reserved \$1,484,000 of its June 30, 2017 fund balances for this purpose.

In 1998, the District's electorate approved the following ballot question: *"Without any increase in its property tax mill levy, shall Garfield School District No. Re-2 be authorized to collect, retain, and expend all revenues and other funds collected in this fiscal year and in each fiscal year hereafter from any source, including without limitation the full revenue authorized under the Colorado Public School Finance Act of 1994, as amended, or under any successor act, notwithstanding the limitations of Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution?"*.

The District believes it is in compliance with the requirements of the TABOR Amendment. However, the Amendment is complex and subject to interpretation. Many of its provisions will require judicial interpretation.

III. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Deposits and Investments

The District maintains a cash pool in which all funds participate. Each fund's position in this pool is a component of "Cash and Cash Equivalents" as displayed on the Statement of Net Position. In addition, several of the District's funds may include cash and investments held separately that are restricted for various purposes.

The District's deposits are entirely covered by federal depository insurance ("FDIC") or by collateral held under Colorado's Public Deposit Protection Act ("PDPA"). The FDIC insures the first \$250,000 of the District's deposits at each financial institution for interest-bearing accounts. Non-interest-bearing accounts are fully insured. Deposit balances for interest-bearing accounts over \$250,000 are collateralized as required by PDPA.

The District is governed by the deposit and investment limitations of state law. The deposits and investments, which also include agency funds, at June 30, 2017, are as follows:

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

A. Deposits and Investments (continued)

Type:	Standard & Poors Rating	Balance	Maturities	
			Less Than One Year	Less Than Five Years
<i>Deposits:</i>				
Petty cash	Not rated	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -
Checking accounts	Not rated	617,178	617,178	-
<i>Investments:</i>				
Investment pools	AAAm	14,343,952	14,343,952	-
Federal Home Loan Bank	AA+	1,340,083	1,340,083	-
Cash w ith fiscal agent	Not rated	8,894,532	8,894,532	-
		<u>\$ 25,203,745</u>	<u>\$ 25,203,745</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Fair Value of Investments

The School measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by generally accepted accounting principles. These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

- *Level 1:* Quoted prices for identical investments in active markets;
- *Level 2:* Observable inputs other than quoted market prices; and,
- *Level 3:* Unobservable inputs.

At June 30, 2017, the District had the following recurring fair value measurements:

Investments Measured at Fair Value	Total	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
U.S. Agencies	\$ 1,340,083	\$ 1,340,083	\$ -	\$ -
Total	<u>1,340,083</u>	<u>1,340,083</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Debt and equity securities classified in Level 1 are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Debt and equity securities classified in Level 2 are valued using quoted prices for identical securities in markets that are not active. Level 3 items are valued using consensus pricing, management's estimate, and appraisal services.

The Investment Pool represents investments in in Colorado Government Liquid Asset Trust ("COLOTRUST") and the Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust ("CSAFE"). The fair value of the pool is determined by the pool's share price. The District has no regulatory oversight for the pool. At June 30, 2017, the District's investments in COLOTRUST were 20% of the District's investment portfolio. C-SAFE were 39% of the investment portfolio. The District had the following pool investments:

Investments Measured at Net Asset Value	Total
CSAFE	\$ 9,522,788
ColoTrust	4,821,164

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

A. Deposits and Investments (continued)

Interest Rate Risk. The District's formal investment policy limits investment maturities as required by state statutes as means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. State statutes require the District to limit maturities to five years from the date of purchase. Maturities of investments held at June 30, 2017 are provided in the previous schedule. The District coordinates its investment maturities to closely match cash flow needs.

Credit Risk. State law specify instruments in which local governments may invest, including obligations of the United States, certain U.S. governmental agency securities, local government investment pools, and commercial paper, among other items. The District's general investment policy is to invest surplus funds in accordance with state law, to ensure the preservation of capital, to ensure that adequate funds are available at all times to meet the financial obligations of the District when due, and to realize rates of return on invested funds which are comparable to market levels.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The District diversifies its investments by security type and institution. The District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

B. Receivables and Unavailable Revenue

Receivables as of year-end for the District's major and non-major funds, including applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	General Fund	Bond Redemption Fund	Designated Purpose Grants Fund
Receivables:			
Taxes	\$ 200,266	\$ 94,003	\$ -
Accounts	292,605	-	-
Intergovernmental	459,387	-	530,090
Gross receivables	<u>952,258</u>	<u>94,003</u>	<u>530,090</u>
Less: allowance for uncollectible	-	-	-
Net Receivables	<u><u>\$ 952,258</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 94,003</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 530,090</u></u>

Governmental funds report *unavailable revenue* in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. This includes unavailable revenue for property taxes levied in fiscal year 2017 but not available until 2018.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

C. Capital Assets (continued)

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2017, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,105,238	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,105,238
Construction in progress	225,284	778,550	(893,006)	110,828
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	1,330,522	778,550	(893,006)	1,216,066
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	177,208,769	1,180,477	-	178,389,246
Vehicles	4,053,330	227,303	(175,238)	4,105,395
Equipment	3,173,073	109,251	-	3,282,324
Total capital assets being depreciated	184,435,172	1,517,031	(175,238)	185,776,965
Total capital assets - Cost	185,765,694	2,295,581	(1,068,244)	186,993,031
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(57,596,230)	(6,322,690)	-	(63,918,920)
Vehicles	(2,936,237)	(209,059)	168,621	(2,976,675)
Equipment	(2,286,670)	(276,261)	-	(2,562,931)
Total accumulated depreciation	(62,819,137)	(6,808,010)	168,621	(69,458,526)
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 122,946,557	\$ (4,512,429)	\$ (899,623)	\$ 117,534,505

The District had the following capital outlay and depreciation expense for the following functions:

	Capital Outlay	Depreciation Expense
Governmental activities:		
Direct instruction	\$ 800,087	\$ 5,891,720
Student activities	16,336	48,353
Food Service	-	79,666
Support services	586,152	788,271
Total - governmental activities	\$ 1,402,575	\$ 6,808,010

D. Interfund Transfers

Transfers for fiscal year 2017 were as follows:

Transfer In (Out)	Amount	Transfer Purpose
General Fund	\$ (1,047,336)	To fund District projects and grants.
Capital Projects Fund	1,047,336	To help fund capital acquisitions
Total	<u>\$ -</u>	

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

E. Operating Leases

The District is committed under various leases for office equipment and modular classrooms. These leases are considered, for accounting purposes, to be operating leases, and therefore, the liability and the related assets have not been recorded in these financial statements. All operating leases are annually appropriable.

F. Long-term Debt

All general obligation bonds outstanding are serviced by the Bond Redemption Fund.

1. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2005

On November 22, 2005, the District issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005 in the amount of \$7,115,000. The issuance also included \$382,227 of supplemental interest coupons. Proceeds from the bonds were used to refund a portion of the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates from 3.50% to 4.25% and are subject to early redemption on December 1, 2016. The District's debt matures in 2025. A portion of the 2005 General Obligation Bonds were redeemed via a refunding through the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016.

2. General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006

On December 14, 2006, the District issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006 in the amount of \$51,000,000. The issuance also included \$7,034,744 of supplemental interest coupons. Proceeds from the bonds were used to finance the costs of new construction and upgrades to District buildings. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates from 3.6% to 5.0% and are subject to early redemption on or after December 1, 2017. The District's debt matures in 2027. A portion of the 2006 General Obligation Bonds were redeemed via a refunding through the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, 2013A&B, 2014, and 2015.

3. General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007

On January 30, 2007, the District issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007 in the amount of \$14,200,000. Proceeds from the bonds were used to finance the costs of new construction and upgrades to District buildings. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates from 4.00% to 5.00% and are subject to early redemption on or after December 1, 2017. The District's debt matures in 2027. A portion of the 2007 General Obligation Bonds were redeemed via a refunding through the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 and 2015.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

4. General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009

On January 28, 2009, the District issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009 in the amount of \$9,700,000. The issuance also included \$285,000 of supplemental interest coupons. Proceeds from the bonds were used to finance the acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of upgrades to District buildings. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 4.15% to 5.00% and are subject to early redemption on or after December 1, 2019. The District's debt matures in 2028.

5. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2009B

On December 29, 2009, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2009B in the amount of \$16,065,000. Net proceeds, after issuance costs, from the bonds were deposited with an escrow agent to be used to refund a portion of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2001, 2002, and 2003. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 2.50% to 5.00% and are not subject to early redemption. The District's debt matures in 2021. A portion of the 2005 General Obligation Bonds were redeemed via a refunding through the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016.

6. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010

On July 29, 2010, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 in the amount of \$13,865,000. Net proceeds, after issuance costs, from the bonds were deposited with an escrow agent to be used to refund a portion of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2003. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 4.00%. Certain bonds are subject to early redemption, without premium, at the option of the District. The District's debt matures in 2025.

7. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012

On February 20, 2012, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 in the amount of \$17,195,000. Net proceeds, after issuance costs, from the bonds were deposited with an escrow agent to be used to refund a portion of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2006. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 5.00%. Certain bonds are subject to early redemption, without premium, at the option of the District. The debt matures in 2024.

8. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013A&B

On January 15, 2013, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013A&B. The Series A bonds were issued in the amount of \$9,445,000. The Series B bonds were issued in the amount of \$11,360,000 and are taxable general obligation refunding bonds. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 3.05%. The bonds maturing on and before December 1, 2022 are not subject to early redemption prior to their respective maturity dates. The debt matures in 2027.

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9. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014

On February 26, 2014, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014. The bonds were issued in the amount of \$8,925,000 and the proceeds were used to partially refund General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006 and 2007. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 1.5% to 3.5%. The bonds maturing on and before December 1, 2023 are not subject to early redemption prior to their respective maturity dates. The debt matures in 2023.

10. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015

On February 11, 2015, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014. The bonds were issued in the amount of \$8,820,000 and the proceeds were used to partially refund General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006 and 2007. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 1.5% to 4.0%. The bonds maturing on and before December 1, 2025 are not subject to early redemption prior to their respective maturity dates. The debt matures in 2027.

11. General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016

On January 6, 2016, the District issued General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016. The bonds were issued in the amount of \$8,900,000 and the proceeds were used to partially refund General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005 and 2009. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 and bear interest rates ranging from 2.0% to 4.0%. The bonds maturing on and before December 1, 2018 are not subject to early redemption prior to their respective maturity dates. The debt matures in 2028. The District realized a present value savings on the refunding of \$

12. Defeasance of Debt

As noted above, proceeds of the 2005, 2009B, 2010, 2012, 2013A&B, 2014, 2015, and 2016 refunding bond issuances were used to purchase U.S. government securities to retire previous bond issues. Sufficient U.S. government, state and local governmental securities were placed in an irrevocable trust for the purpose of generating resources for all future debt service payments of the refunded debt. As a result, the refunded bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability has been removed from the District's financial records. The amount of the District's defeased debt is not readily determinable.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

F. Long-term Debt (continued)

13. Schedule of Future Payments

The District's aggregate annual debt service requirements at June 30, 2017, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending	Bonded Debt & Int. Coupons	
	Total Principal	Total Interest
2018	\$ 5,825,000	\$ 2,845,450
2019	6,000,000	2,711,167
2020	6,265,000	2,569,534
2021	6,420,000	2,371,641
2022	6,655,000	2,099,814
2023 - 2027	38,050,000	6,325,244
2028 - 2029	17,345,000	643,571
Total	<u>\$ 86,560,000</u>	<u>\$ 19,566,421</u>
Add: Unamortized bond premium	6,433,378	
Total debt	<u><u>\$ 92,993,378</u></u>	

14. Changes in Long-term Debt

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2017:

	Balance July 1, 2016	Additions	(Reductions)	Balance June 30, 2017	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
General Obligation Bonds:					
Refunding Bonds, Series 2005	\$ 735,000	\$ -	\$ (735,000)	\$ -	\$ -
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006	2,000,000	-	(2,000,000)	-	-
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007	1,300,000	-	(635,000)	665,000	665,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009	2,350,000	-	(45,000)	2,305,000	50,000
Refunding Bonds, Series 2009B	9,540,000	-	(1,715,000)	7,825,000	1,465,000
Refunding Bonds, Series 2010	13,400,000	-	(70,000)	13,330,000	70,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012	16,730,000	-	(75,000)	16,655,000	75,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013	20,145,000	-	(200,000)	19,945,000	200,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014	8,600,000	-	(130,000)	8,470,000	135,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015	8,665,000	-	(100,000)	8,565,000	2,190,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016	8,900,000	-	(100,000)	8,800,000	975,000
Accrued compensated absences	1,065,084	1,042,822	(1,065,084)	1,042,822	1,042,822
Net Pension Liability	87,866,198	82,139,881	-	170,006,079	-
Total	<u>\$181,296,282</u>	<u>\$ 83,182,703</u>	<u>\$ (6,870,084)</u>	<u>\$257,608,901</u>	<u>\$ 6,867,822</u>

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

G. Debt Service Forward Delivery Agreement (continued)

In 2005, the District signed a Debt Service Forward Delivery Agreement with JP Morgan Trust Company. The agreement provided for a one-time payment to the District for \$615,000. The agreement proceeds were utilized for the construction of District school buildings. The agreement effectively allows for the sale of a portion of District future investment income through July 1, 2025. Future pledged revenue amounts due under this agreement are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending:	Total
2018	\$ 48,723
2019	48,723
2020	48,723
2021	48,723
2022	48,723
2023 - 2027	158,986
Total	<u>\$ 402,602</u>

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

At June 30, 2017, the District reported a liability of \$170,006,079 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2015. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2016. The District proportion of the net pension liability was based on District contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2016 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the SCHDTF.

At December 31, 2016, the District proportion was 0.5710%, as compared to its proportion of 0.5745% measured as of December 31, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$32,913,507. At June 30, 2017, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 2,125,337	\$ 1,496
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	55,163,428	766,641
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	5,684,649	-
Changes in proportionate share of contributions	173,217	361,079
Difference between actual and reported contributions recognized	2,137	-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,438,829	-
Total	<u>\$ 65,587,597</u>	<u>\$ 1,129,216</u>

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

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

Contributions subsequent to the measurement date of December 31, 2016, which are reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:

2018	\$ 24,865,784
2019	24,849,262
2020	12,247,807
2021	56,699
	<u>\$ 62,019,552</u>

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.80 percent
Real wage growth	1.10 percent
Wage inflation	3.90 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.90 – 10.10 percent
Long-term investment Rate of Return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.50 percent
Future post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA Benefit Structure hired prior to 1/1/07; and DPS Benefit Structure (automatic)	2.00 percent
PERA Benefit Structure hired after 12/31/06 (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve

Based on the 2016 experience analysis and the October 28, 2016 actuarial assumptions workshop, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 18, 2016 and effective as of December 31, 2016. These revised assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll-forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2016:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40 percent
Real wage growth	1.10 percent
Wage inflation	3.90 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.90 – 9.70 percent
Long-term investment Rate of Return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25 percent
Future post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA Benefit Structure hired prior to 1/1/07; and DPS Benefit Structure (automatic)	2.00 percent
PERA Benefit Structure hired after 12/31/06 (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

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

Mortality rates used in the December 31, 2015 valuation were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on a projection of Scale AA to 2020 with Males set back 1 year, and Females set back 2 years. Active member mortality was based upon the same mortality rates but adjusted to 55 percent of the base rate for males and 40 percent of the base rate for females. For disabled retirees, the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 2 years for males and set back 2 years for females) was assumed.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2014 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2011, adopted by PERA's Board on November 13, 2012, and an economic assumption study, adopted by PERA's Board on November 15, 2013 and January 17, 2014.

As a result of the 2016 experience analysis and the October 28, 2016 actuarial assumptions workshop, revised economic and demographic actuarial assumptions including withdrawal rates, retirement rates for early reduced and unreduced retirement, disability rates, administrative expense load, and pre- and post-retirement and disability mortality rates were adopted by PERA's Board on November 18, 2016 to more closely reflect PERA's actual experience. As the revised economic and demographic assumptions are effective as of the measurement date, December 31, 2016, these revised assumptions were reflected in the total pension liability roll-forward procedures.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members reflect the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Healthy, post-retirement mortality assumptions reflect the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- **Females:** Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was changed to reflect 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four or five years for PERA. Recently, this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in presentations to PERA's Board on October 28, 2016. As a result of the October 28, 2016 actuarial assumptions workshop and the November 18, 2016 PERA Board meeting, the economic assumptions changed, effective December 31, 2016, as follows:

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

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

- Investment rate of return assumption decreased from 7.50 percent per year, compounded annually, net of investment expenses to 7.25 percent per year, compounded annually, net of investment expenses.
- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.80 percent per year to 2.40 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.70 percent per year, net of investment expenses, to 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.90 percent per year to 3.50 percent per year.

Several factors were considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption for the SCHDTF, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected

future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class.

These ranges were 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 then adding expected inflation.

As of the November 18, 2016 adoption of the current long-term expected rate of return by the PERA Board, the target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity - Large Cap	21.20%	4.30%
U.S. Equity - Small Cap	7.42%	4.80%
Non U.S. Equity - Developed	18.55%	5.20%
Non U.S. Equity - Emerging	5.83%	5.40%
Core Fixed Income	19.32%	1.20%
High Yield	1.38%	4.30%
Non U.S. Fixed Income - Developed	1.84%	0.60%
Emerging Market Debt	0.46%	3.90%
Core Real Estate	8.50%	4.90%
Opportunity Fund	6.00%	3.80%
Private Equity	8.50%	6.60%
Cash	1.00%	0.20%
Total	100.00%	

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.50%.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

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

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.26 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated economic and demographic actuarial assumptions adopted by PERA's Board on November 18, 2016.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.50%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the current member contribution rate. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date, including current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the Actuarial Value Funding Ratio reaches 103%, at which point, the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50% every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions included reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process used by the plan to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial fiduciary net position, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. As the ad hoc post-retirement benefit increases financed by the AIR are defined to have a present value at the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments equal to the amount transferred for their future payment, AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments have no impact on the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) determination process when the timing of AIR cash flows is not a factor (i.e., the plan's fiduciary net position is not projected to be depleted). When AIR cash flow timing is a factor in the SEIR determination process (i.e., the plan's fiduciary net position is projected to be depleted), AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the end of the month.

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

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

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position was projected to be depleted in 2041 and, as a result, the municipal bond index rate was used in the determination of the discount rate. The long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to periods through 2041 and the municipal bond index rate, the December average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, was applied to periods on and after 2041 to develop the discount rate. For the measurement date, the municipal bond index rate was 3.86 percent, resulting in a discount rate of 5.26 percent.

As of the prior measurement date, the projection test indicated the SCHDTF'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 of 7.50 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination did not use a municipal bond index rate and the discount rate was 7.50 percent, 2.24 percent higher compared to the current measurement date.

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 5.26 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (4.26 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.26 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.26%)	Current Discount Rate (5.26%)	1% Increase (4.26%)
Collective net pension liability	23,530,339,000	29,773,867,000	37,439,681,000
Proportionate share of net pension liability	134,356,101	170,006,079	213,777,181

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's comprehensive annual financial report which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

I. Fund Balances

At June 30, 2017 fund balances were committed for the following purposes:

Capital projects	\$236,447
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At June 30, 2017 fund balances were assigned for the following purposes:

Capital projects	\$72,505
Food service	455,589
Pupil activities	350,596

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III. Detailed Notes on All Funds (continued)

J. Deficit Net Position

At June 30, 2017, the District had a deficit net position of \$50,968,064.

IV. Other Information

A. Employee Benefits – Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“COPERA”)

1. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan Description. Eligible employees of the District are provided with pensions through the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF)—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided. PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA Benefit Structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit
- The value of the retiring employee’s member contribution account plus a 100 percent match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Benefit Structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit
- \$15 times the first 10 years of service credit plus \$20 times service credit over 10 years plus a monthly amount equal to the annuitized member contribution account balance based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100 percent of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

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IV. Other Information (continued)

A. Employee Benefits – Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“COPERA”) (continued)

1. Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued)

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50 percent or 100 percent on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

Benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs), referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S. Benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment before January 1, 2007 and all benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure receive an annual increase of 2 percent, unless PERA has a negative investment year, in which case the annual increase for the next three years is the lesser of 2 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) for the prior calendar year. Benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment after January 1, 2007 receive an annual increase of the lesser of 2 percent or the average CPI-W for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10 percent of PERA’s Annual Increase Reserve for the SCHDTF.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the retirement benefit formula shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

Contributions. Eligible employees and the District are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* Eligible employees are required to contribute 8 percent of their PERA-includable salary.

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IV. Other Information (continued)

A. Employee Benefits – Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“COPERA”) (continued)

1. Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued)

The employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below with rates expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42):

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2016	For the Year Ended December 31, 2017
Employer Contribution Rate ¹	10.15%	10.15%
Amount of Employer Contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f) ¹	(1.02)%	(1.02)%
Amount Apportioned to the SCHDTF ¹	9.13%	9.13%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411 ¹	4.50%	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411 ¹	4.50%	5.00%
Total Employer Contribution Rate to the SCHDTF ¹	18.13%	18.63%

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the District is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from the District were \$4,518,359 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

2. Postemployment Healthcare Benefits

Plan Description – The District contributes to the Health Care Trust Fund ("HCTF"), a cost-sharing multiple-employer healthcare trust administered by PERA. The HCTF benefit provides a health care premium subsidy and health care programs (known as PERACare) to PERA participating benefit recipients and their eligible beneficiaries. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, establishes the HCTF and sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of health care subsidies. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the HCTF. That report can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

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IV. Other Information (continued)

A. Employee Benefits – Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“COPERA”) (continued)

2. Postemployment Healthcare Benefits (continued)

Funding Policy. The District is required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary for all PERA members as set by statute. No member contributions are required. The contribution requirements for the District are established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 4 of the C.R.S., as amended. The apportionment of the contributions to the HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1)(f) of the C.R.S., as amended.

The District’s contributions to HCTF for the years ending June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$260,570, \$258,267, and \$239,997, respectively, equal to their required contributions for each year.

3. Defined Contribution Pension Plan

Plan Description - Employees of the District that are also members of the SCHDTF may voluntarily contribute to the Voluntary Investment Program, an Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) defined contribution plan administered by PERA. Title 24, Article 51, Part 14 of the C.R.S, as amended, assigns the authority to establish the Plan provisions to the PERA Board of Trustees. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report for the Plan. That report can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Funding Policy. Voluntary Investment Program is funded by voluntary member contributions up to the maximum limits set by the Internal Revenue Service, as established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 1402 of the C.R.S., as amended. Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions, employer contributions and investment earnings. The 401(k) Plan member contributions from the District for the years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$218,614, \$267,486, and \$187,444, respectively.

4. Insurance

All District employees covered by COBRA insurance may continue their health insurance due to a reduction in work hours or termination of employment (for reasons other than "gross misconduct") for up to 18 months after the occurrence of one of these events. Eligible dependents may continue coverage for up to 36 months. Employees who elect continued coverage must pay the District for premiums from the termination date of coverage and monthly thereafter. No cost to the District is recognized as employees reimburse 100% of their premium costs.

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IV. Other Information (continued)

B. Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to workers compensation, general liability, unemployment, torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, and error and omissions. The District carries commercial coverage for these risks and claims and does not expect claims to exceed their coverage.

C. Contingencies

1. Legal Claims

During the normal course of business, the District incurs claims and other assertions against it from various agencies and individuals. Management of the District and their legal representatives feel none of these claims or assertions are significant enough that they would materially affect the fairness of the presentation of the financial statements at June 30, 2017.

2. Federal Programs

Funds received from Federal grants are subject to audit and disallowance of ineligible cost. Management of the District feels any potential questioned or disallowed costs or liability arising from the Federal program audits would not materially affect the fairness of the presentation of the financial statements at June 30, 2017.

D. Jointly Governed Organization - BOCES

The District, together with nine other school districts, participates in the Mountain Board of Cooperative Educational Services (the "BOCES"). The purpose of the BOCES is to pool resources of the individual districts and to provide services common to each on a basis that is more economical than if the same services were provided individually. Administrative costs are borne equally by the districts. Administrative costs and services by BOCES are charged to each district based upon individual needs and the student population.

The Board of the BOCES consists of one member of the board of education of each participating district. Each district has equal voting rights in the decisions of the BOCES.

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D. Jointly Governed Organization – BOCES (continued)

The BOCES has issued its own audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016, the latest available data. The following summary information is presented:

Assets and Deferred Outflow s	<u>\$ 5,958,982</u>
Liabilities and Deferred Inflow s	<u>(8,860,777)</u>
Net Position	<u><u>\$ (2,901,795)</u></u>
Expenses	\$ (10,656,311)
Program Revenues	10,240,983
General Revenues	<u>149,921</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>(265,407)</u>
Net Position - Beginning	(2,636,388)
Net Position - Ending	<u><u>\$ (2,901,795)</u></u>

For the year ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the District made operating contributions of \$1,027,576 and \$1,323,745, respectively.

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Required Supplementary Information



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Garfield School District RE-2
General Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017				2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with	Actual
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Amounts
REVENUES					
Taxes:					
Property taxes	\$ 7,791,216	\$ 7,791,216	\$ 7,741,962	\$ (49,254)	\$ 10,173,442
Specific ownership taxes	1,000,000	900,000	986,337	86,337	1,005,048
State income	31,997,535	32,582,051	32,395,386	(186,665)	28,926,524
Federal income	1,053,947	1,282,052	1,331,468	49,416	905,411
Investment income	25,000	75,000	82,084	7,084	38,063
Other	999,615	1,077,859	1,239,309	161,450	1,137,191
Total revenues	<u>42,867,313</u>	<u>43,708,178</u>	<u>43,776,546</u>	<u>68,368</u>	<u>42,185,679</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Direct instruction	25,784,603	26,095,163	25,321,366	773,797	23,265,727
Indirect instruction	4,112,667	4,112,667	3,871,872	240,795	5,078,305
Transportation	1,562,984	1,646,297	1,648,284	(1,987)	1,600,094
Custodial and maintenance	5,303,607	5,303,607	5,267,423	36,184	5,218,847
Support services	2,648,152	2,648,152	2,723,731	(75,579)	2,871,820
General administration	3,760,402	3,862,003	3,786,274	75,729	3,439,281
Community service	15,000	15,000	5,000	10,000	15,000
Total expenditures	<u>43,187,415</u>	<u>43,682,889</u>	<u>42,623,950</u>	<u>1,058,939</u>	<u>41,489,074</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF					
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(320,102)</u>	<u>25,289</u>	<u>1,152,596</u>	<u>1,127,307</u>	<u>696,605</u>
OTHER FINANCING (USES)					
Transfers (out)	<u>(906,818)</u>	<u>(1,047,336)</u>	<u>(1,047,336)</u>	-	<u>(1,540,549)</u>
Total other financing (uses)	<u>(906,818)</u>	<u>(1,047,336)</u>	<u>(1,047,336)</u>	-	<u>(1,540,549)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ (1,226,920)</u>	<u>\$ (1,022,047)</u>	<u>105,260</u>	<u>\$ 1,127,307</u>	<u>(843,944)</u>
FUNDS BALANCES, BEGINNING			<u>11,248,359</u>		<u>12,092,303</u>
FUND BALANCES, ENDING			<u>\$ 11,353,619</u>		<u>\$ 11,248,359</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Designated Purpose Grants Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017				2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with	
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Actual Amounts
REVENUES					
Federal income	\$ 1,096,787	\$ 1,110,552	\$ 879,545	\$ (231,007)	\$ 973,323
Other sources	558,748	558,748	471,882	(86,866)	745,217
Total revenues	1,655,535	1,669,300	1,351,427	(317,873)	1,718,540
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Direct instruction	580,400	580,400	322,537	257,863	363,520
Indirect instruction	810,132	810,132	764,979	45,153	806,745
General administration	-	13,765	-	13,765	-
Custodial and maintenance	25,000	25,000	28,359	(3,359)	-
Community service	-	-	338	(338)	2,528
Food Service operations	-	-	-	-	720
Capital outlay	240,000	240,000	235,214	4,786	545,027
Total expenditures	1,655,532	1,669,297	1,351,427	317,870	1,718,540
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	3	3	-	(3)	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>	-	<u>\$ (3)</u>	-
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING			-		-
FUND BALANCES, ENDING			<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ -</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Garfield School District RE-2
Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association School Division Trust Fund
Last 10 Fiscal Years *

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.5710%	0.5745%	0.5716%	0.5721%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	170,006,079	87,866,198	77,470,936	72,966,025
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 25,627,091	\$ 25,036,690	\$ 23,945,915	\$ 23,115,932
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	663%	351%	324%	316%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	43.13%	59.16%	62.84%	64.07%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Information is only available beginning in fiscal year 2014.

Garfield School District RE-2
Schedule of District Contributions
Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association School Division Trust Fund
Last 10 Fiscal Years *

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 4,646,192	\$ 4,338,863	\$ 3,934,315	\$ 3,581,457
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>\$ (4,646,192)</u>	<u>\$ (4,338,863)</u>	<u>\$ (3,934,315)</u>	<u>\$ (3,581,457)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 25,627,091	\$ 25,036,690	\$ 23,945,915	\$ 23,115,932
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	18.13%	17.33%	16.43%	15.49%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Information is only available beginning in fiscal year 2014.

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information
June 30, 2017

I. Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability for the Year Ended June 30, 2017.

A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs

1. 2017 Changes since 2016

- The investment return assumption was lowered from 7.5 percent to 7.25 percent
- The wage inflation assumption was lowered from 3.90 percent to 3.50 percent
- The post-retirement mortality assumption for healthy lives for the School and DPS Divisions was changed to the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table with adjustments for credibility and gender adjustments of a 93 percent factor applied to ages below 80 and a 113 percent factor applied to age 80 and above, projected to 2018, or males, and a 68 percent factor applied to ages below 80 and a 106 percent factor applied to age 80 and above, projected to 2020, for females.
- For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was changed to reflect 90 percent of RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.
- The mortality assumption for active members was changed to RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.
- The rates of retirement, withdrawal, and disability were revised to reflect more closely actual experience.
- The estimated administrative expense as a percentage of covered payroll was increased from 0.35 percent to 0.40 percent.
- The single equivalent interest rate (the "SEIR") for the SCHDTF was lowered from 7.50 percent to 5.26 percent to reflect the changes to the projection's valuation basis, a projected year of depletion of the fiduciary net position (the "FNP"), and the resulting application of the municipal bond index rate
- The SEIR for the DPS Division was lowered from 7.50 percent to 7.25 percent, reflecting the change in the long-term expected rate of return.

2. 2016 Changes since 2015

- Valuation of the full survivor benefit without any reduction for possible remarriage.
- Reflection of the employer match on separation benefits for all eligible years.
- Reflection of one year of service eligibility for survivor annuity benefit.
- Refinement of the 18-month annual increase timing.
- Refinements to directly value certain and life, modified cash refund and pop-up benefit forms.
- Recognition of merit salary increases in the first projection year.
- Elimination of the assumption that 35% of future disabled members elect to receive a refund.
- Removal of the negative value adjustment for liabilities associated with refunds of future terminating members.
- Adjustments to the timing of the normal cost and unfunded actuarial accrued liability payment calculations to reflect contributions throughout the year.

Garfield School District RE-2
Notes to Required Supplementary Information
June 30, 2017
(Continued)

I. Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

A. Changes of benefit terms.

No changes during the years presented.

B. Changes of size or composition of population covered by benefit terms.

No changes during the years presented.

II. Notes to the Schedule of District Contributions

A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs

No changes during the years presented.

B. Changes of benefit terms.

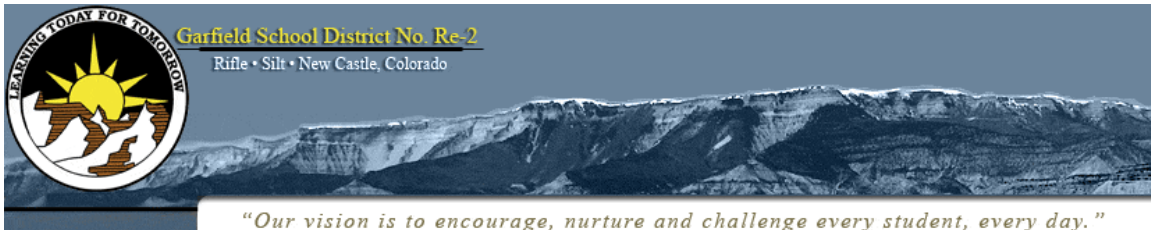
No changes during the years presented.

C. Changes of size or composition of population covered by benefit terms.

No changes during the years presented.

Garfield School District RE-2

Supplementary Information



GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Debt Service Fund
Bond Redemption Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017				2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Actual
	Original	Final	Amounts		Amounts
REVENUES					
Taxes:					
Property taxes	\$ 8,857,808	\$ 8,857,808	\$ 6,847,843	\$ (2,009,965)	\$ 8,983,315
Interest Income	-	-	11,824	11,824	(754)
Total revenues	8,857,808	8,857,808	6,859,667	(1,998,141)	8,982,561
EXPENDITURES					
Debt service:					
Principal	5,805,000	5,805,000	5,805,000	-	5,575,851
Interest	3,022,808	3,022,808	3,022,807	1	3,237,402
Fiscal charges	30,000	30,000	22,013	7,987	115,179
Total expenditures	8,857,808	8,857,808	8,849,820	7,988	8,928,432
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF					
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	-	-	(1,990,153)	(1,990,153)	54,129
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Bond proceeds	-	-	-	-	8,900,000
Premium on bonds	-	-	-	-	1,076,512
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	-	-	-	(9,859,169)
Total other financing sources	-	-	-	-	117,343
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	(1,990,153)	<u>\$ (1,990,153)</u>	171,472
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING			12,247,434		12,075,962
FUND BALANCES, ENDING			<u>\$ 10,257,281</u>		<u>\$ 12,247,434</u>

The accompanying notes are integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Capital Projects Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017			2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Actual Amounts
	Original	Final		
REVENUES				
State income	-	226,253	-	-
Other revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,940	\$ 18,200
Total revenues	-	226,253	1,940	18,200
EXPENDITURES				
Major renovations	588,876	998,572	98,204	701,653
Capital equipment	138,500	128,844	116,392	15,355
Vehicles	118,000	158,120	13,680	271,604
Other equipment / services	9,500	9,500	(169,358)	416,577
Principal retirement	51,942	51,942	51,942	54,416
Total expenditures	906,818	1,346,978	110,860	1,459,605
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES (OVER) EXPENDITURES	(906,818)	(1,120,725)	112,800	(1,441,405)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfers in (out)	906,818	1,047,336	-	1,540,549
Total other financing sources	906,818	1,047,336	-	1,540,549
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ (73,389)	\$ 112,800	99,144
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING			346,081	246,937
FUND BALANCES, ENDING			\$ 385,492	\$ 346,081

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Combining Balance Sheet
Non-Major Governmental Funds
June 30, 2017

	Pupil Activity Fund	Food Service Fund	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 382,539	\$ 529,601	\$ 912,140
Due from other governments	-	2,768	2,768
Inventories	-	34,524	34,524
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 382,539</u>	<u>\$ 566,893</u>	<u>\$ 949,432</u>
LIABILITIES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 8,943	\$ 409	\$ 9,352
Accrued compensation	-	36,816	36,816
Payroll withholdings and deductions	-	63	63
Total liabilities	<u>8,943</u>	<u>37,288</u>	<u>46,231</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Unavailable property taxes	<u>-</u>	<u>1,492</u>	<u>1,492</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable:			
Inventory	\$ -	\$ 34,524	\$ 34,524
Restricted:			
TABOR	23,000	38,000	61,000
Assigned	350,596	455,589	806,185
Total fund balances	<u>373,596</u>	<u>528,113</u>	<u>901,709</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund balances	<u>\$ 382,539</u>	<u>\$ 566,893</u>	<u>\$ 949,432</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Non-Major Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Pupil Activity Fund	Food Service Fund	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
State income	\$ -	\$ 27,228	\$ 27,228
Federal income	-	888,974	888,974
Investment earnings	-	520	520
Other sources	673,958	259,691	933,649
	<u>673,958</u>	<u>259,691</u>	<u>933,649</u>
Total revenues	<u>673,958</u>	<u>1,176,413</u>	<u>1,850,371</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Support services	1,260	-	1,260
Food service operations	-	1,241,557	1,241,557
Student activities	689,132	-	689,132
	<u>689,132</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>689,132</u>
Total expenditures	<u>690,392</u>	<u>1,241,557</u>	<u>1,931,949</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(16,434)</u>	<u>(65,144)</u>	<u>(81,578)</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(16,434)	(65,144)	(81,578)
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	<u>390,030</u>	<u>593,257</u>	<u>983,287</u>
FUND BALANCES, ENDING	<u>\$ 373,596</u>	<u>\$ 528,113</u>	<u>\$ 901,709</u>

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GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Pupil Activity Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017				2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Actual Amounts
	Original	Final			
REVENUES					
Other sources	\$ 736,585	\$ 736,585	\$ 673,958	\$ (62,627)	\$ 663,124
Total revenues	736,585	736,585	673,958	(62,627)	663,124
EXPENDITURES					
Indirect instruction	50,000	50,000	-	50,000	-
Support services	2,500	2,500	1,260	1,240	3,012
Student activities	684,085	684,085	689,132	(5,047)	644,261
Total expenditures	736,585	736,585	690,392	46,193	647,273
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	-	-	(16,434)	(16,434)	15,851
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	\$ -	\$ -	(16,434)	\$ (16,434)	15,851
FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING			390,030		374,179
FUND BALANCES, ENDING			\$ 373,596		\$ 390,030

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GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Food Services Fund
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017				2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Actual
	Original	Final	Amounts		Amounts
REVENUES					
Food and Ala carte sales	\$ 264,182	\$ 264,182	\$ 257,401	\$ (6,781)	\$ 257,033
Federal aid:					
Federal government meal reimbursement	782,679	782,679	794,938	12,259	788,831
USDA Commodity contribution	81,000	81,000	94,036	13,036	81,284
State reimbursement	27,971	27,971	27,228	(743)	28,201
Donations from private sources	-	-	2,290	2,290	3,543
Interest income	45	45	520	475	2,615
Capital contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Total revenues	<u>1,155,877</u>	<u>1,155,877</u>	<u>1,176,413</u>	<u>20,536</u>	<u>1,161,507</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and employee benefits	808,165	808,165	775,476	32,689	768,124
Purchased services	3,256	3,256	2,484	772	2,084
Supplies	30,080	30,080	21,026	9,054	27,877
Food costs:					
Purchased food	441,539	441,539	354,905	86,634	365,853
Donated commodities	81,000	81,000	94,036	(13,036)	81,284
Internal catering and other	(3,846)	(3,846)	(6,370)	2,524	(4,291)
Property	2,750	2,750	-	2,750	1,824
Total expenditures	<u>1,362,944</u>	<u>1,362,944</u>	<u>1,241,557</u>	<u>121,387</u>	<u>1,242,755</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	<u>(207,067)</u>	<u>(207,067)</u>	(65,144)	<u>141,923</u>	(81,248)
TOTAL NET POSITION, BEGINNING			<u>593,257</u>	(141,923)	<u>674,505</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION, ENDING			<u><u>528,113</u></u>		<u><u>593,257</u></u>

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GARFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fiduciary
Assets and Liabilities - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)
Pupil Activity Agency Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017
(With Comparative Actual Amounts for 2016)

	2017				2016
	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)	Actual Amounts
	Original	Final			
ADDITIONS					
Programs	\$ 123,575	\$ 123,575	\$ 103,238	\$ (20,337)	\$ 105,655
Total additions	123,575	123,575	103,238	(20,337)	105,655
DEDUCTIONS					
Programs	123,375	123,375	99,045	24,330	107,431
Total deductions	123,375	123,375	99,045	24,330	107,431
CHANGE IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	\$ 200	\$ 200	4,193	\$ 3,993	(1,776)
DUE TO STUDENT ACTIVITIES, BEGINNING			39,340		41,116
DUE TO STUDENT ACTIVITIES, ENDING			\$ 43,533		\$ 39,340

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Colorado Department of Education

Auditors Integrity Report

District: 1195 - GARFIELD RE-2

Fiscal Year 2016-17

Colorado School District/BOCES

Revenues, Expenditures, & Fund Balance by Fund

Fund Type &Number	Beg Fund Balance & Prior Per Adj (6880*)	1000 - 5999 Total Revenues & Other Sources	0001-0999 Total Expenditures & Other Uses	6700-6799 & Prior Per Adj (6880*) Ending Fund Balance
Governmental	+		-	=
10 General Fund	11,248,360	42,729,210	42,623,951	11,353,619
18 Risk Mgmt Sub-Fund of General Fund	0	0	0	0
19 Colorado Preschool Program Fund	0	0	0	0
Sub- Total	11,248,360	42,729,210	42,623,951	11,353,619
11 Charter School Fund	0	0	0	0
20,26-29 Special Revenue Fund	0	0	0	0
06 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main. Fund	0	0	0	0
21 Food Service Spec Revenue Fund	593,257	1,176,413	1,241,557	528,112
22 Govt Designated-Purpose Grants Fund	0	1,351,427	1,351,427	0
23 Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund	390,030	673,958	690,392	373,596
24 Full Day Kindergarten Mill Levy Override	0	0	0	0
25 Transportation Fund	0	0	0	0
31 Bond Redemption Fund	12,247,433	6,859,667	8,849,820	10,257,281
39 Certificate of Participation (COP) Debt Service Fund	0	0	0	0
41 Building Fund	0	0	0	0
42 Special Building Fund	0	0	0	0
43 Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund	346,080	1,275,530	1,236,118	385,492
46 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main Fund	0	0	0	0
Totals	24,825,160	54,066,205	55,993,264	22,898,100
Proprietary				
50 Other Enterprise Funds	0	0	0	0
64 (63) Risk-Related Activity Fund	0	0	0	0
60,65-69 Other Internal Service Funds	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0
Fiduciary				
70 Other Trust and Agency Funds	0	0	0	0
72 Private Purpose Trust Fund	0	0	0	0
73 Agency Fund	0	0	0	0
74 Pupil Activity Agency Fund	39,340	103,238	99,045	43,533
79 GASB 34:Permanent Fund	0	0	0	0
85 Foundations	0	0	0	0
Totals	39,340	103,238	99,045	43,533

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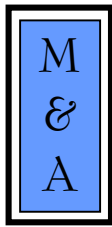
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS

**To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2
Rifle, Colorado**

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Garfield School District RE-2 (the "District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 25, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or 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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

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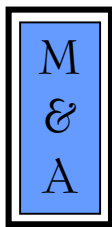
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2
Rifle, Colorado

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

McMahan and Associates, L.L.C.

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October 25, 2017



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

**To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2
Rifle, Colorado**

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the compliance of the Garfield School District RE-2 (the "District") with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. The District's major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibilities

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities

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

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

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
To the Board of Education
Garfield School District RE-2
Rifle, Colorado

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

Purpose of this Report

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 in the requirements of Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

McMahan and Associates, L.L.C.

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October 25, 2017

Garfield School District RE-2
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Part I: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness identified	None noted
Significant deficiency identified	None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted	None noted

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:	
Material weakness identified	None noted
Significant deficiency identified	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 Title 2 U.S Code of Federal Regulations Part 200	None noted
Major programs -	
School breakfast program	CFDA# 10.553
National school lunch program	CFDA# 10.555
Summer food service program for children	CFDA# 10.559
Food distribution, commodities	CFDA# 10.555
Dollar threshold used to identify Type A from Type B programs	\$750,000
Identified as low-risk auditee	Yes

Part II: Findings Related to Financial Statements

Findings related to financial statements as required by Government Auditing Standards	None noted
Auditor-assigned reference number	Not applicable

Part III: Findings Related to Federal Awards

Internal control findings	None noted
Compliance findings	None noted
Questioned costs	None noted

Garfield School District RE-2
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Note: There were no findings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016

Garfield School District RE-2
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grant Project Code	Major Program (Yes/No)	Expenditures
Department of Education:				
Passed through Colorado Department of Education:				
Title I, Part A - Improving Basic Programs Operated by Schools	84.010	4010	No	607,580
Title I, Part G - Advanced Placement for Disadvantaged Students	84.330	5330	No	1,078
Title II, Part A - Teach and Principal Training and Recruiting	84.367	4367	No	116,297
Title III, Part A - English Language Acquisition	84.365	4365	No	27,549
Title III, Part A - Immigrant Set Aside	84.365	7365	No	1,247
Race to the Top - Early Childhood Readiness	84.412	5412	No	3,133
No Child Left Behind - Math and Science	84.366	5366	No	92,456
Passed through the Colorado Community College System (CCCS):				
Carl Perkins	84.048	4048	No	30,206
Total Department of Education				<u>879,546</u>
Department of Agriculture:				
Passed through Colorado Department of Education:				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	4553	Yes	209,337 A
National School Lunch Program	10.555	4555	Yes	574,283 A
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	4559	Yes	11,278 A
Passed through Colorado Department of Human Services:				
Food Distribution, Commodities	10.555	4555	Yes	94,036 A
Passed through Garfield County Colorado				
Forest reserve revenue	10.665	7665	No	366,587
Total Department of Agriculture				<u>1,255,521</u>
Total Expenditures				<u><u>\$ 2,135,067</u></u>

Additional Information for Clusters:

A Child Nutrition Cluster \$ 888,934

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Note 1. Basis of Presentation:

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Garfield School District RE-2 and is presented on 'the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in, the preparation of the general purpose financial statements.

Note 2. Determining the Value of Non-cash Awards Expended:

Food Commodities: Fair market value of commodities at the time recipient receives award and the assessed value provided by the federal agency.

Note 3. Indirect Facilities and Administration Costs

The District does not use the 10% de minimis cost rate allowed in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200.414, Indirect (F&A) costs. Instead, the District prepares an annual cost allocation plan to allocate indirect costs.

Note 4. Sub recipients:

The District had no sub-recipients as of June 30, 2017