

**NEDERLAND
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Nederland Independent School District
Annual Financial Report
For The Year Ended August 31, 2024

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Introductory Section

CERTIFICATE OF BOARD

Nederland Independent School District
Name of School District

Jefferson
County

123-905
Co.-Dist. Number

We, the undersigned, certify that the attached annual financial reports of the above named school district were reviewed and (check one) ☒ approved ☐ disapproved for the year ended August 31, 2024, at a meeting of the board of trustees of such school district on the 20th day of January, 2025.



Signature of Board Secretary



Signature of Board President

If the board of trustees disapproved of the auditors' report, the reason(s) for disapproving it is (are):
(attach list as necessary)

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Trustees
Nederland Independent School District
Nederland, Texas

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Nederland Independent School District ("the District"), as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Nederland Independent School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Nederland Independent School District, as of August 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Nederland Independent School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, and budgetary comparison information and schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and schedule of District pension contributions, and schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability and schedule of District OPEB contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Nederland Independent School District's basic financial statements. The introductory section and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The individual nonmajor fund financial statements and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the individual nonmajor fund financial statements and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information Included in the Annual Report

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information as identified in the table of contents comprises the information included in the annual report but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 20, 2025 on our consideration of Nederland Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 Nederland Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



West, Davis & Company, LLP
Austin, Texas
January 20, 2025

Nederland Independent School District

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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In this section of the Annual Financial and Compliance Report, the management of Nederland Independent School District (the District), discusses and analyzes the District's performance for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the independent auditors' report on page 2, and the District's Basic Financial Statements, which begin on page 11.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities (on pages 11 and 12). These provide information about the activities of the District as a whole and present a longer-term view of the District's property and debt obligations and other financial matters. They reflect the flow of total economic resources in a manner similar to the financial reports of a business enterprise.

Fund financial statements, beginning on page 13, report the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the District's most significant funds. For governmental activities, these statements tell how services were financed in the short term as well as what resources remain for future spending. They reflect the flow of current financial resources, and supply the basis for tax levies and the appropriations budget. For proprietary activities, internal service fund financial statements tell how goods or services of the District were sold to departments within the District and how the revenues covered the expenses of the goods or services. Examples include Cafeteria Plan and Workers Compensation Insurance. The remaining statements, fiduciary statements, provide financial information about activities for which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside of the District. Examples include Student Activities and Scholarships.

The notes to the financial statements, beginning on page 24 provide narrative explanations or additional data needed for full disclosure in the government-wide statements or the fund financial statements.

The Required Supplementary Information provides a budgetary comparison schedule of the District's General Fund. This schedule includes financial information and disclosures required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board but not considered as part of the basic financial statements.

In addition to the required supplementary information, the Other Supplementary Information Section contains data used by monitoring or regulatory agencies for assurance that the District is using funds supplied in compliance with the terms of the grants.

Reporting the District as a Whole

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

The analysis of the District's overall financial condition and operations begins on page 11. Its primary purpose is to show whether the District is improving or not improving as a result of the year's activities. The Statement of Net Position includes all the District's assets and liabilities at the end of the year while the Statement of Activities includes all the revenues and expenses generated by the District's operations during the year. These apply the accrual basis of accounting which is the basis used by private sector companies.

All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. The District's revenues are divided into those provided by outside parties who share the costs of some programs such as grants provided by the U.S. Department of Education to assist children with disabilities or from disadvantaged backgrounds (program revenues) and revenues provided by the taxpayers or by TEA in equalization funding processes (general revenues). All the District's assets are reported whether they serve the current year or future years. Liabilities are considered regardless of whether they must be paid in the current or future years.

These two statements report the District's net position and changes in net position. The District's net position (the difference between assets and liabilities) provide one measure of the District's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. To fully assess the overall health of the District, however, non-financial factors should be considered as well, such as changes in the District's average daily attendance or its property tax base and the condition of the District's facilities.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the District reports one governmental activity:

- Most of the District's basic services are reported here, including the instruction, counseling, co-curricular activities, food services, transportation, maintenance, community services, and general administration. Property taxes, state aid, and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements begin on page 13 and provide detailed information about the most significant funds—not the District as a whole. Laws and contracts require the District to establish some funds, such as grants received under the No Child Left Behind Act from the U.S. Department of Education. The District's administration establishes many other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (like campus activities). The District's three kinds of funds—governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary—use different accounting approaches.

- Governmental funds—Most of the District's basic services are reported in governmental funds. These use modified accrual accounting (a method that measures the receipt and disbursement of cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash) and report balances that are available for future spending. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general operations and the basic services it provides. The differences between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds are reported in reconciliation schedules following each of the fund financial statements.
- Proprietary funds—The District reports the activities for which it charges users (whether outside customers or other units of the District) in proprietary funds using the same accounting methods employed in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. The internal service funds report activities that provide supplies and services for the District's other programs and activities—such as the District's workers' compensation program.
- Fiduciary funds—The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for money raised by student activities and alumnae scholarship programs. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Position and Changes in Fiduciary Net Position on pages 22 and 23. These resources are excluded from the District's other financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The District is only responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

This analysis focuses on net position (Table I) and changes in net position (Table II) of the District's governmental activities.

Net position of the District's governmental activities decreased by \$7.6 million to \$21.8 million. Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements – was \$(43.5) million at August 31, 2024. More information is presented in the paragraph following Table II on the next page.

Table I
Nederland Independent School District

NET POSITION
in thousands

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Current and other assets	38,481	73,564
Capital assets	180,929	161,473
Total assets	<u>219,410</u>	<u>235,037</u>
Deferred Outflow-Loss on Debt Defeasance	322	338
Deferred Outflow Related to Pensions	7,894	8,804
Deferred Outflow Related to OPEB	4,595	5,707
Total Deferred Outflows	<u>12,811</u>	<u>14,849</u>
Long-term liabilities outstanding	182,189	186,846
Other liabilities	11,598	15,347
Total liabilities	<u>193,787</u>	<u>202,193</u>
Deferred Inflow Related to Pensions	1,483	1,375
Deferred Inflow Related to OPEB	15,117	16,924
Total Deferred Inflows	<u>16,600</u>	<u>18,299</u>
Net position:		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	59,051	57,284
Restricted	6,329	5,962
Unrestricted	-43,546	-33,852
Total net position	<u>21,834</u>	<u>29,394</u>

Table II
Nederland Independent School District

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

in thousands

	Governmental Activities	
	2024	2023
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	1,421	1,282
Operating grants and contributions	7,325	8,679
General revenues:		
Maintenance and operations taxes	22,387	28,035
Debt service taxes	10,595	10,651
Grants and Contributions not restricted to specific functions	26,492	17,924
Investment Earnings	1,461	4,226
Miscellaneous	1,934	2,213
Total Revenues	<u>71,615</u>	<u>73,010</u>
Expenses:		
Instruction, curriculum and media services	41,804	35,868
Instructional and school leadership	4,347	3,878
Student support services	5,276	4,444
Child nutrition	3,355	3,602
Extracurricular activities	2,731	2,240
General administration	1,716	1,460
Plant maintenance, security and data processing	12,968	10,670
Community services	231	242
Debt services	6,332	4,610
Payments to juvenile justice AEP	48	48
Other Intergovernmental charges	367	393
Total Expenses	<u>79,175</u>	<u>67,455</u>
Change in Net Position	<u><u>-7,560</u></u>	<u><u>5,555</u></u>

NET OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS (OPEB) LIABILITY (GASB 75)

The District's net OPEB liability at year end totaled \$9.2 million and the Pension liability \$20.2 million.

THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

As of year end, the District's governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on page 13) reported a combined fund balance of \$25.5 million, which is \$31.2 million less than last year. This was a result of \$28 million in capital project expenditures.

Over the course of the year, the Board of Trustees revised the District's budget several times. These budget amendments fall into two categories. The first category includes amendments and supplemental appropriations that were approved shortly after the beginning of the year and reflect the actual beginning balances. The second category involved amendments moving funds from programs that did not need all the resources originally appropriated to them to programs with resource needs.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At year-end, the District had \$181 million invested in a broad range of capital assets, including facilities and equipment for instruction, transportation, athletics, administration, and maintenance. This amount represents an increase of \$19.5 million over last year.

More detailed information is contained in Note D to the financial statements.

Debt

At year-end, the District had \$137.5 million in bonds as a result of the retirement of \$4.3 million in building bonds.

Other obligations include accrued compensated absences. More detailed information about the District's long-term liabilities is presented in Note F to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

The District's Board of Trustees and Superintendent considered many factors when setting the 2024 -2025 budget tax rate. Factors included the following:

- Local Property Values
- Changes in Enrollment
- Chapter 313 Agreement
- Foreign Trade Zone Payments in Lieu of Taxes
- State Aid Revenue
- Projected Fund Balance at year end
- Staffing and Facility Needs

The District proposed to increase the Maintenance and Operations (M&O) tax rate of \$0.6982 per \$100 value to \$0.7369 per \$100 value. This tax rate combined with the property value increase of 13.22 % generated an increase of \$3,100,000 in tax revenue.

The District proposed to decrease the Interest and Sinking fund (I&S) tax rate of \$0.30/\$100 value to \$0.23/\$100 value to meet the debt service payments and a defeasance payment in the amount of \$500,000. The District passed a Bond Election on May 4, 2019 in the amount of \$155,600,000 for construction and equipping of new school buildings and the renovation, upgrades, expansion and equipping of existing school buildings. It also included upgrades, renovations, and improvement of the District's stadium. The final sale of these bonds was issued in August 2021.

In addition, the District's Chapter 313 agreement with Orbit Gulf Coast Exports, LLC will generate a supplemental payment of \$510,910. The District is currently in the value limitation year four of ten with Orbit Gulf Coast NGL Exports, LLC.

State aid increased \$1,500,000 as a result of projected changes in enrollment and average daily attendance. When combined with the projected tax revenue, the District will receive \$9,876 per student in tax and state aid revenue.

Federal revenue budget stayed the same as prior year, which included the Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) subsidy in the General Fund Budget in the amount of \$265,000 as well as Medicaid reimbursements of \$200,000.

The General Fund revenue budget increased \$4,045,500.

The General Fund payroll expenditure increased \$667,000. The District was able to provide a salary schedule step increase for employees on the teacher pay scale. The General Fund operating expenditure increased \$1,027,650 resulting from an increase of other operating expenditures.

Property insurance budget increased \$500,000 based on projected costs for renewal in April. The General Fund expenditure budget increased \$1,694,650.

The District operates a self-supporting Child Nutrition Program within the guidelines of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), and the Texas Education Agency (TEA). The annual budget supports updates and renovations to the District's Child Nutrition Program.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. Questions about this report or additional financial information may be obtained by contacting the District's Business Office, at Nederland Independent School District, 220 N. 17th Street, Nederland, Texas 77627.

Basic Financial Statements

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes		1	Governmental Activities
ASSETS:			
1110	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	4,267,909
1120	Current Investments		29,521,154
1225	Property Taxes Receivable (Net)		1,214,410
1240	Due from Other Governments		3,303,536
1290	Other Receivables (Net)		42,980
1300	Inventories		128,583
Capital Assets:			
1510	Land		3,938,165
1520	Buildings and Improvements, Net		92,840,794
1530	Furniture and Equipment, Net		4,975,444
1580	Construction in Progress		79,174,622
1000	Total Assets		<u>219,407,597</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
	Deferred Outflow of Resources - Undesignated		322,200
	Deferred Outflow Related to Pensions		7,893,760
	Deferred Outflow Related to OPEB		4,594,697
1700	Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		<u>12,810,657</u>
LIABILITIES:			
2110	Accounts Payable		6,506,815
2140	Interest Payable		216,385
2165	Accrued Liabilities		4,661,844
2180	Due to Other Governments		59,192
2300	Unearned Revenue		153,754
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
2501	Due Within One Year		4,535,000
2502	Due in More Than One Year		148,269,675
2540	Net Pension Liability		20,175,165
2545	Net OPEB Liability		9,208,833
2000	Total Liabilities		<u>193,786,663</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
	Deferred Inflow Related to Pensions		1,483,302
	Deferred Inflow Related to OPEB		15,117,186
2600	Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		<u>16,600,488</u>
NET POSITION:			
3200	Net Investment in Capital Assets		59,050,682
Restricted For:			
3820	State and Federal Programs		1,123,019
3850	Debt Service		5,161,438
3870	Campus Activities		44,371
3900	Unrestricted		(43,548,407)
3000	Total Net Position	\$	<u><u>21,831,103</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	Functions/Programs	1	3	4	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
	Governmental Activities:				
11	Instruction	\$ 40,167,872	\$ --	\$ 4,277,650	\$ (35,890,222)
12	Instructional Resources and Media Services	820,256	--	--	(820,256)
13	Curriculum and Staff Development	821,399	--	101,146	(720,253)
21	Instructional Leadership	981,927	--	22,950	(958,977)
23	School Leadership	3,364,772	--	--	(3,364,772)
31	Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	3,538,893	--	378,322	(3,160,571)
33	Health Services	656,458	--	168,348	(488,110)
34	Student Transportation	1,080,329	--	--	(1,080,329)
35	Food Service	3,355,307	1,082,560	2,363,144	90,397
36	Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	2,731,302	338,152	--	(2,393,150)
41	General Administration	1,716,425	--	--	(1,716,425)
51	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	10,039,266	--	--	(10,039,266)
52	Security and Monitoring Services	1,233,963	--	--	(1,233,963)
53	Data Processing Services	1,692,409	--	--	(1,692,409)
61	Community Services	230,689	--	13,679	(217,010)
72	Interest on Long-term Debt	6,327,439	--	--	(6,327,439)
73	Bond Issuance Costs and Fees	4,450	--	--	(4,450)
95	Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Programs	48,350	--	--	(48,350)
99	Other Intergovernmental Charges	366,791	--	--	(366,791)
TG	Total Governmental Activities	<u>79,178,297</u>	<u>1,420,712</u>	<u>7,325,239</u>	<u>(70,432,346)</u>
TP	Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 79,178,297</u>	<u>\$ 1,420,712</u>	<u>\$ 7,325,239</u>	<u>(70,432,346)</u>
	General Revenues:				
MT	Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes				22,386,911
DT	Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service				10,595,141
IE	Investment Earnings				1,460,781
SF	State Aid-Formula Grants				26,223,714
GC	Grants and Contributions Not Restricted to Specific Programs				268,852
MI	Miscellaneous				<u>1,933,634</u>
TR	Total General Revenues				<u>62,869,033</u>
CN	Change in Net Position				(7,563,313)
NB	Net Position - Beginning				29,394,416
NE	Net Position - Ending				<u>\$ 21,831,103</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	50 Debt Service Fund
ASSETS:		
1110 <i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 805,385	\$ 2,846,672
1120 <i>Current Investments</i>	11,247,372	2,302,333
1225 <i>Taxes Receivable, Net</i>	935,155	279,255
1240 <i>Due from Other Governments</i>	2,271,423	13,288
1290 <i>Other Receivables</i>	19,947	--
1300 <i>Inventories</i>	95,044	--
1000 <i>Total Assets</i>	<u>15,374,326</u>	<u>5,441,548</u>
LIABILITIES:		
Current Liabilities:		
2110 <i>Accounts Payable</i>	\$ 96,277	\$ --
2150 <i>Payroll Deductions and Withholdings</i>	855,742	--
2160 <i>Accrued Wages Payable</i>	3,794,507	--
2180 <i>Due to Other Governments</i>	57,888	854
2200 <i>Accrued Expenditures</i>	7,709	--
2300 <i>Unearned Revenue</i>	1,049,506	279,256
2000 <i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>5,861,629</u>	<u>280,110</u>
FUND BALANCES:		
Nonspendable Fund Balances:		
3410 <i>Inventories</i>	95,044	--
Restricted Fund Balances:		
3450 <i>Federal/State Funds Grant Restrictions</i>	--	--
3470 <i>Capital Acquisitions and Contractual Obligations</i>	--	--
3480 <i>Retirement of Long-Term Debt</i>	--	5,161,438
3490 <i>Other Restrictions of Fund Balance</i>	--	--
3600 <i>Unassigned</i>	9,417,653	--
3000 <i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>9,512,697</u>	<u>5,161,438</u>
4000 <i>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$ 15,374,326</u>	<u>\$ 5,441,548</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C-1

60 Capital Projects Fund	onmf Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
\$ --	\$ 506,731	\$ 4,158,788
15,626,935	--	29,176,640
--	--	1,214,410
--	1,018,825	3,303,536
--	23,033	42,980
--	33,539	128,583
<u>15,626,935</u>	<u>1,582,128</u>	<u>38,024,937</u>
\$ 6,226,049	\$ 184,489	\$ 6,506,815
--	--	855,742
3,886	--	3,798,393
--	450	59,192
--	--	7,709
--	1,088	1,329,850
<u>6,229,935</u>	<u>186,027</u>	<u>12,557,701</u>
--	33,539	128,583
--	1,315,551	1,315,551
9,397,000	--	9,397,000
--	--	5,161,438
--	47,011	47,011
--	--	9,417,653
<u>9,397,000</u>	<u>1,396,101</u>	<u>25,467,236</u>
<u>\$ 15,626,935</u>	<u>\$ 1,582,128</u>	<u>\$ 38,024,937</u>

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
AUGUST 31, 2024

Total fund balances - governmental funds balance sheet	\$ 25,467,236
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position
("SNP") are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported in the funds.	180,929,025
Property taxes receivable unavailable to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the funds.	1,176,096
The assets and liabilities of internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the SNP.	453,635
Payables for bond principal which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(137,450,000)
Payables for bond interest which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(216,385)
Payables for compensated absences which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(50,826)
Deferred Resource Outflows related to accounting loss on refunding are not reported in the funds.	322,200
Recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability is not reported in the funds.	(20,175,165)
Deferred Resource Inflows related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	(1,483,302)
Deferred Resource Outflows related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	7,893,760
Bond premiums are amortized in the SNA but not in the funds.	(15,303,849)
Recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability is not reported in the funds.	(9,208,833)
Deferred Resource Inflows related to the OPEB plan are not reported in the funds.	(15,117,186)
Deferred Resource Outflows related to the OPEB plan are not reported in the funds.	<u>4,594,697</u>

Net position of governmental activities - Statement of Net Position	\$ <u>21,831,103</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	50 Debt Service Fund
REVENUES:		
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 25,599,742	\$ 10,990,019
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	24,798,710	1,097,651
5900 <i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	433,361	--
5020 Total Revenues	<u>50,831,813</u>	<u>12,087,670</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Current:		
0011 <i>Instruction</i>	30,898,403	--
0012 <i>Instructional Resources and Media Services</i>	682,964	--
0013 <i>Curriculum and Staff Development</i>	587,386	--
0021 <i>Instructional Leadership</i>	774,817	--
0023 <i>School Leadership</i>	2,778,663	--
0031 <i>Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services</i>	2,518,613	--
0033 <i>Health Services</i>	544,074	--
0034 <i>Student Transportation</i>	895,694	--
0035 <i>Food Service</i>	--	--
0036 <i>Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities</i>	2,231,606	--
0041 <i>General Administration</i>	1,426,394	--
0051 <i>Facilities Maintenance and Operations</i>	8,531,396	--
0052 <i>Security and Monitoring Services</i>	721,766	--
0053 <i>Data Processing Services</i>	1,547,019	--
0061 <i>Community Services</i>	211,437	--
0071 <i>Principal on Long-term Debt</i>	122,856	4,330,000
0072 <i>Interest on Long-term Debt</i>	3,182	7,059,217
0073 <i>Bond Issuance Costs and Fees</i>	--	4,450
0081 <i>Capital Outlay</i>	--	--
0095 <i>Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative</i>		
0095 <i>Education Programs</i>	48,350	--
0099 <i>Other Intergovernmental Charges</i>	366,791	--
6030 Total Expenditures	<u>54,891,411</u>	<u>11,393,667</u>
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)		
1100 Expenditures	<u>(4,059,598)</u>	<u>694,003</u>
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):		
7915 <i>Transfers In</i>	2,939	--
8911 <i>Transfers Out</i>	--	--
7080 Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	<u>2,939</u>	<u>--</u>
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(4,056,659)</u>	<u>694,003</u>
0100 Fund Balances - Beginning	13,569,356	4,467,435
3000 Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 9,512,697</u>	<u>\$ 5,161,438</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C-2

60 Capital Projects Fund	onmf Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
\$ 3,490	\$ 1,203,928	\$ 37,797,179
--	1,103,034	26,999,395
--	4,847,154	5,280,515
<u>3,490</u>	<u>7,154,116</u>	<u>70,077,089</u>
--	2,708,537	33,606,940
--	--	682,964
--	104,432	691,818
--	22,969	797,786
--	--	2,778,663
--	378,085	2,896,698
--	--	544,074
--	--	895,694
--	3,266,742	3,266,742
--	88,663	2,320,269
--	--	1,426,394
--	--	8,531,396
--	391,406	1,113,172
--	--	1,547,019
--	13,669	225,106
--	--	4,452,856
--	--	7,062,399
--	--	4,450
28,068,813	--	28,068,813
--	--	48,350
--	--	366,791
<u>28,068,813</u>	<u>6,974,503</u>	<u>101,328,394</u>
<u>(28,065,323)</u>	<u>179,613</u>	<u>(31,251,305)</u>
--	--	2,939
--	(2,939)	(2,939)
--	(2,939)	--
<u>(28,065,323)</u>	<u>176,674</u>	<u>(31,251,305)</u>
37,462,323	1,219,427	56,718,541
<u>\$ 9,397,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,396,101</u>	<u>\$ 25,467,236</u>

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

*RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024*

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ (31,251,305)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities
("SOA") are different because:

Capital outlays are not reported as expenses in the SOA.	28,203,414
The depreciation of capital assets used in governmental activities is not reported in the funds.	(8,678,236)
The gain or loss on the disposition of capital assets is not reported in the funds.	(68,830)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	4,330,000
Repayment of capital lease principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	122,856
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest from beginning of period to end of period.	8,459
The net revenue (expense) of internal service funds is reported with governmental activities.	(94,213)
Compensated absences are reported as the amount earned in the SOA but as the amount paid in the funds.	4,125
The deferred loss on bond defeasance is amortized in the SOA but not in the funds.	(16,110)
Bond premiums are reported in the funds but not in the SOA.	742,611
GASB 68 required certain expenditures to be de-expended and recorded as deferred resource outflows.	(1,836,210)
Pension contributions made after the measurement date but in current FY were de-expended & reduced NPL.	1,393,473
The District's share of the unrecognized deferred inflows and outflows for the pension plan was amortized.	(2,215,194)
GASB 75 required certain expenditures to be de-expended and recorded as deferred resource outflows.	(325,376)
OPEB contributions made after the measurement date but in current FY were de-expended & reduced NPL.	312,674
OPEB expense relating to GASB 75 is recorded in the SOA but not in the funds.	<u>1,804,549</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities - Statement of Activities \$ (7,563,313)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT*STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**AUGUST 31, 2024*

<u>Data Control Codes</u>		<u>Internal Service Funds</u>
ASSETS:		
	Current Assets:	
1110	<i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 109,121
1120	<i>Investments</i>	344,514
	Total Current Assets	<u>453,635</u>
1000	Total Assets	<u>453,635</u>
LIABILITIES:		
2000	Total Liabilities	<u>--</u>
NET POSITION:		
3900	<i>Unrestricted</i>	\$ 453,635
3000	Total Net Position	<u>\$ 453,635</u>

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NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES
 IN FUND NET POSITION - INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes		Internal Service Funds
	OPERATING REVENUES:	
5700	<i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 298,279
5020	Total Revenues	<u>298,279</u>
	OPERATING EXPENSES:	
6100	<i>Payroll Costs</i>	171,187
6200	<i>Professional and Contracted Services</i>	<u>221,305</u>
6030	Total Expenses	<u>392,492</u>
1300	Change in Net Position	(94,213)
0100	Total Net Position - Beginning	<u>547,848</u>
3300	Total Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 453,635</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Internal Service Funds
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Cash Received from Other Funds	\$ 298,279
Cash Payments to Employees	(171,187)
Cash Payments to Other Suppliers for Goods and Services	(221,305)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>(94,213)</u>
 Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	 (94,213)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	547,848
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	<u>\$ 453,635</u>
 Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash	
Provided by Operating Activities:	
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (94,213)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash	
Provided by Operating Activities	
Depreciation	--
Provision for Uncollectible Accounts	--
Change in Assets and Liabilities:	--
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	--
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Expenses	--
Total Adjustments	<u>--</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>\$ (94,213)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT*STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**AUGUST 31, 2024*

			Custodial Funds
Data Control Codes		Private-purpose Trust Funds	Student Activity
ASSETS:			
1110	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 18,654	\$ 358,875
1800	Restricted Assets	7,000	--
1000	Total Assets	25,654	358,875
LIABILITIES:			
2000	Total Liabilities	--	--
NET POSITION:			
3800	Held in Trust	\$ 25,654	\$ --
3800	Restricted for Other Purposes	--	358,875
3000	Total Net Position	\$ 25,654	\$ 358,875

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Private- Purpose Trusts	Custodial Fund Student Activity
Additions:		
Student fundraising activities	\$ --	\$ 920,543
Gifts & Bequests	3,800	--
Total Additions	3,800	920,543
Deductions:		
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	--	840,231
Scholarship Awards	3,550	--
Total Deductions	3,550	840,231
Change in Net Position	250	80,312
Net Position-Beginning of the Year	25,404	278,563
Net Position-End of the Year	<u>\$ 25,654</u>	<u>\$ 358,875</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of Nederland Independent School District (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") applicable to governmental units in conjunction with the Texas Education Agency's Financial Accountability System Resource Guide ("Resource Guide"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

1. Reporting Entity

The Board of School Trustees ("Board"), a seven-member group, has governance responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary education within the jurisdiction of the District. The Board is elected by the public and has the exclusive power and duty to govern and oversee the management of the public schools of the District. All powers and duties not specifically delegated by statute to the Texas Education Agency ("TEA") or to the State Board of Education are reserved for the Board, and the TEA may not substitute its judgment for the lawful exercise of those powers and duties by the Board. The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the requirements of those funding entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity and there are no component units included within the District's reporting entity.

2. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

a. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. The District does not allocate indirect expenses in the statement of activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, with separate statements presented for each fund category. 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.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

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The District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund: This is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Debt Service Fund: This fund accounts for the tax levies assessed to pay bond principal and interest as it becomes due. A dedicated interest and sinking fund ad valorem tax rate is set each year.

Capital Projects Fund: This fund accounts for the proceeds from tax payor authorized capital building projects and the expenditures associated with those approved projects.

In addition, the District reports the following fund types:

Internal Service Funds: These funds are used to account for revenues and expenses related to services provided to parties inside the District. These funds facilitate distribution of support costs to the users of support services on a cost-reimbursement basis. Because the principal users of the internal services are the District's governmental activities, this fund type is included in the "Governmental Activities" column of the government-wide financial statements.

Private-Purpose Trust Funds: These funds are used to report trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments not reported in other fiduciary fund types.

Custodial Funds: These funds are used to report student activity funds and other resources held in a purely custodial capacity. Custodial funds typically involve only the receipt, temporary investment, and remittance of the fiduciary resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Fiduciary funds are reported in the fiduciary fund financial statements. However, because their assets are held in a trustee or custodial capacity and are therefore not available to support District programs, these funds are not included in the government-wide statements.

b. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting

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

Governmental Fund Financial Statements: Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. Revenues from local sources consist primarily of property taxes. Property tax revenues and revenues received from the State are recognized under the susceptible-to-accrual concept. Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenue when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned, since they are both measurable and

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under lease contracts and subscription-based information technology arrangements are reported as other financing sources.

When the District incurs an expenditure or expense for which both restricted and unrestricted resources may be used, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources.

3. Financial Statement Amounts

a. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, highly liquid investments are considered to be cash equivalents if they have a maturity of three months or less when purchased.

b. Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied by October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed. Property tax revenues are considered available when they become due or past due and receivable within the current period.

Allowances for uncollectible tax receivables within the General and Debt Service Funds are based upon historical experience in collecting property taxes. Uncollectible personal property taxes are periodically reviewed and written off, but the District is prohibited from writing off real property taxes without specific statutory authority from the Texas Legislature.

c. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories of supplies on the balance sheet are stated at weighted average cost, while inventories of food commodities are recorded at market values supplied by the Texas Department of Human Services. Inventory items are recorded as expenditures when they are consumed. Supplies are used for almost all functions of activity, while food commodities are used only in the food service program. Although commodities are received at no cost, their fair market value is supplied by the Texas Department of Human Services and recorded as inventory and deferred revenue when received. When requisitioned, inventory and deferred revenue are relieved, expenditures are charged, and revenue is recognized for an equal amount. Inventories also include plant maintenance and operation supplies as well as instructional supplies.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

d. Capital Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of the donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. A capitalization threshold of \$5,000 is used.

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

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Buildings	50
Building Improvements	20
Vehicles	3-15
Furniture and Equipment	5-10
Computer Equipment	3-15
Right-to-use Lease Assets	5
Right-to-use Subscription Assets	5

e. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position (the government-wide Statement of Net Position and governmental funds balance sheet) will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position and/or fund balance that applies to one or more future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

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

f. Receivable and Payable Balances

The District believes that sufficient detail of receivable and payable balances is provided in the financial statements to avoid the obscuring of significant components by aggregation. Therefore, no disclosure is provided which disaggregates those balances.

There are no significant receivables which are not scheduled for collection within one year of year end.

g. Interfund Activity

Interfund activity results from loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers between funds. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures or expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers In and Transfers Out are netted and presented as a single "Transfers" line on the government-wide statement of activities. Similarly, interfund receivables and payables are netted and presented as a single "Internal Balances" line of the government-wide statement of net position.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

h. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the use of management's estimates.

i. Data Control Codes

Data Control Codes appear in the rows and above the columns of certain financial statements. The TEA requires the display of these codes in the financial statements filed with TEA in order to ensure accuracy in building a statewide database for policy development and funding plans.

j. Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

Fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance - represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid insurance) or legally required to remain intact (such as notes receivable or principal of a permanent fund).

Restricted Fund Balance - represents amounts that are constrained by external parties, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance - represents amounts that can only be used for a specific purpose because of a formal action by the District's Board of Trustees. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Trustees removes those constraints by taking the same type of formal action. Committed fund balance amounts may be used for other purposes with appropriate due process by the Board of Trustees. Commitments are typically done through adoption and amendment of the budget. Committed fund balance amounts differ from restricted balances in that the constraints on their use do not come from outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

Assigned Fund Balance - represents amounts which the District intends to use for a specific purpose, but that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Intent may be stipulated by the Board of Trustees or by an official or body to which the Board of Trustees delegates the authority. Specific amounts that are not restricted or committed in a special revenue, capital projects, debt service or permanent fund are assigned for purposes in accordance with the nature of their fund type or the fund's primary purpose. Assignments within the general fund convey that the intended use of those amounts is for a specific purpose that is narrower than the general purposes of the District itself.

Unassigned Fund Balance - represents amounts which are unconstrained in that they may be spent for any purpose. Only the general fund reports a positive unassigned fund balance. Other governmental funds might report a negative balance in this classification because of overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed or assigned.

k. Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide and proprietary 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 net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

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I. Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order 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 the 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.

4. Pensions

The fiduciary net position of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to/deductions from TRS fiduciary net position. Benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

5. Other Post-Employment Benefits

The fiduciary net position of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) TRS-Care Plan has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits, OPEB expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to / deductions from TRS-Care's fiduciary net position. Benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. There are no investments as this is a pay-as-you-go plan and all cash is held in a cash account.

6. Implementation of New Standards

In the current fiscal year, the District did not implement any new standards from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

B. Compliance and Accountability

1. Finance-Related Provisions

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures," violations of finance-related provisions, if any, are reported below, along with actions taken to address such violations:

Violation

The District incurred Internal Revenue Service penalties for filing certain information returns after the date due. These penalties relate to years 2021 and 2022 and amounted to \$181,110.

Action Taken

The District has policies in place for the filing of the IRS returns at year end to be made on or before the January 31st deadline of the following year.

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2. Deficit Fund Balance or Fund Net Position of Individual Funds

Following are funds having deficit fund balances or fund net position at year end, if any, along with remarks which address such deficits:

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Deficit Amount</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
None reported	Not applicable	Not applicable

3. Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures," violations of finance-related legal and contractual provisions, if any, are reported below, along with actions taken to address such violations:

<u>Violation</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
None reported	Not applicable

C. Deposits and Investments

The District's funds are required to be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract. The depository bank deposits for safekeeping and trust with the District's agent bank approved pledged securities in an amount sufficient to protect District funds on a day-to-day basis during the period of the contract. The pledge of approved securities is waived only to the extent of the depository bank's dollar amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance.

1. Cash Deposits:

At August 31, 2024, the carrying amount of the District's deposits (cash, certificates of deposit, and interest-bearing savings accounts included in temporary investments) was \$4,267,908 and the bank balance was \$7,184,948. The District's cash deposits at August 31, 2024 and during the year ended August 31, 2024, were entirely covered by FDIC insurance or by pledged collateral held by the District's agent bank in the District's name.

2. Investments:

The District is required by Government Code Chapter 2256, The Public Funds Investment Act, to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return, (6) maximum allowable stated maturity of portfolio investments, (7) maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio, (8) investment staff quality and capabilities, and (9) bid solicitation preferences for certificates of deposit.

The Public Funds Investment Act ("Act") requires an annual audit of investment practices. Audit procedures in this area conducted as a part of the audit of the basic financial statements disclosed that in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate policies, the District adhered to the requirements of the Act. Additionally, investment practices of the District were in accordance with local policies.

The Act determines the types of investments which are allowable for the District. These include, with certain restrictions, 1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas, 2) certificates of deposit, 3) certain municipal securities, 4) securities lending program, 5) repurchase agreements, 6) bankers acceptances, 7) mutual funds, 8) investment pools, 9) guaranteed investment contracts, and 10) commercial paper.

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The District's investments at August 31, 2024 are shown below.

<u>Investment or Investment Type</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Hierarchy Level</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Lone Star Investment Pool	AAAm	23 Days	*	\$ 10,842,914
TexPool	AAAm	40 Days	*	3,551,791
US Treasury SLUGS	AAA	N/A	**	15,126,449
Total Investments				<u>\$ 29,521,154</u>

- * Not all assets meeting the definition of an investment are required to be reported at fair value. Included among excepted investments are certain investments held by 2a7-like external investment pools. As detailed below, the District has invested funds in specific 2a7-like external investment pools that are valued at amortized cost and not subject to the fair value hierarchy levels.
- ** Certificates of Deposit ("CD's"), US Treasury and time deposits at FDIC insured banks are not subject to the fair value hierarchy levels.

3. Analysis of Specific Deposit and Investment Risks

GASB Statement No. 40 requires a determination as to whether the District was exposed to the following specific investment risks at year end and if so, the reporting of certain related disclosures:

a. Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The ratings of securities by nationally recognized rating agencies are designed to give an indication of credit risk. At year end, the District was not significantly exposed to credit risk.

b. Custodial Credit Risk

Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

At year end, the District was not exposed to custodial credit risk.

c. Concentration of Credit Risk

This risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. At year end, the District was not exposed to concentration of credit risk.

d. Interest Rate Risk

This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to interest rate risk.

e. Foreign Currency Risk

This is the risk that exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to foreign currency risk.

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Investment Accounting Policy

The District's general policy is to report money market investments and short-term participating interest-earning investment contracts at amortized cost and to report nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts using a cost-based measure. However, if the fair value of an investment is significantly affected by the impairment of the credit standing of the issuer or by other factors, it is reported at fair value. All other investments are reported at fair value unless a legal contract exists which guarantees a higher value. The term "short-term" refers to investments which have a remaining term of one year or less at time of purchase. The term "nonparticipating" means that the investment's value does not vary with market interest rate changes. Nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are examples of nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts.

Public Funds Investment Pools

Public funds investment pools in Texas ("Pools") are established under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 79 of the Texas Government Code, and are subject to the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act (the "Act"), Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. In addition to other provisions of the Act designed to promote liquidity and safety of principal, the Act requires Pools to: 1) have an advisory board composed of participants in the pool and other persons who do not have a business relationship with the pool and are qualified to advise the pool; 2) maintain a continuous rating of no lower than AAA or AAA-m or an equivalent rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service; and 3) maintain the market value of its underlying investment portfolio within one half of one percent of the value of its shares.

The District's investments in Pools are reported at an amount determined by the fair value per share of the pool's underlying portfolio, unless the pool is 2a7-like, in which case they are reported at share value. A 2a7-like pool is one which is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as an investment company, but nevertheless has a policy that it will, and does, operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

D. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended August 31, 2024, was as follows:

	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Governmental activities:				
<i>Capital assets not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 3,938,165	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 3,938,165
Construction in progress	118,435,100	28,068,813	67,329,291	79,174,622
Total capital assets not being depreciated	122,373,265	28,068,813	67,329,291	83,112,787
<i>Capital assets being depreciated:</i>				
Buildings and improvements	73,512,994	65,054,206	--	138,567,200
Furniture and equipment	7,328,459	2,409,686	90,846	9,647,299
Right-to-use lease assets	595,981	--	--	595,981
Total capital assets being depreciated	81,437,434	67,463,892	90,846	148,810,480
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(38,219,522)	(7,506,884)	--	(45,726,406)
Furniture and equipment	(3,645,375)	(1,048,496)	(22,016)	(4,671,855)
Right-to-use lease assets	(473,125)	(122,856)	--	(595,981)
Total accumulated depreciation	(42,338,022)	(8,678,236)	(22,016)	(50,994,242)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	39,099,412	58,785,656	68,830	97,816,238
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 161,472,677	\$ 86,854,469	\$ 67,398,121	\$ 180,929,025

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Depreciation was charged to functions as follows:

Instruction	\$	4,876,889
Instructional Resources and Media Services		108,671
Curriculum and Staff Development		105,522
Instructional Leadership		139,247
School Leadership		447,399
Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services		467,036
Health Services		88,127
Student Transportation		154,569
Extracurricular Activities		356,095
General Administration		228,452
Plant Maintenance and Operations		1,347,308
Security and Monitoring Services		113,974
Data Processing Services		244,947
	\$	<u>8,678,236</u>

E. Interfund Balances and Activities

1. Due To and From Other Funds

Balances due to and due from other funds at August 31, 2024, consisted of the following:

<u>Due To Fund</u>	<u>Due From Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
None			

All amounts due are scheduled to be repaid within one year.

2. Transfers To and From Other Funds

Transfers to and from other funds at August 31, 2024, consisted of the following:

<u>Transfers From</u>	<u>Transfers To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Other Governmental Funds	General fund	\$ 2,939	Reimburse expenditures
	Total	\$ <u>2,939</u>	

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F. Long-Term Obligations

1. Long-Term Obligation Activity

Long-term obligations include debt and other long-term liabilities. Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended August 31, 2024, are as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 141,780,000	\$ --	\$ 4,330,000	\$ 137,450,000	\$ 4,535,000
Premium on bonds issued	16,046,460	--	742,611	15,303,849	--
Lease liability	122,856	--	122,856	--	--
Compensated absences *	54,951	--	4,125	50,826	--
	158,004,267	--	5,199,592	152,804,675	4,535,000
Net Pension Liability *	18,536,115	1,639,050	--	20,175,165	--
Net OPEB Liability *	10,305,410	--	1,096,577	9,208,833	--
Total governmental activities	\$ 186,845,792	\$ 1,639,050	\$ 6,296,169	\$ 182,188,673	\$ 4,535,000
Amount due within one year				\$ 4,535,000	
Amount due in more than one year				148,269,675	
				\$ 152,804,675	

* Other long-term liabilities presented
with net increase / decrease amounts

The funds typically used to liquidate other long-term liabilities in the past are as follows:

Liability	Activity Type	Fund
Compensated absences*	Governmental	General
Net OPEB Liability *	Governmental	General
Net Pension Liability *	Governmental	General

2. Debt Service Requirements

Debt service requirements on long-term debt at August 31, 2024, are as follows:

Date of Issue	Description	Interest Rates	Original Issue	Maturity Date	Debt Principal	Unissued
11/1/2012	Series 2012	3.8	\$ 7,320,000	8/15/2035	\$ 7,320,000	\$ --
5/1/2013	Series 2013	1.0 to 3.0	9,110,000	8/15/2037	4,130,000	--
5/1/2014	Series 2014	2.0 to 4.0	6,080,000	8/15/2038	690,000	--
5/1/2015	Series 2015	2.0 to 3.25	6,080,000	8/15/2038	4,335,000	--
8/1/2019	Series 2019	3.0 to 5.0	69,970,000	8/15/2044	59,305,000	--
8/15/2021	Series 2021	2.25 to 5.0	69,410,000	8/15/2046	66,000,000	--
					\$ 141,780,000	\$ --

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Year Ending August 31,	Governmental Activities		
	Notes from Direct Borrowings		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 4,535,000	\$ 4,922,755	\$ 9,457,755
2026	4,750,000	4,720,642	9,470,642
2027	4,715,000	4,508,193	9,223,193
2028	4,940,000	4,289,992	9,229,992
2029	5,170,000	4,060,443	9,230,443
2030-2034	29,135,000	16,560,600	45,695,600
2035-2039	39,745,000	9,854,766	49,599,766
2040-2044	36,550,000	4,023,388	40,573,388
2045-2046	7,910,000	267,975	8,177,975
Totals	\$ 137,450,000	\$ 53,208,754	\$ 190,658,754

The Series 2012 bonds are callable in whole or in part on any date beginning August 15, 2022. The bonds are subject to special mandatory and extraordinary optional redemption. The District is required to make cumulative sinking fund deposits with the Paying Agent/Registrar as follows:

Year Ending August 31,	Principal
2025	\$ 406,667
2026	406,667
2027	406,667
2028	406,667
2029	406,667
2030	406,667
2031	406,667
2032	406,667
2033	406,667
2034	406,667
2035	406,661
Totals	\$ 4,473,331

Year Ending August 31,	Sinking Fund Requirements		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 4,941,667	\$ 4,922,755	\$ 9,864,422
2026	5,156,666	4,720,642	9,877,308
2027	5,121,667	4,508,193	9,629,860
2028	5,346,666	4,289,992	9,636,658
2029	5,576,667	4,060,443	9,637,110
2030-2034	31,168,333	16,560,600	47,728,933
2035-2039	40,151,661	9,854,766	50,006,427
2040-2044	36,550,000	4,023,388	40,573,388
2045-2046	7,910,000	267,975	8,177,975
Totals	\$ 141,923,327	\$ 53,208,754	\$ 195,132,081

3. Advance Refunding of Debt

Refunded Notes: Maturities refunded by cash

Refunded On	Refunded	Maturity	Coupon	Price	Call Date
4/20/21	\$ 525,000	8/15/36	3.000	Par	8/15/22
4/20/21	540,000	8/15/37	3.000	Par	8/15/22
6/30/23	490,000	8/15/34	2.750	Par	6/30/23
6/30/23	505,000	8/15/35	2.875	Par	6/30/23

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G. Leases

Lease activity for the year ended August 31, 2024, was as follows:

H. Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage or destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the District purchased commercial insurance to cover general liabilities. There were no significant reductions in coverage in the past fiscal year and there were no settlements exceeding insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

I. Pension Plan

1. Plan Description

The District participates in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension that has a special funding situation. The plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). It is a defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with the Texas Constitution, Article XVI, Section 67, and Texas Government Code, Title 8, Subtitle C. The pension trust fund is a qualified pension trust under section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Texas Legislature establishes benefits and contribution rates within the guidelines of the Texas Constitution. The pension's Board of Trustees does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms.

All employees of public, state-supported educational institutions in Texas who are employed for one-half or more of the standard workload and who are not exempted from membership under Texas Government Code, Title 8, Section 822.002 are covered by the system.

2. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the Teacher Retirement System's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at https://www.trs.texas.gov/Pages/about_archive_cafr.aspx; by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX, 78701-2698; or by calling (512) 542-6592.

3. Benefits Provided

TRS provides service and disability retirement, as well as death and survivor benefits, to eligible employees (and their beneficiaries) of public and higher education in Texas. The pension formula is calculated using 2.3 percent (multiplier) times the average of the five highest annual creditable salaries times years of credited service to arrive at the annual standard annuity, except for members who are grandfathered where the three highest annual salaries are used. The normal service retirement is at age 65 with 5 years of credited service or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals 80 or more years. Early retirement is at age 55 with 5 years of service credit or earlier than 55 with 30 years of service credit. There are additional provisions for early retirement if the sum of the member's age and years of service credit total at least 80, but the member is less than age 60 or 62 depending on date of employment, or if the member was grandfathered in under a previous rule. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs). Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes, including ad hoc COLAs can be granted by the Texas Legislature as previously noted in the Plan description in (1) above.

Texas Government Code section 821.006 prohibits benefit improvements, if, as a result of the particular action, the time required to amortize TRS unfunded actuarial liabilities would be increased to a period that exceeds 31 years, or, if the amortization period already exceeds 31 years, the period would be increased by such action. Actuarial implications of the funding provided in the manner are determined by the System's actuary.

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4. Contributions

Contribution requirements are established or amended pursuant to Article 16, Section 67 of the Texas Constitution which requires the Texas legislature to establish a member contribution rate of not less than 6 percent of the member's annual compensation and a state contribution rate of not less than 6 percent and not more than 10 percent of the aggregate annual compensation paid to members of the System during the fiscal year.

Employee contribution rates are set in state statute, Texas Government Code 825.402. The TRS Pension Reform Bill (Senate Bill 12) of the 86th Texas Legislature amended Texas Government Code 825.402 for member contributions and increased employee and employer contribution rates for fiscal years 2020 thru 2025.

	<u>Contribution Rates</u>	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Member	8.0%	8.25%
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	8.0%	8.25%
Employers	8.0%	8.25%
District's 2024 Employer Contributions		\$ 1,393,473
District's 2024 Member Contributions		\$ 5,018,528
2023 NECE On-Behalf Contributions (State)		\$ 1,932,813

Contributors to the plan include members, employers and the State of Texas as the only non-employer contributing entity. The State is the employer for senior colleges, medical schools and state agencies including TRS. In each respective role, the State contributes to the plan in accordance with state statutes and the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

As the non-employer contributing entity for public education and junior colleges, the State of Texas contributes to the retirement system an amount equal to the current employer contribution rate times the aggregate annual compensation of all participating members of the pension trust fund during that fiscal year reduced by the amounts described below which are paid by the employers. Employers (public school, junior college, other entities or the State of Texas as the employer for senior universities and medical schools) are required to pay the employer contribution rate in the following instances:

- On the portion of a member's salary that exceeds the statutory minimum for members entitled to the statutory minimum under Section 21.402 of the Texas Education Code.
- During a new member's first 90 days of employment.
- When any or all of an employee's salary is paid by federal, private, local or non-educational and general funds
- When the employing district is a public junior college or junior college district, the employer shall contribute to the retirement system an amount equal to 50 percent of the state contribution rate for certain instructional or administrative employees and 100 percent of the state contribution rate for all other employees.

Employers are also required to pay surcharges in the following cases:

- All public schools, charter schools and regional educational service centers must contribute 1.8 percent of the member's salary beginning in fiscal year 2023, gradually increasing to 2 percent in fiscal year 2025.
- When employing a retiree of the TRS, the employer shall pay an amount equal to the member contribution and the state contribution as an employment after retirement surcharge.

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5. Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial valuation was performed as of August 31, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to August 31, 2023.

Valuation Date	August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal
Asset Valuation Method	Fair Value
Single Discount Rate	7.00%
Long-term expected Investment Rate of Return	7.00%
Municipal Bond Rate as of August 2022	4.13% *
Last year ending August 31 in Projection Period	2022
Inflation	2.30%
Salary Increases including inflation	2.95% to 8.95%
Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes	None

* The source for the rate is the Fixed Income Market Data/Yield Curve/Data Municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index"

The actuarial assumptions used in the determination of the total pension liability are the same assumptions used in the actuarial valuation as of August 31, 2022. For a full description of these assumptions, please see the actuarial valuation report dated November 22, 2022.

6. Discount Rate

A single discount rate of 7.00 percent was used to measure the total pension liability. The single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on plan investments of 7.00 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that contributions from active members, employers and the non-employer contributing entity will be made at the rates set by the legislature during the 2019 legislative session. It is assumed that future employer and state contributions will be 9.50 percent of payroll in fiscal year 2024 increasing to 9.56 percent in fiscal year 2025 and thereafter. This includes all employer and state contributions for active and rehired retirees.

Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.00 percent. The long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by

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adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of August 31, 2023 are summarized below:

Asset Class	Target Allocation **	Long-Term Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return ***	Expected Contribution to Long-Term Portfolio Returns
Global Equity			
USA	18.0%	4.0%	1.0%
Non-U.S. Developed	13.0%	4.5%	0.9%
Emerging Markets	9.0%	4.8%	0.7%
Private Equity *	14.0%	7.0%	1.5%
Stable Value			
Government Bonds	16.0%	2.5%	0.5%
Absolute Return *	0.0%	3.6%	0.0%
Stable Value Hedge Funds	5.0%	4.1%	0.2%
Real Return			
Real Estate	15.0%	4.9%	1.1%
Energy, Natural Resources and Infrastructure	6.0%	4.8%	0.4%
Commodities	0.0%	4.4%	0.0%
Risk Parity	8.0%	4.5%	0.4%
Asset Allocation Leverage			
Cash	2.0%	3.7%	0.0%
Asset Allocation Leverage	(6.0%)	4.4%	(0.1)%
Inflation Expectation			2.3%
Volatility Drag ****			(0.9)%
Expected Return	100.0%		8.0%
<p>* Absolute Return includes Credit Sensitive Investments. ** Target allocations are based on the FY2023 policy model. *** Capital Market Assumptions come from Aon Hewitt (as of 06/30/2023) **** The volatility drag results from the conversion between arithmetic and geometric mean returns.</p>			

7. Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the net pension liability of the plan using a discount rate of 7.00 percent, and what the net position liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (8.00%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability:	\$ 30,162,989	\$ 20,175,165	\$ 11,870,284

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

At August 31, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$20,175,165 for its proportionate share of the TRS net pension liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State pension support provided to the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District are as follows:

District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability	\$ 20,175,165
State's proportionate share that is associated with District	<u>25,828,682</u>
Total	<u>\$ 46,003,847</u>

The net pension liability was measured as of August 31, 2022 and rolled forward to August 31, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2023.

At the measurement date of August 31, 2023 the employer's proportion of the collective net pension liability was 0.0293711773 percent which was an increase (decrease) of -0.0018515241 percent from its proportion measured as of August 31, 2022.

9. Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation

There were no changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date.

For the year ended August 31, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$7,951,311 and revenue of \$3,899,907 for support provided by the State.

At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between Expected and Actual Actuarial Experience	\$ 718,848	\$ 244,299
Changes in Actuarial Assumptions	1,908,175	466,974
Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings	2,935,976	--
Changes in Proportion and Difference between District's Contributions and the Proportionate Share of Contributions	<u>937,288</u>	<u>772,029</u>
	6,500,287	1,483,302
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date of the Net Pension Liability (to be calculated by employer)	1,393,473	--
Total	<u>\$ 7,893,760</u>	<u>\$ 1,483,302</u>

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The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended August 31,	Pension Expense Amount
2025	\$ 1,239,681
2026	\$ 678,652
2027	\$ 2,468,316
2028	\$ 655,589
2029	\$ (25,252)
Thereafter	\$ --

J. Defined Other Post-Employment Benefit Plans

1. Plan Description

The District participates in the Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care). It is a multiple-employer, cost-sharing defined Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. The TRS-Care program was established in 1986 by the Texas Legislature.

The TRS Board of Trustees administers the TRS-Care program and the related fund in accordance with Texas Insurance Code Chapter 1575. The Board of Trustees is granted the authority to establish basic and optional group insurance coverage for participants as well as to amend benefit terms as needed under Chapter 1575.052. The Board may adopt rules, plans, procedures, and orders reasonably necessary to administer the program, including minimum benefits and financing standards.

2. OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detail information about the TRS-Care's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at https://www.trs.texas.gov/Pages/about_archive_cafr.aspx; by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX 78701-2698; or by calling (512) 542-6592.

3. Benefits Provided

TRS-Care provides health insurance coverage to retirees from public and charter schools, regional education service centers and other educational districts who are members of the TRS pension plan. Optional dependent coverage is available for an additional fee.

Eligible non-Medicare retirees and their dependents may enroll in TRS-Care Standard, a high-deductible health plan. Eligible Medicare retirees and their dependents may enroll in the TRS-Care Medicare Advantage medical plan and the TRS-Care Medicare Rx prescription drug plan. To qualify for TRS-Care coverage, a retiree must have at least 10 years of service credit in the TRS pension system. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic COLAs.

The premium rates for retirees are reflected in the following table.

TRS-Care Monthly Premium Rates		
	Medicare	Non-Medicare
Retiree or Surviving Spouse	\$ 135	\$ 200
Retiree and Spouse	529	689
Retiree or Surviving Spouse and Children	468	408
Retiree and Family	1,020	999

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4. Contributions

Contribution rates for the TRS-Care plan are established in State Statute by the Texas Legislature, and there is no continuing obligation to provide benefits beyond each fiscal year. The TRS-Care plan is currently funded on a pay-as-you-go basis and is subject to change based on available funding. Funding for TRS-Care is provided by retiree premium contributions and contributions from the state, active employees, and participating employers are based on active employee compensation. The TRS board does not have the authority to set or amend contribution rates.

Section 1575.202 of the Texas Insurance Code establishes the State's contribution rate which is 1.25 percent of the employee's salary. Section 1575.203 establishes the active employee's rate which is 0.65 percent of Salary. Section 1575.204 establishes a public school contribution rate of not less than 0.25 percent or not more than 0.75 percent of the salary of each active employee of the employer. The actual public school contribution rate is prescribed by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act, which is 0.75 percent of each active employee's pay for fiscal year 2023. The following table shows contributions to the TRS-Care plan by type of contributor.

Contribution Rates	
	<u>2024</u>
Active Employee	0.65%
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	1.25%
Employers	0.75%
Federal/Private Funding remitted by Employers	1.25%

The contribution amounts for the District's fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

District's 2024 Employer Contributions	\$	312,674
District's 2024 Member Contributions	\$	3,020,975
2023 NECE On-Behalf Contributions (state)	\$	435,411

All employers whose employees are covered by the TRS pension plan are also required to pay a surcharge of \$535 per month when employing a retiree of TRS. The TRS-Care surcharges for fiscal year 2023 totaled \$14,548,344.

A supplemental appropriation was received in 2023 for \$21.3 million provided by Rider 14 of the Senate Bill GAA of the 87th Legislature. These amounts were re-appropriated from amounts received by the pension and TRS-Care funds in excess of the state's actual obligation and then transferred to TRS-Care.

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5. Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial valuation was performed as of August 31, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the Total OPEB Liability to August 31, 2021.

The actuarial valuation of the OPEB plan offered through TRS-Care is similar to the actuarial valuation performed for the pension plan, except that the OPEB valuation is more complex. The following assumptions used for the valuation of the TRS-Care OPEB liability are identical to the assumptions employed in the August 31, 2021 TRS pension actuarial valuation that was rolled forward to August 31, 2022:

Rates of Mortality	General Inflation
Rates of Retirement	Wage Inflation
Rates of Termination	
Rates of Disability	

The active mortality rates were based on PUB(2010), Amount-Weighted, Below-Median Income, Teacher male and female tables (with a two-year set forward for males). The post-retirement mortality rates for healthy lives were based on the 2021 TRS of Texas Healthy Pensioner Mortality Tables. The rates were projected on a fully generational basis using the ultimate improvement rates from mortality projection scale MP-2021.

The following methods and additional assumptions were used in the TRS-Care OPEB valuation:

Valuation Date	August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry-Age Normal
Inflation	2.30%
Single Discount Rate	4.13% as of August 31, 2023
Aging Factors	Based on plan specific experience
Expenses	Third-party administrative expenses related to the delivery of health care benefits are included in the the age-adjusted claims costs.
Salary Increases	2.95% to 8.95%, including inflation
Election Rates	Normal Retirement - 65% participation rate prior to age 65 and 40% participation rate after age 65. Pre-65 retirees - 25% are assumed to discontinue coverage at age 65.
Ad Hoc Post-Employment Benefit Changes	None

The initial medical trend rates were 7.75 percent for Medicare retirees and 7.00 percent for non-Medicare retirees. The initial prescription drug trend rate was 7.75 percent for all retirees. The initial trend rates decrease to an ultimate trend rate of 4.25 percent over a period of 12 years.

6. Discount Rate

A single discount rate of 4.13 percent was used to measure the Total OPEB Liability. This was an increase of 0.22 percent in the discount rate since the previous year. Since the plan is a pay-as-you-go plan, the single discount rate is equal to the prevailing municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from active members and those of the contributing employers and the non-employer contributing entity are made at the statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to not be able to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was used for the long-term rate of return and was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The source for the municipal bond rate is the Fixed Income Municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in the Fidelity "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index", as of August 31, 2023.

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7. Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if the discount rate used was 1 percentage point lower than and 1 percentage point higher than the discount rate that was used (4.13%) in measuring the Net OPEB Liability.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (3.13%)	Current Single Discount Rate (4.13%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (5.13%)
District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability:	\$ 10,846,088	\$ 9,208,833	\$ 7,872,795

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

At August 31, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$9,208,833 for its proportionate share of the TRS's Net OPEB liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State OPEB support provided to the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the Net OPEB Liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 9,208,833
State's proportionate share that is associated with the District	\$ 11,111,873
Total	\$ 20,320,706

The Net OPEB liability was measured as of August 31, 2022 and rolled forward to August 31, 2023 and the Total OPEB Liability used to calculate the Net OPEB Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the Net OPEB Liability was based on the District's contributions to OPEB relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2023.

At August 31, 2024 the District's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability was 0.0415968306 which was an increase (decrease) of -.00014427930% from its proportion measured as of August 31, 2022.

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if a healthcare trend rate that is 1 percent less than and 1 percent greater than the health trend rates assumed.

	1% Decrease in Healthcare Trend Rate	Current Single Healthcare Trend Rate	1% Increase in Healthcare Trend Rate
District's proportionate share of Net OPEB Liability:	\$ 7,583,013	\$ 9,208,833	\$ 11,300,456

9. Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation

The following were changes to the actuarial assumptions or other inputs that affected measurement of the Total OPEB liability (TOL) since the prior measurement period:

- The discount rate was changed from 3.91 percent as of August 31, 2022 to 4.13 percent as of August 31, 2023. This change decreased the Total OPEB Liability.

Changes of Benefit Terms Since the Prior Measurement Date - There were no changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement date.

The amount of OPEB expense recognized by the District in the reporting period was \$1,479,173.

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At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 416,630	\$ 7,747,489
Changes in actuarial assumptions	1,256,939	5,638,813
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	3,978	--
Changes in proportion and difference between the District's contributions and the proportionate share of contributions	2,604,476	1,730,884
	4,282,023	15,117,186
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date	312,674	--
Total	\$ 4,594,697	\$ 15,117,186

The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended August 31:	OPEB Expense Amount
2025	\$ (2,210,195)
2026	\$ (1,787,827)
2027	\$ (1,216,016)
2028	\$ (1,514,143)
2029	\$ (1,590,903)
Thereafter	\$ (2,516,079)

10. Medicare Part D Subsidies

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, which was effective January 1, 2006, established prescription drug coverage for Medicare beneficiaries known as Medicare Part D. One of the provisions of Medicare Part D allows for the Texas Public School Retired Employee Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care) to receive retiree drug subsidy payments from the federal government to offset certain prescription drug expenditures for eligible TRS-Care participants. For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024, the subsidy payment received by TRS-Care on behalf of the District was \$197,380.

K. Employee Health Care Coverage

During the year employees of the District were covered by a statewide health insurance plan, TRS Active Care. The District paid premiums of \$450 per month per participating employee to the Plan.

Employees, at their option, authorized payroll withholdings to pay premiums for dependents. The Teacher Retirement System (TRS) manages TRS Active Care. Administration of the Plan is provided by two companies. Blue Cross Blue Shield administers the medical plan while ExpressScripts was assigned the prescription drug plan.

The latest financial information on TRS Active Care is available from TRS (see note H1).

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L. Commitments and Contingencies

1. Contingencies

The District participates in grant programs which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the District has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectibility of any related receivable may be impaired. In the opinion of the District, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying basic financial statements for such contingencies.

2. Litigation

No reportable litigation was pending against the District at August 31, 2024.

M. Tax Abatement

The District's Board of Trustees approved Agreements with certain entities for a Limitation On Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes pursuant to the Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, i.e., the Texas Economic Development Act, as set forth in Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, as amended. Sunoco Partners NGL Facilities LLC qualified for a tax limitation agreement under Texas Tax Code 313.024(b)(5), as a manufacturing project.

Value limitation agreements are a part of a state program, originally created in 2001, which allows school districts to limit the taxable value of an approved project for Maintenance and Operations (M&O) for a period of years specified in statute. The project(s) under the Chapter 313 agreement must be consistent with the state's goal to "encourage large scale capital investments in this state." Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code grants eligibility to companies engaged in manufacturing, research and development, renewable electric energy production, clean coal projects, nuclear power generation and data centers.

In order to qualify for a value limitation agreement, each applicant, including Sunoco Partners NGL Facilities LLC has been required to meet a series of capital investment, job creation, and wage requirements specified by state law. At the time of the application's approval, the agreement was found to have done so by both the District's Board of Trustees and the Texas Comptroller's Office, which recommended approval of the project. The application, the agreements, and state reporting requirement documentation can be viewed online at the website for the Texas Comptroller: <https://www.comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/agreement-docs.php>. The agreement and all supporting documentation was assigned Texas Comptroller Application No. 279.

After approval, the applicant company must maintain a viable presence in the District for the entire period of the value limitation plus a period of years thereafter. In addition, there are specific reporting requirements, which are monitored on an annual and biennial basis in order to ensure relevant job, wage, and operational requirements are being met.

In the event that Sunoco Partners NGL Facilities LLC terminates this Agreement without the consent of the District, or in the event that the company or its successor-in-interest fails to comply in any material respect with the terms of this Agreement or to meet any material obligation under this Agreement, then the District shall be entitled to the recapture of all ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of this Agreement together with the payment of penalty and interest, on that recaptured ad valorem tax revenue. Penalties on said amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in Texas Tax Code 33.01(a), or its successor statute. Interest on said amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in Texas Tax Code 33.01(c), or its successor statute. The Agreement provides an administrative procedure to determine any company liability. Ultimately, enforcement of any payment obligation is through the local state district court.

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As of the date of this report the applicant companies are in full compliance with all of its obligations under law and the Agreement itself.

The following information is required by GASB 77 for M&O purposes. It includes the net benefit to the District but does not include any Interest & Sinking (I&S) impact.

Project: Sunoco Partners NGL Facilities LLC (Application #279)

First Year Value Limitation: 2016

Fiscal Year: 2024 / Tax Year: 2023

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
Project Value 2023	Project's Value Limitation Amount 2023	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Paid 2023	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Reduced 2023	Company Revenue Loss Paymt to School District 2023	Company Supplemental Payment To School District 2023	Net Benefit (Loss) to the School District 2023 (E+F)
\$209,697,300	\$30,000,000	\$209,460	\$1,254,647	\$8,496	\$541,885	\$550,381

Project: Orbit Gulf Coast NLG Experts, LLC (Application #1247)

First Year Value Limitation: 2021

Fiscal Year: 2024 / Tax Year: 2023

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
Project Value 2023	Project's Value Limitation Amount 2023	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Paid 2023	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Reduced 2023	Company Revenue Loss Paymt to School District 2023	Company Supplemental Payment To School District 2023	Net Benefit (Loss) to the School District 2023 (E+F)
\$186,056,200	\$30,000,000	\$209,460	\$1,089,584	\$16,455	\$510,910	\$527,365

Project: ETC Marketing, LTD (Application #1798)

First Year Value Limitation: 2027

Fiscal Year: 2024 / Tax Year: 2023

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
Project Value 2023	Project's Value Limitation Amount 2023	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Paid 2023	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Reduced 2023	Company Revenue Loss Paymt to School District 2023	Company Supplemental Payment To School District 2023	Net Benefit (Loss) to the School District 2023 (E+F)
N/A	N/A					0

Required Supplementary Information

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

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GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
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Data Control Codes		1	2	3	Variance with
		Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Final Budget
		Original	Final		Positive (Negative)
	REVENUES:				
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 26,314,200	\$ 25,842,700	\$ 25,599,742	\$ (242,958)
5800	State Program Revenues	22,475,000	24,990,000	24,798,710	(191,290)
5900	Federal Program Revenues	512,300	512,300	433,361	(78,939)
5020	Total Revenues	49,301,500	51,345,000	50,831,813	(513,187)
	EXPENDITURES:				
	Current:				
	Instruction and Instructional Related Services:				
0011	Instruction	28,512,783	30,902,111	30,898,403	3,708
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	695,259	688,586	682,964	5,622
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	665,848	668,637	587,386	81,251
	Total Instruction and Instr. Related Services	29,873,890	32,259,334	32,168,753	90,581
	Instructional and School Leadership:				
0021	Instructional Leadership	854,950	882,329	774,817	107,512
0023	School Leadership	2,677,183	2,834,919	2,778,663	56,256
	Total Instructional and School Leadership	3,532,133	3,717,248	3,553,480	163,768
	Student Support Services:				
0031	Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	2,385,052	2,959,347	2,518,613	440,734
0033	Health Services	549,518	558,413	544,074	14,339
0034	Student Transportation	1,004,758	979,416	895,694	83,722
0036	Extracurricular Activities	2,011,340	2,256,373	2,231,606	24,767
	Total Student Support Services	5,950,668	6,753,549	6,189,987	563,562
	Administrative Support Services:				
0041	General Administration	1,372,129	1,447,570	1,426,394	21,176
	Total Administrative Support Services	1,372,129	1,447,570	1,426,394	21,176
	Support Services:				
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	7,654,007	8,537,137	8,531,396	5,741
0052	Security and Monitoring Services	475,565	722,190	721,766	424
0053	Data Processing Services	1,493,801	1,552,095	1,547,019	5,076
	Total Support Services	9,623,373	10,811,422	10,800,181	11,241
	Ancillary Services:				
0061	Community Services	173,607	222,395	211,437	10,958
	Total Ancillary Services	173,607	222,395	211,437	10,958
	Debt Service:				
0071	Debt Service	--	126,038	122,856	3,182
0072	Interest on Long-Term Debt	--	--	3,182	(3,182)
	Total Debt Service	--	126,038	126,038	--
	Intergovernmental Charges:				
0095	Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative				
0095	Education Programs	48,000	48,350	48,350	--
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	400,000	400,000	366,791	33,209
	Total Intergovernmental Charges	448,000	448,350	415,141	33,209
6030	Total Expenditures	50,973,800	55,785,906	54,891,411	894,495

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Data Control Codes		1	2	3	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
		Budgeted Amounts		Actual	
		Original	Final		
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)				
1100	Expenditures	(1,672,300)	(4,440,906)	(4,059,598)	381,308
	Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
7915	Operating Transfers In	--	--	2,939	2,939
7080	Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	--	--	2,939	2,939
1200	Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,672,300)	(4,440,906)	(4,056,659)	384,247
0100	Fund Balance - Beginning	13,569,356	13,569,356	13,569,356	--
3000	Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 11,897,056	\$ 9,128,450	\$ 9,512,697	\$ 384,247

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	Measurement Year *				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.0293711773%	0.031222701%	0.030392235%	0.028709165%	0.029190623%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 20,175,165	\$ 18,536,115	\$ 7,739,827	\$ 15,376,043	\$ 15,174,199
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the District	25,828,682	23,375,919	11,198,438	23,800,879	22,829,956
Total	<u>\$ 46,003,847</u>	<u>\$ 41,912,034</u>	<u>\$ 18,938,265</u>	<u>\$ 39,176,922</u>	<u>\$ 38,004,155</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 36,184,322	\$ 35,950,955	\$ 35,144,034	\$ 33,955,039	\$ 31,589,473
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	55.76%	51.56%	22.02%	45.28%	48.04%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	73.15%	75.62%	88.79%	75.54%	75.24%

* The amounts presented are determined as of the Plan's measurement year which was as of August 31 in each prior calendar year from the District's fiscal year end.

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Measurement Year *				
2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
0.026089196%	0.025012873%	0.023781989%	0.025257000%	0.014758900%
\$ 14,360,126	\$ 7,997,769	\$ 8,986,860	\$ 8,928,013	\$ 3,942,307
25,532,923	15,435,493	17,760,713	17,766,674	15,320,529
<u>\$ 39,893,049</u>	<u>\$ 23,433,262</u>	<u>\$ 26,747,573</u>	<u>\$ 26,694,687</u>	<u>\$ 19,262,836</u>
\$ 30,315,248	\$ 29,377,046	\$ 27,090,583	\$ 27,065,668	\$ 26,022,284
47.37%	27.22%	33.17%	32.99%	15.15%
73.74%	82.17%	78.00%	78.43%	83.25%

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	Fiscal Year				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,393,473	\$ 1,836,210	\$ 1,422,286	\$ 1,275,271	\$ 1,176,210
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(1,393,473)	(1,836,210)	(1,422,286)	(1,275,271)	(1,176,210)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 36,617,781	\$ 36,184,322	\$ 35,950,955	\$ 35,144,034	33,955,039
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	3.81%	5.07%	3.96%	3.63%	3.46%

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Fiscal Year				
2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$ 982,027	\$ 937,096	\$ 819,776	\$ 1,025,594	\$ 752,202
(982,027)	(937,096)	(819,776)	(1,025,594)	(752,202)
\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
31,589,473	30,315,248	29,377,046	27,090,853	27,065,668
3.11%	3.09%	2.79%	3.79%	2.78%

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS *

	Measurement Year **				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
District's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability	0.041596831%	0.043039624%	0.044415125%	0.042351896%	0.043420872%
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 9,208,833	\$ 10,305,410	\$ 17,132,898	\$ 16,099,868	\$ 20,534,263
State proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability associated with the District	\$ 11,111,873	\$ 12,570,981	\$ 22,954,266	\$ 21,634,364	\$ 27,285,442
Total	\$ 20,320,706	\$ 22,876,391	\$ 40,087,164	\$ 37,734,232	\$ 47,819,705
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 31,357,669	\$ 31,158,305	\$ 35,144,034	\$ 33,955,039	\$ 31,589,473
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	29.37%	33.07%	48.75%	47.42%	63.40%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	14.9400%	11.52%	6.18%	4.99%	2.66%

* This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this schedule provides the information only for those years for which information is available.

** The amounts presented are determined as of the Plan's measurement year which was as of August 31 in each prior calendar year from the District's fiscal year end.

EXHIBIT G-4

Measurement Year **					
2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	
0.038491887%	0.036651970%	--	--	--	
\$ 19,219,351	\$ 15,938,567	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	
\$ 26,301,396	\$ 23,114,220	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	
\$ 45,520,747	\$ 39,052,787	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	
\$ 30,315,248	\$ 29,377,046	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	
63.40%	54.26%	--	--	--	
1.57%	0.91%	--	--	--	

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS

TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS *

	Fiscal Year				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Statutorily or contractually required District contribution	\$ 312,674	\$ 325,376	\$ 317,544	\$ 333,587	\$ 283,951
Contributions recognized by OPEB in relation to statutorily or contractually required contribution	(312,674)	(325,376)	(317,544)	(333,587)	283,951
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 31,735,517	\$ 31,357,669	\$ 31,158,305	\$ 35,144,034	\$ 33,955,039
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.99%	1.04%	1.02%	0.95%	0.84%

* This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this schedule provides the information for those years for which information is available.

EXHIBIT G-5

Fiscal Year				
2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$ 266,800	\$ 250,200	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
<u>266,800</u>	<u>250,200</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>
\$ 31,589,473	\$ 30,315,248	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
0.84%	0.83%	--	--	--

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Budget

The official budget was prepared for adoption for all Governmental Fund Types. The budget was prepared in accordance with accounting practices generally accepted in the United States of America. The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data.:

- a. Prior to August 21 of the preceding fiscal year, the District prepares a budget for the next succeeding fiscal year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. A meeting of the Board is then called for the purpose of adopting the proposed budget after ten days' public notice of the meeting has been given.
- c. Prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution by the board.

Once a budget is approved, it can be amended at function and fund level only by approval of a majority of the members of the Board. Amendments are presented to the Board at its regular meetings.

Each amendment must have Board approval. Such amendments are made before the fact, are reflected in the official minutes of the Board and are not made after fiscal year end as required by law.

Each amendment is controlled by the budget coordinator at the revenue and expenditure function/object level. Budgeted amounts are as amended by the Board. All budget appropriations lapse at year end.

Encumbrances for goods or purchased services are documented by purchase orders or contracts. Under Texas law, appropriations lapse at August 31, and encumbrances outstanding at that time are to be either cancelled or appropriately provided for in the subsequent year's budget. There were no end-of-year outstanding encumbrances that were provided for in the subsequent year's budget.

Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Changes of benefit terms

There were no changes of benefit terms that affected measurement of the total pension liability during the measurement period.

Changes of assumptions

There were no changes of assumptions or other inputs that affected measurement of the total pension liability during the measurement period.

Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan

Changes of benefit terms

There were no changes of benefit terms that affected measurement of the total OPEB liability during the measurement period.

Changes of assumptions

There were no changes of assumptions or other inputs that affected measurement of the total OPEB liability during the measurement period.

Other Supplementary Information

This section includes financial information and disclosures not required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and not considered a part of the basic financial statements. It may, however, include information which is required by other entities.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT TAXES RECEIVABLE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Year Ended August 31	Tax Rates		Assessed/Appraised Value For School Tax Purposes	Beginning Balance 9/1/23
	Maintenance	Debt Service		
2015 and Prior Years	\$ Various	\$ Various	\$ Various	\$ 197,484
2016	1.04	.12	2,296,853,707	38,801
2017	1.04	.12	2,183,491,379	49,934
2018	1.04	.11	2,366,926,261	61,363
2019	1.06	.09	2,400,432,435	67,880
2020	.97	.36	2,681,204,361	102,498
2021	.9152	.36	2,960,741,060	155,998
2022	.872	.30	3,206,505,461	391,789
2023	.872	.30	3,353,216,798	467,420
2024 (School Year Under Audit)	.6982	.30	3,481,152,374	--
1000 Totals				\$ <u>1,533,167</u>

8000 - Total Taxes Refunded under Section 26.1115, Tax Code

9000 - Portion of Row 1000 for Taxes Paid into Tax Increment Zone Under Chapter 311, Tax Code

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20 Current Year's Total Levy	31 Maintenance Collections	32 Debt Service Collections	40 Entire Year's Adjustments	50 Ending Balance 8/31/24	99 Total Taxes Refunded Under Sect. 26.1115(c)
\$ --	\$ 10,501	\$ 809	\$ (19,535)	\$ 166,639	
--	2,070	239	--	36,492	
--	4,464	515	--	44,955	
--	6,535	691	--	54,137	
--	12,128	1,030	--	54,722	
--	17,129	6,357	(630)	78,382	
--	26,154	10,288	(1,233)	118,323	
--	27,827	9,573	(211,607)	142,782	
--	8,202	2,822	(201,751)	254,645	
34,748,863	22,066,338	10,488,643	(1,780,453)	413,429	
<u>\$ 34,748,863</u>	<u>\$ 22,181,348</u>	<u>\$ 10,520,967</u>	<u>\$ (2,215,209)</u>	<u>\$ 1,364,506</u>	
					\$ 12,509.00
	\$ --				

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
USE OF FUNDS REPORT - SELECT STATE ALLOTMENT PROGRAM
AS OF AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes		Responses
<u>Section A: Compensatory Education Programs</u>		
AP1	Did your LEA expend any state compensatory education program state allotment funds during the district's fiscal year?	Yes
AP2	Does the LEA have written policies and procedures for its state compensatory education program?	Yes
AP3	List the total state allotment funds received for state compensatory education programs during the district's fiscal year.	\$ 3,912,061
AP4	List the actual direct program expenditures for state compensatory education programs during the LEA's fiscal year. (PICs 24, 26, 28 29, 30)	\$ 2,117,692
<u>Section B: Bilingual Education Programs</u>		
AP5	Did your LEA expend any bilingual education program state allotment funds during the LEA's fiscal year?	Yes
AP6	Does the LEA have written policies and procedures for its bilingual education program?	Yes
AP7	List the total state allotment funds received for bilingual education programs during the LEA's fiscal year.	\$ 416,423
AP8	List the actual direct program expenditures for bilingual education programs during the LEA's fiscal year. (PICs 25)	\$ 220,372

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

EXHIBIT J-3

Data Control Codes	1	2	3
	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:			
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 1,035,000	\$ 1,082,560	\$ 47,560
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	14,000	12,670	(1,330)
5900 <i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	2,353,115	2,363,144	10,029
5020 Total Revenues	3,402,115	3,458,374	56,259
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Student Support Services:			
0035 <i>Food Services</i>	3,287,963	3,266,742	21,221
Total Student Support Services	3,287,963	3,266,742	21,221
6030 Total Expenditures	3,287,963	3,266,742	21,221
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)			
1100 Expenditures	114,152	191,632	77,480
1200 Net Change in Fund Balance	114,152	191,632	77,480
0100 Fund Balance - Beginning	1,156,558	1,156,558	--
3000 Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 1,270,710	\$ 1,348,190	\$ 77,480

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXHIBIT J-4

DEBT SERVICE FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	1	2	3
	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:			
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 11,346,000	\$ 10,990,019	\$ (355,981)
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	1,000,000	1,097,651	97,651
5020 <i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>12,346,000</u>	<u>12,087,670</u>	<u>(258,330)</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
Debt Service:			
0071 <i>Debt Service</i>	7,236,667	4,330,000	2,906,667
0072 <i>Interest on Long-Term Debt</i>	5,115,207	7,059,217	(1,944,010)
0073 <i>Bond Issuance Costs and Fees</i>	6,000	4,450	1,550
<i>Total Debt Service</i>	<u>12,357,874</u>	<u>11,393,667</u>	<u>964,207</u>
6030 <i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>12,357,874</u>	<u>11,393,667</u>	<u>964,207</u>
1100 <i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)</i>			
1100 <i>Expenditures</i>	(11,874)	694,003	705,877
1200 <i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(11,874)	694,003	705,877
0100 <i>Fund Balance - Beginning</i>	4,467,435	4,467,435	--
3000 <i>Fund Balance - Ending</i>	<u>\$ 4,455,561</u>	<u>\$ 5,161,438</u>	<u>\$ 705,877</u>

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Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and
On Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements
Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

Board of Trustees
Nederland Independent School District
Nederland, Texas

Members of the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Nederland Independent School District, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Nederland Independent School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 20, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Nederland Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Nederland Independent School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Nederland Independent School District's internal control.

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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



West, Davis & Company, LLP
Austin, Texas
January 20, 2025

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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and
Report on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance

Board of Trustees
Nederland Independent School District
Nederland, Texas

Members of the Board of Trustees:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Nederland Independent School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on Nederland Independent School District's major federal program for the year ended August 31, 2024. Nederland Independent School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Nederland Independent School District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended August 31, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "West, Davis & Company".

West, Davis & Company, LLP
Austin, Texas
January 20, 2025

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

A. Summary of Auditor's Results

1. Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

One or more material weaknesses identified? Yes X No

One or more significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? Yes X None Reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? Yes X No

2. Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

One or more material weaknesses identified? Yes X No

One or more significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? Yes X None Reported

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

Version of compliance supplement used in audit: May 2024

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, para. 200.516(a)?? Yes X No

Identification of major programs:

<u>Assistance Listing Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
SPECIAL EDUCATION (IDEA) CLUSTER:	
84.027A	IDEA-B, Formula, Discretionary
84.173A	IDEA-B, Preschool

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? X Yes No

B. Financial Statement Findings

NONE

C. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

NONE

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

<u>Finding/Recommendation</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Management's Explanation If Not Implemented</u>
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NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

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(1)	(2)	(2A)		(3)
Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal ALN Number	Pass- Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER:				
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Passed Through State Department of Agriculture:				
COVID-19-Supply Chain Assistance Grant	10.555	NT4XL1YGLGC5	\$ --	\$ 213,114
NSLP After School Care Program	10.555	NT4XL1YGLGC5	--	278
Delivery Fees Changed Reimbursement	10.555	NT4XL1YGLGC5		11,798
Total Passed Through State Department of Agriculture			--	225,190
Passed Through State Department of Education:				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	71402401	--	355,952
National School Lunch Program	10.555	71302401	--	1,513,441
Total Passed Through State Department of Education			--	1,869,393
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture			--	2,094,583
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			--	2,094,583
FOOD DISTRIBUTION CLUSTER:				
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Passed Through State Department of Agriculture:				
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	10.565	NT4XL1YGLGC5	--	237,316
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture			--	237,316
Total Food Distribution Cluster			--	237,316
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture			--	2,331,899
SPECIAL EDUCATION (IDEA) CLUSTER:				
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Passed Through State Department of Education:				
IDEA-B, Discretionary	84.027A	66002412	--	131,205
IDEA-B, High Cost Fund	84.027A	66002406	--	4,999
SPED Capacity Contracted Services Grant	84.027A	246600011239056000	--	18,355
IDEA-Part B, Formula	84.027A	246600011239056000	--	1,207,539
Total ALN Number 84.027A			--	1,362,098
IDEA-Part B, Preschool	84.173A	246610011239056000	--	51,723
Total Passed Through State Department of Education			--	1,413,821
Total U. S. Department of Education			--	1,413,821
Total Special Education (IDEA) Cluster			--	1,413,821

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

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(1)	(2)	(2A)	(3)	
Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal ALN Number	Pass- Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
OTHER PROGRAMS:				
<u>U. S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)</u>				
Passed Through State Texas Health and Human Services Commission:				
Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) Program	93.778	HHS000537900101	--	18,908
Total Passed Through State Department of Health and Human Services				18,908
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Passed Through State Department of Agriculture:				
NSLP Equipment Assistance Grant	10.579	NT4XL1YGLGC5	--	4,585
C/N Equipment Grant	10.579	NT4XL1YGLGC5	--	26,660
Total ALN Number 10.579			--	31,245
Total Passed Through State Department of Agriculture				31,245
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Passed Through State Department of Education:				
ESEA Title I Part A - Improving Basic Programs	84.010A	24610101123905	--	746,001
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grant	84.048A	24420006123905	--	63,430
LEP Summer School	84.369A	69552302	--	2,939
Title III, Part A-English Language Acquisition & Enhancement	84.365A	24671001123905	--	85,844
ESEA Title II, Part A-Teacher & Principal Training & Recruiting	84.367A	24694501123905	--	106,912
ESEA Title IV, Part A - Subpart 1, Student Support	84.424A	24680101123905	--	65,063
Total Passed Through State Department of Education			--	1,070,189
Total Other Programs			--	1,120,342
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ --	\$ 4,866,062

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("the Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of Nederland Independent School District. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200 *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"). Therefore, some amounts may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. These expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule, if any, represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

Federal grants are considered to be earned to the extent of expenditures made under the provisions of the grant.

School health, related services revenues and Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) subsidies are considered earned income at the local government level thus are not included in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. The following is a reconciliation of Federal Revenue on Exhibit C-2 to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards:

Total expenditures of federal awards per Exhibit K-1	\$	4,866,062
General fund - federal revenue		
QSCB subsidies		265,013
School Health and Related Services (SHARS)		149,440
Total federal revenues per Exhibit C-2	\$	<u>5,280,515</u>

Nederland Independent School District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NEDERLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

*SCHEDULE OF REQUIRED RESPONSES TO SELECTED SCHOOL FIRST INDICATORS
AS OF AUGUST 31, 2024*

<u>Data Control Codes</u>		<u>Responses</u>
SF1	Was there an unmodified opinion in the Annual Financial Report on the financial statements as a whole?	Yes
SF2	Were there any disclosures in the Annual Financial Report and/or other sources of information concerning nonpayment of any terms of any debt agreement at fiscal year-end?	No
SF3	Did the school district make timely payments to the Teacher Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other government agencies? (If the school district was issued a warrant hold and the warrant hold was not cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued, the school district is considered to not have made timely payments.) Payments to the TRS and TWC are considered timely if a warrant hold that was issued in connection to the untimely payment was cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued. Payments to the IRS are considered timely if a penalty or delinquent payment notice was cleared within 30 days from the date the notice was issued.	Yes
SF4	Was the school district issued a warrant hold? Even if the issue surrounding the initial warrant hold was resolved and cleared within 30 days, the school district is considered to have been issued a warrant hold.	No
SF5	Did the Annual Financial Report disclose any instances of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state or federal funds?	No
SF6	Was there any disclosure in the Annual Financial Report of material noncompliance for grants, contracts and laws related to local, state, or federal funds?	No
SF7	Did the school district post the required financial information on its website in accordance with Government Code, Local Government code, Texas Education Code, Texas Administrative Code and other statutes, laws and rules that were in effect at the school district's fiscal year-end?	Yes
SF8	Did the school board members discuss the school district's property values at a board meeting within 120 days before the school district adopted its budget?	Yes
SF9	Total accumulated accretion on CABs included in government-wide financial statements at fiscal year-end	\$ --