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SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our audit disclosed that the District's basic financial statements were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with prescribed financial reporting standards.

SUMMARY OF REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE

Our audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; however, we noted certain additional matters as summarized below.

Additional Matters

Finding 1: The Board had not adopted formal policies and procedures establishing a documented process to identify instructional personnel entitled to differentiated pay using the factors prescribed in State law. Similar findings were noted in our report Nos. 2014-142 and 2015-152.

Finding 2: The District needs to strengthen controls to ensure the accurate reporting of instructional contact hours for adult general education classes to the Florida Department of Education.

Finding 3: Controls over virtual instruction program (VIP) operations and related activities, including written parental notifications, continue to need enhancement. The development and maintenance of comprehensive, written VIP policies and procedures, including timely, written parental notification, could better ensure that parents are aware of student opportunities to participate in the District's VIP and open enrollment dates.

SUMMARY OF REPORT ON FEDERAL AWARDS

We audited the District's compliance with applicable Federal award requirements. The Special Education Cluster and Twenty-First Century programs were audited as major Federal programs. The results of our audit indicated that the District materially complied with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major Federal programs, except for the Special Education Cluster. A noncompliance and control deficiency finding is summarized below.

Federal Awards Finding No. 2015-001: The District did not have adequate procedures to monitor compliance with the Special Education Cluster maintenance of effort requirement, resulting in questioned costs of \$58,531.

AUDIT OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

Our audit objectives were to determine whether the Franklin County District School Board and its officers with administrative and stewardship responsibilities for District operations had:

- Presented the District's basic financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- Established and implemented internal control over financial reporting and compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or on a major Federal program;
- Established internal controls that promote and encourage: (1) compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; (2) the economic and efficient operation of the District; (3) the reliability of records and reports; and (4) the safeguarding of District assets;
- Complied with the various provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that are material to the financial statements, and those applicable to the District's major Federal programs; and
- Taken corrective actions for findings included in our report No. 2015-152.

The scope of this audit included an examination of the District's basic financial statements and the accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. We obtained an understanding of the District's environment, including its internal control, and assessed the risk of material misstatement necessary to plan the audit of the basic financial statements and Federal awards. We also examined various transactions to determine whether they were executed, in both manner and substance, in accordance with governing provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements.

AUDIT METHODOLOGY

The methodology used to develop the findings in this report included the examination of pertinent District records in connection with the application of procedures required by auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; applicable standards contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Franklin County District School Board, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the school internal funds, which represent 19 percent of the assets and 97 percent of the liabilities of the aggregate remaining fund information. In addition, we did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit, which represent 100 percent of the transactions and account balances of the discretely presented component unit's columns. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us, and our opinions, insofar as they relate to the amounts included for the school internal funds and the discretely presented component unit, are based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit

to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Franklin County District School Board, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note II. to the financial statements, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, which is a change in accounting principle that requires an employer participating in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan to report the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability of the defined benefit pension plan. This affects the comparability of amounts reported in the 2014-15 fiscal year with the amounts reported for the 2013-14 fiscal year. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS, Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General and Major Special Revenue Funds, Schedule of Funding Progress – Other Postemployment Benefits Plan, Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan, Schedule of District Contributions – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan, Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan, Schedule of District Contributions – Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan, and Notes to Required Supplementary Information**, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a required part

of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The accompanying **SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS** is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.


The accompanying **SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS** 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying **SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS** 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 a report on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading **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 purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,


Sherrill F. Norman, CPA
Tallahassee, Florida
March 7, 2016

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The management of the Franklin County District School Board has prepared the following discussion and analysis to provide an overview of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The information contained in the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is intended to highlight significant transactions, events, and conditions and should be considered in conjunction with the District's financial statements and notes to financial statements found immediately following the MD&A.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for the 2014-15 fiscal year are as follows:

- Net position at June 30, 2015, totals \$46,789,414.09, which represents a decrease of \$2,926,658.60 (5.89 percent) from the previous fiscal year, primarily due to the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68.
- During the current fiscal year, General Fund revenues and other financing sources exceeded expenditures by \$825,035.40. This may be compared to last fiscal year's results, when revenues and other financing sources exceeded expenditures and other financing uses by \$761,160.52. The increase in the current fiscal year fund balance is primarily due to increased property values and related property tax collections.
- The District uses Federal funding to supplement State and local funding provided by the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) calculates FEFP funding, in part, based on student enrollment.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements consist of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements; (2) fund financial statements; and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also includes supplementary information intended to furnish additional details to support the basic financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements provide both short-term and long-term information about the District's overall financial condition in a manner similar to those of a private-sector business. The statements include a statement of net position and a statement of activities that are designed to provide consolidated financial information about the governmental activities of the District presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The statement of net position provides information about the District's financial position, its assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, using an economic resources measurement focus. Assets plus deferred outflows of resources, less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, equals net position, which is a measure of the District's financial health. The statement of activities presents information about the change in the District's net position, the results of operations, during the fiscal year. An increase or decrease in net position is an indication of whether the District's financial health is improving or deteriorating.

The government-wide statements present the District's activities in the following categories:

- Governmental activities – This represents most of the District's services, including its educational programs: basic, vocational, adult, and exceptional education. Support functions such as

transportation and administration are also included. Local property taxes and the State's education finance program provide most of the resources that support these activities.

- Component units – The Apalachicola Bay Charter School, Inc., the District's charter school, meets the criteria for inclusion in the reporting entity as provided by generally accepted accounting principles. The charter school is reported separately from the financial information for the primary government as a discretely presented component unit.

The Franklin School Board Leasing Corporation (Leasing Corporation), although also a legally separate entity, was formed to facilitate financing for the acquisition of facilities and equipment for the District. Due to the substantive economic relationship between the District and the Leasing Corporation, the financial activities of the Leasing Corporation has been included as an integral part of the primary government.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are one of the components of the basic financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements and prudent fiscal management. Certain funds are established by law while others are created by legal agreements, such as bond covenants. Fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's financial activities, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds rather than fund types. This is in contrast to the entitywide perspective contained in the government-wide statements. All of the District's funds may be classified within one of the broad categories discussed below.

Governmental Funds: Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in assessing a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The governmental funds balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide detailed information about the District's most significant funds. The District's major funds are the General Fund, Special Revenue – Other Fund, Special Revenue – Federal Economic Stimulus Fund, and Capital Projects – Local Capital Improvement Fund. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the General and major Special Revenue Funds to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

Fiduciary Funds: Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or fiduciary capacity for the benefit of external parties, such as student activity funds. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide statements because the resources are not available to support the District's own programs. In its fiduciary capacity, the District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes.

The District uses agency funds to account for resources held for student activities and groups.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents required supplementary information concerning the District's net pension liability and its progress in funding its obligation to provide other postemployment benefits to its employees.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial health. The following is a summary of the District's net position as of June 30, 2015, compared to net position as of June 30, 2014:

Net Position, End of Year

	Governmental Activities	
	6-30-15	6-30-14
Current and Other Assets	\$ 5,574,203.20	\$ 4,853,446.20
Capital Assets	55,663,301.28	56,857,856.40
Total Assets	61,237,504.48	61,711,302.60
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,093,668.00	-
Long-Term Liabilities	13,501,741.65	11,767,223.51
Other Liabilities	227,560.74	228,006.40
Total Liabilities	13,729,302.39	11,995,229.91
Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,812,456.00	-
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	45,581,578.43	45,754,010.95
Restricted	4,002,446.66	4,079,955.03
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(2,794,611.00)	(117,893.29)
Total Net Position	\$ 46,789,414.09	\$ 49,716,072.69

The largest portion of the District's net position is investment in capital assets (e.g., land; buildings; furniture, fixtures, and equipment), less any related debt still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, the resources used to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The restricted portion of the District's net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The deficit unrestricted net position was the result, in part, of accruing \$334,959.80 in compensated absences payable, \$298,931 in other postemployment benefit obligations, and \$2,786,128 in net pension liability.

The key elements of the changes in the District's net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2014, are as follows:

Operating Results for the Fiscal Year Ended

	Governmental Activities	
	6-30-15	6-30-14
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$ 91,105.99	\$ 123,743.27
Operating Grants and Contributions	1,112,008.66	888,944.21
Capital Grants and Contributions	319,783.78	263,134.56
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes, Levied for Operational Purposes	8,121,379.66	7,791,798.73
Property Taxes, Levied for Capital Projects	1,689,841.75	1,665,848.03
Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Specific Programs	4,661,690.25	4,789,008.34
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	14,834.01	23,607.39
Miscellaneous	336,715.44	235,059.56
Total Revenues	16,347,359.54	15,781,144.09
Functions/Program Expenses:		
Instruction	7,792,645.22	7,700,489.31
Student Personnel Services	382,191.50	313,690.34
Instructional Media Services	67,097.24	52,604.78
Instruction and Curriculum Development Services	65,444.22	85,061.25
Instructional Staff Training Services	106,952.77	61,646.73
Instructional-Related Technology	119,664.74	141,651.56
Board	374,333.74	380,628.98
General Administration	245,559.30	251,269.63
School Administration	404,645.39	402,279.18
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	350,760.82	167,784.87
Fiscal Services	272,199.36	302,007.48
Food Services	1,158,747.51	1,014,362.03
Central Services	362,087.85	417,533.94
Student Transportation Services	832,648.84	871,953.76
Operation of Plant	979,206.47	965,750.22
Maintenance of Plant	156,753.72	130,618.95
Administrative Technology Services	31,870.08	31,045.97
Unallocated Interest on Long-Term Debt	515,642.57	561,000.06
Unallocated Depreciation Expense	1,394,460.31	1,377,859.55
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets	13,796.49	3,355.52
Total Functions/Program Expenses	15,626,708.14	15,232,594.11
Change in Net Position	720,651.40	548,549.98
Net Position, Beginning of Year	49,716,072.69	49,426,831.07
Adjustments to Beginning Net Position (1)	(3,647,310.00)	(259,308.36)
Net Position - Beginning, as Restated	46,068,762.69	49,167,522.71
Net Position - Ending	\$ 46,789,414.09	\$ 49,716,072.69

Note: (1) Adjustments to beginning net position is due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68.

Governmental activities increased the District's net position by \$720,651.40, or 1.45 percent. The largest revenue source is the local property taxes (60.02 percent). Property taxes levied for operational purposes increased by \$329,580.93 primarily due to the increase in local property values in Franklin County. Charges for services decreased by \$32,637.28 due primarily to the implementation of United States Department of Agriculture's Smart Snacks in School program, which decreased local food service revenue. Operating Grants and Contributions increased by \$223,064.45 due to implementing the community eligibility provision for food service. Capital Grants and Contributions increased by \$56,649.22 primarily from Classroom's First Program funding. Miscellaneous revenues increased by \$101,655.88 primarily from receiving insurance proceeds. Total expenses remained fairly consistent when compared to the prior fiscal year.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

Governmental Funds

The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. Specifically, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for discretionary use as it represents the portion of fund balance that has not been limited to a particular purpose by an external party, the District, or a group or individual delegated authority by the Board to assign resources for particular purposes.

The total fund balances of governmental funds increased by \$715,055.75 during the fiscal year to \$5,340,495.55 at June 30, 2015. Approximately 25 percent of this amount is unassigned fund balance (\$1,337,517.82), which is available for spending at the District's discretion. The remainder of the fund balance is nonspendable, restricted, and assigned to indicate that it is: (1) not in spendable form (61,915.87), and (2) restricted for particular purposes (\$4,002,446.66), or assigned for particular purposes (\$891.07).

Major Governmental Funds

General Fund. The General Fund is the primary operating fund. At June 30, 2015, the General Fund's unassigned fund balance is \$1,337,157.82, while the total fund balance is \$1,584,474.67. From the prior fiscal year, the total fund balance increased by \$825,035.40 and the unassigned fund balance increased by \$794,281.06. The increases are primarily due to an increase of \$329,580.93 in property tax revenue.

Special Revenue – Other Fund. The Special Revenue – Other Fund has total revenues and expenditures of \$1,359,219.80 each. The District uses these funds to account for other Federal programs grant funding and the activity significantly increased from the \$1,205,213.26 of revenues and expenditures each reported in the prior fiscal year. This increase is primarily due to the new Child and Adult Care Food Program grant and an increase in funding for the Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers program. Since Federal revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred, this fund generally does not accumulate a fund balance.

Special Revenue – Federal Economic Stimulus Fund. The Special Revenue – Federal Economic Stimulus Fund has total revenues and expenditures of \$238,863.96 each. The District uses these funds to account for Race-to-the-Top grant funding and the activity slightly decreased from the \$255,685.18 of

revenues and expenditures each, reported in the prior fiscal year. Since Federal revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred, this fund generally does not accumulate a fund balance.

Capital Projects – Local Capital Improvement Fund. The Capital Projects – Local Capital Improvement Fund has a total fund balance of \$3,090,267.93 generated by the local capital improvement tax levy for educational capital outlay needs, including new Board-advertised construction and renovation and remodeling projects. The fund balance decreased \$153,804.43, or 4.74 percent which was fairly consistent with the prior fiscal year decrease of \$253,485.22, or 7.25 percent.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

During the 2014-15 fiscal year, the District amended its General Fund budget several times, which resulted in an increase in total budgeted revenues of \$457,331.80, or 4.29 percent. At the same time, final appropriations are less than the original budgeted amounts by \$274,025.82. Budget revisions occurred primarily from changes in estimated State funding levels and local revenues. Actual revenues and appropriations are in line with final budgeted amounts.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

Capital Assets

The District's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2015, is \$55,663,301.28 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land; land improvements; improvements other than buildings; buildings and fixed equipment; furniture, fixtures, and equipment; motor vehicles; and computer software.

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Notes I.F.4. and III.C. to the financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2015, the District has total long-term debt consisting of two promissory notes from the Bank of America for a lease-purchase agreement with the Leasing Corporation, whereby the District secured financing of \$16,350,000 at an interest rate of 4.58 percent for educational facilities. The purpose of this debt was for partial funding of construction of the District's new K-12 Franklin County School. Interest and principal totaling \$1,537,740.06 will be paid every June 30 until paid in full on June 30, 2023.

Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note III.H. to the financial statements.

OTHER MATTERS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Student Enrollment and Funding. General Fund revenues from State sources comprised 22.89 percent of revenue for current operations of the District. This is a decrease from 25.75 percent in the previous fiscal year. Revenues from State sources for current operations are primarily from FEFP administered by the FDOE under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes. In accordance with this law, the District determines and reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related

data to the FDOE. The District FTE used for funding purposes during the 2014-15 fiscal year decreased slightly from the prior year. It is anticipated that FTE will slightly increase for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This report is designed to provide a general overview of the Franklin County District School Board's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning information provided in the MD&A or other required supplemental information, and financial statements and notes thereto, or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Director of Financial Services, Franklin County District School Board, 85 School Road, Suite 1, Eastpoint, Florida, 32328.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Franklin County District School Board Statement of Net Position June 30, 2015

	Primary Government	
	Governmental Activities	Component Unit
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,129,545.65	\$ 335,039.00
Investments	-	1,325,705.00
Accounts Receivable	3,848.83	4,000.00
Interest Receivable	-	1,822.00
Due from Other Agencies	378,892.85	11,544.00
Prepaid Items	-	42,523.00
Inventories	61,915.87	-
Capital Assets:		
Nondepreciable Capital Assets	14,736,955.66	360,944.00
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net	40,926,345.62	840,940.00
TOTAL ASSETS	61,237,504.48	2,922,517.00
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pensions	1,093,668.00	-
LIABILITIES		
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	64,009.41	98,752.00
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings	7,709.39	-
Accounts Payable	77,822.91	7,057.00
Deposits Payable	78,019.03	-
Long-Term Liabilities:		
Portion Due Within One Year	1,216,662.98	113,528.00
Portion Due After One Year	12,285,078.67	25,178.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	13,729,302.39	244,515.00
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pensions	1,812,456.00	-
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	45,581,578.43	1,113,535.00
Restricted for:		
Capital Projects	3,417,175.03	26,724.00
Food Service	337,954.78	-
Workforce Development	247,316.85	-
Unrestricted	(2,794,611.00)	1,537,743.00
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 46,789,414.09	\$ 2,678,002.00

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Franklin County District School Board
Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions
Primary Government			
Governmental Activities:			
Instruction	\$ 7,792,645.22	\$ 12,510.75	\$ -
Student Personnel Services	382,191.50	-	-
Instructional Media Services	67,097.24	-	-
Instruction and Curriculum Development Services	65,444.22	-	-
Instructional Staff Training Services	106,952.77	-	-
Instructional-Related Technology	119,664.74	-	-
Board	374,333.74	-	-
General Administration	245,559.30	-	-
School Administration	404,645.39	-	-
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	350,760.82	-	-
Fiscal Services	272,199.36	-	-
Food Services	1,158,747.51	69,789.11	1,112,008.66
Central Services	362,087.85	-	-
Student Transportation Services	832,648.84	8,806.13	-
Operation of Plant	979,206.47	-	-
Maintenance of Plant	156,753.72	-	-
Administrative Technology Services	31,870.08	-	-
Unallocated Interest on Long-Term Debt	515,642.57	-	-
Unallocated Depreciation Expense*	1,394,460.31	-	-
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets	13,796.49	-	-
Total Primary Government	\$ 15,626,708.14	\$ 91,105.99	\$ 1,112,008.66
Component Unit			
The Apalachicola Bay Charter School, Inc.	\$ 2,825,908.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 354,826.00

General Revenues:

Taxes:

Property Taxes, Levied for Operational Purposes

Property Taxes, Levied for Capital Projects

Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Specific Programs

Unrestricted Investment Earnings

Miscellaneous

Special Items

Total General Revenues and Special Items

Change in Net Position

Net Position - Beginning

Adjustments to Beginning Net Position

Net Position - Beginning, as Restated

Net Position - Ending

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

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>	
	<u>Primary Government Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Component Unit</u>
\$ -	\$ (7,780,134.47)	\$ -
-	(382,191.50)	-
-	(67,097.24)	-
-	(65,444.22)	-
-	(106,952.77)	-
-	(119,664.74)	-
-	(374,333.74)	-
-	(245,559.30)	-
-	(404,645.39)	-
319,783.78	(30,977.04)	-
-	(272,199.36)	-
-	23,050.26	-
-	(362,087.85)	-
-	(823,842.71)	-
-	(979,206.47)	-
-	(156,753.72)	-
-	(31,870.08)	-
-	(515,642.57)	-
-	(1,394,460.31)	-
-	(13,796.49)	-
<u>\$ 319,783.78</u>	<u>(14,103,809.71)</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ 198,542.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,272,540.00)</u>
	8,121,379.66	-
	1,689,841.75	-
	4,661,690.25	2,364,400.00
	14,834.01	12,116.00
	336,715.44	-
	-	2,712.00
	<u>14,824,461.11</u>	<u>2,379,228.00</u>
	<u>720,651.40</u>	<u>106,688.00</u>
	49,716,072.69	2,571,314.00
	(3,647,310.00)	-
	<u>46,068,762.69</u>	<u>2,571,314.00</u>
	<u>\$ 46,789,414.09</u>	<u>\$ 2,678,002.00</u>

**Franklin County District School Board
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds
June 30, 2015**

	General Fund	Special Revenue - Other Fund	Special Revenue - Federal Economic Stimulus Fund
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,533,138.81	\$ 11,745.91	\$ -
Accounts Receivable	3,848.83	-	-
Due from Other Funds	219,850.53	-	-
Due from Other Agencies	1,155.00	169,565.06	87,995.88
Inventories	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,757,993.17	\$ 181,310.97	\$ 87,995.88
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	\$ 23,704.11	\$ 36,267.99	\$ -
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings	3,449.39	3,711.39	-
Accounts Payable	68,345.97	4,770.26	4,706.68
Due to Other Funds	-	136,561.33	83,289.20
Deposits Payable	78,019.03	-	-
Total Liabilities	173,518.50	181,310.97	87,995.88
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable Revenue - Capital Outlay and Debt Service	-	-	-
Fund Balances:			
Nonspendable:			
Inventories	-	-	-
Restricted for:			
Capital Projects	-	-	-
Food Service	-	-	-
Workforce Development	247,316.85	-	-
Total Restricted Fund Balance	247,316.85	-	-
Assigned for Debt Service	-	-	-
Unassigned Fund Balance	1,337,157.82	-	-
Total Fund Balances	1,584,474.67	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,757,993.17	\$ 181,310.97	\$ 87,995.88

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Capital Projects - Local Capital Improvement Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 3,054,792.43	\$ 529,868.50	\$ 5,129,545.65
-	-	3,848.83
-	-	219,850.53
35,475.50	84,701.41	378,892.85
-	61,915.87	61,915.87
<u>\$ 3,090,267.93</u>	<u>\$ 676,485.78</u>	<u>\$ 5,794,053.73</u>
\$ -	\$ 4,037.31	\$ 64,009.41
-	548.61	7,709.39
-	-	77,822.91
-	-	219,850.53
-	-	78,019.03
<u>-</u>	<u>4,585.92</u>	<u>447,411.27</u>
<u>-</u>	<u>6,146.91</u>	<u>6,146.91</u>
-	61,915.87	61,915.87
3,090,267.93	326,907.10	3,417,175.03
-	276,038.91	276,038.91
-	-	247,316.85
<u>3,090,267.93</u>	<u>664,861.88</u>	<u>4,002,446.66</u>
<u>-</u>	<u>891.07</u>	<u>891.07</u>
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,337,157.82</u>
<u>3,090,267.93</u>	<u>665,752.95</u>	<u>5,340,495.55</u>
<u>\$ 3,090,267.93</u>	<u>\$ 676,485.78</u>	<u>\$ 5,794,053.73</u>

**Franklin County District School Board
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet
to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2015**

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$ 5,340,495.55

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds. 55,663,301.28

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the fiscal year and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:

Notes Payable	\$ 10,081,722.85	
Compensated Absences Payable	334,959.80	
Net Pension Liability	2,786,128.00	
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	298,931.00	(13,501,741.65)

A portion of capital outlay and debt service (CO&DS) revenue is not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, is reported as unavailable revenue on the governmental fund statements. 6,146.91

The deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

Deferred outflows related to pensions	\$ 1,093,668.00	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(1,812,456.00)	(718,788.00)

Net Position - Governmental Activities **\$ 46,789,414.09**

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Franklin County District School Board
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balances – Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue - Other Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue - Federal Economic Stimulus Fund</u>
Revenues			
Intergovernmental:			
Federal Through State and Local	\$ 213,556.60	\$ 1,359,219.80	\$ 238,863.96
State	2,544,049.89	-	-
Local:			
Property Taxes	8,121,379.66	-	-
Charges for Services - Food Service	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	234,414.16	-	-
Total Local Revenues	<u>8,355,793.82</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenues	<u>11,113,400.31</u>	<u>1,359,219.80</u>	<u>238,863.96</u>
Expenditures			
Current - Education:			
Instruction	6,790,670.30	947,664.47	127,743.64
Student Personnel Services	255,211.55	126,979.95	-
Instructional Media Services	67,097.24	-	-
Instruction and Curriculum Development Services	-	65,444.22	-
Instructional Staff Training Services	13,664.39	84,400.10	8,888.28
Instructional - Related Technology	29,788.00	-	89,876.74
Board	374,333.74	-	-
General Administration	179,779.31	63,039.69	2,740.30
School Administration	408,750.07	1,872.93	-
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	86,790.51	-	-
Fiscal Services	287,475.98	-	-
Food Services	-	-	-
Central Services	326,630.67	45,611.00	-
Student Transportation Services	746,973.03	6,482.52	-
Operation of Plant	1,002,020.71	14,548.07	-
Maintenance of Plant	156,753.72	-	-
Administrative Technology Services	31,870.08	-	-
Fixed Capital Outlay:			
Other Capital Outlay	113,884.22	3,176.85	9,615.00
Debt Service:			
Principal	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	<u>10,871,693.52</u>	<u>1,359,219.80</u>	<u>238,863.96</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>241,706.79</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers In	583,328.61	-	-
Loss Recoveries	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>583,328.61</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	825,035.40	-	-
Fund Balances, Beginning	759,439.27	-	-
Fund Balances, Ending	<u>\$ 1,584,474.67</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Capital Projects - Local Capital Improvement Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$ 1,096,333.66	\$ 2,907,974.02
-	635,311.87	3,179,361.76
1,689,841.75	-	9,811,221.41
-	69,789.11	69,789.11
6,495.40	240.77	241,150.33
<u>1,696,337.15</u>	<u>70,029.88</u>	<u>10,122,160.85</u>
<u>1,696,337.15</u>	<u>1,801,675.41</u>	<u>16,209,496.63</u>
-	-	7,866,078.41
-	-	382,191.50
-	-	67,097.24
-	-	65,444.22
-	-	106,952.77
-	-	119,664.74
-	-	374,333.74
-	-	245,559.30
-	-	410,623.00
153,034.87	114,924.00	354,749.38
-	-	287,475.98
-	1,158,747.51	1,158,747.51
-	-	372,241.67
-	-	753,455.55
-	-	1,016,568.78
-	-	156,753.72
-	-	31,870.08
13,754.05	178,154.00	318,584.12
-	1,022,122.60	1,022,122.60
-	515,642.57	515,642.57
<u>166,788.92</u>	<u>2,989,590.68</u>	<u>15,626,156.88</u>
<u>1,529,548.23</u>	<u>(1,187,915.27)</u>	<u>583,339.75</u>
-	1,537,740.05	2,121,068.66
131,716.00	-	131,716.00
<u>(1,815,068.66)</u>	<u>(306,000.00)</u>	<u>(2,121,068.66)</u>
<u>(1,683,352.66)</u>	<u>1,231,740.05</u>	<u>131,716.00</u>
(153,804.43)	43,824.78	715,055.75
<u>3,244,072.36</u>	<u>621,928.17</u>	<u>4,625,439.80</u>
<u>\$ 3,090,267.93</u>	<u>\$ 665,752.95</u>	<u>\$ 5,340,495.55</u>

**Franklin County District School Board
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$ 715,055.75

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount of depreciation expense in excess of capital outlays in the current fiscal year. (1,180,758.63)

The loss on the disposal of capital assets during the current fiscal year is reported in the statement of activities. In the governmental funds, the cost of these assets was recognized as an expenditure in the fiscal year purchased. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the undepreciated cost of the disposed assets. (13,796.49)

Repayment of long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount of repayments in the current fiscal year. 1,022,122.60

The governmental funds reported deferred inflows of resources related to unavailable capital outlay and debt service (CO&DS) revenue. This amount is accrued and reported as revenue on the statement of activities. 6,146.91

In the statement of activities, the cost of compensated absences is measured by the amounts earned during the year, while in the governmental funds, expenditures are recognized based on the amounts actually paid for compensated absences. This is the net amount of compensated absences used in excess of the amount earned in the current fiscal year. 3,493.26

Other postemployment benefits costs are recorded in the statement of activities under the full accrual basis of accounting, but are not recorded in the governmental funds until paid. This is the net decrease in the other postemployment benefits liability for the current fiscal year. 25,994.00

Governmental funds report district pension contributions as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported as a pension expense.

FRS Pension Contribution	\$	373,332.00	
HIS Pension Contribution		65,474.00	
FRS Pension Expense		(170,902.00)	
HIS Pension Expense		(125,510.00)	
		142,394.00	142,394.00

Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ 720,651.40

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Franklin County District School Board
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities – Fiduciary Funds
June 30, 2015

	Agency Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 131,283.00
Inventories	25,998.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 157,281.00
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,996.00
Internal Accounts Payable	155,285.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 157,281.00

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component unit. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. The primary government is reported separately from the legally separate component unit for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the Franklin County School District's (District) governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are thereby clearly identifiable to a particular function. Depreciation expense associated with the District's transportation department is allocated to the student transportation services function, while remaining depreciation expense is not readily associated with a particular function and is reported as unallocated.

B. Reporting Entity

The Franklin County District School Board (Board) has direct responsibility for operation, control, and supervision of District schools and is considered a primary government for financial reporting. The District is considered part of the Florida system of public education, operates under the general direction of the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), and is governed by State law and State Board of Education (SBE) rules. The governing body of the District is the Board, which is composed of five elected members. The elected Superintendent of Schools is the executive officer of the Board. Geographic boundaries of the District correspond with those of Franklin County.

Criteria for determining if other entities are potential component units that should be reported within the District's basic financial statements are identified and described in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's (GASB) *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, Sections 2100 and 2600. The application of these criteria provides for identification of any legally separate entities for which the Board is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Board are such that exclusion would cause the District's basic financial statements to be misleading. Based on the application of these criteria, the following component units are included within the District's reporting entity:

Blended Component Unit. Blended component units, are in substance, part of the primary District's operations, even though they are legally separate entities. Thus, blended component units are appropriately presented as funds of the District. The Franklin County School Board Leasing Corporation (Leasing Corporation) was formed to facilitate financing for the acquisition of facilities and equipment as further discussed in Note III.H.1. Due to the substantive economic relationship between the District and the Leasing Corporation, the financial activities of the Leasing Corporation

are included in the accompanying basic financial statements. Separate financial statements for the Leasing Corporation are not published.

Discretely Presented Component Unit. The component unit's columns in the government-wide financial statements include the financial data of the District's other component unit. A separate column is used to emphasize that it is legally separate from the District.

The Apalachicola Bay Charter School, Inc. (Charter School) is a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The Charter School operates under a charter approved by its sponsor, the Board. The Charter School is considered to be a component unit of the District because the District is financially accountable for the Charter School as the District established the Charter School by approval of the charter, which is tantamount to the initial appointment of the Charter School, and there is the potential for the Charter School to impose specific financial burdens on the District. In addition, pursuant to the Florida Constitution, the Charter School is a public school and the District is responsible for the operation, control, and supervision of public schools within the District.

The financial data reported on the accompanying statements was derived from the Charter School's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The audit report is filed in the District's administrative offices at 85 School Road, Suite One, Eastpoint, Florida, 32328.

C. Basis of Presentation: Government-wide Financial Statements

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements.

The effects of interfund activity have been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

D. Basis of Presentation: Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, including the fiduciary funds and blended component unit. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental and fiduciary – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund – to account for all financial resources not required to be accounted for in another fund, and for certain revenues from the State that are legally restricted to be expended for specific current operating purposes.
- Special Revenue – Other Fund – to account for certain Federal grant program resources.
- Special Revenue – Federal Economic Stimulus Fund – to account for certain Federal grant program resources related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).
- Capital Projects – Local Capital Improvement Fund – to account for the financial resources generated by the local capital improvement tax levy to be used for educational capital outlay

needs, including new construction, renovation and remodeling projects, and debt service payments on notes payable.

Additionally, the District reports the following fiduciary fund type:

- Agency Funds – to account for resources of the school internal funds, which are used to administer moneys collected at one school in connection with school, student athletic, class, and club activities.

During the course of operations the District has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at fiscal year-end are reported as due from/to other funds. While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Further, certain activity occurs during the year involving transfers of resources between funds. In fund financial statements, these amounts are reported at gross amounts as transfers in and out. While reported in fund financial statements, transfers between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated in the preparation of the government-wide statements.

E. Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized in the year for which they are levied. Revenues from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, except for certain grant revenues, are recognized when they become measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of resources is the prime factor for determining eligibility for Federal, State, and other grant resources, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Entitlements are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met, including any time requirements, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within 60 days of fiscal year-end). Expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, claims and judgments, pension benefits, other postemployment benefits, and compensated absences, are only recorded when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt is reported as other financing sources. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

The agency funds have no measurement focus but utilize the accrual basis of accounting for reporting assets and liabilities.

The Charter School is accounted for as a governmental organization and follows the same accounting model as the District's governmental activities.

F. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance

1. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of 3 months or less. Investments classified as cash equivalents include amounts placed with the State Board of Administration (SBA) in Florida PRIME, formerly known as the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund Investment Pool.

Cash deposits are held by banks qualified as public depositories under Florida law. All deposits are insured by Federal depository insurance, up to specified limits, or collateralized with securities held in Florida's multiple financial institution collateral pool as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

2. Investments

Investments consist of amounts placed with the SBA for participation in the Florida PRIME investment pool created by Section 218.405, Florida Statutes. The investment pool operates under investment guidelines established by Section 215.47, Florida Statutes.

The District's investments in Florida PRIME, which the SBA indicates is a Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a7-like external investment pool, are similar to money market funds in which shares are owned in the fund rather than the underlying investments. These investments are reported at fair value, which is amortized cost.

Types and amounts of investments held at fiscal year-end are described in a subsequent note.

3. Inventories

Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption in the course of District operations. Inventories are stated at cost on the last invoice, which approximates the first-in, first-out basis, except that United States Department of Agriculture donated foods are stated at their fair value as determined at the time of donation to the District's food service program by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Bureau of Food Distribution. The costs of inventories are recorded as expenditures when used rather than purchased and adjusted at fiscal year-end to reflect year-end physical inventories. Agency fund inventories are reported at cost under the first-in, first-out method.

4. Capital Assets

Expenditures for capital assets acquired or constructed for general District purposes are reported in the governmental fund that financed the acquisition or construction. The capital assets so

acquired are reported at cost in the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the governmental fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as those costing more than \$750. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated assets are recorded at fair value at the date of donation.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Improvements Other Than Buildings	15 - 30 years
Buildings and Fixed Equipment	15 - 50 years
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	3 - 15 years
Motor Vehicles	5 - 10 years
Computer Software	5 years

Current year information relative to changes in capital assets is described in a subsequent note.

5. Pensions

In the government-wide statement of net position, liabilities are recognized for the District's proportionate share of each pension plan's net pension liability. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) defined benefit plan and the Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) defined benefit plan and additions to/deductions from the FRS and the HIS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the FRS and the HIS plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The District's retirement plans and related amounts are described in a subsequent note.

6. Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term obligations that will be financed from resources to be received in the future by governmental funds are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statement of net position.

In the governmental fund financial statements, bonds and other long-term obligations are not recognized as liabilities until due.

Changes in long-term liabilities for the current year are reported in a subsequent note.

7. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. The District only has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The item, deferred outflows of resources related to

pensions is reported in the government-wide statement of net position and discussed in a subsequent note.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position and the governmental funds balance sheet report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first is the deferred amount on pensions, which is reported only on the government-wide statement of net position and discussed in a subsequent note. The remaining item, unavailable revenue for capital outlay and debt service from the State of Florida is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

8. Net Position Flow Assumption

The District occasionally funds outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. To calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted – net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. Consequently, it is the District’s policy to consider restricted - net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position is applied.

9. Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

The District may fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). To calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District’s policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

10. Fund Balance Policies

Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various categories based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The District itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the District’s highest level of decision-making authority. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District that can, by adoption of a resolution prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the resolution remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption

of another resolution) to remove or revise the limitation. The District reported no committed fund balances at June 30, 2015.

Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The Board has, by approval of the annual financial report, authorized the assignment of fund balance. The Board may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

In addition, the District has adopted Board Policy 7.12 which provides at least 5 percent of the current year's annual estimated General Fund revenues to be reserved for contingency purposes. In the event these reserves are needed, a super majority vote (majority plus one) of the Board is required before using these funds and the Superintendent is required to provide documentation and justification of the needed funds.

G. Revenues and Expenditures/Expenses

1. Program Revenues

Amounts reported as program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

2. State Revenue Sources

Significant revenues from State sources for current operations include the Florida Education Finance Program administered by the FDOE under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes. In accordance with this law, the District determines and reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the FDOE. The FDOE performs certain edit checks on the reported number of FTE and related data and calculates the allocation of funds to the District. The District is permitted to amend its original reporting for a period of 5 months following the date of the original reporting. Such amendments may impact funding allocations for subsequent fiscal years. The FDOE may also adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations based upon an audit of the District's compliance in determining and reporting FTE and related data. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions or additions of revenue in the fiscal year when the adjustments are made.

The State provides financial assistance to administer certain educational programs. SBE rules require that revenue earmarked for certain programs be expended only for the program for which

the money is provided, and require that the money not expended as of the close of the fiscal year be carried forward into the following fiscal year to be expended for the same educational programs. The FDOE generally requires that these educational program revenues be accounted for in the General Fund. A portion of the fund balance of the General Fund is restricted in the governmental fund financial statements for the balance of categorical and earmarked educational program resources.

The State allocates gross receipts taxes, generally known as Public Education Capital Outlay money, to the District on an annual basis. The District also received an allocation under the Classrooms First Program. The District is authorized to expend these funds only upon applying for and receiving an encumbrance authorization from the FDOE.

A schedule of revenue from State sources for the current year is presented in a subsequent note.

3. District Property Taxes

The Board is authorized by State law to levy property taxes for district school operations, capital improvements, and debt service.

Property taxes consist of ad valorem taxes on real and personal property within the District. Property values are determined by the Franklin County Property Appraiser, and property taxes are collected by the Franklin County Tax Collector.

The Board adopted the 2014 tax levy on September 18, 2014. Tax bills are mailed in October and taxes are payable between November 1 of the year assessed and March 31 of the following year at discounts of up to 4 percent for early payment.

Taxes become a lien on the property on January 1, and are delinquent on April 1, of the year following the year of assessment. State law provides for enforcement of collection of personal property taxes by seizure of the property to satisfy unpaid taxes, and for enforcement of collection of real property taxes by the sale of interest-bearing tax certificates to satisfy unpaid taxes. The procedures result in the collection of essentially all taxes prior to June 30 of the year following the year of assessment.

Property tax revenues are recognized in the government-wide financial statements when the Board adopts the tax levy. Property tax revenues are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements when taxes are received by the District, except that revenue is accrued for taxes collected by the Franklin County Tax Collector at fiscal year-end but not yet remitted to the District.

Millages and taxes levied for the current year are presented in a subsequent note.

4. Federal Revenue Sources

The District receives Federal awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. Federal awards are generally received based on applications submitted to, and approved by, various granting agencies. For Federal awards in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred.

5. Compensated Absences

In the government-wide financial statements, compensated absences (i.e., paid absences for employee vacation leave and sick leave) are accrued as liabilities to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental fund financial statements only if it has matured, such as for occurrences of employee resignations and retirements. The liability for compensated absences includes salary-related benefits, where applicable.

II. ACCOUNTING CHANGE

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68

The District participates in the FRS defined benefit pension plan and the HIS defined benefit plan administered by Florida Division of Retirement. As a participating employer, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, which requires employers participating in cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans to report the employers' proportionate share of the net pension liabilities and related pension amounts of the defined benefit pension plans. The beginning net position of the District was decreased by \$3,647,310 due to the adoption of this Statement.

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL ACTIVITIES AND FUNDS

A. Cash Deposits with Financial Institutions

Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to the District. The District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. All bank balances of the District are fully insured or collateralized as required by Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

B. Investment

As of June 30, 2015, the District had the following investment:

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
SBA: Florida PRIME (1)	34 Day Average	<u>\$ 2,645,866.37</u>

Note: (1) This investment is reported as a cash equivalent for financial statement reporting purposes.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses from increasing interest rates.

Florida PRIME uses a weighted average days to maturity (WAM). A portfolio's WAM reflects the average maturity in days based on final maturity or reset date, in the case of floating rate instruments. WAM measures the sensitivity of the portfolio to interest rate changes.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes, limits investments to the SBA's Florida PRIME, or any other intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act as provided in Section 163.01, Florida Statutes; Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency; interest-bearing time deposits in qualified public depositories, as defined in Section 280.02, Florida Statutes; and direct obligations of the United States Treasury. The District's investment policy limits investments to bids from qualified depositories, as defined in Section 280.02, Florida Statutes; financial deposit instruments insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC); time deposits; securities of the United States Government; State managed cooperative investment plans; or other forms of authorized investments in accordance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes.

The District's investment in Florida PRIME is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

C. Changes in Capital Assets

Changes in capital assets are presented in the table below:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 4,711,650.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,711,650.00
Land Improvements	10,025,305.66	-	-	10,025,305.66
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	<u>14,736,955.66</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,736,955.66</u>
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Improvements Other Than Buildings	5,092,051.64	-	-	5,092,051.64
Buildings and Fixed Equipment	44,177,760.51	-	41,301.00	44,136,459.51
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	1,336,402.86	319,173.68	35,617.79	1,619,958.75
Motor Vehicles	1,778,537.43	2,199.00	1,000.00	1,779,736.43
Computer Software	484,188.58	1,200.00	324,660.05	160,728.53
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>52,868,941.02</u>	<u>322,572.68</u>	<u>402,578.84</u>	<u>52,788,934.86</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Improvements Other Than Buildings	2,067,513.97	337,562.09	-	2,405,076.06
Buildings and Fixed Equipment	6,157,663.22	876,301.06	37,485.24	6,996,479.04
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	585,173.30	146,772.81	32,444.48	699,501.63
Motor Vehicles	1,562,613.42	108,871.00	1,000.00	1,670,484.42
Computer Software	375,076.37	33,824.35	317,852.63	91,048.09
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>10,748,040.28</u>	<u>1,503,331.31</u>	<u>388,782.35</u>	<u>11,862,589.24</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	<u>42,120,900.74</u>	<u>(1,180,758.63)</u>	<u>13,796.49</u>	<u>40,926,345.62</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 56,857,856.40</u>	<u>\$ (1,180,758.63)</u>	<u>\$ 13,796.49</u>	<u>\$ 55,663,301.28</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions as follows:

<u>Function</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	
Student Transportation Services	\$ 108,871.00
Unallocated	1,394,460.31
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 1,503,331.31</u>

D. Retirement Plans

1. Florida Retirement System (FRS) – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

General Information about the FRS

The FRS was created in Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, to provide a defined benefit pension plan for participating public employees. The FRS was amended in 1998 to add the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) under the defined benefit plan and amended in 2000 to provide a defined contribution plan alternative to the defined benefit plan for FRS members effective July 1, 2002. This integrated defined contribution pension plan is the FRS Investment Plan. Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, established the HIS Program, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, to assist retired members of any State-administered retirement system in paying the costs of health insurance.

Essentially all regular employees of the District are eligible to enroll as members of the State-administered FRS. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. Such provisions may be amended at any time by further action from the Florida Legislature. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of the two cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plans and other nonintegrated programs. A comprehensive annual financial report of the FRS, which includes its financial statements, required supplementary information, actuarial report, and other relevant information, is available from the Florida Department of Management Services Web site (www.dms.myflorida.com).

The District's pension expense totaled \$296,412 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

FRS Pension Plan

Plan Description. The FRS Pension Plan (Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a DROP for eligible employees. The general classes of membership are as follows:

- *Regular Class* – Members of the FRS who do not qualify for membership in the other classes.
- *Elected County Officers Class* – Members who hold specified elective offices in local government.

Employees enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011, vest at 6 years of creditable service and employees enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, vest at 8 years of creditable service. All vested members, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 62 or at any age after 30 years of service. All members enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, once vested, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 65 or any time after 33 years of creditable service. Employees enrolled in the Plan may include up to 4 years of credit for military service toward creditable service. The Plan also includes an early retirement provision; however, there is a benefit reduction for each year a member retires before his or her normal retirement date. The Plan provides retirement, disability, death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments to eligible participants.

DROP, subject to provisions of Section 121.091, Florida Statutes, permits employees eligible for normal retirement under the Plan to defer receipt of monthly benefit payments while continuing employment with an FRS participating employer. An employee may participate in DROP for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate, except that certain instructional personnel may participate for up to 96 months. During the period of DROP participation, deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest. The net pension liability does not include amounts for DROP participants, as these members are considered retired and are not accruing additional pension benefits.

Benefits Provided. Benefits under the Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 5 highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the 8 highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on the retirement class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned. Members are eligible for in-line-of-duty or regular disability and survivors' benefits. The following chart shows the percentage value for each year of service credit earned:

<u>Class, Initial Enrollment, and Retirement Age/Years of Service</u>	<u>Percent Value</u>
Regular Class members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011	
Retirement up to age 62 or up to 30 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 63 or with 31 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 64 or with 32 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 65 or with 33 or more years of service	1.68
Regular Class members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011	
Retirement up to age 65 or up to 33 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 66 or with 34 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 67 or with 35 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 68 or with 36 or more years of service	1.68
Elected County Officers	3.00

As provided in Section 121.101, Florida Statutes, if the member is initially enrolled in the FRS before July 1, 2011, and all service credit was accrued before July 1, 2011, the annual cost-of-living adjustment is 3 percent per year. If the member is initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, and has service credit on or after July 1, 2011, there is an individually calculated cost-of-living adjustment. The annual cost-of-living adjustment is a proportion of 3 percent determined by dividing the sum of the pre-July 2011 service credit by the total service credit at retirement multiplied by 3 percent. Plan members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, will not have a cost-of-living adjustment after retirement.

Contributions. The Florida Legislature establishes contribution rates for participating employers and employees. Contribution rates during the 2014-15 fiscal year were as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Percent of Gross Salary</u>	
	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Employer (1)</u>
FRS, Regular	3.00	7.37
FRS, Elected County Officers	3.00	43.24
DROP - Applicable to Members from All of the Above Classes	0.00	12.28
FRS, Reemployed Retiree	(2)	(2)

Notes: (1) Employer rates include 1.26 percent for the postemployment health insurance subsidy. Also, employer rates, other than for DROP participants, include 0.04 percent for administrative costs of the Investment Plan.

(2) Contribution rates are dependent upon retirement class in which reemployed.

The District's contributions to the Plan totaled \$373,332 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2015, the District reported a liability of \$1,047,632 for its proportionate share of the Plan's net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2014. The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the District's 2013-14 fiscal year contributions relative to the 2013-14 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2014, the District's proportionate share was 0.017170163 percent, which was an increase of 0.002631185 from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the District recognized the Plan pension expense of \$170,902. In addition, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 64,831
Change of assumptions	181,433	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on FRS pension plan investments	-	1,747,625
Changes in proportion and differences between District FRS contributions and proportionate share of contributions	381,048	-
District FRS contributions subsequent to the measurement date	373,332	-
Total	\$ 935,813	\$ 1,812,456

The deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, totaling \$373,332, resulting from District contributions to the Plan subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ (343,010)
2017	(343,010)
2018	(343,010)
2019	(343,010)
2020	93,896
Thereafter	28,169
Total	\$ (1,249,975)

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2014, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.60 percent
Salary Increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.65 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Generational RP-2000 with Projection Scale BB.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2014, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2013.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was not based on historical returns, but instead is based on a forward-looking capital market economic model. The allocation policy's description of each asset class was used to map the target allocation to the asset classes shown below. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions, and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption. The target allocation and

best estimates of arithmetic and geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation (1)</u>	<u>Annual Arithmetic Return</u>	<u>Compound Annual (Geometric) Return</u>	<u>Standard Deviation</u>
Cash	1.00%	3.11%	3.10%	1.65%
Intermediate-Term Bonds	18.00%	4.18%	4.05%	5.15%
High Yield Bonds	3.00%	6.79%	6.25%	10.95%
Broad US Equities	26.50%	8.51%	6.95%	18.90%
Developed Foreign Equities	21.20%	8.66%	6.85%	20.40%
Emerging Market Equities	5.30%	11.58%	7.60%	31.15%
Private Equity	6.00%	11.80%	8.11%	30.00%
Hedge Funds / Absolute Return	7.00%	5.81%	5.35%	10.00%
Real Estate (Property)	12.00%	7.11%	6.35%	13.00%
Total	100.00%			
Assumed inflation - Mean		2.60%		2.00%

Note: (1) As outlined in the Plan's investment policy.

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.65 percent. The Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.65 percent, as well as what the 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 (6.65 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (8.65 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.65%)	Current Discount Rate (7.65%)	1% Increase (8.65%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 4,480,863	\$ 1,047,632	\$ (1,808,160)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State-Administered Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

HIS Pension Plan

Plan Description. The HIS Pension Plan (HIS Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, Florida Statutes, and may be amended

by the Florida Legislature at any time. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of State-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement.

Benefits Provided. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service completed at the time of retirement, with a minimum HIS payment of \$30 and a maximum HIS payment of \$150 per month, pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS Plan benefit, a retiree under a State-administered retirement system must provide proof of health insurance coverage, which may include Medicare.

Contributions. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the Florida Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the contribution rate was 1.26 percent of payroll pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The District contributed 100 percent of its statutorily required contributions for the current and preceding 3 years. HIS Plan contributions are deposited in a separate trust fund from which payments are authorized. HIS Plan benefits are not guaranteed and are subject to annual legislative appropriation. In the event the legislative appropriation or available funds fail to provide full subsidy benefits to all participants, benefits may be reduced or canceled.

The District's contributions to the HIS Plan totaled \$65,474 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2015, the District reported a net pension liability of \$1,738,496 for its proportionate share of the HIS Plan's net pension liability. The current portion of the net pension liability is the District's proportionate share of benefit payments expected to be paid within 1 year, net of the District's proportionate share of the pension plan's fiduciary net position available to pay that amount. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2014. The District's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the District's 2013-14 fiscal year contributions relative to the total 2013-14 fiscal year contributions of all participating members. At June 30, 2014, the District's proportionate share was 0.018593058 percent, which was an increase of 0.000395939 from its proportionate share measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the District recognized the HIS Plan pension expense of \$125,510. In addition, the District reported deferred outflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 61,863
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on HIS pension plan investments	835
Changes in proportion and differences between District HIS contributions and proportionate share of HIS contributions	29,683
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>65,474</u>
Total	<u>\$ 157,855</u>

The deferred outflows of resources, totaling \$65,474, related to pensions resulting from District contributions to the HIS Plan subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ 14,974
2017	14,974
2018	14,974
2019	14,974
2020	14,766
Thereafter	<u>17,719</u>
Total	<u>\$ 92,381</u>

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2014, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.60 percent
Salary increases	3.25 percent, average, including inflation
Municipal bond rate	4.29 percent

Mortality rates were based on the Generational RP-2000 with Projected Scale BB.

While an experience study had not been completed for the plan, the FRS Actuarial Assumptions Conference reviewed the actuarial assumptions for the plan.

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 4.29 percent. In general, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the single rate equivalent to discounting at the long-term expected rate of return for benefit payments prior to the projected depletion date. Because the HIS benefit is essentially funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, the depletion date is considered to be immediate, and the single equivalent discount rate is equal

to the municipal bond rate selected by the HIS Plan sponsor. The Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index was adopted as the applicable municipal bond index.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate. The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 4.29 percent, as well as what the 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 (3.29 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (5.29 percent) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (3.29%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (4.29%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (5.29%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,977,399	\$ 1,738,496	\$ 1,539,081

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the HIS Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued FRS Pension Plan and Other State-Administered Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

2. FRS – Defined Contribution Pension Plan

The SBA administers the defined contribution plan officially titled the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan). The Investment Plan is reported in the SBA's annual financial statements and in the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

As provided in Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, eligible FRS members may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined benefit plan. District employees participating in DROP are not eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Costs of administering the plan, including the FRS Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.04 percent of payroll and by forfeited benefits of plan members. Allocations to the investment member's accounts during the 2014-15 fiscal year were as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Percent of Gross Compensation</u>
FRS, Regular	6.30
FRS, Elected County Officers	11.34

For all membership classes, employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and are vested after 1 year of service for employer contributions and investment earnings. If an accumulated benefit obligation for service credit originally earned under the FRS Pension Plan is transferred to the Investment Plan, the member must have the years of service required for FRS Pension Plan vesting (including the service credit represented by the transferred funds) to be vested for these funds and the earnings on the funds. Nonvested employer contributions are placed in a suspense account for up to 5 years. If the employee returns to FRS-covered employment within the 5-year period, the employee will regain control over their account. If the employee does not return within the 5-year period, the employee will forfeit the accumulated account balance. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the information for the amount of forfeitures was unavailable from the SBA; however, management believes that these amounts, if any, would be immaterial to the District.

After termination and applying to receive benefits, the member may rollover vested funds to another qualified plan, structure a periodic payment under the Investment Plan, receive a lump-sum distribution, leave the funds invested for future distribution, or any combination of these options. Disability coverage is provided; the member may either transfer the account balance to the FRS Pension Plan when approved for disability retirement to receive guaranteed lifetime monthly benefits under the FRS Pension Plan, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely upon that account balance for retirement income.

The District's Investment Plan pension expense totaled \$47,611.91 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

E. Other Postemployment Benefit Obligations

Plan Description. The Other Postemployment Benefits Plan (OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit plan administered by the District. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 112.0801, Florida Statutes, employees who retire from the District are eligible to participate in the District's health and hospitalization plan for medical, prescription drug, and life insurance coverage. The District subsidizes the premium rates paid by retirees by allowing them to participate in the OPEB Plan at reduced or blended group (implicitly subsidized) premium rates for both active and retired employees. These rates provide an implicit subsidy for retirees because, on an actuarial basis, their current and future claims are expected to result in higher costs to the OPEB Plan on average than those of active employees. Additionally, the Board contributes \$55 per month towards the cost of retiree health insurance premiums for members who retired prior to March 1, 2013. The Board paid the full cost of life insurance premiums for retired employees through December 31, 2016. As the number of eligible retirees fluctuates, so does the amount of the subsidy. Retirees are assumed to enroll in the Federal Medicare program for their primary coverage as soon as they are eligible. The OPEB Plan does not issue a stand-alone report, and is not included in the report of a public employee retirement system or other entity.

Funding Policy. Plan contribution requirements of the District and OPEB Plan members are established and may be amended through recommendations of the Insurance Committee and action from the Board. The District has not advance-funded or established a funding methodology for the

annual OPEB costs or the net OPEB obligation, and the OPEB Plan is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. For the 2014-15 fiscal year, 13 retirees received other postemployment health benefits and 101 retirees received life insurance coverage. The District provided required contributions of \$78,880 toward the annual OPEB cost, net of retiree contributions totaling \$98,063, which represents 2 percent of covered payroll.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The District's annual OPEB cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with parameters of GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. The ARC represents a level of funding that if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities over a period not to exceed 30 years. The following table shows the District's annual OPEB cost for the fiscal year, the amount actually contributed to the OPEB Plan, and changes in the District's net OPEB obligation:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Normal Cost (service cost for 1 year)	\$ 13,712
Amortization of Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	<u>64,230</u>
Annual Required Contribution	77,942
Interest on Net OPEB Obligation	11,047
Adjustment to Annual Required Contribution	<u>(36,103)</u>
Annual OPEB Cost (Expense)	52,886
Contribution Toward the OPEB Cost	<u>(78,880)</u>
Decrease in Net OPEB Obligation	(25,994)
Net OPEB Obligation, Beginning of Year	<u>324,925</u>
Net OPEB Obligation, End of Year	<u>\$ 298,931</u>

The District's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the OPEB Plan, and the net OPEB obligation as of June 30, 2015, and the 2 preceding fiscal years, were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation</u>
2012-13	\$ 114,133	63.20%	\$ 281,807
2013-14	116,539	63.00%	324,925
2014-15	52,886	149.15%	298,931

Funded Status and Funding Progress. As of October 1, 2014, the most recent valuation date, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$568,486, and the actuarial value of assets was \$0, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of \$568,486 and a funded ratio of 0 percent. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active participating employees) was \$4,783,801, and the ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to the covered payroll was 11.88 percent.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing OPEB Plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment and termination, mortality, and healthcare cost trends. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the OPEB Plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The required schedule of funding progress immediately following the notes to financial statements presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of OPEB Plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions. Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive OPEB Plan provisions, as understood by the employer and participating 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 participating members. 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 calculations.

The District's OPEB actuarial valuation as of October 1, 2014, used the entry age normal cost actuarial method to estimate the unfunded actuarial liability as of June 30, 2015, and to estimate the District's 2014-15 fiscal year annual required contribution. Because the OPEB liability is currently unfunded, the actuarial assumptions included a 3.4 percent rate of return on invested assets. The actuarial assumptions also included a payroll growth rate of 3.4 percent per year, projected salary increases of 3.7 to 7.8 percent, and an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 12.6 percent beginning in the January 2015 plan year, decreased to 7 percent beginning January 1, 2016, and decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.61 percent beginning January 2040. The investment rate of return and projected salary increase rates include a general price inflation of 2.5 percent. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on a closed basis over a 15-year period. The remaining amortization period at June 30, 2015, was 9 years.

F. Other Commitments

Encumbrances. Appropriations in governmental funds are encumbered upon issuance of purchase orders for goods and services. Even though appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year, unfilled purchase orders of the current year are carried forward and the next fiscal year's appropriations are likewise encumbered.

The following is a schedule of encumbrances at June 30, 2015:

Major Funds			
General	Special Revenue - Other	Special Revenue - Federal Economic Stimulus	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 8,109.00	\$ 4,375.52	\$ 185,448.70	\$ 197,933.22

G. Risk Management Programs

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Franklin County District School Board is a member of the Panhandle Area Educational Consortium - Risk Management Consortium (Consortium) under which several district school boards have established a combined limited self-insurance program for property protection, general liability, automobile liability, workers' compensation, employee dishonesty, equipment breakdown, and other coverage deemed necessary by the members of the Consortium. Section 1001.42(12)(k), Florida Statutes, provides the authority for the District to enter into such a risk management program. The Consortium is self-sustaining through member assessments (premiums), and purchases coverage through commercial companies for claims in excess of specified amounts. The Board of Directors for the Consortium is composed of superintendents of all participating districts. The Washington County District School Board serves as fiscal agent for the Consortium.

Health and hospitalization coverage for District employees is being provided through purchased commercial insurance with minimum deductibles for each line of coverage.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past 3 fiscal years.

H. Long-Term Liabilities

1. Notes Payable

The District entered into a financing arrangement on December 29, 2006, which was characterized as a lease-purchase agreement, with the Leasing Corporation, whereby the District secured financing of various educational facilities in the amount of \$16,350,000. The financing was accomplished through the issuance of two promissory notes, Notes 2006 and 2007, to be repaid from the proceeds of rents paid by the District.

As a condition of the financing agreement, the District has given a ground lease on District property to the Leasing Corporation, with a rental fee of \$1 per year. The initial term of the lease commenced on December 29, 2006, and ends on the earlier of the date on which the notes have been paid, or June 30, 2034 (both dates inclusive). The property covered by the ground lease is, together with the improvements constructed thereon from the financing proceeds, leased back to the District. If the District fails to renew the lease and to provide for the rent payments through to term, the District may be required to surrender the site included under the Ground Lease Agreement to the Leasing Corporation, or the Bank as the assignee of the Leasing Corporation.

The District property included in the ground lease under this arrangement is located in the West one half of Fractional Section 23, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, as more fully described in the Ground Lease Agreement. The lease payments are payable by the District annually, on June 30, at an interest rate of 4.58 percent. The following is a schedule by years of future minimum lease payments under the lease agreement together with the present value of minimum lease payments as of June 30:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Total	Principal	Interest
2016	\$ 1,537,740.06	\$ 1,068,301.15	\$ 469,438.91
2017	1,537,740.06	1,119,191.52	418,548.54
2018	1,537,740.05	1,171,162.42	366,577.63
2019	1,537,740.06	1,225,546.65	312,193.41
2020	1,537,740.05	1,281,756.86	255,983.19
2021 - 2023	4,613,220.18	4,215,764.25	397,455.93
Total	\$ 12,301,920.46	\$ 10,081,722.85	\$ 2,220,197.61

2. Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities:

Description	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deductions	Ending Balance	Due In One Year
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES					
Notes Payable	\$ 11,103,845.45	\$ -	\$ 1,022,122.60	\$ 10,081,722.85	\$ 1,068,301.15
Compensated Absences Payable	338,453.06	58,283.47	61,776.73	334,959.80	90,000.00
Net Pension Liability (1)	4,087,103.00	921,590.00	2,222,565.00	2,786,128.00	58,361.83
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	324,925.00	52,886.00	78,880.00	298,931.00	-
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 15,854,326.51	\$ 1,032,759.47	\$ 3,385,344.33	\$ 13,501,741.65	\$ 1,216,662.98

Note: (1) The beginning balance resulted from the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68.

For the governmental activities, compensated absences, pensions, and other postemployment benefits are generally liquidated with resources of the General Fund.

I. Fund Balance Reporting

In addition to committed and assigned fund balance categories discussed in the **Fund Balance Policies** note disclosure, fund balances may be classified as follows:

- **Nonspendable Fund Balance.** Nonspendable fund balance is the net current financial resources that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Generally, not in spendable form means that an item is not expected to be converted to cash.
- **Restricted Fund Balance.** Restricted fund balance is the portion of fund balance on which constraints have been placed by creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation. Restricted fund balance places the most binding level of constraint on the use of fund balance.
- **Unassigned Fund Balance.** The unassigned fund balance is the portion of fund balance that is the residual classification for the General Fund. This balance represents amounts that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned for specific purposes.

J. Interfund Receivables and Payables

The following is a summary of interfund receivables and payables reported in the fund financial statements:

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Interfund</u>	
	<u>Receivables</u>	<u>Payables</u>
Major:		
General	\$ 219,850.53	\$ -
Special Revenue:		
Other	-	136,561.33
Federal Economic Stimulus	-	83,289.20
Total	\$ 219,850.53	\$ 219,850.53

Interfund receivables and payables are to reimburse the General Fund for temporary advances to cover the cost of Federal grant expenditures paid on behalf of the Special Revenue – Other and the Special Revenue – Federal Economic Stimulus funds. These amounts are expected to be repaid within 1 year.

K. Revenues

1. Schedule of State Revenue Sources

The following is a schedule of the District's State revenue sources for the 2014-15 fiscal year:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Categorical Educational Program - Class Size Reduction	\$ 1,300,033.00
Florida Education Finance Program	730,434.00
Voluntary Prekindergarten Program	172,291.79
Classrooms First Program	141,028.18
State Forest Funds	133,419.72
School Recognition Fund	121,043.00
Charter School Capital Outlay Funds	114,924.00
Workforce Development Program	73,155.00
Motor Vehicle License Tax (Capital Outlay and Debt Service)	38,652.54
Gross Receipts Tax (Public Education Capital Outlay)	18,734.00
Food Service Supplement	15,675.00
Discretionary Lottery Funds	4,084.00
Miscellaneous	315,887.53
Total	\$ 3,179,361.76

Accounting policies relating to certain State revenue sources are described in Note I.G.2.

2. Property Taxes

The following is a summary of millages and taxes levied on the 2014 tax roll for the 2014-15 fiscal year:

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Millages</u>	<u>Taxes Levied</u>
Nonvoted School Tax:		
Required Local Effort	3.550	\$ 6,184,228
Prior Period Funding Adjustment	0.008	13,936
Basic Discretionary Local Effort	0.748	1,303,043
Voted School Tax:		
Additional Operating	0.500	871,018
<u>Capital Projects - Local Capital Improvement Fund</u>		
Nonvoted Tax:		
Local Capital Improvements	1.000	1,742,036
Total	<u>5.806</u>	<u>\$ 10,114,261</u>

L. Interfund Transfers

The following is a summary of interfund transfers reported in the fund financial statements:

<u>Funds</u>	<u>Interfund</u>	
	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
Major:		
General	\$ 583,328.61	\$ -
Capital Projects:		
Local Capital Improvement	-	1,815,068.66
Nonmajor Governmental	1,537,740.05	306,000.00
Total	<u>\$ 2,121,068.66</u>	<u>\$ 2,121,068.66</u>

Transfers to the General Fund were for reimbursements of maintenance expenditures, purchase of computer hardware, and property insurance premiums. Additionally, \$306,000 of unrestricted debt service moneys were transferred from a nonmajor debt service fund to the General Fund. Transfers to a nonmajor debt service fund were to cover debt service costs.

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OTHER REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Budgetary Comparison Schedule General and Major Special Revenue Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

	General Fund			Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	
Revenues				
Intergovernmental:				
Federal Through State and Local	\$ 166,000.00	\$ 213,556.60	\$ 213,556.60	\$ -
State	2,249,538.00	2,544,049.89	2,544,049.89	-
Local:				
Property Taxes	8,045,761.18	8,121,379.66	8,121,379.66	-
Miscellaneous	194,769.33	234,414.16	234,414.16	-
Total Local Revenues	<u>8,240,530.51</u>	<u>8,355,793.82</u>	<u>8,355,793.82</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenues	<u>10,656,068.51</u>	<u>11,113,400.31</u>	<u>11,113,400.31</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditures				
Current - Education:				
Instruction	7,136,259.38	6,790,670.30	6,790,670.30	-
Student Personnel Services	184,474.74	255,211.55	255,211.55	-
Instructional Media Services	67,307.13	67,097.24	67,097.24	-
Instruction and Curriculum Development Services	-	-	-	-
Instructional Staff Training Services	2,250.00	13,664.39	13,664.39	-
Instructional - Related Technology	36,250.00	29,788.00	29,788.00	-
Board	400,878.88	374,333.74	374,333.74	-
General Administration	209,221.61	179,779.31	179,779.31	-
School Administration	315,164.50	408,750.07	408,750.07	-
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	259,541.00	86,790.51	86,790.51	-
Fiscal Services	281,942.83	287,475.98	287,475.98	-
Central Services	352,518.01	326,630.67	326,630.67	-
Student Transportation Services	678,986.76	746,973.03	746,973.03	-
Operation of Plant	1,030,144.19	1,002,020.71	1,002,020.71	-
Maintenance of Plant	154,530.31	156,753.72	156,753.72	-
Administrative Technology Services	36,250.00	31,870.08	31,870.08	-
Fixed Capital Outlay:				
Other Capital Outlay	-	113,884.22	113,884.22	-
Total Expenditures	<u>11,145,719.34</u>	<u>10,871,693.52</u>	<u>10,871,693.52</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>(489,650.83)</u>	<u>241,706.79</u>	<u>241,706.79</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Financing Sources				
Transfers In	578,496.28	583,328.61	583,328.61	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	88,845.45	825,035.40	825,035.40	-
Fund Balances, Beginning	759,439.27	759,439.27	759,439.27	-
Fund Balances, Ending	<u>\$ 848,284.72</u>	<u>\$ 1,584,474.67</u>	<u>\$ 1,584,474.67</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

Special Revenue - Other Fund				Special Revenue - Federal Economic Stimulus Fund			
Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
\$ 1,527,665.00	\$ 1,359,219.80	\$ 1,359,219.80	\$ -	\$ 2,273.75	\$ 238,863.96	\$ 238,863.96	\$ -
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1,527,665.00	1,359,219.80	1,359,219.80	-	2,273.75	238,863.96	238,863.96	-
973,295.00	947,664.47	947,664.47	-	-	127,743.64	127,743.64	-
181,049.00	126,979.95	126,979.95	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
100,743.00	65,444.22	65,444.22	-	-	-	-	-
138,023.00	84,400.10	84,400.10	-	1,873.75	8,888.28	8,888.28	-
-	-	-	-	-	89,876.74	89,876.74	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65,864.00	63,039.69	63,039.69	-	-	2,740.30	2,740.30	-
1,530.00	1,872.93	1,872.93	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42,662.00	45,611.00	45,611.00	-	400.00	-	-	-
9,220.00	6,482.52	6,482.52	-	-	-	-	-
15,279.00	14,548.07	14,548.07	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	3,176.85	3,176.85	-	-	9,615.00	9,615.00	-
1,527,665.00	1,359,219.80	1,359,219.80	-	2,273.75	238,863.96	238,863.96	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

**Schedule of Funding Progress –
Other Postemployment Benefits Plan (1)**

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (1) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll [(b-a)/c]
10/01/10	\$ -	\$ 933,764	\$ 933,764	0.0%	\$ 5,542,726	16.85%
10/01/12	-	1,129,228	1,129,228	0.0%	5,540,043	20.38%
10/01/14	-	568,486	568,486	0.0%	4,783,801	11.88%

Note: (1) The District's OPEB actuarial valuation used the entry age normal cost method to estimate the actuarial accrued liability.

**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share
of the Net Pension Liability –
Florida Retirement System Pension Plan (1)**

	2014	2013
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.017170163%	0.014538978%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,407,632	\$ 2,502,805
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,022,814	\$ 4,671,079
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	28.02%	53.58%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	96.09%	88.54%

Note: (1) The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

**Schedule of District Contributions –
Florida Retirement System Pension Plan (1)**

	2015	2014
Contractually required contribution	\$ 373,332	\$ 376,100
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(373,332)	(376,100)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,700,251	\$ 5,022,814
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	7.94%	7.49%

Note: (1) The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share
of the Net Pension Liability –
Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan (1)**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.018593058%	0.018197119%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,738,496	\$ 1,584,298
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,525,154	\$ 5,286,385
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	31.47%	29.97%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	0.99%	1.78%

Note: (1) The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

**Schedule of District Contributions –
Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan (1)**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 65,474	\$ 63,694
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(65,474)	(63,694)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,204,464	\$ 5,525,154
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	1.26%	1.15%

Note: (1) The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

1. Budgetary Basis of Accounting

The Board follows procedures established by State statutes and State Board of Education (SBE) rules in establishing budget balances for governmental funds, as described below:

- Budgets are prepared, public hearings are held, and original budgets are adopted annually for all governmental fund types in accordance with procedures and time intervals prescribed by law and SBE rules.
- Appropriations are controlled at the object level (e.g., salaries, purchased services, and capital outlay) within each activity (e.g., instruction, student transportation services, and school administration) and may be amended by resolution at any Board meeting prior to the due date for the annual financial report.
- Budgets are prepared using the same modified accrual basis as is used to account for governmental funds.
- Budgetary information is integrated into the accounting system and, to facilitate budget control, budget balances are encumbered when purchase orders are issued. Appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end and encumbrances outstanding are honored from the subsequent year's appropriations.

2. Schedule of Funding Progress – Other Postemployment Benefits Plan

The October 1, 2014, unfunded actuarial accrued liability of \$568,486 was significantly lower than the October 1, 2012, liability of \$1,129,228 as a result of benefit changes and other changes in liabilities and costs as discussed below:

- The District is eliminating the employer paid group term life insurance coverage effective December 31, 2016. Under the current bargaining contract, the District pays premiums for basic life insurance coverage for eligible active employees and retirees through December 31, 2016. After that date, members will have an option of converting policies to voluntary policies fully paid by members. This change had a significant decreasing effect on the cost and liability.
- The number of retirees currently receiving postemployment health benefits decreased from 24 in the previous valuation to 13 in the current valuation. At the same time, the number of active employees eligible for future postemployment benefits decreased from 149 to 129. The combined population changes had a decreasing effect on the cost and liability.
- The total cost of coverage decreased from \$701 to \$603 per employee per month. At the same time, average cost per member increased from \$414 per month to \$437 per month. These changes had an effect of slowing down increases in the cost and liability.
- While average cost per employee increased, premiums charged to retirees decreased from \$603.60 per month to \$555.93 which had an increasing effect on the cost and liability.
- The assumed trend for medical and prescription costs was increased from 7.5 percent to 12.6 percent to reflect the actual premium increases. This change had an increasing effect on the cost and liability.
- The assumed long-term trend for medical and prescription cost changed from decreasing 0.5 percent each year after 2015 to the ultimate value of 5 percent to decreasing over a 24-year period from 7 percent beginning January 1, 2016, to the ultimate level of 4.24 percent. This change had a decreasing effect on the cost and liability.

- The effect of the Excise Tax on High-Cost Employer Health Plans on the cost of coverage was revised from a 0.42 percent increase for the 2022 plan year to a 0.37 percent increase beginning in the 2030 plan year and all subsequent years. This change had a small decreasing effect on the cost and liability compared to the prior valuation.
- The assumed cost of coverage for acceptance and continuation for retirees was revised from 25 percent of retiring employees under the age of 65 electing to continue medical coverage through the District's plan to 30 percent of employees electing to keep the coverage upon retirement. This change had an increasing effect on the cost and liability. Similarly, the lapsing rate of retirees attaining age 65 was revised to 95 percent from 85 percent. This change had a decreasing effect on the cost and liability.
- Revisions were made to certain demographic assumptions to reflect changes made to the FRS for its July 1, 2014, actuarial valuation.

3. Schedule of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Contributions – Florida Retirement System Pension Plan

Changes of Assumptions. As of June 30, 2014, the inflation rate assumption was decreased from 3 percent to 2.6 percent, the real payroll growth assumption was decreased from 1 percent to 0.65 percent, and the overall payroll growth rate assumption was decreased from 4 percent to 3.25 percent. The long-term expected rate of return decreased from 7.75 percent to 7.65 percent.

4. Schedule of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Contributions – Health Insurance Subsidy Pension Plan

Changes of Assumptions. The municipal rate used to determine total pension liability decreased from 4.63 percent to 4.29 percent.

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Franklin County District School Board Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title</u>	<u>Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number</u>	<u>Pass -Through Grantor Number</u>	<u>Amount of Expenditures (1)</u>	<u>Amount Provided to Subrecipients</u>
United States Department of Agriculture:				
Indirect:				
Child Nutrition Cluster:				
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services:				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	14002	\$ 239,011.96	\$ -
National School Lunch Program	10.555 (2)	14001, 14003	640,328.78	-
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	13006, 13007, 14006, 14007	46,916.03	-
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>926,256.77</u>	<u>-</u>
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services:				
Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program	10.582	14004	24,362.55	-
Florida Department of Health:				
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	A-4187	145,714.34	-
Total United States Department of Agriculture			<u>1,096,333.66</u>	<u>-</u>
United States Department of Education:				
Indirect:				
Special Education Cluster:				
Florida Department of Education:				
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	263	278,668.42	46,980.00
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173	267	39,415.70	6,587.46
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>318,084.12</u>	<u>53,567.46</u>
Florida Department of Education:				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	212, 226	437,320.62	82,540.62
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	161	54,853.00	-
Education for Homeless Children and Youth	84.196	127	23,828.00	-
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287	244	410,932.40	-
Rural Education	84.358	110	22,214.66	-
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	224	91,987.00	17,038.91
ARRA - State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) - Race-to-the-Top Incentive Grants, Recovery Act	84.395	RA111, RA211, RG311	238,863.96	140,745.08
Total United States Department of Education			<u>1,598,083.76</u>	<u>293,892.07</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$ 2,694,417.42</u>	<u>\$ 293,892.07</u>

Notes: (1) Basis of Presentation. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards represents amounts expended from Federal programs during the fiscal year as determined based on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The amounts reported on the Schedule have been reconciled to and are in material agreement with amounts recorded in the District's accounting records from which the basic financial statements have been reported.

(2) Noncash Assistance – National School Lunch Program. Includes \$86,821.28 of donated food received during the fiscal year. Donated foods are valued at fair value as determined at the time of donation.



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

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Franklin County District School Board, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 7, 2016, included under the heading **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the school internal funds and the discretely presented component unit, as described in our report on the District's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the 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 may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

We noted certain additional matters that are discussed in the accompanying **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**.

District's Response to Findings

District's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying **MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSE**. District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

Respectfully submitted,



Sherrill F. Norman, CPA
Tallahassee, Florida
March 7, 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Franklin County District School Board's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major Federal programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The District's major Federal programs are identified in the **SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS** section of the accompanying **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**.

Management's Responsibility

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the District's major Federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major Federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster

As described in the accompanying **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**, the District did not comply with requirements regarding CFDA Nos. 84.027 and 84.173 Special Education Cluster as described in Federal Awards Finding No. 2015-001 for Matching, Level of Effort, Earmarking – Maintenance of Effort. Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for the District to comply with the requirements applicable to that program.

Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Special Education Cluster for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

Unmodified Opinion on the Other Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its other major Federal program identified in the **SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS** section of the accompanying **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS** for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

District management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major Federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major Federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a Federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS** as Federal Awards Finding No. 2015-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

District's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit is included as **MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSE**. District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherrill F. Norman, CPA
Tallahassee, Florida
March 7, 2016

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	No
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	Yes
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified for all major programs except for the Special Education Cluster (CFDA Nos. 84.027 and 84.173), which was qualified.
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133?	Yes
Identification of major programs:	
CFDA Numbers:	Name of Federal Program or Cluster:
84.027 and 84.173	Special Education Cluster
84.287	Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$300,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	Yes

ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Finding 1: Compensation and Salary Schedules

State law¹ requires the Board to designate positions to be filled; prescribe qualifications for those positions; and provides for the appointment, compensation, promotion, suspension, and dismissal of employees. State law² also provides that, for instructional personnel, the Board must provide differentiated pay based on District-determined factors, including, but not limited to, additional responsibilities, school demographics, critical shortage areas, and level of job performance difficulties.

While compensation of instructional personnel is typically subject to collective bargaining, the Board had not adopted formal policies and procedures establishing a documented process to identify instructional personnel entitled to differentiated pay using the factors prescribed in State law. Such a documented process could specify the factors to be used as the basis for determining differentiated pay, the process for applying the factors, and the individuals responsible for making such determinations.

The salary schedule and union contract provided for certain types of differentiated pay; however, without a Board-established documented process for determining which instructional personnel are to receive differentiated pay, the District may be limited in its ability to demonstrate that the various differentiated pay factors are consistently considered and applied. Similar findings were noted in our report Nos. 2014-142 and 2015-152.

Recommendation: The Board should establish a documented process for identifying instructional personnel entitled to differentiated pay using the factors prescribed in State law.

Finding 2: Adult General Education Classes

State law³ defines adult general education, in part, as comprehensive instructional programs designed to improve the employability of the State's workforce. The District received State funding for adult general education, and General Appropriations Act⁴ proviso language requires each school district to report enrollment for adult general education programs in accordance with the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) instructional hours reporting procedures.⁵

FDOE procedures state that fundable instructional contact hours are those scheduled hours that occur between the date of enrollment in a class and the withdrawal date or end-of-class date, whichever is sooner. The procedures also require school districts to develop a procedure for withdrawing students for nonattendance and provide that the standard for setting the withdrawal date be six consecutive absences from a class schedule, with the withdrawal date reported as the day after the last date of attendance. There is also a minimum enrollment threshold of 12 hours of attendance for each program that must be met before a student can be counted for funding purposes.

¹ Section 1001.42(5)(a), Florida Statutes.

² Section 1012.22(1)(c)4.b., Florida Statutes.

³ Section 1004.02(3), Florida Statutes.

⁴ Chapter 2014-51, Laws of Florida, Specific Appropriation 122.

⁵ FDOE Memorandum No. 06-14, dated May 15, 2006, *Reporting Procedures for Adult General Education Enrollments*.

For the 2014-15 fiscal year, the District reported 478 instructional contact hours for one adult general education class provided to 12 students. As part of our audit, we examined District records for all 12 students and found that, for 11 of these students, the instructional contact hours were under reported by 8 hours. Although we requested, District personnel could not provide student attendance records supporting the 28 instructional contact hours reported to the FDOE for the remaining student. Additionally, our review of District records disclosed that the District did not report instructional contact hours to the FDOE for 8 other students who attended adult general education classes, resulting in 174 under-reported hours. The net hours misreported, including the 28 over-reported hours unsupported by student attendance records, totaled 154 under-reported hours.

In response to our inquiry, District personnel indicated that these errors mainly occurred because no one was held accountable for reporting the hours, and the employees who reported the hours did not understand the process. Since funding is based, in part, on enrollment data reported to the FDOE, it is important that the District report accurate data.

Recommendation: The District should strengthen controls to ensure instructional contact hours for adult general education classes are accurately reported to the FDOE. The District should also determine to what extent the adult general education hours were misreported for the 2014-15 fiscal year and contact the FDOE for proper resolution.

Finding 3: Virtual Instruction Program Policies and Procedures

State law⁶ provides that school districts are to prescribe and adopt standards and policies to provide each student the opportunity to receive a complete education. Education methods to implement such standards and policies may include the delivery of learning courses through traditional school settings, blended courses consisting of both traditional classroom and online instructional techniques, participation in a virtual instruction program (VIP), or other methods. State law⁷ establishes VIP requirements and requires school districts to include mandatory provisions in VIP provider contracts; make available optional types of virtual instruction; provide timely, written parental notification of VIP options; ensure the eligibility of students participating in the VIPs; and provide computer equipment, Internet access, and instructional materials to eligible students.

During the 2014-15 fiscal year, the District enrolled no full-time and two part-time VIP students. While the District generally administered the VIP in accordance with applicable State requirements, the District did not have comprehensive, written VIP policies and procedures to identify the processes necessary to ensure compliance with statutory requirements, document personnel responsibilities, provide consistent guidance to staff during personnel changes, ensure sufficient and appropriate training of personnel, or establish a reliable standard to measure the effectiveness and efficiency of operations. The absence of such policies and procedures, similarly noted in our report No. 2015-152, may have contributed to the lack of written parental notifications discussed below.

⁶ Section 1001.41(3), Florida Statutes.

⁷ Section 1002.45, Florida Statutes.

State law⁸ requires each school district to provide information to parents and students about a student's right and choice to participate in a VIP. In addition, State law⁹ requires the District to provide parents with timely, written notifications of open enrollment periods for its VIP.

For the 2014-15 fiscal year, District personnel indicated that VIP information was communicated to parents and students on the District's Web site. While this method demonstrates a District effort to communicate with parents and students about the VIP, District records did not evidence that the District provided written notifications directly to parents of students regarding the VIP and the VIP open enrollment periods. Further, given the low enrollment in the District's VIP, the effectiveness of the parental notification process was not readily apparent.

District personnel indicated that they believed the District's communication method satisfied State law. However, without direct notifications, timely provided in writing to parents, some parents may not be informed of available VIP options and open enrollment periods, potentially limiting student access to virtual instruction. Such direct notifications could be made in writing by letter or e-mail.

Recommendation: To enhance compliance and the effectiveness of VIP operations and related activities, the District should develop and maintain comprehensive, written VIP policies and procedures. Such policies and procedures should ensure that parents are timely and directly notified in writing about student opportunities to participate in the District's VIP and open enrollment dates.

FEDERAL AWARDS FINDING AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Federal Awards Finding No. 2015-001:

Federal Agency:	United States Department of Education
Pass-Through Entity:	Florida Department of Education (FDOE)
CFDA Numbers:	84.027 and 84.173
Program Title:	Special Education Cluster (SEC)
Compliance Requirement:	Matching, Level of Effort, Earmarking – Maintenance of Effort
Finding Type:	Material Noncompliance and Material Weakness
Questioned Costs:	\$58,531

Federal regulations¹⁰ provide that the amount of State and local funds or the combined State and local funds expended by the District on special education related services during any fiscal year be at least the same, either in total or per capita, as the amount spent in the most recent fiscal year. Allowances for decreases in maintenance of effort may be made for certain reasons including the departure of special education personnel; decrease in the enrollment of children with disabilities; the termination of costly expenditures for long-term purchases, such as expenditures for the acquisition of equipment and the construction of school facilities; and the termination of District services for particular students who required costly programs and services but are no longer in the District.

⁸ Section 1002.45(10), Florida Statutes.

⁹ Section 1002.45(1)(b), Florida Statutes.

¹⁰ Title 34, Sections 300.203 and 300.204, Code of Federal Regulations.

District procedures to monitor compliance with the maintenance of effort requirements during the 2014-15 fiscal year included comparisons of State and local expenditures, in total and average per capita, and District personnel believed they had complied with the maintenance of effort requirement on average per capita. However, following guidance provided by the FDOE, we noted a mathematical error in the District's calculation and, using the most favorable calculation measure (State and local expenditures), we determined that the District's local effort for special education services decreased from the 2013-14 fiscal year to the 2014-15 fiscal year. As shown in Table 1, after consideration of the \$21,761 allowance for costly services terminated for students no longer enrolled in the District, the District had a \$58,531 maintenance of effort deficiency in expenditures of State and local resources for the 2014-15 fiscal year.

Table 1
Maintenance of Effort Deficiency
2014-15 Fiscal Year

	2014-15	2013-14
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Base Student Allocation (BSA)	\$ 4,032	\$ 3,752
Multiplied by: District Cost Differential	0.9305	0.9337
Modified BSA	3,752	3,504
Multiplied by: Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Weighted Students (Level 254 and 255 Severe Handicapped)	44	36
ESE BSA	165,088	126,144
Add: State ESE Guaranteed Allocation	444,619	490,175
Total State ESE Effort	609,707	616,319 (A)
Total General Fund ESE Expenditures (FDOE Functional Code 5200)	945,200	1,032,104 (B)
Difference: Total Local ESE Effort	335,493	415,785 (B)-(A)
Deficiency in Expenditures of State and Local Resources	(80,292)	-
Allowance for Costly Services Terminated for Students No Longer Enrolled in the District	21,761	-
Deficiency in Expenditures of State and Local Resources	\$ (58,531)	\$ 0

Sources: Florida Education Finance Program Final Calculation of Full-Time Equivalent Students and District Accounting Records.

Without adequate procedures to monitor applicable maintenance of effort requirements, the risk increases that State and local funds will not be properly allocated and expended for special education services, and the grantor may reduce future SEC awards.

Professional auditing standards require that when an auditee does not comply, in all material respects, with a compliance requirement that could have a direct and material effect on one of its major Federal programs, appropriate disclosures (modifications) should be made in the auditor's report. As the District did not comply with the Matching, Level of Effort, Earmarking – Maintenance of Effort requirement that is applicable to the SEC, our report on the District's compliance with that requirement includes a modification to that effect.

Recommendation: The District should enhance controls over State and local resources allocated and expended for the SEC to ensure compliance with Federal maintenance of effort

requirements. In addition, the District should document to the grantor (FDOE) its compliance with Federal maintenance of effort requirements or restore \$58,531 to the applicable SEC programs.

District Contact Person: Shannon Venable, Director of Financial Services

PRIOR AUDIT FOLLOW-UP

The District had taken corrective actions for findings included in our report No. 2015-152, except as noted in Findings 1 and 3 and shown in Table 2.

Table 2
Findings Also Noted in Previous Audit Reports

Finding	2013-14 Fiscal Year Audit Report No. 2015-152, Finding	2012-13 Fiscal Year Audit Report No. 2014-142, Finding
1	1	5
3	6	Not Applicable

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS – FEDERAL AWARDS

Listed below is the District's summary of the status of prior audit findings on Federal programs:

Audit Report No. and Federal Awards Finding No.	Program/Area	Brief Description	Status	Comments
2015-152 (2014-001)	Special Education Cluster (CFDA Nos. 84.027 and 84.173) - Subrecipient Monitoring	District procedures for the monitoring of subrecipients did not ensure that required documentation to support salary and benefit charges to the Special Education Cluster programs was maintained by the subrecipient.	Corrected.	
2015-152 (2014-002)	Special Education Cluster (CFDA Nos. 84.027 and 84.173) - Allowable Costs/Cost Principles	The District did not always maintain the required documentation to support salary and benefit charges to the Special Education Cluster programs.	Corrected.	

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSE



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March 2, 2016

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Superintendent

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Dear Ms. Norman:

Please find below the responses to the Preliminary and Tentative Audit Findings and Recommendations for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015, for the Franklin County District School Board.

Finding No. 1: Compensation and Salary Schedules

The District continues to negotiate with our labor unions to develop a differentiated pay plan that complies with Florida Statute 1012.22(1)(c)4.b.

Finding No. 2: Adult General Education Classes

A review of the student records and processes found a process error in the way student scheduling and attendance reporting has been conducted at the adult school site. Subsequent to this discovery, training has been provided to the Adult Education Program data personnel (December 15, 2015). Ongoing communication with appropriate Florida Department of Education program and data personnel will continue to address the collection, submission, and needed revisions of required student enrollment data.

Finding No. 3: Virtual Instruction Program Policies and Procedures

The District has contracted services to create and maintain comprehensive, written VIP policies and procedures. The District will implement procedures to ensure that parents are timely and directly notified in writing about student opportunities to participate in the District's VIP and open enrollment dates.

FEDERAL AWARDS:

Finding No. 1: Matching, Level of Effort, Earmarking- Maintenance of Effort -Special Education Cluster

The District has implemented procedures to monitor its compliance with maintenance of effort requirements. District staff will contact the Florida Department of Education in an effort to resolve this issue as expeditiously as possible. We anticipate resolution of this finding by the end of the current fiscal year.

Please contact my office if I may provide further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

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