

**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE
FINANCIAL REPORT**

JUNE 30, 2024

**Responsibility of the Management of
Bethlehem Township School District
Hunterdon County, New Jersey**



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Bethlehem Township Board of Education

Edward Abato
Chief School Administrator

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Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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Director of Special Services

November 18, 2024

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Education
Bethlehem Township School District
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Dear Members of the Board of Education:

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

The ACFR is presented in four sections: introductory, financial, statistical, and single audit. The introductory section includes the transmittal letter, the District's Organizational Chart and a list of principal officials. The Financial Section includes Basic Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis, and schedules, as well as the auditors' 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 Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*. Information related to the single audit, including the auditors' report on the internal control structure and compliance with applicable laws and regulations, findings, and recommendations, are included in the Single Audit Section of this report.

1. REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES

The Bethlehem Township School District is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). All funds and the government-wide financial statements of the District are included in this report. The Bethlehem Township Board of Education and all its schools constitute the District's reporting entity.

These services include general as well as special education (grades K through 8) programs. The District completed the 2023-2024 fiscal year with an in-district enrollment of 383 students, which is an 8.68% increase over the previous year's enrollment. The following details the changes in the student enrollment of the District over a five-year period.

Average Daily Enrollment

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Student Enrollment</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
2023 - 2024	383	8.68%
2022 - 2023	359	2.60%
2021 - 2022	374	4.13%
2020 - 2021	346	0.29%
2019 - 2020	345	-1.71%

2. ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

The increase Bethlehem Township School District saw in the 2021-2022 school year has stabilized, and the district has maintained a steady enrollment number into the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years. The district continues to attract students through the Choice School program as well as by increasing the programs offered to our students in grades PreK-8.

3. MAJOR INITIATIVES

A couple of this year's initiatives are continuations from last year. We are in year two of our implementation of Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) as well as our newly formatted Response to Intervention (RTI) framework. This year, however, we are focusing on Tier II interventions taking place within the classroom as well as formalizing our benchmark and diagnostic testing and data collection. We have also continued our roll out of Chromebooks and Promethean Boards and have added Chromebooks to our 5th grade population and an additional four (4) Promethean Boards between the two buildings. This year, our curriculum writers are focusing on the areas of Spanish, STEM, science and social studies. We will be evaluating our programs used to teach language arts and social studies to ensure that students are engaged in high levels of learning while being provided with opportunities to enhance their social emotional skills as well as their executive functioning skills. With regard to facilities, we are in the process of updating our LRFP to ensure that we are keeping our buildings up to code as well as safe for our students and staff. We are exploring the possibility of going out for a referendum to finance these larger projects, with the possibility of consolidating our schools into one PreK-8 building.

4. INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS

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

As a recipient of federal awards and state financial assistance, the District is also responsible for ensuring that an adequate internal control structure is in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. This internal control structure is 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 Board of Education. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund, special revenue fund, and debt service fund. Project length budgets are approved for the capital improvements accounted for the capital projects 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 the end of the fiscal year are recorded as reservations of fund balance and are subsequently added to the following year's budget.

6. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS

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

An effective and efficient system of internal controls is essential to accurate, timely reporting of all relevant transactions on an accounting system and the resultant administrative and external reports generated from that system.

7. FINANCIAL INFORMATION AT FISCAL YEAR-END

As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the Financial Section of this report, the District continues meeting its responsibilities for sound financial management.

8. DEBT ADMINISTRATION

During the school year, the District retired \$265,000 of the principal balance on its 2015 Refunding Bonds. These bonds were issued in response to favorable market conditions, and Management initiated an effort to refund these bonds, culminating in a successful refunding which closed on September 23, 2015. This refunding will provide over \$525,000 of debt service savings over the life of the bonds, which equals 9.8% of the net present value (NPV) of the refunded debt service requirement. The State of New Jersey requires a minimum of 3% NPV savings, so our transaction produced more than three times the minimum savings benchmark established by the State. Savings will be realized in every school year through 2030.

9. CASH MANAGEMENT

The investment policy of the District is guided by statute as detailed in Notes to the Financial Statements, Note 1. The District has adopted a cash management plan, which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories, protected from loss under the provision of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). This was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. The law requires Governmental Units to deposit public funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the act.

10. RISK MANAGEMENT

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

11. OTHER INFORMATION

Independent Audit - State statutes require an annual audit by independent Certified Public Accountants or Registered Municipal Accountants. The accounting firm of BKC, CPAs, PC was selected by the Board of Education. 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 Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and New Jersey OMB Circular Letter 15-08. The auditors' 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 auditors' reports related specifically to the single audit are included in the Single Audit Section of this report.

12. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I would like to express appreciation to the members of the Bethlehem Township Board of Education for their concern and work 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 the financial operation. I would also like to commend and thank the business office. Their hard work and dedication have greatly contributed to the financial state of the District.

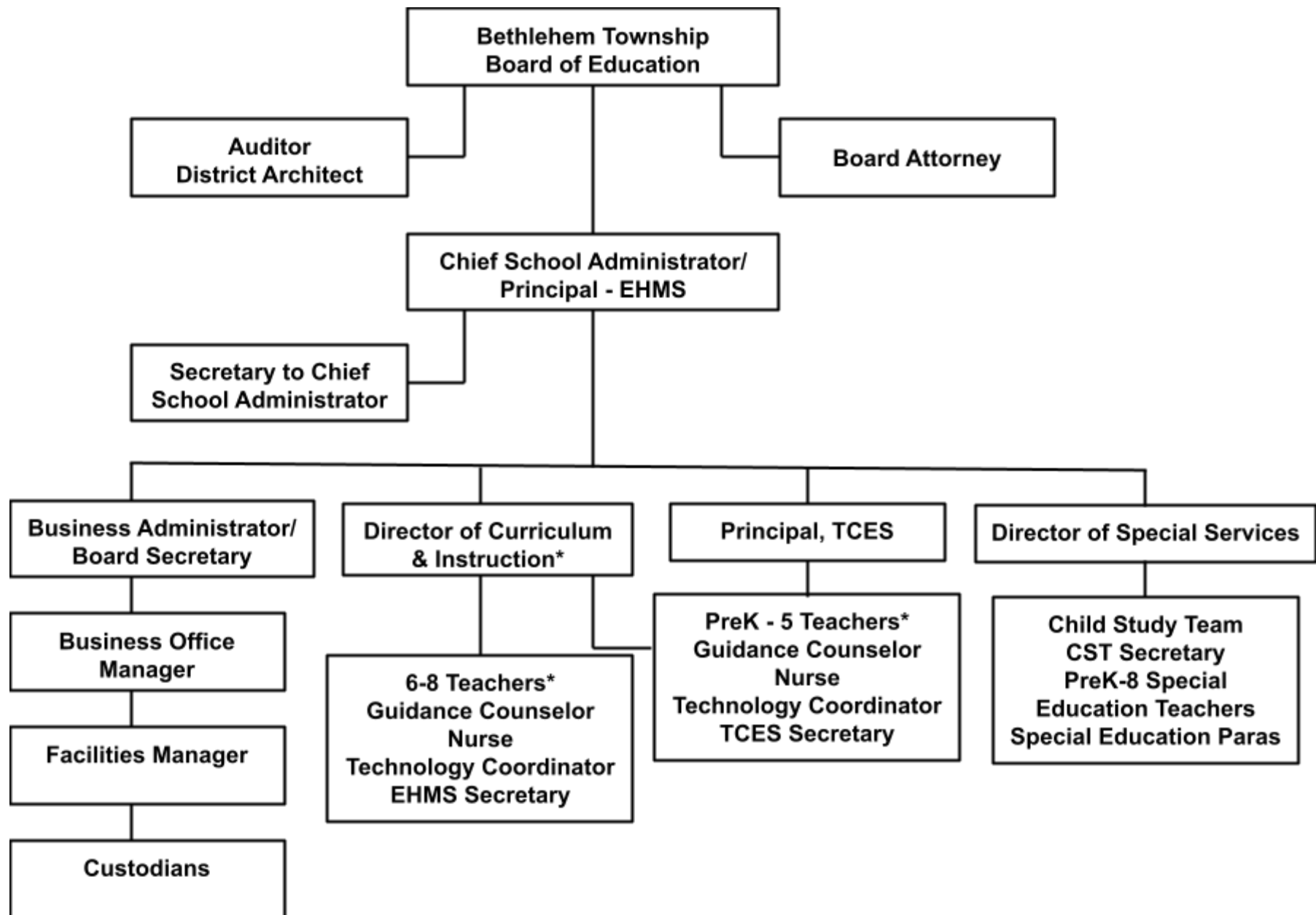
Yours in Education,



Edward Abato
Chief School Administrator



Kirby Hendershot
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Roster of Officials
June 30, 2024

<u>Members of the Board of Education</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Daniel MacDonnell	President	2026
Michael Hale	Vice-President	2025
Jennifer Seibert		2024
Stephanie Yager		2024
Thomas Gregor		2025
Gregory Glazar		2026
Jenny Holmes		2026

<u>Other Officials</u>	<u>Title</u>
Edward Abato	Chief School Administrator/Principal
Brian Latzke	School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Consultants and Advisors
June 30, 2024

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Independent Auditors' Report

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Education
Bethlehem Township School District
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Report on the Financial Statements

Opinion

We 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 Bethlehem Township School District (the District) in the County of Hunterdon, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related Notes to the Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the District's Basic Financial Statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

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

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Budgetary Comparison Schedules, Schedules Related to Accounting and Reporting for Pensions, and Schedules Related to Accounting and Reporting for Other Postemployment Employee Benefits listed in the Table of Contents be presented to supplement the Basic Financial Statements. Such information is the responsibility of Management and, although not a part of the Basic Financial Statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the Basic Financial Statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the Required Supplementary Information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of Management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with Management's responses to our inquiries, the Basic Financial Statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the Basic Financial Statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's Basic Financial Statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* and Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance required by New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid* are also presented for purposes of additional analysis not a required part of the Basic Financial Statements.

Such information is the responsibility of Management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the Basic Financial Statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the Basic Financial Statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the Basic Financial Statements or to the Basic Financial Statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the Basic Financial Statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the Other Information included in the annual report. The Other Information comprises the Introductory, Combining and Individual Non-Major Fund Financial Schedules and Statistical Sections but does not include the Basic Financial Statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinion on the Basic Financial Statements do not cover the Other Information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 18, 2024 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to solely describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



BKC, CPAs, PC



Michael Holk, CPA, PSA
NO. 20CS00265600

November 18, 2024
Flemington, New Jersey

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART I

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Management's Discussion and Analysis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024
Unaudited

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

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2024 are as follows:

- In total, net position increased \$853,687 which represents a 22.09% increase from 2023.
- General revenues accounted for \$11,026,601 in revenue or 93.74% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, operating grants and contributions, and capital grants and contributions accounted for \$735,885 or 6.26% to total revenues of \$11,762,486.
- Total assets of governmental activities increased by \$370,335 as cash and cash equivalents increased by \$372,539, receivables and other assets decreased by \$5,681 and capital assets increased by \$3,477.
- The School District had \$10,908,799 in expenses; only \$735,885 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions. General revenues (primarily property taxes) of \$11,026,601 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among major funds, the general fund had \$10,390,963 in revenues, \$9,981,019 in expenditures. The general fund's balance increased \$409,944 from fiscal year 2023.

Using this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Bethlehem Township School District as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate view of the School District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund Financial Statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The Fund financial Statements also look at the School District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column. In the case of Bethlehem Township School District, the general fund is by far the most significant fund.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis
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Reporting the School District as a Whole

Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the School District to provide programs and activities, the view of the School District as a whole, looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did we do financially during fiscal year 2024?"

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the School District reports governmental activities. Governmental activities are the activities where most of the School District's programs and services are reported including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant facilities, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities.

Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial reports provide detailed information about the School District's major funds. The School District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these Fund Financial Statements focus on the School District's most significant funds. The School District's major governmental funds are the general fund, special revenue fund, capital projects fund and debt service fund.

Governmental Funds

The School District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in the future years. These funds measure and report the operating results by measuring cash on hand and other assets that can be easily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's general government operations and the basic services it provides.

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Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

The School District as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2024 with comparisons to June 30, 2023.

Table 1
Net Position

	06/30/24	06/30/23	Variance	
			Dollars	%
Assets				
Current & other assets	\$ 5,634,357	\$ 5,274,442	\$ 359,915	6.82%
Capital assets	3,054,493	3,038,690	15,803	0.52%
Total assets	<u>8,688,850</u>	<u>8,313,132</u>	<u>375,718</u>	<u>4.52%</u>
Deferred pension activity	249,981	377,300	(127,319)	-33.74%
Deferred amount on refunding	26,012	30,347	(4,335)	-14.28%
Total deferred outflow of resources	<u>275,993</u>	<u>407,647</u>	<u>(131,654)</u>	<u>-32.30%</u>
Liabilities				
Long-term liabilities	3,606,886	3,929,563	(322,677)	-8.21%
Other liabilities	357,102	411,567	(54,465)	-13.23%
Total liabilities	<u>3,963,988</u>	<u>4,341,130</u>	<u>(377,142)</u>	<u>-8.69%</u>
Deferred pension activity	282,037	514,518	(232,481)	-45.18%
Total deferred inflow of resources	<u>282,037</u>	<u>514,518</u>	<u>(232,481)</u>	<u>-45.18%</u>
Net position				
Net investment in capital assets	809,493	518,690	290,803	56.06%
Restricted	3,507,537	3,087,900	419,637	13.59%
Unrestricted	401,788	258,541	143,247	55.41%
Total net position	<u>\$ 4,718,818</u>	<u>\$ 3,865,131</u>	<u>\$ 853,687</u>	<u>22.09%</u>

Total assets for district-wide purposes increased \$375,718. Cash and cash equivalents increased by \$370,046, receivables and other assets decreased by \$10,131, and capital assets increased by \$15,803. Unrestricted net position increased by \$143,247 and represents the part of net position that can be used to finance day to day activities without constraints, established by grants or legal requirements of the School District.

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The negative balance in unrestricted net position is the result of reporting required by GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, which allocates the proportionate share of the State's net pension liability for PERS to each contributing entity throughout the State.

Table 2 provides a summary of the School District's changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 with comparisons to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position

	Fiscal Year Ending		Variance	
	06/30/24	06/30/23	Dollars	%
Revenues				
Program revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 255,855	\$ 216,973	\$ 38,882	17.92%
Operating grants	480,030	253,239	226,791	89.56%
General revenues				
Property taxes	7,980,398	7,831,919	148,479	1.90%
Unrestricted grants	2,906,575	3,157,449	(250,874)	-7.95%
Other	139,628	86,634	52,994	61.17%
Total revenues	<u>11,762,486</u>	<u>11,546,214</u>	<u>216,272</u>	1.87%
Expenses				
Instruction				
Regular	3,858,636	3,737,634	121,002	3.24%
Special	1,781,286	1,863,993	(82,707)	-4.44%
Other	162,479	194,099	(31,620)	-16.29%
Support services				
Tuition	105,797	38,016	67,781	178.30%
Student & instructional staff	2,047,415	2,020,125	27,290	1.35%
General & business administration	657,572	547,237	110,335	20.16%
School administration	304,714	350,847	(46,133)	-13.15%
Maintenance	1,200,159	1,228,160	(28,001)	-2.28%
Transportation	524,845	410,079	114,766	27.99%
Food service	162,547	148,613	13,934	9.38%
Interest on long-term debt	103,349	114,333	(10,984)	-9.61%
Total expenses	<u>10,908,799</u>	<u>10,653,136</u>	<u>255,663</u>	2.40%
Change in net position	<u>\$ 853,687</u>	<u>\$ 893,078</u>	<u>\$ (39,391)</u>	-4.41%

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Governmental Activities

The unique nature of property taxes in New Jersey creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for the School District operations. Property taxes made up 68.85% of revenues for governmental activities for the Bethlehem Township School District for fiscal year 2024.

Instruction comprises 53.19% of district expenses. Support services expenses make up 45.86% of the expenses. Interest on long-term debt makes up 0.95% of the expenses.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services.

Table 3 provides a summary of the School District's cost of governmental services for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 with comparisons to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Table 3
Cost of Governmental Services

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	06/30/24	06/30/23	06/30/24	06/30/23
Instruction	\$ 5,802,401	\$ 5,795,726	\$ 5,510,650	\$ 5,570,345
Support services				
Tuition	105,797	38,016	85,797	23,016
Student & instructional staff	2,047,415	2,020,125	1,827,090	1,949,082
General & business				
administration	657,572	547,237	657,572	547,237
School administration	304,714	350,847	304,714	350,847
Plant operations & maintenance	1,200,159	1,228,160	1,167,319	1,228,160
Pupil transportation	524,845	410,079	524,845	410,079
Food service	162,547	148,613	(8,422)	(10,175)
Interest on long-term debt	103,349	114,333	103,349	114,333
Total expenses	<u>\$ 10,908,799</u>	<u>\$ 10,653,136</u>	<u>\$ 10,172,914</u>	<u>\$ 10,182,924</u>

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

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

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

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

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

Extracurricular activities include expenses related to student activities provided by the School District which are designed to provide opportunities for students to participate in school events, public events, or a combination of these for the purposes of motivation, enjoyment and skill improvement.

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

The dependence upon tax revenues is apparent. For all activities tax revenue support is 67.83%. The community, as a whole, is the primary support for the Bethlehem Township School District.

The School District's Funds

The School District's funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. All governmental funds had total revenues of \$11,202,762 and expenditures of \$10,790,278. The largest net change in fund balance for the year of \$412,484 occurred in the general fund.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

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

During the fiscal year 2024, the School District amended its general fund budget as needed. The School District uses program-based budgeting and the budgeting systems are designed to lightly control total program budgets but provide flexibility for program management.

For the general fund, budgetary basis revenue was \$8,620,276 which was \$165,343 above original budgeted estimates of \$8,454,933. This difference was due primarily to unbudgeted interest.

The general fund revenues of the School District were greater than expenditures and other financing uses by \$401,736.

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Capital Assets

At the end of the fiscal year 2024, the School District had \$3,054,493 invested in land, buildings, vehicles, and furniture and equipment.

Table 4 provides a summary of the School District's capital assets net of depreciation at June 30, 2024 with comparisons to June 30, 2023.

Table 4
Capital Assets at Year-end
(Net of Depreciation)

	06/30/24	06/30/23	Variance	
			Dollars	%
Land	\$ 139,200	\$ 139,200	\$ -	0.00%
Construction in progress	254,486	281,432	(26,946)	-9.57%
Land improvements	37,115	32,922	4,193	12.74%
Buildings & improvements	2,371,930	2,376,181	(4,251)	-0.18%
Furniture and equipment	251,762	208,955	42,807	20.49%
Total	<u>\$ 3,054,493</u>	<u>\$ 3,038,690</u>	<u>\$ 15,803</u>	0.52%

Overall capital assets increased \$15,803 from fiscal year 2023 to fiscal year 2024. Increases in capital assets were offset by depreciation expenses for the year.

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Debt Administration

At June 30, 2024, the School District had \$3,606,886 in long-term liabilities. This amount is detailed in Table 5.

At June 30, 2024, the School District's overall legal debt limit was \$20,176,830 and the legal debt margin was \$17,931,830.

Table 5 provides a summary of the School District's outstanding long-term liabilities at June 30, 2024 with comparisons to June 30, 2023.

Table 5
Long-Term Liabilities at Year-End

	06/30/24	06/30/23	Variance	
			Dollars	%
General obligation bonds	\$ 2,245,000	\$ 2,520,000	\$ (275,000)	-10.91%
Net pension liability	1,255,384	1,298,623	(43,239)	-3.33%
Unamortized bond premium	66,026	77,030	(11,004)	-14.29%
Compensated absences	40,476	33,910	6,566	19.36%
	<u>\$ 3,606,886</u>	<u>\$ 3,929,563</u>	<u>\$ (322,677)</u>	-8.21%

For the Future

The District has committed itself to financial excellence. The School District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges of the future while increasing resources to best meet the needs of the students and to offer them opportunities to engage in the learning process. The safety and security of our students, staff, parents and community is always a priority for the District as we continue to look for ways to increase the security of our school buildings. As we move forward, the District will continue to increase and update the technologies that are currently available to our students and staff. We will continue setting goals and making decisions for our District that best serve the needs of our students. The areas identified in the Strategic Plan will help move our District forward and provide a roadmap for where the District will go in the future.

Contacting the School District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact Kirby Hendershot, Bethlehem Township Board of Education, 280 Asbury-West Portal Road, Asbury, New Jersey 08802.

DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,939,394	\$ 57,349	\$ 1,996,743
Receivables, net	124,736	311	125,047
Inventory	-	5,030	5,030
Restricted assets			
Capital reserve account - cash	2,886,438	-	2,886,438
Maintenance reserve account - cash	593,644	-	593,644
Student activities - cash	27,455	-	27,455
Capital assets, net			
Land and construction in progress	393,686	-	393,686
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	2,618,359	42,448	2,660,807
Total assets	<u>8,583,712</u>	<u>105,138</u>	<u>8,688,850</u>
Deferred outflows of resources			
Deferred amount on pension activity	249,981	-	249,981
Deferred amount on refunding bond issue	26,012	-	26,012
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>275,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>275,993</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	20,646	-	20,646
Accrued interest	39,726	-	39,726
Payroll deductions and withholdings payable	227,911	-	227,911
Unearned revenue	63,251	5,568	68,819
Long-term liabilities			
Due within one year	311,075	-	311,075
Due beyond one year	3,295,811	-	3,295,811
Total liabilities	<u>3,958,420</u>	<u>5,568</u>	<u>3,963,988</u>
Deferred inflows of resources			
Deferred amount on pension liability	<u>282,037</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>282,037</u>
Net position			
Net investment in capital assets	767,045	42,448	809,493
Restricted for			
Capital reserve fund	2,886,438	-	2,886,438
Maintenance reserve fund	593,644	-	593,644
Student activities	27,455	-	27,455
Unrestricted	344,666	57,122	401,788
Total net position	<u>\$ 4,619,248</u>	<u>\$ 99,570</u>	<u>\$ 4,718,818</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Functions/Programs	Direct Expenses	Indirect Expenses Allocation	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue & Changes in Net Position		
			Charges for Services	Operating Grants & Contribution	Capital Grants & Contribution	Governmental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total
Governmental activities								
Instruction								
Regular	\$ 2,099,750	\$ 1,758,886	\$ 120,292	\$ 168,466	\$ -	\$ (3,569,878)	\$ -	\$ (3,569,878)
Special education	954,149	827,137	-	2,993	-	(1,778,293)	-	(1,778,293)
Other special instruction	68,887	51,985	-	-	-	(120,872)	-	(120,872)
Other instruction	40,350	1,257	-	-	-	(41,607)	-	(41,607)
Support services								
Tuition	105,797	-	-	20,000	-	(85,797)	-	(85,797)
Students and instruction related services	1,356,599	690,816	23,046	197,279	-	(1,827,090)	-	(1,827,090)
General and business administration services	484,014	173,558	-	-	-	(657,572)	-	(657,572)
School administration services	190,781	113,933	-	-	-	(304,714)	-	(304,714)
Plant operations and maintenance	1,078,543	121,616	-	32,840	-	(1,167,319)	-	(1,167,319)
Pupil transportation	524,845	-	-	-	-	(524,845)	-	(524,845)
Interest on long-term debt	103,349	-	-	-	-	(103,349)	-	(103,349)
Total governmental activities	<u>7,007,064</u>	<u>3,739,188</u>	<u>143,338</u>	<u>421,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(10,181,336)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(10,181,336)</u>
Business-type activities								
Food service	162,547	-	112,517	58,452	-	-	8,422	8,422
Total business-type activities	<u>162,547</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>112,517</u>	<u>58,452</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,422</u>	<u>8,422</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 7,169,611</u>	<u>\$ 3,739,188</u>	<u>\$ 255,855</u>	<u>\$ 480,030</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(10,181,336)</u>	<u>8,422</u>	<u>(10,172,914)</u>
General revenues, special items and transfers								
Property taxes levied for general purposes						7,613,223	-	7,613,223
Property taxes levied for debt service						367,175	-	367,175
Federal and state aid not restricted						2,906,575	-	2,906,575
Investment earnings						103,276	758	104,034
Miscellaneous income						35,594	-	35,594
Total general revenues and special items						<u>11,025,843</u>	<u>758</u>	<u>11,026,601</u>
Change in net position						844,507	9,180	853,687
Net position - beginning						3,774,741	90,390	3,865,131
Net position - ending						<u>\$ 4,619,248</u>	<u>\$ 99,570</u>	<u>\$ 4,718,818</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Project Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,939,081	\$ 313	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,939,394
Receivables from other governments					
Federal	-	57,909	-	-	57,909
State	39,217	-	-	-	39,217
Other local governmental	19,775	-	-	-	19,775
Other accounts receivable	3,306	4,529	-	-	7,835
Restricted cash and equivalents	3,480,082	27,455	-	-	3,507,537
Total assets	\$ 5,481,461	\$ 90,206	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,571,667
Liabilities and fund balances					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 20,646	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,646
Payroll deductions and withholdings payable	227,911	-	-	-	227,911
Unearned revenue	500	62,751	-	-	63,251
Total liabilities	249,057	62,751	-	-	311,808
Fund balances					
Restricted fund balance					
Excess surplus - designated for subsequent year's expenditures	632,858	-	-	-	632,858
Excess surplus - current year	649,532	-	-	-	649,532
Capital reserve account	2,886,438	-	-	-	2,886,438
Maintenance reserve account	593,644	-	-	-	593,644
Student activities	-	27,455	-	-	27,455
Committed fund balance					
Year-end encumbrances	211,073	-	-	-	211,073
Assigned fund balance					
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures	49,999	-	-	-	49,999
Unassigned fund balance	208,860	-	-	-	208,860
Total fund balances	5,232,404	27,455	-	-	5,259,859
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 5,481,461	\$ 90,206	\$ -	\$ -	

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Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet (continued)
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Total
Governmental
Funds

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the
Statement of Net Position (A-1) are different because:

Capital assets used in government activities are not financial resources
and therefore are not reported in the funds. The cost of assets
is \$10,278,586 and the accumulated depreciation is \$7,266,541.

\$ 3,012,045

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources are applicable to future
periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

(6,044)

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.

(3,606,886)

Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds, but rather
is recognized as an expenditure when due.

(39,726)

Total net position of governmental activities

\$ 4,619,248

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues					
Local sources					
Local tax levy	\$ 7,613,223	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 367,175	\$ 7,980,398
Tuition - individuals	120,292	-	-	-	120,292
Interest income	103,276	-	-	-	103,276
Miscellaneous	35,594	28,010	-	-	63,604
Total local sources	7,872,385	28,010	-	367,175	8,267,570
State sources	2,518,578	19,253	-	-	2,537,831
Federal sources	-	397,361	-	-	397,361
Total revenues	10,390,963	444,624	-	367,175	11,202,762
Expenditures					
Current					
Instructional					
Regular instruction	1,970,091	129,659	-	-	2,099,750
Special education instruction	951,156	2,993	-	-	954,149
Other special instruction	68,887	-	-	-	68,887
Other instruction	40,350	-	-	-	40,350
Support service and undistributed costs					
Tuition	85,797	20,000	-	-	105,797
Student and instruction related services	1,138,814	217,785	-	-	1,356,599
General and business administrative services	484,014	-	-	-	484,014
School administrative services	190,781	-	-	-	190,781
Plant operations and maintenance	1,045,703	32,840	-	-	1,078,543
Pupil transportation	524,845	-	-	-	524,845
Unallocated benefits	3,331,258	-	-	-	3,331,258

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governmental Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances (continued)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Expenditures (cont'd)					
Capital outlay	\$ 126,438	\$ 38,807	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,245
Debt service					
Principal	-	-	-	275,000	275,000
Interest and other charges	22,885	-	-	92,175	115,060
Total expenditures	<u>9,981,019</u>	<u>442,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>367,175</u>	<u>10,790,278</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	409,944	2,540	-	-	412,484
Fund balances, July 1	<u>4,822,460</u>	<u>24,915</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,847,375</u>
Fund balances, June 30	<u><u>\$ 5,232,404</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 27,455</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,259,859</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

BETHLEHEM 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, 2024

Total net changes in fund balances - governmental fund (from B-2)	\$ 412,484
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (A-2) are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expenses. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeds depreciation in the period:

Capital outlays	\$ 165,245	
Depreciation expense	<u>(161,768)</u>	
		3,477

Repayment of bond principal and capital leases are expenditures in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and are not reported in the Statement of Activities:

Bond principal payments	275,000
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Governmental funds report the effect of bond issue premiums when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities:

Amortization of bond premium	11,004
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Governmental funds report district pension contributions as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported as pension expense.

	148,401
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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities (continued)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

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 a reconciling item. \$ 5,042

In the Statement of Activities, deferred outflows for refunding bond costs are amortized to current year expenses over the amortization period. (4,335)

In the Statement of Activities, compensated absences and early retirement benefits 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. (6,566)

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ 844,507

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Proprietary Funds
Statement of Fund Net Position
June 30, 2024

	<u>Food Service Fund</u>
Assets	
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 57,349
Receivables from other governments	
State	28
Federal	283
Inventory	5,030
Total current assets	<u>62,690</u>
Noncurrent assets	
Capital assets	193,372
Less: accumulated depreciation	150,924
Total noncurrent assets	<u>42,448</u>
Total assets	<u>105,138</u>
Liabilities	
Current liabilities	
Unearned revenues - commodities	2,200
Unearned revenues - prepaid sales	3,368
Total liabilities	<u>5,568</u>
Net position	
Net investment in capital assets	42,448
Unrestricted	57,122
Total net position	<u>\$ 99,570</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Proprietary Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Food Service Fund
Operating revenues	
Charges for services	
Daily sales - reimbursable program	\$ 71,057
Daily sales - nonreimbursable programs	41,460
Total operating revenues	<u>112,517</u>
Operating expenses	
Cost of sales - reimbursable programs	39,854
Cost of sales - nonreimbursable programs	18,441
Commodity food costs	12,069
Salaries	47,266
Employee benefits	7,105
Purchased professional/technical services	1,495
Purchased property services	7,926
Other purchased services	
Insurance	7,668
Management fee	11,600
General supplies	4,643
Depreciation	4,480
Total operating expenses	<u>162,547</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(50,030)</u>
Non-operating revenues (expenses)	
State sources	
State school lunch program	1,430
Federal sources	
National school lunch program	
Cash assistance	14,179
Non-cash assistance (commodities)	12,069
Supply chain assistance	13,150
P-EBT assistance	653
School equipment grant	16,961
Other sources	
Interest earned on investments	758
Miscellaneous	10
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>59,210</u>
Change in net position	9,180
Net position, beginning	<u>90,390</u>
Net position, ending	<u><u>\$ 99,570</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Proprietary Funds
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Food Service Fund
Cash flows from operating activities	
Receipts from customers (net)	\$ 112,922
Payments to Food Service Management Company	(136,247)
Payments to vendors (net)	(12,461)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>(35,786)</u>
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities	
State sources	1,437
Federal sources	45,217
Net interfund transactions	2,677
Miscellaneous	10
Net cash provided by (used for) non-capital financing activities	<u>49,341</u>
Cash flows from capital financing activities	
Acquisition of equipment	(16,806)
Net cash provided by (used for) capital financing activities	<u>(16,806)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities	
Interest earned on investments	758
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities	<u>758</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(2,493)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	<u>59,842</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	<u>\$ 57,349</u>
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (50,030)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	
Depreciation	4,480
Federal food donation program	12,069
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(3,512)
(Increase) decrease in inventory	1,492
Increase (decrease) in unearned revenues	(285)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>\$ (35,786)</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies

The financial statements of the Bethlehem Township School District (District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to local 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 accounting policies of the District are described below.

The Basic Financial Statements include:

A Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) providing an analysis of the District's over-all financial position and results of operations.

Basic Financial Statements prepared using full-accrual accounting for all of the District's activities.

A. Reporting entity

The District is a Type II district located in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey. As a Type II district, the School District functions independently through a Board of Education. The Board is comprised of seven members elected to three-year terms. The purpose of the District is to educate students in Grades K-8. The District had an approximate enrollment at June 30, 2024 of 383 students.

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

1. The Organization is legally separate (can sue or be sued in their own name).
2. The District holds the corporate powers of the Organization.
3. The District appoints a voting majority of the Organization's Board.
4. The District is able to impose its will on the Organization.
5. The Organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the District.
6. There is a fiscal dependency by the Organization on the District.

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

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

B. Government-wide and fund financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given program are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific program. Program revenues include 1) charges to students or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function.

Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. The District has elected to treat all of its governmental funds as major funds and they are reported as separate columns in the Fund Financial Statements.

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary Fund Financial Statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, early retirement, arbitrage rebates, and postemployment healthcare benefits, are recorded only when payment is due.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)

Property taxes, tuition and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. As under New Jersey State Statute, a municipality is required to remit to its school district the entire property tax balance, in the amount voted upon or certified prior to the end of the school year. The District records the entire approved tax levy as revenue (accrued) at the start of the fiscal year, since the revenue is both measurable and available. The District is entitled to receive moneys under the established payment schedule and the unpaid amount is considered to be accounts receivable. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when the District receives cash.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to students for tuition, fees, rental, material, supplies, or services, provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all property taxes, and unrestricted state aids.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations.

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

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - The general fund is the general operating fund of the 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, which are classified in the capital outlay sub-fund.

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

Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid, district taxes and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to fixed assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to current expense by Board Resolution.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)

As a result of implementing GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, amounts maintained for payroll withholdings for employee salary deductions are included in the general fund.

Special Revenue Fund - The District accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources from State and Federal Government (other than major capital projects, debt service or the enterprise funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes in the special revenue fund. As a result of implementing GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, amounts maintained for student activities and private purpose scholarships are included in the special revenue fund. The amounts are considered to be restricted and available to use for specific expenditures. Amounts maintained for student activities are derived from athletic events or other activities of pupil organizations and accumulated for payment of student group activities.

Capital Projects Fund - The capital projects fund is used to account for all financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds). The financial resources are derived from temporary notes or serial bonds that are specifically authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election.

The District did not utilize the capital projects fund during the fiscal year.

Debt Service Fund - The debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued to finance major property acquisition, construction and improvement programs.

Additionally, the District reports the following fund types:

Proprietary Fund types

Proprietary Fund - The focus of proprietary fund measurement is upon determination of net income, financial position and cash flows. The generally accepted accounting principles applicable are those similar to businesses in the private sector. The following is a description of the proprietary funds of the District.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)
C. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)
Proprietary Fund types (continued)

Enterprise Fund - The enterprise fund is utilized to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The stated intent is that the cost (i.e., expenses including depreciation and indirect costs) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or, where the 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 District's enterprise fund is comprised of the food service fund.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a current financial resource's measurement focus. This means that all assets and liabilities, whether current or noncurrent, associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (total net position) segregated into contributed capital and unreserved retained earnings, if applicable. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net 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	5 - 12 years
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Fiduciary fund types

The District does not have funds that meet the criteria of a fiduciary fund as defined by GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*.

D. Budgets/budgetary control

Annual appropriated budgets are prepared in the spring of each year for the general, special revenue, and debt service funds. The budgets are submitted to the County office and, if necessary, are voted upon at the annual school election in November. 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. 6:23-16.2(f)1. All budget amendments must be approved by School Board Resolution.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

D. Budgets/budgetary control (continued)

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

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

E. 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. Open encumbrances in governmental funds other than the special revenue fund are reported as reservations of fund balances at fiscal year-end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund for which the District has received advances are reflected in the Balance Sheet as unearned revenues at fiscal year-end.

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

F. Tuition receivable

Tuition charges were established by the Board of Education based on estimated costs. The charges are subject to adjustment when the final costs have been determined.

G. Tuition payable

Tuition charges for the fiscal year 2023-2024 are based on rates established by the receiving district. These rates are subject to change when the actual costs have been determined.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

H. Short-term interfund receivable/payables

Short-term interfund receivables and payables represent amounts that are owed, other than charges for goods or services rendered to/from a particular fund in the District and that are due within one year.

I. Inventories and prepaid items

Inventories and prepaid items, which benefit future periods, other than those recorded in the enterprise fund are recorded as expenditures during the year of purchase.

Enterprise fund inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method. The commodities inventory value at Balance Sheet date is reported as unearned revenue as title does not pass to the School District until the commodities are used. Prepaid items in the enterprise fund represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2024.

J. Capital assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles and furniture and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. The District defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$2,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

All reported capital assets, except for land and construction in progress, of the District are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	40
Building improvements & portable classroom	20 - 40
Land improvements	20
Furniture	20
Musical instruments	10
Athletic equipment	10
Maintenance equipment	15
Audio visual equipment	10
Office equipment	5 - 10
Computer equipment	5 - 10
Vehicles	5

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

K. Compensated absences

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

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

The liability for compensated absences was accrued using the vesting method, whereby the liability is calculated by vesting balances as of the Balance Sheet date for which a payment is probable. Salary related payments for the employer's share of Social Security and Medicare taxes are included.

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

L. Unearned revenue

Unearned revenue in the general fund and special revenue fund represents cash, which has been received but not yet earned. See Note 1 (E) regarding the special revenue fund.

Unearned revenue in the enterprise fund includes United States government commodity inventories at year-end. The aid revenue associated with this commodity inventory is deferred until it is used in the operations of the food service fund. Prepaid lunch debit card revenue balances at year-end are also included in unearned revenue.

M. Long-term obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and in internal service fund types in the Fund Financial Statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable Statement of Net Position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method which approximates the effective interest method.

In the Fund Financial Statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuance are reported as other financing uses.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

N. Net position

Net position represents the difference between the sum of assets and deferred outflows of resources, and the sum of liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. In the government-wide financial statements, net position is classified into the following three components:

- Net investment in capital assets - This component represents capital assets, less accumulated depreciation and 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 District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- Unrestricted - Net position is reported as unrestricted when it does not meet the criteria of the other two components of net position.

O. Fund balances - governmental funds

In the Fund Financial Statements, governmental funds report the following classifications of fund balance:

- Non-Spendable - includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not spendable in form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted - includes amounts restricted by external sources (creditors, laws of other governments, etc.) or by constitutional provision or enabling legislation.
- Committed - includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes. Committed fund balance is reported pursuant to resolutions passed by the Board of Education, the District's highest level of decision-making authority. Commitments may be modified or rescinded only through resolutions approved by the Board of Education.
- Assigned - includes amounts that the District intends to use for a specific purpose, but do not meet the definition of restricted or committed fund balance. Under the District's policy, amounts may be assigned by the Business Administrator.
- Unassigned - includes amounts that have not been assigned to other funds or restricted, committed or assigned to a specific purpose within the general fund. The District reports all amounts that meet the unrestricted General Fund Balance Policy described below as unassigned:

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

O. Fund balances - governmental funds (continued)

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balance are available, then the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed.

P. Use of estimates

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

Q. Allocation of indirect expenses

Certain expenses, which have not been charged to a specific function in the District's Fund Financial Statements, have been allocated to the functions for the government-wide statements. Employee benefits, on-behalf TPAF Pension contributions, reimbursed TPAF Social Security contributions and compensated absences accruals have been allocated based on salaries by function. Depreciation expense which was not specifically identified by function has been allocated based on the current year expenses by function.

R. Deferred outflows and 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. Currently, the District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category, which are deferred amount on pension activity and deferred amount on refunding bond issue. 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 future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category, deferred amount on pension liability.

Note 2 - Tax assessments and property taxes

Property valuations (assessments) are determined on true values as arrived at by a cost approach, market data approach and capitalization of net income where appropriate. Current assessments are the results of new assessments on a like basis with established comparable properties for newly assessed or purchased properties. This method assures equitable treatment to like property owners.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 2 - Tax assessments and property taxes (continued)

Upon the filing of certified adopted budgets by the Municipality, the Municipality's local school districts and the County, the tax rate is struck by the County Board of Taxation based on the certified amounts in each of the taxing districts for collection to fund the budgets. The statutory provision for the assessment of property, levying of taxes and the collection thereof are set forth in N.J.S.A. 54:4 et. seq. Special taxing districts are permitted in New Jersey for various special services rendered to the properties located within the special districts.

Tax bills are mailed annually in June. The taxes are due August 1 and November 1, respectively, and are adjusted to reflect the current fiscal year's total tax liability. The preliminary taxes due February 1 and May 1 of the succeeding fiscal year are based upon one-half of the current year's total tax.

School taxes are guaranteed, as to amount of collection, by the Municipality (the collection agency) and are transmitted to the School District in accordance with the Schedule of Tax Installments as certified by the School District's Board of Education on an annual basis.

Note 3 - Deposits and investments

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, and cash in banks. As of June 30, 2024, the District had no investments.

New Jersey Governmental Units are required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 to deposit public funds in a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State of New Jersey and organized under the laws of the United States or of the State of New Jersey or in the New Jersey Cash Management Fund. N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of investments which may be purchased by New Jersey Governmental Units. In addition, other state statutes permit investments in obligations issued by local authorities and other state agencies. The State of New Jersey does not place any limit on the amount that the District may invest with any one issuer.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et. 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 Act. Public depositories include savings and loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and saving banks the deposits of which are federally insured.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 3 - Deposits and investments (continued)

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

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits might not be recovered. The District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. New Jersey statutes require that cash be deposited only in New Jersey based banking institutions that participate in the New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA) or in qualified investments established in New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1(a) that are treated as cash equivalents. 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 District in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled trust funds, employee's salary withholdings, or funds that may pass to the District relative to the happening of a future condition.

As of June 30, 2024, the District's bank balances were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Insured by the FDIC	\$ 250,000
Insured by GUDPAS	4,438,924
Total	<u>\$ 4,688,924</u>

Deposits at June 30, 2024 appear in the financial statements as summarized below:

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Unrestricted cash		
Governmental funds, Balance Sheet	B-1	\$ 1,939,394
Enterprise funds, Statement of Net Position	B-4	57,349
Restricted cash		
Governmental funds, Balance Sheet	B-1	3,507,537
Total cash		<u>\$ 5,504,280</u>

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 4 - Capital assets

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

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 139,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 139,200
Construction in progress	281,432	101,354	128,300	254,486
Total	420,632	101,354	128,300	393,686
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Land improvements	482,120	7,234	-	489,354
Building & improvements	8,502,968	128,300	-	8,631,268
Furniture & equipment	707,621	56,657	-	764,278
Total	9,692,709	192,191	-	9,884,900
Accumulated depreciation				
Land improvements	449,198	3,041	-	452,239
Building & improvements	6,126,787	132,551	-	6,259,338
Furniture & equipment	528,788	26,176	-	554,964
Total	7,104,773	161,768	-	7,266,541
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	2,587,936	30,423	-	2,618,359
Transfers	-	(128,300)	(128,300)	-
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 3,008,568	\$ 3,477	\$ -	\$ 3,012,045
	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Business type activities				
Furniture & equipment	\$ 176,566	\$ 16,806	\$ -	\$ 193,372
Less: accumulated depreciation	146,444	4,480	-	150,924
Business type activities capital assets, net	\$ 30,122	\$ 12,326	\$ -	\$ 42,448

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 4 - Capital assets (continued)

Depreciation and amortization expense were charged to governmental functions in the current year as follows:

Instruction	
Regular	\$ 65,391
Special education	29,714
Other special instruction	2,145
Co-curricular activities	1,257
Support services	
Student & instruction	42,247
General & business administration	15,073
School administration	5,941
Total depreciation and amortization expense, governmental activities	<u>\$ 161,768</u>

Note 5 - Long-term debt

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

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental activities					
General obligation bonds payable	\$ 2,520,000	\$ -	\$ 275,000	\$ 2,245,000	\$ 285,000
Unamortized bond premium	77,030	-	11,004	66,026	11,004
PERS net pension liability	1,298,623	-	43,239	1,255,384	-
Compensated absences payable	33,910	6,566	-	40,476	15,071
Total governmental activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 3,929,563</u>	<u>\$ 6,566</u>	<u>\$ 329,243</u>	<u>\$ 3,606,886</u>	<u>\$ 311,075</u>

Payments on the general obligation bonds are made in the debt service fund from property taxes and state aid. The compensated absences liability is paid in the current expenditures budget of the District's general fund and the other long-term debts are amortized over a determined period.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 5 - Long-term debt (continued)

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation bonds outstanding as of June 30, 2024 including interest payments are listed as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 285,000	\$ 80,975	\$ 365,975
2026	295,000	69,375	364,375
2027	305,000	58,138	363,138
2028	320,000	47,200	367,200
2029	335,000	34,900	369,900
2030 - 2031	705,000	28,500	733,500
Total	\$ 2,245,000	\$ 319,088	\$ 2,564,088

General Obligation Bonds - General obligation school building bonds payable at June 30, 2024, with their outstanding balances are comprised of the following individual issues:

\$4,185,000 - 2015 refunding school bonds, interest at 3.50% to 4.00%, due in annual installments beginning July 15, 2016 to July 15, 2030.	\$ 2,245,000
Total	\$ 2,245,000

The general obligation bonded debt of the District is limited by state law to 3% of the average equalized assessed values of the total taxable property in the District for the past three years. The legal debt limit at June 30, 2024 is \$20,176,830. General obligation debt at June 30, 2024 is \$2,245,000, resulting in a legal debt margin of \$17,931,830.

Note 6 - Pension plans
Description of systems

Substantially all of the Board's employees participate in one of the following defined benefit public employee retirement systems which have been established by State statute: The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP). The PERS and TPAF systems are sponsored and administered by the State of New Jersey. The DCRP system is administered by Empower for the Division of Pensions and Benefits. The TPAF retirement system is considered a multiple-employer plan with a special funding situation, as under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on behalf of the Board and the system's other related non-contributing employers.

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Plan description

The State of New Jersey, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about PERS, please refer to Division's Comprehensive annual financial statements which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)
A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued)
Plan description (continued)

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All pension benefits vest after 10 years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier	Member Eligibility
1	Enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Enrolled on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Enrolled on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Enrolled on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Enrolled 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 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit 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 the respective tier.

Allocation methodology and reconciliation to financial statements

GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, requires participating employers in PERS to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective pension expense. The employer and nonemployer allocation percentages presented in the Schedule of Employer and Nonemployer Allocations and applied to amounts presented in the Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer and Nonemployer are based on the ratio of the contributions of an individual employer to the total contributions to PERS during the measurement period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Employer and nonemployer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes; therefore, amounts presented in the Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer and Nonemployer may result in immaterial differences. Contributions from employers are recognized when due, based on statutory requirements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued)

Allocation methodology and reconciliation to financial statements (continued)

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

To facilitate the separate (sub) actuarial valuations, the Division maintains separate accounts to identify additions, deductions, and fiduciary net position applicable to each group. The allocation percentages presented for each group in the Schedule of Employer and Nonemployer Allocations are applied to amounts presented in the Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer and Nonemployer. The allocation percentages for each group as of June 30, 2023 measurement date are based on the ratio of each employer's contributions to total employer contributions of the group for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 measurement date.

Contributions

The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for non-contributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For fiscal year 2023, the State's pension contribution was more than the actuarial determined amount.

The employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, PL 2009 provided an option for 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.

The District's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024 was 16.22% of the District's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)
A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued)
Contributions (continued)
The contribution rate 7.50% of base salary effective July 1, 2018.

Special funding situation

Under N.J.S.A. 43:15A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed that legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation, which legally obligates the State, is Chapter 366, P.L. 2001 and Chapter 133, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the Plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the Notes to the Financial Statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employer as well as revenue in an amount equal to the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

Collective net pension liability and actuarial information

The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for PERS as of measurement date June 30, 2023:

Net pension liability	\$ 1,255,384
Proportionate share	0.0086671633%

Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	65.23%
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The total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation rate	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%

Salary increases (based on years of service)	2.75 - 6.55%
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Investment rate of return	7.00%
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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued)

Collective net pension liability and actuarial information (continued)

Preretirement 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 generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

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

Long-term expected rate of return

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

Asset Class	Target Allocations	Long-Term Expected Rate of Return
U.S. equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-U.S. developed markets equity	12.75%	9.22%
International small cap equity	1.25%	9.22%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	11.13%
Private equity	13.00%	12.50%
Real estate	8.00%	8.58%
Real assets	3.00%	8.40%
High yield	4.50%	6.97%
Private credit	8.00%	9.20%
Investment grade credit	7.00%	5.19%
Cash equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Risk mitigation strategies	3.00%	6.21%

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued)

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of 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 projected benefit payments and the municipal bond rate was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the District as of June 30, 2023 measurement date, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1% point lower or 1% point higher than the current rate:

District's proportionate share of the net pension liability

At current discount rate (7.00%)	\$ 1,255,384
At a 1% lower rate (6.00%)	1,648,021
At a 1% higher rate (8.00%)	940,791

Collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources

At the June 30, 2023 measurement date, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 12,003	\$ 5,132
Changes of assumptions	2,758	76,082
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	5,781	-
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	113,600	200,823
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	115,839	-
Total	<u>\$ 249,981</u>	<u>\$ 282,037</u>

The amount 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 ended June 30, 2024, the Plan measurement date is June 30, 2023) of \$115,839 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

A. Public Employees' Retirement Systems (PERS) (continued)

Collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (continued)

The following presents a summary of changes in the collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (excluding employer specific amounts) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 measurement date:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Net Change in Activity</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Deferred outflows of resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 9,373	\$ 2,630	\$ 12,003
Changes of assumptions	4,024	(1,266)	2,758
Differences between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	53,749	(47,968)	5,781
Deferred inflows of resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	(8,266)	3,134	(5,132)
Changes of assumptions	(194,455)	118,373	(76,082)
Differences between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	-	-	-
Net changes	<u>\$ (135,575)</u>	<u>\$ 74,903</u>	<u>\$ (60,672)</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions (excluding employer specific amounts, deferrals from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date, and deferrals from change on proportion) will be recognized in pension expense (benefit) as follows:

State fiscal year ended June 30,

2024	\$ (66,281)
2025	(36,995)
2026	51,698
2027	(9,252)
2028	158
Total	<u>\$ (60,672)</u>

Changes in proportion

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 5.08, 5.04, 5.13, 5.16, 5.21, and 5.63 years for the 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, and 2018, respectively.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued)

Pension expense (benefit)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized net pension expense (benefit) of (\$32,563), which represents the District's proportionate share of allocable plan pension revenue of (\$12,654), plus the net amortization of deferred amounts from changes in proportion of (\$12,584), plus other adjustments to the net pension liability of (\$7,325). The components of allocable pension expense, which exclude amounts attributable to employer paid member contributions and pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers, for the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 measurement date are as follows:

Service cost	\$ 105,023
Interest on total pension liability	396,615
Benefit changes	-
Member contributions	(84,701)
Administrative expense	1,853
Expected investment return net of investment expense	(233,785)
Pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers	(1,561)
Recognition (amortization) of deferred inflows/outflows of resources	
Differences between projected and actual experience	6,847
Changes of assumptions	(191,517)
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	(11,428)
Pension expense (benefit)	<u>\$ (12,654)</u>

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)

Plan description

The State of New Jersey, Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special-funding situation, by which 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. TPAF is administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about TPAF, please refer to Division's annual financial statement which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml.

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. 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.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)
B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)
Plan description (continued)

The following represents the membership Tiers for TPAF:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Member Eligibility</u>
1	Enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Enrolled on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Enrolled on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Enrolled on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Enrolled 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 years or more of service credit before age 62, and Tier 5 before age 65 with 30 years or more 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 the respective tier.

Contributions

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

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)
B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)

Special funding situation

The employer contributions for local participating employers are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18:66-33. Therefore, these local participating employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute directly to the Plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers. However, the Notes to the Financial Statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employer as well as revenue in an amount equal to the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

During the state fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the State of New Jersey contributed \$1,175,923 to the TPAF for normal pension benefits on behalf of the District.

The contribution rate was 7.50% of base salary effective July 1, 2018.

Collective net pension liability and actuarial information

The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for TPAF for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 measurement date is as follows:

District proportionate share of net pension liability	\$ 22,047,864
Less: State proportionate share of net pension liability	7,645,213
Net pension liability	<u>\$ 14,402,651</u>

Proportionate share	0.0282224138%
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Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	34.68%
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Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)

Actuarial assumptions (continued)

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 (based on years of service)	2.75 - 4.25%

Investment rate of return	7.00%
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Preretirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality table with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

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

Long-term expected rate of return

In accordance with state statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2023 measurement date) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the Board of Trustees, and the Actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)
B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)

Long-term expected rate of return (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, 2023 measurement date are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocations</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Rate of Return</u>
U.S. equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-U.S. developed markets equity	12.75%	9.22%
International small cap equity	1.25%	9.22%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	11.13%
Private equity	13.00%	12.50%
Real estate	8.00%	8.58%
Real assets	3.00%	8.40%
High yield	4.50%	6.97%
Private credit	8.00%	9.20%
Investment grade credit	7.00%	5.19%
Cash equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Risk mitigation strategies	3.00%	6.21%

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make 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 after that date in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the District as of June 30, 2023 measurement date, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1% point lower or 1% point higher than the current rate:

District's proportionate share of the net pension liability

At current discount rate (7.00%)	\$ 14,402,651
At a 1% lower rate (6.00%)	16,983,339
At a 1% higher rate (8.00%)	12,229,098

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)

Pension expense (benefit)

The components of allocable pension expense (benefit), which pension expense (benefit) related to specific liabilities of individual employers, for the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 measurement date are as follows:

Service cost	\$ 384,451
Interest on total pension liability	1,484,781
Benefit changes	-
Member contributions	(262,926)
Administrative expense	3,827
Expected investment return net of investment expense	(480,179)
Pension expense related to specific liabilities of individual employers	(127)
Recognition (amortization) of deferred inflows/outflows of resources	
Differences between projected and actual experience	55,165
Changes of assumptions	(859,191)
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	28,030
Pension expense (benefit)	<u>\$ 353,831</u>

C. Defined Contribution Retirement Program

The Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) was established under the provisions Ch. 92, PL 2007 and expanded under the provisions of Ch. 89, PL 2008 and Ch. 1, PL 2010 to provide eligible members with a tax sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Employees eligible to enroll in the program include the following: First, employees enrolled in the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) or Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) on or after July 1, 2007 who earn salary in excess of maximum compensation limits. Also, employees otherwise eligible to enroll in the TPAF and PERS who do not earn the minimum salary (\$9,300 in 2024) but who earn salary of at least \$5,000 annually are eligible to participate. The Program Administrator, Empower, makes information regarding the program available on its New Jersey Defined Contribution Program website: njplans.empower-retirement.com.

Contribution rates for DCRP provide for employee contributions of 5.50% of annual contractual compensation as defined. The District's net contribution to the DCRP for fiscal year ended 2024 was \$4,731.

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Note 6 - Pension plans (continued)

D. Other pension plan information

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the State of New Jersey contributed \$323,443 to the TPAF for postretirement medical benefits, \$13,400 for non-contributory insurance premiums, \$484 for long-term disability insurance, and \$1,175,013 for normal costs and accrued liability costs on behalf of the Board. Also, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:66-66 the State of New Jersey reimbursed the Board \$250,139 during the year ended June 30, 2024 for the employer's share of Social Security contributions for TPAF members calculated on their base salaries. These amounts have been included in the financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group statements and schedules as revenues and expenditures in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68.

Note 7 - Postretirement benefits

The State Health Benefit State Retired Employees Plan (State Retired OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan with a special funding situation. The State Retired OPEB Plan is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*. The State Retired OPEB Plan is treated as a cost-sharing multiple employer plan with a special funding situation for allocating the total OPEB liability and related OPEB amounts since each employer mentioned above is required to issue stand-alone financial statements. The State Retired OPEB Plan provides medical, prescription drug, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and the covered dependents of the employees. The State also offers dental care to retirees, however, since dental benefits are completely paid for by the retirees, there is no OPEB liability for these benefits. In fiscal year 2022, the State paid OPEB benefits for 161,238 state and local retirees.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32, the State is required to pay the premiums or periodic charges for health benefits of state employees who retire with 25 years or more of service credit in, or retires on a disability pension from, one or more of the following Plans: the Judicial Retirement System (JRS), the State Police Retirement System (SPRS), the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS), and the Alternate Benefit Program (ABP).

The employer contributions for the participating local education employers are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32f. According to this law, 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: TPAF, PERS, PFRS, or ABP.

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Note 7 - Postretirement benefits (continued)

Pursuant to P.L.2011, c.78, future retirees eligible for postemployment medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

The State is legally required to pay for the OPEB benefit coverage for the participating local education employers. Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. The State, as a non-employer contributing entity, reported a fiscal year 2023 total OPEB liability of \$52,361,668,239 for this special funding situation.

Additional information on Pensions and OPEB can be accessed at <https://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/gasb-notices-opeb.shtml>.

Total OPEB liability

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

Under a special funding situation, the State, a non-employer contributing entity, is the only entity that has a legal obligation to make employer contributions to OPEB for qualified retired PERS and TPAF participants. Accordingly, the District did not recognize any portion of the collective net OPEB liability on the Statement of Net Position. Therefore, the following OPEB liability note information is reported at the State's level and is not accrued by the District.

For purposes of reporting required GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, the District's proportionate share of allocable OPEB liability and employer OPEB expense and related revenue as of June 30, 2023 measurement date is as follows:

State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability	\$ 52,361,668,239
District's proportionate share of the State's OPEB liability	19,301,008
Employer OPEB expense and related revenue	30,251
Allocable proportionate percentage	0.0368609493%

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Note 7 - Postretirement benefits (continued)
Changes in the total OPEB liability

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
Total OPEB liability at June 30, 2022	\$ 18,836,783
Service cost	629,052
Interest cost	679,758
Change of benefit terms	-
Differences between expected and actual experiences	(371,026)
Changes of assumptions	38,903
Member contributions	17,420
Gross benefit payments	(529,882)
Total OPEB liability at June 30, 2023	<u>\$ 19,301,008</u>

There were no changes of the benefit terms from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.54% as of the June 30, 2022 plan measurement date to 3.65% as of the June 30, 2023 plan measurement date.

The total non-employer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

	<u>TPAF</u>	<u>PERS</u>
	(based on years of service)	(based on years of service)
Salary increases	2.75% - 4.25%	2.75% - 6.55%

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

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

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Note 7 - Postretirement benefits (continued)

Changes in the total OPEB liability (continued)

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

Health care trend assumptions

For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 6.50% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after nine years. For post-65 PPO, the trend is increasing to 14.80% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For HMO the trend is increasing to 17.40% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 9.50% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after seven years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.00%.

Discount rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2023 was 3.65%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the Division. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rates

The following presents the total non-employer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2023 measurement date, using the District's allocable proportionate percentage, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the total non-employer OPEB liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1% point lower or 1% point higher than the current rate:

Total OPEB liability (school retirees)

At current discount rate (3.65%)	\$ 19,301,008
At a 1% lower rate (2.65%)	22,627,118
At a 1% higher rate (4.65%)	16,630,528

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the total non-employer OPEB liability, as well as what the total non-employer OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

Total OPEB liability (school retirees)

Healthcare cost trend rate	\$ 19,301,008
At a 1% lower rate (1% decrease)	16,022,812
At a 1% higher rate (1% increase)	23,590,536

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Note 7 - Postretirement benefits (continued)

OPEB expense and deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$30,251 determined by the State as the total OPEB liability for benefits provided through a defined benefit OPEB Plan that is not administered through a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 and in which there is a special funding situation.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, the District's proportionate share of school retirees OPEB is zero, there is no recognition of the allocation of proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources.

Note 8 - Deferred compensation

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

Equitable
 Lincoln Financial Group
 Metlife
 Orion
 Vanguard

Note 9 - Inventory

Inventory in the food service fund as of June 30, 2024 consisted of the following:

Food	\$ 3,475
Supplies	1,555
Total	<u>\$ 5,030</u>

Note 10 - Contingent liabilities

Grantor agencies

Amounts received, or are receivables, from grantor agencies could be subject to audit and adjusted by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may result in a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the Grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the District expects such amount, if any, to be immaterial.

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Note 11 - Risk management

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

Property and Liability Insurance - The District maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, and student accident and surety bonds. There was no significant reduction in insurance coverage from coverage of the prior year. The District did not have any insurance settlements which exceeded insurance coverage for the past year. A complete Schedule of Insurance Coverage can be found in the Statistical Section of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance - The District has elected to fund its NJ Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the Contributory Method. Under this Plan, the District is required to remit the entire employee deduction of unemployment compensation to the State. Any claims for unemployment are paid for by the State from those funds.

Note 12 - Reserve accounts

A capital reserve account was established by the 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 District's approved Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and updated annually in the Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC). Upon submission of the LRFP to the Department of Education, a district may increase the balance in the capital reserve by appropriating funds in the annual general fund budget certified for taxes. A district may also appropriate additional amounts when the express approval of the voters has been obtained either by a separate proposal at budget time or by a special question at one of the four special elections authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:60-2. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-9.1(d)1, the balance in the account cannot at any time exceed the local support costs of uncompleted capital projects in its approved LRFP.

Districts are allowed as per N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41(a) and 41(b) to deposit to the reserves by Board Resolution during the month of June for any unanticipated revenue and/or unexpended line-item appropriation amounts. The following schedule is a summarization of the reserve accounts for the current fiscal year:

Reserve Type	Beginning Balance	District Contrib.	Interest Earnings	Return Unused Withdrawal	Withdrawal	Ending Balance
Capital	\$ 2,469,455	\$ 500,000	\$ 34,983	\$ -	\$ 118,000	\$ 2,886,438
Maintenance	593,530	176,524	8,594	-	185,004	593,644
Total	<u>\$ 3,062,985</u>	<u>\$ 676,524</u>	<u>\$ 43,577</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 303,004</u>	<u>\$ 3,480,082</u>

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Note 13 - Fund balance

As described in Note 1 (O) fund balance may be restricted, committed or assigned. An analysis of the general fund balance on June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Restricted

Excess surplus - designated for subsequent year's expenditures.

Amount appropriated in the succeeding year's budget to reduce tax requirements.	\$ 632,858
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Excess surplus - represents amount in excess of allowable percentage of expenditures. In accordance with state statute, the excess surplus is designated for utilization in succeeding year's budgets.	649,532
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Capital reserve account - represents funds restricted to capital projects in the Districts long range facilities plan.	2,886,438
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Maintenance reserve account - represents funds accumulated for the required maintenance of a facility in accordance with the EFCFA (N.J.S.A. 18A:76-9).	593,644
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Committed

Year-end encumbrance - represents fund balance assigned for purchase orders that have been issued but goods or services were not received as of June 30.	211,073
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Assigned

Designated surplus - designated for subsequent year's expenditures - represents amount appropriated in the succeeding year's budget to reduce tax requirements.	49,999
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Unassigned

Undesignated - represents fund balance which has not been restricted or designated.	277,193
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Total fund balance - budgetary basis (Exhibit C-1)	5,300,737
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Last state aid payments not recognized on GAAP basis	(68,333)
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Total fund balance - GAAP basis (Exhibit B-1)	<div style="border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black; display: inline-block; width: 100%;">\$ 5,232,404</div>
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Note 14 - Calculation of excess surplus

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-7, as amended by PL 2004, Ch. 73 (S1701), the designation for Reserved Fund Balance - Excess Surplus is a required calculation pursuant to the New Jersey Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996 (CEIFA). New Jersey school districts are required to reserve general fund, fund balance at the fiscal year-end of June 30, if they did not appropriate a required minimum amount as budgeted fund balance in their subsequent years' budget. The excess fund balance at June 30, 2024 is \$649,532.

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Note 15 - Recent accounting pronouncements not yet effective

The following is of recent accounting pronouncements which are not yet effective as of the year-end date of this report:

In June 2022, GASB issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. This statement is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023. The District is evaluating the effect of the pronouncement on financial reporting.

In December 2023, GASB issued Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*. This statement is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2024. The District is evaluating the effect of the pronouncement on financial reporting.

In April 2024, GASB issued Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*. This statement is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2025. The District is evaluating the effect of the pronouncement on financial reporting.

Note 16 - Subsequent events

The District has evaluated subsequent events through November 18, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued and no additional items were noted for disclosure.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART II

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Unaudited			Variance	
	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Final to Actual
Revenue					
Local sources					
Local tax levy	\$ 7,613,223	\$ -	\$ 7,613,223	\$ 7,613,223	\$ -
Tuition from individuals	121,000	-	121,000	120,292	(708)
Unrestricted miscellaneous revenues	8,000	-	8,000	95,293	87,293
Interest earned on maintenance reserve	1,500	-	1,500	8,594	7,094
Interest earned on capital reserve funds	5,000	-	5,000	34,983	29,983
Total	7,748,723	-	7,748,723	7,872,385	123,662
State sources					
School Choice Aid	72,138	-	72,138	72,138	-
Categorical Transportation Aid	113,737	-	113,737	113,737	-
Extraordinary Aid	-	-	-	21,733	21,733
Categorical Special Education Aid	303,137	-	303,137	303,137	-
Equalization Aid	179,557	-	179,557	179,557	-
Categorical Security Aid	37,641	-	37,641	37,641	-
Other State Aid	-	-	-	5,460	5,460
State reimbursements from Securing Our Children's					
Future Bond Act	-	-	-	14,488	14,488
TPAF Pension (on-behalf)	-	-	-	1,175,013	1,175,013
TPAF Non-contributory insurance	-	-	-	13,400	13,400
TPAF Social Security (reimbursed)	-	-	-	250,139	250,139
TPAF Postretirement benefits	-	-	-	323,443	323,443
TPAF Long-term disability insurance	-	-	-	484	484
Total	706,210	-	706,210	2,510,370	1,804,160
Total revenues	\$ 8,454,933	\$ -	\$ 8,454,933	\$ 10,382,755	\$ 1,927,822
Expenditures					
Current					
Instruction - regular program					
Salaries of Teachers					
Preschool	\$ 97,780	\$ -	\$ 97,780	\$ 96,981	\$ 799
Kindergarten	154,515	-	154,515	144,922	9,593
Grades 1-5	906,878	(26,000)	880,878	817,910	62,968
Grades 6-8	735,036	44,625	779,661	750,029	29,632
Home instruction					
Salaries of teacher	17,000	(3,050)	13,950	-	13,950
Purchased professional - educational services	3,000	3,050	6,050	1,932	4,118
Regular programs - undistributed instruction					
Purchased technical services	61,250	(9,500)	51,750	39,910	11,840
Other purchased services	12,000	-	12,000	9,357	2,643
General supplies	149,044	(13,639)	135,405	107,638	27,767
Textbooks	30,000	-	30,000	1,392	28,608
Other objects	3,000	-	3,000	20	2,980
Total	2,169,503	(4,514)	2,164,989	1,970,091	194,898

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
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	Unaudited			Variance	
	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Final to Actual
Special education					
Emotional Regulation Impairment					
Salaries of Teachers	\$ 68,489	\$ -	\$ 68,489	\$ 63,922	\$ 4,567
Other salaries for instruction	25,850	-	25,850	24,649	1,201
Total	94,339	-	94,339	88,571	5,768
Resource room/resource center					
Salaries of Teachers	833,724	(59,961)	773,763	713,530	60,233
Other salaries for instruction	41,830	(10,285)	31,545	28,907	2,638
Purchased professional - educational services	-	45,000	45,000	36,062	8,938
Other purchased services	2,400	-	2,400	-	2,400
General supplies	4,500	-	4,500	2,642	1,858
Total	882,454	(25,246)	857,208	781,141	76,067
Preschool disabilities - part-time					
Salaries of Teachers	32,000	-	32,000	-	32,000
Other salaries for instruction	50,798	14,702	65,500	63,104	2,396
General supplies	500	-	500	-	500
Total	83,298	14,702	98,000	63,104	34,896
Home instruction					
Salaries of teachers	27,000	-	27,000	14,940	12,060
Purchased professional-educational services	6,000	-	6,000	3,400	2,600
Total	33,000	-	33,000	18,340	14,660
Total special education	1,093,091	(10,544)	1,082,547	951,156	131,391
Basic skills/remedial					
Salaries of Teachers	69,185	-	69,185	68,887	298
General supplies	2,000	-	2,000	-	2,000
Total	71,185	-	71,185	68,887	2,298
School-sponsored co/extra curricular activities - instruction					
Salaries	45,073	-	45,073	14,904	30,169
Purchased services	1,000	-	1,000	60	940
Supplies and materials	7,000	-	7,000	-	7,000
Total	53,073	-	53,073	14,964	38,109
School-sponsored athletics - instruction					
Salaries	20,389	-	20,389	16,537	3,852
Purchased services	5,500	109	5,609	5,608	1
Supplies and materials	6,500	(56)	6,444	3,241	3,203
Other objects	500	-	500	-	500
Total	32,889	53	32,942	25,386	7,556
Total instruction regular	\$ 3,419,741	\$ (15,005)	\$ 3,404,736	\$ 3,030,484	\$ 374,252

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
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	Unaudited				Variance
	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Final to Actual
Undistributed expenditures					
Undistributed expenditures - instruction					
Tuition to other LEAs within the state - special	\$ 38,775	\$ (38,774)	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ -
Tuition to priv. school for the disabled w/i state	50,000	46,774	96,774	85,796	10,978
Total	88,775	8,000	96,775	85,797	10,978
Undistributed expenditures - attendance & social work					
Salaries	71,300	670	71,970	71,970	-
Total	71,300	670	71,970	71,970	-
Undistributed expenditures - health services					
Salaries	145,578	-	145,578	142,131	3,447
Purchased professional and technical services	16,000	-	16,000	8,667	7,333
Other purchased services	600	-	600	123	477
Supplies and materials	6,300	-	6,300	1,833	4,467
Other objects	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
Total	169,478	-	169,478	152,754	16,724
Undistributed expenditures - speech, ot, pt & related services					
Salaries	75,346	1	75,347	73,346	2,001
Purchased professional - educational services	70,000	(20,888)	49,112	9,440	39,672
Supplies and materials	1,600	(1)	1,599	377	1,222
Total	146,946	(20,888)	126,058	83,163	42,895
Undistributed expend - other supp. service stds. - extra service					
Salaries	57,480	(32,917)	24,563	21,120	3,443
Purchased professional - educational services	-	42,000	42,000	14,396	27,604
Total	57,480	9,083	66,563	35,516	31,047
Undistributed expenditures - guidance					
Salaries of other Professional Staff	128,678	-	128,678	127,678	1,000
Purchased professional - educational services	2,600	-	2,600	-	2,600
Other purchased professional & technical services	19,700	-	19,700	16,306	3,394
Other purchased services	1,000	(25)	975	-	975
Supplies and materials	1,500	25	1,525	808	717
Other objects	400	-	400	-	400
Total	153,878	-	153,878	144,792	9,086
Undistributed expenditures - child study teams					
Salaries of other Professional Staff	315,322	(95,233)	220,089	220,089	-
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	24,000	(1,000)	23,000	22,690	310
Purchased professional - educational services	9,000	111,301	120,301	102,800	17,501
Other purchased professional & technical services	8,400	-	8,400	8,259	141
Other purchased services	7,850	-	7,850	4,853	2,997
Supplies and materials	4,689	-	4,689	3,901	788
Other objects	2,200	(1,067)	1,133	1,060	73
Total	371,461	14,001	385,462	363,652	21,810

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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	Unaudited				Variance
	Original	Budget	Final		Final
	Budget	Transfers	Budget	Actual	to Actual
Undistributed expenditures - improvement of inst. service					
Salaries of supervisor of instruction	\$ 148,274	\$ (20,350)	\$ 127,924	\$ 101,565	\$ 26,359
Salaries of other professional staff	-	8,000	8,000	3,735	4,265
Other salaries	8,000	(8,000)	-	-	-
Other purchased services	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
Supplies and materials	750	-	750	-	750
Other objects	900	1,350	2,250	2,210	40
Total	158,924	(19,000)	139,924	107,510	32,414
Undistributed expenditures - edu. media service/sch. library					
Salaries	81,264	-	81,264	81,264	-
Salaries of technology coordinators	85,790	(10,000)	75,790	75,790	-
Purchased professional and technical services	28,658	(12,400)	16,258	7,832	8,426
Other purchased services	8,700	-	8,700	5,983	2,717
Supplies and materials	16,000	(4,657)	11,343	2,956	8,387
Other objects	1,000	-	1,000	80	920
Total	221,412	(27,057)	194,355	173,905	20,450
Undistributed expenditures - instructional staff training services					
Other purchased professional & technical services	8,000	-	8,000	1,263	6,737
Other purchased services	20,000	-	20,000	2,799	17,201
Supplies and materials	3,000	-	3,000	1,490	1,510
Other objects	3,000	-	3,000	-	3,000
Total	34,000	-	34,000	5,552	28,448
Undistributed expenditures - support service - general admin.					
Salaries	134,000	(1,100)	132,900	112,966	19,934
Legal services	36,000	(1,705)	34,295	32,155	2,140
Audit fees	23,500	(2,000)	21,500	21,500	-
Architectural/engineering services	3,500	3,000	6,500	3,325	3,175
Other purchased professional services	9,332	(7,919)	1,413	1,360	53
Purchased technical services	5,000	6,500	11,500	11,459	41
Communications/telephone	37,000	17,760	54,760	50,119	4,641
BOE other purchased services	3,700	(920)	2,780	2,687	93
Miscellaneous purchased services	14,000	13,174	27,174	27,083	91
General supplies	500	(370)	130	77	53
BOE in-house training/meeting supplies	200	-	200	-	200
Miscellaneous expenditures	3,500	1,250	4,750	4,740	10
BOE membership dues and fees	5,800	(770)	5,030	5,019	11
Total	276,032	26,900	302,932	272,490	30,442
Undistributed expenditures - support service - school admin.					
Salaries of Principals/Assistant Principals	80,724	12,117	92,841	89,129	3,712
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical assistants	91,023	883	91,906	91,906	-
Purchased professional and technical services	-	3,487	3,487	3,462	25
Other purchased services	1,200	-	1,200	720	480
Supplies and materials	2,000	1,000	3,000	1,554	1,446
Other objects	1,000	-	1,000	860	140
Total	175,947	17,487	193,434	187,631	5,803

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Unaudited				Variance
	Original	Budget	Final	Actual	Final
	Budget	Transfers	Budget		to Actual
Undistributed expenditures - central services					
Salaries	\$ 175,840	\$ (1,225)	\$ 174,615	\$ 174,397	\$ 218
Purchased professional services	11,830	19,855	31,685	30,147	1,538
Purchased technical services	1,000	3,100	4,100	4,100	-
Miscellaneous purchased services	1,800	(1,455)	345	345	-
Supplies and materials	1,500	(750)	750	738	12
Other objects	1,600	200	1,800	1,797	3
Total	193,570	19,725	213,295	211,524	1,771
Undistributed expenditures - admin. info. technology					
Purchased professional services	4,000	-	4,000	3,150	850
Total	4,000	-	4,000	3,150	850
Undistributed expenditures - required maint. for school facilities					
Salaries	94,000	-	94,000	93,600	400
Cleaning, repair, and maintenance services	187,666	189,919	377,585	226,085	151,500
Lead testing in water	54,000	-	54,000	46,553	7,447
General supplies	36,206	(5,060)	31,146	31,123	23
Other objects	-	125	125	125	-
Total	371,872	184,984	556,856	397,486	159,370
Undistributed expenditures - custodial services					
Salaries	251,482	1,191	252,673	240,443	12,230
Purchased professional and technical services	47,450	(27,956)	19,494	10,505	8,989
Cleaning, repair, and maintenance service	44,000	-	44,000	29,032	14,968
Other purchased property services	8,559	-	8,559	1,707	6,852
Insurance	70,000	(12,000)	58,000	56,003	1,997
Miscellaneous purchased services	5,000	-	5,000	41	4,959
General supplies	32,129	182	32,311	29,369	2,942
Energy (electricity)	116,632	1,550	118,182	108,182	10,000
Energy (oil)	160,000	(25,225)	134,775	109,062	25,713
Energy (gasoline)	3,000	-	3,000	1,216	1,784
Other objects	5,600	(1,625)	3,975	493	3,482
Total	743,852	(63,883)	679,969	586,053	93,916
Undistributed expenditures - care and upkeep of grounds					
Salaries	12,000	3,429	15,429	15,429	-
Cleaning, repair, and maintenance service	33,634	10,020	43,654	35,720	7,934
General supplies	15,000	(10,020)	4,980	3,014	1,966
Total	60,634	3,429	64,063	54,163	9,900
Undistributed expenditures - security					
Purchased professional and technical services	15,000	(2,575)	12,425	5,522	6,903
General supplies	5,000	-	5,000	2,479	2,521
Total	20,000	(2,575)	17,425	8,001	9,424

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Unaudited				Variance
	Original	Budget	Final		Final
	Budget	Transfers	Budget	Actual	to Actual
Undistributed expenditures - student transportation service					
Management fee - ESC & CTSA trans. program	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ 18,000	\$ 15,349	\$ 2,651
Contract serv. - aid in lieu pymts. - non-public schools	11,000	-	11,000	8,155	2,845
Contract serv. - aid in lieu pymts. - choice school students	8,000	-	8,000	5,495	2,505
Contract serv. (oth. than between home & school) - vend.	25,000	-	25,000	21,731	3,269
Contract service (sp ed stds) - joint agreements	-	31,168	31,168	31,168	-
Contract serv. (reg. students) - ESCs & CTSA's	385,750	(18,811)	366,939	355,730	11,209
Contract serv. (spl. ed. students) - ESCs & CTSA's	100,758	(12,582)	88,176	87,217	959
Total	548,508	(225)	548,283	524,845	23,438
Unallocated benefits - employee benefits					
Social Security contributions	100,000	-	100,000	93,696	6,304
Other retirement contributions - PERS	123,000	(3,200)	119,800	115,839	3,961
Other retirement contributions - ERIP	5,000	-	5,000	3,504	1,496
Unemployment compensation	27,250	-	27,250	18,473	8,777
Workmen's compensation	60,000	(6,100)	53,900	40,625	13,275
Health benefits	1,509,058	(10,000)	1,499,058	1,259,871	239,187
Tuition reimbursement	40,000	-	40,000	2,810	37,190
Other employee benefits	32,350	17,200	49,550	19,961	29,589
Unused sick payment to terminated/retired staff	14,150	-	14,150	14,000	150
Total	1,910,808	(2,100)	1,908,708	1,568,779	339,929
On-behalf TPAF Pension contribution	-	-	-	1,175,013	(1,175,013)
On-behalf TPAF Non-contributory insurance	-	-	-	13,400	(13,400)
On-behalf TPAF Postretirement medical benefits	-	-	-	323,443	(323,443)
On-behalf TPAF Long-term disability insurance	-	-	-	484	(484)
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security contribution	-	-	-	250,139	(250,139)
Total	-	-	-	1,762,479	(1,762,479)
Total undistributed expenditures	\$ 5,778,877	\$ 148,551	\$ 5,927,428	\$ 6,801,212	\$ (873,784)
Total current	\$ 9,198,618	\$ 133,546	\$ 9,332,164	\$ 9,831,696	\$ (499,532)
Capital outlay					
Equipment					
Undistributed					
Undistributed expenditures - admin. info. technology	\$ 11,500	\$ 4,457	\$ 15,957	\$ 15,957	\$ -
Undistributed expenditures - req. maint. for school facilities	-	1,893	1,893	1,893	-
Undistributed expenditures - care and upkeep of grounds	-	7,234	7,234	7,234	-
Total equipment	11,500	13,584	25,084	25,084	-
Facilities acquisition and construction service					
Architectural/engineering services	-	120,500	120,500	95,351	25,149
Other purchased professional and technology services	6,003	-	6,003	6,003	-
Assessment for debt service on SDA funding	22,885	-	22,885	22,885	-
Capital outlay - transfer to capital projects	123,500	(2,500)	121,000	-	121,000
Total facilities acquisition and construction service	152,388	118,000	270,388	124,239	146,149
Total capital outlay	\$ 163,888	\$ 131,584	\$ 295,472	\$ 149,323	\$ 146,149
Total expenditures	\$ 9,362,506	\$ 265,130	\$ 9,627,636	\$ 9,981,019	\$ (353,383)

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Unaudited			Variance
	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Final to Actual
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ (907,573)	\$ (265,130)	\$ (1,172,703)	\$ 401,736
Other financing sources (uses)				
Capital reserve - transfer to capital projects fund	(526,500)	-	(526,500)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(526,500)	-	(526,500)	-
Excess (deficiency) of revenues & other financing sources over (under) expenditures & other financing uses	(1,434,073)	(265,130)	(1,699,203)	401,736
Fund balances, July 1	4,899,001	-	4,899,001	4,899,001
Fund balances, June 30	\$ 3,464,928	\$ (265,130)	\$ 3,199,798	\$ 5,300,737
Recapitulation of excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures				
Adjustment for prior year encumbrances	\$ (112,886)	\$ -	\$ (112,886)	\$ (112,886)
Increase in capital reserve	-	500,000	500,000	500,000
Interest deposit to capital reserve	5,000	-	5,000	34,983
Withdrawal from capital reserve	(526,500)	(118,000)	(644,500)	(118,000)
Increase in maintenance reserve	-	176,524	176,524	176,524
Interest earned on maintenance reserve	1,500	-	1,500	8,594
Withdrawal from maintenance reserve	(47,000)	(138,004)	(185,004)	(185,004)
Budgeted fund balance	(754,187)	(685,650)	(1,439,837)	97,525
Total	\$ (1,434,073)	\$ (265,130)	\$ (1,699,203)	\$ 401,736
Recapitulation of fund balance				
Restricted fund balance				
Excess surplus - designated for subsequent year's expenditures				\$ 632,858
Excess surplus - current year				649,532
Capital reserve				2,886,438
Maintenance reserve				593,644
Committed fund balance				
Year-end encumbrances				211,073
Assigned fund balance				
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures				49,999
Unassigned fund balance				277,193
Fund balance per budgetary basis				5,300,737
Reconciliation to governmental statements (GAAP)				
Last state aid payments not recognized on GAAP basis				(68,333)
Fund balance per governmental funds (GAAP)				\$ 5,232,404

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget	Unaudited Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Revenues					
Local sources	\$ 30,746	\$ -	\$ 30,746	\$ 28,010	\$ (2,736)
State sources	8,171	-	8,171	8,171	-
Federal sources	430,401	(17,188)	413,213	358,673	(54,540)
Total revenues	<u>\$ 469,318</u>	<u>\$ (17,188)</u>	<u>\$ 452,130</u>	<u>\$ 394,854</u>	<u>\$ (57,276)</u>
Expenditures					
Instruction					
Salaries	\$ 36,196	\$ 16,600	\$ 52,796	\$ 46,509	\$ 6,287
Purchased professional and technical services	15,000	(1,605)	13,395	13,395	-
General supplies	89,226	(28,470)	60,756	28,932	31,824
Total	<u>140,422</u>	<u>(13,475)</u>	<u>126,947</u>	<u>88,836</u>	<u>38,111</u>
Support services					
Tuition	20,000	-	20,000	20,000	-
Salaries	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Employee benefits	20,340	(16,346)	3,994	3,588	406
Purchased professional and technical services	155,614	18,238	173,852	171,106	2,746
Plant operations and maintenance	16,253	16,918	33,171	32,840	331
Other purchased services	27,940	(5,989)	21,951	6,269	15,682
Supplies and materials	27,720	(10,276)	17,444	17,444	-
Student activities	20,506	-	20,506	20,506	-
Total	<u>289,373</u>	<u>2,545</u>	<u>291,918</u>	<u>272,753</u>	<u>19,165</u>
Capital outlay					
Facilities	36,983	(36,983)	-	-	-
Instructional Equipment	-	30,725	30,725	30,725	-
Total	<u>36,983</u>	<u>(6,258)</u>	<u>30,725</u>	<u>30,725</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 466,778</u>	<u>\$ (17,188)</u>	<u>\$ 449,590</u>	<u>\$ 392,314</u>	<u>\$ 57,276</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ 2,540	\$ -	\$ 2,540	\$ 2,540	\$ -
Fund balances, July 1	24,915	-	24,915	24,915	-
Fund balances, June 30	<u>\$ 27,455</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 27,455</u>	<u>\$ 27,455</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Recapitulation of fund balance					
Restricted fund balance					
Student activities				\$ 27,455	
Fund balance per budgetary basis				<u>\$ 27,455</u>	

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information - Part II
Budget-to-GAAP Reconciliation
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Explanation of Differences Between Budgetary Inflows and
Outflows and GAAP Revenues and Expenditures

Sources/Inflows of Resources	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenues" from the budgetary comparison schedules	\$ 10,382,755	\$ 394,854
Difference - Budget to GAAP		
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures and the related revenue is recognized:		
Outstanding encumbrances - prior year	-	51,813
Outstanding encumbrances - current year	-	(2,043)
Differences - Budget to GAAP		
The last state aid payment is recognized as revenue for budgetary purposes, and differs from GAAP which does not		
State aid receivable prior year	76,541	-
State aid receivable current year	(68,333)	-
Total revenues (GAAP basis)	<u>\$ 10,390,963</u>	<u>\$ 444,624</u>
Uses/Outflows of Resources		
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ 9,981,019	\$ 392,314
Difference - Budget to GAAP		
Grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that encumbrances are recognized as expenditures and the related revenue is recognized:		
Outstanding encumbrances - prior year	-	51,813
Outstanding encumbrances - current year	-	(2,043)
Total expenditures (GAAP basis)	<u>\$ 9,981,019</u>	<u>\$ 442,084</u>

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART III

**SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING
AND REPORTING FOR PENSIONS (GASB 68)
(UNAUDITED)**

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Public Employees Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		District's covered employee payroll	District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as as a percentage of the total pension liability
	Percentage	Value			
2015	0.0096650000%	\$ 2,169,545	\$ 651,632	332.94%	47.93%
2016	0.0098270000%	2,910,353	848,259	343.10%	40.14%
2017	0.0091820000%	2,137,312	619,919	344.77%	48.10%
2018	0.0085200000%	1,677,596	668,514	250.94%	53.60%
2019	0.0098170000%	1,768,810	667,589	264.95%	53.60%
2020	0.0101590000%	1,656,737	548,749	301.91%	56.27%
2021	0.0079417395%	940,818	587,518	160.13%	70.33%
2022	0.0086050648%	1,298,623	586,625	221.37%	62.91%
2023	0.0086671633%	1,255,384	662,668	189.44%	65.23%
2024	N/A	N/A	714,216	N/A	N/A

N/A = Information not available

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of District's Contributions
Public Employees Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Contractually required contribution	Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	Contribution deficiency (excess)	District's covered employee payroll	Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll
2015	\$ 57,276	\$ (57,276)	\$ -	\$ 651,632	8.79%
2016	66,894	(66,894)	-	848,259	7.89%
2017	87,298	(87,298)	-	619,919	14.08%
2018	85,057	(85,057)	-	668,514	12.72%
2019	80,895	(80,895)	-	667,589	12.12%
2020	96,219	(96,219)	-	548,749	17.53%
2021	111,139	(111,139)	-	587,518	18.92%
2022	93,007	(93,007)	-	586,625	15.85%
2023	108,514	(108,514)	-	662,668	16.38%
2024	115,839	(115,839)	-	714,216	16.22%

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Proportionate share of net pension liability (asset)				District's covered employee payroll	District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	Plan fiduciary
	District's proportion		State's proportion	Total		as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	as a percentage of the total pension liability
	Percentage	Value					
2015	0.00%	\$ -	\$20,332,072	\$ 20,332,072	\$ 3,662,906	0.00%	28.71%
2016	0.00%	-	23,741,616	23,741,616	3,882,933	0.00%	22.33%
2017	0.00%	-	30,142,183	30,142,183	3,726,028	0.00%	25.41%
2018	0.00%	-	24,990,083	24,990,083	3,518,154	0.00%	26.49%
2019	0.00%	-	23,661,714	23,661,714	3,700,476	0.00%	26.95%
2020	0.00%	-	21,878,027	21,878,027	3,424,523	0.00%	24.60%
2021	0.00%	-	22,393,537	22,393,537	3,403,285	0.00%	35.52%
2022	0.00%	-	16,463,982	16,463,982	3,211,417	0.00%	32.29%
2023	0.00%	-	15,964,423	15,964,423	3,416,175	0.00%	34.68%
2024	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3,489,892	N/A	N/A

N/A = Information not available

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of District's Contributions
Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Contractually required contribution	Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	Contribution deficiency (excess)	District's covered employee payroll	Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll
2015	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ 3,662,906	N/A
2016	\$ 201,875	\$ (201,875)	\$ -	3,882,933	5.20%
2017	305,512	(305,512)	-	3,726,028	8.20%
2018	416,199	(416,199)	-	3,518,154	11.83%
2019	562,237	(562,237)	-	3,700,476	15.19%
2020	716,771	(716,771)	-	3,424,523	20.93%
2021	770,620	(770,620)	-	3,403,285	22.64%
2022	1,003,593	(1,003,593)	-	3,211,417	31.25%
2023	1,295,007	(1,295,007)	-	3,416,175	37.91%
2024	1,175,923	(1,175,923)	-	3,489,892	33.70%

N/A = Information not available

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**SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR
OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (GASB 75)
(UNAUDITED)**

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Other
Postemployment Employee Benefits Liability
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Proportionate share of other postemployment employee benefits liability (asset)			Total	District's covered employee payroll	District's proportion of the other postemployment employee liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total other postemployment employee benefits liability
	District's proportion		State's proportion				
	Percentage	Value					
2015	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2016	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2017	0.04%	\$ -	\$ 22,220,743	\$ 22,220,743	\$ 4,345,947	0.00%	0.00%
2018	0.04%	-	19,036,892	19,036,892	4,186,668	0.00%	0.00%
2019	0.04%	-	16,701,808	16,701,808	4,368,065	0.00%	0.00%
2020	0.04%	-	26,963,329	26,963,329	3,973,272	0.00%	0.00%
2021	0.04%	-	22,193,148	22,193,148	3,990,803	0.00%	0.00%
2022	0.00%	-	18,836,783	18,836,783	3,798,042	0.00%	0.00%
2023	0.00%	-	19,301,008	19,301,008	4,078,843	0.00%	0.00%
2024	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

N/A = Information not available

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information - Part III
(Unaudited)
June 30, 2024

- Note 1 - Special funding situation - PERS, TPAF and other postretirement benefits
The participating employer allocations included in the supplemental Schedule of Employer Special Funding Allocations and the supplemental Schedule of Special Funding Amounts by Employer for each local employer are provided as each local employer is required to record in their financial statements, as an expense and corresponding revenue, their proportionate share of the pension expense and other postretirement benefits (OPEB) expense allocated to the State of New Jersey (the State) under the special-funding situation and include their proportionate share of the net pension liability and OPEB liability in their respective notes to their financial statements. For this purpose, the proportionate share was developed based on actual contributions made to the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and for OPEB allocated to employers based upon covered payroll and adjusted by expected State Early Retirement Incentive contributions for the respective fiscal year.
- Note 2 - Changes in assumptions - TPAF
The discount rate was 7.00% in state fiscal year 2022 and 7.00% in state fiscal year 2023. The inflation rate was 2.75% in state fiscal year 2022 and 2.75% in state fiscal year 2023.
- Note 3 - Changes in assumptions - PERS
The discount rate was 7.00% in state fiscal year 2022 and 7.00% in state fiscal year 2023. The inflation rate was 2.75% for state fiscal year 2022 and 2.75% for state fiscal year 2023.
- Note 4 - Changes in assumptions - other postretirement employee benefits
The other postretirement employee benefits discount rate increased from 3.54% in state fiscal year 2022 to 3.65% in state fiscal year 2023.
- Note 5 - Changes in healthcare trend assumptions - other postretirement employee benefits
For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 6.50% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after nine years. For post-65 PPO, the trend is increasing to 14.80% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For HMO the trend is increasing to 17.40% in fiscal year 2026 and decreases to 4.50% in fiscal year 2033. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 9.50% and decreases to a 4.50% long-term trend rate after seven years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.00%.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted expenditures for specific purposes.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Schedule of Program Revenues
and Expenditures - Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	IDEA Basic	ESSA Title IIA	Small Rural School Achievement	CRRSA Learning Acceleration	CRRSA Mental Health	ARP ESSER	ARP Accelerated Learning
Revenues							
Local sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal sources	105,626	9,081	35,654	4,063	37,101	42,409	28,612
Total revenues	<u>\$ 105,626</u>	<u>\$ 9,081</u>	<u>\$ 35,654</u>	<u>\$ 4,063</u>	<u>\$ 37,101</u>	<u>\$ 42,409</u>	<u>\$ 28,612</u>
Expenditures							
Instruction							
Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,898	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Purchased professional and technical services	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,395
General supplies	2,993	-	4,929	-	-	1,560	15,217
Total	<u>2,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,929</u>	<u>1,898</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,560</u>	<u>28,612</u>
Support services							
Tuition	20,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Employee benefits	-	-	-	145	-	-	-
Purchased professional and technical services	82,633	9,081	-	-	32,852	-	-
Plant operations & maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	24,669	-
Other purchased services	-	-	-	2,020	4,249	-	-
Supplies and materials	-	-	-	-	-	16,180	-
Student activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>102,633</u>	<u>9,081</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,165</u>	<u>37,101</u>	<u>40,849</u>	<u>-</u>
Capital							
Instructional equipment	-	-	30,725	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,725</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 105,626</u>	<u>\$ 9,081</u>	<u>\$ 35,654</u>	<u>\$ 4,063</u>	<u>\$ 37,101</u>	<u>\$ 42,409</u>	<u>\$ 28,612</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fund balances, July 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balances, June 30	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund
Combining Schedule of Program Revenues
and Expenditures - Budgetary Basis (continued)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	ARP Summer Learning	ARP Beyond the School Day	NJTSS Mental Health	SDA Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs	Local	Student Activities	Total
Revenues							
Local sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,964	\$ 23,046	\$ 28,010
State sources	-	-	-	8,171	-	-	8,171
Federal sources	34,684	16,443	45,000	-	-	-	358,673
Total revenues	<u>\$ 34,684</u>	<u>\$ 16,443</u>	<u>\$ 45,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,171</u>	<u>\$ 4,964</u>	<u>\$ 23,046</u>	<u>\$ 394,854</u>
Expenditures							
Instruction							
Salaries	\$ 29,362	\$ 15,249	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 46,509
Purchased professional and technical services	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,395
General supplies	1,533	-	-	-	2,700	-	28,932
Total	<u>30,895</u>	<u>15,249</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,836</u>
Support services							
Tuition	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,000
Salaries	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000
Employee benefits	2,249	1,194	-	-	-	-	3,588
Purchased professional and technical services	1,540	-	45,000	-	-	-	171,106
Plant operations & maintenance	-	-	-	8,171	-	-	32,840
Other purchased services	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,269
Supplies and materials	-	-	-	-	1,264	-	17,444
Student activities	-	-	-	-	-	20,506	20,506
Total	<u>3,789</u>	<u>1,194</u>	<u>45,000</u>	<u>8,171</u>	<u>2,264</u>	<u>20,506</u>	<u>272,753</u>
Capital							
Instructional equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,725
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,725</u>
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 34,684</u>	<u>\$ 16,443</u>	<u>\$ 45,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,171</u>	<u>\$ 4,964</u>	<u>\$ 20,506</u>	<u>\$ 392,314</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,540	\$ 2,540
Fund balances, July 1	-	-	-	-	-	24,915	24,915
Fund balances, June 30	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 27,455</u>	<u>\$ 27,455</u>

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LONG-TERM DEBT SCHEDULES

The Long-Term Debt Schedules are used to reflect the outstanding principal balances of the general long-term liabilities of the School District. This includes serial bonds outstanding, obligations under leases, and early retirement program.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Long-Term Debt
Schedule of Serial Bonds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Issue	Date of Issue	Amount of Issue	Annual Maturities		Interest Rate	Balance 07/01/23	Issued	Retired	Balance 06/30/24
			Date	Amount					
Refunding school bonds	09/23/15	\$ 4,185,000	07/01/24	\$ 285,000	4.00%	\$ 2,520,000	\$ -	\$ 275,000	\$ 2,245,000
			07/01/25	295,000	4.00%	-	-	-	-
			07/01/26	305,000	3.50%	-	-	-	-
			07/01/27	320,000	3.50%	-	-	-	-
			07/01/28	335,000	4.00%	-	-	-	-
			07/01/29	345,000	4.00%	-	-	-	-
			07/01/30	360,000	4.00%	-	-	-	-
						<u>\$ 2,520,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 275,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,245,000</u>

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Debt Service Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget	Unaudited Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Revenues					
Local sources					
Local tax levy	\$ 367,175	\$ -	\$ 367,175	\$ 367,175	\$ -
Total revenues	<u>367,175</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>367,175</u>	<u>367,175</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditures					
Regular debt service					
Redemption of principal	275,000	-	275,000	275,000	-
Interest	92,175	-	92,175	92,175	-
Total expenditures	<u>367,175</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>367,175</u>	<u>367,175</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	-	-	-	-	-
Fund balance, July 1	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, June 30	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

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STATISTICAL SECTION

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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The District implemented GASB Statement No. 84 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Schedules presenting information relating to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84 include information beginning in that year.	

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Net Position by Component
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Government activities										
Net investment in capital assets	\$ (640,224)	\$ (1,110,056)	\$ (975,308)	\$ (952,366)	\$ (431,608)	\$ (306,579)	\$ (377,859)	\$ 164,225	\$ 488,568	\$ 767,045
Restricted	1,521,231	1,608,402	2,260,175	2,457,545	2,046,195	2,830,486	3,783,256	2,528,805	3,087,900	3,507,537
Unrestricted	(1,202,858)	(1,424,424)	(1,950,014)	(2,066,543)	(2,082,356)	(2,087,136)	(1,930,275)	199,334	198,273	344,666
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ (321,851)</u>	<u>\$ (926,078)</u>	<u>\$ (665,147)</u>	<u>\$ (561,364)</u>	<u>\$ (467,769)</u>	<u>\$ 436,771</u>	<u>\$ 1,475,122</u>	<u>\$ 2,892,364</u>	<u>\$ 3,774,741</u>	<u>\$ 4,619,248</u>
Business-type activities										
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 27,798	\$ 18,850	\$ 9,902	\$ 954	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,509	\$ 30,122	\$ 42,448
Unrestricted	4,119	5,732	13,902	11,300	24,113	9,266	28,263	61,180	60,268	57,122
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 31,917</u>	<u>\$ 24,582</u>	<u>\$ 23,804</u>	<u>\$ 12,254</u>	<u>\$ 24,113</u>	<u>\$ 9,266</u>	<u>\$ 28,263</u>	<u>\$ 79,689</u>	<u>\$ 90,390</u>	<u>\$ 99,570</u>
District-wide										
Net investment in capital assets	\$ (612,426)	\$ (1,091,206)	\$ (965,406)	\$ (951,412)	\$ (431,608)	\$ (306,579)	\$ (377,859)	\$ 182,734	\$ 518,690	\$ 809,493
Restricted	1,521,231	1,608,402	2,260,175	2,457,545	2,046,195	2,830,486	3,783,256	2,528,805	3,087,900	3,507,537
Unrestricted	(1,198,739)	(1,418,692)	(1,936,112)	(2,055,243)	(2,058,243)	(2,077,870)	(1,902,012)	260,514	258,541	401,788
Total district-wide	<u>\$ (289,934)</u>	<u>\$ (901,496)</u>	<u>\$ (641,343)</u>	<u>\$ (549,110)</u>	<u>\$ (443,656)</u>	<u>\$ 446,037</u>	<u>\$ 1,503,385</u>	<u>\$ 2,972,053</u>	<u>\$ 3,865,131</u>	<u>\$ 4,718,818</u>

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Note: During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Changes in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Expenses										
Governmental activities										
Instruction										
Regular	\$ 2,095,271	\$ 2,987,788	\$ 2,260,986	\$ 2,318,242	\$ 2,456,745	\$ 2,149,969	\$ 4,066,162	\$ 4,319,817	\$ 3,737,634	\$ 3,858,636
Special education	1,056,010	904,462	1,063,857	1,109,866	1,088,811	1,052,072	1,775,231	1,687,431	1,863,993	1,781,286
Other special education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	185,485	110,598	120,872
Other instruction	103,156	65,713	60,770	53,738	59,300	47,664	165,139	133,253	83,501	41,607
Support services										
Tuition	275,132	246,456	116,256	128,441	216,469	73,463	34,219	109,483	38,016	105,797
Student and instruction related services	1,305,143	1,313,893	1,324,260	1,366,766	1,336,029	1,231,166	1,406,660	2,200,393	2,020,125	2,047,415
School administration	317,282	324,371	242,766	196,022	209,436	207,763	409,687	311,578	350,847	304,714
General and business administrative services	440,920	523,004	359,429	413,745	447,528	377,970	448,979	494,139	547,237	657,572
Plant operations and maintenance	820,342	684,671	923,373	1,031,927	988,659	769,233	1,109,931	1,176,744	1,228,160	1,200,159
Other support services	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,048,994	-	-	-
Unallocated depreciation and amortization	193,241	575,754	89,936	110,190	116,046	96,239	-	-	-	-
Pupil transportation	398,963	445,733	474,508	493,277	514,597	392,734	460,856	393,302	410,079	524,845
Unallocated benefits	2,242,219	2,580,456	4,828,108	5,076,082	4,177,272	3,482,374	-	-	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	217,332	193,088	124,074	121,993	119,215	115,581	88,403	102,898	114,333	103,349
Total governmental activities expenses	9,465,011	10,845,389	11,868,323	12,420,289	11,730,107	9,996,228	11,014,261	11,114,523	10,504,523	10,746,252
Business-type activities										
Food services	105,558	99,266	104,045	118,598	93,731	93,817	80,295	110,393	148,613	162,547
Total business-type activities	105,558	99,266	104,045	118,598	93,731	93,817	80,295	110,393	148,613	162,547
Total district expenses	\$ 9,570,569	\$ 10,944,655	\$ 11,972,368	\$ 12,538,887	\$ 11,823,838	\$ 10,090,045	\$ 11,094,556	\$ 11,224,916	\$ 10,653,136	\$ 10,908,799

Note: During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Changes in Net Position (continued)
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Program revenues										
Governmental activities										
Charges for services										
Regular instruction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 152,439	\$ 121,533	\$ 143,338
Operating grants and contributions	1,370,193	1,594,724	3,471,069	3,473,946	2,567,025	1,835,011	154,263	168,365	189,891	421,578
Total governmental activities	1,370,193	1,594,724	3,471,069	3,473,946	2,567,025	1,835,011	154,263	320,804	311,424	564,916
Business-type activities										
Charges for services										
Food service	76,612	72,715	82,004	86,438	84,785	57,758	-	988	95,440	112,517
Operating grants and contributions	18,332	19,181	21,210	20,491	20,624	21,077	99,293	139,454	63,348	58,452
Total business-type activities	94,944	91,896	103,214	106,929	105,409	78,835	99,293	140,442	158,788	170,969
Total district-wide program revenues	\$ 1,465,137	\$ 1,686,620	\$ 3,574,283	\$ 3,580,875	\$ 2,672,434	\$ 1,913,846	\$ 253,556	\$ 461,246	\$ 470,212	\$ 735,885
Net (expense) revenues										
Governmental activities	\$ (8,094,818)	\$ (9,250,665)	\$ (8,397,254)	\$ (8,946,343)	\$ (9,163,082)	\$ (8,161,217)	\$ (10,859,998)	\$ (10,793,719)	\$ (10,193,099)	\$ (10,181,336)
Business-type activities	(10,614)	(7,370)	(831)	(11,669)	11,678	(14,982)	18,998	30,049	10,175	8,422
Total district-wide net expenses	\$ (8,105,432)	\$ (9,258,035)	\$ (8,398,085)	\$ (8,958,012)	\$ (9,151,404)	\$ (8,176,199)	\$ (10,841,000)	\$ (10,763,670)	\$ (10,182,924)	\$ (10,172,914)

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Changes in Net Position (continued)
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General revenues and other changes in net position										
Governmental activities										
Property taxes levied for general purposes, net	\$ 6,899,434	\$ 7,038,822	\$ 7,038,822	\$ 7,038,272	\$ 7,038,272	\$ 7,179,037	\$ 7,463,944	\$ 7,463,944	\$ 7,463,944	\$ 7,613,223
Taxes levied for debt service	398,425	399,900	363,825	363,937	364,825	363,562	361,875	363,275	367,975	367,175
Unrestricted grants and contributions	1,136,502	1,118,661	1,124,182	1,541,033	1,598,984	1,369,481	3,999,888	4,106,403	3,157,449	2,906,575
Investment earnings	7,159	9,770	13,337	29,935	35,693	29,435	1,999	474	37,956	103,276
Miscellaneous income	46,621	79,287	35,083	76,950	218,906	90,130	70,645	29,869	48,152	35,594
Special item - loss on disposal of capital assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,800)	-	-
Total governmental activities	8,488,141	8,646,440	8,575,249	9,050,127	9,256,680	9,031,645	11,898,351	11,961,165	11,075,476	11,025,843
Business-type activities										
Investment earnings	45	35	52	119	180	135	-	2	526	758
Total business-type activities	45	35	52	119	180	135	-	2	526	758
Total district-wide	\$ 8,488,186	\$ 8,646,475	\$ 8,575,301	\$ 9,050,246	\$ 9,256,860	\$ 9,031,780	\$ 11,898,351	\$ 11,961,167	\$ 11,076,002	\$ 11,026,601
Change in net position										
Governmental activities	\$ 393,323	\$ (604,225)	\$ 177,995	\$ 103,784	\$ 93,598	\$ 870,428	\$ 1,038,353	\$ 1,167,446	\$ 882,377	\$ 844,507
Business-type activities	(10,569)	(7,335)	(779)	(11,550)	11,858	(14,847)	18,998	30,051	10,701	9,180
Total district	\$ 382,754	\$ (611,560)	\$ 177,216	\$ 92,234	\$ 105,456	\$ 855,581	\$ 1,057,351	\$ 1,197,497	\$ 893,078	\$ 853,687

Note: During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General fund										
Restricted	\$ 1,047,082	\$ 1,226,832	\$ 2,240,484	\$ 2,361,554	\$ 2,024,197	\$ 2,722,940	\$ 3,733,760	\$ 4,066,890	\$ 4,450,030	\$ 4,762,472
Committed	174,147	628	76,251	2,306	-	18,079	6,940	208,978	112,886	211,073
Assigned	300,000	380,942	19,691	95,991	24,304	73,435	8,419	-	50,805	49,999
Unassigned	402,264	482,694	120,939	198,833	199,408	201,550	212,937	253,299	208,739	208,860
Total general fund	<u>\$ 1,923,493</u>	<u>\$ 2,091,096</u>	<u>\$ 2,457,365</u>	<u>\$ 2,658,684</u>	<u>\$ 2,247,909</u>	<u>\$ 3,016,004</u>	<u>\$ 3,962,056</u>	<u>\$ 4,529,167</u>	<u>\$ 4,822,460</u>	<u>\$ 5,232,404</u>
						*				
All other governmental funds										
Restricted, reported in										
Special revenue fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,111	\$ 34,137	\$ 31,726	\$ 24,915	\$ 27,455
Assigned, reported in										
Debt service fund	2	438	438	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total all other governmental funds	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>\$ 438</u>	<u>\$ 438</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 34,111</u>	<u>\$ 34,137</u>	<u>\$ 31,726</u>	<u>\$ 24,915</u>	<u>\$ 27,455</u>
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* as restated

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenues										
Tax levy	\$ 7,297,859	\$ 7,438,722	\$ 7,402,647	\$ 7,402,209	\$ 7,403,097	\$ 7,542,599	\$ 7,825,819	\$ 7,827,219	\$ 7,831,919	\$ 7,980,398
Tuition charges	17,721	31,018	25,086	54,856	68,598	4,900	62,075	142,172	112,448	120,292
Interest income	7,159	9,770	13,337	29,935	35,693	29,435	1,999	474	37,956	103,276
Miscellaneous	19,773	41,580	3,947	22,094	151,279	94,590	15,141	46,136	67,492	63,604
Rents and royalties	9,127	7,025	6,050	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State sources	2,345,679	2,561,051	2,595,247	2,814,728	2,911,971	2,686,775	2,806,279	2,849,554	2,623,204	2,537,831
Federal sources	161,015	151,998	137,562	162,888	165,679	54,286	147,691	162,365	173,176	397,361
Total revenues	9,858,333	10,241,164	10,183,876	10,486,710	10,736,317	10,412,585	10,859,004	11,027,920	10,846,195	11,202,762
Expenditures										
Instruction										
Regular instruction	2,151,468	2,257,366	2,314,545	2,174,996	2,308,847	2,061,235	2,013,701	2,052,351	1,993,390	1,970,091
Special education instruction	1,056,010	904,462	928,420	1,109,866	1,088,811	1,052,072	1,043,297	831,747	938,305	951,156
Other special instruction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,408	63,661	68,887
Other instruction	103,156	65,713	60,770	53,738	59,300	47,664	39,843	50,467	70,089	40,350
Support services										
Tuition	275,132	246,456	116,256	128,441	216,469	73,463	4,419	64,366	23,016	85,797
Student and instructional related services	1,305,143	1,313,893	1,324,260	1,353,806	1,336,029	1,231,166	1,322,150	1,218,793	1,169,613	1,138,814
General administration	283,585	232,718	204,591	229,545	258,835	188,850	199,116	184,583	201,161	272,491
School administration services	317,282	324,371	250,266	196,022	209,436	207,763	209,558	197,641	219,512	190,781
Central services	157,335	171,680	144,350	160,004	165,484	169,872	180,504	167,311	190,086	211,523
Administration info technology	-	3,455	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plant operations and maintenance	818,529	932,714	923,373	1,031,927	988,659	769,233	804,826	1,075,947	1,126,602	1,045,703
Pupil transportation	398,963	445,733	474,508	493,277	514,597	392,734	447,256	393,302	410,079	524,845
Unallocated benefits	1,443,254	1,552,267	1,643,107	1,722,203	1,722,824	1,656,059	1,693,139	1,647,674	1,623,901	1,568,779
On-behalf TPAF pension and Social Security contribution	800,583	938,436	1,030,244	1,171,327	1,309,217	1,279,770	1,572,645	1,821,127	1,723,578	1,762,479
Capital outlay	61,673	284,395	39,089	96,301	603,757	150,608	20,597	128,300	210,073	126,438
Special revenue funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	181,043	205,787	442,084
Debt service										
Principal	200,000	210,000	220,000	225,000	230,000	235,000	240,000	250,000	265,000	275,000
Interest and other charges	198,425	228,258	143,825	139,375	134,825	129,000	121,875	136,160	125,860	115,060
Total expenditures	9,570,538	10,111,917	9,817,604	10,285,828	11,147,090	9,644,489	9,912,926	10,463,220	10,559,713	10,790,278

Note: During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (continued)
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ 287,795	\$ 129,247	\$ 366,272	\$ 200,882	\$ (410,773)	\$ 768,096	\$ 946,078	\$ 564,700	\$ 286,482	\$ 412,484
Other financing sources (uses)										
Proceeds from refunding bond issue	-	4,537,870	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payment to refunding bond escrow agent	-	(4,499,075)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	38,795	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	\$ 287,795	\$ 168,042	\$ 366,272	\$ 200,882	\$ (410,773)	\$ 768,096	\$ 946,078	\$ 564,700	\$ 286,482	\$ 412,484
Debt service as a percentage of non-capital expenditures	4.37%	4.67%	3.86%	3.71%	3.58%	3.99%	3.80%	3.88%	3.92%	3.80%

Source: District Records

Note: 1) Non-capital expenditures are total expenditures less capital outlay.
2) During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 84.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund - Other Local Revenues by Source
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Interest on investments	\$ 7,159	\$ 9,770	\$ 13,337	\$ 29,935	\$ 35,693	\$ 29,435	\$ 1,999	\$ 474	\$ 37,956	\$ 103,276
Refund prior year expenditures	12,693	17,134	2,083	15,487	143,055	18,299	7,460	271	21,837	20,332
Rentals	9,129	7,025	6,050	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	7,079	24,109	1,864	1,451	7,252	66,931	1,109	500	9,765	13,030
Tuition - individuals	17,721	31,018	25,086	54,856	68,598	4,900	62,075	117,172	103,918	120,292
Tuition - Other LEAs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,000	8,530	-
Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,073	-	-
Summer camp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,575	16,550	-
SHIF wellness	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,450	-	2,232
Annual totals	<u>\$ 53,781</u>	<u>\$ 89,056</u>	<u>\$ 48,420</u>	<u>\$ 101,729</u>	<u>\$ 254,598</u>	<u>\$ 119,565</u>	<u>\$ 72,643</u>	<u>\$ 172,515</u>	<u>\$ 198,556</u>	<u>\$ 259,162</u>

Source: District Records

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,									
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Vacant land	\$ 6,106,000	\$ 6,711,400	\$ 5,901,100	\$ 5,892,300	\$ 5,281,300	\$ 5,431,300	\$ 5,806,600	\$ 5,605,500	\$ 5,259,100	\$ 4,991,600
Residential	450,125,100	452,135,100	451,871,100	451,422,100	450,237,599	448,095,799	447,171,699	446,228,899	446,973,699	446,767,800
Farm regular	41,193,900	40,529,300	41,376,000	41,290,500	42,283,600	42,752,400	43,546,400	44,637,100	45,287,300	45,824,900
Q farm	1,886,428	1,856,328	1,880,228	1,878,528	1,917,128	2,054,400	1,975,800	2,180,100	2,059,000	2,058,900
Commercial	20,757,500	20,757,500	20,518,000	21,607,500	21,607,500	21,607,500	21,384,100	21,384,100	21,384,100	21,434,100
Industrial	6,990,400	6,990,400	7,195,700	7,093,800	7,093,800	7,093,800	7,093,800	7,093,800	7,093,800	7,086,000
Total assessed value	527,059,328	528,980,028	528,742,128	529,184,728	528,420,927	527,035,199	526,978,399	527,129,499	528,056,999	528,163,300
Public utilities (a)	4,909,700	97	95	95	-	-	-	94	94	94
Net valuation taxable	<u>\$ 531,969,028</u>	<u>\$ 528,980,125</u>	<u>\$ 528,742,223</u>	<u>\$ 529,184,823</u>	<u>\$ 528,420,927</u>	<u>\$ 527,035,199</u>	<u>\$ 526,978,399</u>	<u>\$ 527,129,593</u>	<u>\$ 528,057,093</u>	<u>\$ 528,163,394</u>
Estimated actual county equalized value	<u>\$ 559,565,542</u>	<u>\$ 559,565,542</u>	<u>\$ 554,383,796</u>	<u>\$ 562,254,223</u>	<u>\$ 562,821,678</u>	<u>\$ 568,377,301</u>	<u>\$ 590,902,924</u>	<u>\$ 612,300,607</u>	<u>\$ 671,999,355</u>	<u>\$ 734,887,149</u>
Percentage of net valuation to estimated actual equalized value	<u>95.07%</u>	<u>94.53%</u>	<u>95.37%</u>	<u>94.12%</u>	<u>93.89%</u>	<u>92.73%</u>	<u>89.18%</u>	<u>86.09%</u>	<u>78.58%</u>	<u>71.87%</u>
Total direct school tax rate (b)	<u>\$ 1.409</u>	<u>\$ 1.400</u>	<u>\$ 1.400</u>	<u>\$ 1.399</u>	<u>\$ 1.428</u>	<u>\$ 1.485</u>	<u>\$ 1.485</u>	<u>\$ 1.486</u>	<u>\$ 1.511</u>	<u>\$ 1.540</u>

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 the County Board of Taxation requests Treasury to order a reassessment.

- (a) Taxable value of machinery, implements and equipment of telephone and messenger system companies.
(b) Tax rates are per \$100.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Value)

Assessment Year	School District Direct Rate			Regional School Rate	Overlapping Rates		Total Direct & Overlapping Tax Rate
	Basic	General	(From J-6)				
	Rate (a)	Obligation Debt Service (b)	Total Direct School Tax Rate		Municipality	County	
2015	\$ 1.332	\$ 0.077	\$ 1.409	\$ 0.711	\$ 0.387	\$ 0.392	\$ 2.899
2016	1.325	0.075	1.400	0.713	0.392	0.393	2.898
2017	1.331	0.069	1.400	0.674	0.372	0.388	2.834
2018	1.330	0.069	1.399	0.683	0.372	0.399	2.853
2019	1.358	0.070	1.428	0.695	0.403	0.400	2.926
2020	1.413	0.072	1.485	0.700	0.405	0.405	2.995
2021	1.416	0.069	1.485	0.710	0.404	0.422	3.021
2022	1.417	0.069	1.486	0.684	0.426	0.437	3.033
2023	1.440	0.071	1.511	0.693	0.452	0.480	3.136
2024	1.469	0.071	1.540	0.746	0.458	0.515	3.259

Sources: Municipal Tax Collector

Note: N.J.S.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 by more than the spending growth limitation calculated as follows: the pre-budget 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.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Principal Property Taxpayers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago

	2024			2015		
	Taxable Assessed	Rank	% of Total District Net	Taxable Assessed	Rank	% of Total District Net
	Value		Assessed Value	Value		Assessed Value
Transcontinental Gas	\$ 9,881,300	1	1.87%	\$ 9,759,400	1	1.83%
Columbia Gas Transmission Corp	4,917,500	2	0.93%	4,917,500	2	0.92%
Asbury Graphite Mills Inc	2,655,300	3	0.50%	2,450,000	3	0.46%
Valley View LLC	2,000,000	4	0.38%	2,000,000	4	0.38%
Individual Property Owner	1,359,700	5	0.26%	1,231,800	5	0.23%
Individual Property Owner	1,335,800	6	0.25%	1,013,600	8	0.19%
Individual Property Owner	1,231,800	7	0.23%	942,200	9	0.18%
Individual Property Owner	1,131,500	8	0.21%	905,400	10	0.17%
Individual Property Owner	955,700	9	0.18%	-		0.00%
Individual Property Owner	931,900	10	0.18%	-		0.00%
Mininni & Sons Realty	-		0.00%	1,075,000	6	0.20%
United Telephone Co of NJ	-		0.00%	1,028,776	7	0.19%
	<u>\$ 26,400,500</u>		<u>4.99%</u>	<u>\$ 25,323,676</u>		<u>4.75%</u>

Source: Municipal Tax Assessor

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Property Tax Levies and Collections
Last Ten Years

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Taxes Levied for the Year	Collected within the Year of the Levy (a)	
		Amount	Percentage of Levy
2015	\$ 7,297,859	\$ 7,297,859	100.00%
2016	7,438,722	7,438,722	100.00%
2017	7,402,647	7,402,647	100.00%
2018	7,402,209	7,402,209	100.00%
2019	7,403,097	7,403,097	100.00%
2020	7,542,599	7,542,599	100.00%
2021	7,825,819	7,825,819	100.00%
2022	7,827,219	7,827,219	100.00%
2023	7,831,919	7,831,919	100.00%
2024	7,980,398	7,980,398	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.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Governmental Activities				Business-Type Activities Leases	Total District	% of Personal Income (a)	Per Capita (a)
	General Obligation Bonds	Certificates of Participation	Leases	Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs)				
2015	\$ 4,645,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,645,000	1.50%	1,180
2016	4,185,000	-	-	-	-	4,185,000	1.32%	1,067
2017	3,965,000	-	-	-	-	3,965,000	1.22%	1,018
2018	3,740,000	-	-	-	-	3,740,000	1.13%	962
2019	3,510,000	-	-	-	-	3,510,000	1.03%	906
2020	3,275,000	-	-	-	-	3,275,000	0.92%	848
2021	3,035,000	-	-	-	-	3,035,000	0.83%	792
2022	2,785,000	-	-	-	-	2,785,000	0.74%	743
2023	2,520,000	-	-	-	-	2,520,000	0.66%	670
2024	2,245,000	-	-	-	-	2,245,000	N/A	598

Notes: Details regarding the District's outstanding debt can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

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

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Ratios of Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	General Bonded Debt Outstanding		Net General Bonded Debt Outstanding	% of Actual Taxable Value of Property (a)	Per Capita (b)
	General Obligation Bonds	Deductions			
2015	\$ 4,645,000	\$ -	\$ 4,645,000	0.87%	\$ 1,180
2016	4,185,000	-	4,185,000	0.79%	1,067
2017	3,965,000	-	3,965,000	0.75%	1,018
2018	3,740,000	-	3,740,000	0.71%	962
2019	3,510,000	-	3,510,000	0.66%	906
2020	3,275,000	-	3,275,000	0.62%	848
2021	3,035,000	-	3,035,000	0.58%	792
2022	2,785,000	-	2,785,000	0.53%	743
2023	2,520,000	-	2,520,000	0.48%	670
2024	2,245,000	-	2,245,000	0.43%	598

Notes: 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.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt
As of December 31, 2023

Governmental Unit	Debt Outstanding	Estimated % Applicable (a)	Estimated Share of Debt
Debt repaid with property taxes			
Municipality	\$ 453,407	100.00%	\$ 453,407
Regional High School	6,360,000	7.320%	465,552
County general obligation debt	71,347,396	2.690%	1,919,245
Subtotal, overlapping debt			2,838,204
School district direct debt			2,245,000
Total direct and overlapping debt			\$ 5,083,204

Sources: Assessed value data used to estimate applicable percentages provided by the County Board of Taxation. Debt outstanding data provided by each Governmental Unit.

Note: Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic boundaries of the District. This schedule estimates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the residents and businesses of the Municipality. 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.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Legal Debt Margin Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2024

	Equalized Valuation Basis
2023	\$ 734,739,111
2022	670,818,909
2021	612,124,984
	<u>\$ 2,017,683,004</u>
Average equalized valuation of taxable property	<u>\$ 672,561,001</u>
Debt limit (3.0% of average equalization value)	\$ 20,176,830
Total net debt applicable to limit	<u>2,245,000</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 17,931,830</u>

	Fiscal Year				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Debt limit	\$ 17,210,834	\$ 17,707,247	\$ 17,707,247	\$ 18,727,986	\$ 20,176,830
Total net debt applicable	3,275,000	3,035,000	2,785,000	2,520,000	2,245,000
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 13,935,834</u>	<u>\$ 14,672,247</u>	<u>\$ 14,922,247</u>	<u>\$ 16,207,986</u>	<u>\$ 17,931,830</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	19.03%	17.14%	15.73%	13.46%	11.13%

	Fiscal Year				
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Debt limit	\$ 16,693,655	\$ 16,693,655	\$ 16,733,569	\$ 16,766,265	\$ 16,918,714
Total net debt applicable	4,645,000	4,185,000	3,965,000	3,740,000	3,510,000
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 12,048,655</u>	<u>\$ 12,508,655</u>	<u>\$ 12,768,569</u>	<u>\$ 13,026,265</u>	<u>\$ 13,408,714</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	27.82%	25.07%	23.69%	22.31%	20.75%

Source: Equalized valuation bases were obtained from the annual report of the State of New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Taxation.

(a) Limit set by N.J.S.A. 18A:24-19.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Demographic and Economic Statistics
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Year	Population (a)	Personal Income (b)	Per Capita Personal Income (c)	Unemployment Rate (d)
2015	3,937	\$ 310,479,694	\$ 78,862	3.9%
2016	3,921	317,526,501	80,981	3.9%
2017	3,894	326,173,122	83,763	3.8%
2018	3,888	330,137,856	84,912	2.5%
2019	3,875	340,744,250	87,934	2.5%
2020	3,863	355,187,398	91,946	6.6%
2021	3,834	364,567,392	95,088	4.7%
2022	3,748	375,879,424	100,288	3.3%
2023	3,759	383,583,396	102,044	3.8%
2024	3,756	N/A	N/A	N/A

Sources:

- (a) Population information provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development.
- (b) Personal income has been estimated based upon the Municipal population and per capita personal income presented.
- (c) Per capita personal income by county estimated based upon the 2020 census published by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.
- (d) Unemployment data provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Principal Employers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago

2024

			Percentage of
			Total Municipal
Employer	Employees	Rank	Employment

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2015

			Percentage of
			Total Municipal
Employer	Employees	Rank	Employment

INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS SCHOOL DISTRICT

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Full Time Equivalent District Employees by Function/Program
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Function/program	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Instruction										
Regular	37.0	38.0	36.2	37.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	29.0	26.0	31.0
Special education	16.0	13.0	14.0	15.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.5	13.5	10.0
Other instruction	8.0	7.0	6.3	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0
Support services										
Student and instruction related services	6.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	5.0	7.8	7.8	7.8	8.9	8.4
General administration	6.0	6.0	5.5	5.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	4.0
School administration services	6.0	4.0	5.5	4.5	4.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.0
Other administration services	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
Plant operations and maintenance	1.0	1.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.0
Other support services	4.5	5.5	2.0	3.0	3.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.5	5.5
Total	<u>87.5</u>	<u>84.5</u>	<u>86.4</u>	<u>83.5</u>	<u>69.5</u>	<u>68.3</u>	<u>68.3</u>	<u>67.8</u>	<u>67.9</u>	<u>70.9</u>

Source: District Personnel Records

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Operating Statistics
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	June 30 Enrollment	Operating Expenditures (a)	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Teaching Staff (b)	Teacher Ratio	Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) (c)	Average Daily Attendance (ADA) (c)	% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	Student Attendance Percentage
2015	402	\$ 9,110,440	\$ 22,663	12.25%	61	1 to 6.59	401.8	395.5	-10.73%	98.43%
2016	388	9,389,264	24,199	6.78%	68	1 to 5.71	386.2	370.7	-3.88%	95.99%
2017	362	9,414,690	26,007	7.47%	56	1 to 6.46	357.7	354.2	-7.38%	99.02%
2018	370	9,825,152	26,554	2.10%	55	1 to 6.73	368.0	352.7	2.88%	95.84%
2019	351	10,178,508	28,999	9.21%	54	1 to 6.50	332.1	315.7	-9.76%	95.06%
2020	345	9,129,881	26,463	-8.75%	49	1 to 7.04	319.6	306.5	-3.76%	95.90%
2021	346	9,530,454	27,545	4.09%	49	1 to 7.06	336.2	325.7	5.19%	96.88%
2022	374	9,948,760	26,601	-3.43%	44	1 to 8.50	350.1	330.9	4.13%	94.52%
2023	359	9,958,780	27,740	4.28%	41	1 to 8.76	359.2	339.6	2.60%	94.54%
2024	383	10,273,780	26,824	-3.30%	41	1 to 9.34	390.4	366.3	8.68%	93.83%

Source: District Records

- (a) Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay.
- (b) Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents or certificated staff.
- (c) Average Daily Enrollment and Average Daily Attendance are obtained from the School Register Summary.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Building Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years

District Building	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<u>Thomas B. Conley Elementary School</u>										
Square feet	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584	59,584
Capacity (students)	393	393	393	393	393	393	393	393	393	393
Enrollment	248	224	212	233	228	229	249	272	279	275
<u>Ethel Hoppock Middle School</u>										
Square feet	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921	48,921
Capacity (students)	352	352	352	352	352	352	352	352	352	352
Enrollment	203	164	150	146	117	119	97	87	90	101
<u>Number of schools at June 30, 2024:</u>										
Elementary	1									
Middle	1									

Source: District Facilities Office

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

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Required Maintenance Expenditures by School Facility
Last Ten Fiscal Years

Undistributed expenditures - required maintenance for school facilities

<u>Fiscal Year Ending</u>	<u>School Facilities*</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Elementary</u>	<u>Middle</u>	
2015	\$ 312,535	\$ 85,100	\$ 397,635
2016	285,743	204,597	490,340
2017	201,378	156,331	357,709
2018	82,641	103,781	186,422
2019	93,620	69,480	163,100
2020	108,677	108,677	217,354
2021	168,116	91,950	260,066
2022	353,169	96,001	449,170
2023	378,945	83,967	462,912
2024	232,629	164,857	397,486
Total school facilities	<u>\$ 2,217,453</u>	<u>\$ 1,164,741</u>	<u>\$ 3,382,194</u>

Source: District Records

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

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT**Insurance Schedule****June 30, 2024****(Unaudited)**

	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
School Commercial Package Policy - NJ Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG)		
Property - Building Blanket and Contents (Fund Limit)	Per Schedule	
Equipment Breakdown	\$ 100,000,000	\$ -
Comprehensive General Liability:		
Bodily Injury & Property Damage	16,000,000	-
Auto Liability CSL	16,000,000	
Uninsured Motorists - Private Auto		-
Bodily Injury per Person	25,000	-
Bodily Injury Per Accident	50,000	-
Property Damage per Accident	25,000	-
Uninsured Motorists - Other Vehicles:		
Bodily Injury per Person	25,000	-
Bodily Injury Per Accident	50,000	-
Property Damage per Accident	25,000	-
Personal Injury Protection	250,000	-
Medical Payments - Private Pass. Vehicles	10,000	-
All other Vehicles	5,000	-
Physical Damage (Comprehensive, Collision & Hired Car)	-	1,000
(Scheduled Vehicles Only)		
School Leaders Professional Liability - NJSIG		
Coverage A - Limit of Liability:		
Each Claim/annual member aggregate excess of	1,000,000	5,000
Each Claim/\$3,000,000 annual member aggregate	1,000,000	-
Coverage B - Limit of Liability:		
Each Claim	100,000	5,000
Each Period	300,000	5,000
Communicable Disease Outbreak Limit:		
Each Claim	1,000,000	-
Annual NJSIG Aggregate	9,000,000	-
Worker's Compensation - NJSIG		
Statutory Benefits	Included	-
Employers Liability:		
Bodily Injury by Accident - Each Accident	3,000,000	-
Bodily Injury by Disease - Each Employee	3,000,000	-
Bodily Injury by Disease - Aggregate Limit	3,000,000	-

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Insurance Schedule (continued)
June 30, 2024
(Unaudited)

	<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
Public Employees Faithful Performance Blanket Blanket Employee Limit	\$ 200,000	\$ -
Position Bond - Hanover Insurance Company Board Secretary Bond	200,000	-
Cyber Insurance - Axis Insurance Company		
Policy Limit of Insurance	1,000,000	5,000
Claims - Made Liability Limit	1,000,000	5,000
First Party Coverages Limit	1,000,000	5,000

Source: District Records

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**OTHER REPORTING REQUIRED BY
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS - PART I**

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION



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**Independent Auditors' 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***

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Education
Bethlehem Township School District
Asbury, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bethlehem Township School District (the District) in the County of Hunterdon, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related Notes to the Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the District's Basic Financial Statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 18, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

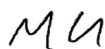
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 2024-001.

Bethlehem Township School District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Bethlehem Township School District's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The District's response was not subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

**BKC, CPAs, PC**Michael Holk, CPA, PSA
NO. 20CS00265600November 18, 2024
Flemington, New Jersey



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**Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Program
and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the
New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08**

Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Education
Bethlehem Township School District
Asbury, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

Opinion on Each Major State Program

We have audited the Bethlehem Township School District's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements as subject to audit in the New Jersey State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, and New Jersey OMB's Circulars 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's state programs.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the New Jersey OMB's Circulars 15-08 will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, and New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the New Jersey OMB's Circulars 15-08, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance which are required to be reported in accordance with the and the New Jersey OMB's Circulars 15-08 and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2024-001. Our opinion on each major state program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance, described in accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

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

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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



BKC, CPAs, PC



Michael A. Holk, CPA,
PSA NO. 20CS00265600

November 18, 2024
Flemington, New Jersey

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, Schedule A
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	FAIN Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance 06/30/23	Carryover Amount	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditure	Adjustment	Repayment of Prior Year Balance	Balance June 30, 2024		
				From	To							Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor
U.S. Department of Education passed through State Department of Education Special Revenue Fund														
Special education cluster (IDEA)														
IDEA Basic	84.027A	H027A210100	\$ 92,522	07/01/20	06/30/21	\$ 8,928	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (8,928)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
IDEA Basic	84.027A	H027A230100	102,270	07/01/22	06/30/23	(2,966)	-	2,966	-	-	-	-	-	-
IDEA Basic	84.027A	H027A240100	105,626	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	95,963	105,626	-	-	(9,663)	-	-
Total special education cluster (IDEA)						5,962	-	98,929	105,626	(8,928)	-	(9,663)	-	-
ESSA Title II A	84.367A	S367A230029	9,334	07/01/22	06/30/23	(58)	-	58	-	-	-	-	-	-
ESSA Title II A	84.367A	S367A240029	9,081	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	9,081	9,081	-	-	-	-	-
ESSA Title IV	84.424	S424A230031	9,513	07/01/22	06/30/23	(9,513)	-	9,513	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small, Rural School Achievement Program	84.358	S358B230030	37,899	07/01/22	09/30/23	(37,899)	-	37,899	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small, Rural School Achievement Program	84.358	S358B240030	57,005	07/01/23	09/30/24	-	-	35,654	35,654	-	-	-	-	-
CRRSA - ESSER II	84.425D	S425D210027	20,052	03/01/20	09/30/23	14,388	-	2,832	-	-	-	-	17,220	-
CRRSA - Learning Acceleration	84.425D	S425D210027	25,000	03/01/20	09/30/23	(16,706)	-	20,769	4,063	-	-	-	-	-
CRRSA - Mental Health	84.425D	S425D210027	45,000	03/01/20	09/30/23	(2,301)	-	42,201	37,101	-	-	-	2,799	-
ARP - ESSER														
ARP - ESSER III	84.425U	S425U210027	45,065	03/01/20	09/30/24	-	-	33,682	42,409	-	-	(8,727)	-	-
Accelerated Learning Coach and Educator Support	84.425U	S425U210027	50,000	03/01/20	09/30/24	-	-	28,612	28,612	-	-	-	-	-
Evidenced Based Summer Learning	84.425U	S425U210027	40,000	03/01/20	09/30/24	(3,241)	-	6,116	34,684	-	-	(31,809)	-	-
Evidenced Based Comprehensive Beyond the School Day	84.425U	S425U210027	40,000	03/01/20	09/30/24	(1,715)	-	6,140	16,443	-	-	(12,018)	-	-
NJTSS Mental Health	84.425U	S425U210027	45,000	03/01/20	09/30/24	-	-	45,000	45,000	-	-	-	-	-
Total Special Revenue Fund						(51,083)	-	376,486	358,673	(8,928)	-	(62,217)	20,019	-
U.S. Department of Agriculture passed through State Department of Agriculture Enterprise Fund														
Child Nutrition Cluster														
National School Lunch Program														
Non-Cash Assistance (Commodities)	10.555	23NJ304N1099	11,906	07/01/22	06/30/23	2,890	-	-	2,890	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Cash Assistance (Commodities)	10.555	24NJ304N1099	11,379	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	11,379	9,179	-	-	-	2,200	-
Cash Assistance	10.555	23NJ304N1099	20,490	07/01/22	06/30/23	(557)	-	557	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash Assistance	10.555	24NJ304N1099	14,179	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	13,896	14,179	-	-	(283)	-	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster						2,333	-	25,832	26,248	-	-	(283)	2,200	-
P-EBT	10.649	202225900941	653	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	653	653	-	-	-	-	-
Supply Chain Assistance	10.555	24NJ304N1099	13,150	07/01/22	06/30/24	-	-	13,150	13,150	-	-	-	-	-
School Equipment	10.579	231NJ354N8103	21,997	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	16,961	16,961	-	-	-	-	-
Total Enterprise Fund						2,333	-	56,596	57,012	-	-	(283)	2,200	-
Total Federal Awards						\$ (48,750)	\$ -	\$ 433,082	\$ 415,685	\$ (8,928)	\$ -	\$ (62,500)	\$ 22,219	\$ -

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance, Schedule B
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Grantor/Program Title	Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance June 30, 2023					Balance June 30, 2024				Memo	
			From	To	Deferred Rev. (Accts. Rec)	Due to Grantor	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditure	Adjustments	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor	Budgetary Receivable	Cumulative Expenditure	
State Department of Education															
General Fund															
Special Education Categorical Aid	24-495-034-5120-089	\$ 303,137	07/01/23	06/30/24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 273,805	\$ 303,137	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,332	\$ 303,137	
Security Aid	24-495-034-5120-084	37,641	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	33,999	37,641	-	-	-	-	3,642	37,641	
Transportation Aid	24-495-034-5120-014	113,737	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	102,732	113,737	-	-	-	-	11,005	113,737	
School Choice Aid	24-495-034-5120-068	72,138	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	65,158	72,138	-	-	-	-	6,980	72,138	
Equalization Aid	24-495-034-5120-078	179,557	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	162,183	179,557	-	-	-	-	17,374	179,557	
Extraordinary Aid	23-495-034-5120-044	34,032	07/01/22	06/30/23	(34,032)	-	34,032	-	-	-	-	-	-	34,032	
Extraordinary Aid	24-495-034-5120-044	21,733	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	-	21,733	-	(21,733)	-	-	-	21,733	
Non-Public Transportation Aid	23-495-034-5120-014	1,248	07/01/22	06/30/23	(1,248)	-	1,248	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,248	
Non-Public Transportation Aid	24-495-034-5120-014	5,460	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	-	5,460	-	(5,460)	-	-	-	5,460	
Secure Our Children's Future Bond Act	23-495-034-5120-014	14,488	07/01/22	06/30/23	-	-	14,488	14,488	-	-	-	-	-	14,488	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Postretirement Medical	24-495-034-5094-001	323,443	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	323,443	323,443	-	-	-	-	-	323,443	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Non-Contributory Insurance	24-495-034-5094-004	13,400	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	13,400	13,400	-	-	-	-	-	13,400	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Long-Term Disability Insurance	24-495-034-5094-004	484	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	484	484	-	-	-	-	-	484	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Teachers' Pension & Annuity Fund	24-495-034-5094-002	1,175,013	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	1,175,013	1,175,013	-	-	-	-	-	1,175,013	
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contribution	23-495-034-5094-003	246,005	07/01/22	06/30/23	(38,285)	-	38,285	-	-	-	-	-	-	246,005	
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contribution	24-495-034-5094-003	250,139	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	238,115	250,139	-	(12,024)	-	-	-	250,139	
Total General Fund					(73,565)	-	2,476,385	2,510,370	-	(39,217)	-	-	68,333	2,791,655	
State Department of Education															
Special Revenue Fund															
SDA Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs	22-100-034-5120-519	7,810	07/01/21	06/30/22	1,350	-	-	-	-	-	1,350	-	-	6,460	
SDA Emergent and Capital Maintenance Needs	24-100-034-5120-519	8,171	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	8,171	8,171	-	-	-	-	-	8,171	
Total Special Revenue Fund					1,350	-	8,171	8,171	-	-	1,350	-	-	29,373	
State Department of Agriculture															
Enterprise Fund															
State School Lunch Program	23-100-010-3350-023	1,231	07/01/22	06/30/23	(35)	-	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,231	
State School Lunch Program	24-100-010-3350-023	1,430	07/01/23	06/30/24	-	-	1,402	1,430	-	(28)	-	-	-	1,430	
Total Enterprise Fund					(35)	-	1,437	1,430	-	(28)	-	-	-	2,661	

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance, Schedule B (continued)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Grantor/Program Title	Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period		Balance June 30, 2023			Budgetary Expenditure	Adjustments	Balance June 30, 2024			Memo	
					Deferred Rev. (Accts. Rec.)	Due to Grantor	Cash Received			Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Due to Grantor	Budgetary Receivable	Cumulative Expenditure
Total State Financial Assistance					<u>\$ (72,250)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,485,993</u>	\$ 2,519,971	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (39,245)</u>	<u>\$1,350</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 68,333</u>	<u>\$ 2,823,689</u>
Less: On-Behalf TPAF Pension System Contributions														
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Teachers' Pension & Annuity Fund	24-495-034-5094-002	\$ 1,175,013	7/1/2023	6/30/2024				1,175,013						
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Non-Contributory Insurance	24-495-034-5094-004	13,400	7/1/2023	6/30/2024				13,400						
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Postretirement Medical	24-495-034-5094-001	323,443	7/1/2023	6/30/2024				323,443						
On-Behalf TPAF Pension Contribution - Long-Term Disability Insurance	24-495-034-5094-004	484	7/1/2023	6/30/2024				484						
Total for State Financial Assistance - Major Program Determination								<u>\$ 1,007,631</u>						

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Note 1 - General

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance present the activity of all federal awards and state financial assistance programs of the Bethlehem Township School District. The District is defined in Note 1 (A) to the District's Basic Financial Statements. All federal awards and state financial assistance received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal awards and state financial assistance passed through other government agencies, is included on the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

Note 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 Notes 1 (C) and 1 (D) to the District's Basic Financial Statements.

Note 3 - Relationship of financial statements

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

The general fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the modified accrual basis with the exception of the revenue recognition of the 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 June state aid payments in the subsequent year. The special revenue fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the budgetary basis which recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not.

The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is \$8,208 for the general fund and \$49,770 for the special revenue fund. See Exhibit C-3 for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue funds.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notes to the Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Note 3 - Relationship of financial statements (continued)

Financial assistance revenues are reported in the District's Basic Financial Statements on a GAAP basis as follows:

	Federal	State	Total
General fund	\$ -	\$ 2,518,578	\$ 2,518,578
Special revenue fund	397,361	19,253	416,614
Food service fund	57,012	1,430	58,442
Total awards and financial assistance	<u>\$ 454,373</u>	<u>\$ 2,539,261</u>	<u>\$ 2,993,634</u>

Note 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.

Note 5 - Other

Revenues and expenditures reported under the USDA Commodities Program represent current year distributions respectively. The amount reported as TPAF Pension contributions represents the amount paid by the State on behalf of the District for the year ended June 30, 2024. TPAF Social Security contribution represents the amount reimbursed by the State for the employer's share of Social Security Contributions for TPAF members for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Note 6 - Adjustment on the Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance

On Schedule A; the adjustment of \$8,928 to IDEA Basic for fiscal year 2021 represents corrections to prior year expenditure mispostings.

Note 7 - Indirect costs

The District has elected not to utilize the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate.

**OTHER REPORTING REQUIRED BY
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS - PART II**

Financial Statements

Unmodified

Yes X No

X Yes None reported

X	Yes	No
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Not Applicable

Yes No

Yes None reported

Not Applicable

Yes No

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

Not Applicable

Yes No

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results (continued)

State Awards

What was the dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs? \$750,000

Did the auditee qualify as a low-risk auditee? X Yes No

Internal Control Over Major Programs:

1. Were material weakness(es) identified? Yes X No

2. Were there significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? X Yes None reported

What was the type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs? Unmodified

Were any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with NJ OMB Circular Letter 15-08 as applicable? X Yes No

Identification of Major Programs:

State Grant/Project Numbers	Name of State Program
	<i>State Aid Public Cluster:</i>
<i>24-495-034-5120-089</i>	<i>Special Education Categorical Aid</i>
<i>24-495-034-5120-078</i>	<i>Equalization Aid</i>
<i>24-495-034-5120-084</i>	<i>Security Aid</i>
<i>24-495-034-5120-068</i>	<i>School Choice Aid</i>

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, 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 Division of Administration and Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

Finding 2024-001

Criteria

The bank reconciliations, Board Secretary's report, and Treasurer's report should be in agreement prior to submission to the Board for approval and completed in a timely manner.

Condition

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Context

As part of our audit procedures, it was noted Treasurer reconciliations contained multiple errors.

Cause

Differences between reports were not resolved prior to Board approval.

Effect

Reconciliations were incomplete or incorrect.

Recommendation

The District should ensure that bank reconciliations, Board Secretary's report, and Treasurer's report are in agreement prior to submission to the Board for approval and completed in a timely manner.

View of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action (unaudited)

The responsible officials agree with the finding and will address the matter as part of their corrective action plan.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

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

Federal Awards

There were no findings or questioned costs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

State Awards

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**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings
and Questioned Costs as Prepared by Management
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Status of Prior Year Findings

There were no prior year findings or questioned costs.