

Weld County School District RE-10J
Briggsdale, Colorado

Financial Statements

For the Year ended June 30, 2024

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Education
Weld County School District RE-10J
Briggsdale, Colorado

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Weld County School District RE-10J (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing the audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and historical pension and other post-employment benefit information listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the

United States of America, which consisted of inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information and the auditors' integrity report listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the other supplementary information and the auditors' integrity report are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Lauer, Szabo & Associates, P.C.

Sterling, Colorado
October 7, 2024

**Weld County School District RE-10J
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

This section of the Weld County School District RE-10J (the "District") financial report offers readers of the District's financial statements management's discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information furnished in the District's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

Financial Highlights

- The District's financial status increased over the course of the 2024 fiscal year. Total net position ended at \$11,151,728 compared to June 30, 2023 at \$5,153,819. The net position related to governmental activities and business-type activities had major changes based on the inclusion of the GASB 68 governmental reporting requirements.
- The District had \$5,538,614 in expenses related to governmental activities; only \$406,177 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services and operating grants and contributions.
- General revenues of Governmental Activities totaled \$11,130,346. General purpose taxes accounts for \$4,170,541, or 37.47 percent, and specific ownership taxes of \$302,098 or 2.71 percent of all revenues.
- Beginning fund balance for the Governmental Funds was increased by \$5,578,396, with a corresponding change in net position.
- The General Fund, Total Program Reserve Fund and Debt Service Fund are the District's major funds. These three funds had \$11,336,491 in revenues and other sources and \$5,757,705 in expenditures. The fund balances increased to \$10,060,163 from \$4,481,377, due primarily to expenditures and transfers not exceeding revenues and other sources.
- Enrollment of the District increased to a full-time equivalent (FTE) of 170.8 students, which represents a decrease of 7 FTE.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual financial report consists of three parts: management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and required and other supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District.

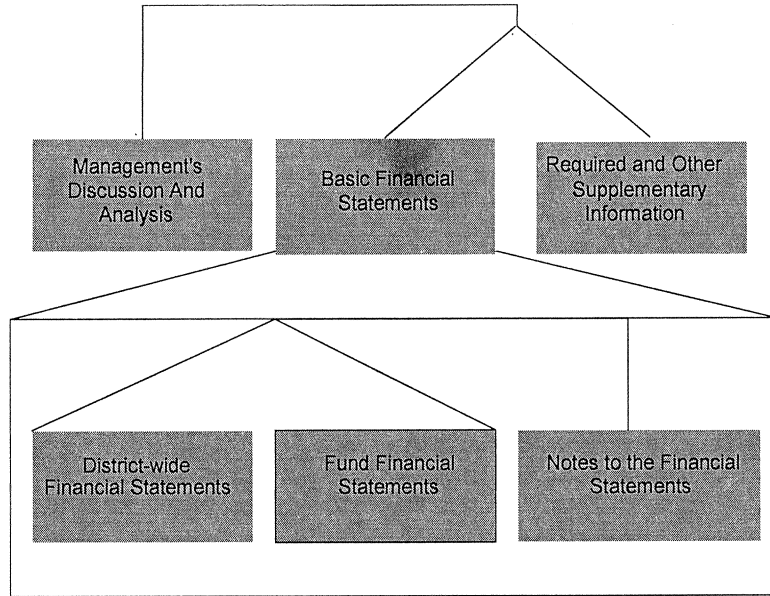
- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both short-term and long-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. The governmental funds statements tell how basic services such as instruction were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.
- Proprietary funds statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about the activities the District operates like a business; currently the District does not report any proprietary fund statements.
- Fiduciary funds statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others. The District currently does not have any fiduciary funds.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required and other supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year. This section also includes any Colorado mandated reports.

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Detailed in the following diagram are how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.

**Table 1
Organization of the District's Annual Financial Report**



SUMMARY \longleftrightarrow **DETAIL**

Table 2 displayed on the following page summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District's activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the two types of financial statements, government-wide and fund financial statements, found in the basic financial statements.

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**Table 2
Major Features of the Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

	Government-wide Statements	Fund Financial Statements		
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire District (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education.	Activities the District operates similar to private businesses: The District does not have any proprietary funds.	Instances in which the District administers resources on behalf of someone else. The District does not have any fiduciary funds.
Required Financial Statements	Statement of Net Position Statement of Activities	Balance Sheet Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	Statement of Net Position Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Statement of Cash Flows	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus.	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus.	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus.	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus.
Type of asset/liability information	All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources both financial and capital, short-term and long-term.	Generally assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included.	All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term.	All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can.
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable.	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Government-wide Statements

The government-wide statements are designed to provide readers a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The statement of net position includes all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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The statement of net position presents information on all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources with the differences 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. To access the District's overall health, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as the condition of school building and other facilities.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flow in future fiscal periods.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the District that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenue (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). Included in governmental activities are most of the District's basic services such as regular and special education, transportation, maintenance and operations, administration, food service and pupil activities. The basic government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 14-17 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant, or "major" funds, not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs. Some funds are required by state law and bond covenants. Other funds control and manage money for particular purposes (such as federal grants). The District's funds are divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds: All of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) inflows and outflows of cash and other financial assets and (2) balances remaining at year-end which are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine financial resources that may be available in the near term to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the long-term focus of the government-wide statements, a reconciling schedule is included on the governmental funds statements explaining the relationship (or difference) between them.

The District maintains four individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the General Fund and Bond Redemption Fund, the District's major funds.

Proprietary funds: Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide statements.

The District does not currently have any proprietary funds.

Fiduciary funds: Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. The District is responsible for ensuring the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The District does not currently have any fiduciary funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 22 - 57 of this report.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required and other supplementary information. This includes the budget-to-actual information for all funds as dictated by state law. Additionally, the Colorado Department of Education electronic data transmission reports are included in this section.

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

Net Position and Changes in Net Position

The District's combined net position on June 30, 2024 changed to 11,151,728 compared to prior year. Table 3 provides a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2023.

Table 3

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Current Assets	\$ 10,715,799	\$ 4,853,467
Other Assets	<u>5,541,658</u>	<u>5,680,544</u>
Total Assets	<u>16,257,457</u>	<u>10,534,011</u>
Deferred Outflows of Financial Resources	<u>1,339,597</u>	<u>1,051,278</u>
Current Liabilities	549,635	269,892
Long-term Liabilities	<u>5,607,868</u>	<u>5,605,844</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>6,157,503</u>	<u>5,875,736</u>
Deferred Inflows of Financial Resources	<u>287,823</u>	<u>555,734</u>
Net investment in Capital Assets	5,478,378	4,677,066
Restricted Net Position	6,578,345	2,066,036
Unrestricted Net Position	<u>(904,995)</u>	<u>(1,589,283)</u>
Total Net Position (Deficit)	<u>\$ 11,151,728</u>	<u>\$ 5,153,819</u>

At the end of the 2024 fiscal year, District assets reflect a positive change in Governmental Activities and an increase in total net position from 2023.

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Governmental Activities

The primary source of operating revenue for school districts comes from the School Finance Act of 1994 (the "Act"). Under this Act, the District received \$18,364 per funded student. Funding for the School Finance Act comes from property taxes, specific ownership tax, and state equalization. The District receives no funding from state equalization, 97 percent from property tax and specific ownership tax, and the remaining is from federal funding and other miscellaneous revenue sources.

The statement of activities shows the cost of program services and the related charges for services and grants offsetting those costs. Table 4 reflects each program's total cost and net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by unrestricted state equalization and property taxes.

**Table 4
Governmental Activities**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$ 42,648	\$ 84,885
Operating Grants	363,529	453,883
Capital Grants	-	-
Total Program Revenues	<u>406,177</u>	<u>538,768</u>
General Revenues:		
Taxes	10,834,399	5,776,296
State Equalization	0	(24,466)
Investment Earnings	136,126	33,504
Miscellaneous	<u>159,821</u>	<u>153,448</u>
Total General Revenues	<u>11,130,346</u>	<u>5,938,782</u>
Total Revenues	<u>11,536,523</u>	<u>6,477,530</u>
Expenses		
Instruction	2,665,747	2,429,683
Supporting Services	2,827,432	2,334,845
Interest on Long Term Debt	<u>45,435</u>	<u>39,640</u>
Total Expenses	<u>5,538,614</u>	<u>4,804,168</u>
Change in Net Position	5,997,909	1,673,362
Net Position – Beginning	<u>5,153,819</u>	<u>3,480,437</u>
Net Position – Ending	<u>\$ 11,151,728</u>	<u>\$ 5,153,819</u>

Most of the District's costs were financed by District taxpayers.

Financial Analysis of District's Funds

Even though the fund balance in the General Fund increased, this is not necessarily indicative of the District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. In the General Fund budgetary highlights section of this analysis, details regarding the components of the General Fund's fund balance are available.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

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 District's budget for the General Fund anticipated that expenditures would equal revenues. The actual results for the year show revenues exceeding expenses by \$1,218,811.

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- Actual revenues were \$372,662 more than anticipated during the fiscal year.
- The actual expenditures were \$846,149 under budget during the fiscal year.
- The District must maintain a 3% emergency reserve as a part of the TABOR Amendment (Taxpayer Bill of Rights). At June 30, 2024, the District's TABOR reserve amounted to \$300,000.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

By the end of the fiscal year 2024, the District had invested \$5,541,658, net of accumulated depreciation, in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, site improvements, vehicles and other equipment (See Table 5). This amount represents a net decrease of \$138,886 from last year. Additional information on the District's capital assets with table can be found in Note E to the financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

More detailed information about the District's long-term liabilities is presented in Note G to the financial statements. During the 2024 fiscal year, the District retired its general obligation bonds. Colorado Revised Statute 22-42-04 states that a school district shall have a limited bonded indebtedness determined by a specific formula. The District's outstanding debt is below this limit.

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Compensated absences	\$ 31,463	\$ 16,366	\$ -	\$ 47,829
General obligation bonds, Series 2012	1,025,000	-	1,025,000	-
General obligation bonds, Series 2012 Premiums	65,413	-	65,413	-
Lease payables	-	71,190	7,910	63,280
Total	<u>\$ 1,121,876</u>	<u>\$ 87,556</u>	<u>\$ 1,098,323</u>	<u>\$ 111,109</u>

Factors Bearing on the District's Future

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of the following circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- Every year our District depends on the state formula for the funding we are going to receive for the General Fund and the key factor for the formula is based on enrollment. We are projecting a slow increase in enrollment over the next few years. Our student enrollment will be the stabilizer of finances in our District.
- The District continues to search for grants to provide: additional upgrades of equipment, improve facilities, and educational opportunities.
- Our District wants to provide all students with the best possible opportunity to learn. This includes: staff, curriculum, safety, and technology. We recognize the challenges of being a small district with limited resources and living in an outlying area.

**Weld County School District RE-10J
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, parents, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Business Services, Weld County School District RE-10J, 515 Leslie Street, Briggsdale, Colorado 80611.

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Basic Financial Statements

The basic financial statements of the District include the following:

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide statements display information about the reporting government as a whole.

Fund financial statements. The fund financial statements display information about major funds individually and nonmajor funds in the aggregate for governmental funds.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes communicate information essential for fair presentation of the financial statements that is not displayed on the face of the financial statements. As such, the notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Cash	\$ 636,244
Cash with fiscal agent	28,962
Investments	9,885,925
Receivables	155,359
Inventories	9,309
Capital assets, net of depreciation	<u>5,541,658</u>
Total assets	16,257,457
Deferred outflows of resources	
Pension deferrals	1,313,431
Other post-employment benefit deferrals	<u>26,166</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>1,339,597</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u><u>\$ 17,597,054</u></u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 279,536
Accrued salaries and benefits	261,076
Unearned revenues	9,023
Noncurrent liabilities	
Due within one year	7,910
Due in more than one year	103,199
Net pension liability	5,367,164
Net other post-employment benefit deferrals	<u>129,595</u>
Total liabilities	6,157,503
Deferred inflows of resources	
Pension deferrals	248,761
Other post-employment benefit deferrals	<u>39,062</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>287,823</u>
Net position	
Net investment in capital assets	5,478,378
Restricted for:	
Emergencies	300,000
Total program reserve	6,209,339
Debt service	58,075
Food service operations	10,931
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(904,995)</u>
Total net position	<u>11,151,728</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position	<u><u>\$ 17,597,054</u></u>

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

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WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
Governmental activities				
Instruction	\$ 2,665,747	\$ 31,807	\$ 224,697	
Supporting services				
Students	87,398			
Instructional staff	63,090		4,500	
General administration	741,341		32,178	
Business services	52,121			
Operations and maintenance	1,136,971			
Student transportation	363,005			
Central support services	8,095			
Food service operations	154,354	10,841	102,154	
Interest on long-term debt	45,435			
Unallocated depreciation *	221,057			
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 5,538,614</u>	<u>\$ 42,648</u>	<u>\$ 363,529</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

General revenues
 Taxes
 Property taxes, levied for general purposes
 Property taxes, levied for debt services
 Property taxes, levied for total program reserve
 Specific ownership taxes
 Delinquent taxes and interest
 Earnings on investments
 Other
 Sale of assets

Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position at beginning of year

Net position at end of year

* This amount excludes depreciation that is included in the direct expenses of the various programs.

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

Net (Expenses)
Revenues and
Changes in
Net Position

Governmental
Activities

\$ (2,409,243)

(87,398)

(58,590)

(709,163)

(52,121)

(1,136,971)

(363,005)

(8,095)

(41,359)

(45,435)

(221,057)

(5,132,437)

4,170,541

423,712

5,935,689

302,098

2,359

136,126

153,871

5,950

11,130,346

5,997,909

5,153,819

\$ 11,151,728

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Total Program Reserve Fund	Bond Redemption Fund	Other Governmental Funds
Assets				
Cash	\$ 475,902		\$ 60,531	\$ 99,811
Cash with fiscal agent	11,894	\$ 17,053	15	
Investments	3,696,528	6,189,397		
Due from other funds	3,723			
Property taxes receivable	2,035	15,238	209	
Grants receivable	133,755			
Other receivables	3,167			955
Inventories				9,309
Total assets	\$ 4,327,004	\$ 6,221,688	\$ 60,755	\$ 110,075
Liabilities				
Due to other funds			\$ 2,680	\$ 1,043
Accounts payable	\$ 276,489			3,047
Accrued salaries and benefits	257,766			3,310
Unearned revenues				9,023
Total liabilities	534,255	\$ -	2,680	16,423
Deferred inflows of resources				
Deferred property tax revenues		12,349		
Fund balance				
Nonspendable:				
Inventories				9,309
Restricted for:				
Emergencies	300,000			
Total program reserve		6,209,339		
Debt service			58,075	
Food service operations				1,622
Committed to pupil activities				82,721
Unassigned	3,492,749			
Total fund balance	3,792,749	6,209,339	58,075	93,652
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balance	\$ 4,327,004	\$ 6,221,688	\$ 60,755	\$ 110,075

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

Total Governmental Funds	Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
	Total fund balance - governmental funds	\$ 10,153,815
\$ 636,244	Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds.	5,541,658
28,962		
9,885,925	Certain receivables will be collected in the next fiscal year, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures, and therefore are reported as unearned revenues in the funds.	12,349
3,723		
17,482		
133,755	Long-term liabilities and related deferred outflows and inflows of resources, including bonds payable, compensated absences and net pension and OPEB liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	(4,556,094)
4,122		
9,309	Net position of the governmental activities	<u>\$ 11,151,728</u>
<u>\$ 10,719,522</u>		
\$ 3,723		
279,536		
261,076		
9,023		
553,358		
12,349		
9,309		
300,000		
6,209,339		
58,075		
1,622		
82,721		
3,492,749		
<u>10,153,815</u>		
<u>\$ 10,719,522</u>		

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Total Program Reserve Fund	Bond Redemption Fund	Other Governmental Funds
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 4,453,241	\$ 6,102,474	\$ 456,732	\$ 114,421
Intermediate sources	38,545			
State sources	173,528			55,843
Federal sources	76,831			46,311
Total revenues	4,742,145	6,102,474	456,732	216,575
Expenditures				
Instruction	2,280,253			105,248
Supporting services	2,403,261	14,806		153,717
Debt service				
Principal	7,910		1,025,000	
Interest and fiscal charges			26,475	
Total expenditures	4,691,424	14,806	1,051,475	258,965
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	50,721	6,087,668	(594,743)	(42,390)
Other financing sources (uses)				
Sale of assets	5,950			
Lease proceeds	71,190			
Transfers in	1,132,950			42,000
Transfers out	(42,000)	(1,132,950)		
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,168,090	(1,132,950)	-	42,000
Net change in fund balance	1,218,811	4,954,718	(594,743)	(390)
Fund balance at beginning of year	2,573,938	1,254,621	652,818	94,042
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 3,792,749</u>	<u>\$ 6,209,339</u>	<u>\$ 58,075</u>	<u>\$ 93,652</u>

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

Total Governmental Funds	Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
	Net change in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ 5,578,396
\$ 11,126,868	Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities, those costs are shown in the statement of net position and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the statement of activities. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period.	(138,886)
38,545		
229,371		
123,142		
11,517,926		
2,385,501	Because some receivables will not be collected for several months after the fiscal year ends, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the governmental funds and are, instead, counted as unearned revenues. They are, however, recorded as revenues in the statement of activities.	1,631
2,571,784		
1,032,910		
26,475		
6,016,670	The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources in the governmental funds, however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	(71,190)
5,501,256		
5,950	Repayment of principal on general obligation bonds and leases are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces the long-term liability in the statement of net position.	1,032,910
71,190		
1,174,950		
(1,174,950)		
77,140	In the statement of activities, certain expenses related to the pension and OPEB liabilities and related deferred outflows and inflows, compensated absences and accrued interest payable, are measured by the amounts incurred during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid).	(404,952)
5,578,396		
4,575,419		
\$ 10,153,815	Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 5,997,909</u>

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies

This summary of the Weld County School District RE-10J's significant accounting policies is presented to assist the reader in interpreting the financial statements and other data in this report. The policies are considered essential and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

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

A.1 – Reporting entity

The Weld County School District RE-10J is a school district governed by an elected five-member board of education. The financial reporting entity consists of (1) the primary government, (2) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (3) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The reporting entity's financial statements should present the funds of the primary government (including its blended component units, which are, in substance, part of the primary government) and provide an overview of the discretely presented component units.

The District has examined other entities that could be included as defined in number 2 and 3 above. Based on these criteria, the District has no component units.

A.2 – Fund accounting

The District uses funds to report its financial position and results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types." The District does not have any proprietary or fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked funds (special revenue funds), and the servicing of general long-term debt (debt service fund). The following are the District's major governmental funds:

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

General Fund – The General Fund is the operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include local property taxes, specific ownership taxes, and State of Colorado equalization funding, as determined by the School Finance Act of 1994, as amended.

Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operation of the schools, except for certain capital outlay expenditures, debt service, food service operations and pupil activities.

Total Program Reserve Fund – This fund is a special revenue fund used to account for the revenues from a specific tax levy pursuant to § 22-54-107(5), C.R.S.

Bond Redemption – This fund is a debt service fund used to account for the revenues from a specific tax levy for the purpose of the repayment of debt principal, interest, and other fiscal charges.

The following are the District’s nonmajor governmental funds:

Food Service Fund – This fund is a special revenue fund used to account for the financial activities associated with the District’s food service operations.

Pupil Activity Fund – This fund is a special revenue fund used to record transactions related to school-sponsored pupil organizations and activities.

Note A.3 – Basis of presentation

Government-wide financial statements – The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. The statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliations with a brief explanation to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues, which are not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund financial statements – Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources management focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets, deferred outflows of resources, current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance, which reports the sources (revenues and other financing sources) and uses (expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

A.4 – Basis of accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues – exchange and non-exchange transactions – Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, are recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenues are recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year-end, except for state and federal grant revenues, which are considered available if collection is expected within six months of year end.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenues from property taxes are recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. State equalization monies are recognized as revenues during the period in which they are appropriated. Revenues from grants, entitlements and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: property taxes collected within sixty days after year-end, interest, tuition, grants and student fees.

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

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

Unearned revenue – Unearned revenues arise when potential revenue does not meet both the “measurable” and “available” criteria for recognition in the current period. Unearned revenues also arise when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to meeting eligibility requirements. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the District has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed and the revenue is recognized.

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

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

A.5 – Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is utilized by the District to record purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies to assure effective budgetary control and accountability. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are canceled and reappropriated in the ensuing year's budget.

A.6 – Short-term interfund receivables/payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as internal balances on the government-wide statement of net position, and are classified as due from other funds or due to other funds on the balance sheet.

A.7 – Inventories

Food Service Fund – purchased inventories are stated at cost as determined by the first-in, first-out method. Commodity inventories are stated at the United States Department of Agriculture's assigned values, which approximate fair value, at the date of receipt. Expenditures for food items are recorded when consumed. The federal government donates surplus commodities to the national school lunch program. Commodity distributions used by the District are recorded as revenues at the date of their consumption.

A.8 – Capital assets

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position, but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets with a unit cost greater than \$5,000 are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost, if actual cost is not available) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair value on the date received. Infrastructure assets, consisting of certain improvements other than buildings (such as parking facilities, sidewalks, landscaping and lighting systems) are capitalized along with other capital assets. Improvements to assets are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the life of the asset are not.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Buildings and improvements	5-50 years
Other equipment	5-20 years
Licensed vehicles	8 years

A.9 – Compensated absences

The District reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, “Accounting for Compensated Absences.” Compensated absences benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees’ rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Accumulated sick leave benefits are paid to employees upon termination of employment.

The District’s policy permits employees to accumulate up to 30 total days at the rate of 10 days per year. An employee who has been employed by the District for five years and is eligible for retirement in accordance with the Public Employees Retirement Association shall be paid \$60 per day for all accrued sick leave not taken, not to exceed payment for more than 30 days of accrued sick leave.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts, if any, are recorded in the account “accrued compensated absences” in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

The amount recorded as liabilities for all applicable compensated absences include salary-related payments associated with the payment of compensated absences, using the rates in effect at the balance sheet date.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

A.10 – Accrued liabilities and long-term obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, the noncurrent portion of compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds is reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. Bonds payable and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

A.11 – Leases

The District determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Leases are included in capital assets and lease liabilities in the statement of net position.

Lease assets represent the District's control of the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, as specified in the contract, in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Lease assets are recognized at the commencement date based on the initial measurement of the lease liability, plus any payment made to the lessor at or before the commencement of the lease term and certain direct costs. Lease assets are amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Lease liabilities represent the District's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Lease liabilities are recognized at the commencement date based on the present value of expected lease payments over the lease term, less any lease incentives. Interest expense is recognized ratably of the contract term. The lease term may include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the District will exercise that option.

The District recognizes payments for short-term leases with a lease term of 12 months or less as expenses are incurred, and the leases are not included as lease liabilities or right-to-use lease assets in the statement of net position.

A.12 – Fund balance

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. This Statement defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below.

Nonspendable, such as fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenditures, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed or assigned),

Restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the board of education (the District's highest level of decision-making authority),

Assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed, and

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the District's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Committed fund balance is established by a formal passage of a resolution. This is typically done through the adoption and amendment of the budget. A fund balance commitment is further indicated in the budget document as a designation or commitment of the fund. Assigned fund balance is established by the board of education through adoption or amendment of the budget as intended for specific purpose (such as purchase of fixed assets, construction, debt service or for other purposes).

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available in governmental funds, the District applies expenditures against restricted fund balance first, and followed by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and unassigned fund balance.

A.13 – Net position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are liabilities imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

The District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

A.14 – Interfund transactions

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues or expenditures. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. In general, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

A.15 – Extraordinary and special items

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

Note B – Cash and investments

Cash and deposits

Colorado State statutes govern the District's deposit of cash. The Public Deposit Protection Acts (PDPA) for banks and savings and loans require state regulators to certify eligible depositories for public deposits. The PDPA require eligible depositories with public deposits in excess of federal insurance levels to create a single institution collateral pool of defined eligible assets. Eligible collateral includes obligations of the United States, obligations of the State of Colorado or Colorado local governments and obligations secured by first lien mortgages on real property located in the state. The pool is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all uninsured public deposits as a group and not held in any individual government's name. The fair value of the assets in the pool must be at least equal to 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits.

Custodial credit risk – deposits – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of year-end, the District had total deposits of \$933,028, of which \$310,531 was insured and \$622,497 was collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent in the District's name.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note B – Cash and investments (Continued)

Investments

Authorized Investments – Investment policies are governed by Colorado State Statutes and the District’s own investment policies and procedures. Investments of the District may include:

- Obligations of the U.S. Government such as treasury bills, notes and bonds
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of United States local government entities
- Bankers acceptances of certain banks
- Commercial paper
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

During the year, the District invested in Colotrust (the Trust), an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. The State Securities Commission administers and enforces all State statutes governing the Trust. The Trust operates similarly to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$1.00. The Trust offers shares in two portfolios, COLOTRUST PRIME and COLOTRUST PLUS+. Both portfolios may invest in U.S. Treasury securities and repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities. COLOTRUST PLUS+ may also invest in certain obligations of U.S. government agencies, highest rated commercial paper and repurchase agreements collateralized by certain obligations of U.S. government agencies. A designated custodial bank serves as custodian for the Trust’s portfolios pursuant to a custodian agreement. The custodian acts as safekeeping agent for the Trust’s investment portfolios and provides services as the depository in connection with direct investments and withdrawals. As of June 30, 2024, the District had invested \$9,885,925 in COLOTRUST PLUS+, an SEC Rule 2a7-like investment pool. Investments are valued at the net asset value (NAV) of \$1.00. The investment pools are routinely monitored by the Colorado Division of Securities with regard to operations and investments.

<u>Investment type</u>	<u>Fair value</u>	<u>Investment maturities (in years)</u>		
		<u>Less than 1</u>	<u>1-5</u>	<u>6-10</u>
Investment in Colotrust	<u>\$ 9,885,925</u>	<u>\$ 9,885,925</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The investment in Colotrust is maintained in the General Fund.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note B – Cash and investments (Continued)

Interest rate risk – The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing rates.

Credit risk – State law limits investments in commercial paper, corporate bonds, and mutual bond funds to the highest rating from at least one nationally recognized rating agency at the time of purchase. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. At year-end, the District’s investment in Colotrust was rated AAAM by Standard and Poor’s.

Note C – Receivables

Receivables at year-end consist of the following:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Property taxes receivable	\$ 17,482
Grants receivables	133,755
Other receivables	<u>4,122</u>
Total	<u>\$ 155,359</u>

Property taxes are levied on December 15th and attach as a lien on property the following January 1st. They are payable in full by April 30th or are due in two equal installments on February 28th and June 15th. Weld and Morgan Counties bill and collect property taxes for all taxing entities within the counties. The tax receipts collected by the counties are remitted to the District in the subsequent month.

Note D – Interfund transactions

The following is a summary of interfund borrowings and transfers for the year as presented in the fund financial statements:

	<u>Interfund Receivables</u>	<u>Interfund Payables</u>
<u>Governmental funds</u>		
General fund	\$ 3,723	\$ -
Bond redemption fund	-	2,680
Other governmental funds	<u>-</u>	<u>1,043</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,723</u>	<u>\$ 3,723</u>

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to Financial Statements

Note D – Interfund transactions (Continued)

All balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
<u>Governmental funds</u>		
General fund	\$ 1,132,950	\$ 42,000
Total program reserve fund	-	1,132,950
Other governmental funds	<u>42,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,174,950</u>	<u>\$ 1,174,950</u>

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them. The District transferred funds in the amount of \$1,132,950 from the Total Program Reserve Fund to the General Fund in accordance with C.R.S. Section 22-45-103(k) as well as \$42,000 from the General Fund to the Other Governmental Funds to subsidize the costs of maintaining the District's food service operations.

Note E – Capital assets

Capital asset activity for the year was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 62,593	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,593
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	62,593	-	-	62,593
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	421,090	-	-	421,090
Buildings and improvements	8,575,837	-	-	8,575,837
Other equipment	257,554	32,236	-	289,790
Food service equipment	68,808	-	-	68,808
Transportation equipment	927,096	83,190	(71,000)	939,286
Leased equipment	<u>-</u>	<u>71,190</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,190</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>10,250,385</u>	<u>186,616</u>	<u>(71,000)</u>	<u>10,366,001</u>
Total capital assets	10,312,978	186,616	(71,000)	10,428,594

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note E – Capital assets (Continued)

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	(193,374)	(17,739)	-	(211,113)
Buildings and improvements	(3,593,362)	(203,318)	-	(3,796,680)
Other equipment	(132,480)	(12,666)	-	(145,146)
Food service equipment	(66,258)	(637)	-	(66,895)
Transportation equipment	(646,960)	(89,824)	71,000	(665,784)
Leased equipment	-	(1,318)	-	(1,318)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(4,632,434)</u>	<u>(325,502)</u>	<u>71,000</u>	<u>(4,886,936)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 5,680,544</u>	<u>\$ (138,886)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,541,658</u>

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

Governmental activities	
Instruction	\$ 2,082
General administration	2,687
Operations and maintenance	13,993
Student transportation	85,046
Food service operations	637
Unallocated	<u>221,057</u>
Total	<u>\$ 325,502</u>

Note F – Accrued salaries and benefits

Salaries and benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over a twelve-month period from September to August, but are earned during a school year of approximately nine to ten months. The salaries and benefits earned but not paid at year-end are estimated to be \$261,076. Accordingly, this accrued compensation is reflected as a liability in the accompanying financial statements.

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Note G – Long-term debt

The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt for the year:

	<u>Beginning Balances</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balances</u>	<u>Due within one year</u>
Governmental Activities					
Compensated absences	\$ 31,463	\$ 16,366*	\$ -	\$ 47,829	\$ -
Bonds payable	1,025,000	-	(1,025,000)	-	-
Bond premium	65,413	-	(65,413)	-	-
Lease payable	-	71,190	(7,910)	63,280	7,910
Totals	<u>\$ 1,121,876</u>	<u>\$ 87,556</u>	<u>\$ (1,098,323)</u>	<u>\$ 111,109</u>	<u>\$ 7,910</u>

*The change in the compensated absences liability is presented as a net change.

The lease payable attributable to the governmental activities will be liquidated primarily by the General Fund.

Lease Payable

\$71,190 has been recorded as an intangible right to use lease in the Governmental Activities capital assets. Due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, this lease for campus safety software met the criteria of a lease; thus, requiring it to be recorded by the District. This asset will be amortized over the lease term of 108 months since it is shorter than the useful life and the District is not taking ownership of the equipment. There are no residual value guarantees in the lease provisions. The lease will end in fiscal year 2032.

The following schedule represents the District's debt service requirements to maturity for all outstanding indebtedness:

<u>Year ended June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2025	\$ 7,910	\$ -
2026	7,910	-
2027	7,910	-
2028	7,910	-
2029	7,910	-
2030-32	<u>23,730</u>	<u>-</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 63,280</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Pensions. The District participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan 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 (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP 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.

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the District are provided with pensions through the 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 annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits provided as of December 31, 2023. 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. Section 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% and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100% 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:

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5% 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% of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

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% or 100% 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.

Upon meeting certain criteria, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit generally receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S. Subject to the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) under C.R.S. § 24-51-413, eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership before January 1, 2007, and all eligible benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive the maximum annual increase (AI) or AI cap of 1.00% unless adjusted by the AAP. Eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lesser of an annual increase of the 1.00% AI cap or the average increase of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed a determined increase that would exhaust 10% of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The AAP may raise or lower the aforementioned AI cap by up to 0.25% based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

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 lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) 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.

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Contributions provisions as of June 30, 2024: Eligible employees of the District and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* and § 24-51-413. Eligible employees are required to contribute 11.00% of their PERA-includable salary during the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

	July 1, 2023 Through <u>June 30, 2024</u>
Employer contribution rate	11.40%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-208(1)(f)	<u>(1.02)%</u>
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF	10.38%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-411	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-411	<u>5.50%</u>
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF	<u><u>20.38%</u></u>

**Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. Section 24-51-101(42).

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 \$426,488 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

For purposes of GASB 68 paragraph 15, a circumstance exists in which a nonemployer contributing entity is legally responsible for making contributions to the SCHDTF and is considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation. As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute a \$225 million direct distribution each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. The direct distribution from the

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)

State was suspended in 2020. To compensate PERA for the suspension, C.R.S. §§ 24-51-414(6-8) required restorative payment by providing an accelerated payment in 2022. In 2022, the State Treasurer issued payment for the direct distribution of \$225 million plus an additional amount of \$380 million. Due to the advanced payment made in 2022, the State reduced the distribution in 2023 to \$35 million. Additionally, the newly added C.R.S. § 24-51-414(9) providing compensatory payment of \$14.561 million for 2023 only.

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

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2023. The District’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District’s contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2023 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

At year end, the District reported a liability of \$5,367,164 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 5,367,164
The State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the District	<u>117,686</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,484,850</u>

At December 31, 2023, the District’s proportion was 0.0304%, which was an increase of 0.0066% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$838,980 and revenue of \$8,967 for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. At year-end, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 252,954	\$ -
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	-	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	141,986	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	698,530	248,761
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>219,961</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,313,431</u>	<u>\$ 248,761</u>

\$219,961 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 151,719
2026	435,023
2027	365,244
2028	<u>(107,277)</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 844,709</u>

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:	3.40%–11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.00%
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 ₁	Financed by the AIR

₁ Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

The mortality tables described below are generational mortality tables developed on a benefit-weighted basis.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112% of the rates prior to age 80 and 94% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83% of the rates prior to age 80 and 106% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)

- **Females:** 105% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99% of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022, valuation were based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019. Revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by the PERA Board on November 20, 2020.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regularly scheduled experience studies prepared at least every five years and asset/liability studies performed every three to five years for PERA. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, 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 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 percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25% long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation, and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</u>
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives	<u>6.00%</u>	4.70%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

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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 nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. 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:

- 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 3.00%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200 and required adjustments resulting from the 2018 and 2020 AAP assessments. 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 for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200 and required adjustments resulting from the 2018 and 2020 AAP assessments. Employer contributions also include 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 reflect 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.
- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.

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Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)

- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial FNP, 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. AIR transfers to the FNP and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.
- Beginning with the December 31, 2023 measurement date and thereafter, the FNP as of the current measurement date is used as a starting point for the GASB 67 projections test.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the SCHDTF’s FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25% on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25%. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior 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 7.25%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.25%) or one percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(6.25%)</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>(7.25%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(8.25%)</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>\$ 7,176,791</u>	<u>\$ 5,367,164</u>	<u>\$ 3,858,154</u>

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

Payables to the pension plan

The District did not report any payables to the pension plan at year-end.

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Note I – Defined contribution pension plan

Voluntary Investment Program (PERAPlus 401(k) Plan)

Plan description - Employees of the District that are also members of the SCHDTF may voluntarily contribute to the Voluntary Investment Program (PERAPlus 401(k) Plan), 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 ACFR which includes additional information on the PERAPlus 401(k) Plan. That report can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Funding policy - The PERAPlus 401(k) Plan 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. The District does not offer matching contributions to its employees. Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and investment earnings. For the year ended June 30, 2024, program members contributed \$30,353 for the PERAPlus 401(k) Plan.

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

OPEB. The District participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description. Eligible employees of the District are provided with OPEB through the HCTF—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended, 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 the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available annual comprehensive financial report (ACFR) that can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

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Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

Benefits provided. The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the HCTF and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF). The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 *et seq.* specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

Enrollment in the PERACare health benefits program is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

PERA Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5% reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level,

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Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

DPS Benefit Structure

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for retirees who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for retirees who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for retirees with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5% reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The retiree pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For retirees who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, the HCTF or the DPS HCTF pays an alternate service-based premium subsidy. Each individual retiree meeting these conditions receives the maximum \$230 per month subsidy reduced appropriately for service less than 20 years, as described above. Retirees who do not have Medicare Part A pay the difference between the total premium and the monthly subsidy.

Contributions. Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1) (f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02% of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the District is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from the District were \$21,345 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

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

At year-end, the District reported a liability of \$129,595 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2023. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the District's contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2023 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

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Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

At December 31, 2023, the District’s proportion was 0.0182%, which was an increase of 0.0001% from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2023.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$(1,537). At year-end, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 25,604
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	1,502	13,408
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	4,080	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	9,575	50
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>11,009</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 26,166</u>	<u>\$ 39,062</u>

\$11,009 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the subsequent year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30, ___</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ (11,801)
2026	(5,027)
2027	(261)
2028	(4,994)
2029	(1,485)
2030	<u>(337)</u>
Total	<u>\$ (23,905)</u>

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Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

Actuarial assumptions. The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs for the School Division:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.40%-11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Health care cost trend rates	
PERA benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%
PERACare Medicare plans	7.00% in 2023, gradually decreasing to 4.50% in 2033
Medicare Part A premiums ¹	3.50% in 2023, gradually increasing to 4.50% in 2035
DPS benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00%
PERACare Medicare plans	N/A
Medicare Part A premiums	N/A

¹ UnitedHealthcare MAPD PPO plans are 0% for 2023.

Each year the per capita health care costs are developed by plan option; currently based on 2023 premium rates for the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) PPO plan #1, the UnitedHealthcare MAPD PPO plan #2, and the Kaiser Permanente MAPD HMO plan. Actuarial morbidity factors are then applied to estimate individual retiree and spouse costs by age, gender, and health care cost trend. This approach applies for all members and is adjusted accordingly for those not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for the PERA benefit structure.

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Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

Age-Related Morbidity Assumptions		
Participant Age	Annual Increase (Male)	Annual Increase (Female)
65-68	2.2%	2.3%
69	2.8%	2.2%
70	2.7%	1.6%
71	3.1%	0.5%
72	2.3%	0.7%
73	1.2%	0.8%
74	0.9%	1.5%
75-85	0.9%	1.3%
86 and older	0.0%	0.0%

Sample Age	MAPD PPO #1 with Medicare Part A		MAPD PPO #2 with Medicare Part A		MAPD HMO (Kaiser) with Medicare Part A	
	Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
65	\$1,692	\$1,406	\$579	\$481	\$1,913	\$1,589
70	\$1,901	\$1,573	\$650	\$538	\$2,149	\$1,778
75	\$2,100	\$1,653	\$718	\$566	\$2,374	\$1,869

Sample Age	MAPD PPO #1 without Medicare Part A		MAPD PPO #2 without Medicare Part A		MAPD HMO (Kaiser) without Medicare Part A	
	Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse		Retiree/Spouse	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
65	\$6,469	\$5,373	\$4,198	\$3,487	\$6,719	\$5,581
70	\$7,266	\$6,011	\$4,715	\$3,900	\$7,546	\$6,243
75	\$8,026	\$6,319	\$5,208	\$4,101	\$8,336	\$6,563

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

The 2023 Medicare Part A premium is \$506 per month.

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, as discussed below.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators. In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. Effective December 31, 2022, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates used to measure the total OPEB liability are summarized in the table below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>PERACare Medicare Plans</u>	<u>Medicare Part A Premiums</u>
2023	7.00%	3.50%
2024	6.75%	3.50%
2025	6.50%	3.75%
2026	6.25%	3.75%
2027	6.00%	4.00%
2028	5.75%	4.00%
2029	5.50%	4.00%
2030	5.25%	4.25%
2031	5.00%	4.25%
2032	4.75%	4.25%
2033	4.50%	4.25%
2034	4.50%	4.25%
2035+	4.50%	4.50%

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

Mortality assumptions used in the December 31, 2022, valuation for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below, reflect generational mortality and were applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the HCTF, but developed on a headcount-weighted basis. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the School Division were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112% of the rates prior to age 80 and 94% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83% of the rates prior to age 80 and 106% of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105% of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions for members other than Safety Officers were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99% of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the roll-forward calculation for the HCTF:

- Per capita health care costs in effect as of the December 31, 2022, valuation date for Those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to be age 65 and older and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits have been updated to reflect costs for the 2023 plan year.
- The morbidity rates used to estimate individual retiree and spouse costs by age and by gender were updated effective for the December 31, 2022, actuarial valuation. The revised morbidity rate factors are based on a review of historical claims experience by age, gender, and status (active versus retired) from actuary's claims data warehouse.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

- The health care cost trend rates applicable to health care premiums were revised to reflect the then current expectation of future increases in those premiums.

Actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trend rates are analyzed and updated annually by PERA Board’s actuary, as discussed above.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022, valuations were based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, and November 4, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019. Revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA’s Board on November 20, 2020.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regularly scheduled experience studies performed at least every five years, and asset/liability studies, performed every three to five years for PERA. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020.

Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, 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 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 percentages and then adding expected inflation.

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25% long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</u>
Global Equity	54.00%	5.60%
Fixed Income	23.00%	1.30%
Private Equity	8.50%	7.10%
Real Estate	8.50%	4.40%
Alternatives	<u>6.00%</u>	4.70%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

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 nominal rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

Sensitivity of the District’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	<u>1% Decrease in Trend Rates</u>	<u>Current Trend Rates</u>	<u>1% Increase in Trend Rates</u>
Initial PERACare Medicare trend rate ¹	5.75%	6.75%	7.75%
Ultimate PERACare Medicare trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial Medicare Part A trend rate	2.50%	3.50%	4.50%
Ultimate Medicare Part A trend rate	<u>3.50%</u>	<u>4.50%</u>	<u>5.50%</u>
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 125,876	\$ 129,595	\$ 133,642

¹For the January 1, 2024, plan year.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25%. 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 health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2023, measurement date.
- 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 3.00%.
- 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.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Estimated transfers of dollars into the HCTF representing a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.
- Beginning with the December 31, 2023 measurement date and thereafter, the FNP as of the current measurement date is used as a starting point for the GASB 74 projection test.
- As of the December 31, 2023, measurement date, the FNP and related disclosure components for the HCTF reflect payments related to the disaffiliation of Tri-County Health Department as a PERA-affiliated employer, effective December 31, 2022. As of the December 31, 2023, year-end, PERA recognized two additions for accounting and financial reporting purposes: a \$24 million payment received on December 4, 2023, and a \$2 million receivable. The employer disaffiliation payment and receivable allocations to the HCTF and Local Government Division Trust Fund were \$1.033 million and \$24.967 million, respectively.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the FNP for the HCTF was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25% on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25%. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

Sensitivity of the District’s proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.25%) or one-percentage-point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 153,069	\$ 129,595	\$ 109,514

OPEB plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the HCTF’s FNP is available in PERA’s ACFR which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note J – Defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan (Continued)

Payables to the OPEB plan

The District did not report any payables to the OPEB plan at year-end.

Note K – Risk management

Colorado School Districts Self-Insurance Pool

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District participates in the Colorado School Districts Self-Insurance Pool (the Pool). The Pool's objectives are to provide member school districts defined property and liability coverages through self-insurance and excess insurance purchased from commercial companies. The District pays an annual contribution to the Pool for its insurance coverages. The District's contribution for the year was \$166,293. The District continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including workers' compensation and employee health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage or the deductible in any of the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year in any of the major categories of risk.

Note L – Commitments and contingencies

Federal and state funding

The District receives revenues from various federal and state grant programs which are subject to final review and approval by the grantor agencies. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

TABOR Amendment

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed an amendment, commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR), to the State Constitution (Article X, Section 20) which limits the revenue raising and spending abilities of state and local governments. The limits on property taxes, revenue, and "fiscal year spending" include allowable annual increases tied to inflation and local growth in student enrollment. Fiscal year spending as defined by the amendment excludes spending from certain revenue and financing sources such as federal funds, gifts, property sales, fund transfers, damage awards, and fund reserves (balances). The amendment requires voter approval for any increase in mill levy or tax rates, new taxes, or creation of multi-year debt. Revenue earned in excess of the "spending

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note L – Commitments and contingencies (Continued)

limit” must be refunded or approved to be retained by the District under specified voting requirements by the entire electorate. On November 5, 1996, the voters of the District approved a ballot initiative permitting the District to retain, appropriate, and utilize, by retention for reserve, carryover fund balance, or expenditure, the full proceeds and revenues received from every source whatsoever, without limitation, in this fiscal year and all subsequent fiscal years notwithstanding any limitation of Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution. TABOR is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. The District believes it is in compliance with the requirements of TABOR. However, the District has made certain interpretations of TABOR’s language in order to determine its compliance. The District has reserved funds in the General Fund in the amount of \$300,000 for the emergency reserve.

Note M – Joint venture

The District participates in the Northeast Colorado Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES). This joint venture does not meet the criteria for inclusion within the reporting entity because the BOCES:

- is financially independent and responsible for its own financing deficits and entitled to its own surpluses,
- has a separate governing board from that of the District,
- has a separate management which is responsible for the day to day operations and is accountable to the separate board,
- governing board and management have the ability to significantly influence operations by approving budgetary requests and adjustments, signing contracts, hiring personnel, exercising control over facilities and determining the outcome or disposition of matters affecting the recipients or services provided, and
- has absolute authority over all funds and fiscal responsibility including budgetary responsibility and reporting to state agencies and controls fiscal management.

The District has one member on the board. The board has final authority for all budgeting and financing of the joint venture.

Separate financial statements of the Centennial Board of Cooperative Educational Services are available by contacting their administrative office in Greeley, Colorado.

For the year, the District’s contribution was \$107,028.

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Required Supplementary Information

Required supplementary information includes financial information and disclosures that are required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board but are not considered a part of the basic financial statements. Such information includes:

- Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund
- Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Total Program Reserve Fund
- Schedule of the District’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – PERA’s School Division Trust Fund
- Schedule of District Contributions – PERA’s School Division Trust Fund
- Schedule of the District’s Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability – PERA’s Health Care Trust Fund
- Schedule of District Contributions – PERA’s Health Care Trust Fund

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 4,170,527	\$ 4,163,284	\$ 4,453,241	\$ 289,957
Intermediate sources	35,679	38,200	38,545	345
State sources	146,743	200,943	173,528	(27,415)
Federal sources	65,845	65,525	76,831	11,306
Total revenues	4,418,794	4,467,952	4,742,145	274,193
Expenditures				
Instruction	2,068,118	2,325,984	2,280,253	45,731
Supporting services	1,870,774	2,120,145	2,403,261	(283,116)
Debt service				
Principal	1,450		7,910	(7,910)
Appropriated reserves	1,666,452	1,091,444		1,091,444
Total expenditures	5,606,794	5,537,573	4,691,424	846,149
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,188,000)	(1,069,621)	50,721	1,120,342
Other financing sources (uses)				
Sale of assets			5,950	5,950
Lease proceeds			71,190	71,190
Transfers in	1,188,000	1,104,621	1,132,950	28,329
Transfers out		(35,000)	(42,000)	(7,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,188,000	1,069,621	1,168,090	98,469
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	1,218,811	\$ 1,218,811
Fund balance at beginning of year			2,573,938	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 3,792,749	

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Total Program Reserve Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources				
Property taxes	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 6,101,971	\$ 5,923,854	\$ (178,117)
Specific ownership taxes	53,000		133,790	133,790
Delinquent taxes and interest			568	568
Earnings on investments			44,262	44,262
Total revenues	1,153,000	6,101,971	6,102,474	503
Expenditures				
Supporting services				
Purchased services		6	14,806	(14,800)
Appropriated reserves		6,251,965		6,251,965
Total expenditures	-	6,251,971	14,806	6,237,165
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,153,000	(150,000)	6,087,668	6,237,668
Other financing uses				
Transfers out	(1,153,000)	(1,104,621)	(1,132,950)	(28,329)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ (1,254,621)	4,954,718	\$ 6,209,339
Fund balance at beginning of year			1,254,621	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 6,209,339	

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
PERA's School Division Trust Fund
June 30, 2024

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0304%	0.0238%	0.0275%	0.0292%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 5,367,164	\$ 4,336,193	\$ 3,201,754	\$ 4,410,164
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>117,686</u>	<u>1,263,610</u>	<u>367,040</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,484,850</u>	<u>\$ 5,599,803</u>	<u>\$ 3,568,794</u>	<u>\$ 4,410,164</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 2,006,501	\$ 1,836,624	\$ 1,719,457	\$ 1,559,899
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	267.49%	236.10%	186.21%	282.72%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	64.74%	61.79%	74.86%	66.99%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year.

<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>June 30, 2015</u>
0.0255%	0.0256%	0.0297%	0.0303%	0.0289%	0.0267%
\$ 3,813,013	\$ 4,529,017	\$ 9,615,856	\$ 9,008,761	\$ 4,413,830	\$ 3,622,834
<u>483,632</u>	<u>619,280</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ 4,296,645</u>	<u>\$ 5,148,297</u>	<u>\$ 9,615,856</u>	<u>\$ 9,008,761</u>	<u>\$ 4,413,830</u>	<u>\$ 3,622,834</u>
\$ 1,499,652	\$ 1,406,131	\$ 1,371,728	\$ 1,358,001	\$ 1,257,683	\$ 1,119,802
254.26%	322.09%	701.00%	663.38%	350.95%	323.52%
64.52%	57.01%	43.96%	43.10%	59.20%	62.84%

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Schedule of District Contributions
PERA's School Division Trust Fund
June 30, 2024

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 426,488	\$ 388,773	\$ 357,395	\$ 323,695
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(426,488)</u>	<u>(388,773)</u>	<u>(357,395)</u>	<u>(323,695)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 2,092,676	\$ 1,907,617	\$ 1,797,762	\$ 1,628,447
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	20.38%	20.38%	19.88%	19.88%

<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>June 30, 2015</u>
\$ 300,819	\$ 277,170	\$ 264,635	\$ 251,634	\$ 234,789	\$ 204,865
<u>(300,819)</u>	<u>(277,170)</u>	<u>(264,635)</u>	<u>(251,634)</u>	<u>(234,789)</u>	<u>(204,865)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 1,536,733	\$ 1,448,876	\$ 1,401,943	\$ 1,368,770	\$ 1,322,931	\$ 1,210,714
19.58%	19.13%	18.88%	18.38%	17.75%	16.92%

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability¹
PERA's Health Care Trust Fund
June 30, 2024

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.0182%	0.0181%	0.0180%	0.0169%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 129,595	\$ 147,775	\$ 154,902	\$ 160,288
District's covered payroll	\$ 2,006,501	\$ 1,836,624	\$ 1,719,457	\$ 1,559,899
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	6.46%	8.05%	9.01%	10.28%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	46.16%	38.57%	39.40%	32.78%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year.

¹ Information is not available prior to June 30, 2017. In future reports, additional years will be added until 10 years of historical data are presented.

<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>June 30, 2017</u>
0.0167%	0.0166%	0.0169%	0.0172%
\$ 187,465	\$ 226,197	\$ 219,432	\$ 222,986
\$ 1,499,652	\$ 1,406,131	\$ 1,370,768	\$ 1,358,001
12.50%	16.09%	16.01%	16.42%
24.49%	17.03%	17.53%	16.72%

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Schedule of District Contributions¹
PERA's Health Care Trust Fund
June 30, 2024

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 21,345	\$ 19,458	\$ 18,337	\$ 16,610
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(21,345)</u>	<u>(19,458)</u>	<u>(18,337)</u>	<u>(16,610)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 2,092,676	\$ 1,907,617	\$ 1,797,762	\$ 1,628,447
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%

¹ Information is not available prior to June 30, 2017. In future reports, additional years will be added until 10 years of historical data are presented.

<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>June 30, 2019</u>	<u>June 30, 2018</u>	<u>June 30, 2017</u>
\$ 15,675	\$ 14,779	\$ 14,300	\$ 13,961
<u>(15,675)</u>	<u>(14,779)</u>	<u>(14,300)</u>	<u>(13,961)</u>
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ 1,536,753	\$ 1,448,876	\$ 1,401,943	\$ 1,368,770
1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

Note A – Budgetary data

The District adheres to the following procedures in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes, establishing the budgetary data in the financial statements:

1. Budgets are required by state law for all funds. Prior to May 31, the superintendent of schools submits to the board of education a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. Public hearings are conducted by the board of education to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to June 30, the budget is adopted by formal resolution.
4. Prior to January 31, the board of education submits its adopted annual budget to the department of education.
5. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Authorization to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund and reallocation of budget line items within any department in the General Fund rests with the superintendent of schools. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the board of education.
6. Budgets for all funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
7. Budgeted amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements are as originally adopted and as amended by the board of education throughout the year. After budget approval, the District board of education may approve supplemental appropriations if an occurrence, condition, or need exists which was not known at the time the budget was adopted.
8. Appropriations lapse at year-end.

Note B – Factors affecting trends in amounts reported in the pension and OPEB schedules

Information about factors that significantly affect trends in the amounts reported in the Schedules of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension and OPEB Liabilities and the Schedules of District Contributions is available in PERA's comprehensive annual financial report which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Other Supplementary Information

Other supplementary information includes financial statements and schedules not required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, nor a part of the basic financial statements, but are presented for purposes of additional analysis.

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Budgetary Comparison Schedules - General Fund

The General Fund accounts for all transactions of the District not required to be accounted for in other funds. This fund represents an accounting of the District's ordinary operations financed primarily from property and specific ownership taxes and state aid. It is the most significant fund in relation to the District's overall operations. The schedules of revenues and expenditures are included to provide a greater level of detail to the reader of the financial statements.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Revenues
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources				
Property taxes	\$ 3,993,354	\$ 3,921,310	\$ 4,174,857	\$ 253,547
Specific ownership taxes	92,973	166,974	168,308	1,334
Delinquent taxes and interest	30,200	20,000	1,633	(18,367)
Earnings on investments	10,000	22,000	63,834	41,834
Other local revenue	44,000	33,000	44,609	11,609
Total local sources	4,170,527	4,163,284	4,453,241	289,957
Intermediate sources	35,679	38,200	38,545	345
State sources				
Special education			(84,829)	(84,829)
Gifted and talented			(2,956)	(2,956)
CPP tax check off funds	6,800			-
Transportation	35,000	35,000		(35,000)
State grants to libraries	4,500	4,500	4,500	-
Small rural schools funding	61,000	61,000	69,241	8,241
Additional at-risk funding			803	803
READ act	6,500	6,500	1,075	(5,425)
New comer funding			15,000	15,000
MOE hold harmless funding			19,507	19,507
On-behalf payment			8,967	8,967
Revenue from other agencies	31,000	92,000	81,070	(10,930)
Services within the BOCES	1,943	1,943	61,150	59,207
Total state sources	146,743	200,943	173,528	(27,415)
Federal sources				
REAP	20,000	20,000	25,703	5,703
Revenue from other agencies			3,377	3,377
Services within the BOCES	45,845	45,525	47,751	2,226
Total federal sources	65,845	65,525	76,831	11,306
Total revenues	\$ 4,418,794	\$ 4,467,952	\$ 4,742,145	\$ 274,193

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WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Expenditures
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Expenditures				
Instruction				
Salaries	\$ 1,309,313	\$ 1,491,784	\$ 1,423,239	\$ 68,545
Employee benefits	420,300	478,135	461,739	16,396
Purchased services	197,914	200,115	257,956	(57,841)
Supplies and materials	119,700	136,450	114,193	22,257
Property	3,891	2,500	4,437	(1,937)
Other	17,000	17,000	18,689	(1,689)
Total instruction	2,068,118	2,325,984	2,280,253	45,731
Supporting services				
Students				
Salaries	67,099	78,000	45,109	32,891
Employee benefits	21,512	16,050	17,444	(1,394)
Supplies and materials	4,000	10,000	16,547	(6,547)
Total students	92,611	104,050	79,100	24,950
Instructional staff				
Salaries	27,242		34,457	(34,457)
Employee benefits	14,713	20,000	16,799	3,201
Supplies and materials	6,000	6,000	5,496	504
Total instructional staff	47,955	26,000	56,752	(30,752)
General administration				
Salaries	375,024	340,515	351,752	(11,237)
Employee benefits	118,926	120,560	125,546	(4,986)
Purchased services	22,300	34,800	39,809	(5,009)
Supplies and materials	33,000	88,000	99,707	(11,707)
Other	61,000	55,000	57,083	(2,083)
Total general administration	610,250	638,875	673,897	(35,022)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Business services				
Purchased services	51,819	51,820	52,121	(301)
Total business services	51,819	51,820	52,121	(301)
Operations and maintenance				
Salaries	136,250	125,000	136,216	(11,216)
Employee benefits	44,710	30,000	33,904	(3,904)
Purchased services	424,611	431,730	444,406	(12,676)
Supplies and materials	211,000	206,000	180,934	25,066
Property	10,000	216,000	195,995	20,005
Other		65,000	278,330	(213,330)
Total operations and maintenance	826,571	1,073,730	1,269,785	(196,055)
Student transportation				
Salaries	90,138	82,000	78,545	3,455
Employee benefits	24,135	18,000	20,366	(2,366)
Purchased services	71,450	77,075	129,076	(52,001)
Supplies and materials	47,750	40,500	35,551	4,949
Other			(27)	27
Total student transportation	233,473	217,575	263,511	(45,936)
Central support services				
Purchased services	8,095	8,095	8,095	-
Total central support services	8,095	8,095	8,095	-
Total supporting services	1,870,774	2,120,145	2,403,261	(283,116)

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WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Expenditures
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

(continued)	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Debt service Principal	1,450		7,910	(7,910)
Total debt service	1,450	-	7,910	(7,910)
Appropriated reserves	1,666,452	1,091,444		1,091,444
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 5,606,794</u>	<u>\$ 5,537,573</u>	<u>\$ 4,691,424</u>	<u>\$ 846,149</u>

**Combining Statements and Budgetary Comparison Schedules –
Nonmajor Governmental Funds**

The District reports the following nonmajor governmental funds:

Special Revenue Funds – These funds account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

- Food Service Fund – This fund is used to record financial transactions related to the District’s food service operations.
- Pupil Activity Fund – This fund is used to record transactions related to school-sponsored pupil organizations and activities.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2024

	Food Service Fund	Pupil Activity Fund	Totals
Assets			
Cash	\$ 7,733	\$ 92,078	\$ 99,811
Other receivables	955		955
Inventories	9,309		9,309
Total assets	\$ 17,997	\$ 92,078	\$ 110,075
Liabilities			
Due to other funds		\$ 1,043	\$ 1,043
Accounts payable	\$ 147	2,900	3,047
Accrued salaries and benefits	3,310		3,310
Unearned revenues	3,609	5,414	9,023
Total liabilities	7,066	9,357	16,423
Fund balance			
Nonspendable inventories	9,309		9,309
Restricted for food service operations	1,622		1,622
Committed to pupil activities		82,721	82,721
Total fund balance	10,931	82,721	93,652
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 17,997	\$ 92,078	\$ 110,075

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Food Service Fund	Pupil Activity Fund	Totals
Revenues			
Local sources	\$ 11,897	\$ 102,524	\$ 114,421
State sources	55,843		55,843
Federal sources	46,311		46,311
Total revenues	114,051	102,524	216,575
Expenditures			
Instruction		105,248	105,248
Supporting services	153,717		153,717
Total expenditures	153,717	105,248	258,965
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(39,666)	(2,724)	(42,390)
Other financing sources			
Transfers in	42,000		42,000
Net change in fund balances	2,334	(2,724)	(390)
Fund balance at beginning of year	8,597	85,445	94,042
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 10,931	\$ 82,721	\$ 93,652

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Food Service Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 11,897	\$ 10,397
State sources			55,843	55,843
Federal sources	137,628	137,628	46,311	(91,317)
Total revenues	139,128	139,128	114,051	(25,077)
Expenditures				
Food service operations				
Salaries	51,219	51,219	68,013	(16,794)
Employee benefits	21,591	21,591	22,732	(1,141)
Purchased services	500	500		500
Supplies and materials	86,700	86,700	62,833	23,867
Other			139	(139)
Appropriated reserves	14,118	14,118		14,118
Total expenditures	174,128	174,128	153,717	20,411
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(35,000)	(35,000)	(39,666)	(45,488)
Other financing sources				
Transfers in	35,000	35,000	42,000	7,000
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	2,334	\$ 2,334
Fund balance at beginning of year			8,597	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 10,931	

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Pupil Activity Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 175,140	\$ 175,000	\$ 102,524	\$ (72,476)
Total revenues	175,140	175,000	102,524	(72,476)
Expenditures				
Instruction				
Purchased services	25,000	25,000	39,218	(14,218)
Supplies and materials	25,000	25,000	55,855	(30,855)
Other	125,000	125,000	10,175	114,825
Total expenditures	175,000	175,000	105,248	69,752
Net change in fund balance	\$ 140	\$ -	(2,724)	\$ (2,724)
Fund balance at beginning of year			85,445	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 82,721	

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Debt Service Fund

The District reports the following major debt service fund:

Debt Service Fund – These funds account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest.

- Bond Redemption Fund – The revenues from a tax levy for the purpose of satisfying bonded indebtedness obligations, both principal and interest and related expenditures, shall be recorded in this fund.

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-10J
Bond Redemption Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources				
Property taxes	\$ 350,375	\$ 428,586	\$ 428,544	\$ (42)
Delinquent taxes and interest	4,500	50	158	108
Earnings on investments	5,000	11,433	28,030	16,597
Total revenues	359,875	440,069	456,732	16,663
Expenditures				
Debt service				
Principal	335,000	1,025,000	1,025,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	26,625	26,625	26,475	150
Total expenditures	361,625	1,051,625	1,051,475	150
Net change in fund balance	\$ (1,750)	\$ (611,556)	(594,743)	\$ 16,813
Fund balance at beginning of year			652,818	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 58,075	

**Colorado Department of Education
Supplementary Schedule**

Auditors' integrity report – This fiscal-year report is required by the Colorado Department of Education to maintain statewide consistency in financial reporting. This report is also used to gather financial data that could affect future state funding.



Colorado Department of Education
Auditors Integrity Report
 District: 3146 - Briggsdale RE-10
 Fiscal Year: 2023-24
 Colorado School District/BOCES

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	2,573,938		5,910,235		4,691,424		3,792,749
18 Risk Mgmt Sub-Fund of General Fund	0		0		0		0
19 Colorado Preschool Program Fund	0		0		0		0
Sub-Total	2,573,938		5,910,235		4,691,424		3,792,749
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
07 Total Program Reserve Fund	1,254,621		4,969,524		14,806		6,209,339
21 Food Service Spec Revenue Fund	8,597		156,051		153,718		10,931
22 Govt Designated-Purpose Grants Fund	0		0		0		0
23 Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund	85,445		102,524		105,248		82,721
25 Transportation Fund	0		0		0		0
31 Bond Redemption Fund	652,818		456,732		1,051,475		58,075
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	0		0		0		0
46 Supplemental Cap Const. Tech. Main Fund	0		0		0		0
Totals	4,575,418		11,595,067		6,016,671		10,153,814
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	0		0		0		0
79 GASB 34 Permanent Fund	0		0		0		0
85 Foundations	0		0		0		0
Totals	0		0		0		0

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