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**Lower Township Board of Education
Cape May, New Jersey**

**Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

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LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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January 28, 2022

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Education
Lower Township School District
County of Cape May
Cape May, New Jersey

Dear Board Members:

The **annual comprehensive financial report** (ACFR) of the Lower Township School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 is hereby submitted. Responsibility for the accuracy of the data and completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the Board of Education. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data presented in this report is accurate in all material respects and is presented in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the various funds and account groups of the District. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the District's financial activities have been included.

The annual comprehensive financial report is presented in four sections: introductory, financial, statistical and single audit. The organizational chart and a list of principal officials. The financial schedules, as well as the auditor's report thereon. The statistical section includes selected financial and demographic information, generally presented on a multi-year basis. The District is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of the Title 2 U.S. Code of federal regulations, cost principles, and audit requirements for federal awards (uniform guidance); and State of New Jersey Circular OMB15-08. Information related to this single audit, including the auditor's report on compliance and internal control with applicable laws and regulations and findings and recommendations are included in the single audit section of this report.

1. REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES:

The Township of Lower School District is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the GASB as established by GASB Statement No. 14. All funds and account groups of the District are included in this report. The Township of Lower Board of Education and all its schools constitute the District's reporting entity.

The District provides a full range of educational services appropriate to grade levels Preschool through 6. These include regular education, academic enrichment programs and Special Education instruction and Child Study Team services. The District completed the 2020-2021 fiscal year with an enrollment of 1,502 students (June 2021). The following details the changes in the student enrollment of the District over the last ten years.

**AVERAGE STUDENT ENROLLMENT
AS REPORTED TO THE STATE**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Average Daily Enrollment</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
2020-21	1,502	-6.48%
2019-20	1,606	-6.25%
2018-19	1,713	3.38%
2017-18	1,657	-0.54%
2016-17	1,666	-3.42%
2015-16	1,725	-3.52%
2014-15	1,788	-2.08%
2013-14	1,826	0.82%
2012-13	1,811	-0.93%
2011-12	1,828	-1.08%

2. ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK:

The Township of Lower encompasses 30.5 square miles in the southern part of Cape May County. Its boundaries include the Delaware Bay, the Atlantic Ocean, Cape May City, Cape May Point, Wildwood Crest, and the Township of Middle. The area was purchased from the original settlers, the Kechemeche Indians, in the early 1600's. It was a natural site and became a center for whaling, fishing and fur trading.

The township was formed as a precinct in 1723 and was incorporated on February 21, 1798. From its incorporation until July 1, 1984, three members formed a township committee that governed the Township. Since July 1984, the governing body consists of a mayor, elected by the people, and four council members (three elected from wards and one at-large.) In addition, a township manager, since 1984 supervises all departments and is responsible for the preparation and administration of the annual budget.

3. MAJOR INITIATIVES:

During the 2020-2021 school year major initiatives included:

- Continue to deal with the S-2 legislation which has reduced the state aid funding.
- Continue to proactively respond to the various issues related to COVID, including allocations of the various COVID related grants.
- Continue our partnership with Columbia University for professional development in reading and writing.
- Analysis of the four school buildings' infrastructure relative to air-quality, and other capital improvements, which included security enhancements.
- Explored various shared services agreements with other schools.

4. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS:

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

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

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

5. BUDGETARY CONTROLS:

In addition to internal accounting controls, the district maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by the voters of the municipality. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund, the special revenue fund, and the debt service fund. Project-length budgets are approved for the capital improvements accounted for in the capital project fund. The final budget amount as amended for the fiscal year is reflected in the financial section.

An encumbrance accounting system is used to record outstanding purchase commitments on a line item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are canceled or are included as reappropriations of fund balance in the subsequent year. Amounts to be reappropriated are reported as reservations of fund balance at June 30, 2021.

6. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS:

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

7. CASH MANAGEMENT:

The investment policy of the District is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in "Notes to the Financial Statements," Note 2. The District has adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit public funds in the New Jersey Cash Management Fund or in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Government Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey.

The law requires governmental units to deposit public funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the Act.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT:

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

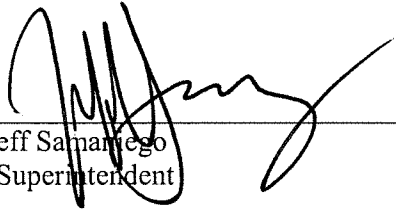
9. OTHER INFORMATION:

- a. **Independent Audit** – State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants or registered municipal accountants. The accounting firm of Inverso & Stewart, LLC, was selected by the Board's audit committee. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in state statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of the Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, cost principles, and audit requirements for federal awards (uniform guidance); and State of New Jersey Circular OMB15-08. This auditor's report on the general purpose financial statements and combining and individual fund statements and schedules is included in the financial section of this report. The auditor's reports related specifically to the single audit are included in the single audit sections of this report.

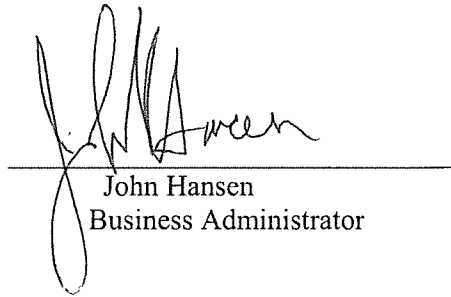
9. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

We would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Township of Lower School Board for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of the school district and thereby contributing their full support to the development and maintenance of our financial operation. The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of our financial and accounting staff.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Samartego
Superintendent



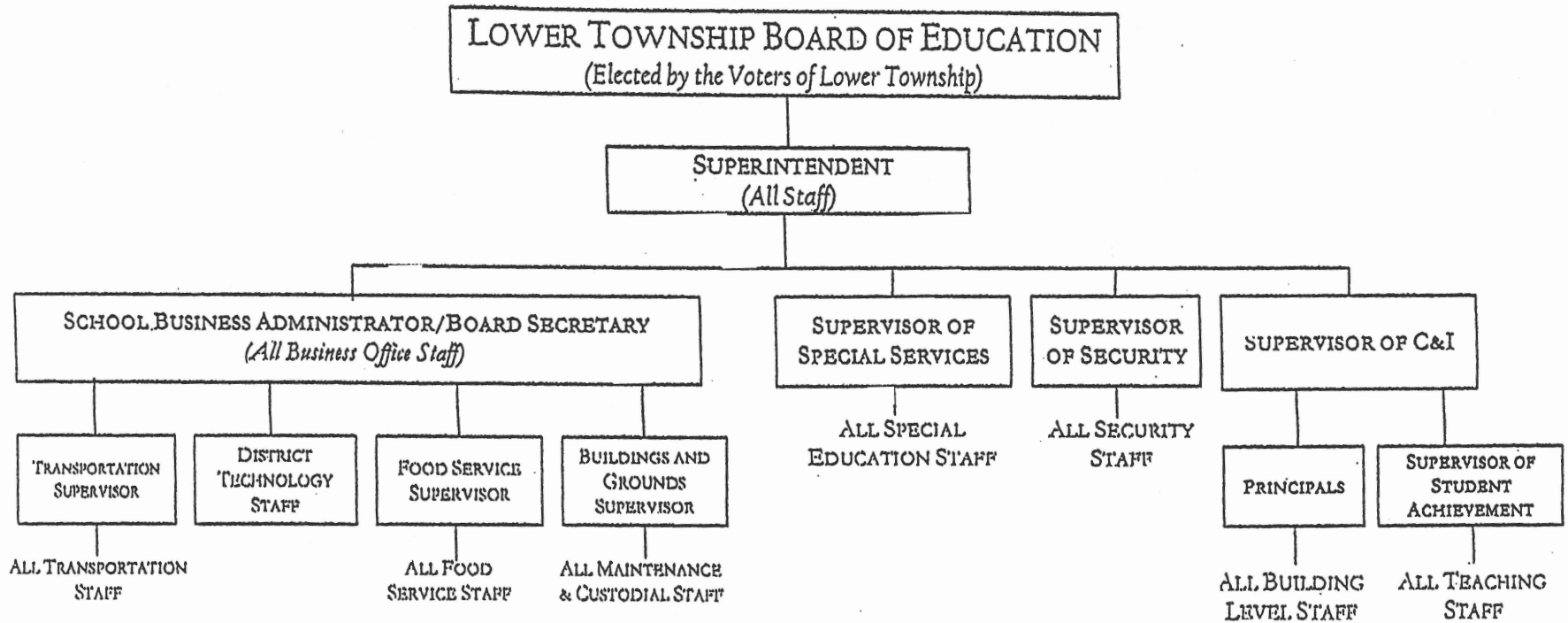
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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER BOARD OF EDUCATION
LOWER TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY**

**ROSTER OF OFFICIALS
JUNE 30, 2021**

Members of the Board of Education

Term Expires

Gary Douglass, President	2023
Patricia Smith, Vice-President	2023
Monica M. DiVito	2021
Nicole Koch	2022
Stephen Lewis	2021
Michael Mader	2021
Joseph Thomas	2023
Charles P. Utsch	2022
Sally Yerk	2022

Other Officials

Jeff Samaniego, Superintendent
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable President and Members
of the Board of Education
Township of Lower School District
County of Cape May
Cape May, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lower Township School District, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and in compliance with audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the School District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 School District's internal control. Accordingly, I express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Opinions

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lower Township School District, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

Adoption of New Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 21 to the financial statements, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the District adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. My opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and schedule of the School District's contributions, schedule of the State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the School District and changes in the total OPEB liability and related ratios as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I 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 my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Lower Township School District's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining statements and related major fund supporting statements and schedules, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis, as required by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules of federal awards and state financial assistance, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid, are also presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying combining statements and related major fund supporting statements and schedules and schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 my opinion, the accompanying combining statements and related major fund supporting statements and schedules and schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory and statistical sections listed in the table of contents have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated January 28, 2022 on my consideration of the Lower Township School District's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Lower Township School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

INVERSO & STEWART, LLC

Certified Public Accountants



Robert P. Inverso

Certified Public Accountant

Public School Accountant No. CS001095

Marlton, New Jersey
January 28, 2022

Required Supplementary Information - Part I
Management's Discussion and Analysis

**Lower Township School District
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

As management of the Board of Education of the Township of Lower, New Jersey (School District), we offer readers of the School District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal, which can be found in the introductory section of this report.

Financial Highlights

- The liabilities of the School District exceeded its assets at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$667,699 (*net position*).
- Governmental activities have an unrestricted net position deficit of \$12,698,880. The accounting treatments in the governmental funds for compensated absences payable, net pension liability, and the last two state aid payments, and the state statute that prohibits school districts from maintaining more than 4% of its adopted budget as unrestricted fund balance are primarily responsible for this deficit balance.
- The total net position of the School District increased by \$1,695,620, or a 80.91% increase from the prior fiscal year-end balance.
- Fund balance of the School District's governmental funds increased by \$1,102,330 resulting in an ending fund balance of \$8,125,780. This increase is largely due to the results of operations of the General Fund and the Special Revenue Fund.
- Business-type activities have unrestricted net position of \$351,608.
- The School District's long-term obligations decreased by \$1,430,417 which is a decrease in pension liability and capital leases and an increase in compensated absences.

Overview of the Basic Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School District's basic financial statements. Comparison to the prior year's activity is provided in this document. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) District-wide financial statements, 2) Fund financial statements, and 3) Notes to the basic financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

District-wide Financial Statements

The *district-wide financial statements* are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the financial activities in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The district-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities.

The *statement of net position* presents information about all of the School District's assets and liabilities. The difference between the assets and liabilities is reported as net position. Over time, changes in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School District is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the net position of the School District changed during the current fiscal year. Changes in net position are recorded in the statement of activities when the underlying event occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement even though the resulting cash flows may be recorded in a future period.

Both of the district-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the School District that are supported from taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) and other functions that are intended to recover all or most of their costs from user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). Governmental activities consolidate governmental funds including the General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Debt Service Fund. Business-type activities consolidate the Food Service Fund and the After-School Program.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are designed to demonstrate compliance with finance-related requirements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific objectives. All of the funds of the School District are divided into three categories: *governmental funds*, *proprietary funds* and *fiduciary funds*.

Governmental funds account for essentially the same information reported in the governmental activities of the district-wide financial statements. However, unlike the district-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term financial resources and fund balances. Such information may be useful in evaluating the financing requirements in the near term.

Since the governmental funds and the governmental activities report information using the same functions, it is useful to compare the information presented. Because the focus of each report differs, a reconciliation is provided on the fund financial statements to assist the reader in comparing the near-term requirements with the long-term needs.

The School District maintains four individual governmental funds. The major funds are the General Fund, the Special Revenue Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, and the Debt Service Fund. They are presented separately in the fund financial statements.

The School District adopts an annual appropriated budget for the General Fund, Special Revenue Fund and the Debt Service Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for each of these funds to demonstrate compliance with budgetary requirements.

Proprietary funds are used to present the same functions as the business-type activities presented in the district-wide financial statements. The School District maintains one type of proprietary fund - the Enterprise Fund. The fund financial statements of the enterprise fund provides the same information as the district-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

The School District's two enterprise funds (Food Service Fund and Day Care Program Fund) are listed individually and are considered to be major funds.

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the district-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the School District's programs.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes to the basic financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also contains other supplementary information and schedules required by the New Jersey Audit Program, issued by the New Jersey Department of Education.

District-wide Financial Analysis

The assets of the School District are classified as current assets and capital assets. Cash, investments, receivables, inventories and prepaid expenses are current assets. These assets are available to provide resources for the near-term operations of the School District. The majority of the current assets are the results of the tax levy and state aid collection process.

Capital assets are used in the operations of the School District. These assets are land, buildings, improvements, equipment and vehicles. Capital assets are discussed in greater detail in the section titled, Capital Assets and Debt Administration, elsewhere in this analysis.

Current and long-term liabilities are classified based on anticipated liquidation either in the near-term or in the future. Current liabilities include accounts payable, accrued salaries and benefits, unearned revenues, and current debt obligations. The liquidation of current liabilities is anticipated to be either from currently available resources, current assets or new resources that become available during fiscal year 2022. Long-term liabilities such as long-term debt obligations and compensated absences payable will be liquidated from resources that will become available after fiscal year 2022.

The liabilities of the primary government activities exceeded assets by \$1,029,415 with an unrestricted deficit balance of \$12,698,880. The net position of the primary government does not include internal balances.

A net investment of \$4,184,490 in land, improvements, buildings, equipment and vehicles which provide the services to the School District's public school students. Net position of \$2,416,554 has been restricted to provide resources for future capital expansion and renovation projects, \$1,299,021 has been restricted for maintenance projects, \$6,047 has been reserved for future debt service, \$250,000 has been restricted for emergency reserve, \$219,137 reserved for unemployment compensation, \$51,305 reserved for student activities, and \$3,242,911 has been restricted for budget appropriation.

As mentioned earlier, deficit unrestricted net positions are primarily due to the accounting treatment for compensated absences payable, pension liability, the last two state aid payments, and state statutes that prohibit school districts from maintaining more than 4% of its adopted budget as unrestricted fund balance.

**Lower Township School District
Comparative Summary of Net Position
As of June 30, 2021 and 2020**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		District-Wide	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
ASSETS						
Current assets	\$ 8,515,434	\$ 7,020,754	\$ 494,830	\$ 1,452,774	\$ 9,010,264	\$ 8,473,528
Capital assets	10,266,490	10,723,767	10,108	11,071	10,276,598	10,734,838
Total assets	18,781,924	17,744,521	504,938	1,463,845	19,286,862	19,208,366
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,112,322	1,441,671	-	-	1,112,322	1,441,671
LIABILITIES						
Current liabilities	1,410,646	907,290	52,102	983,144	1,462,748	1,890,434
Noncurrent liabilities	15,346,892	17,089,814	91,120	66,076	15,438,012	17,155,890
Total liabilities	16,757,538	17,997,104	143,222	1,049,220	16,900,760	19,046,324
Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,166,123	4,183,676	-	-	4,166,123	4,183,676
Net Position	\$ (1,029,415)	\$ (2,994,588)	\$ 361,716	\$ 414,625	\$ (667,699)	\$ (2,579,963)
Net Position Consists of:						
Net investment in						
Capital Assets	\$ 4,184,490	\$ 4,377,767	\$ 10,108	\$ 11,071	\$ 4,194,598	\$ 4,388,838
Restricted Assets	7,484,975	6,937,799			7,484,975	6,937,799
Unrestricted Assets	(12,698,880)	(14,310,154)	351,608	403,554	(12,347,272)	(13,906,600)
Net Position	\$ (1,029,415)	\$ (2,994,588)	\$ 361,716	\$ 414,625	\$ (667,699)	\$ (2,579,963)

Lower Township School District
Comparative Schedule of Changes in Net Position
As of and for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		District-Wide	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
Revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 28,660	\$ -	\$ 213,694	\$ 465,533	\$ 242,354	\$ 465,533
Operating Grants and contributions	17,956,399	11,291,597	2,586,573	4,379,680	20,542,972	15,671,277
Property taxes	18,216,740	17,840,773			18,216,740	17,840,773
State aid - unrestricted	8,242,674	9,475,084			8,242,674	9,475,084
Other revenues	194,728	299,682	5,648	7,190	200,376	306,872
Total Revenues	44,639,201	38,907,136	2,805,915	4,852,403	47,445,116	43,759,539
Expenses:						
Governmental Activities:						
Instruction	13,728,198	13,095,348			13,728,198	13,095,348
Tuition	921,920	1,122,960			921,920	1,122,960
Related Services	3,859,555	3,719,654			3,859,555	3,719,654
Administrative Services	1,292,641	1,309,041			1,292,641	1,309,041
Central Services	336,208	328,039			336,208	328,039
Operations and Maintenance	3,382,634	2,423,969			3,382,634	2,423,969
Transportation	1,086,710	1,127,366			1,086,710	1,127,366
Employee benefits	18,121,199	13,203,347			18,121,199	13,203,347
Interest on debt	117,480	119,880			117,480	119,880
Other	44,127	42,832			44,127	42,832
Business-Type Activities:						
Food Service			842,071	766,521	842,071	766,521
Day Care Program			261,753	295,342	261,753	295,342
Internal Service			1,755,000	3,729,268	1,755,000	3,729,268
Total Expenses	42,890,672	36,492,436	2,858,824	4,791,131	45,749,496	41,283,567
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position before transfers						
	1,748,529	2,414,700	(52,909)	61,272	1,695,620	2,475,972
Adjustment to fixed assets						
Transfers	-	(51,850)	-	51,850		
Change in Net Position	1,748,529	2,362,850	(52,909)	113,122	1,695,620	2,475,972
Net Position, July 1	(2,994,588)	(5,357,438)	414,625	301,503	(2,579,963)	(5,055,935)
Prior Period Adjustment	216,644				216,644	
Net Position, July 1 Restated	(2,777,944)		414,625		(2,363,319)	
Net Position, June 30	\$ (1,029,415)	\$ (2,994,588)	\$ 361,716	\$ 414,625	\$ (667,699)	\$ (2,579,963)

Governmental Activities

Governmental activities increased the net position of the School District by \$1,748,529 during the current fiscal year. Key elements of the increase in net position for governmental activities are as follows:

- Capital additions less depreciation expense decreased the net position by \$457,277.
- Compensated absences increased by \$4,858.
- Results of operations in the Governmental Funds increased the net position by \$1,102,330.
- Long term Debt decreased the net position by \$1,430,417.

Business-type Activities

Business-type activities decreased the School District's net position by \$52,909. Key elements of the decrease in net position for business-type activities are as follows:

- The Food Service Fund had a net gain of \$27,092 and the Day Care Program had a net loss of \$80,001.

Financial Analysis of the Governmental Funds

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the School District's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$8,125,780, an increase of \$1,102,330 in comparison with the prior year. Most of this increase is due to the General Fund results of operations.

The unreserved fund balance for the School District at the end of the fiscal year includes a combination of an unreserved fund balance for the General Fund of \$524,718 and a deficit fund balance of \$277,584 in the Special Revenue Fund. The remainder of the fund balance is reserved to indicate that it is not available for new spending because it has already been committed 1) as restricted cash reserved for future capital outlay expenditures of \$2,416,554 2) \$219,137 reserved for unemployment compensation, 3) \$3,242,911 reserved for future budget appropriation in accordance with state statute, 4) \$396,826 reserved for encumbrances, 5) \$1,299,021 reserved for maintenance and 6) \$250,000 reserved for emergency 7) \$2,892 reserved for future debt service requirements, 8) \$51,305 reserved for student activities.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the School District. As discussed earlier, the balance in the unreserved fund balance is due, primarily, to the accounting treatment of the last two state aid payments as discussed in Note 18 of the notes to the basic financial statements, and state statutes that prohibit New Jersey school districts from maintaining more than 4% of its adopted budget as unrestricted fund balance.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance (budgetary basis) of the General Fund was \$1,183,267 while total fund balance (budgetary basis) was \$8,838,449. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance (budgetary basis) and total fund balance (budgetary basis) to total General Fund expenditures. Actual (budgetary basis) expenditures of the General Fund including other financing uses amounted to \$30,379,722. Unreserved fund balance (budgetary basis) represents 3.89% of expenditures while total fund balance (budgetary basis) represents 29.09% of that same amount.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

The School District’s investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2021, totaled \$10,276,598 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, improvements, buildings, equipment and vehicles. The total decrease in the District’s investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$458,240 or a 4.27% decrease. The decrease is due to acquisitions less current year depreciation.

Capital Asset (net of accumulated depreciation) June 30, 2021 and 2020

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		District-Wide	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
Land	\$ 80,045	\$ 80,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,045	\$ 80,045
Const. in Progress	-	-	-	-	-	-
Building and Building Improvements	8,314,757	8,600,685	-	-	8,314,757	8,600,685
Equipment	<u>1,871,688</u>	<u>2,043,037</u>	<u>10,108</u>	<u>11,071</u>	<u>1,881,796</u>	<u>2,054,108</u>
Net Assets	<u>\$ 10,266,490</u>	<u>\$ 10,723,767</u>	<u>\$ 10,108</u>	<u>\$ 11,071</u>	<u>\$ 10,276,598</u>	<u>\$ 10,734,838</u>

Additional information on the School District’s capital assets can be found in the notes to the basic financial statements (Note 5) of this report.

Long-term debt – During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the School District had \$4,441,000 in serial bonds payable, \$2,799,259 in compensated absences, \$1,641,000 in capital leases payable, and \$7,033,726 in net pension liability.

State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt that the District may issue. At the end of the current fiscal year, the legal debt limit was \$104,434,480. The available amount as of June 30, 2021 is \$99,993,480.

Additional information on the School District’s long-term obligations can be found in the notes to the basic financial statements (Note 7) of this report.

Economic Factors and Next Year’s Budgets and Rates

The following factors were considered and incorporated into the preparation of the School District’s budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

For 2021-22 fiscal year the School District is anticipating a decrease in state aid. The local tax levy in the General Fund increased by \$360,177 or a 2.00% increase. Salaries continue to increase contractually; however, the District has managed to control costs. The 2021-22 General Fund Budget is \$1,505,813 less than the previous year. The tax rate was .494 in 2020 and increased to .501 in 2021.

For the Future

The Lower Township Public School District is in very good financial condition presently. However, a major concern is the increased reliance on local property taxes as state aid has remained stagnant. Lower Township is primarily a residential community, with very few large ratables; thus, the burden is focused on homeowners to share the tax burden.

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

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School District's finances for all those with an interest in the School District. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Lower Township School District Business Administrator, 834 Seashore Rd., Cape May, New Jersey 08204.

Basic Financial Statements

District-Wide Financial Statements

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,264,591	\$ 318,408	\$ 4,582,999
Internal Balances	(82,000)	82,000	
Accounts Receivables, net	533,380	79,497	612,877
Inventory		14,925	14,925
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,799,463		3,799,463
Capital assets, net	10,266,490	10,108	10,276,598
Total Assets	<u>18,781,924</u>	<u>504,938</u>	<u>19,286,862</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Deferred outflows of resources from pensions	<u>1,112,322</u>		<u>1,112,322</u>
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>19,894,246</u>	<u>504,938</u>	<u>20,399,184</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable:			
Other	389,321	22,466	411,787
Related to pensions	515,649		515,649
Accrued Liabilities:			
Interest payable	28,370		28,370
Unearned revenue	333	29,636	29,969
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	476,973		476,973
Due beyond one year	15,346,892	91,120	15,438,012
Total Liabilities	<u>16,757,538</u>	<u>143,222</u>	<u>16,900,760</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
Deferred inflows of resources from pensions	<u>4,166,123</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,166,123</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>20,923,661</u>	<u>143,222</u>	<u>21,066,883</u>
NET POSITION:			
Net investment in capital assets	4,184,490	10,108	4,194,598
Restricted for:			
Capital projects	2,416,554		2,416,554
Maintenance	1,299,021		1,299,021
Emergency	250,000		250,000
Excess Surplus	3,242,911		3,242,911
Unemployment Compensation	219,137		219,137
Debt Service	6,047		6,047
Student Activities	51,305		51,305
Unrestricted (Deficit)	<u>(12,698,880)</u>	<u>351,608</u>	<u>(12,347,272)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (1,029,415)</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>	<u>\$ (667,699)</u>

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

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
Instruction:							
Regular	\$ 11,371,808	\$ -	\$ 2,632,798	\$ -	\$ (8,739,010)	\$ -	\$ (8,739,010)
Special Education	2,175,695		516,571		(1,659,124)		(1,659,124)
Other instruction	180,695				(180,695)		(180,695)
Support Services:							
Tuition	921,920		647,905		(274,015)		(274,015)
Student & instruction related services	3,859,555				(3,859,555)		(3,859,555)
General administrative services	524,495				(524,495)		(524,495)
School administrative services	768,146				(768,146)		(768,146)
Central administrative services	336,208				(336,208)		(336,208)
Plant operations and maintenance	3,382,634		207,837		(3,174,797)		(3,174,797)
Pupil transportation	1,086,710	28,660			(1,058,050)		(1,058,050)
Unallocated employee benefits	18,121,199		13,951,288		(4,169,911)		(4,169,911)
Transfer of funds to Charter Schools					-		-
Interest on long-term debt	117,480				(117,480)		(117,480)
Unallocated depreciation and amortization	44,127				(44,127)		(44,127)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>42,890,672</u>	<u>28,660</u>	<u>17,956,399</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(24,905,613)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(24,905,613)</u>
Business-Type Activities:							
Food service	842,071	35,030	831,573	-	-	24,532	24,532
Day care program	261,753	178,664		-	-	(83,089)	(83,089)
Internal service fund	1,755,000		1,755,000				
Total Business-Type Activities	<u>2,858,824</u>	<u>213,694</u>	<u>2,586,573</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(58,557)</u>	<u>(58,557)</u>
Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 45,749,496</u>	<u>\$ 242,354</u>	<u>\$ 20,542,972</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(24,905,613)</u>	<u>(58,557)</u>	<u>(24,964,170)</u>
General Revenues:							
Taxes:							
Property taxes, levied for general purposes					18,008,838		18,008,838
Taxes levied for debt service					207,902		207,902
Federal and State aid unrestricted					8,242,674		8,242,674
Investment and Interest earnings - restricted					5,455		5,455
Miscellaneous					189,273	5,648	194,921
Special Items:							
Transfer							-
Total general revenues, special items, extraordinary items and transfers					<u>26,654,142</u>	<u>5,648</u>	<u>26,659,790</u>
Change in Net Position					1,748,529	(52,909)	1,695,620
Net Position - July 1,					(2,994,588)	414,625	(2,579,963)
Prior Period Adjustments					216,644		216,644
Net Position - July 1, Restated					<u>(2,777,944)</u>	<u>414,625</u>	<u>(2,363,319)</u>
Net Position - June 30					<u>\$ (1,029,415)</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>	<u>\$ (667,699)</u>

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

Fund Financial Statements

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2021

ASSETS	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 7,840,590	\$ 51,305	\$ 166,126	\$ 6,033	\$ 8,064,054
Interfund Accounts Receivable					
Special Revenue Fund	292,751				292,751
Capital Projects Fund				14	14
Intergovernmental Accounts Receivables:					
State	199,175				199,175
Federal		305,545			305,545
Other	28,660				28,660
Total Assets	\$ 8,361,176	\$ 356,850	\$ 166,126	\$ 6,047	\$ 8,890,199
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Interfund Accounts Payable					
General Fund		292,751			292,751
Debt Service Fund			14		14
Enterprise Fund	82,000				82,000
Accounts Payable:					
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable	21,419				21,419
Unemployment Claims Payable	57,891				57,891
Other	19,966	290,045			310,011
Unearned Revenue		333			333
Total Liabilities	181,276	583,129	14		764,419
Fund Balances:					
Restricted:					
Capital Reserve	2,250,442				2,250,442
Maintenance Reserve	1,299,021				1,299,021
Emergency Reserve	250,000				250,000
Excess Surplus	3,242,911				3,242,911
Unemployment Compensation	219,137				219,137
Capital Projects			166,112		166,112
Debt Service				2,892	2,892
Student Activities		51,305			51,305
Assigned to:					
Other Purposes	300,565				300,565
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	93,106			3,155	96,261
Unassigned	524,718	(277,584)			247,134
Total Fund Balances	8,179,900	(226,279)	166,112	6,047	8,125,780
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 8,361,176	\$ 356,850	\$ 166,126	\$ 6,047	

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of the assets is \$24,506,030 and the accumulated depreciation is \$14,239,540. 10,266,490

Accrued interest on debt is not due and payable in the current period and therefore is not reported as a liability in the funds. (28,370)

Accounts payable related to the April 1, 2022 required PERS contribution contribution that is not to be liquidated with current financial resources. (515,649)

The District's proportionate share of net pension assets and liabilities as well as pension-related deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources are recognized in the government-wide statements and include:

Deferred Outflows of resources from Pensions	\$ 1,112,322	
Net Pension Liability	(7,033,726)	
Deferred Inflows of resources from Pensions	(4,166,123)	(10,087,527)

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

Compensated Absences	(2,708,139)	
Capital Leases	(1,641,000)	
General Obligation Bonds	(4,441,000)	(8,790,139)

Net position of governmental activities **\$ (1,029,415)**

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:					
Local property tax levy	\$ 18,008,838	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 207,902	\$ 18,216,740
Transportation charges	28,660				28,660
Interest earned on maintenance reserve	32,358				32,358
Interest earned on capital reserve	18,884				18,884
Other restricted miscellaneous Revenues	5,455				5,455
Unrestricted miscellaneous Revenues	135,159		2,872		138,031
Federal sources	76,210	1,746,486			1,822,696
State sources	13,263,481	2,907,569		107,943	16,278,993
Local sources		20,365			20,365
Total revenues	31,569,045	4,674,420	2,872	315,845	36,562,182
EXPENDITURES:					
Current expense:					
Regular instruction	8,102,374	2,632,798			10,735,172
Special education instruction	1,659,124	516,571			2,175,695
Other instruction	180,695				180,695
Support services and undistributed costs:					
Tuition	921,920				921,920
Student & instruction related services	2,824,500	1,035,055			3,859,555
General administrative services	524,495				524,495
School administrative services	677,892				677,892
Central services	336,208				336,208
Plant operations and maintenance	2,940,963				2,940,963
Pupil transportation	1,086,710				1,086,710
Unallocated employee benefits	10,218,205	669,309			10,887,514
Capital outlay	607,716	207,837			815,553
Debt service:					
Principal				200,000	200,000
Interest and other charges				117,480	117,480
Total expenditures	30,080,802	5,061,570	-	317,480	35,459,852
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,488,243	(387,150)	2,872	(1,635)	1,102,330
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Transfers in		298,920		2,872	301,792
Transfers out	(298,920)		(2,872)		(301,792)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(298,920)	298,920	(2,872)	2,872	-
Net change in fund balance	1,189,323	(88,230)	-	1,237	1,102,330
Fund balances, July 1	6,808,395	(172,511)	166,112	4,810	6,806,806
Prior period adjustments	182,182	34,462			216,644
Fund balances, July 1, Restated	6,990,577	(138,049)	166,112	4,810	7,023,450
Fund balances, June 30	<u>\$ 8,179,900</u>	<u>\$ (226,279)</u>	<u>\$ 166,112</u>	<u>\$ 6,047</u>	<u>\$ 8,125,780</u>

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

**LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
 and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
 to the Statement of Activities
 for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (from B-2)		\$ 1,102,330
<p>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:</p>		
<p style="padding-left: 40px;">Capital outlays are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, on the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeded depreciation in the current fiscal year.</p>		
Capital outlay	\$ 445,263	
Depreciation expense	<u>(902,540)</u>	(457,277)
<p>Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position and is reported in the statement of activities.</p>		
		200,000
<p>Repayment of capital lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position and is reported in the statement of activities.</p>		
		64,000
<p>In the statement of activities, interest on long-term debt is accrued, regardless of when due. In the governmental funds, interest is reported when due. The accrued interest is an addition to the reconciliation.</p>		
		1,000
<p>Net differences between pension system contributions recognized in the fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances and the statement of activities.</p>		
		843,334
<p>In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses, e.g., compensated absences (vacations) are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are reported in the amount of financial resources used (paid). When the earned amount exceeds the paid amount, the difference is a reduction in the reconciliation (-); when the paid amount exceeds the earned amount the difference is an addition to the reconciliation (+).</p>		
		<u>(4,858)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities		<u>\$ 1,748,529</u>

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

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Funds
June 30, 2021

	Business-type Activities			Total
	Enterprise Funds		Internal Service Fund	
	Food Service Fund	Day Care Program	Self-Insured Health and Prescription Fund	
ASSETS:				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 182,913	\$ 135,495	\$ -	\$ 318,408
Intergovernmental accounts receivable	64,894	-	-	64,894
Interfund receivable	82,000	-	-	82,000
Other accounts receivable	7,246	7,357	-	14,603
Inventories	14,925	-	-	14,925
Total current assets	<u>351,978</u>	<u>142,852</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>494,830</u>
Noncurrent assets:				
Equipment	267,970	-	-	267,970
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(257,862)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(257,862)</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>10,108</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,108</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 362,086</u>	<u>\$ 142,852</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 504,938</u>
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities:				
Unearned revenue	\$ 13,109	\$ 16,527	\$ -	\$ 29,636
Accounts payable	22,466	-	-	22,466
Interfund payable	-	-	-	-
Reserve for medical claims	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>35,575</u>	<u>16,527</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,102</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Compensated absences	<u>91,120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91,120</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>91,120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91,120</u>
Total liabilities	<u>126,695</u>	<u>16,527</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>143,222</u>
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	10,108	-	-	10,108
Unrestricted	<u>225,283</u>	<u>126,325</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>351,608</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 235,391</u>	<u>\$ 126,325</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>

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

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position
Proprietary Funds
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Business-type Activities			Total
	Enterprise Funds		Internal Service Fund	
	Food Service Fund	Day Care Program	Self-Insured Health and Prescription Fund	
Operating revenues:				
Charges for services:				
Daily sales-reimbursable programs	\$ 5,181	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,181
Daily sales-non-reimbursable programs	29,849	-	-	29,849
Registration Fees	-	178,664	-	178,664
Board contributions	-	-	1,755,000	1,755,000
Total operating revenue	<u>35,030</u>	<u>178,664</u>	<u>1,755,000</u>	<u>1,968,694</u>
Operating expenses:				
Salaries	426,090	231,139	-	657,229
Employee benefits	37,400	17,888	1,755,000	1,810,288
Supplies and materials	26,193	11,750	-	37,943
Purchased professional services	26,456	-	-	26,456
Depreciation	963	-	-	963
Cost of sales - reimbursable programs	314,149	-	-	314,149
Cost of sales - non-reimbursable programs	10,715	-	-	10,715
Other	105	976	-	1,081
Total operating expenses	<u>842,071</u>	<u>261,753</u>	<u>1,755,000</u>	<u>2,858,824</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(807,041)</u>	<u>(83,089)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(890,130)</u>
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):				
State sources:				
State school lunch program	21,627	-	-	21,627
Federal sources:				
National school lunch program	429,919	-	-	429,919
School breakfast program	306,913	-	-	306,913
U.S.D.A. commodities	73,114	-	-	73,114
Local sources:				
Interest revenue	2,560	3,088	-	5,648
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>834,133</u>	<u>3,088</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>837,221</u>
Change in net position	27,092	(80,001)	-	(52,909)
Total net position - July 1	<u>208,299</u>	<u>206,326</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>414,625</u>
Total net position - June 30	<u>\$ 235,391</u>	<u>\$ 126,325</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>

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

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Funds
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	<u>Business-type Activities</u>			Total
	<u>Enterprise Funds</u>		<u>Internal Service Fund</u>	
	Food Service Fund	Day Care Program	Self-Insured Health and Prescription Fund	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Receipts from customers	\$ 80,958	\$ 174,909	\$ -	\$ 255,867
Employer contributions	-	-	1,755,000	1,755,000
Payments to employees	(435,829)	(251,714)	-	(687,543)
Payments to suppliers	(323,870)	(12,726)	-	(336,596)
Payment for medical claims	-	-	(2,662,519)	(2,662,519)
Net cash used for operating activities	<u>(678,741)</u>	<u>(89,531)</u>	<u>(907,519)</u>	<u>(1,675,791)</u>
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:				
State and Federal reimbursements	<u>730,095</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>730,095</u>
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	<u>730,095</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>730,095</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Interest and dividends	<u>2,560</u>	<u>3,087</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,647</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>2,560</u>	<u>3,087</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,647</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	53,914	(86,444)	(907,519)	(940,049)
Balances - July 1	<u>128,999</u>	<u>221,939</u>	<u>907,519</u>	<u>1,258,457</u>
Balances - June 30	<u>\$ 182,913</u>	<u>\$ 135,495</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 318,408</u>
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:				
Operating income (loss)	\$ (807,041)	\$ (83,089)	\$ -	\$ (890,130)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:				
Depreciation	963	-	-	963
Commodities	73,114	-	-	73,114
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(3,613)	(3,826)	-	(7,439)
(Increase) decrease in interfund receivable	49,873	-	-	49,873
(Increase) decrease in inventories	3,826	-	-	3,826
Increase/(decrease) in interfund payable	(45,361)	-	-	(45,361)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	22,467	-	(361,922)	(339,455)
Increase (decrease) in unearned revenue	(629)	-	-	(629)
Increase (decrease) in reserve for medical claims	-	-	(545,597)	(545,597)
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences	27,660	(2,616)	-	25,044
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>\$ (678,741)</u>	<u>\$ (89,531)</u>	<u>\$ (907,519)</u>	<u>\$ (1,675,791)</u>

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

Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of the Reporting Entity - The Lower Township School District (District) is a Type II school district located in Cape May County, New Jersey and covers an area of approximately 31 square miles. As a Type II school district, it functions independently through a Board of Education. The Board is comprised of nine members elected to three-year terms. These terms are staggered so that three member's terms expire each year. The purpose of the district is to provide educational services for all of Lower Township's students in grades preschool through 6. Students in grades 7 through 12 attend Lower Cape May Regional. The Lower Township School District has an approximate enrollment at June 30, 2021 of 1,502 students.

The primary criteria for including activities within the School District's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards* is the degree of oversight responsibility maintained by the School District. Oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. The combined financial statements include all funds of the School District over which the Board exercises operating control.

Component Units – GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity* and GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Unit*, provide guidance that all entities associated with a primary government are potential component units and should be evaluated for inclusion in the financial reporting entity. A primary government is financially accountable not only for the organizations that make up its legal entity, but also for legally separate organizations that meet the criteria established by GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 39. In addition, GASB Statement No. 61, provides additional guidance for organizations that do not meet the financial accountability criteria for inclusion as component units but that nevertheless should be included because the primary government's management determines that it would be misleading to exclude them. GASB Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units* - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14 amends the blending requirements for the financial statement presentation of component units of all state and local governments. The additional criteria requires blending of a component unit incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. There were no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity under the criteria as described above. Furthermore, the School District is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

Basis of Presentation

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

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

Government-wide Statements - The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities. The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental and business-type activities of the School District at fiscal year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the School District's governmental activities and for the business-type activities of the School District. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and, therefore, clearly identifiable to a particular function. The policy of the School District is to not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the statement of activities. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program.

**Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Government-wide Statements (Continued) - Revenues, which are not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the School 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 School District.

Fund Financial Statements - During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a single column. The fiduciary fund is reported by type. The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds - Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the School District's major governmental funds:

General Fund - The general fund is the general operating fund of the School District and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for vehicles and movable instructional or non-instructional equipment classified in the capital outlay sub-fund.

As required by the New Jersey State Department of Education, the School District includes budgeted capital outlay in this fund. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as they pertain to governmental entities state that general fund resources may be used to directly finance capital outlays for long-lived improvements as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenues.

Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey aid, district taxes and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those which result in the acquisition of or additions to capital assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment.

Special Revenue Fund - The special revenue fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenues sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Capital Projects Fund - The capital projects fund is used to account and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets, other than those financed by proprietary funds. The financial resources are derived from New Jersey Economic Development Authority grants, temporary notes or serial bonds which are specifically authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election.

Debt Service Fund - The debt service fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

Proprietary Funds - Proprietary funds are used to account for the School District's ongoing activities, which are similar to those in the private sector.

**Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Proprietary Funds (Continued)

Enterprise Funds – The enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the School District is that all costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or, where the School District has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

The School District’s enterprise funds are:

Food Service Fund - This fund accounts for the financial transactions related to the food service operations.

Day Care Program - This fund accounts for the financial transactions related to the day care operations.

Internal Service Fund – The internal service fund has been established to account for financing of employee’s self-insured health insurance and prescription plan.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or “capital maintenance” measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities, whether current or noncurrent, associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (net position) is segregated into investment in capital assets, net of related debt, and unrestricted net position, if applicable. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total position.

Depreciation of all exhaustive fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Equipment	12 Years
Light Trucks and Vehicles	4 Years
Heavy Trucks and Vehicles	6 Years

Measurement Focus

Government-wide Financial Statements - The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the School District are included on the statement of net position.

Fund Financial Statements – All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e. revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e. expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements, therefore, include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

**Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements (Continued) - Like the government-wide statements, all proprietary fund types are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. The statement of changes in fund net position presents increases (i.e. revenues) and decreases (i.e. expenses) in net total position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities. Fiduciary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

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. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of unearned revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions - Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "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 School District, available means expected to be received within sixty days after fiscal year end.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include Ad Valorem (property) taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. Ad Valorem (Property) Taxes are susceptible to accrual, as under New Jersey State Statute, a municipality is required to remit to its school district the entire balance of taxes in the amount voted upon or certified, prior to the end of the school year. The School District records the entire approved tax levy as revenue (accrued) at the start of the fiscal year since the revenue is both measurable and available. The School District is entitled to receive monies under the established payment schedule and the unpaid amount is considered to be an "accounts receivable". With the exception of restricted formula aids recorded in the special revenue fund, revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the fiscal year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the School District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School District on a reimbursement basis.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: tuition, grants, fees, and rentals.

Expenses/Expenditures - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred. The fair value of donated commodities used during the fiscal year is reported in the operating statement as an expense. Unused donated commodities are reported as unearned revenue. 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 governmental funds.

Budgets/Budgetary Control - Annual appropriated budgets are prepared in the spring of each fiscal year for the general, special revenue, and debt service funds. The budgets are submitted to the county office for their approval. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line-item accounts within each fund. Line-item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the minimum chart of accounts referenced in N.J.A.C. 6:23A-16.2(f)1. Transfers of appropriations may be made by School Board resolution at any time during the fiscal year in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3.

**Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgets/Budgetary Control (Continued) - Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the fiscal year. For governmental funds there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America with the exception of the legally mandated revenue recognition of the one or more June state aid payments for budgetary purposes only and the special revenue fund. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

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

The budget, as detailed on Exhibit C-1, Exhibit C-2 and Exhibit I-3, includes all amendments to the adopted budget, if any.

Exhibit C-3 presents a reconciliation of the general fund revenues and special revenue fund revenues and expenditures from the budgetary basis of accounting as presented in the general fund budgetary comparison schedule and the special revenue fund budgetary comparison schedule to the GAAP basis of accounting as presented in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances – governmental funds. Note that the School District does not report encumbrances outstanding at year end as expenditures in the general fund since the general fund budget follows modified accrual basis with the exception of the revenue recognition policy for the one or more June state aid payments.

Encumbrances - Under encumbrance accounting purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Encumbrances are a component of fund balance at fiscal year-end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. Open encumbrances in governmental funds, other than the special revenue fund, which have not been previously restricted, committed, or assigned, should be included within committed or assigned fund balance, as appropriate.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund, however, for which the School District has received advances of grant awards, and all eligibility and time requirements satisfied are reflected on the balance sheet as unearned grant revenue at fiscal year-end.

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

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments - Cash and cash equivalents, for all funds, include petty cash, change funds, cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. Such is the definition of cash and cash equivalents used in the statement of cash flows for the proprietary funds. U.S. Treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

New Jersey school districts are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. N.J.S.A. 18A:20-37 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey school districts.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA), a multiple financial institution collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include State or federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of Governmental Units.

**Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (Continued) - If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the full amount of their deposits to the governmental units.

Tuition Receivable - Tuition charges were established by the School District based on estimated costs. The charges are subject to adjustment when the final costs are determined.

Tuition Payable - Tuition charges for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were based on rates established by the receiving school district. These rates are subject to change when the actual costs have been determined.

Inventories - Inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market. The costs are determined on a first-in, first-out basis.

The cost of inventories in governmental fund types is recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed and is not recorded since any amounts are considered immaterial to the basic financial statements.

Inventories recorded in the government-wide financial statements and in the proprietary fund types are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Prepaid Expenses - Prepaid expenses recorded on the government-wide financial statements and in the proprietary fund types represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2021.

In the governmental fund types, however, payments for prepaid items are fully recognized as an expenditure in the fiscal year of payment. No asset for the prepayment is created, and no expenditure allocation to future accounting periods is required (*non-allocation method*). This is consistent with the basic governmental concept that only expendable financial resources are reported by a specific fund.

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

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

Short-Term Interfund Receivables / Payables - Short-term interfund receivables / payables represent amounts that are owed, other than charges for goods or services rendered to / from a particular fund in the School District and that are due within one year. These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type columns of the statement of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances.

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. Capital assets utilized by the proprietary funds are reported both in the business-type activities column of the government-wide statement of net position and the proprietary fund statement of net position.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the fiscal year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$2,000. The School District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not. All reported capital assets except land and construction in progress are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets.

**Lower Township School District
Notes to Basic Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital Assets (Continued)

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Land and Improvements	10-20 years	N/A
Buildings and Improvements	10-50 years	N/A
Furniture and Equipment	5-20 years	12 years
Vehicles	5-10 years	4-6 years

Unearned Revenue - Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied and are recorded as a liability until the revenue is both measurable and the School District is eligible to realize the revenue.

Compensated Absences - Compensated absences are those absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation, sick leave, and sabbatical leave. A liability for compensated absences that are attributable to services already rendered, and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the School District and its employees, is accrued as the employees earn the rights to the benefits. Compensated absences that relate to future services, or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the School District and its employees, are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or in which such events take place.

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

For governmental funds, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount that is normally expected to be paid with expendable available financial resources. In proprietary funds, the entire amount of compensated absences is recorded as a fund liability.

Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations - All payables, accrued liabilities, and long-term obligations are reported on the government-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements. In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full, from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments, compensated absences, special termination benefits and contractually required pension contributions that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are normally expected to be paid with expendable available financial resources. Bonds are recognized as a liability on the fund financial statements when due.

Net Position - Net position represents the difference between the summation of assets and deferred outflows of resources, and the summation of liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is classified into the following three components:

Net Investment in Capital Assets - This component represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, net of outstanding balances of borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted - Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or law or regulations of other governments.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Unrestricted – Net position is reported as unrestricted when it does not meet the criteria of the other two components of net position.

It is the School District's policy to apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted assets are available.

Fund Balance – The School District reports fund balance in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. The School District's classifications, and policies for determining such classifications, are as follows:

Nonspendable – The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criteria includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, such as inventories and prepaid amounts. The School District had no nonspendable fund balance at June 30, 2021.

Restricted – This fund balance classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes. Such restrictions, or constraints, are placed on the use of resources either by being (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – This fund balance classification includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the School District's highest level of decision-making authority, which for the School District is the Board of Education. Once committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Education removes, or changes, the specified use by taking the same type of action imposing the commitment.

Assigned – This fund balance classification includes amounts that are constrained by the School District's *intent* to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. *Intent* is expressed by either the Board of Education or by the Business Administrator, to which the Board of Education has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

Unassigned – This fund balance classification is the residual classification for the General Fund. It represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceed the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, it is the School District's policy to spend restricted fund balances first. Likewise, when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used, it is the policy of the School District to spend fund balances, if appropriate, in the following order: committed, assigned, then unassigned.

Operating and Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses - Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the School District, these revenues are sales for the food service program. Non-operating revenues principally consist of interest income earned on various interest-bearing accounts and federal and state subsidy reimbursements for the food service program.

Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activity of the fund. There are no non-operating expenses.

Interfunds – Interfund receivables and payables that arise from transactions between funds are recorded by all funds affected by such transactions in the period in which the transaction is executed.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements – In June 2017, the GASB issued Statement 87, *Leases*. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Management is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of this Statement on the District's financial statements.

In May 2019, the GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The primary objectives of this Statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021. This Statement should have no impact on the School District's financial statements.

In March 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs). The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. This Statement should have no impact on the School District's financial statements.

In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset-and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosure regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, *Leases*, as amended. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022. Management is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of this Statement on the District's financial statements.

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2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits – Custodial credit risk refers to the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the School District’s deposits might not be recovered. Although the School District does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Unit (GUDPA). Under the Act, the first \$250,000 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Public funds owned by the School District in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA.

However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled trust funds such as salary withholdings of funds that pass to the School District relative to the happening of a future condition. Such funds are classified as uninsured and uncollateralized. Of the School District’s amount on deposit of \$9,336,312 as of June 30, 2021, \$250,000 was insured under FDIC and the remaining balance of \$9,086,312 was collateralized under GUDPA.

3. CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT

A capital reserve account was established by the School District for the accumulation of funds for use as capital outlay expenditures in subsequent fiscal years. The capital reserve account is maintained in the general fund and its activity is included in the general fund annual budget. Funds placed in the capital reserve account are restricted to capital projects in the School District’s approved Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP). Upon submission of the LRFP to the New Jersey Department of Education, a school district may increase the balance in the capital reserve by appropriating funds in the annual general fund budget certified for taxes or by transfer by board resolution at fiscal year-end (June 1 to June 30) of any unanticipated revenue or unexpended line-item appropriation amounts, or both. A school district may also appropriate additional amounts when the express approval of the voters has been obtained either by a separate proposal at budget time or by a special question at one of the four special elections authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:60-2. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23A-14.1(g), the balance in the account cannot at any time exceed the local support costs of uncompleted capital projects in its approved LRFP.

The activity of the capital reserve for the July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 fiscal year is as follows:

Balance – July 1, 2020	\$	1,712,083
Increased by:		
Transfer by Board Resolution	\$ 606,000	
Interest Earned	32,359	638,359
		2,350,442
Decreased by:		
Budgeted Resolution		100,000
Balance – June 30, 2021	\$	2,250,442

The June 30, 2021 capital reserve balance does not exceed the LRFP balance of local support costs of uncompleted capital projects.

4. RECEIVABLES

Accounts receivables at June 30, 2021 consisted of accounts (fees) and intergovernmental grants. All intergovernmental receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of State programs and the current fiscal year guarantee of federal funds.

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4. RECEIVABLES (Continued)

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2021 for the School District's individual major and fiduciary funds, in the aggregate, are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Proprietary Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Intergovernmental				
State	\$ 199,175	\$ -	\$ 2,581	\$ 201,756
Federal	-	305,545	62,313	367,858
Other	28,660	-	14,603	43,263
Total	<u>\$ 227,835</u>	<u>\$ 305,545</u>	<u>\$ 79,497</u>	<u>\$ 612,877</u>

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, was as follows:

	<u>Balance June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Adjustments/ Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2021</u>
Governmental Activities:				
<i>Capital Assets, not being depreciated</i>				
Land	\$ 80,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,045
Construction in Progress	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Assets not being Depreciation	<u>80,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>80,045</u>
<i>Capital Assets, being depreciated</i>				
Building and Improvements	19,326,762	127,165		19,453,927
Equipment	4,676,774	318,098	22,814	4,972,058
Total Historical Cost	<u>24,003,536</u>	<u>445,263</u>	<u>22,814</u>	<u>24,425,985</u>
<i>Less Accumulated Depreciation:</i>				
Building and Improvements	(10,726,077)	(413,093)		(11,139,170)
Equipment	(2,633,737)	(489,447)	(22,814)	(3,100,370)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(13,359,814)</u>	<u>(902,540)</u>	<u>(22,814)</u>	<u>(14,239,540)</u>
Total Capital Assets, being depreciated, net	<u>10,643,722</u>	<u>(457,277)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,186,445</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 10,723,767</u>	<u>\$ (457,277)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,266,490</u>
Business-Type Activities:				
Equipment	\$ 276,885	\$ -	\$ 8,914	\$ 267,971
Less - Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(265,814)</u>	<u>(963)</u>	<u>(8,914)</u>	<u>(257,863)</u>
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 11,071</u>	<u>\$ (963)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,108</u>

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5. CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Depreciation expense in the amount of \$902,540 was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Function	Amount
Instruction	\$ 631,778
School Administration	90,254
Plant operations & maintenance	135,381
Unallocated	45,127
Total depreciation expense	\$ 902,540

6. INVENTORY

Inventory in the Proprietary Funds at June 30, 2021 consisted of the following:

Food	\$ 10,304
Supplies	4,621
	\$ 14,925

7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the following changes occurred in long-term obligations:

	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2020	Additions	Reductions	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2021	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Compensated Absences	\$ 2,703,281	\$ 206,801	\$ 201,943	\$ 2,708,139	\$ 192,973
Capital Lease Payable	1,705,000	-	64,000	1,641,000	59,000
Serial Bonds Payable	4,641,000	-	200,000	4,441,000	225,000
Net Pension Liability	8,232,661		1,198,935	7,033,726	-
	\$ 17,281,942	\$ 206,801	\$ 1,664,878	\$ 15,823,865	\$ 476,973
Business-Type Activities:					
Compensated Absences	\$ 63,460	\$ 27,660	\$ -	\$ 91,120	\$ -
	\$ 63,460	\$ 27,660	\$ -	\$ 91,120	\$ -

Bonds Payable - Bonds and loans are authorized in accordance with State law by the voters of the School District through referendums. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. Outstanding bonds issued by the School District are as follows:

Serial Bonds dated April 6, 2016 in the amount of \$4,441,000 due in annual installments through April 1, 2036, bearing interest rates of 2.00% to 3.00%.

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7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

As of June 30, 2021, principal and interest due on bonds outstanding is as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$ 225,000	\$ 113,480	\$ 338,480
2023	250,000	108,980	358,980
2024	250,000	103,980	353,980
2025	275,000	98,980	373,980
2026	275,000	93,480	368,480
2027-2031	1,580,000	369,500	1,949,500
2032-2036	1,586,000	141,900	1,727,900
	<u>\$ 4,441,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,030,300</u>	<u>\$ 5,471,300</u>

Capital Leases – At June 30, 2021 the District is leasing Energy Savings totaling \$1,641,000 under capital leases. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments under the capital lease agreements:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2022	\$ 59,000	\$ 54,572	\$ 113,572
2023	64,000	52,494	116,494
2024	60,000	50,434	110,434
2025	65,000	48,340	113,340
2026	70,000	46,079	116,079
2027-2031	434,000	191,051	625,051
2032-2036	595,000	106,463	701,463
2037-2039	294,000	11,206	305,206
	<u>\$ 1,641,000</u>	<u>\$ 560,639</u>	<u>\$ 2,201,639</u>

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries are paid.

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8. OPERATING LEASES

At June 30, 2021, the School District had an operating lease agreement in effect for copiers.

Total operating lease payments made during the year ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, were \$74,562 and \$73,572 respectively. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2022	\$ 64,309
2023	<u>28,130</u>
	<u>\$ 92,439</u>

9. PENSION PLANS

Description of Plans – Substantially all of the School District's employees participate in one of the following pension plans which have been established by State statute and are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (Division): the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS). In addition, several School District employees participate in the Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP), which is a defined contribution pension plan. This plan is administered by Prudential Financial for the Division. Each plan has a Board of Trustees that is primarily responsible for its administration. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. For additional information about TPAF, please refer to the Division's annual financial statements which can be found at <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml>.

Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)

Plan Description - The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a special funding situation, which was established on January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66. The State of New Jersey (the "State") is responsible to fund 100% of the employer contributions, excluding any local employer early retirement incentive (ERI) contributions. The TPAF's designated purpose is to provide retirement, death and disability, and medical benefits to qualified members. Membership in the TPAF is mandatory for substantially all teachers or members of the professional staff certified by the State Board of Examiners, who have titles that are unclassified, professional and certified. The TPAF's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the TPAF.

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

The following represents the membership tiers for TPAF:

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

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

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

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tier 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit, and tier 5 before age 65 with 30 or more years of service credit. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the retirement age for his/her respective tier. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for their respective tier.

Contributions - The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by N.J.S.A.18A:66 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, the member contribution rate was 7.50% in State fiscal year 2021. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid.

Under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on-behalf of the School District and all other related non-contributing employers. No normal or accrued liability contribution by the School District has been required over the several preceding fiscal years. These on-behalf contributions by the State of New Jersey are considered a special funding situation, under the definition of GASB 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*.

The School District was not required to make any contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 because of the 100.00% special funding situation with the State of New Jersey.

Based on the most recent TPAF measurement date of June 30, 2020, the State's contractually required contribution, on-behalf of the School District, to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 was \$2,438,857 and was paid by April 1, 2021. School District employee contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 were \$942,305.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflow of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and additions to/deductions from the TPAF's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the TPAF. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

At June 30, 2021, the School District was not required to report a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability because of a 100% special funding situation by the State of New Jersey.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School District recognized pension expense of \$4,407,064 and revenue of \$4,407,064 for support provided by the State. Although the School District does not report net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows related to the TPAF, the following schedule illustrates the collective net pension liability and deferred items and the State's portion of the net pension liability associated with the School District.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

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

The collective amounts are the total of all New Jersey local governments participating in the TPAF plan.

	06/30/20	06/30/19
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$ 9,458,881,999	\$ 9,932,767,606
Collective deferred inflows of resources	14,424,322,612	17,539,845,423
Collective net pension liability (Non-Employer – State of New Jersey)	65,993,498,688	61,519,112,443
State's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School District	70,871,055	64,538,524
State's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School District as a percentage of the collective net pension liability	.1076269546%	.1051613679%

Actuarial assumptions – The total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020.

This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	
Through 2026	1.55- 4.45%
	based on years of service
Thereafter	2.75 – 5.65%
	based on years of service
Investment Rate of Return:	7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality tables with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2020) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

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

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
US Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the State's total pension liability was 5.40% as of June 30, 2020. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00%, and a municipal bond rate of 2.21% as of June 30, 2020, based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers (State of New Jersey) will be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2062. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2062, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. As previously mentioned, TPAF has a special funding situation where the State pays 100% of the School District's annual required contribution. As such, the proportionate share of the net pension liability as of June 30, 2020, the pension plans measurement date, attributable to the School District is \$0.00, and the State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the net pension liability, attributable to the School District, using a discount rate of 5.40%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (4.40%) or 1 percentage point higher (6.40%) that the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (4.40%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (5.40%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (6.40%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District	83,246,354	70,871,055	60,595,446
	<u>\$ 83,246,354</u>	<u>\$ 70,871,055</u>	<u>\$ 60,595,446</u>

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

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

Detailed information about the pension plan's sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits financial report.

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Plan Description - The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established on January 1, 1955. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability, and medical benefits to certain qualified members. Vesting Membership in the PERS is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the Authority, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pension fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund. The PERS's Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PERS. For additional information about PERS, please refer to Division's annual financial statements, which can be found at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml>.

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

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

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

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for their respective tier.

Contributions - The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by N.J.S.A 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. The School District's contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2020, the School Districts contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 was \$471,844 and was paid by April 1, 2021. School District employee contributions to the pension plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 were \$245,360.

The School District is billed annually for its normal contribution plus any accrued liability. The School District's contributions, equal to the required contribution for each fiscal year, were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Normal Contributions</u>	<u>Accrued Liability</u>	<u>Non Contributory Life</u>	<u>Long-Term Disability</u>	<u>Total Liability Paid by District</u>
2021	\$ 53,868	\$ 395,170	\$ 22,806	\$ -	\$ 471,844
2020	41,127	380,581	22,724	1,400	445,832
2019	62,116	412,352	22,602	1,364	498,434

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflow of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

At June 30, 2021, the School District reported a liability of \$7,033,726 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019. The School District's proportion of the of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the School District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School District recognized pension expense of (\$370,833). At June 30, 2021, the School District reported a liability of \$7,033,726 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability and deferred outflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 128,073	\$ 24,874
Changes of assumptions	228,182	2,945,088
Net Difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	240,418	-
Changes in proportion		1,196,161
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	515,649	
Total	\$ 1,112,322	\$ 4,166,123

\$515,649 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date (i.e. for the school year ending June 30, 2021, the plan measurement date is June 30, 2020) will be recognized as a reduction of the net liability in the year ended June 30, 2021.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

For the year ended:	Net Deferred Outflows (Inflows) of Resources
2022	\$ (1,319,512)
2023	(1,036,910)
2024	(834,018)
2025	(324,860)
2026	(54,150)
Total	\$ (3,569,450)

The amortization of the above other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be over the following number of years:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2015	5.72	-
June 30, 2016	5.57	-
June 30, 2017	5.48	-
June 30, 2018	-	5.63
June 30, 2019	5.16	-
June 30, 2020	5.16	
Changes of assumptions		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2014	6.44	-
June 30, 2015	5.72	-
June 30, 2016	5.57	-
June 30, 2017	-	5.48
June 30, 2018	-	5.63
June 30, 2019	-	5.21
June 30, 2020	-	5.16
Net Difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2015	5.00	5.00
June 30, 2016	5.00	5.00
June 30, 2017	5.00	5.00
June 30, 2018	5.00	5.00
June 30, 2019	5.00	5.00
June 30, 2020	5.00	5.00

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Additional Information

Collective balances at June 30, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	<u>6/30/2020</u>	<u>6/30/2019</u>
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$ 2,590,600,991	\$ 3,149,522,616
Collective deferred inflows of resources	\$ 12,009,239,423	\$ 7,645,087,574
Collective net pension liability	\$ 16,435,616,426	\$ 18,143,832,135
School District's Proportion	.0431321531%	.0456900911%

Actuarial assumptions – The total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020.

This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation rate:	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases:	
Through 2026	2.00 – 6.00% based on years of service
Thereafter	3.00 – 7.00% based on years of service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2020) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
US Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging Market Equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%
Total	100.00%	

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the State's total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from the plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.00%) or 1 percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.00%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.00%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.00%)</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 8,854,288	\$ 7,033,726	\$ 5,488,930

Pension Plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits financial report.

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9. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)

The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined contribution pension plan which was established on July 1, 2007, under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A.43:15C-1 et. seq), and expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2008 and Chapter 1, P.L. 2010. The Defined Contribution Retirement Program Board oversees the DCRP, which is administered for the Divisions of Pensions and Benefits by Prudential Financial. The DCRP provides eligible members, and their beneficiaries, with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting and benefit provisions are established by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et. seq.

The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by State statute. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the School District’s contribution amounts for each pay period are transmitted to Prudential Financial not later than the fifth business day after the date on which the employee is paid for that pay period.

The School District’s contributions, equal to the required contribution for each fiscal year, were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total Liability</u>	<u>Paid by School District</u>
2021	\$ 62,152	\$ 62,152
2020	37,267	37,267
2019	19,452	19,452

10. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan (the “OPEB Plan”) is a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan, with a special funding situation, that is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. The OPEB Plan is administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the “Division”) and is part of the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program (SHBP). The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information which can be obtained by writing to or at the following website:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
<https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml>

The OPEB Plan provides medical, prescription drug, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents of local education employers.

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10. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

Contributions

The employer contributions for the participating local education employers are legally required to be funded by the State of New Jersey (the “State”) in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32f. According to N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32F, the State provides employer-paid coverage to employees who retire from a board of education or county college with 25 years or more of service credit in, or retires on a disability pension from, one or more of the following plans: the Teacher’s Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), the Public Employees’ Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS). Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree’s annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

Plan Membership

As of June 30, 2019, the program membership consisted of the following:

Active Plan Members	216,804
Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	149,304
Inactive Plan Members Entitled to but Not Yet Receiving Benefits	-
	366,108

Total Non-Employer OPEB Liability

The State of New Jersey, a nonemployer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to OPEB Plan for qualified retired PERS, TPAF and PFRS participants. The School District’s proportionate share percentage determined under paragraphs 193 and 203 through 205 of GASBS No. 75 is zero percent. Accordingly, the School District did not recognize any portion of the collective net OPEB liability on the Statement of Net Position.

Actuarial assumptions and other imputes - The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of the June 30, 2020 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member enrolled in.

This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation rate	2.50%		
	TPAF/ABP	PERS	PFRS
Salary Increases Through 2026	1.55 – 4.45% based on service years	2.00 – 6.00% based on service years	3.25 – 15.25% based on service years
Thereafter	1.55 – 4.45% based on service years	3.00 - 7.00% based on service years	Applied to all future years

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10. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Healthy Teacher’s (TPAF), and “General” (PERS), and “Safety” (PFRS) classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using the Scale MP-2020. Postretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 “General” classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the Scale MP-2020. Disability mortality was based on the Pub-2010 “General” classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018, July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2018, and July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2018 for TPAF, PERS and PFRS, respectively.

Health Care Trend Assumptions - For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 5.6% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rate is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.0% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%.

Discount Rate - The discount rate for June 30, 2020 was 2.21%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the Division. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

Changes in the Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability

The table below summarizes the State’s proportionate share of the change in the total nonemployer OPEB liability associated with the School District:

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance as of June 30, 2019	\$ 64,715,499
Changes for the years'	
Service Cost	2,206,478
Interest	2,311,100
Changes of benefit terms	
Differences between expected and actual experience	19,543,803
Changes in assumptions	19,439,196
Gross Benefit Payments	(1,852,677)
Contributions from the Non-employer	N/A
Contributions from the Member	56,155
Net Investment Income	N/A
Administrative Expense	N/A
Net Changes	\$ 41,704,055
Balance at 06/30/2020	\$ 106,419,554

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10. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

Sensitivity of the total nonemployer OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate - The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020, respectively, associated with the School District, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (1.21%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (2.21%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (3.21%)</u>
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability Associated with the School District	\$ 128,294,265	\$ 106,419,554	\$ 89,315,637

Sensitivity of the total nonemployer OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rate - The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020, associated with the School District, respectively, calculated using the healthcare trend rate as disclosed above as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of the Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability Associated with the School District	\$ 85,905,453	\$ 106,419,554	\$ 130,847,289

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the School District recognized \$4,040,788 in OPEB expense and revenue, in the government-wide financial statements, for the State's proportionate share of the OPEB Plan's OPEB Expense, associated with the School District. This expense and revenue were based on the OPEB Plan's June 30, 2020 measurement date.

In accordance with GASBS No. 75, the School District's proportionate share of the OPEB liability is zero. As such, there is no recognition of the allocation of proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources by the School District.

At June 30, 2021, the State's proportionate share of the total nonemployer OPEB liability's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, associated with the School District, from the following sources are as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Change in Proportion	\$ 1,003,649	\$ (4,739,342)
Differences between expected and actual experience	16,157,260	(14,392,313)
Changes of assumptions	18,101,616	(12,143,074)
Total	\$ 35,262,525	\$ (31,274,729)

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10. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (Continued)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to State’s proportionate share of the total nonemployer OPEB Liability, associated with the School District, will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

For the year ended:		
2021	\$	35,200
2022		35,200
2023		35,200
2024		35,200
2025		35,200
Thereafter		3,811,796
Total	\$	3,987,796

Detailed information about the pension plan’s sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits financial report.

11. ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the School District has recognized as revenues and expenditures on-behalf payments made by the state for normal retirement costs, post-retirement medical costs and long-term disability insurance related to TPAF, in the fund statements. The amounts recognized as revenues and expenditures in the fund financial statements for normal costs, post-retirement medical costs and long-term disability insurance were \$3,270,785, \$1,025,013, and \$1,793, respectively. In addition, \$907,369 on-behalf payments were made by the state for the employer’s share of social security contributions for TPAF members, as calculated on their base salaries.

12. RISK MANAGEMENT

Property and Liability Insurance – The District is a member of the Atlantic and Cape May Counties Association of School Business Officials Joint Insurance Fund (ACCASBOJIF), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program. The district pays an actuarial determined annual assessment to ACCASBOJIF for its insurance coverage. Supplemental assessments may be levied to supplement the fund.

The district has not been notified of any supplemental assessments.

In addition, the district carries commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, accident insurance, and public official surety bonds. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The district is self-insured for employee health and prescription coverage.

A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the "Statistical Section" of this report.

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance - The District has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Business Reimbursement Method". Under this plan, the district is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The district is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State.

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12. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The following is a summary of the School District's unemployment compensation contributions, employee contributions, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the current and previous two fiscal years:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>District Contributions</u>	<u>Employee Contributions</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Amount Reimbursed</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2021	\$ 31,500	\$ -	\$ 5,455	\$ -	\$ 219,137
2020	31,500	34,046	4,393	82,746	182,182
2019	90,000	57,471	1,723	77,194	194,989

13. DEFERRED COMPENSATION

The School District offers its employees a choice of various deferred compensation plans created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The plans, available to all permanent School District employees, permit participants to defer a portion of their current salary to future years. Participation in the plans is optional. The deferred compensation is not available to the participants until termination, retirement, death, or an unforeseeable emergency occurs. The plan assets are held in trust for the benefit of the employee and are administered by a third party therefore they are not reflected on the financial statements of the School District.

14. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

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

School District employees are granted varying amounts of vacation and sick leave in accordance with the School District's personnel policy. Upon termination, employees are paid for accrued vacation. The School District's policy permits employees to accumulated unused sick leave and carry forward the full amount to subsequent years. Upon retirement employees shall be paid by the School District for the unused sick leave in accordance with the School District's agreements with the various employee unions.

The liability for vested compensated absences is recorded within those funds as the benefits accrued to the employees. As of June 30, 2021, the liability for compensated absences in the governmental activities and proprietary fund types was \$2,708,139 and \$91,120 respectively.

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15. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Interfund receivables/payables are recorded to cover temporary cash shortages and/or timing differences in the respective funds. There are no interfund balances that are not expected to be repaid by June 30, 2021. The following interfund balances were recorded on the various balance sheets as of June 30, 2021:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfunds Receivable</u>	<u>Interfunds Payable</u>
General	\$ 292,751	\$ 82,000
Special Revenue	-	292,751
Capital Projects	-	14
Debt Service Fund	14	-
Proprietary Fund	82,000	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	<u>\$ 374,765</u>	<u>\$ 374,765</u>

16. CONTINGENCIES

The School District participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the School District may be required to reimburse the grantor government.

At June 30, 2021, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited by the granting agency, but the School District believes that disallowed expenditures discovered in subsequent audits, if any, will not have a material effect on any of the individual funds or the overall financial position of the School District.

17. TAX ABATEMENTS

As defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), a tax abatement is an agreement between a government and an individual or entity in which the government promises to forgo tax revenues and the individual or entity promises to subsequently take a specific action that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the government or its citizens. School districts are not authorized by New Jersey statute to enter into tax abatement agreements. However, the county or municipality in which the school district is situated may have entered into tax abatement agreements, and that potential must be disclosed in these financial statements.

If the county or municipality entered into tax abatement agreements, those agreements will not directly affect the school district's local tax revenue because N.J.S.A. 54:4-75 and N.J.S.A. 54:4-76 require that amounts so forgiven must effectively be recouped from other taxpayers and remitted to the school district.

For a local school district board of education or board of school estimate that has elected to raise their minimum tax levy using the required local share provisions at N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-5(b), the loss of revenue resulting from the municipality or county having entered into a tax abatement agreement is indeterminate due to the complex nature of the calculation of required local share performed by the New Jersey Department of Education based upon district property value and wealth.

The Township of Lower (Municipality) provides for long-term tax exemptions, as authorized by New Jersey State Statutes. N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq. sets forth the criteria and mechanism by which property taxes can and are abated. The exemptions provided by the Municipality are for affordable housing and other permitted purposes. Taxes abated include municipal, local school, and county taxes.

The municipality recognized revenue of \$108,982 from the annual service charge in lieu of payment of taxes in 2020. The assessed value on these tax exemption properties amounted to \$12,250,000 which would have resulted in 2020 taxes billed in full of \$156,625. Of this amount \$60,515 would have been allocated to the district.

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18. DEFICIT UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE

The School District has a deficit unassigned fund balance of \$277,584 in the Special Revenue Fund as of June 30, 2021 as reported in the fund statements (modified accrual basis). N.J.S.A. 18A:22-44.2 provides that in the event a state school aid payment is not made until the following school budget year, school districts must record the delayed one or more June state aid payments as revenues, for budget purposes only, in the current school budget year. The statute provides legal authority for school districts to recognize this revenue in the current budget year. For intergovernmental transactions, GASB Statement No. 33 requires that recognition (revenue, expenditure, asset, liability) should be in symmetry, i.e., if one government recognizes an asset, the other government recognizes a liability. Since the State is recording the June state aid payments in the subsequent fiscal year, the School District cannot recognize the June state aid payment on the GAAP financial statements until the year the State records the payable. Due to the timing difference of recording the June state aid payments, the general and special revenue fund balance deficit does not alone indicate that the School District is facing financial difficulties.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-44.2 any negative unassigned general fund balance that is reported as a direct result from a delay in the June payments of state aid until the following fiscal year, is not considered in violation of New Jersey statute and regulation nor in need of corrective action. The School District deficit in the GAAP funds statements of \$277,584 in the Special Revenue Fund is equal to or less than the June state aid payments.

19. DEFICIT UNRESTRICTED NET POSITION

As of June 30, 2021, a deficit of \$12,698,880 existed in the Unrestricted Net Position of the Governmental Activities. A reconciliation of Unreserved Fund Balance reported on Exhibit B-1 to Unrestricted Net Position reported on Exhibited A-1 is as follows:

Balances, June 30, 2020:	
Fund Balance (Deficit)	
(Exclusive of Capital Projects and Debt Service Funds):	
Fund Balance - Unassigned	\$ 247,134
Fund Balance - Assigned	393,671
Liabilities:	
Accrued Interest Payable	(28,370)
Net Pension Differences	(10,603,176)
Compensated Absences	(2,708,139)
Unrestricted Net Position (Deficit)	\$ (12,698,880)

20. FUND BALANCES

RESTRICTED

As stated in Note 1, the restricted fund balance classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes. Such restrictions, or constraints, are placed on the use of resources by either of the following: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Specific restrictions of the School District's fund balance are summarized as follows:

General Fund:

Excess Surplus – In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-7, as amended, the designation of restricted fund balance - excess surplus is the result of a required calculation pursuant to the New Jersey Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996 (CEIFA). New Jersey school districts are required to restrict general fund, fund balance at the fiscal year end of June 30 if they did not appropriate a required minimum amount as budgeted fund balance in their subsequent years' budget. The excess fund balance as of June 30, 2021, is \$1,752,406 presented on the budgetary basis of accounting (Exhibit C-1). Additionally, \$1,490,505 of excess fund balance generated during the 2020-2021 fiscal year has been restricted and designated for utilization in the 2021-2022 budget.

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20. FUND BALANCES (Continued)

RESTRICTED

Capital Reserve – As of June 30, 2021, the balance in the capital reserve account is \$2,250,442 all of which is restricted for future capital outlay expenditures for capital projects in the School District’s approved Long-Range Facilities Plan. Of this amount, \$500,000 has been appropriated and included as anticipated revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Maintenance Reserve Account – As of June 30, 2021, the balance in the maintenance reserve account is \$1,299,021. Of this amount \$300,000 has been appropriated and included as anticipated revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. These funds are restricted for the required maintenance of school facilities in accordance with the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act (EFCFA) (N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-9) as amended by P.L. 2004, c. 73 (S1701).

Emergency Reserve – As of June 30, 2021, the balance in the emergency reserve is \$250,000. These funds are restricted for the purpose of financing unanticipated general fund expenditures required for a through and efficient education in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41c(1).

Unemployment Compensation – As of June 30, 2021, the balance of the unemployment compensation is \$219,137. These funds are restricted for the purpose of financing unemployment claims.

Special Revenue Fund:

Student Activities – As of June 30, 2021, the balance of student activities is \$51,305.

Capital Projects Fund:

Capital Projects – As of June 30, 2021, the balance of capital projects is \$166,112.

Debt Service Fund:

Debt Service – As of June 30, 2021, the balance of debt service fund is \$2,892.

ASSIGNED

As stated in Note 1, the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are constrained by the School District’s *intent* to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. Specific assignments of the School District’s fund balance are summarized as follows:

General Fund:

Other Purposes – As of June 30, 2021 the School District has \$300,565 of encumbrances outstanding for purchase orders and contracts signed by the School District, but not completed, as of the close of the fiscal year.

Designated for Subsequent Year’s Expenditures – The School District has appropriated and included \$93,106 as an anticipated revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Debt Service Fund:

Designated for Subsequent Year’s Expenditures – The School District has appropriated and included \$3,155 as an anticipated revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

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20. FUND BALANCES (Continued)

UNASSIGNED

As stated in Note 1, the unassigned fund balance classification represents fund balance that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes. The School District's unassigned fund balance is summarized as follows:

General Fund – As of June 30, 2021, \$524,718 of general fund was unassigned.

Special Revenue Fund – As of June 30, 2021, the fund balance of the special revenue fund was a deficit of \$277,584, thus resulting in the fund balance classification of unassigned. The deficit is a result of the delay in the recording of the payment of state aid until the following fiscal year (See Note 18).

21. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. As part of this implementation, the activity for the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Trust Fund which had previously been reported in the Fiduciary Funds is now reported in the General Fund. The Student Activities Fund is now reported in the Special Revenue Fund. The ending balances as of June 30, 2020, were restated due to this implementation as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2020 as Previously Reported	Retroactive Adjustments	Balance June 30, 2020 as Restated
<u>Statement of Net Activities - Governmental Activities:</u>			
Net Position - Ending	\$ (2,994,588)	\$ 216,644	\$ (2,777,944)
<u>Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds:</u>			
General Fund:			
Fund Balance - June 30	6,808,395	182,182	6,990,577
Special Revenue Fund:			
Fund Balance - June 30	(172,511)	34,462	(138,049)
<u>Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Fiduciary Funds:</u>			
Unemployment Compensation Trust:			
Net Position - End of the Year	182,182	(182,182)	-
Student Activity Agency Fund:			
Net Position - End of the Year	34,462	(34,462)	-

22. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

COVID-19 - The management of the School District has evaluated its financial statements for subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were issued. The COVID-19 pandemic in New Jersey is ongoing. While the impact that COVID-19 will have on the School District is uncertain, there has been no material impact to the financial statements at this time.

Required Supplementary Information - Part II

Budgetary Comparison Schedules

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
REVENUES:					
Local sources:					
Local tax levy	\$ 18,008,838	\$ -	\$ 18,008,838	\$ 18,008,838	\$ -
Transportation				28,660	28,660
Interest earned on maintenance reserve	1,500	-	1,500	32,358	30,858
Interest earned on capital reserve	1,500	-	1,500	18,884	17,384
Other restricted miscellaneous revenue				5,455	5,455
Unrestricted miscellaneous revenue	70,325	-	70,325	135,159	64,834
Total local sources	18,082,163	-	18,082,163	18,229,354	147,191
State sources:					
School choice aid	877,248	-	877,248	877,248	-
Special education aid	912,905	-	912,905	912,905	-
Equalization aid	4,628,915	-	4,628,915	4,628,915	-
Security aid	492,388	-	492,388	492,388	-
Transportation aid	836,392	-	836,392	836,392	-
Homeless Tuition Aid				12,898	12,898
Extraordinary Aid				160,617	160,617
Additional Non Public Transportation Aid		-		15,660	15,660
On-behalf TPAF pension contributions (non-budgeted)		-		3,270,785	3,270,785
On-behalf TPAF Medical (non-budgeted)		-		1,025,013	1,025,013
On-behalf TPAF LTDI (non-budgeted)		-		1,793	1,793
Reimbursed TPAF social security contributions (non-budgeted)		-		907,369	907,369
Total state sources	7,747,848	-	7,747,848	13,141,983	5,394,135
Federal sources:					
Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI)	51,262	-	51,262	76,210	24,948
Total federal sources	51,262	-	51,262	76,210	24,948
TOTAL REVENUES	25,881,273	-	25,881,273	31,447,547	5,566,274
EXPENDITURES:					
CURRENT EXPENSE:					
Regular Programs - Instruction:					
Salaries of teachers					
Kindergarten	1,106,000	-	1,106,000	1,094,092	11,908
Grades 1-5	5,300,000	(211,000)	5,089,000	4,800,931	288,069
Grades 6-8	910,000	-	910,000	820,391	89,609
Total Instruction	7,316,000	(211,000)	7,105,000	6,715,414	389,586
Regular Programs - Home Instruction:					
Salaries of teachers	12,500	-	12,500	175	12,325
Other purchased services	110	-	110	-	110
Total Home Instruction	12,610	-	12,610	175	12,435
Regular Programs - Undistributed Instruction:					
Other salaries for instruction	838,000	(78,000)	760,000	679,053	80,947
Purchased technical services	30,500	-	30,500	10,913	19,587
Other purchased services	170,000	60,475	230,475	74,136	156,339
General supplies	421,211	(2,020)	419,191	295,704	123,487
Textbooks	342,776	(16,000)	326,776	304,876	21,900
Other objects	9,000	18,000	27,000	22,103	4,897
Total Undistributed Instruction	1,811,487	(17,545)	1,793,942	1,386,785	407,157
Total - Regular Programs - Instruction	9,140,097	(228,545)	8,911,552	8,102,374	809,178

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(Continued from prior page)	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Special Educ Instruction: Learning/Lang. Disabilities					
Salaries of teachers	\$ 270,000	\$ 103,500	\$ 373,500	\$ 369,944	\$ 3,556
Other salaries for instruction	42,333	-	42,333	40,620	1,713
General Supplies	5,000	-	5,000	2,328	2,672
Total Learning/Lang. Disabilities	317,333	103,500	420,833	412,892	7,941
Special Educ Instruction: Res. Room/Res. Center					
Salaries of teachers	989,000	175,000	1,164,000	1,136,347	27,653
General supplies	5,000	-	5,000	3,370	1,630
Total Resource Room/Resource Center	994,000	175,000	1,169,000	1,139,717	29,283
Special Educ Instruction: Preschool Disabilities Full Time					
Salaries of teachers	247,000	(125,000)	122,000	106,515	15,485
Total Preschool Disabilities Full Time	247,000	(125,000)	122,000	106,515	15,485
Special Educ Instruction: Home Instruction					
Salaries of teachers	25,000	(8,000)	17,000	-	17,000
Total Home Instruction	25,000	(8,000)	17,000	-	17,000
Total Special Education - Instruction	1,583,333	145,500	1,728,833	1,659,124	69,709
Before/after school programs - Instruction					
Salaries of teachers	107,000	(9,000)	98,000	67,124	30,876
Total Before/after school - Instruction	107,000	(9,000)	98,000	67,124	30,876
Bilingual Education - Instruction					
Salaries of teachers	108,000	8,000	116,000	112,686	3,314
General supplies	6,000	-	6,000	885	5,115
Total Bilingual Education - Instruction	114,000	8,000	122,000	113,571	8,429
Undistributed Expenditures - Instruction					
Tuition to other LEA's w/in state/regular	15,700	-	15,700	15,556	144
Tuition to other LEA's w/in state/special		18,750	18,750	13,744	5,006
Tuition to CSSD & reg. day schools	1,171,000	60,540	1,231,540	731,747	499,793
Tuition to priv. sch. for the handicapped in state	113,872	-	113,872	45,881	67,991
Tuition to priv. sch. for the handicapped o/s state	-	127,710	127,710	114,992	12,718
Total Undistributed Expenditures - Instruction	1,300,572	207,000	1,507,572	921,920	585,652
Undistributed Expenditures - Attendance & Social Work					
Salaries	25,450	2,140	27,590	27,589	1
Purchased professional and technical services	15,500	525	16,025	16,014	11
Supplies and materials	200	-	200	-	200
Total Undistributed Expenditures - Attendance & Soc.	41,150	2,665	43,815	43,603	212
Undistributed Expenditures - Health Services					
Salaries	375,000	(4,153)	370,847	302,906	67,941
Purchased professional and technical services	22,000	3,652	25,652	24,847	805
Other purchased services (400-500)	3,700	(39)	3,661	2,385	1,276
Supplies and materials	13,500	2,950	16,450	13,286	3,164
Total Undistributed Expenditures - Health Svcs.	414,200	2,410	416,610	343,424	73,186

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(Continued from prior page)	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Undist. Expend. - Speech, OT, PT & Related Services					
Salaries	\$ 350,000	\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ 329,018	\$ 20,982
Purchased professional - educ services	1,000	-	1,000	675	325
Supplies and materials	2,300	50	2,350	2,122	228
Total Undst. Expend. - Speech, OT, PT & Related Services	353,300	50	353,350	331,815	21,535
Undist. Expend. - Oth Supp Services					
Purchased professional - educ services	58,000	(58,000)	-	-	-
Total Before/after school - Instruction	58,000	(58,000)	-	-	-
Undist. Expend. - Guidance					
Salaries of other professional staff	277,000	11,000	288,000	284,644	3,356
Supplies and materials	950	-	950	889	61
Other objects	30	-	30	-	30
Total Undst. Expend. - Guidance	277,980	11,000	288,980	285,533	3,447
Undist. Expend. - Child Study Teams					
Salaries of other professional staff	555,000	19,000	574,000	569,502	4,498
Salaries of secretarial and clerical assistants	130,000	1,000	131,000	129,791	1,209
Purchased professional - educ services	384,000	(37,100)	346,900	234,785	112,115
Other purchased professional - tech services	100,000	35,800	135,800	65,670	70,130
Other purchased services (400-500)	11,850	(2,300)	9,550	4,317	5,233
Misc. purchased services (400-500)	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies and materials	9,000	1,100	10,100	8,410	1,690
Other objects	1,125	1,000	2,125	1,349	776
Total Undst. Expend. - Child Study Teams	1,190,975	18,500	1,209,475	1,013,824	195,651
Undist. Expend. - Improvement of Instr. Services					
Salaries of supervisor of instruction	87,000	-	87,000	83,516	3,484
Salaries of Secr and Clerical Assist.	33,091	(20,800)	12,291	-	12,291
Other purchased services (400-500)	475	-	475	-	475
Supplies and materials	925	-	925	222	703
Other objects	925	-	925	-	925
Total Undst. Expend. - Improvement of Instr. Services	122,416	(20,800)	101,616	83,738	17,878
Undist. Expend. - Educ. Media Serv./Sch. Library					
Salaries	480,000	17,000	497,000	490,446	6,554
Other purchased services (400-500)	750	-	750	-	750
Supplies and materials	43,000	5,000	48,000	38,352	9,648
Other objects	3,500	-	3,500	-	3,500
Total Undst. Expend. - Educ. Media Serv./Sch. Library	527,250	22,000	549,250	528,798	20,452
Undist. Expend. - Instructional Staff Training Services					
Salaries of supervisor of instruction	87,000	-	87,000	83,517	3,483
Salaries of secretarial and clerical assistants	92,000	(2,500)	89,500	89,120	380
Other salaries	4,800	6,600	11,400	11,400	-
Purchased professional - educ services	5,800	(3,100)	2,700	882	1,818
Other purchased services	1,450	2,860	4,310	2,912	1,398
Supplies and materials	2,800	-	2,800	431	2,369
Other objects	13,669	(60)	13,609	5,503	8,106
Total Undst. Expend. - Instructional Staff Training Svcs.	207,519	3,800	211,319	193,765	17,554

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Undist. Expend. - Supp. Serv. General Admin.					
Salaries	\$ 234,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 235,000	\$ 234,597	\$ 403
Legal services	75,000	25,000	100,000	89,933	10,067
Audit fees	25,000	-	25,000	24,700	300
Other purchased professional services	16,000	1,500	17,500	17,229	271
Communications / telephone	46,500	9,500	56,000	51,881	4,119
BOE Other purchases services	250	-	250	-	250
Other purchased services	87,054	5,500	92,554	90,668	1,886
General supplies	4,000	-	4,000	926	3,074
BOE in-house training/meeting supplies	1,850	-	1,850	220	1,630
Miscellaneous expenditures	4,450	(2,500)	1,950	1,818	132
BOE membership dues and fees	16,000	(3,000)	13,000	12,523	477
Total Undst. Expend. - Supp. Serv. General Admin.	510,104	37,000	547,104	524,495	22,609
Undist. Expend. - Supp. Serv. School Admin.					
Salaries of principals/assist. principals	336,000	(500)	335,500	320,948	14,552
Salaries of secretarial and clerical assistants	318,000	25,500	343,500	342,139	1,361
Purchased professional and technical services	6,000	-	6,000	1,235	4,765
Other purchased services (400-500)	8,250	-	8,250	4,472	3,778
Supplies and materials	9,000	(550)	8,450	4,444	4,006
Other objects	5,400	550	5,950	4,654	1,296
Total Undst. Expend. - Supp. Serv. School Admin.	682,650	25,000	707,650	677,892	29,758
Undist. Expend. - Central Services					
Salaries	280,000	7,500	287,500	285,226	2,274
Purchased professional services	36,000	-	36,000	35,439	561
Miscellaneous purchased services	12,000	-	12,000	7,663	4,337
Supplies and materials	6,500	1,000	7,500	5,444	2,056
Other Objects	22,800	(7,000)	15,800	-	15,800
Total Undst. Expend. - Central Services	357,300	1,500	358,800	333,772	25,028
Undist. Expend. -Admin. Info Technology					
Other purchased services	700	600	1,300	1,257	43
Supplies and materials	4,000	(600)	3,400	1,179	2,221
Total-Admin. Info Technology	4,700	-	4,700	2,436	2,264
Undist. Expend. - Required Maint. Sch. Facilities					
Salaries	334,000	(14,000)	320,000	317,381	2,619
Cleaning, Repair and Maintenance Services	160,877	(54,000)	106,877	93,459	13,418
Supplies and materials	232,195	45,000	277,195	235,713	41,482
Other objects	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
Total Undst. Expend. - Required Maint. Sch. Facilities	728,072	(23,000)	705,072	646,553	58,519
Undist. Expend. - Custodial Services					
Salaries	787,000	114,000	901,000	896,807	4,193
Salaries of Non-Instructional Aides	340,500	(93,600)	246,900	246,518	382
Purchased professional & tech. services	20,000	500	20,500	19,327	1,173
Cleaning, repair and maintenance services	934	-	934	-	934
Rental of land & buildings other than lease	20,000	(19,000)	1,000	544	456
Other purchased property services	45,000	(6,000)	39,000	38,700	300
Insurance	135,000	3,500	138,500	138,414	86
Travel	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous purchased services	30,000	-	30,000	25,474	4,526
General supplies	150,835	139,000	289,835	248,117	41,718
Energy (electricity)	250,000	51,000	301,000	285,912	15,088
Energy (natural gas)	75,000	25,000	100,000	94,633	5,367
Other objects	900	-	900	-	900
Interest - Energy Impr Prog	58,475	-	58,475	56,615	1,860
Principal - Energy Impr Prog	64,000	-	64,000	64,000	-
Total Undst. Expend. - Custodial Services	1,977,644	214,400	2,192,044	2,115,061	76,983

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Undist. Expend. - Care & Upkeep of Grounds					
Salaries	\$ 12,000	\$ (12,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Purchased professional & tech. services	6,800	-	6,800		6,800
Cleaning, repair and maintenance services	2,900	-	2,900		2,900
General supplies	14,000	-	14,000	7,041	6,959
Total Undst. Expend. - Care & Upkeep of Grounds	35,700	(12,000)	23,700	7,041	16,659
Undist. Expend. - Security					
Salaries	175,000	-	175,000	166,861	8,139
Cleaning, repair and maintenance services	1,250	-	1,250	-	1,250
General supplies	16,400	-	16,400	5,447	10,953
Total Undst. Expend. - Security	192,650	-	192,650	172,308	20,342
Total Undst. Expend. - Oper. & Maint. of Plant Services	2,934,066	179,400	3,113,466	2,940,963	172,503
Undist. Expend. - Student Transportation Services					
Salaries for pupil trans. (bet home & sch) - regular	744,000	85,000	829,000	804,834	24,166
Salaries for pupil trans. (bet home & sch) - special	71,000	(30,000)	41,000	33,565	7,435
Salaries for pupil trans. (other than bet home & sch)	19,000	(18,900)	100	43	57
Rental payments - school buses	2,850	400	3,250	3,122	128
Contr. serv. - (Sp. Ed Stds) - Joint Agreements	40,000	(14,500)	25,500	25,496	4
Contr. serv. - Aide in lieu Pymts - Charter Schools	38,000	39,000	77,000	51,149	25,851
Contr. serv. - Aide in lieu Pymts - Nonpublic Schools	125,000	(105,000)	20,000	-	20,000
Miscellaneous purchased services - transportation	48,000	10,425	58,425	55,650	2,775
General Supplies	100,000	(5,125)	94,875	56,859	38,016
Transportation supplies	120,000	15,000	135,000	55,803	79,197
Other objects	2,800	(300)	2,500	189	2,311
Total Undst. Expend. - Student Transportation Services	1,310,650	(24,000)	1,286,650	1,086,710	199,940
Unallocated Benefits - Employee Benefits					
Social security contributions	454,000	(7,500)	446,500	413,109	33,391
Other retirement contributions - PERS	500,000	-	500,000	471,844	28,156
Other retirement contributions - Regular	30,000	32,500	62,500	62,154	346
Unemployment compensation	31,500	-	31,500		31,500
Workers' compensation	174,500	9,500	184,000	183,618	382
Health benefits	4,559,000	(341,960)	4,217,040	3,575,385	641,655
Tuition reimbursement	45,000	-	45,000	31,274	13,726
Other employee benefits	250,000	70,500	320,500	275,861	44,639
Total Unallocated Benefits - Employee Benefits	6,044,000	(236,960)	5,807,040	5,013,245	793,795
On-behalf TPAF pension (non-budgeted)	-	-	-	3,270,785	(3,270,785)
On-behalf TPAF medical (non-budgeted)				1,025,013	(1,025,013)
On-behalf TPAF LTDI (non-budgeted)				1,793	(1,793)
Reimbursed TPAF social security contributions (non-budgeted)				907,369	(907,369)
Total Undistributed Expenditures - TPAF	-	-	-	5,204,960	(5,204,960)
Total Undistributed Expenditures	16,336,832	170,565	16,507,397	19,530,893	(3,023,496)
Total General Current Expense	27,281,262	86,520	27,367,782	29,473,086	(2,105,304)

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LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

(Continued from prior page)	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
EXPENDITURES:					
CAPITAL OUTLAY:					
Equipment:					
Undist. Exp - req. maint - school facilities	\$ 35,000	\$ 26,500	\$ 61,500	\$ 14,450	\$ 47,050
Undist. Exp - security	224,103	(65,000)	159,103	31,378	127,725
School Buses - Regular	338,653	(3,020)	335,633	335,479	154
School Buses - Special	45,000	(45,000)	-	-	-
Total Equipment	<u>642,756</u>	<u>(86,520)</u>	<u>556,236</u>	<u>381,307</u>	<u>174,929</u>
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services:					
Architectural/engineering services	29,300	-	29,300	24,887	4,413
Construction services	107,467	100,000	207,467	195,176	12,291
Assessment on SDA Funding	6,346	-	6,346	6,346	-
Total Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	<u>143,113</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>243,113</u>	<u>226,409</u>	<u>16,704</u>
Total Capital Outlay	<u>785,869</u>	<u>13,480</u>	<u>799,349</u>	<u>607,716</u>	<u>191,633</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>28,067,131</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>28,167,131</u>	<u>30,080,802</u>	<u>(1,913,671)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures:					
	<u>(2,185,858)</u>	<u>(100,000)</u>	<u>(2,285,858)</u>	<u>1,366,745</u>	<u>3,652,603</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating Transfer Out - Special Revenue Fund	<u>(298,920)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(298,920)</u>	<u>(298,920)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(298,920)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(298,920)</u>	<u>(298,920)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
	<u>(2,484,778)</u>	<u>(100,000)</u>	<u>(2,584,778)</u>	<u>1,067,825</u>	<u>3,652,603</u>
Fund Balance, July 1	7,588,442		7,588,442	7,588,442	
Prior Period Adjustment				182,182	182,182
Fund Balance, July 1	<u>7,588,442</u>		<u>7,588,442</u>	<u>7,770,624</u>	<u>182,182</u>
Fund Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 5,103,664</u>	<u>\$ (100,000)</u>	<u>\$ 5,003,664</u>	<u>\$ 8,838,449</u>	<u>\$ 3,834,785</u>
Recapitulation:					
Restricted:					
Capital Reserve:					
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				\$ 500,000	
Capital Reserve				1,750,442	
Maintenance Reserve:					
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				300,000	
Maintenance Reserve				999,021	
Emergency Reserve				250,000	
Excess Surplus:					
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				1,490,505	
Years Expenditures				1,752,406	
Current Year				219,137	
Unemployment Compensation				-	
Assigned:					
Year-end encumbrances				300,565	
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				93,106	
Unassigned				<u>1,183,267</u>	
				8,838,449	
Reconciliation on Governmental Fund Statements (GAAP):					
Less: State Aid Payment not Recognized on GAAP Basis				<u>(658,549)</u>	
Fund Balance per Government Fund (GAAP)				<u>\$ 8,179,900</u>	

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LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Special Revenue Fund
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Final to Actual
REVENUES:					
Local sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,365	\$ 20,365
State sources	3,313,666	-	3,313,666	3,012,642	(301,024)
Federal sources	877,536	1,042,359	1,919,895	1,746,486	(173,409)
Total revenues	<u>4,191,202</u>	<u>1,042,359</u>	<u>5,233,561</u>	<u>4,779,493</u>	<u>(454,068)</u>
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction:					
Salaries of teachers	1,407,648	150,194	1,557,842	1,540,302	17,540
Salaries of para professionals	465,000	(23,513)	441,487	441,486	1
Tuition	397,838	118,733	516,571	516,571	-
General supplies	75,916	668,866	744,782	651,010	93,772
Total instruction	<u>2,346,402</u>	<u>914,280</u>	<u>3,260,682</u>	<u>3,149,369</u>	<u>111,313</u>
Support services:					
Salaries of program director	86,600	(5,162)	81,438	81,437	1
Salaries of supervisor of instruction	81,000	(2,813)	78,187	78,187	-
Salaries of other professionals	457,000	(92,891)	364,109	364,108	1
Salaries of secretaries	98,000	(8,600)	89,400	89,399	1
Salaries other	116,585	27,044	143,629	114,258	29,371
PEA SW Masters	190,000	(93,167)	96,833	96,832	1
Personal services-employee benefits	665,139	11,350	676,489	669,309	7,180
Purchased prof. and educational services	70,476	14,913	85,389	62,482	22,907
Supplies and Materials	30,000	119,567	149,567	144,830	4,737
Student Activities				3,522	(3,522)
Total support services	<u>1,794,800</u>	<u>(29,759)</u>	<u>1,765,041</u>	<u>1,704,364</u>	<u>60,677</u>
Facilities acquisition and construction services:					
Instructional equipment	50,000	157,838	207,838	207,837	1
Total facilities acq. and const. services	<u>50,000</u>	<u>157,838</u>	<u>207,838</u>	<u>207,837</u>	<u>1</u>
Total expenditures	<u>4,191,202</u>	<u>1,042,359</u>	<u>5,233,561</u>	<u>5,061,570</u>	<u>171,991</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfer from General Fund				298,920	298,920
Total other financing sources (uses)				<u>298,920</u>	<u>298,920</u>
Total outflows	<u>4,191,202</u>	<u>1,042,359</u>	<u>5,233,561</u>	<u>4,762,650</u>	<u>470,911</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,843</u>	<u>16,843</u>
Fund Balance, July 1				-	
Prior Period Adjustment				<u>34,462</u>	
Fund Balance, July 1 (Restated)				<u>34,462</u>	
Fund Balance, June 30				<u>\$ 51,305</u>	
Recapitulation:					
Restricted:					
Student Activities				<u>\$ 51,305</u>	
Total Fund Balance				<u>\$ 51,305</u>	

Lower Township School District
Notes to Required Supplementary Information
Budgetary Comparison
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

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

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
Sources/inflows of resources		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue" from the budgetary comparison schedules	\$ 31,447,547	\$ 4,779,493
Difference - budget to GAAP:		
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures, and the related revenue is recognized.		
State aid payment recognized for GAAP statements in current year, previously recognized for budgetary purposes.	780,047	172,511
State aid payment recognized for budgetary purposes, not recognized for GAAP statements until the subsequent year.	(658,549)	(277,584)
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds.	\$ 31,569,045	\$ 4,674,420
Uses/outflows of resources		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	30,080,802	4,762,650
Differences - budget to GAAP		
Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but not received is reported in the year the order is placed for budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received for financial reporting purposes.		
Transfers to and from other funds are presented as outflows of budgetary resources but are not expenditures for financial reporting purposes.	-	-
	-	298,920
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ 30,080,802	\$ 5,061,570

Required Supplementary Information - Part III
Schedules Related to Accounting and Reporting
For Pensions and
Other Post Employment Benefits

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Public Employees Retirement System
Last Eight Fiscal Years

	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.0431321531%	0.0456900911%	0.0509456880%	0.0502902007%	0.0515799603%	0.0527994891%	0.0580173906%	0.0586145948%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 7,033,726	\$ 8,232,661	\$ 9,839,437	\$ 11,706,755	\$ 15,276,505	\$ 11,852,427	\$ 10,862,442	\$ 11,202,414
District's covered-employee payroll	3,249,300	3,181,055	3,182,488	3,185,716	3,374,844	3,423,955	3,510,447	3,482,586
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	216.47%	258.80%	309.17%	367.48%	452.66%	346.16%	309.43%	321.67%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	42.90%	42.04%	40.45%	36.78%	31.20%	38.21%	42.74%	42.74%

This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Contributions
Public Employees Retirement System
Last Eight Fiscal Years

	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Contractually required contribution	\$ 515,649	\$ 471,844	\$ 638,748	\$ 497,070	\$ 468,671	\$ 458,229	\$ 453,934	\$ 478,287
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	<u>(515,649)</u>	<u>(471,844)</u>	<u>(638,748)</u>	<u>(497,070)</u>	<u>(468,671)</u>	<u>(458,229)</u>	<u>(453,934)</u>	<u>(478,287)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	3,249,300	3,181,055	3,182,488	3,185,716	3,374,844	3,423,955	3,510,447	3,482,586
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	15.87%	14.83%	20.07%	15.60%	13.89%	13.38%	12.93%	13.73%

This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund
Last Eight Fiscal Years

	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.1076269546%	0.1051613679%	0.1108136748%	0.1125463245%	0.1075989527%	0.1160631742%	0.1192310551%	0.1192314717%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the District	<u>\$ 70,871,055</u>	<u>\$ 64,538,524</u>	<u>\$ 70,497,280</u>	<u>\$ 75,882,790</u>	<u>\$ 84,644,187</u>	<u>\$ 73,356,882</u>	<u>\$ 63,725,118</u>	<u>\$ 60,258,648</u>
Total	<u>\$ 70,871,055</u>	<u>\$ 64,538,524</u>	<u>\$ 70,497,280</u>	<u>\$ 75,882,790</u>	<u>\$ 84,644,187</u>	<u>\$ 73,356,882</u>	<u>\$ 63,725,118</u>	<u>\$ 60,258,648</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	12,442,064	12,344,744	12,173,089	11,591,719	11,159,801	11,359,918	11,300,558	11,210,871
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	24.60%	26.95%	26.49%	25.41%	22.33%	28.71%	33.64%	33.64%

This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB 68 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability Associated with the District
and Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
Public Employee's Retirement System and Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund
Last Four Fiscal Years

	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
State's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District	0.16%	0.16%	0.16%	0.17%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the District	\$ 106,419,554	\$ 64,715,499	\$ 72,986,748	\$ 88,543,533
Total proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District	<u>\$ 106,419,554</u>	<u>\$ 64,715,499</u>	<u>\$ 72,986,748</u>	<u>\$ 88,543,533</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB Liability	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
Total OPEB Liability				
Service Cost	\$ 2,206,478	\$ 2,191,113	\$ 2,522,741	\$ 3,046,909
Interest	2,311,100	2,872,437	3,226,742	2,803,118
Difference between expected and actual experiences	19,543,803	(12,372,027)	(11,046,485)	
Changes of assumptions	19,439,196	964,913	(8,375,595)	(11,620,005)
Member Contributions	56,155	58,888	67,452	75,518
Benefit payments	(1,852,677)	(1,986,573)	(1,951,640)	(2,050,856)
Net Change in total OPEB Liability	<u>\$ 41,704,055</u>	<u>\$ (8,271,249)</u>	<u>\$ (15,556,785)</u>	<u>\$ (7,745,316)</u>
Total OPEB Liability - beginning	<u>\$ 64,715,499</u>	<u>\$ 72,986,748</u>	<u>\$ 88,543,533</u>	<u>\$ 96,288,849</u>
Total OPEB Liability - ending	<u>\$ 106,419,554</u>	<u>\$ 64,715,499</u>	<u>\$ 72,986,748</u>	<u>\$ 88,543,533</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	15,691,364	15,525,799	15,355,577	14,777,435
Total OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	678.20%	416.83%	475.31%	599.18%

This schedule does not contain ten years of information as GASB 75 was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

Lower Township School District
Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Part III
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Teacher’s Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)

Changes of benefit term: There were none.

Changes of assumptions. The discount rate changed to 5.40% as of June 30, 2020 from 5.60% as of June 30, 2019 and the long-term rate of return remained at 7.00%.

Public Employees’ Retirement System (PERS)

Changes of benefit term: There were none.

Changes of assumptions. The discount rate changed to 7.00% as of June 30, 2020 from 6.28% as of June 30, 2019 and the long-term rate of return remained at 7.00%.

Other Post-Retirement Plan – Public Employees’ Retirement System and Teachers’ Pension and Annuity Fund

Changes of benefit term: There were none.

Changes of assumptions: The discount rate changed to 2.21% as of June 30, 2020 from 3.50% as of June 30, 2019.

Other Supplementary Information

Special Revenue Fund

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Budgetary Basis
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Brought Forward (Exh. E-1B)	Brought Forward (Exh. E-1C)	Totals
REVENUES:			
Local sources	\$ -	\$ 20,365	\$ 20,365
State sources	3,012,642	-	3,012,642
Federal sources	1,328,186	418,300	1,746,486
Total Revenues	4,340,828	438,665	4,779,493
EXPENDITURES:			
Instruction:			
Salaries of teachers	1,540,302		1,540,302
Salaries of para professionals	441,486		441,486
General supplies	370,941	280,069	651,010
Tuition	516,571		516,571
Total instruction	2,869,300	280,069	3,149,369
Support services:			
Salaries of supervisor of instruction	78,187		78,187
Salaries of program director	81,437		81,437
Salaries of other professionals	364,108		364,108
Salaries of secretaries	89,399		89,399
Salaries other staff	114,258		114,258
PEA SW Masters	96,832		96,832
Personal services-employee benefits	669,309		669,309
Purchased prof. and educational services	62,482		62,482
Travel			
Supplies and Materials	6,599	138,231	144,830
Student Activities		3,522	3,522
Total support services	1,562,611	141,753	1,704,364
Facilities acquisition and const. serv.:			
Instructional equipment	207,837		207,837
Non-instructional equipment			
Total facilities acquisition and const. serv.:	207,837		207,837
Total Expenditures	4,639,748	421,822	5,061,570
Other financing sources (uses)			
Transfer from General Fund	298,920		298,920
Total other financing sources (uses)	298,920		298,920
Total outflows	4,340,828		4,762,650
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources (uses)	-	16,843	(282,077)
Fund Balance, July 1	-	-	
Prior Period Adjustment	-	34,462	34,462
Fund Balance, July 1 (Restated)	-	34,462	34,462
Fund Balance, June 30	\$ -	\$ 51,305	\$ 51,305

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Budgetary Basis
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Preschool Program Aid	No Child Left Behind (N.C.L.B.)			Individuals with Disabilities Act		CARES Act Current Yr.	Totals
		Title I	Title II - Part A	Title III	IDEA - Part B Basic	IDEA - Part B Preschool		
		Current Yr.	Current Yr.	Current Yr.	Current Yr.	Current Yr.		
REVENUES:								
State sources	\$ 3,012,642	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,012,642
Federal sources		484,829	75,062	15,233	489,850	26,721	236,491	1,328,186
Total Revenues	3,012,642	484,829	75,062	15,233	489,850	26,721	236,491	4,340,828
EXPENDITURES:								
Instruction:								
Salaries of teachers	1,180,385	337,537	20,000	2,380				1,540,302
Salaries of para professionals	441,486							441,486
General supplies	148,089			11,361			211,491	370,941
Tuition					489,850	26,721		516,571
Total instruction	1,769,960	337,537	20,000	13,741	489,850	26,721	211,491	2,869,300
Support services:								
Salaries of supervisor of instruction	78,187							78,187
Salaries of program director	81,437							81,437
Salaries of other professionals	364,108							364,108
Salaries of secretaries	89,399							89,399
Salaries other staff	88,628	630					25,000	114,258
PEA SW Masters	96,832							96,832
Personal services-employee benefits	524,674	142,923	1,530	182				669,309
Purchased prof. and educational services	10,500	1,274	50,208	500				62,482
Travel								
Supplies and Materials		2,465	3,324	810				6,599
Total support services	1,333,765	147,292	55,062	1,492			25,000	1,562,611
Facilities acquisition and const. serv.:								
Instructional equipment	207,837							207,837
Non-instructional equipment								
Total facilities acquisition and const. serv.:	207,837							207,837
Total Expenditures	3,311,562	484,829	75,062	15,233	489,850	26,721	236,491	4,639,748
Other financing sources (uses)								
Transfer from General Fund	298,920							298,920
Total other financing sources (uses)	298,920							298,920
Total outflows	3,012,642	484,829	75,062	15,233	489,850	26,721	236,491	4,340,828
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance, July 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prior Period Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance, July 1 (Restated)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance, June 30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Budgetary Basis
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Digital Divide	Coronavirus Relief	Student Activities	Totals
REVENUES:				
Local sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,365	\$ 20,365
State sources	-	-	-	-
Federal sources	280,069	138,231	-	418,300
Total Revenues	280,069	138,231	20,365	438,665
EXPENDITURES:				
Instruction:				
Salaries of teachers				
General supplies	280,069			280,069
Tuition				
Total instruction	280,069			280,069
Support services:				
Salaries of program director				
Personal services-employee benefits				
Purchased prof. and educational services				
Travel				
Supplies and Materials		138,231		138,231
Student Activities			3,522	3,522
Total support services		138,231	3,522	141,753
Facilities acquisition and const. serv.:				
Instructional equipment				
Non-instructional equipment				
Total facilities acquisition and const. serv.:				
Total Expenditures	280,069	138,231	3,522	421,822
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfer from General Fund				
Total other financing sources (uses)				
Total outflows	280,069	138,231	3,522	421,822
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources (uses)	-	-	16,843	16,843
Fund Balance, July 1	-	-	-	-
Prior Period Adjustment			34,462	34,462
Fund Balance, July 1 (Restated)	-	-	34,462	34,462
Fund Balance, June 30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,305	\$ 51,305

**Lower Township School District
Special Revenue Fund
Schedule of Preschool Education Aid Expenditures
Preschool - All Programs
Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers	\$ 1,082,148	\$ 98,238	\$ 1,180,386	\$ 1,180,385	\$ 1
Other Salaries for Instruction	465,000	(23,513)	441,487	441,486	1
General Supplies	70,000	80,185	150,185	148,089	2,096
Total instruction	<u>1,617,148</u>	<u>154,910</u>	<u>1,772,058</u>	<u>1,769,960</u>	<u>2,098</u>
Support services:					
Salaries of Program Directors	86,600	(5,162)	81,438	81,437	1
Salaries of Supervisor of Instruction	81,000	(2,813)	78,187	78,187	-
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	457,000	(92,891)	364,109	364,108	1
Salaries of Secretaries	98,000	(8,600)	89,400	89,399	1
Salaries Other	114,585	(25,956)	88,629	88,628	1
Salaries of Master Teachers	190,000	(93,167)	96,833	96,832	1
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	574,333	(49,659)	524,674	524,674	-
Other Purchased Services	25,000	(14,500)	10,500	10,500	-
Supplies & Materials	20,000	(20,000)			-
Total support services	<u>1,646,518</u>	<u>(312,748)</u>	<u>1,333,770</u>	<u>1,333,765</u>	<u>5</u>
Facilities acquisition and cont. serv:					
Instructional equipment	50,000	157,838	207,838	207,837	1
Total Facilities acquisition and cont. serv.	<u>50,000</u>	<u>157,838</u>	<u>207,838</u>	<u>207,837</u>	<u>1</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 3,313,666</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,313,666</u>	<u>\$ 3,311,562</u>	<u>\$ 2,104</u>

CALCULATION OF BUDGET & CARRYOVER

Total 2020-21 PreK Aid Allocation	\$ 3,014,746
Add: Actual PreK/ECPA Aid Carryover June 30, 2020	21,787
Add: Budgeted Transfer From General Fund	<u>298,920</u>
Total Funds Available for 2020-21 Budget	3,335,453
Less: 2020-21 Budgeted PreK/ECPA (Including prior year budgeted carryover)	<u>(3,313,666)</u>
Available & Unbudgeted Funds as of June 30, 2021	21,787
Add: June 30, 2021 Unexpended PreK Aid	<u>2,104</u>
2021- Actual Carryover - PreK Aid	<u>\$ 23,891</u>
2020-21 PreK Aid Carryover Budgeted in 2021-22	<u>\$ -</u>

Lower Township School District
Special Revenue Fund
Schedule of Preschool Education Aid Expenditures
Preschool - Full Day 3yr & 4 yr - Regular
Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers	\$ 1,082,148	\$ 98,238	\$ 1,180,386	\$ 1,180,385	\$ 1
Other Salaries for Instruction	465,000	(23,513)	441,487	441,486	1
General Supplies	70,000	80,185	150,185	148,089	2,096
Total instruction	1,617,148	154,910	1,772,058	1,769,960	2,098
Support services:					
Salaries of Program Directors	86,600	(5,162)	81,438	81,437	1
Salaries of Supervisor of Instruction	81,000	(2,813)	78,187	78,187	-
Salaries of Other Professional Staff	457,000	(92,891)	364,109	364,108	1
Salaries of Secretaries	98,000	(8,600)	89,400	89,399	1
Salaries Other	114,585	(25,956)	88,629	88,628	1
Salaries of Master Teachers	190,000	(93,167)	96,833	96,832	1
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	574,333	(49,659)	524,674	524,674	-
Other Purchased Services	25,000	(14,500)	10,500	10,500	-
Supplies & Materials	20,000	(20,000)			-
Total support services	1,646,518	(312,748)	1,333,770	1,333,765	5
Facilities acquisition and cont. serv:					
Instructional equipment	50,000	157,838	207,838	207,837	1
Total Facilities acquisition and cont. serv.	50,000	157,838	207,838	207,837	1
Total Program Expenditures	\$ 3,263,666	\$ -	\$ 3,313,666	\$ 3,311,562	\$ 2,104

Capital Projects Fund
Detail Statements

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Capital Projects Fund
Summary Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balance - Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

Revenues and Other Financing Sources:

Proceeds of serial bonds	\$	-
Interest earned on investments		2,872
		2,872
Total revenues and other financing sources		2,872

Expenditures and Other Financing (Uses):

Purchased professional services		-
Construction services		-
Transfer to Debt Service Fund		2,872
Total expenditures and other financing (uses)		2,872

Excess (deficiency) or revenues over (under) expenditures

Fund Balance - July 1, 2020		166,112
Fund Balance - June 30, 2021	\$	166,112

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Capital Projects Fund
Statement of Project Revenues, Expenditures, Project Balance,
and Project Status - Budgetary Basis
Various Improvements and Renovations to the District's Facilities
From Inception and for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

	Prior Periods	Current Year	Total	Revised Authorized Costs
Revenues and Other Financing Sources:				
Bond proceeds	\$ 5,121,000	\$ -	\$ 5,121,000	\$ 5,121,000
Total revenues	5,121,000		5,121,000	5,121,000
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses:				
Purchased professional services	432,144	-	432,144	432,144
Construction services	4,522,744		4,522,744	4,522,744
	4,954,888	-	4,954,888	4,954,888
Excess (deficiency) or revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ 166,112	\$ -	\$ 166,112	\$ 166,112

Additional project information:

Bond Authorization Date	01/26/16
Bonds Authorized	\$ 5,121,000
Bonds Issued	\$ 5,121,000
Original Authorized Cost	\$ 5,121,000
Additional Authorized Cost	\$ -
Revised Authorized Cost	\$ 5,121,000
Percentage Increase over Original Authorized Cost	0.00%
Percentage Completion	10.00%
Original target completion date	08/26/16
Revised target completion date	10/31/16

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Capital Projects Fund
Summary Statement of Project Expenditures
Year Ended June 30, 2021

<u>Issue/Project Title</u>	<u>Date Authorized</u>	<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Expenditures to Date</u>		<u>Cancelled</u>	<u>Unexpended Balance</u>
			<u>Prior Years</u>	<u>Current Year</u>		
Various Improvements to School Facilities	1/26/2016	\$ 5,121,000	\$ 4,954,888	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 166,112
		<u>\$ 5,121,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,954,888</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 166,112</u>

Proprietary Funds

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Enterprise Funds
Statement of Net Position
as of June 30, 2021

	Food Service	Day Care Program	Total
ASSETS:			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 182,913	\$ 135,495	\$ 318,408
Accounts receivable:			
State	2,581	-	2,581
Federal	62,313	-	62,313
Interfund	82,000	-	82,000
Other	7,246	7,357	14,603
Inventories	14,925	-	14,925
Total current assets	<u>351,978</u>	<u>142,852</u>	<u>494,830</u>
Fixed assets:			
Equipment	267,970	-	267,970
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(257,862)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(257,862)</u>
Total fixed assets	<u>10,108</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,108</u>
Total assets	<u>362,086</u>	<u>142,852</u>	<u>504,938</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	22,466	-	22,466
Interfund payable	-	-	-
Unearned revenue	<u>13,109</u>	<u>16,527</u>	<u>29,636</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>35,575</u>	<u>16,527</u>	<u>52,102</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Compensated Absences	<u>91,120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91,120</u>
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>91,120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91,120</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>126,695</u>	<u>16,527</u>	<u>143,222</u>
NET POSITION:			
Net investment in capital assets	10,108	-	10,108
Unrestricted	<u>225,283</u>	<u>126,325</u>	<u>351,608</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 235,391</u>	<u>\$ 126,325</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Enterprise Funds

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

	Food Service	Day Care Program	Total
OPERATING REVENUES:			
Local sources:			
Daily sales-reimbursable programs:			
School lunch program	\$ 5,181	\$ -	\$ 5,181
Total-daily sales-reimbursable programs	5,181	-	5,181
Daily sales non-reimbursable programs:			
Adult and AlaCarte meals	-	-	-
Registration Fees	-	178,664	178,664
Miscellaneous	3,678	-	3,678
Special Functions	26,171	-	26,171
Total operating revenue	<u>35,030</u>	<u>178,664</u>	<u>213,694</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Salaries	426,090	231,139	657,229
Employee benefits	37,400	17,888	55,288
Supplies and materials	26,193	11,750	37,943
Depreciation	963	-	963
Cost of sales - reimbursable programs	314,149	-	314,149
Cost of sales - non-reimbursable programs	10,715	-	10,715
Purchased professional services	26,456	-	26,456
Other	105	976	1,081
Total operating expenses	<u>842,071</u>	<u>261,753</u>	<u>1,103,824</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(807,041)</u>	<u>(83,089)</u>	<u>(890,130)</u>
Non-operating revenues:			
State sources:			
State school lunch program	21,627	-	21,627
Federal sources:			
National school lunch program	429,919	-	429,919
School breakfast program	306,913	-	306,913
U.S.D.A. commodities	73,114	-	73,114
Interest revenue	2,560	3,088	5,648
Total non-operating revenues	<u>834,133</u>	<u>3,088</u>	<u>837,221</u>
Change in net position	27,092	(80,001)	(52,909)
Total net position - July 1	<u>208,299</u>	<u>206,326</u>	<u>414,625</u>
Total net position - June 30	<u>\$ 235,391</u>	<u>\$ 126,325</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Enterprise Funds
Statement of Cash Flows
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

	Food Service	Day Care Program	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash receipts from customers	\$ 80,958	\$ 174,909	\$ 255,867
Cash payments to employees for services	(435,829)	(251,714)	(687,543)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(323,870)	(12,726)	(336,596)
Net cash used by operating activities	(678,741)	(89,531)	(768,272)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Board Contribution	-	-	-
Cash received from state and federal reimbursements	730,095	-	730,095
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	730,095	-	730,095
Cash flows from capital financing activities:			
Purchases of fixed assets	-	-	-
Net cash used by capital financing activities	-	-	-
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on investments	2,560	3,087	2,560
Net cash provided by investing activities	2,560	3,087	2,560
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	53,914	(86,444)	(32,530)
Cash and cash equivalents, July 1	128,999	221,939	350,938
Cash and cash equivalents, June 30	\$ 182,913	\$ 135,495	\$ 318,408
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:			
Operating income (loss)	\$ (807,041)	\$ (83,089)	\$ (890,130)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to cash provided (used) by operating activities:			
Depreciation	963	-	963
Commodities	73,114	-	73,114
Change in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable	(3,613)	(3,826)	(7,439)
(Increase)/decrease in interfunds receivable	49,873	-	49,873
(Increase)/decrease in inventory	3,826	-	3,826
Increase/(decrease) in interfund payable	(45,361)	-	(45,361)
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable	22,467	-	22,467
Increase/(decrease) in unearned revenue	(629)	-	(629)
Increase/(decrease) in compensated absences	27,660	(2,616)	25,044
Net cash used by operating activities	\$ (678,741)	\$ (89,531)	\$ (768,272)

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Internal Service Fund
Self-Insured Health and Prescription Plan
Statement of Net Position
as of June 30, 2021

	Internal Service Fund
ASSETS:	
Current assets:	
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ -
Total current assets	-
Total assets	-
 LIABILITIES:	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	-
Reserve for medical claims	-
Total current liabilities	-
Net Position:	
Unrestricted	-
Total Net Position	\$ -

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Internal Service Fund
Self-Insured Health and Prescription Plan
Comparative Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Local sources:	
Board contributions	<u>\$ 1,755,000</u>
Total operating revenue	<u>1,755,000</u>
 OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Employee benefits	<u>1,755,000</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>1,755,000</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>-</u>
 Net income (loss)	-
 Net Position - July 1	<u>-</u>
Net Position - June 30	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Internal Service Fund
Self-Insured Health and Prescription Plan
Statement of Cash Flows
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Board contributions	\$ 1,755,000
Cash payments for medical claims	<u>(2,662,519)</u>
Net cash used by operating activities	<u>(907,519)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(907,519)
Cash and cash equivalents, July 1	<u>907,519</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, June 30	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Operating income (loss)	\$ -
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Change in assets and liabilities:	
Increase(decrease) in accounts payable	(361,922)
Increase(decrease) in reserve for medical claims	<u>(545,597)</u>
Net cash used by operating activities	<u><u>\$ (907,519)</u></u>

Long-Term Debt Schedules

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Long-Term Debt Account Group
 Statement of Serial Bonds
 June 30, 2021

Issue	Date of Issue	Amount of Issue	Annual Maturities		Rate of Interest	Balance July 1, 2020	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2021
			Date	Amount					
School Bonds	04/20/16	\$ 5,121,000	04/01/22	\$ 225,000	2.00%	\$ 4,641,000	\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ 4,441,000
			04/01/23	250,000	2.00%				
			04/01/24	250,000	2.00%				
			04/01/25	275,000	2.00%				
			04/01/26	275,000	2.00%				
			04/01/27	300,000	2.00%				
			04/01/28	320,000	2.00%				
			04/01/29	320,000	2.75%				
			04/01/30	320,000	3.00%				
			04/01/31	320,000	3.00%				
			04/01/32	320,000	3.00%				
			04/01/33	320,000	3.00%				
			04/01/34	320,000	3.00%				
			04/01/35	320,000	3.00%				
			04/01/36	306,000	3.00%				

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Long-Term Debt Account Group
Statement of Capital Leases
June 30, 2021

Description	Interest Rate Payable	Amount of Original Issue	Amount Outstanding June 30, 2020	Issued Current Year	Retired Current Year	Amount Outstanding June 30, 2021
Energy Lease	3.350%	1,899,000	\$ 1,705,000	\$ -	\$ 64,000	\$ 1,641,000
Total			<u>\$ 1,705,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 64,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,641,000</u>

**LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Debt Service Fund
 Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
REVENUES:					
Local sources:					
Local tax levy	\$ 207,902	\$ -	\$ 207,902	\$ 207,902	\$ -
Total revenues - local sources	<u>207,902</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207,902</u>	<u>207,902</u>	<u>-</u>
State sources:					
Debt service aid type II	107,943		107,943	107,943	
Total revenues - state sources	<u>107,943</u>		<u>107,943</u>	<u>107,943</u>	
Total Revenues	<u>315,845</u>		<u>315,845</u>	<u>315,845</u>	
EXPENDITURES:					
Regular debt service:					
Interest	117,500		117,500	117,480	20
Redemption of principal	200,000		200,000	200,000	-
Total Expenditures	<u>317,500</u>		<u>317,500</u>	<u>317,480</u>	<u>20</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,655)		(1,655)	(1,635)	20
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfer in				2,872	2,872
Total other financing sources (uses)				<u>2,872</u>	<u>2,872</u>
Net change in fund balance	(1,655)		(1,655)	1,237	2,892
Fund Balances, July 1	4,810		4,810	4,810	
Fund Balances, June 30	<u>\$ 3,155</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,155</u>	<u>\$ 6,047</u>	<u>\$ 2,892</u>

Statistical Section

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

Exhibit J-1

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Governmental activities:										
Net Investment in capital assets	\$ 10,203,897	\$ 9,820,210	\$ 9,923,902	\$ 9,988,073	\$ 4,859,924	\$ 4,927,155	\$ 3,435,758	\$ 3,787,063	\$ 4,377,767	\$ 4,184,490
Restricted for:										
Capital projects	1	-	-	-	4,807,566	168,438	1,666,128	1,766,801	1,878,195	2,416,554
Special revenue	(34,366)	(36,241)	(37,193)	(37,193)	(37,611)	(33,014)	(35,104)	(208,080)	(172,511)	51,305
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,047
Other purposes	2,478,305	1,690,504	1,167,124	1,505,405	2,117,838	2,815,336	2,953,671	3,850,371	5,232,115	5,011,069
Unrestricted	(2,331,539)	(2,309,716)	(2,210,538)	(13,211,672)	(13,335,362)	(14,733,308)	(14,760,486)	(14,553,593)	(14,310,154)	(12,698,880)
Total governmental activities net position	<u>\$ 10,316,298</u>	<u>\$ 9,164,757</u>	<u>\$ 8,843,295</u>	<u>\$ (1,755,387)</u>	<u>\$ (1,587,645)</u>	<u>\$ (6,855,393)</u>	<u>\$ (6,740,033)</u>	<u>\$ (5,357,438)</u>	<u>\$ (2,994,588)</u>	<u>\$ (1,029,415)</u>
Business-type activities:										
Net Investment in capital assets	\$ 15,000	\$ 11,968	\$ 9,108	\$ 7,056	\$ 5,566	\$ 4,077	\$ 2,525	\$ 1,224	\$ 11,071	\$ 10,108
Unrestricted	350,571	312,288	278,303	275,131	265,169	288,455	269,557	300,279	403,554	351,608
Total business-type activities net position	<u>\$ 365,571</u>	<u>\$ 324,256</u>	<u>\$ 287,411</u>	<u>\$ 282,187</u>	<u>\$ 270,735</u>	<u>\$ 292,532</u>	<u>\$ 272,082</u>	<u>\$ 301,503</u>	<u>\$ 414,625</u>	<u>\$ 361,716</u>
District-wide:										
Net Investment in capital assets	\$ 10,218,897	\$ 9,832,178	\$ 9,933,010	\$ 9,995,129	\$ 4,865,490	\$ 4,931,232	\$ 3,438,283	\$ 3,788,287	\$ 4,388,838	\$ 4,194,598
Restricted:										
Capital projects	1	-	-	-	4,807,566	168,438	1,666,128	1,766,801	1,878,195	2,416,554
Special revenue	(34,366)	(36,241)	(37,193)	(37,193)	(37,611)	(33,014)	(35,104)	(208,080)	(172,511)	51,305
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,047
Other purposes	2,478,305	1,690,504	1,167,124	1,505,405	2,117,838	2,815,336	2,953,671	3,850,371	5,232,115	5,011,069
Unrestricted	(1,980,968)	(1,997,428)	(1,932,235)	(12,936,541)	(13,070,193)	(14,444,853)	(14,490,929)	(14,253,314)	(13,906,600)	(12,347,272)
Total district net position	<u>\$ 10,681,869</u>	<u>\$ 9,489,013</u>	<u>\$ 9,130,706</u>	<u>\$ (1,473,200)</u>	<u>\$ (1,316,910)</u>	<u>\$ (6,562,861)</u>	<u>\$ (6,467,951)</u>	<u>\$ (5,055,935)</u>	<u>\$ (2,579,963)</u>	<u>\$ (667,699)</u>

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

Exhibit J-2

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Expenses:										
Governmental activities:										
Instruction:										
Regular	\$ 9,592,665	\$ 8,876,911	\$ 9,095,023	\$ 9,803,439	\$ 9,924,274	\$ 9,841,467	\$ 9,855,187	\$ 10,438,907	\$ 10,823,478	\$ 11,371,808
Special education	2,552,724	3,157,611	1,811,033	1,638,485	2,254,597	2,127,188	1,959,179	1,979,440	2,055,202	2,175,695
Other instruction	93,767	96,038	51,977	65,696	56,246	160,031	240,045	251,537	216,668	180,695
Support Services:										
Tuition	508,575	466,502	1,049,973	1,154,510	897,749	922,182	703,106	930,604	1,122,960	921,920
Student & instruction related services	2,737,645	2,908,876	3,062,601	2,976,379	3,025,692	3,063,764	3,090,764	3,865,596	3,719,654	3,859,555
School administrative services	922,528	932,592	897,008	882,873	895,451	754,045	713,344	847,779	806,686	860,703
General and business administrative services	630,621	726,870	801,466	770,720	821,459	836,568	846,063	784,381	830,394	768,146
Plant operations and maintenance	2,464,083	2,310,239	2,306,566	2,410,716	2,633,408	6,947,278	4,623,372	2,834,531	2,423,969	3,382,634
Pupil transportation	1,299,670	1,276,545	1,261,876	1,191,733	1,189,906	1,198,539	1,093,784	1,217,779	1,127,366	1,086,710
Unallocated employee benefits	7,666,662	9,362,514	9,044,216	8,956,103	9,002,976	10,848,731	19,735,507	16,684,728	13,203,347	18,121,199
Interest on long-term debt					28,417	123,726	126,280	123,080	119,880	117,480
Unallocated depreciation	2,309	22,968	23,315	27,234	30,413	34,917	36,533	39,117	42,832	44,127
Total governmental activities expenses	<u>\$ 28,471,249</u>	<u>\$ 30,137,666</u>	<u>\$ 29,405,054</u>	<u>\$ 29,877,888</u>	<u>\$ 30,760,588</u>	<u>\$ 36,858,436</u>	<u>\$ 43,023,164</u>	<u>\$ 39,997,479</u>	<u>\$ 36,492,436</u>	<u>\$ 42,890,672</u>
Business-type activities:										
After-school program	\$ 285,435	\$ 280,687	\$ 306,728	\$ 338,318	\$ 371,862	\$ 395,856	\$ 386,705	\$ 338,463	\$ 295,342	\$ 261,753
Food service	1,119,007	1,171,089	1,108,597	1,111,891	1,045,665	1,006,919	1,017,055	885,567	766,521	842,071
Internal service fund					5,874,547	6,581,757	5,525,058	5,083,272	3,729,268	1,755,000
Total business-type activities expense	<u>1,404,442</u>	<u>1,451,776</u>	<u>1,415,325</u>	<u>1,450,209</u>	<u>7,292,074</u>	<u>7,984,532</u>	<u>6,928,818</u>	<u>6,307,302</u>	<u>4,791,131</u>	<u>2,858,824</u>
Total district expenses	<u>\$ 29,875,691</u>	<u>\$ 31,589,442</u>	<u>\$ 30,820,379</u>	<u>\$ 31,328,097</u>	<u>\$ 38,052,662</u>	<u>\$ 44,842,968</u>	<u>\$ 49,951,982</u>	<u>\$ 46,304,781</u>	<u>\$ 41,283,567</u>	<u>\$ 45,749,496</u>
Program Revenues:										
Governmental activities:										
Charges for services:										
Instruction (tuition)	\$ -	\$ 97,018	\$ 72,516	\$ 58,912	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,150	\$ -	\$ -
Transportation fees										28,660
Operating grants and contributions	3,340,003	3,996,950	3,524,208	3,891,899	4,175,177	4,422,074	15,668,092	13,885,452	11,291,597	17,956,399
Total governmental activities program revenues	<u>\$ 3,340,003</u>	<u>\$ 4,093,968</u>	<u>\$ 3,596,724</u>	<u>\$ 3,950,811</u>	<u>\$ 4,175,177</u>	<u>\$ 4,422,074</u>	<u>\$ 15,668,092</u>	<u>\$ 13,890,602</u>	<u>\$ 11,291,597</u>	<u>\$ 17,985,059</u>

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

Exhibit J-2

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Business-type activities:										
Charges for services:										
After-school program	\$ 321,536	\$ 309,628	\$ 327,699	\$ 395,383	\$ 388,785	\$ 412,910	\$ 428,299	\$ 342,642	\$ 259,209	\$ 35,030
Food service	355,887	325,893	255,770	261,627	241,342	249,714	243,296	231,868	206,324	178,664
Internal service fund					5,874,547	6,581,757	5,525,058	5,083,272	3,729,268	1,755,000
Operating grants and contributions	748,186	774,807	794,911	787,875	775,868	761,743	711,546	675,230	650,412	831,573
Capital grants and contributions										
Total business type activities program revenues	<u>1,425,609</u>	<u>1,410,328</u>	<u>1,378,380</u>	<u>1,444,885</u>	<u>7,280,542</u>	<u>8,006,124</u>	<u>6,908,199</u>	<u>6,333,012</u>	<u>4,845,213</u>	<u>2,800,267</u>
Total district program revenues	<u>\$ 4,765,612</u>	<u>\$ 5,504,296</u>	<u>\$ 4,975,104</u>	<u>\$ 5,395,696</u>	<u>\$ 11,455,719</u>	<u>\$ 12,428,198</u>	<u>\$ 22,576,291</u>	<u>\$ 20,223,614</u>	<u>\$ 16,136,810</u>	<u>\$ 20,785,326</u>
Net (Expense)/Revenue:										
Governmental activities	\$ (25,131,246)	\$ (26,043,698)	\$ (25,808,330)	\$ (25,927,077)	\$ (26,585,411)	\$ (32,436,362)	\$ (27,355,072)	\$ (26,106,877)	\$ (25,200,839)	\$ (24,905,613)
Business-type activities	21,167	(41,448)	(36,945)	(5,324)	(11,532)	21,592	(20,619)	25,710	54,082	(58,557)
Total district-wide net expense	<u>\$ (25,110,079)</u>	<u>\$ (26,085,146)</u>	<u>\$ (25,845,275)</u>	<u>\$ (25,932,401)</u>	<u>\$ (26,596,943)</u>	<u>\$ (32,414,770)</u>	<u>\$ (27,375,691)</u>	<u>\$ (26,081,167)</u>	<u>\$ (25,146,757)</u>	<u>\$ (24,964,170)</u>
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position:										
Governmental activities:										
Property taxes levied for general purposes, net	\$ 14,659,327	\$ 14,952,514	\$ 15,251,564	\$ 15,806,595	\$ 16,317,286	\$ 16,643,631	\$ 16,812,338	\$ 17,148,584	\$ 17,655,724	\$ 18,008,838
Taxes levied for debt service						129,114	148,227	177,363	185,049	207,902
Unrestricted grants and contributions	10,199,023	9,864,381	10,148,809	10,276,148	10,307,539	10,366,506	10,181,719	9,876,869	9,475,084	8,242,674
Tuition	19,971	-			34,062	15,593	63,462			
Miscellaneous income	182,353	75,262	86,495	6,417	94,266	13,770	274,686	276,656	299,682	194,728
Transfers									(51,850)	-
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 25,060,674</u>	<u>\$ 24,892,157</u>	<u>\$ 25,486,868</u>	<u>\$ 26,089,160</u>	<u>\$ 26,753,153</u>	<u>\$ 27,168,614</u>	<u>\$ 27,480,432</u>	<u>\$ 27,479,472</u>	<u>\$ 27,563,689</u>	<u>\$ 26,654,142</u>
Business-type activities:										
Investment earnings	\$ 383	\$ 133	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 80	\$ 205	\$ 169	\$ 3,711	\$ 7,190	\$ 5,648
Miscellaneous income										
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets										
Transfers									51,850	-
Total business-type activities	<u>383</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>3,711</u>	<u>59,040</u>	<u>5,648</u>
Total district-wide	<u>\$ 25,061,057</u>	<u>\$ 24,892,290</u>	<u>\$ 25,486,968</u>	<u>\$ 26,089,260</u>	<u>\$ 26,753,233</u>	<u>\$ 27,168,819</u>	<u>\$ 27,480,601</u>	<u>\$ 27,483,183</u>	<u>\$ 27,622,729</u>	<u>\$ 26,659,790</u>
Change in Net Position:										
Governmental activities	\$ (70,572)	\$ (1,151,541)	\$ (321,462)	\$ 162,083	\$ 167,742	\$ (5,267,748)	\$ 125,360	\$ 1,372,595	\$ 2,362,850	\$ 1,748,529
Business-type activities	21,550	(41,315)	(36,845)	(5,224)	(11,452)	21,797	(20,450)	29,421	113,122	(52,909)
Total district-wide	<u>\$ (49,022)</u>	<u>\$ (1,192,856)</u>	<u>\$ (358,307)</u>	<u>\$ 156,859</u>	<u>\$ 156,290</u>	<u>\$ (5,245,951)</u>	<u>\$ 104,910</u>	<u>\$ 1,402,016</u>	<u>\$ 2,475,972</u>	<u>\$ 1,695,620</u>

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

Exhibit J-3

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
General Fund:										
Reserved for:										
Encumbrances	\$ 7,239	\$ 7,090	\$ 36,944	\$ 140,792	\$ 10,544	\$ 454,505	\$ 52,292	\$ 79,087	\$ 671,641	\$ 300,565
Maintenance reserve	1,292,246	1,092,246	792,246	992,246	1,299,000	1,156,000	1,299,137	1,299,137	1,299,021	1,299,021
Capital reserve	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,500,000	1,600,689	1,712,083	2,250,442
Emergency reserve									250,000	250,000
Unemployment compensation										219,137
Excess surplus	407,534	183,633	154,300	164,441	604,902	575,089	1,008,403	1,461,869	1,490,505	1,752,406
Excess surplus - designated for subsequent years expenditures	507,648	407,534	183,633	154,300	164,441	604,902	575,089	1,008,403	1,461,869	1,490,505
Unreserved - designated for subsequent years expenditures	263,638			53,625	38,611	14,483	18,513		54,269	93,106
Unreserved	(386,982)	(422,587)	(382,627)	(400,563)	(361,376)	(350,134)	(343,952)	(269,803)	(130,993)	524,718
Total general fund	<u>\$ 2,091,324</u>	<u>\$ 1,267,917</u>	<u>\$ 784,497</u>	<u>\$ 1,104,842</u>	<u>\$ 1,756,123</u>	<u>\$ 2,454,846</u>	<u>\$ 4,109,482</u>	<u>\$ 5,179,382</u>	<u>\$ 6,808,395</u>	<u>\$ 8,179,900</u>
All Other Governmental Funds										
Reserved:										
Encumbrances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,261,640	\$ 28,798	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Unreserved, reported in:										
Special revenue fund	(34,366)	(36,241)	(37,193)	(37,193)	(37,611)	(33,014)	(35,104)	(208,080)	(172,511)	(226,279)
Capital projects fund					545,925	139,639	166,128	166,112	166,112	166,112
Debt service fund	-	-	-	-	340	10,357	10,237	1,875	4,810	6,047
Total all other governmental funds	<u>\$ (34,366)</u>	<u>\$ (36,241)</u>	<u>\$ (37,193)</u>	<u>\$ (37,193)</u>	<u>\$ 4,770,294</u>	<u>\$ 145,780</u>	<u>\$ 141,261</u>	<u>\$ (40,093)</u>	<u>\$ (1,589)</u>	<u>\$ (54,120)</u>

Lower Township School District
Changes in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds,
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

Exhibit J-4

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Revenues										
Tax levy	\$ 14,659,327	\$ 14,952,514	\$ 15,251,564	\$ 15,806,595	\$ 16,317,286	\$ 16,772,745	\$ 16,960,565	\$ 17,325,947	\$ 17,840,773	\$ 18,216,740
Tuition charges	19,971	52,286	39,381	58,912	34,062	15,593	63,462	5,150	-	-
Transportation charges		44,732	33,135					39,849	23,763	28,660
Other restricted miscellaneous										5,455
Miscellaneous	183,853	75,761	86,995	7,399	94,691	13,770	276,464	236,807	275,919	189,273
Local sources										20,365
State sources	12,085,558	12,762,644	12,581,833	12,990,692	13,307,047	13,698,355	14,202,231	15,965,362	15,530,282	16,278,993
Federal sources	1,451,967	1,098,188	1,090,684	1,176,373	1,175,244	1,090,225	1,274,506	1,185,952	1,172,890	1,822,696
Total revenue	\$ 28,400,676	\$ 28,986,125	\$ 29,083,592	\$ 30,039,971	\$ 30,928,330	\$ 31,590,688	\$ 32,777,228	\$ 34,759,067	\$ 34,843,627	\$ 36,562,182
Expenditures										
Instruction										
Regular Instruction	\$ 9,487,685	\$ 8,612,786	\$ 8,827,839	\$ 9,225,303	\$ 9,514,376	\$ 9,168,499	\$ 9,399,936	\$ 9,770,753	\$ 9,777,873	\$ 10,735,172
Special education instruction	2,552,724	3,157,611	1,811,033	1,638,485	2,254,597	2,127,188	1,959,179	1,979,440	2,055,202	2,175,695
Other instruction	93,767	96,038	51,977	65,696	56,246	160,031	240,045	251,537	216,668	180,695
Support Services:										
Tuition	508,575	466,502	1,049,973	1,154,510	897,749	922,182	703,106	930,604	1,122,960	921,920
Student & instruction related services	2,737,645	2,908,876	3,062,601	2,976,379	3,025,692	3,063,764	3,090,764	3,865,596	3,719,654	3,859,555
School administrative services	876,511	886,656	850,379	828,405	834,626	754,045	713,344	769,544	721,023	677,892
General and business admin.services	630,621	726,870	801,466	770,720	821,459	766,735	772,995	784,381	830,394	860,703
Plant operations and maintenance	2,313,328	2,264,255	2,626,991	2,713,581	2,663,832	2,737,570	3,198,569	2,936,945	2,780,195	2,940,963
Pupil transportation	1,299,670	1,276,545	1,261,876	1,191,733	1,189,906	1,198,539	1,093,784	1,217,779	1,127,366	1,086,710
Unallocated employee benefits	7,666,662	9,362,514	9,044,216	8,930,529	8,852,642	9,627,036	9,273,929	10,326,172	9,689,627	10,887,514
Capital outlay	148,285	52,754	179,613	323,862	479,437	4,870,517	2,293,480	753,890	802,618	815,553
Debt service:										
Principal							160,000	160,000	160,000	200,000
Interest and other charges						120,373	127,080	123,880	120,680	117,480
Total expenditures	28,315,473	29,811,407	29,567,964	29,819,203	30,590,562	35,516,479	33,026,211	33,870,521	33,124,260	35,459,852
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	85,203	(825,282)	(484,372)	220,768	337,768	(3,925,791)	(248,983)	888,546	1,719,367	1,102,330
Other Financing sources (uses)										
Cancelled SDA Grant	(35,548)	-	-	-	-	-	1,899,000			
Proceeds of Borrowing	-	-	-	99,577	5,121,000	-	-			
Transfers in					340	1,276	200	1,635	3,135	301,792
Transfers out					(340)	(1,276)	(200)	(1,635)	(54,985)	(301,792)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(35,548)	-	-	99,577	5,121,000	-	1,899,000	-	(51,850)	-
Net change in fund balances	\$ 49,655	\$ (825,282)	\$ (484,372)	\$ 320,345	\$ 5,458,768	\$ (3,925,791)	\$ 1,650,017	\$ 888,546	\$ 1,667,517	\$ 1,102,330
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.39%	0.93%	0.86%	0.87%	0.92%

Source: District records

Note: Noncapital expenditures are total expenditures less capital outlay.

Lower Township School District
General Fund - Other Local Revenue by Source
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(modified accrual basis of accounting)

Exhibit J-5

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Interest on Investments	Tuition	Refunds of Prior Years Expenditures	Refunds	Rentals	Transportation	Sale of Equipment	Outside Services	Miscellaneous	Total
2012	\$ 4,584	\$ 19,971	\$ 91,851	\$ 16,287	\$ 69,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31	\$ 202,324
2013	1,571	44,732		-	71,000	52,286			3,191	172,780
2014	1,046	39,381		80,691		33,135			4,758	159,011
2015	1,536	58,912	2,106				2,775			65,329
2016	1,763	34,062	83,654	540					7,969	127,988
2017	6,403	15,593	135	807		4,366			2,059	29,363
2018	7,147	63,462	184,989	1,609		5,645	74,990		106	337,948
2019	47,221	5,150	75,831	725		39,849	5,276	61,802	34	235,888
2020	110,047		68,538	4,730			11,045	33,062	85	227,507
2021	129,107		671	3,531			1,850			135,159
	<u>\$ 310,425</u>	<u>\$ 281,263</u>	<u>\$ 507,775</u>	<u>\$ 108,920</u>	<u>\$ 140,600</u>	<u>\$ 135,281</u>	<u>\$ 95,936</u>	<u>\$ 94,864</u>	<u>\$ 18,233</u>	<u>\$ 1,693,297</u>

Source: District records

Lower Township School District
 Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property,
 Last Ten Fiscal Years

Township of Lower

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Vacant Land	Residential	Farm Reg.	Qfarm	Commercial	Apartment	Total Assessed Value	Public Utilities a	Net Valuation Taxable	Tax-Exempt Property	Total Direct School Tax Rate b	Estimated Actual (County Equalized) Value
2012	\$ 87,921,400	\$ 3,705,980,700	\$ 4,460,700	\$ 911,900	\$ 276,929,100	\$ 13,161,400	\$ 4,089,365,200	\$ 6,102,592	\$ 4,095,467,792	\$ 268,066,300	\$ 0.362	\$ 4,034,131,771
2013	86,948,300	3,684,519,500	5,236,800	953,300	275,766,100	13,161,400	4,066,585,400	5,339,934	4,071,925,334	270,144,600	0.371	3,773,894,430
2014	70,784,000	3,247,623,400	4,914,400	953,300	258,806,900	11,332,200	3,594,414,200	4,337,206	3,598,751,406	232,262,300	0.432	3,725,002,834
2015	70,254,400	3,254,393,300	4,914,400	927,600	259,130,000	11,432,200	3,601,051,900	4,347,721	3,605,399,621	234,835,200	0.446	3,719,358,459
2016	68,016,300	3,261,711,400	5,052,600	577,600	263,588,800	11,432,200	3,610,378,900	4,212,178	3,614,591,078	232,698,600	0.458	3,781,566,024
2017	64,279,700	3,274,539,000	5,413,000	595,500	264,828,800	11,432,200	3,621,088,200	4,172,271	3,625,260,471	233,773,100	0.466	3,802,011,213
2018	64,779,300	3,283,120,000	6,360,900	567,200	264,001,400	11,432,200	3,630,261,000	4,178,452	3,634,439,452	237,688,000	0.472	3,908,079,119
2019	63,692,900	3,290,370,000	6,554,900	602,400	264,731,700	11,432,200	3,637,384,100	4,107,346	3,641,491,446	240,525,100	0.483	4,056,420,781
2020	65,057,300	3,304,009,400	6,600,500	586,300	263,951,400	11,432,200	3,651,637,100	4,075,029	3,655,712,129	241,944,200	0.494	4,212,338,290
2021	61,620,600	3,327,438,300	6,600,500	586,300	262,396,200	11,432,200	3,670,074,100	4,234,601	3,674,308,701	246,048,000	0.501	4,350,457,177

Source: Municipal Tax Assessor

Note:

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

Reassessment occurs when ordered by the County Board of Taxation

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

b Tax rates are per \$100

c Information not available.

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

Exhibit J-7

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Lower Township School District Direct Rate			Overlapping Rates			Total Direct and Overlapping Rate
	Basic Rate	General Obligation		Township of Lower	Regional School	Cape May County	
		Debt Service	Total Direct				
2012	\$ 0.362	\$ -	\$ 0.362	\$ 0.443	\$ 0.273	\$ 0.229	\$ 1.307
2013	0.371	-	0.371	0.473	0.291	0.227	1.362
2014	0.432	-	0.432	0.536	0.335	0.260	1.563
2015	0.446	-	0.446	0.556	0.353	0.263	1.618
2016	0.456	0.002	0.458	0.556	0.389	0.270	1.673
2017	0.462	0.004	0.466	0.574	0.381	0.276	1.697
2018	0.468	0.004	0.472	0.575	0.360	0.289	1.696
2019	0.478	0.005	0.483	0.584	0.368	0.303	1.738
2020	0.489	0.005	0.494	0.584	0.390	0.315	1.783
2021	0.495	0.006	0.501	0.595	0.385	0.331	1.812

Source: Municipal Tax Collector

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

- a The district's basic tax rate is calculated from the A4F form which is submitted with the budget and the Net Valuation Taxable.
- b Rates for debt service are based on each year's requirements.

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

Exhibit J-8

Taxpayer	2021		Taxpayer	2012	
	Taxable Assessed Value	% of Total District Net Assessed Value		Taxable Assessed Value	% of Total District Net Assessed Value
Sun Lake Laurie RV, Inc.	\$ 17,300,000	0.47%	Jenlo Corp. & Harlo Inc.	\$ 10,408,800	0.25%
Achristavest Pier 6600, LLC	14,330,200	0.39%	Achristavest Pier 6600, LLC	9,350,000	0.23%
Harbortown Resort Marina, Inc	13,054,700	0.36%	Bayshore Mall 1A, LLC	8,795,000	0.21%
Jenlo Corp. & Harlo Inc	11,700,000	0.32%	Lake Laurie RV Resort, LLC	7,133,800	0.17%
Shaw Limited Partnership	10,101,400	0.27%	Seashore Campsites Inc.	6,500,000	0.16%
Bayshore Mall, LLC	9,744,700	0.27%	Channels Apartments	6,242,600	0.15%
Beachcomber Campground, Inc	6,749,100	0.18%	Victoria Health Corp.	6,203,800	0.15%
Cold Spring Fish & Supply Co	6,302,900	0.17%	Verison - New Jersey	6,112,592	0.15%
Cape Island Associates	6,000,000	0.16%	Beachcomber Campground Inc.	5,932,800	0.14%
FC-GEN Real Estate, LLC	6,000,000	0.16%	North Cape Convalescent Center	5,890,000	0.14%
Total	\$ 101,283,000	2.76%	Total	\$ 72,569,392	1.77%

Source: Municipal Tax Assessor

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

Exhibit J-9

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Taxes Levied for the Calendar Year	Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy ^a		Collections in Subsequent Years
		Amount	Percentage of Levy	
2012	\$ 14,659,327	\$ 14,659,327	100.00%	\$ -
2013	14,952,514	14,952,514	100.00%	-
2014	15,251,564	15,251,564	100.00%	-
2015	15,806,595	15,806,595	100.00%	-
2016	16,317,286	16,317,286	100.00%	-
2017	16,772,745	16,772,745	100.00%	-
2018	16,960,565	16,960,565	100.00%	-
2019	17,325,947	17,325,947	100.00%	-
2020	17,840,773	17,840,773	100.00%	-
2021	18,216,740	18,216,740	100.00%	-

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

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

Lower Township School District
Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(dollars in thousands, except per capita)

Exhibit J-10

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Governmental Activities				Business-Type Activities		Percentage of Personal Income ^a	Per Capita ^b
	General Obligation Bonds	Unfunded Pension Liability	Capital Leases	Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs)	Capital Leases	Total District		
2012	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -
2013	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	78,708	-	-	78,708	0.01%	4
2016	5,121,000	-	59,724	-	-	5,180,724	0.41%	237
2017	5,121,000	-	40,285	-	-	5,161,285	0.40%	238
2018	4,961,000	-	1,919,381	-	-	6,880,381	0.50%	320
2019	4,801,000	-	1,805,000	-	-	6,606,000	0.05%	304
2020	4,641,000	-	1,705,000	-	-	6,346,000	c	299
2021	4,441,000	-	1,641,000	-	-	6,082,000	c	c

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

- a Based on Per Capita Income for Cape May County
- b Based on School District Population as of July 1,
- c Not available

Lower Township School District
Ratios of Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(dollars in thousands, except per capita)

Exhibit J-11

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	General Bonded Debt Outstanding			Percentage of Actual Taxable Value ^a of Property	Per Capita ^b
	General Obligation Bonds	Deductions	Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding		
2012	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -
2013	-	-	-	-	-
2014	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-
2016	5,121,000	-	5,121,000	0.14%	234
2017	5,121,000	-	5,121,000	0.14%	236
2018	4,961,000	-	4,961,000	0.14%	231
2019	4,801,000	-	4,801,000	0.13%	221
2020	4,641,000	-	4,641,000	0.13%	219
2021	4,441,000	-	4,441,000	0.12%	c

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

a See Exhibit J-6 for property tax data.

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

c Not available.

**Lower Township School District
Ratios of Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt
As of December 31, 2020**

Exhibit J-12

<u>Governmental Unit</u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Estimated Percentage Applicable ^a</u>	<u>Estimated Share of Overlapping Debt</u>
Debt repaid with property taxes:			
Township of Lower	\$ 31,692,565	100.000%	\$ 31,692,565
Cape May County General Obligation Debt	310,626,093	7.691%	23,890,253
Lower Cape May Regional School District Debt	7,217,000	53.326%	<u>3,848,515</u>
Subtotal, overlapping debt			59,431,333
Lower Township School District Direct Debt			<u>4,641,000</u>
Total direct and overlapping debt			<u><u>\$ 64,072,333</u></u>

Sources: Assessed value data used to estimate applicable percentages provided by the Cape May County Board of Taxation.

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

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

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2021

	Equalized valuation basis	
	2018	\$ 4,034,968,323
	2019	4,182,343,452
	2020	4,314,825,830
	[A]	<u>\$ 12,532,137,605</u>
Average equalized valuation of taxable property	[A/3]	\$ 4,177,379,202
Debt limit (2.5% of average equalized valuation)	[B]	104,434,480
Net bonded school debt	[C]	4,441,000
Legal debt margin	[B-C]	<u>\$ 99,993,480</u>

	Fiscal Year									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Debt limit	\$ 104,439,224	\$ 100,034,146	\$ 95,777,627	\$ 93,166,941	\$ 87,877,105	\$ 93,615,145	\$ 63,851,735	\$ 97,476,471	\$ 100,851,523	\$ 104,434,480
Total net debt applicable to limit	-	-	-	-	5,121,000	5,121,000	4,961,000	4,801,000	4,641,000	4,441,000
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 104,439,224</u>	<u>\$ 100,034,146</u>	<u>\$ 95,777,627</u>	<u>\$ 93,166,941</u>	<u>\$ 82,756,105</u>	<u>\$ 88,494,145</u>	<u>\$ 58,890,735</u>	<u>\$ 92,675,471</u>	<u>\$ 96,210,523</u>	<u>\$ 99,993,480</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.83%	5.47%	7.77%	4.93%	4.60%	4.25%

Source: Equalized valuation basis were obtained from the Annual Report of the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Taxation

a Limit set by NJSA 18A:24-19 for a K through 12 district; other % limits would be applicable for other districts

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

Exhibit J-14

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population ^a</u>	<u>Personal Income (thousands of dollars) ^b</u>	<u>Per Capita Personal Income ^c</u>	<u>Unemployment Rate ^d</u>
2012	22,555	\$ 1,100,052,460	\$ 48,772	16.30%
2013	23,354	1,157,447,594	49,561	11.90%
2014	22,173	1,141,421,694	51,478	12.60%
2015	22,016	1,190,052,864	54,054	11.10%
2016	21,854	1,225,113,386	56,059	10.10%
2017	21,698	1,258,896,262	58,019	9.80%
2018	21,485	1,294,772,040	60,264	8.90%
2019	21,732	1,363,335,288	62,734	7.70%
2020	21,202	e	e	14.60%
2021	e	e	e	e

Source:

- a Population information provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development.
- b Personal income for the Township of Lower.
- c Per Capita income for Cape May County.
- d Unemployment data provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development.
- e Not available.

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

Exhibit J-16

Function/Program	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Instruction										
Regular	112	114	114	114	114	116	116	119	122	137
Special education	29	25	25	25	25	27	27	27	27	26
Other special education										
Vocational										
Other instruction										
Nonpublic school programs										
Adult/continuing education programs										
Support Services:										
Student & instruction related services	38	36	36	36	36	40	40	46	57	69
School administrative services	12	8	9	9	9	15	15	15	15	15
General and business administrative services	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Plant operations and maintenance	22	24	22	22	22	26	26	26	26	26
Pupil transportation	20	17	18	18	18	18	18	18	17	18
Business and other support services	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3
Special Schools										
Food Service	14	11	11	11	11	12	12	11	11	11
Child Care	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Total	255	243	243	243	243	262	261	269	282	309

Source: District Personnel Records

Lower Township School District
 Operating Statistics,
 Last Ten Fiscal Years

Exhibit J-17

Fiscal Year	Enrollment	Operating Expenditures ^a	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff ^b	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) ^c	Attendance (ADA) ^c	Average Daily Enrollment	Attendance Percentage
						Elementary				
2012	1,841	\$ 28,167,188	\$ 15,300	4.55%	141	1:13	1,828	1,720	-1.08%	94.09%
2013	1,804	29,758,653	16,496	7.82%	139	1:13	1,811	1,702	-1.08%	93.98%
2014	1,822	29,388,351	16,130	-2.22%	139	1:13	1,826	1,722	0.82%	94.30%
2015	1,806	29,495,341	16,332	1.25%	139	1:13	1,788	1,699	-2.08%	95.02%
2016	1,732	30,111,125	17,385	6.45%	139	1:12	1,725	1,640	-3.52%	95.07%
2017	1,697	30,525,589	17,988	3.47%	143	1:12	1,666	1,585	-3.42%	95.14%
2018	1,676	30,445,651	18,166	0.99%	143	1:12	1,657	1,577	-0.54%	95.17%
2019	1,646	32,832,751	19,947	9.80%	146	1:12	1,713	1,624	3.38%	94.80%
2020	1,607	32,040,962	19,938	-0.04%	149	1:12	1,606	1,541	-6.25%	95.95%
2021	1,496	34,326,819	22,946	-0.04%	149	1:12	1,502	1,373	-6.48%	91.41%

Sources: District records

Note: Enrollment based on annual October district count.

- a Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay.
- b Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certificated staff.
- c Average daily enrollment and average daily attendance are obtained from the School Register Summary (SRS).

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

Exhibit J-18

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
<u>District Building</u>										
<u>Elementary</u>										
Charles W Sandman Consolidated (1929)										
Square Feet	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711	61,711
Capacity (students)	581	581	581	581	581	581	581	581	581	581
Enrollment	475	479	474	443	455	431	443	485	434	385
Maud Abrams (1966)										
Square Feet	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639	58,639
Capacity (students)	593	593	593	593	593	593	593	593	593	593
Enrollment	476	436	448	439	439	452	433	432	385	355
David C Douglass Veterans Memorial (1979)										
Square Feet	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303	39,303
Capacity (students)	395	395	395	395	395	395	395	395	395	395
Enrollment	426	456	447	424	387	375	390	342	338	318
Carl T Mitnick (1989)										
Square Feet	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481	67,481
Capacity (students)	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527	527
Enrollment	451	440	456	482	444	409	391	454	450	444
<u>Other</u>										
Central Administration (1938)										
Square Feet	3,469	3,469	3,469	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance (1930)										
Square Feet	3,848	3,848	3,848	3,848	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation(1999)										
Square Feet	2,880	2,880	2,880	2,880	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Schools at June 30, 2021										
Elementary = 4										
Middle School = 0										
Senior High School = 0										
Other = 0										

Source: District Facilities Office

Note: Year of original construction is shown in parentheses. Increases in square footage and capacity are the result of additions. Enrollment is based on the annual October district count.

**Lower Township School District
Schedule of Required Maintenance
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

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

	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,										Total
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
* School Facilities											
Sandman Consolidated School	\$ 140,626	\$ 142,682	\$ 168,227	\$ 176,157	\$ 172,866	\$ 212,553	\$ 274,392	\$ 162,366	\$ 143,031	\$ 174,569	\$ 1,767,469
Maud Abrams School	135,418	137,397	161,996	169,633	166,463	204,681	264,229	156,352	137,734	168,104	1,702,007
Carl T. Mitnick School	156,251	158,535	186,919	195,731	192,073	236,171	304,880	180,406	158,923	193,966	1,963,855
Memorial School	88,543	89,837	105,920	110,914	108,841	133,830	172,765	102,230	90,057	109,914	1,112,852
Total School Facilities	\$ 520,838	\$ 528,451	\$ 623,062	\$ 652,435	\$ 640,243	\$ 787,235	\$ 1,016,267	\$ 601,354	\$ 529,745	\$ 646,553	\$ 6,546,183

*School facilities as defined under EFCFA.
(N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:26A-1.3)

Source: District records

**Lower Township School District
Insurance Schedule
June 30, 2021**

Exhibit J-20

	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Self-insured Retention</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
School Package Policy (1)			
Building and Contents (All Locations)			
Limits of liability per occurrence	\$ 175,000,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 500
Boiler and Machinery	125,000,000	None	1,000
Crime coverage	500,000	250,000	500
General and automobile liability	20,000,000	250,000	None
Workers' compensation	Statutory	250,000	None
Educator's legal liability	20,000,000	250,000	None
Pollution legal liability	3,000,000	None	25,000 Pollution 100,000 Mold
Cyber Liability	2,000,000	None	10,000
Violent Malicious Acts	1,000,000	None	15,000
Crisis Protection & Disaster Management Services	1,000,000	None	15,000
Surety Bonds (2)			
Treasurer	275,000		
Board Secretary	100,000		

(1) Atlantic & Cape May Counties Joint Insurance Fund

(2) RLI Insurance Company

Source: District records

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**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
 AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE
 WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable President and Members
 of the Board of Education
 Township of Lower School District
 County of Cape May
 Cape May, New Jersey

I have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial statement audits contained in the *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lower Township School District, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated January 28, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the Lower Township School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lower Township School District's internal control.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, and federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities, in considering the School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND REPORT
 ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE
 UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY CIRCULAR 15-08-OMB**

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable President and Members
 of the Board of Education
 Township of Lower School District
 County of Cape May
 Cape May, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

I have audited Lower Township School District's (School District), in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement*, and the *New Jersey State Grant Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the School District's major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The School District's major federal and state programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal and state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal and state awards applicable to its federal and state programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the School District's major federal and state programs based on my audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*. Those standards, the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal or state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. However, my audit does not provide a legal determination of the School District's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

In my opinion, the Lower Township School District, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Lower Township School District, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing my audit of compliance, I considered the School District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal or state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal or state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lower Township School District's internal control over compliance.

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Certified Public Accountants



Robert P. Inverso
Certified Public Accountant
Public School Accountant No. CS001095

Marlton, New Jersey
January 28, 2022

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Federal FAIN Number	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period	June 30, 2020			Adjustment	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances	June 30, 2021		
						Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor at					Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor at
U.S. Department of Education															
General Fund:															
Medical Assistance Program (SEMI)	93.778	2005NJ5MAP	N/A	61,231	7/1/20 - 6/30/21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70,884	\$ (70,884)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
CARES Aid (SEMI)	93.778		N/A	61,231	7/1/20 - 6/30/21	-	-	-	-	5,326	(5,326)	-	-	-	-
Total General Fund										76,210	(76,210)				
U.S. Department of Education															
Special Revenue Fund:															
Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)															
Title I	84.010A	S010A200030	ESSA-2840-21	542,136	7/1/20 - 9/30/21					268,577	(484,829)		(216,252)		
Title I	84.010A	S010A190030	ESSA-2840-20	491,118	7/1/19 - 9/30/20	(207,384)				207,384					
Title II - Part A	84.367A	S367A200029	ESSA-2840-21	98,817	7/1/20 - 9/30/21					71,332	(75,062)		(3,730)		
Title II - Part A	84.367A	S367A190029	ESSA-2840-20	87,845	7/1/19 - 9/30/20	(21,412)				21,412					
Title III	84.365	S365A200030	ESSA-2840-21	19,490	7/1/20 - 9/30/21					3,319	(15,233)		(11,914)		
Title III	84.365	S365A190030	ESSA-2840-20	11,770	7/1/19 - 9/30/20	(173)				173					
Title IV	84.424	S424A190030	ESSA-2840-20	9,000	7/1/19 - 9/30/20	(5,576)				5,576					
Individuals With Disabilities Act (I.D.E.A.)															
Part B - Basic	84.027	H027A200100	IDEA-2840-21	489,850	7/1/20 - 9/30/21					440,865	(489,850)		(48,985)		
Part B - Basic	84.027	H027A190100	IDEA-2840-20	470,555	7/1/19 - 9/30/20	(94,112)				94,112					
Preschool	84.173	H173A200114	IDEA-2840-21	26,721	7/1/20 - 9/30/21					23,554	(26,721)		(3,167)		
Preschool	84.173	H173A190114	IDEA-2840-20	26,743	7/1/19 - 9/30/20	(5,349)				5,349					
Coronavirus Relief Fund	84.425D	S425D200027	N/A	138,279	3/13/20 - 9/30/22					138,279	(138,231)			48	
Digital Divide	84.425D	S425D200027	N/A	280,069	7/16/20 - 10/31/20					280,069	(280,069)				
CARES Act	84.425D	S425D200027	N/A	384,719	3/13/20 - 9/30/22	(60,186)				275,180	(236,491)		(21,497)		
Total Special Revenue Fund						(394,192)				1,835,181	(1,746,486)		(305,545)	48	
U.S. Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund:															
Food Distribution Program	10.565	211NJ304N1099	N/A	73,114	7/1/20 - 6/30/21					73,114	(73,114)				
National School Lunch Program	10.555	211NJ304N1099	N/A	429,919	7/1/20 - 6/30/21					393,488	(429,920)		(36,432)		
National School Lunch Program	10.555	201NJ304N1099	N/A	344,876	7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(26,495)				26,495					
School Breakfast Program	10.553	211NJ304N1099	N/A	306,912	7/1/20 - 6/30/21					281,032	(306,913)		(25,881)		
School Breakfast Program	10.553	201NJ304N1099	N/A	214,420	7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(16,619)				16,619					
Total Enterprise Fund						(43,114)				790,748	(809,947)		(62,313)		
Total Federal Awards						\$ (437,306)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,702,139	\$ (2,632,643)	\$ -	\$ (367,858)	\$ 48	\$ -

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

LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance
for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021

State Grantor / Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Program Award Amount	Local Share	Grant Period	June 30, 2020			Carryover (Walkover) Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Adjustment	Repayment of Prior Years' Balances	June 30, 2021		
					Accounts Receivable	Unearned Revenue	Due to Grantor at						Accounts Receivable	Unearned Revenue	Due to Grantor at
State Department of Education															
General Fund:															
Equalization Aid	21-495-034-5120-078	\$ 4,628,915	\$ -	7/1/20 - 6/30/21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,229,493	\$ (4,628,915)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (399,422)	\$ -	\$ -
Equalization Aid	20-495-034-5120-078	5,202,298		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(453,566)				453,566						
School Choice Aid	21-495-034-5120-068	877,248		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					801,552	(877,248)			(75,696)		
School Choice Aid	20-495-034-5120-068	823,478		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(71,796)				71,796						
Transportation Aid	21-495-034-5120-014	836,392		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					764,221	(836,392)			(72,171)		
Transportation Aid	20-495-034-5120-014	836,392		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(72,922)				72,922						
Special Education Categorical Aid	21-495-034-5120-089	912,905		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					834,132	(912,905)			(78,773)		
Special Education Categorical Aid	20-495-034-5120-089	912,905		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(79,592)				79,592						
Security Aid	21-495-034-5120-084	492,388		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					449,901	(492,388)			(42,487)		
Security Aid	20-495-034-5120-084	492,388		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(42,929)				42,929						
Adjustment Aid	20-495-034-5120-085	679,491		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(59,242)				59,242						
Non Public Transportation Aid	21-04103190	15,660		7/1/20 - 6/30/21						(15,660)			(15,660)		
Non Public Transportation Aid	20-04103190	9,860		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(9,860)				9,860						
Homeless Tuition Aid	21-495-034-5120-005	12,898		7/1/20 - 6/30/21						(12,898)			(12,898)		
Homeless Tuition Aid	20-495-034-5120-005	95,373		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(95,373)				95,373						
Extraordinary Aid	21-495-034-5120-044	160,617		7/1/20 - 6/30/21						(160,617)			(160,617)		
Extraordinary Aid	20-495-034-5120-044	126,887		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(126,887)				126,887						
On Behalf TPAF Pension	21-495-034-5094-002	3,270,785		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					3,270,785	(3,270,785)					
On Behalf TPAF Medical	21-495-034-5094-001	1,025,013		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					1,025,013	(1,025,013)					
On Behalf TPAF LTDI	21-495-034-5094-004	1,793		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					1,793	(1,793)					
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions	21-495-034-5094-003	907,369		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					907,369	(907,369)					
Total General Fund					(1,012,167)				13,296,426	(13,141,983)			(857,724)		
Special Revenue Fund:															
Preschool Education Aid	21-495-034-5120-086	3,014,746	298,920	7/1/20 - 6/30/21					3,012,191	(3,311,562)			(301,475)	2,104	
Preschool Education Aid	20-495-034-5120-086	1,942,980		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(194,298)	21,787			194,298					21,787	
Total Special Revenue Fund					(194,298)	21,787			3,206,489	(3,311,562)			(301,475)	23,891	
Debt Service Fund															
Debt Service Aid Type II	21-495-034-5120-017	107,943		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					107,943	(107,943)					
State Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund:															
State School Lunch Program	21-100-010-3350-023	21,627		7/1/20 - 6/30/21					19,046	(21,627)			(2,581)		
State School Lunch Program	20-100-010-3350-023	6,925		7/1/19 - 6/30/20	(416)				416						
Total Enterprise Fund					(416)				19,462	(21,627)			(2,581)		
Total State Financial Assistance					\$ (1,206,881)	\$ 21,787	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,630,320	\$ (16,583,115)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,161,780)	\$ 23,891	\$ -
Less: State Financial Assistance Not Subject to Major Program Determination:															
On-Behalf TPAF Contribution - Pension (Non-Budgeted)										(3,270,785)					
On-Behalf TPAF Contribution - Post Retirement Medical (Non-Budgeted)										(1,025,013)					
On-Behalf TPAF Contribution - Long Term Disability (Non-Budgeted)										(1,793)					
Total State Financial Assistance Subject to Major Program Determination										\$ (12,285,524)					

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

**Lower Township School District
Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures
of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

I. GENERAL

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance include federal and state award activity of the Lower Township School District ("School District"). The School District is defined in Note 1 to the School District's basic financial statements. All federal and state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal awards and state financial assistance passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance.

2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented using the budgetary basis of accounting with the exception of programs recorded in the food service fund, which are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. These bases of accounting are described in Note 1 to the School District's basic financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements. The School District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

The net adjustment to reconcile expenditures from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is \$121,498 in the general fund and (\$403,993) in the special revenue fund. See Exhibit C-3, Notes to Required Supplementary Information for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue funds.

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 76,210	\$ 13,263,481	\$ 13,339,691
Special Revenue Fund	1,746,486	2,907,569	4,654,055
Debt Service Fund		107,943	107,943
Food Service Fund	809,947	21,627	831,574
Total Awards & Financial Assistance	<u>\$ 2,632,643</u>	<u>\$ 16,300,620</u>	<u>\$ 18,933,263</u>

**Lower Township School District
Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures
of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021
(Continued)**

4. RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state financial reports.

5. OTHER

Revenues and expenditures reported under the Food Distribution Program represent current year value received and current year distributions respectively. The amount reported as TPAF Pension Contributions represents the amount paid by the state on behalf of the School District for the year ended June 30, 2021. TPAF Social Security Contributions represents the amount reimbursed by the State for the School District's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30, 2021.

6. MAJOR PROGRAMS

Major programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

**LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

Section I --Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

1) Material weaknesses identified? yes X no

2) Significant deficiencies identified? yes X none reported

Noncompliance material to basic financial statements noted? yes X no

Federal Awards

Internal Control over major programs:

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

2) Significant deficiencies identified? yes X none reported

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

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200 section .516 of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance)? yes X no

Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Number(s)</u>	<u>FAIN Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
<u>84.425D</u>	<u>S425D200027</u>	<u>Cares Act</u>
<u>84.425D</u>	<u>S425D200027</u>	<u>Digital Divide</u>
<u>84.425D</u>	<u>S425D200027</u>	<u>Coronavirus Relief</u>
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Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? X yes no

**LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

Section 2 -- Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance related to the financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and with audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

No findings and/or questioned costs identified.

**LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

**Section 3 -- Schedule of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
Findings and Questioned Costs**

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to the audit of major federal and state programs, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB.

FEDERAL AWARDS:

No findings and/or questioned costs identified.

STATE AWARDS:

No findings and/or questioned costs identified.

**LOWER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR-YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS
AND QUESTIONED COSTS AS PREPARED BY MANAGEMENT**

This section identifies the status of prior year findings related to the financial statements and federal and state awards that are required to be reported in accordance with Chapter 6.12 of *Government Auditing Standards*, Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

There were no prior year audit findings.

FEDERAL AWARDS

There were no prior year audit findings.

STATE AWARDS

There were no prior year audit findings.