

# ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT · FISCAL YEAR 2022

# Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education Thomaston, Georgia

Including Independent Auditor's Report



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# Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of Georgia Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia Members of the State Board of Education and Dr. Larry Derico, Superintendent and Members of the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education

# Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

# Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and fiduciary activities of the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education (School District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the School District as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the School 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.

# Auditor's 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 auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 GAAS 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 School 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 School 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 and required supplementary information listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, 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 appropriate evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The *Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards* is presented for purposes of additional analysis 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 is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 31, 2023 on our consideration of the School 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A copy of this report has been filed as a permanent record and made available to the press of the State, as provided for by Official Code of Georgia Annotated section 50-6-24.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

March 31, 2023

#### INTRODUCTION

Our discussion and analysis of the Thomaston–Upson County Board of Education's (School District) financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. 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 financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2022 are as follows:

- The School District had \$51.0 million in expenses relating to governmental activities: only \$41.8 million of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues (primarily property and sales taxes) of \$21.3 million were adequate to provide for these programs.
- As stated above, general revenues accounted for \$21.3 million, or 33.7%, of all revenues totaling \$63.1 million. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, grants and contributions accounted for the rest.
- Among major funds, the general fund had \$57.8 million in revenues and \$57.4 million in expenditures. The fund balance for the general fund increased \$403 thousand to \$16.1 million. The increase is due to expenses being lower than anticipated.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This report consists of several parts including management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, notes to the basic financial statements, required supplementary information, and supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two levels of statements that present different views of the School District. These include the *government-wide* and *fund financial statements*.

The government-wide financial statements include the *Statement of Net Position* and *Statement of Activities*. These statements provide information about the activities of the School District presenting both *short-term* and *long-term* information about the School District's overall financial status.

The fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the School District, reporting the School District's operation in more detail. The *governmental funds* statements disclose how basic services are financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The *fiduciary funds* statement provides information about the financial relationships in which the School District solely is trustee or agent for the benefit of others. The fund financial statements reflect the School District's most significant funds. In the case of the Thomaston–Upson County School District, the general fund and capital projects fund are the most significant funds.

#### **Government-Wide Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are basically a consolidation of all the School District's operating funds into one column called *governmental activities*. In reviewing the government-wide financial statements, a reader might ask the questions about whether the School District is in a better financial position than last year. The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide the basis for answering this question. These financial statements include all School District's non-fiduciary assets and

*liabilities* and uses 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 any changes in net position. The change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the School District as a whole, the financial position of the School District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the results of many factors, including those not under the School District's control, such as the property tax base, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities reflect the School District's governmental activities. All of the School District's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, food service, principal's accounts and various others.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The School District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions during the fiscal year. However, the fund financial statements presented in this report provide detailed information about only the School District's significant or major funds.

#### Governmental Funds

Most of 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 future periods. These funds are reported using the *modified accrual method of accounting* which measures cash and other *financial assets* that can readily be 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. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The differences between governmental funds are reconciled within the financial statements.

#### Fiduciary Funds

The School District is the trustee, or *fiduciary*, for assets that belong to others, such as scholarships. The School District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The School District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Table 1, Statement of Net Position, provides the perspective of the School District as a whole.

#### Table 1 Net Position

		Governmental Activities						
	_	Fiscal Year Fiscal Year				Net		
		2022		2021		Change		
Assets	_		_					
Current and Other Assets	\$	27,629,497	\$	23,604,018	\$	4,025,479		
Capital Assets, Net		44,444,562		41,324,397		3,120,165		
Total Assets	-	72,074,059	_	64,928,415		7,145,644		
Deferred Outflows of Resources								
Related to Defined Pension Plans		12,558,525		12,574,898		(16,373)		
Related to OPEB Plan		7,548,406		9,178,183		(1,629,777)		
Total Deferred Outflows Of Resources	-	20,106,931	_	21,753,081		(1,646,150)		
Liabilities								
Current and Other Liabilities		4,602,425		3,298,251		1,304,174		
Long-Term Liabilities		163,644		146,146		17,498		
Net Pension Liability		15,815,176		42,957,989		(27,142,813)		
Net OPEB Liability	_	31,416,656		42,617,600		(11,200,944)		
Total Liabilities	-	51,997,901	_	89,019,986	•	(37,022,085)		
Deferred Inflows of Resources								
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plans		24,254,632		2,035,502		22,219,130		
Related to OPEB Plan	_	17,451,871	_	9,213,791		8,238,080		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	41,706,503	_	11,249,293		30,457,210		
Net Position								
Net Investment in Capital Assets		43,332,569		41,177,734		2,154,835		
Restricted		9,191,312		5,690,370		3,500,942		
Unrestricted (Deficit)	_	(54,047,295)	_	(60,455,887)		6,408,592		
Total Net Position	\$_	(1,523,414)	\$_	(13,587,783)	\$	12,064,369		

Total change in net position increased \$11.1 million in fiscal year 2022 from the prior year. This change in net position is detailed in Table 2 as presented below. Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal year 2022 as compared to 2021.

#### Table 2 Change in Net Position

	-	Governmental Activ			S	
		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year		Net
	_	2022		2021	-	Change
Revenues						
Program Revenues						
Charges for Services	\$	426,639	\$	,	\$	119,897
Operating Grants and Contributions		41,086,622		34,492,952		6,593,670
Capital Grants and Contributions	-	316,921		386,100	-	(69,179
Total Program Revenues		41,830,182		35,185,794		6,644,388
General Revenues	-				-	
Taxes						
Property Taxes						
For Maintenance and Operations		10,518,987		10,176,337		342,650
Other Taxes		23,180		11,722		11,458
Sales Tax						
Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax						
For Capital Projects		4,590,293		4,062,296		527,997
Other Sales Tax		307,962		230,264		77,698
Grants and Contributions not						
Restricted to Specific Programs		4,477,639		4,176,797		300,842
Investment Earnings		313,727		260,469		53,25
Miscellaneous		1,018,960		777,703		241,25
Special Item						
Donated Land and Buildings	_	-		472,378	_	(472,378
Total General Revenues and Special Item	_	21,250,748		20,167,966	_	1,082,782
Total Revenues and Special Item	_	63,080,930		55,353,760	-	7,727,170
rogram Expenses						
Instruction		30,927,382		34,194,810		(3,267,428
Support Services		00,021,002		01,101,010		(0,201,12)
Pupil Services		2,098,630		2,167,300		(68,670
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,728,243		1,703,650		24,593
Educational Media Services		448,479		490,864		(42,38
General Administration		1,188,113		1,358,536		(170,423
School Administration		2,863,170		3,283,556		(420,386
Business Administration		353,735		447,515		(93,78)
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		4,179,732		4,181,523		(1,79)
Student Transportation Services		3,169,835		2,637,612		532,22
Central Support Services		174,131		192,036		(17,90
Other Support Services		155,893		133,024		22,86
Operations of Non-Instructional Services		100,895		133,024		22,005
Food Services		3,729,218		3,573,412		155,800
otal Expenses	-	51,016,561		54,363,838	-	(3,347,277
otal Expenses	-	51,010,001		54,505,656	-	(3,341,211
Increase in Net Position	\$	12,064,369	\$	989,922	\$	11,074,447

#### **Governmental Activities**

Instruction comprises 60.6% of governmental program expenses. Support service expenses make up 32.1% of the expenses.

The state's QBE funding does not provide an adequate level of funding to provide basic education services and to adequately maintain facilities. The School District levies a millage rate of 13.21 mills to provide additional local funding along with a 1% (ESPLOST) sales tax.

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting these services. Table 3 shows, for governmental activities, the total cost of services and the net cost of services. It identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and unrestricted State entitlements.

		Total Cost of Services				Net Cost	Services	
	_	Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year
	_	2022		2021		2022	-	2021
Instruction	\$	30,927,382	\$	34,194,810	\$	3,334,699	\$	9,275,957
Support Services								
Pupil Services		2,098,630		2,167,300		1,335,486		1,725,377
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,728,243		1,703,650		265,684		650,831
Educational Media Services		448,479		490,864		(109,159)		(47,569)
General Administration		1,188,113		1,358,536		(321,495)		227,405
School Administration		2,863,170		3,283,556		1,761,501		2,214,909
Business Administration		353,735		447,515		345,790		441,142
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		4,179,732		4,181,523		2,803,733		2,624,937
Student Transportation Services		3,169,835		2,637,612		567,354		1,464,643
Central Support Services		174,131		192,036		168,910		188,464
Other Support Services		155,893		133,025		154,350		131,176
Operations of Non-Instructional Services								
Food Services	_	3,729,218		3,573,412		(1,120,475)	-	280,772
Total Expenses	\$	51,016,561	\$	54,363,839	\$	9,186,378	\$	19,178,044

#### Table 3 Governmental Activities

Instructional expenses include activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and pupil.

Pupil Services are activities designed to assess and improve the well-being of students and to supplement the teaching process.

Improvement of instruction are activities which are designed primarily for assisting instructional staff in planning, developing, and evaluating the process of providing a challenging learning experience for students.

Educational media is directing, managing, and operating educational media centers.

General administration establishes and administers policy for operating the School District.

School administration includes principals, assistant principals, and clerical staff who administer the school operations.

Business administration includes the financial operations of the School District.

Maintenance and operations of plant activities involve keeping the school grounds, buildings, and equipment in effective working condition.

Student 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.

Central support includes personnel services, strategic planning, and public relations activities.

Other support services include all other support services.

Food services prepares and serves breakfast, lunch, and snacks to the students of the School District.

Although program revenues make up a majority of the revenue, the School District is still dependent upon tax revenues for governmental activities.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FUNDS

The School District's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The governmental funds had total revenues of \$62.5 million and total expenditures of \$60.5 million. The net change in fund balance for the year in the general fund was an increase of \$403 thousand and in the capital projects fund an increase of \$1.6 million.

#### **General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

The School District's budget is prepared according to Georgia Law. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund, which includes local, state, and Federal funds collected and disbursed for the purpose of operating the School District.

The School District's budget is adopted at the aggregate level and maintained at the program, function, object, and site levels to facilitate budgetary control. The budgeting systems are designed to control the total budget but provide flexibility to meet the ongoing programmatic needs. The budgeting systems are also designed to control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management as well.

For the general fund, the actual revenues of \$57.8 million were under the final budgeted amount of \$69.7 million by \$11.9 million. The difference (actual vs. final budget) was mainly due to budgeting for Federal funds that span multiple fiscal years. Additionally, the School District did not include revenues for school activity accounts (included in miscellaneous revenues) in the final budget. The School District traditionally estimates revenue on a conservative basis to avoid shortfalls in actual revenues.

The general fund's final actual expenditures of \$57.4 million were less than the final budget amount of \$70.5 million. Expenses were less than budget in instruction, pupil services, improvement of instructional services, educational media services, general administration, maintenance and operation of plant, student transportation services, central support, and capital outlay. Expenses were more than budget in school administration, business administration, other support services, and food services. Actual general fund revenues exceeded expenses by \$403 thousand from a budgeted decrease of \$863 thousand. As in prior years, the School District did not include expenditures for school activity accounts in the final budget.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

#### Table 4 Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

		Governmental Activities								
		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year		Net				
	_	2022		2021		Change				
Land	\$	797,021	\$	797,021	\$	-				
Construction In Progress		2,977,244		246,458		2,730,786				
Building and Improvements		33,061,286		34,418,616		(1,357,330)				
Equipment		6,447,031		4,582,724		1,864,307				
Land Improvements	_	1,161,980		1,279,578		(117,598)				
Total	\$	44,444,562	\$	41,324,397	\$	3,120,165				

At fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the School District had \$44.4 million invested in capital assets, all in governmental activities. Table 4 reflects a summary of these balances, net of accumulated depreciation.

#### **CURRENT ISSUES**

The School District is not aware of any currently known facts, decisions, or conditions that are expected to have a significant effect on the financial position or results of operations during this fiscal year.

The School District continues to be financially stable as the fund balance continues to exceed the state's benchmark. The School District's operating millage rate for fiscal year 2022 was 13.21 mills. Our millage rate continues to remain one of the lowest of the surrounding counties.

The School District passed a budget for fiscal year 2023 that leverages the new federal funding and will allow the School District to address the learning loss caused by the ongoing pandemic, while preserving the School District's ability to meet mandated educational requirements and operational costs. The School District is committed to make additional resources available at the school site level which could enable our strategic initiatives.

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

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens and taxpayers 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 questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Kathy Matthews, Director of Finance, Thomaston–Upson County Board of Education, 205 Civic Center Drive, Thomaston, Georgia 30286. Alternatively, you may send requests to the following email address <u>kmatthews@upson.k12.ga.us</u>.

Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 18,760,305.04
Accounts Receivable, Net	
Taxes	976,448.63
State Government	3,632,751.01
Federal Government	3,815,545.15
Other	15,842.28
Due From Other Funds	3,992.75
Inventories	103,986.89
Prepaid Items	286,890.20
Net OPEB Asset	33,735.00
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable	3,774,264.60
Capital Assets, Depreciable (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	40,670,297.40
Total Assets	72,074,058.95
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plans	12,558,525.55
Related to OPEB Plan	7,548,406.00
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	20,106,931.55
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	530,745.30
Salaries and Benefits Payable	2,979,892.37
Payroll Withholdings Payable	231.57
Contracts Payable	850,396.44
Retainages Payable	241,159.51
Net Pension Liability	15,815,176.00
Net OPEB Liability	31,416,656.00
Long-Term Liabilities	
Due in More Than One Year	163,644.21
Total Liabilities	51,997,901.40
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plans	24,254,632.00
Related to OPEB Plan	17,451,871.00
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	41,706,503.00
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	43,332,569.25
Restricted for	
Continuation of Federal Programs	2,349,217.16
Capital Projects	6,808,359.72
Net OPEB Asset	33,735.00
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(54,047,295.03)
Total Net Position	\$ (1,523,413.90)

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

			PROGRAM REVENUES					NET (EXPENSES)
					OPERATING		CAPITAL	REVENUES
			CHARGES FOR		GRANTS AND		GRANTS AND	AND CHANGES IN
	-	EXPENSES	SERVICES		CONTRIBUTIONS		CONTRIBUTIONS	NET POSITION
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES								
Instruction	\$	30,927,381.55 \$	304,639.75	\$	27,288,042.60	\$	- \$	(3,334,699.20)
Support Services								
Pupil Services		2,098,629.62	-		763,143.27		-	(1,335,486.35)
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,728,243.43	-		1,462,559.71		-	(265,683.72)
Educational Media Services		448,479.17	-		557,637.73		-	109,158.56
General Administration		1,188,113.33	-		1,509,608.15		-	321,494.82
School Administration		2,863,169.99	-		1,101,669.41		-	(1,761,500.58)
Business Administration		353,735.22	-		7,944.73		-	(345,790.49)
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		4,179,732.51	6,570.00		1,369,429.29		-	(2,803,733.22)
Student Transportation Services		3,169,834.95	-		2,370,820.93		231,660.00	(567,354.02)
Central Support Services		174,130.54	-		5,220.62		-	(168,909.92)
Other Support Services		155,892.72	-		1,542.86		-	(154,349.86)
Operations of Non-Instructional Services								
Food Services	-	3,729,217.87	115,429.15		4,649,003.28		85,260.91	1,120,475.47
Total Governmental Activities	\$	51,016,560.90 \$	426,638.90	\$	41,086,622.58	\$	316,920.91	(9,186,378.51)
		General Revenues						
		Taxes						
		Property Taxes	5					
			nance and Operations					10,518,986.80
		Railroad Ca	rs					23,179.75
		Sales Taxes						
		Special Purp	oose Local Option Sale	es Ta	ĸ			
		For Capit	tal Projects					4,590,293.39
		Other Sales	Tax					307,961.64
		Grants and Contri	butions not Restricted	d to S	Specific Programs			4,477,639.00
		Investment Earnir						313,727.10
		Miscellaneous	-					1,018,959.50
		Total Ger	neral Revenues					21,250,747.18
		Change in	n Net Position					12,064,368.67
		Net Position - Beg	inning of Year					(13,587,782.57)
		Net Position - End	l of Year				\$	(1,523,413.90)

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	_	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	13,467,278.01 \$	5,293,027.03 \$	18,760,305.04
Accounts Receivable, Net				
Taxes		542,979.55	433,469.08	976,448.63
State Government		3,603,916.94	28,834.07	3,632,751.01
Federal Government		3,815,545.15	-	3,815,545.15
Other		15,842.28	-	15,842.28
Due from Other Funds		3,992.75	68,956.28	72,949.03
Inventories		103,986.89	-	103,986.89
Prepaid Items		243,091.58	43,798.62	286,890.20
Total Assets	\$	21,796,633.15 \$	5,868,085.08 \$	27,664,718.23
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$	359,027.19 \$	171,718.11 \$	530,745.30
Salaries and Benefits Payable		2,979,892.37	-	2,979,892.37
Payroll Withholdings Payable		231.57	-	231.57
Due to Other Funds		68,956.28	-	68,956.28
Contracts Payable		850,396.44	-	850,396.44
Retainages Payable		241,159.51	-	241,159.51
Total Liabilities	_	4,499,663.36	171,718.11	4,671,381.47
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes		59,466.14	-	59,466.14
Unavailable Revenue - State Revenues		4,472.88	-	4,472.88
Unavailable Revenue - Federal Revenues		1,179,363.39	-	1,179,363.39
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		1,243,302.41		1,243,302.41
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable		351,071.22	112,754.90	463,826.12
Restricted		2,009,465.09	5,583,612.07	7,593,077.16
Committed		367,902.02	-	367,902.02
Assigned		2,020,445.00	-	2,020,445.00
Unassigned		11,304,784.05	-	11,304,784.05
Total Fund Balances	_	16,053,667.38	5,696,366.97	21,750,034.35
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows				
of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$	21,796,633.15 \$	5,868,085.08 \$	27,664,718.23

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Total fund balances - governmental funds (Exhibit "C")	\$	21,750,034.35
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are		
different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources		
and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Land	\$ 797,020.96	
Construction in progress	2,977,243.64	
Buildings and improvements	63,186,927.41	
Equipment	12,310,910.09	
Land improvements	8,192,292.96	
Accumulated depreciation	 (43,019,833.06)	44,444,562.00
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and,		
therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Net pension liability	\$ (15,815,176.00)	
Net OPEB asset	33,735.00	
Net OPEB liability	 (31,416,656.00)	(47,198,097.00)
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB are		
applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		
Related to pensions	\$ (11,696,106.45)	
Related to OPEB	 (9,903,465.00)	(21,599,571.45)
Taxes that are not available to pay for current period expenditures are		
deferred in the funds.		59,466.14
State funds that are not available to pay current period expenditures are		
deferred in the funds.		4,472.88
Federal funds that are not available to pay current period expenditures are		
deferred in the funds.		1,179,363.39
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and		
therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Compensated absences payable		(163,644.21)
Net position of governmental activities (Exhibit "A")	\$	(1,523,413.90)

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

REVENUES	-	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL
Property Taxes	\$	10,559,122.68 \$	- \$	10,559,122.68
Sales Taxes	Ç	307,961.64	4,590,293.39	4,898,255.03
State Funds		31,676,621.87	4,550,255.55	31,761,882.78
Federal Funds		13,563,505.61	-	13,563,505.61
Charges for Services		426,638.90		426,638.90
Investment Earnings		242,297.43	71,429.67	313,727.10
Miscellaneous		1,018,959.50	-	1,018,959.50
Total Revenues	-	57,795,107.63	4,746,983.97	62,542,091.60
EXPENDITURES Current				
Instruction		31,920,815.42	1,444,826.54	33,365,641.96
Support Services				
Pupil Services		2,202,361.71	127,128.76	2,329,490.47
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,951,845.96	26,815.23	1,978,661.19
Educational Media Services		518,010.19	299.98	518,310.17
General Administration		1,264,126.63	52,239.60	1,316,366.23
School Administration		3,300,237.88	30,098.11	3,330,335.99
Business Administration		307,307.62	93,413.00	400,720.62
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		4,023,668.94	305,332.18	4,329,001.12
Student Transportation Services		5,036,193.23	160,874.10	5,197,067.33
Central Support Services		197,167.04	1,247.98	198,415.02
Other Support Services		156,692.72	-	156,692.72
Food Services Operation		3,900,658.50	10,127.80	3,910,786.30
Capital Outlay	_	2,612,618.79	864,186.32	3,476,805.11
Total Expenditures	_	57,391,704.63	3,116,589.60	60,508,294.23
Net Change in Fund Balances		403,403.00	1,630,394.37	2,033,797.37
Fund Balances - Beginning	_	15,650,264.38	4,065,972.60	19,716,236.98
Fund Balances - Ending	\$	16,053,667.38 \$	5,696,366.97 \$	21,750,034.35

#### EXHIBIT "F"

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2022

Net change in fund balances total governmental funds (Exhibit "E")	\$	2,033,797.37
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Capital outlay	\$ 5,771,075.80	
Depreciation expense	 (2,639,275.03)	3,131,800.77
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, donations, and disposals) is to decrease net position.		(11,635.27)
Taxes reported in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		(16,956.13)
State funds that are not available to pay current period expenditures are deferred in the funds.		4,472.88
Federal funds that are not available to pay current period expenditures are deferred in the funds.		680,004.32
District pension/OPEB contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when made. However, they are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported net pension/OPEB liability is measured a year before the District's report date. Pension/OPEB expense, which is the change in the net pension/OPEB liability adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions/OPEB, is reported in the Statement of Activities.		
Pension expense OPEB expense	\$ 4,907,310.00 1,353,073.00	6,260,383.00
Some items reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		
Compensated Absences		(17,498.27)
Change in net position of governmental activities (Exhibit "B")	\$	12,064,368.67

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	 PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUSTS
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 17,214.95
LIABILITIES Due To Other Funds	 3,992.75
<u>NET POSITION</u> Held in Trust for Private Purposes	\$ 13,222.20

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDCUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	PUR	VATE POSE JSTS
ADDITIONS		
Contributions		
Donors	\$	8,650.00
DEDUCTIONS		
Scholarships		8,642.75
Change in Net Position		7.25
Net Position - Beginning		13,214.95
Net Position - Ending	Ś	13,222.20
	¥	10,222.20

#### NOTE 1: DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

#### **Reporting Entity**

The Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education (School District) was established under the laws of the State of Georgia and operates under the guidance of a board elected by the voters and a Superintendent appointed by the Board. The School District is organized as a separate legal entity and has the power to levy taxes and issue bonds. Its budget is not subject to approval by any other entity. Accordingly, the School District is a primary government and consists of all the organizations that compose its legal entity.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the School District's accounting policies are described below.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The School District's basic financial statements are collectively comprised of the government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements. The government-wide statements focus on the School District as a whole, while the fund financial statements focus on major funds. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared between years and between governments to enhance the information's usefulness.

#### Government-Wide Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the financial activities of the overall School District, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

The Statement of Net Position presents the School District's non-fiduciary assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and liabilities, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories as follows:

- 1. **Net investment in capital assets** consists of the School District's total investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.
- 2. **Restricted net position** consists of resources for which the School District is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3. **Unrestricted net position** consists of resources not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the School District's governmental activities.

Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses (expenses of the School District related to the administration and support of the School District's programs, such as office and maintenance personnel and accounting) are not allocated to programs.

Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

### Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the School District's funds, including fiduciary funds. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Separate financial statements are presented for governmental and fiduciary funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The School District reports the following major governmental funds:

- The general fund is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
- The capital projects fund accounts for and reports financial resources including Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) and grants from Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission that are restricted, committed or assigned for capital outlay expenditures, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

The School District reports the following fiduciary fund type:

• Private purpose trust funds are used to report all trust arrangements, other than those properly reported elsewhere, in which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations or other governments.

### **Basis of Accounting**

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are reported on the financial statements. The government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, sales taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the fiscal year in which the underlying transaction (sale) takes place. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

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

Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The School District considers certain revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. The School District considers all intergovernmental revenues to be available if they are collected within 120 days after year-end. Property taxes, sales taxes and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

The School District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program costs are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted resources available to finance the program. It is the School District's policy to first apply grant resources to such programs, followed by cost-reimbursement grants, then general funds.

### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In fiscal year 2022, the School District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The primary objective of this statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of government's financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. The adoption of this statement did not have an impact on the School District's financial statements.

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, investments in the State of Georgia local government investment pool (Georgia Fund 1) and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition in authorized financial institutions. Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) §45-8-14 authorizes the School District to deposit its funds in one or more solvent banks, insured Federal savings and loan associations or insured chartered building and loan associations.

#### **Receivables**

Receivables consist of amounts due from property and sales taxes, grant reimbursements due on Federal, State or other grants for expenditures made but not reimbursed and other receivables disclosed from information available. Receivables are recorded when either the asset or revenue recognition criteria has been met. Receivables recorded on the basic financial statements do not include any amounts which would necessitate the need for an allowance for uncollectible receivables.

Due to other funds and due from other funds consist of activities between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year.

#### Inventories

#### Food Inventories

On the basic financial statements, inventories of donated food commodities used in the preparation of meals are reported at their Federally assigned value and purchased foods inventories are reported at cost (calculated on the first-in, first-out basis). The School District uses the consumption method to account for inventories whereby donated food commodities are recorded as an asset and as revenue when received, and expenses/expenditures are recorded as the inventory items are used. Purchased foods are recorded as an asset when purchased and expenses/expenditures are recorded as the inventory items are used.

#### **Prepaid Items**

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit future accounting periods are recorded as prepaid items, in both the government-wide and governmental fund financial statements.

#### **Capital Assets**

On the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are recorded at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value on the date donated. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of assets or materially extend the useful lives of the assets is not capitalized. The School District does not capitalize book collections or works of art.

Capital acquisition and construction are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund financial statements at the time of purchase (including ancillary charges), and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line for all assets, except land, and is used to allocate the actual or estimated historical cost of capital assets over estimated useful lives.

Capitalization thresholds and estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the government-wide statements are as follows:

		Capitalization	Estimated
	_	Policy	Useful Life
Land		All	N/A
Land Improvements	\$	10,000.00	20 to 50 years
Buildings and Improvements	\$	20,000.00	25 to 50 years
Equipment	\$	5,000.00	5 to 50 years
Intangible Assets	\$	200,000.00	5 to 50 years
Construction In Progress		All	N/A

#### **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

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

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

### **Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences payable consists of vacation leave employees earned based on services already rendered.

Vacation leave of 10 days is awarded on a fiscal year basis to all full-time personnel employed on a twelve-month basis. No other employees are eligible to earn vacation leave. Vacation leave not utilized during the fiscal year may be carried over to the next fiscal year, providing such vacation leave does not exceed 20 days. Upon terminating employment, the School District pays all unused and unforfeited vacation benefits to employees. Accordingly, vacation benefits are accrued as a liability in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental fund financial statements only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements by fiscal-year end.

Members of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS) may apply unused sick leave toward early retirement. The liability for early retirement will be borne by TRS rather than by the individual School Districts. Otherwise, sick leave does not vest with the employee, and no liability is reported in the School District's financial statements.

#### Pensions

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

#### Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Georgia School Employees Post-Employment Benefit Fund (School OPEB Fund) and additions to/deductions from School OPEB Fund fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by School OPEB Fund. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions (SEAD - OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the State Employees' Assurance Department Retired and Vested Inactive Members Trust Fund (SEAD-OPEB) plan (the Plan) and additions to/deductions from the SEAD-OPEB's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by SEAD-OPEB. For this purpose, death benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### **Fund Balances**

Fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

The School District's fund balances are classified as follows:

**Nonspendable** consists of resources that cannot be spent either because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

**Restricted** consists of resources that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant constraints either (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

**Committed** consists of resources that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board. The Board is the School District's highest level of decision-making authority, and the formal action that is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment is a resolution approved by the Board. Committed fund balance also should incorporate contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

**Assigned** consists of resources constrained by the School District's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. The intent should be expressed by (1) the Board or (2) the budget or finance committee, or the Superintendent, or designee, to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

**Unassigned** consists of resources within the general fund not meeting the definition of any aforementioned category. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

### **Use of Estimates**

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

#### **Property Taxes**

The Upson County Board of Commissioners adopted the property tax levy for the 2021 tax digest year (calendar year) on August 19, 2021 (levy date) based on property values as of January 1, 2021. Taxes were due on November 15, 2021 (lien date). Taxes collected within the current fiscal year or within 60 days after year-end on the 2021 tax digest are reported as revenue in the governmental funds for fiscal year 2022. The Upson County Tax Commissioner bills and collects the property taxes for the School District, withholds 2.5% of taxes collected as a fee for tax collection and remits the balance of taxes collected to the School District. Property tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, for maintenance and operations amounted to \$9,141,833.03.

The tax millage rate levied for the 2021 tax digest year (calendar year) for the School District was as follows (a mill equals \$1 per thousand dollars of assessed value):

School Operations 13.21 mills

Additionally, Title Ad Valorem Tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, amounted to \$1,394,109.90 during fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

#### Sales Taxes

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), at the fund reporting level, during the year amounted to \$4,590,293.39 and is to be used for capital outlay for educational purposes or debt service. This sales tax was authorized by local referendum and the sales tax must be re-authorized at least every five years.

#### NOTE 3: BUDGETARY DATA

The budget is a complete financial plan for the School District's fiscal year and is based upon careful estimates of expenditures together with probable funding sources. The budget is legally adopted each year for the general and capital projects funds. There is no statutory prohibition regarding over expenditure of the budget at any level. The budget for all governmental funds, except the various school activity(principal) accounts, is prepared and adopted by fund, function and object. The legal level of

budgetary control was established by the Board at the aggregate function level. The budget for the general fund was prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary process begins with the School District's administration presenting an initial budget for the Board's review. The administration makes revisions as necessary based on the Board's guidelines, and a tentative budget is approved. After approval of this tentative budget by the Board, such budget is advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality, as well as the School District's website. At the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board after advertisement, the Board receives comments on the tentative budget, makes revisions as necessary and adopts a final budget. The approved budget is then submitted, in accordance with provisions of O.C.G.A. §20-2-167(c), to the Georgia Department of Education. The Board may increase or decrease the budget at any time during the year. All unexpended budget authority lapses at fiscal year-end.

The Superintendent is authorized by the Board to approve adjustments of no more than 10% of the amount budgeted for expenditures in any budget function for any fund. The Superintendent shall report any such adjustments to the Board. If expenditure of funds in any budget function for any fund is anticipated to be more than 10% of the budgeted amount, the Superintendent shall request Board approval for the budget amendment. Any position or expenditure not previously approved in the annual budget that exceeds \$100,000.00 shall require Board approval unless the Superintendent deems the position or purchase an emergency. In such case, the expenditure shall be reported to the Board at its regularly scheduled meeting. Under no circumstance is the Superintendent or other staff person authorized to spend funds that exceed the total budget without approval by the Board.

See the General Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget to Actual in the Supplementary Information Section for a detail of any over/under expenditures during the fiscal year under review.

# NOTE 4: DEPOSITS

### **Collateralization of Deposits**

O.C.G.A. § 45-8-12 provides that there shall not be on deposit at any time in any depository for a time longer than ten days a sum of money which has not been secured by surety bond, by guarantee of insurance, or by collateral. The aggregate of the face value of such surety bond and the market value of securities pledged shall be equal to not less than 110% of the public funds being secured after the deduction of the amount of deposit insurance. If a depository elects the pooled method (O.C.G.A. § 45-8-13.1) the aggregate of the market value of the securities pledged to secure a pool of public funds shall be not less than 110% of the daily pool balance.

Acceptable security for deposits consists of any one of or any combination of the following:

- (1) Surety bond signed by a surety company duly qualified and authorized to transact business within the State of Georgia,
- (2) Insurance on accounts provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
- (3) Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other direct obligations of the United States or of the State of Georgia,
- (4) Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other obligations of the counties or municipalities of the State of Georgia,

- (5) Bonds of any public authority created by the laws of the State of Georgia, providing that the statute that created the authority authorized the use of the bonds for this purpose,
- (6) Industrial revenue bonds and bonds of development authorities created by the laws of the State of Georgia, and
- (7) Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness, or other obligations of a subsidiary corporation of the United States government, which are fully guaranteed by the United States government both as to principal and interest or debt obligations issued by or securities guaranteed by the Federal Land Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank, the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, the Central Bank for Cooperatives, the Farm Credit Banks, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association, and the Federal National Mortgage Association.

#### **Categorization of Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2022, the School District had deposits with a carrying amount of \$18,777,519.99, and a bank balance of \$19,833,821.78. The bank balances insured by Federal depository insurance were \$328,552.12.

At June 30, 2022, \$19,505,269.66 of the School District's bank balances was exposed to custodial credit risk. This balance was in the State's Secure Deposit Program (SDP).

The School District participates in the State's Secure Deposit Program (SDP), a multi-bank pledging pool. The SDP requires participating banks that accept public deposits in Georgia to operate under the policy and procedures of the program. The Georgia Office of State Treasurer (OST) sets the collateral requirements and pledging level for each covered depository. There are four tiers of collateralization levels specifying percentages of eligible securities to secure covered deposits: 25%, 50%, 75%, and 110%. The SDP also provides for collateral levels to be increased in the amount of up to 125% if economic or financial conditions warrants. The program lists the types of eligible criteria. The OST approves authorized custodians.

In accordance with the SDP, if a covered depository defaults, losses to public depositors are first satisfied with any applicable insurance, followed by demands of payment under any letters of credit or sale of the covered depository collateral. If necessary, any remaining losses are to be satisfied by assessments made against the other participating covered depositories. Therefore, for disclosure purposes, all deposits of the SDP are considered to be fully collateralized.

# NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in the capital assets for governmental activities during the fiscal year:

	_	Balances July 1, 2021	Increases		Decreases		. <u>-</u>	Balances June 30, 2022
Governmental Activities								
Capital Assets,								
Not Being Depreciated:								
Land	\$	797,020.96	\$	-	\$	-	\$	797,020.96
Construction in Progress	_	246,458.18	_	3,181,558.50	_	450,773.04		2,977,243.64
Total Capital Assets								
Not Being Depreciated	_	1,043,479.14		3,181,558.50	_	450,773.04		3,774,264.60
Capital Assets,								
Being Depreciated:								
Buildings and Improvements		62,967,026.62		219,900.79		-		63,186,927.41
Equipment		10,117,824.82		2,820,389.55		627,304.28		12,310,910.09
Land Improvements		8,192,292.96		-		-		8,192,292.96
Less Accumulated								
Depreciation:								
Buildings and Improvements		28,548,410.92		1,577,230.27		-		30,125,641.19
Equipment		5,535,100.97		944,447.17		615,669.01		5,863,879.13
Land Improvements	-	6,912,715.15	_	117,597.59	-	-	· -	7,030,312.74
Total Capital Assets,								
Being Depreciated, Net	_	40,280,917.36		401,015.31	_	11,635.27		40,670,297.40
Governmental Activities								
Capital Assets - Net	\$_	41,324,396.50	\$_	3,582,573.81	\$	462,408.31	\$	44,444,562.00

# Current year depreciation expense by function is as follows:

Instruction		\$	2,161,173.22
Support Services			
General Administration	\$ 39,591.76		
Business Administration	2,639.07		
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	37,039.96		
Student Transportation Services	 340,385.95	_	419,656.74
Food Services			58,445.07
		\$	2,639,275.03

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#### NOTE 6: INTERFUND ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Due to and due from other funds are recorded for interfund receivables and payables which arise from interfund transactions. Interfund balances at June 30, 2022, consisted of the following:

	Due From Other Funds	Due To Other Funds
General Fund Capital Projects Fund Private Purpose Trust	\$ 3,992.75 68,956.28 -	\$ 68,956.28 - 3,992.75
	\$ 72,949.03	\$ 72,949.03

The interfund balances presented are derived primarily from expenditures originally paid with the capital projects fund and the general fund and to be reimbursed from the general fund and the private purpose fund after the fiscal year.

#### NOTE 7: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The changes in long-term liabilities during the fiscal year for governmental activities were as follows:

	_	Governmental Activities								
		Balance		Balance						
		July 1, 2021		Additions		Deductions		June 30, 2022		
Compensated Absences (1)	\$_	146,145.94	\$	165,727.59	\$	148,229.32	\$	163,644.21		

(1) The portion of compensated absences due within one year has been determined to be immaterial to the basic financial statements.

#### **Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences represent obligations of the School District relating to employees' rights to receive compensation for future absences based upon service already rendered. This obligation relates only to vesting accumulating leave in which payment is probable and can be reasonably estimated. Typically, the general fund is the fund used to liquidate this long-term debt. The School District uses the vesting method to compute compensated absences.

#### NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

#### Insurance

#### Commercial Insurance

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors or omissions; job related illness or injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School District carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceed commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### **Unemployment Compensation**

The School District is self-insured with regard to unemployment compensation claims. A premium is charged when needed by the general fund to each user program on the basis of the percentage of that fund's payroll to total payroll in order to cover estimated claims budgeted by management based on known claims and prior experience. The School District accounts for claims with expenses/expenditures and liability being reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated.

Changes in the unemployment compensation claims liability during the last two fiscal years are as follows:

		Beginning	Claims and			
		of Year	Changes in	Claims		End of Year
	_	Liability	 Estimates	Paid	_	Liability
					-	
2021	\$	-	\$ 17,922.00 \$	17,922.00	\$	-
2022	\$	-	\$ 340.32 \$	340.32	\$	-

#### Surety Bond

The School District purchased surety bonds to provide additional insurance coverage as follows:

Amount				
\$	25,000.00			
\$	10,000.00			
\$	100,000.00			
	; ; ;			

#### NOTE 9: FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

The School District's financial statements include the following amounts presented in the aggregate at June 30, 2022:

Nonspendable			
Inventories	\$	103,986.89	
Interfund Accounts Receivable		72,949.03	
Prepaid Assets	_	286,890.20	\$ 463,826.12
Restricted	-		
Continuation of Federal Programs	\$	2,009,465.09	
Capital Projects	_	5,583,612.07	7,593,077.16
Committed			
School Activity Accounts			367,902.02
Assigned			
Subsequent Period Expenditures			2,020,445.00
Unassigned			11,304,784.05
Fund Balance, June 30, 2022			\$ 21,750,034.35

When multiple categories of fund balance are available for an expenditure, the School District will start with the most restricted category and spend those funds first before moving down to the next category with available funds.

It is the goal of the School District to achieve and maintain a committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the general fund at fiscal year-end of not less than 5% of expenditures, not to exceed 15% of the total budget of the subsequent fiscal year, in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 20-2-167(a)5. If the unassigned fund balance at fiscal year-end falls below the goal, the School District shall develop a restoration plan to achieve and maintain the minimum fund balance.

# NOTE 10: SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

### **Commitments under Construction Contracts**

The following is an analysis of significant outstanding construction or renovation contracts executed by the School District as of June 30, 2022:

		Unearned Executed		Payments through
Project	_	Contracts (1)	· .	June 30, 2022 (2)
Upson Lee Elementary Addition Agriculture Center	\$	2,217,199.58 5,454,286.22	\$	2,612,618.79 234,315.65
	- \$	7,671,485.80	\$	2,846,934.44

(1) The amounts described are not reflected in the basic financial statements.

(2) Payments include contracts and retainages payabel at year end.

# NOTE 11: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

### **Federal Grants**

Amounts received or receivable principally from the Federal government are subject to audit and review by grantor agencies. This could result in requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for any costs which are disallowed under grant terms. Any disallowances resulting from the grantor audit may become a liability of the School District. However, the School District believes that such disallowances, if any, will be immaterial to its overall financial position.

### NOTE 12: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

### Georgia School Personnel Post-Employment Health Benefit Fund

*Plan Description:* Certified teachers and non-certified public school employees of the School District as defined in §20-2-875 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) are provided OPEB through the School OPEB Fund - a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan, reported as an employee trust fund and administered by a Board of Community Health (Board). Title 20 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit terms of the group health plan to the Board.

**Benefits Provided:** The School OPEB Fund provides healthcare benefits for retirees and their dependents due under the group health plan for public school teachers, including librarians, other certified employees of public schools, regional educational service agencies and non-certified public school employees. Retiree medical eligibility is attained when an employee retires and is immediately eligible to draw a retirement annuity from Employees' Retirement System (ERS), Georgia Judicial Retirement System (JRS), Legislative Retirement System (LRS), Teachers Retirement System (TRS) or Public School Employees Retirement System (PSERS). If elected, dependent coverage starts on the same day as retiree coverage. Medicare-eligible retirees are offered Standard and Premium Medicare Advantage plan options. Non-Medicare eligible retiree plan options include Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA), Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) and a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP). The School OPEB Fund also pays for administrative expenses of the fund. By law, no other use of the assets of the School OPEB Fund is permitted.

**Contributions:** As established by the Board, the School OPEB Fund is substantially funded on a payas-you-go basis; that is, annual cost of providing benefits will be financed in the same year as claims occur. Contributions to the School OPEB Fund from the School District were \$1,059,693.00 for the year ended June 30, 2022. Active employees are not required to contribute to the School OPEB Fund.

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

At June 30, 2022, the School District reported a liability of \$31,416,656.00 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021. The total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020. An expected total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was actuarially determined based on employer contributions during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. At June 30, 2021, the School District's proportion was 0.290067%, which was a decrease of 0.000092% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the School District recognized OPEB expense of (\$293,380.00). At June 30, 2022, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	OPEB
	Deferred Deferred
	Outflows of Inflows of
	Resources Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ - \$ 14,344,745.00
Changes of assumptions	5,752,874.00 2,563,579.00
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	- 49,817.00
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	735,337.00 480,364.00
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,059,693.00 -
Total	\$ 7,547,904.00 \$ 17,438,505.00

School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

2023	\$ (3,001,391.00)
2024	\$ (2,633,852.00)
2025	\$ (1,793,008.00)
2026	\$ (1,250,535.00)
2027	\$ (1,744,978.00)
Thereafter	\$ (526,530.00)

**Actuarial Assumptions:** The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020 using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement and rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2021:

### OPEB:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	3.00% – 8.75%, including inflation
Long-term expected rate of return	7.00%, compounded annually, net of investment
Healthcare cost trend rate	expense, and including inflation
Pre-Medicare Eligible	6.75%
Medicare Eligible	5.13%
Ultimate trend rate	
Pre-Medicare Eligible	4.50%
Medicare Eligible	4.50%
Year of Ultimate trend rate	
Pre-Medicare Eligible	2029
Medicare Eligible	2023

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Mortality Tables for Males or Females, as appropriate, as follows:

- For TRS members: Post-retirement mortality rates for service retirements and beneficiaries were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP-2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. Post-retirement mortality rates for disability retirements were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP- 2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. The Pub-2010 Teachers Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP- 2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. The Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table with ages set forward one year and adjusted 106% was used for death prior to retirement. Future improvement in mortality rates was assumed using the MP-2019 projection scale generationally. These rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate.
- For PSERS members: Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality Table, with no adjustment, with the MP-2019 Projections scale applied generationally. Post-retirement mortality rates for service retirements were based on the Pub-2010 General Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table (ages set forward one year and adjusted 105% for males and 108% for females) with the MP-2019 Projection scale applied generationally. Post-retirement mortality rates for disability retirements were based on the Pub-2010 General Disabled Mortality Table (ages set back three years for males and adjusted 103% for males and 106% for females) with the MP-2019 Projections scaled applied

generationally. Post-retirement mortality rates for beneficiaries were based on the Pub-2010 General Contingent Survivor Mortality Table (ages set forward two years and adjust 106% for males and 158% for females) with the MP-2019 Project scale applied generationally.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the pension systems, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2018, with the exception of the assumed annual rate of inflation with changed from 2.75% to 2.50%, effective with the June 30, 2018 valuation.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the June 30, 2020 valuation.

Projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculation.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of investment expense and the assumed rate of 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. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset class	Target allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return*
Fixed income	30.00%	0.14%
Equities	70.00%	9.20%
Total	100.00%	

### \*Net of Inflation

**Discount Rate:** In order to measure the total OPEB liability for the School OPEB Fund, a single equivalent interest rate of 2.20% was used as the discount rate, as compared with last year's rate of 2.22%. This is comprised mainly of the yield or index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation bonds with an average rating of AA or higher (2.16% per the Municipal Bond Index Rate). The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from members and from the employers will be made at the current level as averaged over the last five years, adjusted for annual projected changes in headcount. Projected future benefit payments for all current plan members were projected through 2145.

### Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to

**Changes in the Discount Rate:** The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 2.20%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (1.20%) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.20%) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (1.20%)	Current Discount Rate (2.20%)	1% Increase (3.20%)
School District's proportionate			
share of the Net OPEB liability	\$ 35,916,283.00	\$ 31,416,656.00	\$ 27,650,042.00

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates: The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net OPER liability, as well as what the School District's proportionate share

proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net 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:

		Current Healthcare				
	_	1% Decrease		Cost Trend Rate	_	1% Increase
School District's proportionate						
share of the Net OPEB liability	\$	26,658,250.00	\$	31,416,656.00	\$	37,365,037.00

**OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position:** Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which is publicly available at <u>https://sao.georgia.gov/statewide-reporting/acfr</u>.

# Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions (SEAD – OPEB)

**Plan Description:** SEAD-OPEB was created in 2007 by the Georgia General Assembly to amend Title 47 of the O.C.G.A., relating to retirement, so as to establish a fund for the provision of term life insurance to retired and vested inactive members of the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia (ERS), the Legislative Retirement System (LRS), and the Georgia Judicial Retirement System (GJRS). The plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit plan as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans other than OPEB Plans*. The SEAD-OPEB trust fund accumulates the premiums received from the aforementioned retirement plans, including interest earned on deposits and investments of such payments.

**Benefits Provided:** The amount of insurance for a retiree with creditable service prior to April 1, 1964 is the full amount of insurance in effect on the date of retirement. The amount of insurance for a service retiree with no creditable service prior to April 1, 1964 is 70% of the amount of insurance in effect at age 60 or at termination, if earlier. Life insurance proceeds are paid in a lump sum to the beneficiary upon death of the retiree.

**Contributions:** Georgia law provides that employee contributions to the plan shall be in an amount established by the Board of Trustees not to exceed one-half of 1% of the member's earnable compensation. There were no employer contributions required for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

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

At June 30, 2022, the School District reported an asset of \$33,735.00 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB asset. The net OPEB asset was measured as of June 30, 2021. The total OPEB asset used to calculate the net OPEB asset was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020. An expected total OPEB asset as of June 30, 2021 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB asset was based on actual member salaries reported to the SEAD-OPEB plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. At June 30 2021, the School District's proportion was 0.005478%, which was an increase of 0.000637% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the School District recognized OPEB expense of (\$3,872.00). At June 30, 2022, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	_	SEAD - OPEB		
		Deferred Deferred		
		Outflows of		Inflows of
	_	Resources		Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	101.00
Changes of assumptions		-		1,052.00
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments		-		11,257.00
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and		502.00		050.00
proportionate share of contributions	_	502.00		956.00
Total	\$_	502.00	\$_	13,366.00

There were no School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date. Other amounts reported as defined outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	SEAD-OPEB	
2023	\$	(4,288.00)
2024	\$	(2,852.00)
2025	\$	(2,734.00)
2026	\$	(2,990.00)

**Actuarial Assumptions:** The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2010 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

### SEAD – OPEB:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases:	
ERS	3.00% - 6.75%
GJRS	3.75%
LRS	N/A
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation
Healthcare cost trend rate	N/A

Mortality rates are as follows:

- The Pub-2010 General Employee Table, with no adjustments, projected generationally with the MP-2019 scale is used for both males and females while in active service.
- The Pub-2010 Family of Tables projected generationally with the MP-2019 Scale and with further adjustments are used for post-retirement mortality assumptions as follows:

Participant Type	Membership Table	le Set Forward (+) / Setback (-) Adjustme	
Service Retirees	General Healthy Annuitant	Male: +1; Female: +1	Male: 105%: Female: 108%
Disability Retirees	General Disabled	Male: -3; Female: 0	Male: 103%; Female: 106%
Beneficiaries	General Contingent Survivors	Male: +2; Female: +2	Male: 106%; Female: 105%

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2019.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of 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.

The target asset allocation and estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset class	SEAD - OPEB Target allocation	Long-term expected real rate of return*
Fixed income	30.00%	(1.50)%
Domestic large stocks	46.40%	9.20%
Domestic small stocks	1.10%	13.40%
International developed market stocks	11.70%	9.20%
International emerging market stocks	5.80%	10.40%
Alternative	5.00%	10.60%
Total	100.00%	

\* Rates shown are net of inflation

**Discount Rate:** The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer and State of Georgia contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB 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 OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

*Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate:* The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)	
School District's proportionate share of the				
net OPEB asset	\$ 26,532.00	\$ 33,735.00	\$ 39,616.00	

**OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position:** Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ERS comprehensive annual financial report which is publicly available at <u>www.ers.ga.gov/financials</u>.

### NOTE 13: RETIREMENT PLANS

The School District participates in various retirement plans administered by the State of Georgia, as further explained below.

# Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS)

*Plan Description:* All teachers of the School District as defined in O.C.G.A §47-3-60 and certain other support personnel as defined by O.C.G.A §47-3-63 are provided a pension through the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS). TRS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, is administered by the TRS Board of Trustees (TRS Board). Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the

authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. The Teachers Retirement System of Georgia issues a publicly available separate financial report that can be obtained at <u>www.trsga.com/publications</u>.

**Benefits Provided:** TRS provides service retirement, disability retirement, and death benefits. Normal retirement benefits are determined as 2% of the average of the employee's two highest paid consecutive years of service, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service up to 40 years. An employee is eligible for normal service retirement after 30 years of creditable service, regardless of age, or after 10 years of service and attainment of age 60. Ten years of service is required for disability and death benefits eligibility. Disability benefits are based on the employee's creditable service and compensation up to the time of disability. Death benefits equal the amount that would be payable to the employee's beneficiary had the employee retired on the date of death. Death benefits are based on the employee's creditable service and compensation up to the date of death.

**Contributions:** Per Title 47 of the O.C.G.A., contribution requirements of active employees and participating employers, as actuarially determined, are established and may be amended by the TRS Board. Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Employees were required to contribute 6.00% of their annual pay during fiscal year 2022. The School District's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2022 was 19.81% of annual School District payroll. For the current fiscal year, employer contributions to the pension plan were \$4,962,181.16 from the School District.

# Employees' Retirement System

**Plan Description:** The Employees' Retirement System of Georgia (ERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by the Georgia General Assembly during the 1949 Legislative Session for the purpose of providing retirement allowances for employees of the State of Georgia and its political subdivisions. ERS is directed by a Board of Trustees. Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. ERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <u>www.ers.ga.gov/financials</u>.

**Benefits Provided:** The ERS Plan supports three benefit tiers: Old Plan, New Plan, and Georgia State Employees' Pension and Savings Plan (GSEPS). Employees under the old plan started membership prior to July 1, 1982 and are subject to plan provisions in effect prior to July 1, 1982. Members hired on or after July 1, 1982 but prior to January 1, 2009 are new plan members subject to modified plan provisions. Effective January 1, 2009, new state employees and rehired state employees who did not retain membership rights under the Old or New Plans are members of GSEPS. ERS members hired prior to January 1, 2009 also have the option to irrevocably change their membership to GSEPS.

Under the old plan, the new plan, and GSEPS, a member may retire and receive normal retirement benefits after completion of 10 years of creditable service and attainment of age 60 or 30 years of creditable service regardless of age. Additionally, there are some provisions allowing for early retirement after 25 years of creditable service for members under age 60.

Retirement benefits paid to members are based upon the monthly average of the member's highest 24 consecutive calendar months, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, multiplied by the applicable benefit factor. Annually, postretirement cost-of-living adjustments may also be made to members' benefits, provided the members were hired prior to July 1, 2009. The normal

retirement pension is payable monthly for life; however, options are available for distribution of the member's monthly pension, at reduced rates, to a designated beneficiary upon the member's death. Death and disability benefits are also available through ERS.

**Contributions:** Member contributions under the old plan are 4.00% of annual compensation, up to \$4,200.00, plus 6.00% of annual compensation in excess of \$4,200.00. Under the old plan, the state pays member contributions in excess of 1.25% of annual compensation. Under the old plan, these state contributions are included in the members' accounts for refund purposes and are used in the computation of the members' earnable compensation for the purpose of computing retirement benefits. Member contributions under the new plan and GSEPS are 1.25% of annual compensation. The School District's total required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2022 was 24.63% of annual covered payroll for old and new plan members and 21.57% for GSEPS members. Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Employer contributions to the pension plan were \$15,110.39 for the current fiscal year.

# Public School Employees Retirement System (PSERS)

**Plan Description:** PSERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by the Georgia General Assembly in 1969 for the purpose of providing retirement allowances for public school employees who are not eligible for membership in the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia. The ERS Board of Trustees, plus two additional trustees, administers PSERS. Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. PSERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <u>www.ers.ga.gov/financials</u>.

**Benefits Provided:** A member may retire and elect to receive normal monthly retirement benefits after completion of ten years of creditable service and attainment of age 65. A member may choose to receive reduced benefits after age 60 and upon completion of ten years of service.

Upon retirement, the member will receive a monthly benefit of \$15.50, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Death and disability benefits are also available through PSERS. Additionally, PSERS may make periodic cost-of-living adjustments to the monthly benefits. Upon termination of employment, member contributions with accumulated interest are refundable upon request by the member. However, if an otherwise vested member terminates and withdraws his/her member contribution, the member forfeits all rights to retirement benefits.

**Contributions:** The general assembly makes an annual appropriation to cover the employer contribution to PSERS on behalf of local school employees (bus drivers, cafeteria workers, and maintenance staff). The annual employer contribution required by statute is actuarially determined and paid directly to PSERS by the State Treasurer in accordance with O.C.G.A. §47-4-29(a) and 60(b). Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Individuals who became members prior to July 1, 2012 contribute \$4 per month for nine months each fiscal year. Individuals who became members on or after July 1, 2012 contribute \$10 per month for nine months each fiscal year. The State of Georgia, although not the employer of PSERS members, is required by statute to make employer contributions actuarially determined and approved and certified by the PSERS Board of Trustees. The current fiscal year contribution was \$129,723.00.

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

At June 30, 2022, the School District reported a liability of \$15,815,176.00 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS (\$15,757,241.00) and ERS (\$57,935.00).

The net pension liability for TRS and ERS was measured as of June 30, 2021. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on contributions to TRS and ERS during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

At June 30, 2021, the School District's TRS proportion was 0.178162%, which was an increase of 0.001223% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2021, the School District's ERS proportion was 0.002477%, which was an increase of 0.000189% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

At June 30, 2022, the School District did not have a PSERS liability for a proportionate share of the net pension liability because of a Special Funding Situation with the State of Georgia, which is responsible for the net pension liability of the plan. The amount of the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District is \$107,189.00.

The PSERS net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The State's proportion of the net pension liability associated with the School District was based on actuarially determined contributions paid by the State during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the School District recognized pension expense of \$86,439.58 for TRS, (\$16,546.00) for ERS and \$1,127.00 for PSERS and revenue of (\$88.00) for TRS and \$1,127.00 for PSERS. The revenue is support provided by the State of Georgia. For TRS the State of Georgia support is provided only for certain support personnel.

At June 30, 2022, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

				ERS					
		Deferred Deferr			Deferred			Deferred	
		Outflows of		Inflows of		Outflows of		Inflows of	
		Resources		Resources		Resources		Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	3,760,178.00	\$	-	\$	1,371.00	\$	-	
Changes of assumptions		3,049,763.00		-		16,684.00		-	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-		23,048,392.00				53,545.00	
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions		748,713.00		1,145,423.00		4,525.00		7,272.00	
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	_	4,962,181.16	_		-	15,110.39	_		
Total	\$	12,520,835.16	\$	24,193,815.00	\$_	37,690.39	\$_	60,817.00	

The School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date for TRS and ERS are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	-	TRS	_	ERS
2023	\$	(3,367,120.00)	\$	(4,747.00)
2024	\$	(3,005,453.00)	\$	(6,176.00)
2025	\$	(4,616,412.00)	\$	(13,013.00)
2026	\$	(5,646,176.00)	\$	(14,301.00)

**Actuarial Assumptions:** The total pension liability as of June 30, 2021 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

### Teachers Retirement System:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	3.00% – 8.75%, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.25%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Post-retirement benefit increases	1.50% semi-annually

Post-retirement mortality rates for service retirements and beneficiaries were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP-2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. Post-retirement mortality rates for disability retirements were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Mortality Table for Disabled Retirees (ages set forward one year and adjusted 106%) with the MP-2019 Projection scale applied generationally. The rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate. The Pub-2010 Teachers Headcount Weighted Below Median Employee mortality table with ages set forward one year and adjusted 106% as used for death prior to retirement. Future improvement in mortality rates was assumed using the MP-2019 projection scale generationally. These rates of improvement were reduced by 20% for all years prior to the ultimate rate.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2018.

# Employees' Retirement System:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	3.00% - 6.75%, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates are as follows:

- The Pub-2010 General Employee Table, with no adjustments, projected generationally with the MP-2019 scale is used for both males and females while in active service.
- The Pub-2010 Family of Tables projected generationally with the MP-2019 Scale and with further adjustments are used for post-retirement mortality assumptions as follows:

Participant Type	Membership Table	Set Forward (+) / Setback (-)	Adjustment to Rates		
Service Retirees	General Healthy Annuitant	Male: +1; Female: +1	Male: 105%; Female: 108%		
Disability Retirees	General Disabled	Male: -3; Female: 0	Male: 103%; Female: 106%		
Beneficiaries	General Contingent Survivors	Male: +2; Female: +2	Male: 106%; Female: 105%		

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2019.

# Public School Employees Retirement System:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	N/A
Investment rate of return	7.00%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Post-retirement benefit increases	1.50% semi-annually

Mortality rates are as follows:

- The Pub-2010 General Employee Table, with no adjustments, projected generationally with the MP-2019 scale is used for both males and females while in active service.
- The Pub-2010 Family of Tables projected generationally with the MP-2019 Scale and with further adjustments are used for post-retirement mortality assumptions as follows:

Participant Type	Membership Table	Set Forward (+) / Setback (-)	Adjustment to Rates
Service Retirees	General Healthy Below -		
	Median Annuitant	Male: +2; Female: +2	Male: 101%; Female: 103%
Disability Retirees	General Disabled	Male: -3; Female: 0	Male: 103%; Female: 106%
Beneficiaries	General Below - Median		
	Contingent Survivors	Male: +2; Female: +2	Male: 104%; Female: 99%

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2019.

The long-term expected rate of return on TRS, ERS and PSERS pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis 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. The target allocation and estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset class	TRS Target allocation	Long-term expected real rate of return*	ERS/PSERS Target allocation	Long-term expected real rate of return*
Fixed income	30.00%	(0.80)%	30.00%	(1.50)%
Domestic large stocks	46.30%	9.30%	46.40%	9.20%
Domestic small stocks	1.20%	13.30%	1.10%	13.40%
International developed market stocks	11.50%	9.30%	11.70%	9.20%
International emerging market stocks	6.00%	11.30%	5.80%	10.40%
Alternative	5.00%	10.60%	5.00%	10.60%
Total	100.00%		100.00%	

\* Rates shown are net of inflation

**Discount Rate:** The discount rate used to measure the total TRS pension liability was 7.25%. The discount rate used to measure the total ERS and PSERS pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer and nonemployer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the TRS, ERS and PSERS pension plans' fiduciary net position were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

### Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to

**Changes in the Discount Rate:** The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25% and 7.00%, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25% and 6.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25% and 8.00%) than the current rate:

Teachers Retirement System:		1% Decrease (6.25%)		Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	_	1% Increase (8.25%)	
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	42,445,832.00	\$	15,757,241.00	\$	(6,112,218.00)	
Employees' Retirement System:		1% Decrease (6.00%)		Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	-	1% Increase (8.00%)	
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	106,164.00	\$	57,935.00	\$	17,146.00	

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position:** Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS, ERS and PSERS financial report which is publicly available at <u>www.trsga.com/publications</u> and <u>http://www.ers.ga.gov/financials</u>.

### NOTE 14: TAX ABATEMENTS

The School District property tax revenues were reduced by \$38,581.00 under agreements entered into by Standard Textile. Standard Textile reimburses the School District on an eight-year phase in schedule. The School District received \$36,117.00 in fiscal year 2022.

### NOTE 15: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On March 21, 2023, voters authorized the School District to continue collections of a 1% percent local option sales tax, not to exceed issue \$25,000,000.00, and to issue general obligation bonds in this amount. The proceeds from these bonds will be used for various capital outlay projects and to provide funds for debt service as those obligations become due. As of the report date, the School District had not issued any of the debt approved by the voters.

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#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

For the Year Ended June 30	School District's proportion of the Net Pension Liability (NPL)	chool District's portionate share of the NPL	State of Georgia's proportionate share of the NPL associated with the School District		School District's Total covered payroll			School District's proportionate share of the NPL as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	
2022	0.178162%	\$ 15,757,241.00	\$	-	\$	15,757,241.00	\$	23,142,923.38	68.09%	92.03%
2021	0.176939%	\$ 42,861,551.00	\$	7,509.00	\$	42,869,060.00	\$	22,815,000.75	187.87%	77.01%
2020	0.184029%	\$ 39,571,211.00	\$	-	\$	39,571,211.00	\$	22,456,389.54	176.21%	78.56%
2019	0.176141%	\$ 32,695,543.00	\$	-	\$	32,695,543.00	\$	20,984,370.31	155.81%	80.27%
2018	0.185640%	\$ 34,501,766.00	\$	-	\$	34,501,766.00	\$	21,315,696.34	161.86%	79.33%
2017	0.191445%	\$ 39,497,238.00	\$	-	\$	39,497,238.00	\$	20,953,028.58	188.50%	76.06%
2016	0.198917%	\$ 30,283,138.00	\$	-	\$	30,283,138.00	\$	20,978,778.02	144.35%	81.44%
2015	0.204991%	\$ 25,897,909.00	\$	-	\$	25,897,909.00	\$	20,911,311.48	123.85%	84.03%

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

For the Year Ended June 30	Contractually required contribution		Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		Contribution deficiency (excess)		chool District's overed payroll	Contribution as a percentage of covered payroll	
2022	\$	4,962,181.16	\$	4,962,181.16	\$	-	\$ 25,048,870.22	19.81%	
2021	\$	4,411,041.58	\$	4,411,041.58	\$	-	\$ 23,142,923.38	19.06%	
2020	\$	4,823,091.16	\$	4,823,091.16	\$	-	\$ 22,815,000.75	21.14%	
2019	\$	4,693,385.41	\$	4,693,385.41	\$	-	\$ 22,456,389.54	20.90%	
2018	\$	3,527,472.65	\$	3,527,472.65	\$	-	\$ 20,984,370.31	16.81%	
2017	\$	3,041,749.87	\$	3,041,749.87	\$	-	\$ 21,315,696.34	14.27%	
2016	\$	2,989,997.18	\$	2,989,997.18	\$	-	\$ 20,953,028.58	14.27%	
2015	\$	2,758,709.31	\$	2,758,709.31	\$	-	\$ 20,978,778.02	13.15%	
2014	\$	2,567,909.05	\$	2,567,909.05	\$	-	\$ 20,911,311.48	12.28%	
2013	\$	2,381,602.29	\$	2,381,602.29	\$	-	\$ 20,872,938.56	11.41%	

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

For the Year Ended June 30	School District's proportion of the Net Pension Liability (NPL)	prop	School District's ortionate share of the NPL	Scho	ol District's covered payroll	School District's proportionate share of the NPL as a percentage of covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability
2022	0.002477%	\$	57,935.00	\$	59,383.71	97.56%	87.62%
2021	0.002288%	\$	96,438.00	\$	57,678.11	167.20%	76.21%
2020	0.003187%	\$	131,513.00	\$	95,111.16	138.27%	76.74%
2019	0.004486%	\$	184,421.00	\$	114,416.08	161.18%	76.68%
2018	0.004667%	\$	189,543.00	\$	114,463.92	165.59%	76.33%
2017	0.004709%	\$	222,755.00	\$	109,486.13	203.45%	72.34%
2016	0.004418%	\$	178,991.00	\$	101,014.11	177.19%	76.20%
2015	0.002162%	\$	81,088.00	\$	48,679.50	166.58%	77.99%

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

For the Year Ended June 30	Cor	tractually required contribution	Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution			ntribution deficiency (excess)	Schoo	l District's covered payroll	Contribution as a percentage of covered payroll	
2022	\$	15,110.39	\$	15,110.39	\$	-	\$	61,348.30	24.63%	
2021	\$	14,643.97	\$	14,643.97	\$	-	\$	59,383.71	24.66%	
2020	\$	14,223.39	\$	14,223.39	\$	-	\$	57,678.11	24.66%	
2019	\$	23,566.49	\$	23,566.49	\$	-	\$	95,111.16	24.78%	
2018	\$	28,386.64	\$	28,386.64	\$	-	\$	114,416.08	24.81%	
2017	\$	28,398.46	\$	28,398.46	\$	-	\$	114,463.92	24.81%	
2016	\$	27,065.02	\$	27,065.02	\$	-	\$	109,486.13	24.72%	
2015	\$	22,182.70	\$	22,182.70	\$	-	\$	101,014.11	21.96%	
2014	\$	8,986.30	\$	8,986.30	\$	-	\$	48,679.50	18.46%	
2013	\$	6,969.24	\$	6,969.24	\$	-	\$	46,773.68	14.90%	

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

For the Year Ended June 30	School District's proportion of the Net Pension Liability (NPL)	hool District's portionate share of the NPL	State of Georgia's proportionate share of the NPL associated with the School District		Total		School District's covered payroll		School District's proportionate share of the NPL as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability
2022	0.00%	\$ -	\$	107,189.00	\$	107,189.00	\$	1,785,643.24	N/A	98.00%
2021	0.00%	\$ -	\$	756,994.00	\$	756,994.00	\$	1,923,862.41	N/A	84.45%
2020	0.00%	\$ -	\$	696,711.00	\$	696,711.00	\$	1,576,547.99	N/A	85.02%
2019	0.00%	\$ -	\$	669,127.00	\$	669,127.00	\$	1,513,604.79	N/A	85.26%
2018	0.00%	\$ -	\$	608,559.00	\$	608,559.00	\$	1,539,671.66	N/A	85.69%
2017	0.00%	\$ -	\$	773,187.00	\$	773,187.00	\$	1,583,839.04	N/A	81.00%
2016	0.00%	\$ -	\$	523,617.00	\$	523,617.00	\$	1,543,478.79	N/A	87.00%
2015	0.00%	\$ -	\$	449,299.00	\$	449,299.00	\$	1,536,388.00	N/A	88.29%

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY SCHOOL OPEB FUND

For the Year Ended June 30	School District's proportion of the Net OPEB Liability (NOL)	-	chool District's portionate share of the NOL	proport the N	of Georgia's ionate share of OL associated School District	 Total		chool District's vered-employee payroll	School District's proportionate share of the NOL as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability
2022	0.290067%	\$	31,416,656.00	\$	-	\$ 31,416,656.00	\$	24,535,283.44	128.05%	6.14%
2021	0.290159%	\$	42,617,600.00	\$	-	\$ 42,617,600.00	\$	22,843,069.90	186.57%	3.99%
2020	0.286761%	\$	35,191,727.00	\$	-	\$ 35,191,727.00	\$	22,364,222.54	157.36%	4.63%
2019	0.282988%	\$	35,966,906.00	\$	-	\$ 35,966,906.00	\$	20,876,189.48	172.29%	2.93%
2018	0.281563%	\$	39,559,489.00	\$	-	\$ 39,559,489.00	\$	20,530,328.80	192.69%	1.61%

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS SCHOOL OPEB FUND

For the Year Ended June 30	Contractually required contribution		 ributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	Cor	ntribution deficiency (excess)	School District's covered-employee payroll		Contribution as a percentage of covered- employee payroll	
2022	\$	1,059,693.00	\$ 1,059,693.00	\$	-	\$	26,456,700.45	4.01%	
2021	\$	1,079,002.00	\$ 1,079,002.00	\$	-	\$	24,535,283.44	4.40%	
2020	\$	981,249.00	\$ 981,249.00	\$	-	\$	22,843,069.90	4.30%	
2019	\$	1,544,401.00	\$ 1,544,401.00	\$	-	\$	22,364,222.54	6.91%	
2018	\$	1,466,700.00	\$ 1,466,700.00	\$	-	\$	20,876,189.48	7.03%	
2017	\$	1,468,092.00	\$ 1,468,092.00	\$	-	\$	20,530,328.80	7.15%	

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB ASSET SEAD - OPEB

For the Year Ended June 30	School District's proportion of the Net OPEB Asset (NOA)	 chool District's portionate share of the NOA	prop of the	te of Georgia's ortionate share NOA associated th the School District	 Total	hool District's ered-employee payroll	School District's proportionate share of the NOA as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB asset
2022	0.005478%	\$ 33,735.00	\$	-	\$ 33,735.00	\$ 59,383.71	56.81%	164.76%
2021	0.004841%	\$ 13,749.00	\$	-	\$ 13,749.00	\$ 57,678.11	23.84%	129.20%
2020	0.006298%	\$ 17,809.00	\$	-	\$ 17,809.00	\$ 95,111.16	18.72%	129.73%
2019	0.008625%	\$ 22,369.00	\$	-	\$ 22,369.00	\$ 114,416.08	19.55%	129.46%
2018	0.007860%	\$ 20,429.00	\$	-	\$ 20,429.00	\$ 114,463.92	17.85%	130.17%

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS SEAD - OPEB

For the Year Ended June 30	Со	ntractually required contribution	tributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	Co	ntribution deficiency (excess)	chool District's vered-employee payroll	Contribution as a percentage of covered- employee payroll
2022	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 61,349.30	0.00%
2021	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 59,383.71	0.00%
2020	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 57,678.11	0.00%
2019	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 95,111.16	0.00%
2018	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 114,416.08	0.00%
2017	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 114,463.92	0.00%

#### **Teachers Retirement System**

Change of benefit terms: There have been no changes in benefit terms.

*Changes of assumptions:* On November 18, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement, disability, withdrawal and salary increases. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to RP-2000 White Collar Mortality Table with future mortality improvement projected to 2025 with the Society of Actuaries' projection scale BB (set forward one year for males).

On May 15, 2019, the Board adopted recommended changes from the smoothed valuation interest rate methodology that has been in effect since June 30, 2009, to a constant interest rate method. In conjunction with the methodology, the long-term assumed rate of return in assets (discount rate) has been changed from 7.50% to 7.25%, and the assumed annual rate of inflation has been reduced from 2.75% to 2.50%.

In 2019 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the Pub-2010 Teacher Headcount Weighted Below Median Healthy Retiree mortality table from the RP-2000 Mortality Tables. In 2019, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

#### Employees' Retirement System

*Changes of benefit terms:* A new benefit tier was added for members joining the System on and after July 1, 2009. A one-time 3% payment was granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2016, and a one-time 3% payment was granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2017. Two one-time 2% payments were granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2017. Two one-time 2% payments were granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2017. Two one-time 2% payments were granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2018 and January 2019. Two one-time 3% payments were granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2018 and January 2019. Two one-time 3% payments were granted to certain retirees and beneficiaries effective July 2019 and January 2020.

*Changes of assumptions:* On December 17, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement, withdrawal and salary increases. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set fowared 2 years for both males and females).

A new funding policy was initially adopted the Board on March 15, 2018, and most recently amended on June 18, 2020. Because of this new funding policy, the assumed investment rate of return was reduced from 7.50% to 7.40% for the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation and further reduced from 7.40% to 7.30% for the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation.

On December 17, 2020, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System based on the experience study prepared for the five-year period ending June 30, 2019. Primary among the changes were the updates to rate of mortality, retirement, withdrawl, and salary increases. This also included a change to the long-term assumed investment rate of return of 7.00%. These assumption changes are reflected in the calcuation of the June 30, 2021 Total Pension Liability.

#### Public School Employees Retirement System

Changes of benefit terms: There have been no changes in benefit terms.

*Changes of assumptions:* On December 17, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement and withdrawal. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Blue Collar Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 3 years for males and 2 years for females).

A new funding policy was initially adopted by the Board on March 15, 2018, and most recently amended on December 17, 2020. Because of this new funding policy, the assumed investment rate of return was reduced from 7.50% to 7.40% for the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation and further reduced from 7.40% to 7.30% for the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation.

On December 17, 2020, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumption utilized by the System based on the experience study prepared for the five-year period ending June 30, 2019. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates or mortality, retirement, disability, and withdrawal. This also included a change to the long-term assumed investment rate of return to 7.00%. These assumption changes are reflected in the calculation of the June 30, 2021 Total Pension Liability.

#### School OPEB Fund

Changes of benefit terms: There have been no changes in benefit terms.

*Changes in assumptions:* June 30, 2020 valuation: Decremental assumptions were changed to reflect the Employees Retirement Systems experience study. Approximately 0.10% of emloyees are members of the Employees Retirement System.

June 30, 2019 valuation: Decremental assumptions were changed to reflect the Teachers Retirement Systems experience study.

June 30, 2018 valuation: The inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.50%.

June 30, 2017 valuation: The participation assumption, tobacco use assumption and morbidity factors were revised.

June 30, 2015 valuation: Decremental and underlying inflation assumptions were changed to reflect to Retirement Systems' experience studies.

June 30, 2012 valuation: A data audit was performed and data collection procedures and assumptions were changed.

The discount rate was updated from 3.07% as of June 30, 2016 to 3.58% as of June 30, 2017, to 3.87% as of June 30, 2018, back to 3.58% of June 30, 2019, and to 2.22% as of June 30, 2020.

#### SEAD-OPEB Employer

Changes of benefit terms: There have been no changes in benefit terms.

*Changes of assumptions:* On December 17, 2015, the Board of Trustees adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the Plan. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement, disability, withdrawal and salary increases. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 2 years for both males and females).

A new funding policy was initially adopted by the Board on March 15, 2018. Because of this new funding policy, the assumed investment rate of return was reduced from 7.50% to 7.40% for the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation and further reduced from 7.40% to 7.30% for the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation.

On December 17, 2020, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the Systems based on the experience study prepared for the five-year period ending June 30, 2019. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement, withdrawal, and salary increases. This also included a change to the long-term assumed investment rate of return to 7.00%. These assumption changes are reflected in the calculation of the June 30, 2021 Total OPEB Liability.

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	NONAPPROPRIATED BUDGETS			ACTUAL	VARIANCE
	ORIGINAL (1)		FINAL (1)	AMOUNTS	OVER/UNDER
REVENUES					
Property Taxes	\$ 10,161,267.00	\$	10,161,267.00 \$	10,559,122.68 \$	397,855.68
Sales Taxes	150,000.00		150,000.00	307,961.64	157,961.64
State Funds	29,246,207.00		31,524,924.50	31,676,621.87	151,697.37
Federal Funds	20,473,350.00		26,772,402.00	13,563,505.61	(13,208,896.39)
Charges for Services	90,000.00		100,000.00	426,638.90	326,638.90
Investment Earnings	195,000.00		195,000.00	242,297.43	47,297.43
Miscellaneous	 736,700.00		761,700.00	1,018,959.50	257,259.50
Total Revenues	 61,052,524.00	. <u> </u>	69,665,293.50	57,795,107.63	(11,870,185.87)
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Instruction	36,093,340.00		38,168,802.50	31,920,815.42	6,247,987.08
Support Services					
Pupil Services	2,584,222.00		2,702,083.00	2,202,361.71	499,721.29
Improvement of Instructional Services	2,116,996.00		4,409,422.00	1,951,845.96	2,457,576.04
Educational Media Services	587,012.00		602,393.00	518,010.19	84,382.81
General Administration	2,680,387.00		2,816,598.00	1,264,126.63	1,552,471.37
School Administration	3,135,039.00		3,201,689.00	3,300,237.88	(98,548.88)
Business Administration	301,444.00		306,571.00	307,307.62	(736.62)
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	4,370,789.00		4,355,883.00	4,023,668.94	332,214.06
Student Transportation Services	6,833,992.00		5,303,699.00	5,036,193.23	267,505.77
Central Support Services	198,631.00		202,049.00	197,167.04	4,881.96
Other Support Services	147,049.00		147,049.00	156,692.72	(9,643.72)
Food Services Operation	3,304,002.00		3,767,476.00	3,900,658.50	(133,182.50)
Capital Outlay	-		4,544,496.00	2,612,618.79	1,931,877.21
Total Expenditures	 62,352,903.00		70,528,210.50	57,391,704.63	13,136,505.87
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	 (1,300,379.00)		(862,917.00)	403,403.00	1,266,320.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	514,281.00		514,199.00	-	(514,199.00)
Other Sources	35,000.00		35,000.00	-	(35,000.00)
Operating Transfers to Other Funds	(514,281.00)		(514,199.00)	-	514,199.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	 35,000.00		35,000.00		(35,000.00)
	 00,000.00		00,000,000		(00)000.00)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(1,265,379.00)		(827,917.00)	403,403.00	1,231,320.00
Fund Balances - Beginning	16,101,530.66		16,101,530.66	15,650,264.38	(451,266.28)
Adjustments	 20,654.15	·	(34,543.03)		34,543.03
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 14,856,805.81	\$	15,239,070.63 \$	16,053,667.38 \$	814,596.75

#### Notes to the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual

(1) Original and Final Budget amounts do not include the budgeted revenues or expenditures of the various principal accounts. The actual revenues and expenditures of the various principal accounts are \$950,894.79 and \$876,933.44, respectively.

The accompanying schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances budget and actual is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is the basis of accounting used in the presentation of the fund financial statements.

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

PROGRAM/GRANT     NUMBER     NUMBER       Agriculture, U. S. Department of     Child Nutrition Cluster       Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education     Food Services       School Breakfast Program     10.553     225GA324N1199       National School Lunch Program     10.555     225GA324N1199       National School Lunch Program     10.555     225GA324N1199	IN PERIOD 1,383,390.24 1,777,238.45 321,844.31 3,482,473.00
Child Nutrition Cluster         Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education         Food Services         School Breakfast Program         National School Lunch Program         National School Lunch Program         10.555       225GA324N1199         National School Lunch Program         10.555       225GA324N1199	1,777,238.45 321,844.31
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education         Food Services         School Breakfast Program       10.553       225GA324N1199       \$         National School Lunch Program       10.555       225GA324N1199       \$         National School Lunch Program       10.555       225GA324N1199       \$	1,777,238.45 321,844.31
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National School Lunch Program 10.555 225GA324N1199	321,844.31
	3,482,473.00
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	
Education, U. S. Department of	
Education Stabilization Fund	
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education	
COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund 84.425D S425D200012	53,852.30
COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund 84.425D S425D210012	2,030,635.96
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School	
Emergency Relief Fund84.425U\$425U210012	4,182,697.25
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School	
Emergency Relief Fund - Homeless Children and Youth 84.425W S425W210011	7,973.27
Total Education Stabilization Fund	6,275,158.78
Special Education Cluster	
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education	
Special Education	
Grants to States 84.027A H027A210073	1,013,039.00
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan - Grants to States 84.027X H027X210073	128,120.68
Preschool Grants 84.173A H173A210081	23,694.15
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan - Preschool 84.173X H173X210081	10,215.03
Total Special Education Cluster	1,175,068.86
Other Programs	
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education	
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States 84.048A V048A210010	62,725.54
Rural and Low-Income School Program   84.358B   \$358B200010	3,449.00
Rural and Low-Income School Program   84.358B   \$358B210010	84,390.09
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program     84.424A     \$424A210011	134,345.00
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants     84.367A     \$367A210001	210,604.00
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies     84.010A     \$010A200010-20A	211,505.00
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies 84.010A S010A210010-21A	1,616,425.69
Total Other Programs Total U. S. Department of Education	2,323,444.32 9,773,671.96
Health and Human Services, U. S. Department of	
Past-Through From Bright From the Start	
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning	
COVID-19 - Child Care and Development Block Grant 93.575 2210GACCC5	24,348.00

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

		PASS-	
		THROUGH	
	ASSISTANCE	ENTITY	
FUNDING AGENCY	LISTING	ID	EXPENDITURES
PROGRAM/GRANT	NUMBER	NUMBER	IN PERIOD
Defense, U. S. Department of			
Direct			
Department of the Air Force			
R.O.T.C. Program	12. UNKNOWN		100,241.19
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 13,380,734.15

#### Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

#### Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education (the "Board") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Board, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Board.

#### Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Note 3. Indirect Cost Rate

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

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	GOVERNMENTAL	FUND TYPES	
	GENERAL	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
ENCY/FUNDING	FUND	FUND	TOTAL
GRANTS			
Bright From the Start:			
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning			
Pre-Kindergarten Program	\$ 613,720.40 \$	- \$	613,720.40
Education, Georgia Department of			
Quality Basic Education			
Direct Instructional Cost			
Kindergarten Program	677,061.00	-	677,061.00
Kindergarten Program - Early Intervention Program	1,041,013.00	-	1,041,013.0
Primary Grades (1-3) Program	1,524,852.00	-	1,524,852.0
Primary Grades - Early Intervention (1-3) Program	2,772,049.00	-	2,772,049.0
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program	802,940.00	-	802,940.0
Upper Elementary Grades - Early Intervention (4-5) Program	1,575,451.00	-	1,575,451.0
Middle School (6-8) Program	2,423,229.00	-	2,423,229.0
High School General Education (9-12) Program	2,195,591.00	-	2,195,591.0
Vocational Laboratory (9-12) Program	1,261,059.00	-	1,261,059.0
Students with Disabilities	4,831,549.00	-	4,831,549.0
Gifted Student - Category VI	810,323.00	-	810,323.0
Remedial Education Program	466,521.00	_	466,521.0
Alternative Education Program	194,425.00		194,425.0
English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	36,197.00		36,197.0
		-	
Media Center Program	478,116.00	-	478,116.0
20 Days Additional Instruction	146,190.00	-	146,190.0
Staff and Professional Development	97,316.00	-	97,316.0
Principal Staff and Professional Development	1,181.00	-	1,181.0
Indirect Cost			
Central Administration	636,968.00	-	636,968.0
School Administration	857,924.00	-	857,924.0
Facility Maintenance and Operations	1,039,201.00	-	1,039,201.0
Mid-term Adjustment Hold-Harmless	61,987.00	-	61,987.0
Amended Formula Adjustment	156,296.00	-	156,296.0
Categorical Grants			
Pupil Transportation			
Regular	651,625.57	-	651,625.5
Bus Replacement	82,267.00	-	82,267.0
Nursing Services	4,477,639.00	-	4,477,639.0
Other State Programs			
Food Services	93,622.00	-	93,622.0
Hygiene Products	2,730.00	-	2,730.0
Math and Science Supplements	21,547.00	-	21,547.0
One-Time QBE Adjustment	1,129,241.00	-	1,129,241.0
Preschool Disability Services	60,513.00	-	60,513.0
Pupil Transportation - State Bonds	231,660.00	-	231,660.0
Vocational Education	74,136.40	-	74,136.4
Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission			
Reimbursement on Construction Projects	-	85,260.91	85,260.9
Office of the State Treasurer			
Public School Employees Retirement	129,723.00	-	129,723.0
CONTRACT	-,		-,
Education, Georgia Department of			
Second Step Social - Emotional Learning	20,758.50	-	20,758.5
	\$ 31,676,621.87 \$	85,260.91 \$	31,761,882.78

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

<u>PROJECT</u>	-	ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST (1)	CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS (2)	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
SPLOST #5				
(i) Acquiring maintenance and security vehicles,				
maintenance equipment, and new buses;	\$	750,000.00 \$	750,000.00	06/2024
(ii) Acquiring administrative and instructional				
technology/communications equipment, textbooks,				
grounds maintenance and kitchen equipment and safety				
and security equipment;		3,950,000.00	3,950,000.00	06/2024
(iii) Acquiring equipment and furnishings, including student				
furniture and band and athletic uniforms and equipment;		1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	06/2024
(iv) Renovations, extensions, additions, repairs, upgrades,				
updates and improvements to existing school facilities,				
including fine arts, exercise/training rooms, physical education				
and athletic facilities improvements, playground updates,				
parking lot improvements, paving, painting and flooring				
updates, and school wide HVAC updates; and enclosing open-air				
walkways for safety and security purposes; and		9,291,469.00	9,291,469.00	06/2024
(v) Paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing.	_	8,531.00	8,531.00	Completed
Subtotal SPLOST #5 Projects	\$ =	15,000,000.00 \$	15,000,000.00	

#### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

<u>PROJECT</u>	_	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN CURRENT YEAR (3)	_	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN PRIOR YEARS (3)	TOTAL COMPLETION COST	EXCESS PROCEEDS NOT EXPENDED
SPLOST #5						
(i) Acquiring maintenance and security vehicles,						
maintenance equipment, and new buses;	\$	232,313.00	\$	- \$	- \$	-
(ii) Acquiring administrative and instructional technology/communications equipment, textbooks, grounds maintenance and kitchen equipment and safety						
and security equipment;		1,667,046.16		590,113.76	-	-
(iii) Acquiring equipment and furnishings, including student furniture and band and athletic uniforms and equipment;		337,122.61		51,465.70	-	-
(iv) Renovations, extensions, additions, repairs, upgrades, updates and improvements to existing school facilities, including fine arts, exercise/training rooms, physical education and athletic facilities improvements, playground updates, parking lot improvements, paving, painting and flooring updates, and school wide HVAC updates; and enclosing open-air walkways for safety and security purposes; and		794,846.92		683,105.37		
walkways for safety and security purposes; and		794,840.92		083,105.37	-	-
(v) Paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing.	-	-	_	8,531.00	8,531.00	
Subtotal SPLOST #5 Projects	\$	3,031,328.69	\$	1,333,215.83 \$	8,531.00 \$	

(1) The School District's original cost estimate as specified in the resolution calling for the imposition of the Local Option Sales Tax.

(2) The School District's current estimate of total cost for the projects. Includes all cost from project inception to completion.

(3) The voters of Upson County approved the imposition of a 1% sales tax to fund the above projects. Amounts expended for these projects may include

sales tax proceeds, state, local property taxes and/or other funds over the life of the projects.

Section II

Compliance and Internal Control Reports



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

The Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of Georgia Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia Members of the State Board of Education and Dr. Larry Derico, Superintendent and Members of the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and fiduciary activities of the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education (School District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated [Publish Date]. We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

# Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

# **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School 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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

# 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 School District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

March 31, 2023



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

The Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of Georgia Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia Members of the State Board of Education and Dr. Larry Derico, Superintendent and Members of the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education

# Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

### **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Thomaston-Upson County Board of Education's (School District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The School District's major federal programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*.

In our opinion, the School District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the School 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 federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School 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 School District's federal programs.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the School 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 GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance 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 School District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, 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 School 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 School 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 Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School 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.

# Report on Internal Control over Compliance

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance

requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material control over compliance that weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses on the set of the set of

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

March 31, 2023

Section III

Auditee's Response to Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs

### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITEE'S RESPONSE SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

### PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters were reported.

### PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

Section IV

Findings and Questioned Costs

### THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

### I SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

### **Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's report issued: Governmental Activities, Each Fiduciary Activites	Major Fund, and	Unmodified
<ul> <li>Internal control over financial repor</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identifies</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identifies</li> </ul>	ied?	No None Reported
Noncompliance material to financia	l statements noted:	No
Federal Awards		
<ul> <li>Internal Control over major program</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identi</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identi</li> </ul>	fied?	No None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued on co	ompliance for major programs:	
All major programs		Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?		No
Identification of major programs:		
Assistance Listing Numbers	Assistance Listing Program or Cluster Title	
84.010 84.027, 84.173 84.425	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Special Education Cluster Education Stabilization Fund	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish	\$750,000.00	
Auditee qualified as low-risk audite	e?	Yes
II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS		

No matters were reported.

# III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.