#### **DATED APRIL 18, 2023**

NEW ISSUE

Electronic Bidding via Parity®

Bank Interest Deduction Eligible

BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM

RATING Moody's: " "

Due: as shown below

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing law (i) interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income of the holders thereof for purposes of federal taxation and (ii) interest on the Bonds will not be a specific item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax, all subject to the qualifications described herein under the heading "Tax Exemption." The Bonds and interest thereon are exempt from income taxation and ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and political subdivisions thereof (see "Tax Exemption" herein).

# \$595,000\* FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION SCHOOL BUILDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023B

Dated with Delivery: MAY 17, 2023

Interest on the Bonds is payable each November 1 and May 1, beginning November 1, 2023. The Bonds will mature as to principal on May 1, 2024, and thereafter as shown below. The Bonds are being issued in Book-Entry-Only Form and will be available for purchase in principal amounts of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof.

Maturing		Interest	Reoffering	GT:GT	Maturing		Interest	Reoffering	671677
<u> 1-May</u>	Amount	Rate	Yield	CUSIP	1-May	Amount	Rate	Yield	CUSIP
2024	\$10,000	%	%		2034	\$40,000	%	%	
2025	\$10,000	%	<b>%</b>		2035	\$45,000	%	%	
2026	\$10,000	%	%		2036	\$45,000	%	%	
2027	\$10,000	%	%		2037	\$45,000	%	%	
2028	\$10,000	%	%		2038	\$50,000	%	%	
2029	\$10,000	%	%		2039	\$50,000	%	%	
2030	\$10,000	%	%		2040	\$50,000	%	%	
2031	\$10,000	%	%		2041	\$55,000	%	%	
2032	\$10,000	%	%		2042	\$55,000	%	%	
2033	\$10,000	%	%		2043	\$60,000	%	%	

The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation reserves the right to call, upon thirty (30) days notice, the Bonds in whole or in part on any date for redemption upon the total destruction by fire, lightning, windstorm or other hazard of any of the building(s) constituting the Project(s) and apply casualty insurance proceeds to such purpose.

The Bonds constitute a limited indebtedness of the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation and are payable from and secured by a pledge of the gross income and revenues derived by leasing the Project (as hereinafter defined) on an annual renewable basis to the Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education.

The Fort Thomas Independent (Kentucky) School District Finance Corporation will until April 26, 2023, at 11:00 A.M., E.D.T., receive competitive bids for the Bonds at the office of the Executive Director of the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission, 700 Louisville Rd, Carriage House, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

\*As set forth in the "Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale," the principal amount of Bonds sold to the successful bidder is subject to a Permitted Adjustment by increasing or decreasing the amount not to exceed \$60,000.

**PURCHASER'S OPTION**: The Purchaser of the Bonds, within 24 hours of the sale, may specify to the Municipal Advisor that any Bonds may be combined immediately succeeding sequential maturities into a Term Bond(s), bearing a single rate of interest, with the maturities set forth above (or as may be adjusted as provided herein) being subject to mandatory redemption in such maturities for such Term Bond(s).

The Bonds will be delivered utilizing the BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY-SYSTEM administered by The Depository Trust Company.

The Corporation deems this preliminary Official Statement to be final for purposes of the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), except for certain information on the cover page hereof which has been omitted in accordance with such Rule and which will be supplied with the final Official Statement.



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#### **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY-SYSTEM**

#### REGARDING USE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement does not constitute an offering of any security other than the original offering of the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds, Series2023B, identified on the cover page hereof. No person has been authorized by the Corporation or the Board to give any information or to make any representation other than that contained in the Official Statement, and if given or made such other information or representation must not be relied upon as having been given or authorized. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, and there shall not be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation or sale.

The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Corporation or the Board since the date hereof.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, state or other governmental entity or agency, except the Corporation will pass upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Official Statement or approve the Bonds for sale.

The Official Statement includes the front cover page immediately preceding this page and all Appendices hereto.

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# **OFFICIAL STATEMENT Relating to the Issuance of**

#### \$595,000\*

# FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION SCHOOL BUILDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023B

\*Subject to Permitted Adjustment

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page and Appendices hereto, is to set forth certain information pertaining to the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation (the "Corporation") School Building Revenue Bonds, Series 2023B (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are being issued to finance a roof renovation at Highlands Middle School (the "Project").

The Bonds are revenue bonds and constitute a limited indebtedness of the Corporation. The Bonds will be secured by a lien and a pledge of the rental income derived by the Corporation from leasing the Project (as hereinafter defined) to the Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education (the "Board") on a year to year basis (see "Security" herein).

All financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of financial and other information is not intended, unless specifically stated, to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the Board. No representation is made that past experience, as is shown by financial and other information, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future.

This Official Statement should be considered in its entirety, and no one subject discussed should be considered more or less important than any other by reason of its location in the text. Reference should be made to laws, reports or other documents referred to in this Official Statement for more complete information regarding their contents.

Copies of the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, the Participation Agreement and the Lease Agreement, dated May 17, 2023, may be obtained at the office of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, 50 East Rivercenter Boulevard, Suite 1150, Covington, KY 41011.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY-SYSTEM**

The Bonds shall utilize the Book-Entry-Only-System administered by The Depository Trust Company ("DTC").

The following information about the Book-Entry only system applicable to the Bonds has been supplied by DTC. Neither the Corporation nor the Paying Agent and Registrar makes any representations, warranties or guarantees with respect to its accuracy or completeness.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Securities will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC.

DTC, the world's largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 85 countries that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants

of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of Direct Participants of DTC and Members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Government Securities Clearing Corporation, MBS Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation, (NSCC, GSCC, MBSCC, and EMCC, also subsidiaries of DTCC), as well as by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Paying Agent and Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Corporation as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Corporation or the Paying Agent and Registrar, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with Bonds held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name" and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC or its nominee, the Paying Agent and Registrar or the Corporation, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and interest payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Corporation or the Paying Agent and Registrar, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice the Corporation or the Paying Agent and Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered. The Corporation may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's Book-Entry system has been obtained from sources that the Corporation believes to be reliable but the Corporation takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

#### THE CORPORATION

The Corporation has been formed in accordance with the provisions of Sections 162.120 through 162.290 and Section 162.385 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes ("KRS"), and KRS Chapter 273 and KRS 58.180, as a non-profit, non-stock corporation for the purpose of financing necessary school building facilities for and on behalf of the Board. Under the provisions of existing Kentucky law, the Corporation is permitted to act as an agency and instrumentality of the Board for financing purposes and the legality of the financing plan to be implemented by the Board herein referred to has been upheld by the Kentucky Court of Appeals (Supreme Court) in the case of White v. City of Middlesboro, Ky. 414 S.W.2d 569.

Any bonds, notes or other indebtedness issued or contracted by the Corporation shall, prior to the issuance or incurrence thereon, be specifically approved by the Board. The members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation are the members of the Board. Their terms expire when they cease to hold the office and any successor members of the Board are automatically members of the Corporation upon assuming their public offices.

#### KENTUCKY SCHOOL FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION

The Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission (the "Commission") is an independent corporate agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky established pursuant to the provisions of KRS Sections 157.611 through 157.640, as amended, repealed and reenacted (the "Act") for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting the school construction needs of the Commonwealth in a manner which will ensure an equitable distribution of funds based upon unmet need.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, the Regulations of the Kentucky Board of Education and the Commission, the Commission has determined that the Board is eligible for participation from the Commission in meeting the costs of construction of the Projects and has entered into a Participation Agreement with the Board whereunder the Commission agrees to pay an annual Agreed Participation equal to approximately \$6,744 to be applied to the annual debt service requirements for the Bonds herein identified each year until their retirement; provided, however, that the contractual commitment of the Commission to pay the annual Agreed Participation is limited to the biennial budget period of the Commonwealth, with the first such biennial period terminating on June 30, 2024; the right is reserved in the Commission to terminate its commitment to pay the Agreed Participation after the initial biennial period and every two years thereafter. The obligation of the Commission to make payments of the Agreed Participation shall be automatically renewed each two years for a period of two years unless the Commission shall give notice of its intention not to participate not less than sixty days prior to the end of the biennium; however, by the execution of the Participation Agreement, the Commission has expressed its present intention to continue to pay the Agreed Participation in each successive biennial budget period until the retirement of all of the Bonds, but such execution does not obligate the Commission to do so.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth adopted the State's Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Inter alia, the Budget provides \$125,216,700 in FY 2022-23 and \$126,719,600 in FY 2023-2024 to pay debt service on existing and future bond issues; \$58,000,000 of the Commission's previous Offers of Assistance made during the last biennium. It authorizes \$85,000,000 in additional Offers of Assistance for the current biennium to be funded in the Budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2026.

The 1986, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2022, and 2024, Regular Sessions of the Kentucky General Assembly appropriated funds to be used for debt service of participating school districts. The additional appropriations for each biennium are shown in the following table:

<u>Biennium</u>	<b>Appropriation</b>
1986-88	\$18,223,200
1988-90	14,050,700
1990-92	13,542,800
1992-94	3,075,300
1994-96	2,800,000
1996-98	4,996,000
1998-00	12,141,500
2000-02	8,100,000
2002-04	9,500,000
2004-06	14,000,000
2006-08	9,000,000
2008-10	10,968,000
2010-12	12,656,200
2012-14	8,469,200
2014-16	8,764,000
2016-18	23,019,400
2018-20	7,608,000
2020-22	2,946,900
2022-24	<u>5,305,300</u>
Total	\$189,166,500

In addition to the appropriations for new financings as shown, appropriations subsequent to that for 1986 included additional funds to continue to meet the annual debt requirements for all bond issues involving Commission participation issued in prior years.

#### **BIENNIAL BUDGET FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2024**

The Kentucky General Assembly is required by the Kentucky Constitution to adopt measures providing for the state's revenues and appropriations for each fiscal year. The Governor is required by law to submit a biennial State Budget (the "State Budget") to the General Assembly during the legislative session held in each even numbered year. State Budgets have generally been adopted by the General Assembly during those legislative sessions, which end in mid-April, to be effective upon the Governor's signature for appropriations commencing for a two-year period beginning the following July 1.

In the absence of a legislatively enacted budget, the Supreme Court has ruled the Governor has no authority to spend money from the state treasury except where there is a statutory, constitutional or federal mandate and the Commonwealth may be prevented from expending funds for certain state governmental functions, including the ability to pay principal of, premium, if any, and interest, when due, on obligations that are subject to appropriation.

The General Assembly adopted a budget for the biennial period ending June 30, 2024 which was approved and signed recently by the Governor. Such budget became effective beginning July 1, 2022.

The Office of the State Budget Director makes available on its website monthly updates to the General Fund receipts and other Funds of the commonwealth. When published, the updates can be found at www.osbd.ky.gov.

#### **OUTSTANDING BONDS**

The following table shows the outstanding Bonds of the Board by the original principal amount of each issue, the current principal outstanding, the amount of the original principal scheduled to be paid with the corresponding interest thereon by the Board or the School Facilities Construction Commission, the approximate interest range; and, the final maturity date of the Bonds:

Bond Series	Original Principal	Current Principal Outstanding	Principal Assigned to Board	Principal Assigned to Commission	Approximate Interest Rate Range	Final Maturity
2012	\$2,945,000	¢2 540 000	\$2,754,764	\$190,236	2.550% - 3.200%	2032
		\$2,540,000				
2013	\$3,310,000	\$2,660,000	\$1,921,568	\$1,388,432	2.250% - 3.125%	2033
2014	\$2,245,000	\$1,670,000	\$2,245,000	\$0	3.000% - 4.000%	2034
2014-REF	\$9,540,000	\$4,990,000	\$3,230,554	\$6,309,446	3.000% - 3.375%	2029
2015-REF	\$9,080,000	\$5,045,000	\$7,837,384	\$1,242,616	3.000%	2026
2015B	\$4,575,000	\$3,255,000	\$3,637,042	\$937,958	2.500% - 3.375%	2035
2015C	\$23,810,000	\$16,985,000	\$811,800	\$22,998,200	2.250% - 3.375%	2035
2016-REF	\$5,530,000	\$2,805,000	\$1,428,649	\$4,101,351	2.000% - 2.375%	2030
2019	\$22,660,000	\$21,375,000	\$14,484,764	\$8,175,236	3.000% - 3.625%	2039
2020-REF	\$985,000	\$930,000	\$985,000	\$0	1.200% - 2.250%	2031
TOTALS:	\$84,680,000	\$62,255,000	\$39,336,525	\$45,343,475		

#### **AUTHORITY**

The Board of Directors of the Corporation has adopted a Bond Resolution which authorized among other things:

- i) the issuance of approximately \$595,000 of Bonds subject to a permitted adjustment of \$60,000;
- ii) the advertisement for the public sale of the Bonds;
- iii) the Official Terms and Conditions for the sale of the Bonds to the successful bidder; and,
- iv) the President and Secretary of the Corporation to execute certain documents relative to the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

#### THE BONDS

#### General

The Bonds will be dated May 17, 2023, will bear interest from that date as described herein, payable semi-annually on November 1 and May 1 of each year, commencing November 1, 2023, and will mature as to principal on May 1, 2024, and thereafter in the years and in the principal amounts as set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement.

# Registration, Payment and Transfer

The Bonds are to be issued in fully registered form (both principal and interest). U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, has been designated as the Bond Registrar and Paying Agent, shall remit interest on each semiannual due date to Cede & Co. Principal and interest will be payable through the Book-Entry-Only-System administered by The Depository Trust Company: Please see "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY-SYSTEM" below. Interest on the Bonds will be paid at rates to be established upon the basis of competitive bidding as hereinafter set forth, such interest to be payable on November 1 and May 1 of each year, beginning November 1, 2023 (Record Date is the 15th day of month preceding interest due date).

#### Redemption

The Bonds maturing on or after May 1, 2032, are subject to redemption at the option of the Corporation prior to their stated maturity on any date falling on or after May 1, 2031, in any order of maturities (less than all of a single maturity to be selected by lot), in whole or in part, upon notice of such prior redemption being given by the Paying Agent in accordance with DTC requirements not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of redemption, upon terms of the face amount, plus accrued interest, but without redemption premium.

Redemption Date	Redemption Price
May 1, 2031 and thereafter	100%

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation reserves the right, upon thirty (30) days notice, to call the Bonds in whole or in part on any date at par for redemption upon the total destruction by fire, lightning, windstorm or other hazard of any building constituting the Project and apply casualty insurance proceeds to such purpose.

#### **SECURITY**

#### General

The Bonds are revenue bonds and constitute a limited indebtedness of the Corporation. The Bonds are payable as to both principal and interest solely from the income and revenues derived from the leasing of the Project financed from the Bond proceeds from the Corporation to the Board. The Bonds are secured by a pledge of revenue on and from the Project; provided, however, said lien and pledge are on parity with the liens and pledges securing the Corporation's outstanding School Building Revenue Bonds issued to improve the building in which the Project is located.

#### The Lease; Pledge of Rental Revenues

The Board has leased the school Project securing the Bonds for an initial period from May 17, 2023, through June 30, 2023 with the option in the Board to renew said Lease from year to year for one year at a time, at annual rentals, sufficient in each year to enable the Corporation to pay, solely from the rental due under the Lease, the principal and interest on all of the Bonds as same become due. The Lease provides further that so long as the Board exercises its annual renewal options, its rentals will be payable according to the terms and provisions of the Lease until May 1, 2043, the final maturity date of the Bonds. Under the lease, the Corporation has pledged the rental revenue to the payment of the Bonds.

#### STATE INTERCEPT

Under the terms of the Lease and any renewal thereof, so long as the Bonds remain outstanding and in conformance with the intent and purpose of KRS 160.160(5), in the event of a failure by the Board to pay the rentals due under the Lease, and unless sufficient funds have been transmitted to the Paying Agent, or will be so transmitted, for paying said rentals when due, the Board has granted under the terms of the Lease to the Corporation the right to notify and request the Kentucky Department of Education to withhold from the Board a sufficient portion of any undisbursed funds then held, set aside, or allocated to the Board and to request said Department or Commissioner of Education to transfer the required amount thereof to the Paying Agent for the payment of such rentals.

#### COMMISSION'S PARTICIPATION

The Commission has determined that the Board is eligible for an average annual participation equal to approximately \$6,744 from the Commission's appropriation by the Kentucky General Assembly which will be used to meet a portion of the debt service of the Bonds. The plan for financing the Project will require the Commission to pay approximately fourteen percent (14%) of the debt service of the Bonds.

The Participation Agreement to be entered into with the Board will be limited to the biennial budget period of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, with the first such biennial period terminating on June 30, 2024. The right is reserved in the Commission to terminate the commitment to pay the agreed participation every two years thereafter. The obligation of the Commission to make payments of the agreed participation shall be automatically renewed each two years thereafter unless the Commission gives notice to the Board of its intention not to participate not less than sixty days prior to the end of the biennium. However, the Commission has expressed its intention to continue to pay the agreed participation in successive biennial budget periods until the Bonds are retired, but the Commission is not required to do so.

#### THE PROJECT

After payment of the Bond issuance costs, the Board plans to deposit the net Bond proceeds to finance a roof renovation at Highlands Middle School (the "Project").

The Board has reported construction bids have been let for the Project and approval of the Kentucky Department of Education, Buildings and Grounds, to award the construction contract is expected prior to the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Contractors for the Project are required to furnish to the Board a one hundred percent completion bond to assure their performance of the construction contract.

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# ESTIMATED BOND DEBT SERVICE

The following table shows by fiscal year the current bond payments of the Board. The plan of financing provides for the Board to meet approximately 86% of the debt service of the Bonds.

Fiscal Year	Current Local		Series 2023 S	chool Building	Revenue Bond	s	Total Restricted Fund
Ending June 30	Bond Payments	Principal Portion	Interest Portion	Total Payment	SFCC Portion	Local Portion	Bond Payments
				= 00,			
2023	\$2,815,324						\$2,815,324
2024	\$2,939,460	\$10,000	\$23,313	\$33,313	\$6,744	\$26,569	\$2,966,030
2025	\$2,940,260	\$10,000	\$24,053	\$34,053	\$6,744	\$27,309	\$2,967,568
2026	\$2,936,184	\$10,000	\$23,713	\$33,713	\$6,744	\$26,969	\$2,963,152
2027	\$2,933,956	\$10,000	\$23,373	\$33,373	\$6,744	\$26,629	\$2,960,585
2028	\$2,930,779	\$10,000	\$23,033	\$33,033	\$6,744	\$26,289	\$2,957,068
2029	\$2,931,386	\$10,000	\$22,693	\$32,693	\$6,744	\$25,949	\$2,957,334
2030	\$2,941,017	\$10,000	\$22,353	\$32,353	\$6,744	\$25,609	\$2,966,626
2031	\$2,943,234	\$10,000	\$22,008	\$32,008	\$6,744	\$25,264	\$2,968,498
2032	\$2,936,379	\$10,000	\$21,658	\$31,658	\$6,744	\$24,914	\$2,961,293
2033	\$2,938,205	\$10,000	\$21,303	\$31,303	\$6,744	\$24,559	\$2,962,764
2034	\$2,496,557	\$40,000	\$20,943	\$60,943	\$6,744	\$54,199	\$2,550,756
2035	\$2,297,470	\$45,000	\$19,463	\$64,463	\$6,744	\$57,719	\$2,355,189
2036	\$1,884,482	\$45,000	\$17,730	\$62,730	\$6,744	\$55,986	\$1,940,468
2037	\$1,885,571	\$45,000	\$15,908	\$60,908	\$6,744	\$54,164	\$1,939,735
2038	\$1,894,490	\$50,000	\$14,018	\$64,018	\$6,744	\$57,274	\$1,951,764
2039	\$1,884,567	\$50,000	\$11,893	\$61,893	\$6,744	\$55,149	\$1,939,716
2040	\$306,617	\$50,000	\$9,743	\$59,743	\$6,744	\$52,999	\$359,615
2041	\$303,807	\$55,000	\$7,568	\$62,568	\$6,744	\$55,824	\$359,631
2042	\$304,726	\$55,000	\$5,148	\$60,148	\$6,744	\$53,404	\$358,130
2043	\$304,161	\$60,000	\$2,700	\$62,700	\$6,744	\$55,956	\$360,117
TOTALS:	\$45,748,634	\$595,000	\$352,606	\$947,606	\$134,880	\$812,726	\$46,561,360

Note: Numbers rounded to the nearest \$1.00

#### ESTIMATED USE OF BOND PROCEEDS

The table below shows the estimated sources of funds and uses of proceeds of the Bonds, other than any portions thereof representing accrued interest:

Sources:	
Par Amount of Bonds	\$595,000.00
Total Sources	\$595,000.00
Uses:	
Deposit to Construction Fund	\$567.900.00
Underwriter's Discount (2%)	11.900.00
Cost of Issuance	15.200.00
Total Uses	\$595,000.00

#### DISTRICT STUDENT POPULATION

Selected school census and average daily attendance for the Fort Thomas Independent School District is as follows:

•		Average Daily		Average Daily
	Year	Attendance	Year	Attendance
	2000-01	2,202.3	2011-12	2,468.4
	2001-02	2,154.1	2012-13	2,561.4
	2002-03	2,124.2	2013-14	2,660.4
	2003-04	2,108.6	2014-15	2,722.0
	2004-05	2,146.1	2015-16	2,757.2
	2005-06	2,136.5	2016-17	2,782.8
	2006-07	2,197.1	2017-18	2,806.8
	2007-08	2,210.2	2018-19	2,811.7
	2008-09	2,262.5	2019-20	2,837.2
	2009-10	2,271.6	2020-21	2,815.4
	2010-11	2,417.8	2021-22	2,898.0

Source: Kentucky State Department of Education.

#### STATE SUPPORT

Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK). In determining the cost of the program to Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK), the statewide guaranteed base funding level is computed by dividing the amount appropriated by the prior year's statewide average daily attendance. The SEEK fund is a guaranteed amount of money per pupil in each school district of Kentucky. The current SEEK allotment is \$3,866 per pupil. The \$100 capital outlay allotment per each average daily attendance is included within the guaranteed amounts. Each district's base funding from the SEEK program is adjusted for the number of at-risk students, the number and types of exceptional children in the district, and cost of transporting students from and to school in the district.

*Capital Outlay Allotment.* The per pupil capital outlay allotment for each district from the public school fund and from local sources shall be kept in a separate account and may be used by the district only for capital outlay projects approved by the State Department of Education. These funds shall be used for the following capital outlay purposes:

- a. For direct payment of construction costs.
- b. For debt service on voted and funding bonds.
- c. For payment or lease-rental agreements under which the board will eventually acquire ownership of the school plant.
- d. For retirement of any deficit resulting from over-expenditure for capital construction, if such deficit resulted from certain declared emergencies.
- e. As a reserve fund for the above named purposes, to be carried forward in ensuing budgets.

The allotment for each school board of education in the Commonwealth for fiscal year 1978-79 was \$1,800 per classroom unit. The 1979 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly approved increases in this allotment in 1979-80 to \$1,900 per classroom unit. This rate remained unchanged in 1980-81. The 1981 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly decreased the allotment per classroom to \$1,800 and this allotment rate did not change from the 1981-82 rate, until the 1990-91 school year. Beginning with 1990-91, the Capital Outlay allotment for each district is based on \$100 per average daily attendance.

The following table shows the computation of the capital outlay allotment for the Fort Thomas Independent School District for certain preceding school years.

	Capital Outlay		Capital Outlay
Year	Allotment	Year	Allotment
2000-01	\$220,230.0	2011-12	\$246,835.0
2001-02	\$215,410.0	2012-13	\$256,143.0
2002-03	\$212,420.0	2013-14	\$266,036.0
2003-04	\$210,860.0	2014-15	\$272,202.0
2004-05	\$214,610.0	2015-16	\$275,720.0
2005-06	\$213,650.0	2016-17	\$278,280.0
2006-07	\$219,710.0	2017-18	\$280,680.0
2007-08	\$221,020.0	2018-19	\$281,167.2
2008-09	\$226,248.0	2019-20	\$283,720.0
2009-10	\$227,159.0	2020-21	\$281,542.8
2010-11	\$241,783.0	2021-22	\$289,802.8

If the school district has no capital outlay needs, upon approval from the State, the funds can be used for school plant maintenance, repair, insurance on buildings, replacement of equipment, purchase of school buses and purchase of modern technological equipment for educational purposes. If any district has a special levy for capital outlay or debt service that is equal to the capital outlay allotment or a proportionate fraction thereof, and spends the proceeds of the levy for eligible purposes, the State may authorize the district to use all or a proportionate fraction of its capital outlay allotment for current expenses (school districts which use capital outlay allotments to meet current expenses are not eligible to participate in the School Facilities Construction Commission funds).

*Facilities Support Program of Kentucky*. School districts may be eligible to participate in the Facilities Support Program of Kentucky (FSPK), subject to the following requirements:

- 1) The district must have unmet needs as set forth and approved by the State Department of Education in a School Facilities Plan;
- 2) The district must commit to establish an equivalent tax rate of at least 5 cents, in addition to the 30 cents minimum current equivalent tax rate; and,
- 3) The new revenues generated by the 5 cent addition, must be placed in a restricted account for school building construction bonding.

#### LOCAL SUPPORT

Homestead Exemption. Section 170 of the Kentucky Constitution was amended at the General Election held November 2, 1971, to exempt from property taxes \$6,500 of value of single unit residential property of taxpayers 65 years of age or older. The 1972 General Assembly amended KRS Chapter 132 to permit counties and school districts to adjust their local tax revenues lost through the application of this Homestead Exemption. The "Single Unit" qualification has been enlarged to subsequent sessions of the General Assembly to provide that such exemption shall apply to such property maintained as the permanent resident of the owner and the dollar amount has been construed to mean \$6,500 in terms of the purchasing power of the dollar in 1972. Every two years thereafter, if the cost of living index of the U.S. Department of Labor has changed as much as 1%, the maximum exemption shall be adjusted accordingly. Under the cost of living formula, the maximum was increased to \$46,350 effective January 1, 2023.

*Limitation on Taxation.* The 1979 Special Session of the Kentucky General Assembly enacted House Bill 44 which provides that no school district may levy a general tax rate, voted general tax rate, or voted building tax rate which would generate revenues that exceeds the previous years revenues by four percent (4%).

The 1990 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly in enacting the "School Reform" legislative package amended the provisions of KRS 160.470 which prohibited school districts from levying ad valorem property taxes which would generate revenues in excess of 4% of the previous year's revenues without said levy subject to recall to permit exceptions to the referendum under (1) KRS 160.470(12) [a new section of the statute] and (2) an amended KRS 157.440.

Under KRS 160.470(12)(a) for fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990 school districts are required to levy a "minimum equivalent tax rate" of thirty cents (\$.30) for general school purposes. The equivalent tax rate is defined as the rate which results when the income collected during the prior year from all taxes (including occupational or utilities) levied by the district for school purposes divided by the total assessed value of property plus the assessment for motor vehicles certified by the State Revenue Cabinet. Failure to levy the minimum equivalent rate subjects the board of the district to removal.

The exception provided by KRS 157.440(1)(a) permits school districts to levy an equivalent tax rate as defined in KRS 160.470(12)(a) which will produce up to 15% of those revenues guaranteed by the program to support education excellence in Kentucky. Levies permitted by this section of the statute are not subject to public hearing or recall provisions as set forth in KRS 160.470.

**Local Thirty Cents Minimum.** Effective for school years beginning after June 30, 1990, the board of education of each school district shall levy a minimum equivalent tax rate of thirty cents (\$0.30) for general school purposes. If a board fails to comply, its members shall be subject to removal from office for willful neglect of duty.

Additional 15% Not Subject to Recall. Effective with the school year beginning July 1, 1990, each school district may levy an equivalent tax rate which will produce up to 15% of those revenues guaranteed by the SEEK program. Effective with the 1990-91 school year, the State will equalize the revenue generated by this levy at one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the statewide average per pupil equalized assessment. For 1993-94 and thereafter, this level is set at \$225,000. The additional 15% rate levy is not subject to the public hearing or recall provisions.

Assessment Valuation. No later than July 1, 1994, all real property located in the state and subject to local taxation shall be assessed at one hundred percent (100%) of fair cash value.

Special Voted and Other Local Taxes. Any district may, in addition to other taxes for school purposes, levy not less than four cents nor more than twenty cents on each one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property subject to local taxation, to provide a special fund for the purchase of sites for school buildings and the erection, major alteration, enlargement, and complete equipping of school buildings. In addition, districts may levy taxes on tangible and intangible property and on utilities, except generally any amounts of revenues generated above that provided for by House Bill 44 is subject to voter recall.

Local Tax Rates, Property Assessments and Revenue Collections

-	Combined	Total	Property
Tax	Equivalent	Property	Revenue
<b>Year</b>	Rate	Assessment	Collections
2000-01	74.1	\$856,005,810	\$6,343,003
2001-02	74.4	\$841,052,313	\$6,257,429
2002-03	79.2	\$964,299,106	\$7,637,249
2003-04	79.2	\$973,961,853	\$7,713,778
2004-05	89	\$984,927,677	\$8,765,856
2005-06	88.9	\$1,011,677,014	\$8,993,809
2006-07	90.4	\$1,086,118,824	\$9,818,514
2007-08	88.9	\$1,099,739,197	\$9,776,681
2008-09	93.7	\$1,124,936,826	\$10,540,658
2009-10	93.7	\$1,131,628,445	\$10,603,359
2010-11	97.7	\$1,209,125,034	\$11,813,152
2011-12	97.3	\$1,213,186,106	\$11,804,301
2012-13	100.4	\$1,220,333,065	\$12,252,144
2013-14	106.1	\$1,224,069,928	\$12,987,382
2014-15	107.2	\$1,249,465,237	\$13,394,267
2015-16	110.8	\$1,269,719,897	\$14,068,496
2016-17	112.2	\$1,287,538,867	\$14,446,186
2017-18	115.4	\$1,313,175,595	\$15,154,046
2018-19	109.4	\$1,430,757,051	\$15,652,482
2019-20	111	\$1,474,508,165	\$16,367,041
2020-21	111.7	\$1,488,869,951	\$16,630,677
2021-22	117.3	\$1,506,771,021	\$17,674,424

# **Overlapping Bond Indebtedness**

The following table shows any other overlapping bond indebtedness of the Fort Thomas Independent School District or other issuing agency within the County as reported by the State Local Debt Officer for the period ending June 30, 2022.

	Original	Amount	Current
	Principal	of Bonds	Principal
Issuer	Amount	Redeemed	Outstanding
County of Campbell			
General Obligation	\$19,550,000	\$8,861,896	\$10,688,104
Elderly Care Facility Revenue	\$1,815,000	\$430,000	\$1,385,000
Refinancing Refunding Revenue	\$903,088	\$591,694	\$311,394
Manufacturing Facility Revenue	\$12,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$10,500,000
City of Alexandria			
General Obligation	\$760,000	\$15,644	\$744,356
City of Bellevue			
General Obligation	\$8,895,000	\$825,000	\$8,070,000
City of Dayton			
Infrastructure Revenue	\$1,150,000	\$245,000	\$905,000
Improvement Project Refunding	\$1,150,000	\$245,000	\$905,000
Fire Vehicles Revenue	\$685,973	\$250,729	\$435,244

City of Ft. Thomas			
General Obligation	\$2,290,000	\$1,595,000	\$695,000
Residential Revenue	\$17,130,782	\$0	\$17,130,782
City of Highland Heights			
General Obligation	\$10,230,000	\$1,975,000	\$8,255,000
City of Newport			
General Obligation	\$50,142,767	\$25,598,659	\$24,544,108
Public Project Revenue	\$44,230,000	\$29,340,000	\$14,890,000
KLC Funding Trust Program Revenue	\$50,000,000	\$0	\$50,000,000
Courthouse & City Hall Lease Revenue	\$27,750,000	\$12,000,000	\$15,750,000
Refunding Revenue	\$17,747,000	\$1,126,000	\$16,621,000
Parking Facilities Revenue	\$8,747,755	\$0	\$8,747,755
City of Silver Grove			
General Obligation	\$1,005,000	\$819,934	\$185,066
City of Southgate			
General Obligation	\$2,689,931	\$870,797	\$1,819,134
City of Wilder			
General Obligation	\$11,155,000	\$3,509,053	\$7,645,947
Special Districts			
Alexandria Fire Department	\$1,400,000	\$0	\$1,400,000
Campbell County Dispatching Board	\$3,373,000	\$948,500	\$2,424,500
Campbell County Fire District #1	\$590,000	\$394,142	\$195,858
Campbell County FPD #3	\$358,500	\$246,957	\$111,543
Campbell County Library District	\$1,595,000	\$688,000	\$907,000
Northern Kentucky Water District	\$219,290,000	\$50,407,156	\$168,882,844
Totals:	\$516,633,796	\$142,484,161	\$374,149,635

Source: 2022 Kentucky Local Debt Report.

#### **SEEK Allotment**

The Board has reported the following information as to the SEEK allotment to the District, and as provided by the State Department of Education. These receipts are compared to the 1989-90 fiscal year funding prior to enactment of the Kentucky Education Reform Act:

	Base	Local	<b>Total State &amp;</b>
SEEK	Funding	Tax Effort	Local Funding
2000-01	4,912,434	6,343,003	11,255,437
2001-02	4,995,393	6,257,429	11,252,822
2002-03	4,598,807	7,637,249	12,236,056
2003-04	4,713,567	7,713,778	12,427,345
2004-05	5,117,936	8,765,856	13,883,792
2005-06	5,514,691	8,993,809	14,508,500
2006-07	5,648,271	9,818,514	15,466,785
2007-08	6,490,238	9,776,681	16,266,919
2008-09	6,874,929	10,540,658	17,415,587
2009-10	6,366,938	10,603,359	16,970,297
2010-11	6,706,543	11,813,152	18,519,695
2011-12	7,646,099	11,804,301	19,450,400
2012-13	7,937,666	12,252,144	20,189,810
2013-14	8,383,276	12,987,382	21,370,658
2014-15	8,846,013	13,394,267	22,240,280
2015-16	8,974,579	14,068,496	23,043,075
2016-17	8,994,596	14,446,186	23,440,782
2017-18	9,017,284	15,154,046	24,171,330
2018-19	8,859,274	15,652,482	24,511,756
2019-20	8,805,205	16,367,041	25,172,246
2020-21	8,341,620	16,630,677	24,972,297
2021-22	9,165,693	17,674,424	26,840,117

- (1) Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) replaces the minimum foundation program and power equalization funding. Capital Outlay is now computed at \$100 per average daily attendance (ADA). Capital Outlay is included in the SEEK base funding.
- (2) The Board established a current equivalent tax rate (CETR) of \$1.1730 for FY 2021-22. The equivalent tax rate" is defined as the rate which results when the income from all taxes levied by the district for school purposes is divided by the total assessed value of property plus the assessment for motor vehicles certified by the Commonwealth of Kentucky Revenue Cabinet.

#### **State Budgeting Process**

- i) Each district board of education is required to prepare a general school budget on forms prescribed and furnished by the Kentucky Board of Education, showing the amount of money needed for current expenses, debt service, capital outlay, and other necessary expenses of the school during the succeeding fiscal year and the estimated amount that will be received from all sources.
- ii) By September 15 of each year, after the district receives its tax assessment data from the Department of Revenue and the State Department of Education, 3 copies of the budget are forwarded to the State Department for approval or disapproval.
- iii) The State Department of Education has adopted a policy of disapproving a school budget if it is financially unsound or fails to provide for:

- a) payment of maturing principal and interest on any outstanding voted school improvement bonds of the district or payment of rental in connection with any outstanding school building revenue bonds issued for the benefit of the school district; or
- b) fails to comply with the law.

#### POTENTIAL LEGISLATION

No assurance can be given that any future legislation, including amendments to the Code, if enacted into law, or changes in interpretation of the Code, will not cause interest on the Bonds to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation, or otherwise prevent owners of the Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax exemption of such interest. In addition, current and future legislative proposals, if enacted into law, may cause interest on state or local government bonds (whether issued before, on the date of, or after enactment of such legislation) to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation by, for example, changing the current exclusion or deduction rules to limit the amount of interest on such bonds that may currently be treated as tax exempt by certain individuals. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisers regarding any pending or proposed federal tax legislation.

Further, no assurance can be given that the introduction or enactment of any such future legislation, or any action of the IRS, including but not limited to regulation, ruling, or selection of the Bonds for audit examination, or the course or result of any IRS examination of the Bonds or obligations which present similar tax issues, will not affect the market price for the Bonds.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE; EXEMPTION

As a result of the principal amount of Bonds being offered not exceeding \$1,000,000 Bond Counsel has advised the Corporation and the Board that they are exempt from application of the Rule 15c2-12c2-12(b)(5) of the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the Bonds.

The Board and Corporation have been timely in making required filings under the terms of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the past five years. The Board has adopted procedures to assure timely and complete filings in the future with regard to the Rule in order to provide required financial reports and operating data or notices of material events.

Financial information regarding the Board may be obtained from Superintendent, Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education, 28 North Ft. Thomas Avenue, Ft. Thomas, KY 41075 (859) 781-3333.

#### TAX EXEMPTION; BANK QUALIFIED

Bond Counsel is of the opinion that:

- (A) The Bonds and the interest thereon are exempt from income and ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and all of its political subdivisions.
- (B) The interest income from the Bonds is excludable from the gross income of the recipient thereof for Federal income tax purposes under existing law and will not be a specific item of tax preference for purposes of Federal income taxation.
- (C) As a result of designations and certifications by the Board and the Corporation, indicating the issuance of less than \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations during the calendar year ending December 31, 2023, the Bonds are "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Corporation will provide the purchaser the customary no-litigation certificate, and the final approving Legal Opinions of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, Bond Counsel, Louisville, Kentucky approving the legality of the Bonds. These opinions will accompany the Bonds when delivered, without expense to the purchaser.

#### **Original Issue Premium**

Certain of the Bonds are being initially offered and sold to the public at a premium ("Acquisition Premium" from the amounts payable at maturity thereon. "Acquisition Premium" is the excess of the cost of a bond over the stated redemption price of such bond at maturity or, for bonds that have one or more earlier call dates, the amount payable at the next earliest call date. The Bonds that bear an interest rate that is higher than the yield (as shown on the cover page hereof), are being initially offered and sold to the public at an Acquisition Premium (the "Premium Bonds"). For federal income tax purposes, the amount of Acquisition Premium on each bond the interest on which is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes ("tax-exempt bonds") must be amortized and will reduce the bondholder's adjusted basis in that bond. However, no amount of amortized Acquisition Premium on tax-exempt bonds may be deducted in determining bondholder's taxable income for federal income tax purposes. The amount of any Acquisition Premium paid on the Premium Bonds, or on any of the Bonds, that must be amortized during any period will be based on the "constant yield" method, using the original bondholder's basis in such bonds and compounding semiannually. This amount is amortized ratably over that semiannual period on a daily basis.

Holders of any Bonds, including any Premium Bonds, purchased at an Acquisition Premium should consult their own tax advisors as to the actual effect of such Acquisition Premium with respect to their own tax situation and as to the treatment of Acquisition Premium for state tax purposes.

### **Original Issue Discount**

Certain of the Bonds (the "Discount Bonds") are being initially offered and sold to the public at a discount ("OID") from the amounts payable at maturity thereon. OID is the excess of the stated redemption price of a bond at maturity (the face amount) over the "issue price" of such bond. The issue price is the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses, brokers or similar persons acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of bonds of the same maturity are sold pursuant to that initial offering. For federal income tax purposes, OID on each bond will accrue over the term of the bond. The amount accrued will be based on a single rate of interest, compounded semiannually (the "yield to maturity") and, during each semi-annual period, the amount will accrue ratably on a daily basis. The OID accrued during the period that an initial purchaser of a Discount Bond at its issue price owns it is added to the purchaser's tax basis for purposes of determining gain or loss at the maturity, redemption, sale or other disposition of that Discount Bond. In practical effect, accrued OID is treated as stated interest, that is, as excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

In addition, original issue discount that accrues in each year to an owner of a Discount Bond is included in the calculation of the distribution requirements of certain regulated investment companies and may result in some of the collateral federal income tax consequences discussed above. Consequently, owners of any Discount Bond should be aware that the accrual of original issue discount in each year may result in an alternative minimum tax liability, additional distribution requirements or other collateral federal income tax consequences although the owner of such Discount Bond has not received cash attributable to such original issue discount in such year.

Holders of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the treatment of OID and the tax consequences of the purchase of such Discount Bonds other than at the issue price during the initial public offering and as to the treatment of OID for state tax purposes.

#### ABSENCE OF MATERIAL LITIGATION

There is no controversy or litigation of any nature now pending or threatened (i) restraining or enjoining the issuance, sale, execution or delivery of the Bonds, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity of the Bonds or any proceedings of the Board or Corporation taken with respect to the issuance or sale thereof or (ii) which if successful would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Board.

#### APPROVAL OF LEGALITY

Legal matters incident to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds are subject to the approving legal opinion of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, Bond Counsel. The form of the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel will appear on each printed Bond.

#### NO LEGAL OPINION EXPRESSED AS TO CERTAIN MATTERS

Bond Counsel has reviewed the information contained in the Official Statement describing the Bonds and the provisions of the Bond Resolution and related proceedings authorizing the Bonds, but Bond Counsel has not reviewed any of the financial data, computations, tabulations, balance sheets, financial projections, and general information concerning the Corporation or District, and expresses no opinion thereon, assumes no responsibility for same and has not undertaken independently to verify any information contained herein.

#### **BOND RATING**

As noted on the cover page of this Official Statement, Moody's Investors Service has given the Bonds the indicated rating. Such rating reflects only the respective views of such organization. Explanations of the significance of the rating may be obtained from the rating agency. There can be no assurance that such rating will be maintained for any given period of time or will not be revised or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency, if in their judgement circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

#### **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Prospective bidders are advised that RSA Advisors, LLC ("RSA") has been employed as Municipal Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. RSA's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery thereof. Bidders may submit a bid for the purchase of the Bonds at the time of the advertised public sale, either individually or as a member of a syndicate organized to submit a bid for the purchase of the Bonds.

#### APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Corporation has approved and caused this "Official Statement" to be executed and delivered by its President. In making this "Official Statement" the Corporation relied upon information furnished to it by the Board of Education of the Fort Thomas Independent School District and does not assume any responsibility as to the accuracy or completeness of any of the information in this Official Statement except as to copies of documents denominated "Official Terms and Conditions" and "Bid Form." The financial information supplied by the Board of Education is represented by the Board of Education to be correct. The Corporation deems this preliminary Official Statement to be final for purposes of Securities Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(1) as qualified by the cover hereof.

No dealer, broker, salesman, or other person has been authorized by the Corporation, the Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education or the Municipal Advisor to give any information or representations, other than those contained in this Official Statement, and if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by any of the foregoing. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. Except when otherwise indicated, the information set forth herein has been obtained from the Kentucky Department of Education and the Fort Thomas Independent School District and is believed to be reliable; however, such information is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a representation by the Municipal Advisor or by Counsel. The delivery of this Official Statement at any time does not imply that information herein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date hereof.

This Official Statement does not, as of its date, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact which should be included herein for the purpose for which the Official Statement is to be used or which is necessary in order to make the statements contained herein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in any material respect.

By_/s/		
-	President	
By_/s/		
	Secretary	

# **APPENDIX A**

Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds Series 2023B

**Demographic and Economic Data** 

#### CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Campbell County is a county located in the northern part of the U.S. state of Kentucky. Its county seats are Alexandria and Newport. The county was formed on December 17, 1794, from sections of Scott, Harrison, and Mason Counties and was named for Colonel John Campbell (1735–1799), a Revolutionary War soldier and Kentucky legislator. Campbell County, with Boone and Kenton Counties, is part of the Northern Kentucky metro community, and the Cincinnati-Middletown, OH-KY-IN Metropolitan Statistical Area.

The Bluegrass region was the most quickly settled part of the state and now is home to about half the state's population. The Northern Kentucky Area, covering a total land area of 559 square miles, is composed of Boone, Campbell, and Campbell Counties; and is ideally situated along and adjacent to the south bank of the Ohio River, immediately south of Cincinnati, Ohio. Campbell County had an estimated 2021 population of 93,142.

The Northern Kentucky Area forms the northern apex of an industrial triangle anchored by Louisville on the southwest and Lexington on the southeast. Within the triangle are more than one-third of the state's population and nearly one-half of its manufacturing jobs. The interstate highway system places these three metropolitan areas within less than two hours driving from each other.

#### The Economic Framework

In 2021, Campbell County had a labor force of 48,166 people with an unemployment rate of 3.3%. The top 5 jobs by occupation were as follows: office and administrative support - 4,044 (12.51%); sales - 3,556 (11%); executive, managers, and administrators - 2,811 (8.7%); food preparation/serving - 2,540 (7.86%); and health diagnosing and treating practitioners - 2,094 (6.48%).

The city of Fort Thomas had a labor force of 8,947 people, and the top 5 jobs by occupation were as follows: health diagnosing and treating practitioners - 1,410 (19.76%); office and administrative support - 1,053 (14.75%); health technologists, technicians - 641 (8.98%); executive, managers, and administrators - 586 (8.21%); and healthcare support - 542 (7.59%).

# **Transportation**

Major highways serving Boone, Kenton, and Campbell Counties include Interstates 71, 75, 275, and 471; U.S. Highways 42/127, 25, and 27. The Greater Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky International Airport, located in Campbell County, Kentucky, provides commercial airline service. The airport is a major hub for Delta Airlines. The Southern Railway System and CSX Transportation provide main line rail service to the area. Several barge and towing companies provide barge transportation on the Ohio River. The Port of Cincinnati extends 30 miles along both banks of the Ohio River.

#### **Power and Fuel**

Electric power is provided to Boone, Kenton, and Campbell Counties by Duke Energy Kentucky, E. ON US/KU, East Kentucky Power Cooperative and Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc. Natural gas service is provided to major portions of the three-county area by Duke Energy Kentucky.

#### LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Labor Market Area includes Boone, Campbell, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton and Pendleton counties in Kentucky. The Labor Market Area is supplemented by the Ohio counties of Hamilton, Butler, Clermont and Warren; and Dearborn County in Indiana.

# Population

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Campbell County	91,537	92,747	92,615	93,543	92,972
Fort Thomas	16,277	16,208	16,120	13,336	16,373

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development.

# **Population Projections**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2030</u>	<u>2035</u>
Campbell County	93,427	93,473	93,028

Source: Kentucky Data Center, University of Louisville.

#### **EDUCATION**

# Public School District Enrollments, 2021-2022

	<b>Total Enrollment</b>	Pupil to Teacher Ratio
	500	12 1
Bellevue Independent Schools	582	13 - 1
Campbell County Schools	4,974	16 - 1
Dayton Independent Schools	816	13 - 1
Fort Thomas Independent Schools	3,064	17 - 1
Newport Independent Schools	1,295	9 - 1
Southgate Independent Schools	164	9 - 1

Source: Kentucky Department of Education

# **Vocational Training**

<b>Location</b>	2021-22 Cumulative <u>Enrollment</u>
Hebron	216
Erlanger	984
Alexandria	341
Carrollton	292
Cynthiana	463
Maysville	206
	Hebron Erlanger Alexandria Carrollton Cynthiana

Source: Kentucky Department of Education

# **Colleges and Universities**

45.46% of the population in Campbell County have an associate's degree or higher. 92.48% have a high school degree or higher.

<u>Top 5 Universities</u>	By Number of Graduates
University of Cincinnati - Main Campus	10,085
Miami University - Oxford	6,104
Northern KY University	3,045
Xavier University	2,010
Cincinnati State Technical & Community College	1,122

# **EXISTING INDUSTRY**

<u>Firm</u>	<b>Product</b>	<b>Employment</b>
Alexandria Reis Concrete Products Inc Tyson - Hillshire Brands	Ready-mixed concrete & precast septic tank Little smokies (cocktails); hot dogs; lunch meat	30 758
<b>Bellevue</b> Liberty Plastics Molding Corp Inc	Plastic injection molds, molding & prototypes; packaging machinery parts; plastic chemical transfer pump bodies, components, bowling alley parts, utility ind	6
Newforms Inc Otto Printing & Entertainment Graphics Thompson Enamel Inc	Commercial printer Digital printing, brochures, business cards Powdered glass colors (enamels)	4 6 16
Cold Spring CCL Label Fischer Special Manufacturing	Flexographic and variable image printing Automatic screw machine products	75 65
Dayton Active Radiator Advertiser Printers Inc Cobb Inc Fastemp Glass Co Inc Metal Solutions Design & Fabrication LLC	Truck and industrial radiators Commercial offset printing/binding Electronic prepess work & typesetting Glass products for lighting fixtures Manufacture DOT certified metal containers for nuclear waste & other hazardous products	15 28 7 30
Highland Heights Busken Bakery Inc	Produces hamburger/hot dog buns, cakes, donuts	4
Newport Dixie Chili Inc International Indentification Inc Steinhauser Inc Wendling Printing Inc	Manufacture and distribute canned chili Animal ID tags Packaging, pressure sensitive labels Offset printing and binding	16 75 34 20
Silver Grove Continental Building Products	Gypsum wallboard, joint compound	275

# Wilder

Andrews Laser Works Corp	Laser processing; metal stamping; welding	100
Ferrous85 Company	Steel toll processor of rolled steel	11
TMK IPSCO Tubulars Kentucky	Manufacture steel pipes for oil & gas industry	349
Trophy Awards Manufacturing Inc	Awards, crystal awards, acrylic awards, trophies	35

Source: Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers (January 2020).

# **APPENDIX B**

Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds Series 2023B

**Audited Financial Statement ending June 30, 2022** 

# **Fort Thomas Independent School District**

Financial Statements
With Supplementary Information
Year Ended June 30, 2022
With Independent Auditors' Report

# June 30, 2022

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#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Members of the Board of Education Fort Thomas Independent School District Fort Thomas, Kentucky

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Fort Thomas Independent School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fort Thomas Independent School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Fort Thomas Independent School District, as of June 30, 2022, 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Fort Thomas 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 the Fort Thomas 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.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

#### **BARNES DENNIG**

# Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

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

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

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

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the information on pages 4-8, 51-53, and 59-68 as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. 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.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Fort Thomas Independent School District's basic financial statements. The information on pages 49-50 and 54-58 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The information on pages 49-50 and 54-58 is the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information on pages 49-50 and 54-58 is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **BARNES DENNIG**

# Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 15, 2022 on our consideration of the Fort Thomas 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 the Fort Thomas Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Fort Thomas Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

### Change in Accounting Principle

Burner, Dung & Co, Std.

As discussed in Note 19 to the financial statements, the District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 87, *Leases*, effective as of July 1, 2021. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Crestview Hills, Kentucky

November 15, 2022

# Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) - Unaudited Year Ended June 30, 2022

As management of Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education (Board), the governing body for the Fort Thomas Independent School District (District), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information found within the body of the financial statements and notes. All amounts used in this MD&A are approximate amounts, except where more specific.

#### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- The beginning cash balance, including investments, for the District was \$6,453,960.
- The District administered \$1,106,569 in Federal, State and local grants during the year.
- The General Fund had \$34,798,911 in revenue, which primarily consisted of the state program (SEEK), property taxes, local occupational license taxes, utilities taxes, and motor vehicle taxes.
   There was \$34,436,551 in General Fund expenditures. Budgeted contingency funds were \$1,850,000 in the General Fund in 2022.
- The ending fund balance in the General Fund for fiscal year 2022 is \$4,002,205. This is an increase of \$287,671 from 2021. From year to year the state legislature is requiring the District to absorb more and more mandated expenses, while at the same time they continue to cut grant funding.
- Bonds are issued as the District renovates facilities consistent with a long-range facilities plan that is
  established with community input and in keeping with Kentucky Department of Education compliance
  regulations.
- The District has made significant investments in technology for the classroom. Finance leases for laptop computers and school building digital conversion for students in grades K-12 were entered into in keeping with Kentucky Department of Education compliance regulations.
- Our primary financial concern continues to be state funding which has not kept up with the increases in operating expenses due to inflation, increased salaries some of which are a direct result of mandates by the state, and an increasing portion of the retirement shortfall that we have been asked to fund. After many years of not making the necessary contributions to fully fund the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System (KTRS), the legislature passed along a portion of the funding shortfall to employees and a larger portion to school districts. As a result, our district has paid hundreds of thousands of dollars into the retirement system and will pay millions of dollars in the future in an effort to help stabilize the fund. The continual erosion of state funding makes it increasingly difficult to maintain the high standard of education and programming that our students deserve without increasing taxes locally. In this climate of shrinking state support and problems with the SEEK funding model, the Fort Thomas Independent School District will maintain fiscally responsible policies in order to continue providing quality academic, extra-curricular and community service programs to all of its students.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) - Unaudited Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

### **OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) district-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**District-wide financial statements.** The district-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The district-wide financial statements outline functions of the District that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the District include instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, student transportation and operation of non-instructional services. Fixed assets and related debt is also supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The district-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 and 10 of this report.

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. This is a state mandated uniform system and chart of accounts for all Kentucky public school districts utilizing the MUNIS administrative software. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are trust funds established by benefactors to aid in student education, welfare and teacher support. The only proprietary funds are our vending and food service operations. All other activities of the District are included in the governmental funds.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 through 17 of this report.

**Notes to the financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 18 through 48 of this report.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) - Unaudited Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

### **DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$22,267,626 as of June 30, 2022.

The largest portion of the District's net position reflects its investment in capital assets (i.e. land and improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles, furniture and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to its students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The District's financial position is the product of several financial transactions, including the net results of activities, the acquisition and payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets, and the depreciation of capital assets.

## Net Position for the periods ending June 30, 2022 and 2021

The following is a summary of net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021.

	2022	2021
Current assets	\$ 6,256,929	\$ 7,464,226
Noncurrent assets	103,816,064	101,692,616
Total assets	110,072,993	109,156,842
Total deferred outflows	5,793,678	5,097,560
Current liabilities	6,323,835	5,833,203
Noncurrent liabilities	80,159,101	85,020,635
Total liabilities	86,482,936	90,853,838
Total deferred inflows	7,116,109	3,892,155
Net position		
Investment in capital assets (net of debt)	36,242,603	32,886,522
Restricted	(16,297,301)	(15,533,298)
Unrestricted	2,322,324	2,155,185
Total net position	\$ 22,267,626	\$ 19,508,409

### **Comments on General Fund Budget Comparisons**

• The District's total General Fund revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 were \$34,798,911.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) - Unaudited Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

## **DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)**

## **Comments on General Fund Budget Comparisons (Continued)**

- General Fund budget compared to actual revenue varied slightly from line item to line item with the ending actual balance being \$9,308,873 more than budget or approximately 36.5% of the General Fund budget. The majority of this variance is the result of the District recording "on behalf" payments made by the state.
- The total cost of all General Fund programs and services was \$32,436,551 including debt service and interfund transfers of \$74,689.
- General Fund actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by \$7,423,553. The majority of this variance is the result of the District recording "on behalf" payments made by the state.

The following table presents a summary of revenues and expenses for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022 and 2021.

	2022	2021
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 1,980,900	\$ 1,229,156
Operating grants and contributions	1,863,451	3,417,291
Total grant revenues	3,844,351	4,646,447
General revenues:		
Property taxes	17,943,915	17,211,976
Grants and entitlements	6,980,085	8,651,466
Earnings on investments	7,379	15,996
Miscellaneous	3,086,775	1,986,462
Total general revenues	28,018,154	27,865,900
Total revenues	31,862,505	32,512,347
Expenses:		
Instruction	10,817,554	13,524,902
Student support services	2,255,734	2,282,227
Staff support services	1,726,947	1,685,028
District administration	1,679,246	1,582,506
School administration	3,098,289	2,926,675
Business support	1,326,340	1,209,079
Plant operations	3,883,546	3,545,774
Student transportation	288,790	199,816
Community services	24,448	(81)
Facility acquisition and construction	87,226	-
Food service	1,486,119	1,109,531
Interest	2,429,049	2,163,788
Total expenses	29,103,288	30,229,245
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 2,759,217	\$ 2,283,102

## Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) - Unaudited Year Ended June 30, 2022 (Continued)

### **BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS**

In Kentucky, the public school fiscal year is July 1-June 30; other programs, i.e. some federal programs operate on a different fiscal calendar, but are reflected in the District overall budget. By law, the budget must have a minimum 2% contingency. The District adopted a budget with \$1,850,000 in contingency (6.8%).

## CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Questions regarding this report should be directed to Mr. Brian Robinson, Superintendent, at (859) 815-2020 or to his representative Mr. Andy Remlinger, District Finance Officer/Treasurer (859) 815-2002 or by mail at Fort Thomas Independent School District, 28 N. Fort Thomas Avenue, Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075.

## Statement of Net Position – District Wide As of June 30, 2022

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Assets			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,160,382	\$ 335,267	\$ 5,495,649
Prepaid expenses	120,071	-	120,071
Accounts receivable	629,531	1,263	630,794
Inventories for consumption		10,415	10,415
Total current	5,909,984	346,945	6,256,929
Noncurrent			
Financed computers	2,331,223	-	2,331,223
Right of use assets	1,691,672	-	1,691,672
Less: accumulated amortization	(1,240,376)	-	(1,240,376)
Nondepreciated capital assets:			
Land	565,820	-	565,820
Depreciated capital assets:			
Land improvements	218,119	-	218,119
Buildings and improvements	123,155,709	-	123,155,709
Furniture and equipment	8,025,258	634,796	8,660,054
Less: accumulated depreciation	(30,987,277)	(578,880)	(31,566,157)
Total noncurrent	103,760,148	55,916	103,816,064
Total assets	109,670,132	402,861	110,072,993
Deferred outflows	5,654,189	139,489	5,793,678
Liabilities			
Current			
Current portion of bonds payable	4,202,991	-	4,202,991
Current portion of finance leases	24,300	-	24,300
Current portion of lease liability	139,082	-	139,082
Current portion of loan payable	604,576	-	604,576
Accounts payable	400,965	3,041	404,006
Accrued interest	686,473	-	686,473
Accrued sick leave	59,761	-	59,761
Unearned revenues	181,436	21,210	202,646
Total current	6,299,584	24,251	6,323,835
Noncurrent			
Accrued sick leave	537,846	=	537,846
Finance leases	17,718	-	17,718
Lease liability	1,132,911	=	1,132,911
Loan payable - financed computers	1,165,236	=	1,165,236
MIF net OPEB liability	8,160,002	206,845	8,366,847
CERS net pension liability	8,290,365	210,150	8,500,515
Bond obligations	60,438,028	<u> </u>	60,438,028
Total noncurrent	79,742,106	416,995	80,159,101
Total liabilities	86,041,690	441,246	86,482,936
Deferred inflows	6,940,184	175,925	7,116,109
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	36,186,687	55,916	36,242,603
Restricted	(16,143,490)	(153,811)	(16,297,301)
Unrestricted	2,299,250	23,074	2,322,324
Total net position	\$ 22,342,447	\$ (74,821)	\$ 22,267,626

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

## Statement of Activities - District Wide Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position **Program Revenues Capital Grants** Operating Charges for Grants and and Governmental **Business Type** Functions/Programs Services Contributions Contributions **Activities** Activities Total Expenses **Governmental Activities:** Instructional \$ 10,817,554 629,744 \$ 1,615,257 (8,572,553) (8,572,553) 2,255,734 (2,255,734)(2,255,734) Student support services Staff support services 1,726,947 55,765 (1,671,182)(1,671,182)District administration 1,679,246 (1,679,246)(1,679,246)School administration 3,098,289 (3,098,289)(3,098,289)Business support services 1,326,340 (1,326,340)(1,326,340) Plant operation and maintenance 3,883,546 87,333 (3,796,213)(3,796,213) Student transportation 288,790 (288,790)(288,790)Community service operations 24,448 24.448 Facility acquisition and construction 87,226 (87,226)(87,226)Interest on long-term debt 2,429,049 (2,429,049)(2,429,049)Total governmental activities 27,617,169 629,744 1,782,803 (25,204,622) (25,204,622) **Business-type Activities** Food service and other activities 1,486,119 1,351,156 80,648 (54,315)(54,315)Total business-type activities 1,486,119 1,351,156 80,648 (54,315)(54,315)Total school district 29,103,288 1,980,900 1,863,451 (25,204,622) (54,315)(25,258,937) General revenues: Taxes 17,943,915 17,943,915 State and federal sources 6,980,085 6,980,085 Investment earnings 7,116 263 7,379 Miscellaneous 3,086,775 3,086,775 Transfers (26,000)26,000 Total general and special revenues 27,991,891 26,263 28,018,154 Change in net position 2,787,269 (28,052)2,759,217 Net position - beginning 19,555,178 (46,769)19,508,409 Net position - ending

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## Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds As of June 30, 2022

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Non-major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Current					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,789,806	\$ 15,040	\$ -	\$ 1,355,536	\$ 5,160,382
Prepaid expenses	120,071	-	-	-	120,071
Accounts receivable	400,231	225,858		3,442	629,531
Total assets	\$ 4,310,108	\$ 240,898	\$ -	\$ 1,358,978	\$ 5,909,984
Liabilities and Fund Balance					
Current					
Accounts payable	\$ 307,903	\$ 59,462	\$ -	\$ 33,600	\$ 400,965
Unearned revenues		181,436		<u>-</u>	181,436
Total current	307,903	240,898	<u> </u>	33,600	582,401
Fund Balance					
Nonspendable prepaids	120,071	-	-	-	120,071
Restricted					
Other	-	-	-	675,901	675,901
Capital Projects	-	-	-	649,477	649,477
Accrued sick leave	298,804	-	-	-	298,804
Unassigned	3,583,330				3,583,330
Total fund balance	4,002,205			1,325,378	5,327,583
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 4,310,108	\$ 240,898	<u> </u>	\$ 1,358,978	\$ 5,909,984

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## Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position As of June 30, 2022

Total governmental fund balance		\$ 5,327,583
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources		
and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds.		
Financed computers	2,331,223	
Cost of right of use assets	1,691,672	
Accumulated amortization	(1,240,376)	
Cost of capital assets	131,964,906	
Accumulated depreciation	(30,987,277)	103,760,148
Deferred loss on refunding	151,381	
Deferred outflows for MIF contributions made after the measurement date	627,229	
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	3,308,667	
Deferred outflows for CERS contributions made after the measurement date	906,154	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	660,758	5,654,189
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(1,607,889)	
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	(5,332,295)	(6,940,184)
Long-term liabilities (including bonds payable) are not due and payable in the		
current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.		
Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:		
Bonds payable		(65,026,239)
Lease liability		(1,271,993)
Loan payable		(1,769,812)
Discount on bonds payable		385,220
Accrued interest on bonds		(686,473)
Net pension liability		(8,290,365)
Net OPEB liability		(8,160,002)
Finance lease obligations		(42,018)
Accrued sick leave		(597,607)
Total net position - governmental		\$ 22,342,447

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2022

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Non-major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ 16,266,987	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,676,928	\$ 17,943,915
Earnings on investments	6,040	-	<u>-</u>	1,076	7,116
State sources	17,723,823	577,160	3,345,575	1,437,625	23,084,183
Federal sources	-	1,106,569	-	-	1,106,569
Other sources	802,061	99,074		2,265,489	3,166,624
Total revenues	34,798,911	1,782,803	3,345,575	5,381,118	45,308,407
Expenditures:					
Instructional	20,841,991	1,676,115	<u>-</u>	1,668,046	24,186,152
Student support services	2,255,734	-	<u>-</u>	-	2,255,734
Staff support services	1,651,003	55,765	-	20,179	1,726,947
District administration	1,678,676	-	-	-	1,678,676
School administration	2,537,733	-	-	-	2,537,733
Business support services	1,326,340	-	-	-	1,326,340
Plant operation and maintenance	3,766,611	87,333	<u>-</u>	-	3,853,944
Student transportation	287,886	-	-	904	288,790
Community service operations	-	24,448	-	-	24,448
Facility acquisition and construction	6,626	-	-	2,148,401	2,155,027
Debt service:				-	
Principal	78,552	-	4,094,990	-	4,173,542
Interest	5,399	-	2,065,685	-	2,071,084
Bond costs					
Total expenditures	34,436,551	1,843,661	6,160,675	3,837,530	46,278,417
Excess(deficit) of revenues over expenditures	362,360	(60,858)	(2,815,100)	1,543,588	(970,010)
Other financing sources(uses):					
Operating transfers in	<u>-</u>	60,858	2,815,100	41,606	2,917,564
Operating transfers out	(74,689)			(2,868,875)	(2,943,564)
Total other financing sources(uses)	(74,689)	60,858	2,815,100	(2,827,269)	(26,000)
Net change in fund balance	287,671	-	-	(1,283,681)	(996,010)
Fund balance, July 1, 2021	3,714,534			2,609,059	6,323,593
Fund balance, June 30, 2022	\$ 4,002,205	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,325,378	\$ 5,327,583

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# Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2022

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

Net changes-governmental funds	\$ (996,010)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures because they use current financial resources. However in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation expense for the year.  Amortization expense (755,650)  Depreciation expense (3,057,045)  Capital outlays	
Bond, lease and loan proceeds are reported as financing sources in governmental funds and thus contribute to the change in fund balance.  In the statement of net position however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but reduces the liability	951,401
in the statement of net position.  Bond principal paid 4,104,279  Lease principal paid 138,582  Loan proceeds (2,331,223)  Loan principal paid 604,576  Discount on bond issue (22,660)  Amortization of bond refinancing (35,683)  Finance lease principal paid 228,502	
	2,686,373
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	(446,618) 1,153,930
Deferred inflows related to pensions Deferred inflows related to OPEB	(1,237,385) (1,901,796)
Generally, expenditures recognized in this fund financial statement are limited to only those that use current financial resources, but expenses are recognized in the statement of activities when they are incurred.	2,577,374
Changes in net position of governmental activities	\$ 2,787,269

## Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Funds As of June 30, 2022

	Food Service	Summer Enrichment	Adult Education	Total
Assets				
Current				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 311,614	\$ 22,617	\$ 1,036	\$ 335,267
Accounts receivable	1,263	-	-	1,263
Inventories for consumption	10,415			10,415
Total current	323,292	22,617	1,036	346,945
Noncurrent				
Furniture and fixtures	634,796	-	-	634,796
Less accumulated depreciation	(578,880)			(578,880)
Total noncurrent	55,916			55,916
Total assets	379,208	22,617	1,036	402,861
Deferred outflows	139,489			139,489
Liabilities and Net Position				
Current				
Accounts payable	2,462	579	-	3,041
Unearned revenue	21,210			21,210
Total current	23,672	579		24,251
Noncurrent				
MIF net OPEB liability	206,845	-	-	206,845
CERS net pension liability	210,150			210,150
Total noncurrent	416,995			416,995
Total liabilities	440,667	579		441,246
Deferred inflows	175,925			175,925
Net Position				
Invested in assets, net of debt	55,916	-	-	55,916
Restricted	(153,811)			(153,811)
Unrestricted		22,038	1,036	23,074
Total net position	\$ (97,895)	\$ 22,038	\$ 1,036	\$ (74,821)

## Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position – Proprietary Funds Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Food Summer Service Enrichment		Adult Education	Total
Operating revenues:				
Lunchroom sales	\$ 1,336,562	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,336,562
Other operating revenues		14,594		14,594
Total operating revenues	1,336,562	14,594		1,351,156
Operating expenses:				
Salaries and benefits	761,087	10,474	-	771,561
Contract services	16,986	200	-	17,186
Materials and supplies	659,758	2,532	-	662,290
Depreciation	34,899	-	-	34,899
Other operating expenses	183	-		183
Total operating expenses	1,472,913	13,206		1,486,119
Operating income (loss)	(136,351)	1,388		(134,963)
Nonoperating revenues:				
State grants	80,648	-	-	80,648
Transfers	26,000	-	-	26,000
Interest income	263			263
Total non-operating revenue	106,911			106,911
Change in net position	(29,440)	1,388	-	(28,052)
Total net position, July 1, 2021	(68,455)	20,650	1,036	(46,769)
Total net position, June 30, 2022	\$ (97,895)	\$ 22,038	\$ 1,036	\$ (74,821)

## Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Foo	od Service Fund	En	ummer richment Fund	Edu	Adult ucation Fund		Total
Cash flows from operating activities								
Cash received from lunchroom sales	\$	1,336,562	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,336,562
Cash received from other activities		-		14,594		-		14,594
Cash payments to employees for services		(747,532)		(10,474)		-		(758,006)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services		(677,502)		(3,776)				(681,278)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(62,472)		344				(62,128)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities								
Non-operating revenues received		80,648				-		80,648
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		80,648				-	_	80,648
Cash flows from investing activities								
Interest on investments		263		-				263
Net cash provided by investing activities		263						263
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		18,439		344		-		18,783
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning		293,175		22,273		1,036		316,484
Cash and cash equivalents - ending	\$	311,614	\$	22,617	\$	1,036	\$	335,267
Reconciliation of operating income/(loss) to net cash								
provided by (used in) operating activities								
Operating income (loss)	\$	(136,351)	\$	1,388	\$	-	\$	(134,963)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income/(loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities								
Depreciation		34,899		-		-		34,899
Interfund transfer		26,000		-		-		26,000
Changes in assets and liabilities:								
Increase in deferred outflows		(24,489)		-		-		(24,489)
Decrease in MIF net OPEB liability		(20,360)		-		-		(20,360)
Decrease in CERS net pension liability		(26,369)		-		-		(26,369)
Increase in deferred inflows		84,773		-		-		84,773
Decrease in inventory		18,778						18,778
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		2,195		(1,044)				1,151
Decrease in unearned revenue		(21,548)		<u>-</u>				(21,548)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	(62,472)	\$	344	\$		\$	(62,128)
Schedule of non-cash transactions								
On behalf payments	\$	80,648	\$		\$		\$	80,648

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Reporting Entity

The Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education (Board), a five-member group, is the level of government which has oversight responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the Fort Thomas Independent School District (District). The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the commitment requirements of these funding source entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined in Section 2100, Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards. Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to develop policies which may influence operations, and primary accountability for fiscal matters.

The District, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of the Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education. The financial statements presented herein do not include funds of groups and organizations, which although associated with the school system, have not originated within the Board itself such as Parent-Teacher Associations, etc.

The financial statements of the District include those of separately administered organizations that are controlled by or dependent on the Board. Control or dependence is determined on the basis of budget adoption, funding and appointment of the respective governing board.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the financial statements of the following organization are included in the accompanying financial statements:

<u>Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation</u> - The Board authorized the establishment of the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation (a non-profit, non-stock, public and charitable corporation organized under the School Bond Act and KRS 273 and KRS 58.180) as an agency of the District for financing the costs of school building facilities. The Board Members of the Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education also comprise the Corporation's Board of Directors.

## Basis of Presentation

District-wide Financial Statements – The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

The district-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the district-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Basis of Presentation (Continued)

The district-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the District and for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements – Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets and current liabilities, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the changes in total net position. Proprietary funds and fiduciary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

The District has the following funds:

### I. Governmental Fund Types

- (A) The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the District. It accounts for financial resources used for general types of operations. This is a budgeted fund and any unrestricted fund balances are considered as resources available for use. This is a major fund of the District.
- (B) The Special Revenue Fund accounts for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to disbursements for specified purposes. It includes federal financial programs where unused balances are returned to the grantor at the close of specified project periods as well as the state grant programs. Project accounting is employed to maintain integrity for the various sources of funds. The separate projects of federally funded grant programs are identified in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards included in this report on page 69. This is a major fund of the District.
- (C) Special Revenue Activity Fund is used to support co-curricular activities and are not raised and expended by student groups. District activity funds accounted for in the District bank account are not subject to the Redbook and may be expended with more flexibility than school activity funds but must meet the "educational purpose" standard for all District expenditures.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## Basis of Presentation (Continued)

- I. Governmental Fund Types (continued)
  - (D) The Activity Funds account for activities of student groups and other types of activities requiring clearing accounts. These funds are accounted for in accordance with Uniform Program of Accounting for School Activity Funds.
  - (E) Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and equipment (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds).
    - 1. The Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) Capital Outlay Fund receives those funds designated by the state as Capital Outlay funds and is restricted for use in financing projects identified in the District's facility plan.
    - 2. The Facility Support Program of Kentucky Fund (FSPK) accounts for funds generated by the building tax levy required to participate in the School Facilities Construction Commission's construction funding and state matching funds, where applicable. Funds may be used for projects identified in the District's facility plan.
    - 3. The Construction Fund accounts for proceeds from sales of bonds and other revenues to be used for authorized construction. The District is committed to construction contracts in the amount of \$66,151 for ongoing projects.

### II. Debt Service Fund

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest and related cost; and, for the payment of interest on general obligation notes payable, as required by Kentucky Law. This is a major fund of the District.

## III. <u>Proprietary Fund</u> (Enterprise Fund)

- (A) The School Food Service Fund is used to account for school food service activities, including the National School Lunch Program, which is conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The Food Service fund is a major fund of the District.
- (B) The Adult Education Fund is used to account for programs for adult education.
- (C) The Summer Enrichment Fund is used to account for programs for additional learning opportunities outside of the normal school calendar.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Basis of Presentation (Continued)

## IV. Fiduciary Fund Type (Agency and Trust Funds)

The District applies all Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements to proprietary funds as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989 unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

## Basis of Accounting

The District's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The GASB is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local government through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations).

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. District-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues – Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions – Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenues are recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of the fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, 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. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenues from nonexchange transactions must also be available before they can be recognized.

Unearned Revenue – Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as unearned revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures – On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Taxes

Property Tax Revenues – Property taxes are levied each September on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, for all real and personal property in the county. The billings are considered due upon receipt by the taxpayer; however, the actual date is based on a period ending 30 days after the tax bill mailing. Property taxes collected are recorded as revenues in the fiscal year for which they were levied. All taxes collected are initially deposited into the General Fund and then transferred to the appropriate fund.

## **Budgetary Process**

Budgetary Basis of Accounting: The District's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a basis other than GAAP of the United States of America. The major differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis are:

Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District considers demand deposits, money market funds, and other investments with an original maturity of 90 days or less, to be cash equivalents.

#### **Inventories**

Supplies and materials are charged to expenditures when purchased, except for inventories in the Proprietary Fund, which are capitalized at the lower of cost or market.

## Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the district-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets utilized by the proprietary funds are reported both in the business-type activities column of the district-wide statement of net position and in the respective funds.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of one thousand dollars, with the exception of computers, digital cameras and real property, for which there is no threshold. The District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Capital Assets (Continued)

All reported capital assets are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives for both general capital assets and proprietary fund assets:

	Governmental Activities
<u>Description</u>	Estimated Lives
Buildings and improvements	25-50 years
Land improvements	20 years
Technology equipment	5 years
Vehicles	5-10 years
Audio-visual equipment	15 years
Food service equipment	10-12 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Other	10 years

### Accumulated Unpaid Sick Leave Benefits

Upon retirement from the school system, an employee will receive from the District an amount equal to 30% of the value of accumulated sick leave. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination payment method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is based on the District's experience of making termination payments. The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the district-wide financial statements.

### **Interfund Balances**

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the statements of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances.

## Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the district-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, claims and judgments, the noncurrent portion of finance leases, accumulated sick leave, contractually required pension contributions and special termination benefits that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. In general, payments made within sixty days after year-end are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Fund Balance Reserves

Beginning with fiscal year 2012 the District implemented GASB Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on the District's fund balance more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact;

<u>Restricted fund balance</u> – amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

<u>Committed fund balance</u> – amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the action to remove or change the constraint.

<u>Assigned fund balance</u> – amounts the District intends to use for specific purpose (such as encumbrances); intent can be expressed by the District or by an official or body to which the District delegates the authority.

<u>Unassigned fund balance</u> – amounts that are available for purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the General fund.

It is the Board's practice to liquidate funds when conditions have been met releasing these funds from legal, contractual, Board or managerial obligations, using restricted funds first, followed by committed funds, assigned funds, then unassigned funds.

Encumbrances are not liabilities and are not recorded as expenditures until receipt of material or service. Encumbrances remaining open at the end of the fiscal year are automatically re-budgeted in the following fiscal year. Encumbrances are considered a managerial assignment of fund balance in the governmental funds balance sheet.

## **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

### Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the District, those revenues are primarily charges for meals provided by the various schools.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### **Interfund Activity**

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and as non-operating revenues/expenses in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

## **Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous ("CERS") and Teachers Retirement System of the State of Kentucky ("TRS") and additions to/deductions from fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pensions. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

### Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions

For purposes of measuring the liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (TRS) and additions to/deductions from TRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TRS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value, except for money market investments and participating interest-earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at cost.

#### NOTE 2 ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, designated fund balances, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the general purpose financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTE 3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, exceed federally insured limits. The amounts exceeding the federally insured limits are covered by a collateral agreement and the collateral is held by the pledging banks' trust departments in the District's name. The District has not experienced any losses in such accounts and the District believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
Governmental Activities	June 30, 2020	Additions	Deductions	June 30, 2021
Land	\$ 465,820	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 565,820
Land improvements	218,119	-	-	218,119
Buildings and improvements	99,271,614	23,884,095	-	123,155,709
Technology equipment	2,670,017	357,848	-	3,027,865
Vehicles	398,114	=	=	398,114
General equipment	3,735,263	864,016	-	4,599,279
Construction work in progress	22,773,086	2,148,401	24,921,487	
Totals at historical cost	129,532,033	27,354,360	24,921,487	131,964,906
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Land improvements	\$ 218,119	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 218,119
Buildings and improvements	22,515,065	2,638,748	-	25,153,813
Technology equipment	2,599,520	109,246	-	2,708,766
Vehicles	368,186	11,509	-	379,695
General equipment	2,229,342	297,542		2,526,884
Total accumulated depreciation	27,930,232	3,057,045		30,987,277
Governmental activities capital				
assets - net	\$ 101,601,801	\$ 24,297,315	\$ 24,921,487	\$ 100,977,629
Business - Type Activities				
General equipment	\$ 631,157	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 631,157
Technology equipment	3,639	-	-	3,639
Totals at historical cost	634,796			634,796
Less: accumulated depreciation	F40.040	¢ 24.000		F7F 0.44
General equipment	540,342	\$ 34,899	-	575,241
Technology equipment	3,639			3,639
Total accumulated depreciation	543,981	34,899	-	578,880
Business - type activities				
capital assets - net	\$ 90,815	\$ (34,899)	\$ -	\$ 55,916

Depreciation expense by function for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 was as follows:

	Governmental		Business-Type	
Instruction	\$	2,466,317	\$	-
District administration		570		-
School administration		560,556		-
Plant operation and maintenance		29,602		-
Food service				34,899
Total	\$	3,057,045	\$	34,899

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

### NOTE 5 ACCUMULATED UNPAID SICK LEAVE BENEFITS

Upon providing proof of qualification as an annuitant from the Kentucky Teacher's Retirement System, certified and classified employees will receive from the District an amount equal to 30% of the value of accumulated sick leave. At June 30, 2022 this amount totaled approximately \$597,607 for those employees with twenty-seven or more years of experience.

### NOTE 6 LEASE OBLIGATIONS AND BONDED DEBT

The amount shown in the accompanying financial statements as bond obligations represents the District's future obligations to make payments relating to the bonds issued including any unamortized portions of bond discounts or bond premiums.

The original amount of each issue, the issue date, and interest rates are summarized below:

Issue Date	Proceeds		Rates
July 1, 2012	\$	2,945,000	1.500% - 3.200%
May 1, 2013		3,310,000	2.000% - 3.125%
March 1, 2014		88,411	2.000% - 4.000%
April 1, 2014		2,245,000	3.000% - 4.000%
August 1, 2014		9,540,000	2.000% - 3.380%
March 1, 2015		9,080,000	2.000% - 3.000%
March 1, 2015		4,575,000	2.000% - 3.380%
November 1, 2015		23,810,000	1.000% - 3.400%
October 1, 2016		5,530,000	2.000%
February 1, 2019		22,660,000	3.000% - 3.625%
October 1, 2020		985,000	1.000% - 2.150%

The District, through the General Fund (including utility taxes and the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) Capital Outlay Fund) is obligated to make lease payments in amounts sufficient to satisfy debt service requirements on bonds issued by the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation to construct school facilities.

The District entered into "participation agreements" with the School Facility Construction Commission (Commission). The Commission was created by the Kentucky General Assembly for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting school construction needs. Note 18 sets forth the amount to be paid by the District and the Commission for each year until maturity of all bond issues. The liability for the total bond amount remains with the District and, as such, the total principal has been recorded in the financial statements.

All issues may be called prior to maturity and redemption premiums are specified in each issue. Assuming no bonds are called prior to scheduled maturity, the minimum obligations of the District, including amounts to be paid by the Commission, at June 30, 2022 for debt service (principal and interest) are reported in Note 18.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

#### NOTE 7 LEASES

The District has a lease agreement for computers that expires in July 2025. Annual payments of \$604,576 are required. There are no variable payments within the lease agreements. These computers are accounted for as a financed purchase as the title vests over the term of the lease with the District.

The District also has a lease agreement for office equipment that expires July 2024. Monthly payments of \$2,025 are required. There are no variable payments within the lease agreements.

The District also leases real estate. The use of two different athletic fields is leased to the district. Annual escalating payments are required on both leases. The payments range from \$9,916 to 13,426 for each lease. The lease agreements expire in January 2028 and September 2030. The district also has a lease agreement for office space. This lease requires monthly payments. From the lease's inception to September 2023 the monthly payments are \$7,600. From October 2023 to September 2028 the monthly payments are for \$8,500. Finally from October 2028 to October 2033 the monthly lease payments are for \$9,600.

An interest rate of 2.5% was utilized to calculate the lease and loan liability.

The following table shows the District's change in lease accounts for the year ended June 30, 2022:

Governmental Activities	Balance July 1, 2021	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2022
Financed computers	\$ -	\$ 2,331,223	\$ -	\$ 2,331,223
ROU Asset	\$ 1,691,672	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,691,672
ROU Accum. Amort.	\$ 484,727	\$ 755,650	\$ -	\$ 1,240,376
Lease liability	\$ 1,387,597	\$ -	\$ 115,604	\$ 1,271,993
Loan payable	\$ -	\$ 2,331,223	\$ 561,411	\$ 1,769,812

Future minimum payments related to loan payable are shown below:

	Principal	_	Interest		_	Total		tal	
FY2023	\$ 575,446	-	\$	29,	131	_	\$	(	604,576
FY2024	589,832			14,	744			(	604,575
FY2025	560,660					_		į	560,660
	_	-				_			
	\$ 1,725,938		\$	43,	875		\$	1,7	769,812

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

### NOTE 7 LEASES (CONTINUED)

Future minimum payments related to lease liabilities are shown below:

	Principal	Interest		Total
FY2023	\$ 109,131	\$ 29,951	\$	139,082
FY2024	120,582	27,101		147,683
FY2025	102,271	24,310		126,581
FY2026	105,363	21,719		127,082
FY2027	108,534	19,048		127,582
Thereafter	568,572	35,411		603,983
	\$ 1,114,453	\$ 157,540	\$	1,271,993

#### NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS

The District's employees are provided with two pension plans, based on each position's college degree requirement. The County Employees Retirement System covers employees whose position does not require a college degree or teaching certification. The Kentucky Teachers Retirement System covers positions requiring teaching certification or otherwise requiring a college degree.

## General information about the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous

### Plan description

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky Retirement System, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statute ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS. That report may be obtained from http://kyret.ky.gov/.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

## Benefits provided

CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the plan after five years' service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date:

Tier 1	Participation date	Before September 1, 2008
	Unreduced retirement	27 years service or 65 years old
	Reduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 55 years old
		At least 25 years service and any age
Tier 2	Participation date	September 1, 2008 - December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old
		Or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	At least 10 years service and 60 years old
Tier 3	Participation date	After December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old
		Or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	Not available

Cost of living adjustments are provided at the discretion of the General Assembly. Retirement is based on a factor of the number of years' service and hire date multiplied by the average of the highest five years' earnings. Reduced benefits are based on factors of both of these components. Participating employees become eligible to receive the health insurance benefit after at least 180 months of service. Death benefits are provided for both death after retirement and death prior to retirement. Death benefits after retirement are \$5,000 in lump sum. One month's service is required for death benefits prior to retirement and the employee must have suffered a duty-related death. The decedent's spouse will receive the higher of the normal death benefit and \$10,000 plus 75% of the decedent's monthly average rate of pay. If the surviving spouse remarries, the monthly rate will be recalculated to 25% of the decedent's monthly average. Any dependent child will receive 50% of the decedent's monthly final rate of pay up to 75% for all dependent children. Five years' service is required for nonservice-related disability benefits.

#### **Contributions**

Required contributions by the employee are based on the following tier:

	Required Contribution
Tier 1	5%
Tier 2	5% + 1% for insurance
Tier 3	5% + 1% for insurance

The contribution requirement for CERS for the year ended June 30, 2022, was \$1,119,553, which consisted of \$929,124 from the District and \$190,429 from the employees. Total contributions for the year ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$1,032,026 and \$1,023,982, respectively. The contributions have been contributed in full for fiscal years 2022, 2021 and 2020.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

## General information about the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky

## Plan description

Teaching certified employees of the District and other employees whose positions require at least a college degree are provided pensions through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation established to provide retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the Commonwealth. TRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the KRS. TRS is a blended component unit of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <a href="http://www.trs.ky.gov/05">http://www.trs.ky.gov/05</a> publications/index.htm.

## Benefits provided

For employees who have established an account in a retirement system administered by the Commonwealth prior to July 1, 2008, employees become vested when they complete five (5) years of credited service. To qualify for monthly retirement benefits, payable for life, employees must either:

- 1.) Attain age fifty-five (55) and complete five (5) years of Kentucky service, or
- 2.) Complete 27 years of Kentucky service.

Employees that retire before age 60 with less than 27 years of service receive reduced retirement benefits. Non-university employees with an account established prior to July 1, 2002 receive monthly payments equal to two (2) percent (service prior to July 1, 1983) and two and one-half (2.5) percent (service after July 1, 1983) of their final average salaries for each year of credited service. New employees (including second retirement accounts) after July 1, 2002 will receive monthly benefits equal to 2% of their final average salary for each year of service if, upon retirement, their total service less than ten years. New employees after July 1, 2002 who retire with ten or more years of total service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.5% of their final average salary for each year of service, including the first ten years. In addition, employees who retire July 1, 2004 and later with more than 30 years of service will have their multiplier increased for all years over 30 from 2.5% to 3.0% to be used in their benefit calculation. Effective July 1, 2008, the System has been amended to change the benefit structure for employees hired on or after that date.

Final average salary is defined as the member's five (5) highest annual salaries for those with less than 27 years of service. Employees at least age 55 with 27 or more years of service may use their three (3) highest annual salaries to compute the final average salary. TRS also provides disability benefits for vested employees at the rate of sixty (60) percent of the final average salary. A life insurance benefit, payable upon the death of a member, is \$2,000 for active contributing employees and \$5,000 for retired or disabled employees.

Cost of living increases are one and one-half (1.5) percent annually. Additional ad hoc increases and any other benefit amendments must be authorized by the General Assembly.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Contributions—Contribution rates are established by Kentucky Revised Statutes. Non-university employees are required to contribute 12.855% of their salaries to the System. University employees are required to contribute 10.400% of their salaries. KRS 161.580 allows each university to reduce the contribution of its employees by 2.215%; therefore, university employees contribute 8.185% of their salary to TRS. The contribution requirement for TRS for the year ended June 30, 2022, was \$2,708,451, which consisted of \$562,444 from the District and \$2,146,007 from the employees. Total contributions for the year ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$2,640,381 and \$2,513,426, respectively. The contributions have been contributed in full for fiscal years 2022, 2021 and 2020.

The Commonwealth of Kentucky, as a non-employer contributing entity, pays matching contributions at the rate of 13.105% of salaries for local school district and regional cooperative employees hired before July 1, 2008 and 14.105% for those hired after July 1, 2008. For local school district and regional cooperative employees whose salaries are federally funded, the employer contributes 16.105% of salaries. If an employee leaves covered employment before accumulating five (5) years of credited service, accumulated employee pension contributions plus interest are refunded to the employee upon the member's request.

#### **Medical Insurance Plan**

## Plan description

In addition to the pension benefits described above, KRS 161.675 requires TRS to provide postemployment healthcare benefits to eligible employees and dependents. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to employees under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. Once retired employees and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

## Funding policy

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, 6.59% of the gross annual payroll of employees before July 1, 2008 is contributed. 3.75% is paid by member contributions, 0.16% is credited to the Commonwealth, and 3.00% is contributed by the employer. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

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

At June 30, 2022, the District reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for CERS. The District did not report a liability for the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS because the Commonwealth of Kentucky provides the pension support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related Commonwealth support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the CERS net pension liability	\$ 8,500,515
Commonwealth's proportionate share of the KTRS net pension	
liability associated with the District	65,861,047
	\$ 74,361,562

The net pension liability for each plan was measured as of June 30, 2021, 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 for CERS was based on the actual liability of the employees and former employees relative to the total liability of the System as determined by the actuary. At June 30, 2021, the District's proportion was 0.133325% percent.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District recognized a reduction in pension expense of \$329,514 related to CERS. The District also recognized a reduction of expense of \$15,517,317 and a reduction of revenue of \$15,517,317 for TRS support provided by the Commonwealth. At June 30, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 97,612	\$ 82,503
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	329,763	1,462,739
Changes of Assumptions	114,087	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contribution	136,045	103,405
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	929,124	<u>-</u> _
Total	\$ 1,606,631	\$ 1,648,647

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

\$929,124 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:						
2023 \$	(127,844)					
2024	(236,960)					
2025	(251,547)					
2026	(354,789)					

## Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	CERS	KTRS
Inflation	2.30%	3.00%
Projected salary increases	3.30%	3.5 - 7.3%
Investment rate of return, net of		
investment expense and inflation	6.25%	7.10%

For CERS, mortality rates used for active members was PUB-2010 General Mortality table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on a mortality experience from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019. The mortality table used for disabled members was PUB-2010 Disabled Mortality table, with a 4-year set-forward for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010.

For TRS, mortality rates were based on Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each groups: service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 6-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the board on September 20, 2021.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

For CERS, the long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the regular experience studies prepared every five years. The most recent analysis, performed for the period covering fiscal years 2014 through 2018, is outlined in a report dated April 18, 2019. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were 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 then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a lognormal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS' and CERS' investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	TRS Target Allocation	TRS Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	CERS Target Allocation	CERS Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
US equity	40.0%	4.20%	21.8%	5.70%
International Equity	22.0%	22.00%	21.8%	6.35%
Core bonds			10.0%	0.00%
Private equity	7.0%	6.90%	10.0%	9.70%
High yield	2.0%	1.70%	15.0%	2.80%
Fixed income	15.0%	-0.10%		
Additional categories	5.0%	2.20%		
Real estate	7.0%	4.00%	10.0%	5.40%
Opportunistic			0.0%	N/A
Real return			10.0%	4.55%
Cash	2.0%	-0.30%	1.5%	-0.60%
Total	100%		100%	

## Discount rate

For CERS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan employees and employers will be made at statutory contribution rates. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment return of 6.25%. The long-term investment rate of return was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 8 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

For TRS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates for all fiscal years in the future. 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.

## Sensitivity of CERS and TRS proportionate share of net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following table presents the net pension liability of the District, calculated using the discount rates selected by each pension system, as well as what the District's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Currer	nt Discount Rate	1	% Increase
CERS District's proportionate share of net	5.25%		6.25%		7.25%
pension liability	\$ 10,902,313	\$	8,500,515	\$	6,513,083
TRS District's proportionate share of net	6.10%		7.10%		8.10%
pension liability	-		-		-

## Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial reports of both CERS and TRS.

#### NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS

### General information about the Teachers' Retirement System OPEB Plan

### Plan description

Teaching-certified employees of the Fort Thomas Independent Schools are provided OPEBs through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (TRS) – a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan with a special funding situation established to provided retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the state. TRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the Kentucky Revised Statues and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at https://trs.ky.gov/financial-reports-information.

The state reports a liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, and expense as a result of its statutory requirement to contribute to the TRS Medical Insurance and Life Insurance Plans. The following information is about the TRS plans.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

#### **Medical Insurance Plan**

### Plan description

In addition to the OPEB benefits described above, Kentucky Revised Statute 161.675 requires TRS to provide post-employment healthcare benefits to eligible members and dependents. The TRS Medical Insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

## Benefits provided

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to members under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. TRS retired members are given a supplement to be used for payment of their health insurance premium. The amount of the member's supplement is based on a contribution supplement table approved by the TRS Board of Trustees. The retired member pays premiums in excess of the monthly supplement. Once retired members and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

### **Contributions**

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, seven and one-half percent (7.50%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed. Three and three quarters percent (3.75%) is paid by member contributions and three quarters percent (.75%) from state appropriation and three percent (3.00%) from the employer. The state contributes the net cost of health insurance premiums for members who retired on or after July 1, 2010 who are in the non-Medicare eligible group. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

## General information about the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous OPEB Plan

### Plan description

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky Retirement System, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statute ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS. That report may be obtained from <a href="https://kyret.ky.gov">https://kyret.ky.gov</a>.

## Benefits provided

CERS provides health insurance, death and disability benefits to Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the plan after five years' service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date. See Note 8 for tier classifications.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

## **Contributions**

Required contributions by the employee are based on the tier disclosed in Note 9.

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

At June 30, 2022, the Fort Thomas Independent School District reported a liability of \$8,366,847 for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that reflected a reduction for state OPEB support provided to the District. The collective net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the collective net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2021, the District's proportion was 0.27 percent for TRS, which was an increase of 0.01 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2021, the District's proportion was 0.13 percent for CERS, which was the same as its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the 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 CERS net OPEB liability	\$ 2,551,847
District's proportionate share of the TRS net OPEB liability	5,815,000
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the District	 4,722,000
	\$ 13,088,847

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$619,934 and revenue of \$390,655 for support provided by the State. At June 30, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of	
	Resources	Resources	
Difference between expected and actual performance	\$ 401,279	\$ 4,219,897	
Net difference between projected and actual			
earnings on OPEB plan investments	128,570	1,147,771	
Change of Assumptions	2,197,543	2,373	
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share			
of contributions	665,145	97,421	
District contributions subsequent to the			
measurement date	643,129		
Total	\$ 4,035,666	\$ 5,467,462	

Of the total amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, \$643,129 resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date and before the end of the fiscal year will be included as a reduction of the collective net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the District's OPEB expense as follows:

Year end	Year ended June 30:			
2023	\$	(451,103)		
2024		(514,758)		
2025		(488,988)		
2026		(602,076)		
2027		(70,000)		
Thereafter		52.000		

## Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

#### Actuarial assumptions

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	TRS	CERS
Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.	6.25%
Projected salary increases	3.50 - 7.20%, including wage inflation	3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service
Inflation rate	2.50%	2.30%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%	
Wage Inflation	2.75%	
Healthcare cost trend rates		
Under 65	7.00% for FY 2021 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FY 2031	Initial trend starting at 6.25% and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years
Ages 65 and Older	5.00% for FY 2022 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FY 2024	Initial trend starting at 5.50% and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 14 years
Medicare Part B Premiums	4.40% for FY 2021 with an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2034	
Municipal Bond Index Rate	2.13%	1.92%
Discount Rate	7.10%	5.20%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation	

For TRS, mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of the most actuarial experience studies, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the Board on September 20, 2021.

For CERS, mortality rates used for active members was PUB-2010 General Mortality table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on a mortality experience from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g. initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2020 valuation.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a lognormal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	58.0%	5.1%
Fixed Income	9.0%	-0.1%
Real Estate	6.5%	4.0%
Private Equity	8.5%	6.9%
Other Additional Categories	17.0%	3.9%
Cash (LIBOR)	1.0%	-0.3%
Total	100.0%	

#### Discount rate

For TRS, the discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

For CERS, the discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 5.20%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.10%)	Current Discount Rate (7.10%)	1% Increase (8.10%)
TRS			
Districts' net OPEB liability	\$ 7,445,000	\$ 5,815,000	\$ 4,468,000
	40/ Dagrage	Comment Discount	40/ 1
	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
	(4.20%)	Rate (5.20%)	(6.20%)
CERS			
Districts' net OPEB liability	\$ 3,503,667	\$ 2,551,847	\$ 1,770,721

# Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that were 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase	
TRS Districts' net OPEB liability	\$ 4,225,000	\$ 5,815,000	\$ 7,794,000	
CERS	1% Decrease	Current Trend Rate	1% Increase	
Districts' net OPEB liability	\$ 1,837,027	\$ 2,551,847	\$ 3,414,646	

# OPEB plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report.

#### Life Insurance Plan

# Plan description

TRS administers the life insurance plan as provided by Kentucky Revised Statute 161.655 to eligible active and retired members. The TRS Life Insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the life insurance plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees and the General Assembly.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

# NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

## Benefits provided

TRS provides a life insurance benefit of five thousand dollars payable for members who retire based on service or disability. TRS provides a life insurance benefit of two thousand dollars payable for its active contributing members. The life insurance benefit is payable upon the death of the member to the member's estate or to a party designated by the member.

#### **Contributions**

In order to fund the post-retirement life insurance benefit, three hundredths of one percent (.03%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed by the state.

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

At June 30, 2022, the Fort Thomas Independent School District did not report a liability for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability for life insurance benefits because the State of Kentucky provides the OPEB support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the 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 net OPEB liability	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	
associated with the District	63,000
	\$ 63,000

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$-0- and revenue of \$9,621 for support provided by the State.

#### Actuarial assumptions

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including
	inflation.
Projected salary increases	3.00 - 7.50%, including wage inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Municipal Bond Index Rate	2.13%
Discount Rate	7.50%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

## NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

Mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of the most actuarial experience studies, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the Board on September 20, 2021.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g. initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2020 valuation.

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return			
U.S. Equity	40.0%	4.4%			
International Equity	23.0%	5.6%			
Fixed Income	18.0%	-0.1%			
Real Estate	6.0%	4.0%			
Private Equity	5.0%	6.9%			
Other Additional Categories	6.0%	2.1%			
Cash (LIBOR)	2.0%	-0.3%			
Total	100.0%				

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

# NOTE 9 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

#### Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability for life insurance was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.10%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.10%) than the current rate:

	1% Decreas	e Current	Discount	1% Inc	rease
	(6.10%)	Rate (	7.10%)	(8.10	0%)
				_	
Districts' net OPEB liability	\$	- \$	-	\$	-

### OPEB plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report.

# **NOTE 10 CONTINGENCIES**

#### **Grant Fund Approval**

The District receives funding from federal, state, and local government agencies and private contributions. These funds are to be used for designated purposes only. For government agency grants, if the grantor's review indicates that the funds have not been used for the intended purpose, the grantors may request a refund of monies advanced or refuse to reimburse the District for its disbursements. The amount of such future refunds and unreimbursed disbursements, if any, is not expected to be significant. Continuation of the District's grant programs is predicated upon the grantors' satisfaction that the funds provided are being spent as intended and the grantors' intent to continue the programs.

### **NOTE 11 INSURANCE AND RELATED ACTIVITIES**

The District is exposed to various forms of loss of assets associated with the risks of fire, personal liability, theft, vehicular accidents, errors and omissions, fiduciary responsibility, etc. Each of these risk areas are covered through the purchase of commercial insurance. The District has purchased certain policies which are retrospectively rated, which includes workers' compensation insurance.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

#### **NOTE 12 RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. To obtain insurance for errors and omissions, and general liability coverage, the District participates in the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust (KISBIT) Liability Insurance Fund. These public entity risk pools operate as common risk management and insurance programs for all school districts and other tax supported educational agencies of Kentucky who are members of the Kentucky School Boards Association. The District pays an annual premium to each fund for coverage. The Liability Insurance fund pays insurance premiums of the participating members established by the insurance carrier. The Trust can terminate coverage if it is unable to obtain acceptable excess general liability coverage and for any reason by giving ninety (90) days' notice. In the event the Trust terminated coverage, any amount remaining in the Fund (after payment of operational and administrative costs and claims for which coverage was provided) would be returned to the member on a pro rata basis.

The District is self-insured for unemployment insurance benefits. The District reimburses the state for any claims paid. The District purchases workers' compensation insurance through the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust. In addition, the District continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### NOTE 13 DEFICIT OPERATING/FUND BALANCES

The District's Food Service Fund currently has a deficit fund balance of \$97,895. However, the following funds have operations that resulted in a current year deficit of revenues over expenditures, resulting in a corresponding reduction of fund balance:

Construction Fund	\$ 1,497,410
Food Service Fund	29,440
Debt Service Fund	58,564
Highlands High School	62,498
Highlands Middle School	4,211
Samuel Woodfill Elementary	1,393

#### **NOTE 14 COBRA**

Under COBRA, employers are mandated to notify terminated employees of available continuing insurance coverage. Failure to comply with this requirement may put the District at risk for a substantial loss (contingency).

# **NOTE 15 CONTINGENT LIABILITY**

The District is a participant in the Kentucky School Board Insurance Trust (KSBIT) in which the District purchases general liability and workers' compensation insurance. As of June 30, 2022, the liability has been paid in full.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

# **NOTE 16 TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

The following transfers were made during the year.

From Fund	To Fund	Purpose	Amou	<u>unt</u>
General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Matching	\$ 6	0,858
General Fund	Food Service Fund	Food Service	2	6,000
Building Fund	Debt Service Fund	Debt Service	2,77	7,829
Capital Outlay Fund	Debt Service Fund	Debt Service	3	7,271
Capital Outlay Fund	Construction Fund	Construction	5	3,775
Construction Fund	General Fund	Adjust Error	(1:	2,169)

# **NOTE 17 ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS**

For the year ended June 30, 2022 total payments of \$12,183,608 were made for life insurance, health insurance, TRS matching and administrative fees by the Commonwealth of Kentucky on behalf of the District. These payments were recognized as on-behalf payments and recorded in the appropriate revenue and expense accounts on the statement of activities.

General Fund	\$ 8,757,385
Debt Service	3,345,575
Food Service	80,648
Total On-Behalf	\$ 12,183,608

# Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

### NOTE 18 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

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FISCAL YEAR	F	ort Thomas Indepe School District			Y School Facilitie		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	Total Requirements
2022-2023	\$ 1,818,5	13 \$ 1,005,268	\$ 2,823,781	\$ 2,384,478	\$ 1,024,055	\$ 3,408,533	\$ 6,232,314
2023-2024	1,868,5	83 954,361	2,822,944	2,444,665	963,210	3,407,875	6,230,819
2024-2025	1,913,1	39 901,291	2,814,430	2,511,861	895,086	3,406,947	6,221,377
2025-2026	1,959,9	99 848,294	2,808,293	2,585,001	820,106	3,405,107	6,213,400
2026-2027	2,024,3	97 785,163	2,809,560	2,435,603	747,928	3,183,531	5,993,091
2027-2028	2,077,2	68 727,970	2,805,238	2,477,732	671,780	3,149,512	5,954,750
2028-2029	2,135,6	69 669,593	2,805,262	2,364,331	594,641	2,958,972	5,764,234
2029-2030	2,205,1	96 604,682	2,809,878	2,279,804	518,768	2,798,572	5,608,450
2030-2031	2,270,4	69 542,386	2,812,855	1,954,531	448,328	2,402,859	5,215,714
2031-2032	2,334,9	92 472,348	2,807,340	1,920,008	381,255	2,301,263	5,108,603
2032-2033	2,414,0	69 397,018	2,811,087	1,980,931	311,829	2,292,760	5,103,847
2033-2034	1,869,2	17 322,734	2,191,951	1,945,783	238,539	2,184,322	4,376,273
2034-2035	1,738,2	94 259,878	1,998,172	2,011,706	164,945	2,176,651	4,174,823
2035-2036	1,373,0	57 203,238	1,576,295	1,721,943	93,141	1,815,084	3,391,379
2036-2037	1,422,9	42 156,957	1,579,899	507,058	55,805	562,863	2,142,762
2037-2038	1,480,1	95 107,154	1,587,349	524,805	38,058	562,863	2,150,212
2038-2039	1,526,8	27 55,348	1,582,175	543,173	19,691	562,864	2,145,039
	\$ 32,432,8	26 \$ 9,013,682	\$ 41,446,508	\$ 32,593,413	\$ 7,987,165	\$ 40,580,578	\$ 82,027,086

A summary of the changes in the principal of the outstanding bond obligations and the finance leases for the District during the year ended June 30, 2022 is as follows:

Governmental Activities	Balance es July 1, 2021		Additions Paymen		Payments	Balance June 30, 2022		
Bond Obligations	\$ 69,130,518		\$ -		\$	4,104,279	\$	65,026,239
Discount on Bonds	\$	(407,880)	\$	-	\$	(22,660)	\$	(385,220)
Finance Leases	\$	270,520	\$		\$	228,502	\$	42,018
Sick Leave	\$	633,649	\$	172,691	\$	208,733	\$	597,607

#### NOTE 19 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

Effective July 1, 2021, the District elected to adopt Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement no. 87, Leases, as it relates to accounting and financial reporting for leases. Under this Statement, a single model for lease accounting is established based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right of use an underlying asset. Leases are recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances that existed at the beginning of the period of implementation.

### **NOTE 20 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events were considered through November 15, 2022, which represents the release date of our report.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds As of June 30, 2022

	Capital Outlay Fund		Special Revenue Activity Fund		Building Fund		Construction Fund		Student Activity Fund		Total Non-major Government Funds	
Assets												
Current: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	\$	317,721	\$	244,142	\$	279,303 3,442	\$	66,151	\$	448,219 -	\$	1,355,536 3,442
Total current	\$	317,721	\$	244,142	\$	282,745	\$	66,151	\$	448,219	\$	1,358,978
Liabilities and Fund Balances												
Liabilities:												
Accounts payable	_\$_	-	\$	16,460	\$	-	\$	17,140	\$		\$	33,600
Total liabilities		-		16,460		-		17,140	_			33,600
Fund Balances: Restricted:												
Capital projects		317,721		-		282,745		49,011		-		649,477
Other		-		227,682						448,219		675,901
Total fund balances		317,721		227,682		282,745		49,011		448,219		1,325,378
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	317,721	\$	244,142	\$	282,745	\$	66,151	\$	448,219	\$	1,358,978

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes In Fund Balances – Nonmajor Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Capital Outlay Fund	Special Revenue Activity Fund	Building Fund	Construction Fund	Student Activity Fund	Total Nonmajor Government Funds
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,676,928	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,676,928
Earnings on investments	152	-	220	189	515	1,076
State sources	289,803		1,147,822		· · · · · ·	1,437,625
Other sources		430,512		609,196	1,225,781	2,265,489
Total revenues	289,955	430,512	2,824,970	609,385	1,226,296	5,381,118
Expenditures:						
Instructional	-	404,269	-	-	1,263,777	1,668,046
Staff support services	-	-	-	-	20,179	20,179
Student transportation	-	-	-	-	904	904
Facility acquisition and construction				2,148,401		2,148,401
Total expenditures	<del>-</del> _	404,269		2,148,401	1,284,860	3,837,530
Excess of revenues over expenditures	289,955	26,243	2,824,970	(1,539,016)	(58,564)	1,543,588
Other Financing Uses						
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	41,606	-	41,606
Operating transfers out	(91,046)		(2,777,829)			(2,868,875)
Total other financing uses	(91,046)		(2,777,829)	41,606		(2,827,269)
Net change in fund balance	198,909	26,243	47,141	(1,497,410)	(58,564)	(1,283,681)
Fund balance, July 1, 2021	118,812	201,439	235,604	1,546,421	506,783	2,609,059
Fund balance, June 30, 2022	\$ 317,721	\$ 227,682	\$ 282,745	\$ 49,011	\$ 448,219	\$ 1,325,378

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual – General Fund Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 15,945,000	\$ 15,945,000	\$ 16,266,987	\$ 321,987
Earnings on investments	5,000	5,000	6,040	1,040
State sources	8,732,000	8,732,000	17,723,823	8,991,823
Other sources	808,038	808,038	802,061	(5,977)
Total revenues	25,490,038	25,490,038	34,798,911	9,308,873
Expenditures				
Instructional	14,592,666	14,592,666	20,841,991	(6,249,325)
Student support services	1,578,777	1,578,777	2,255,734	(676,957)
Staff support services	1,611,331	1,611,331	1,651,003	(39,672)
District administration	1,383,369	1,383,369	1,678,676	(295,307)
School administration	1,893,131	1,893,131	2,537,733	(644,602)
Business support services	1,054,129	1,054,129	1,326,340	(272,211)
Plant operation and maintenance	2,936,746	2,936,746	3,766,611	(829,865)
Student transportation	135,386	135,386	287,886	(152,500)
Facility acquisition and construction	5,000	5,000	6,626	1,626
Other	1,893,900	1,893,900	158,640	1,735,260
Total expenditures	27,084,435	27,084,435	34,511,240	(7,423,553)
Net change in fund balance	(1,594,397)	(1,594,397)	287,671	1,885,320
Fund balance, July 1, 2021	1,594,397	1,594,397	3,714,534	2,120,137
Fund balance, June 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,002,205	\$ 4,002,205

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual – Special Revenue Fund Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues					
State sources	\$ 695,791	\$ 369,443	\$ 577,160	\$ 207,717	
Federal sources	1,319,265	765,211	1,106,569	341,358	
Other sources			159,932	159,932	
Total revenues	2,015,056	1,134,654	1,843,661	709,007	
Expenditures					
Instructional	1,885,896	1,093,141	1,676,115	(582,974)	
Staff support services	129,160	42,589	55,765	(13,176)	
Plant operation and maintenance	-	-	87,333	(87,333)	
Community service operations			24,448	(24,448)	
Total expenditures	2,015,056	1,135,730	1,843,661	(707,931)	
Net change in fund balance	-	(1,076)	-	1,076	
Fund balance, July 1, 2021					
Fund balance, June 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ (1,076)	\$ -	\$ 1,076	

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget to Actual – Debt Service Fund Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues				
State sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,345,575	\$ 3,345,575
Other sources	2,815,112	2,815,112	2,815,100	(12)
Total revenues	2,815,112	2,815,112	6,160,675	3,345,563
Expenditures				
Debt service:				
Principal	749,427	749,427	4,094,990	(3,345,563)
Interest	2,065,685	2,065,685	2,065,685	
Total expenditures	2,815,112	2,815,112	6,160,675	(3,345,563)
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-
Fund balance, July 1, 2021				
Fund balance, June 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

# Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance Bond and Interest Redemption Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Issue of	Issue of	Issue of 2014	Issue of 2014 - Ref	Issue of 2014 Kista	Issue of 2015B	Issue of 2015C
Cash at July 1, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Receipts: Transfers and miscellaneous deposits	115,223	156,244	142,100	765,825	9,978	285,619	1,572,913
Disbursements: Bonds paid Interest coupons	40,000 75,223	75,000 81,244	80,000 62,100	585,000 180,825	9,279 699	175,000 110,619	1,015,000 557,913
Total disbursements	115,223	156,244	142,100	765,825	9,978	285,619	1,572,913
Excess of receipts over disbursements							
Cash at June 30, 2022							
Fund balance at June 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Issue of 2015 - Ref	Issue of 2016 - Ref	Issue of2019	Issue of 2020 - Ref	Total		
Cash at July 1, 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Receipts: Transfers and miscellaneous deposits	1,407,950	618,813	1,042,825	53,173	6,170,663		
Disbursements: Bonds paid Interest coupons	1,220,000 187,950	545,000 73,813	325,000 717,825	35,000 18,173	4,104,279 2,066,384		
Total disbursements	1,407,950	618,813	1,042,825	53,173	6,170,663		
Excess of receipts over disbursements							
Cash at June 30, 2022							
Fund balance at June 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		

# Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance Highlands High School Activity Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Fund Balance July 1, 2021	Receipts	Disbursements	Fund Balance June 30, 2022
Academic Grants	\$ 17,500	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,795	\$ 11,705
Academic Team	270	744	307	Ψ 11,700 707
Arbiter Pay	210	36,000	36,000	-
Archery	_	500	88	412
Archery	_	8,093	8,093	-12
Art Club	654	150	-	804
Athletic Department	-	188	188	-
Athletic Donations	12,276	12,568	24,844	_
Athletic Hall of Fame	2,828	12,000	2-1,0-1-1	2,828
Athletics - Cash Boxes	2,020	4,550	4,550	2,020
Athletics - HHS	_	229,823	228,011	1,812
Athletics - HMS	1,792	-	-	1,792
B & G Golf Tournament	3,019	27,295	27,422	2,892
B & G Soccer Banner Sales	-	400	190	210
B & G Soccer Mulch Sales	_	10,615	10,615	210
BAM	5,456	53,270	52,518	6,208
Band	7,096	73,305	78,746	1,655
Bank/Other Adjustments	36	394	430	-
Baseball	16,199	32,063	39,926	8,336
Baseball	10,100	7,520	7,520	0,000
Baseball District Tournament	1,740	45	1,785	_
Baseball Regional Tournament	1,740	1,235	1,235	_
Basketball - Boys		9,020	9,020	_
Basketball - Boys	_	10,101	10,101	_
Basketball - Girls	_	5,744	5,744	_
Basketball - Girls		8,696	8,696	
Basketball Golf Outing	650	28,005	25,175	3,480
Bluebird Brew Café	5,609	9,074	9,340	5,343
Bowling	-	1,048	1,048	-
Bowling - Boys		1,314	1,314	
Bowling - Girls	_	1,391	1,391	_
Boys Basketball	11,259	36,084	44,009	3,334
Boys BB District Tourney	11,200	521	521	-
Boys BB Regional Tourney	_	4,050	4,050	_
Boys BB Rings	6,700	-,000	6,690	10
Boys BB State Tourney	0,700	84	84	-
Boys Golf	11,088	6,500	4,605	12,983
Boys Soccer	13,374	2,041	11,671	3,744
Boys Soccer District Tourney	801	2,041	801	5,7 44
Boys Soccer Regional Tourney	1,243	100	1,343	_
Boys Tennis	2,748	1,071	1,942	1,877
Boys Track	2,740	4,717	4,717	-
Broadcasting	7,263		164	7,099
Campbell Conservation		533	533	
Cheer	_	9,905	9,905	_
Cheer	_	3,343	3,343	_
Cheer - Chaperones	_	3,343	5,545	_
Cheer - HMS	1,240	10,189	9,212	2,217
Cheerleaders	1,240	90,856	90,856	2,217
Chorus	131	1,082	-	1,213
Computer Science Honor Society	54	46	100	1,210
Contingency Fund	29,730	40 -	14,587	- 15,143
Creative Writing	29,730 192	-	14,507	192
Cross Country	831	6,278	3,775	3,334
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# Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance Highlands High School Activity Fund (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Fund Balance July 1, 2021	Receipts	Disbursements	Fund Balance June 30, 2022	
Cross Country - Boys	\$ -	\$ 1,690	\$ 1,690	\$ -	
	Φ -			Φ -	
Cross Country - Boys	-	1,923	1,923	-	
Cross Country - Girls	-	1,690	1,690	-	
Cross Country - Girls	-	1,923	1,923	-	
Dance	-	1,320	1,320	-	
Dance	-	4,526	4,526	-	
Dance - HMS	3,515	12,966	11,600	4,881	
Dance - JV	33	9,775	9,178	630	
Dance - Nationals	-	9,960	9,960	-	
Dance -Varsity	113	63,166	63,279		
District Activity Funds Sweep	40,710	10,212	43,116	7,806	
Diversity Club	123	446	535	34	
Drama	3,531	17,988	13,465	8,054	
Drama NYC Trip	<del>-</del>	58,022	47,767	10,255	
Envirothon	1,110	2,000	1,491	1,619	
E-Sports	-	770	770	- 	
Faculty/Staff Resources Fund	88	73	-	161	
Fashion and Interior Design	8,107	19,018	16,886	10,239	
FBLA	-	4,708	4,708	-	
FCCLA	5,430	23,334	19,855	8,909	
FCS-Preschool	987	940	-	1,927	
Football	34,023	104,032	79,554	58,501	
Football	-	77,978	77,978	-	
Football 1st Round	-	4,361	4,361	-	
Football Club	-	31,780	31,780	-	
General Account	108	-	-	108	
German Club	1	1,280	820	461	
Girls Basketball	7,973	19,083	16,891	10,165	
Girls BB District Tournament	-	521	521	-	
Girls BB Regional Tournament	-	2,730	2,730	-	
Girls Bowling State Tourney	-	886	886	-	
Girls Golf	1,537	3,500	1,037	4,000	
Girls Soccer	2,614	1,926	4,119	421	
Girls Soccer District Tourney	953	-	953	-	
Girls Soccer Regional Tourney	3,249	635	3,884	-	
Girls Tennis	2,200	-	19	2,181	
Girls Track	672	5,816	6,109	379	
Golf - Boys	-	3,597	3,597	-	
Golf - Boys state	-	3,590	3,590	-	
Golf - Girls	-	3,652	3,652	-	
Golf - Girls state	-	505	505	-	
Green Club	572	4,612	2,979	2,205	
History Club	255	-	-	255	
Holocaust Project	100	-	-	100	
Hospitality/Culinary	829	5,046	5,409	466	
Interest Earned	8,304	416	2,167	6,553	
Intramural Basketball	211	-	211	-	
Journalism	10,865	554	1,260	10,159	
Junior Prom	4,023	16,832	18,265	2,590	
Math Honor Society	578	390	-	968	
Mock Trial	2,830	900	1,886	1,844	
Model UN	-	40	-	40	
National German Exam	36	-	-	36	
National Honor Society	1,846	3,640	2,185	3,301	
NEHS	501	-	-	501	

# Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance Highlands High School Activity Fund (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Fund Balance July 1, 2021	Receipts	Disbursements	Fund Balance June 30, 2022
	July 1, 2021	Receipts	Disbursements	Julie 30, 2022
NSF Stop Payment Checks	\$ -	\$ 606	\$ 606	\$ -
NSHS	352	430	155	627
Odyssey of the mind	2,714	8,970	10,983	701
Pot Luck Luncheons	75	107	-	182
Principal	581	2,090	735	1,936
Resource Center	511	_,	-	511
Robotics Team	3,580	6,755	7,865	2,470
Scholarships-Dunn	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Scholarships-Eide	8,280	3,525	1,469	10,336
Scholarships-HHS	13,886	4,900	3,123	15,663
Scholarships-Pollard	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Scholarships-Schalck	10,292	1,800	-	12,092
Science Club	101	-	-	101
Science Field Trips	677	1,250	1,678	249
Senior Class	1,024	5,104	4,313	1,815
Sinfonia Orchestra	1,072	0,104	4,010	1,072
Soccer - Boys	1,072	12,692	12,692	1,072
Soccer - Girls	_	23,339	23,339	_
	_			4.407
Soccer G/B Concessions	- 04 007	6,491	2,024	4,467
Softball	21,207	3,964	5,593	19,578
Softball	-	3,528	3,528	-
Softball - Regional Tourney	941	-	941	-
Spanish Club	903	-	-	903
Speech/Debate	1,609	400	480	1,529
STLP	50	-	<u>-</u>	50
Strength & Conditioning	-	10,000	10,000	<u>-</u>
Student Coke Commissions	2,439	29	<u>-</u>	2,468
Student Council	3,038	22,347	25,315	70
Swim/Dive	-	1,399	1,399	-
Swim/Dive - Boys	-	2,717	2,717	-
Swim/Dive - Girls	-	3,093	3,093	-
Swim-Dive-Region	75	-	75	-
Tennis - Boys	-	4,218	4,218	-
Tennis - Girls	-	3,911	3,911	-
Track - Boys	-	4,610	4,610	-
Track - Boys	-	1,885	1,885	-
Track - Girls	-	3,763	3,763	-
Track - Girls	-	1,735	1,735	-
Track - Red Dog Meet	6,122	4,296	10,418	-
Track Refurbishment	14,920	-	2,785	12,135
Track Regionals	-	-	-	-
Tri-M Music Honor Society	265	799	307	757
TSA/Industrial Arts	2,267	5,833	7,551	549
Volleyball	6,134	9,549	12,200	3,483
Volleyball	-	3,480	3,480	-
Volleyball	-	3,856	3,856	-
Volleyball - Regional	-	818	818	-
Volleyball District Tournament	-	1,424	1,424	-
We the People	2,400	1,000	3,400	-
Wrestling	-	3,889	3,889	-
Wrestling		10,519	10,519	
Total	\$ 421,321	\$ 1,502,424	\$ 1,564,922	\$ 358,823

# Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balance School Activity Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Highlands Middle		Robert Johnson Elementary		Ruth Moyer Elementary		Samuel Woodfill Elementary		 Total
Fund balances at July 1, 2021	\$	41,716	\$	14,808	\$	16,250	\$	12,688	\$ 85,462
Add: receipts		101,077		37,433		38,416		109,925	286,851
Less: disbursements		(105,288)		(34,380)		(31,931)		(111,318)	(282,917)
Fund balance at June 30, 2022	\$	37,505	\$	17,861	\$	22,735	\$	11,295	\$ 89,396

## Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – TRS

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	 2021	2020		2019	2018	2017	2016		2015	2014	2013	2012
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%	. 0	%	0%	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	- \$	-	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District	65,861,047	67,970,628	6	66,017,366	62,348,440	126,478,915	136,397,87	9	104,532,988	*	*	*
Total	\$ 65,861,047	\$ 67,970,628	\$ 6	66,017,366	\$ 62,348,440	\$ 126,478,915	\$ 136,397,87	9 \$	104,532,988	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 16,373,117	\$ 15,574,343	\$ 1	5,491,357	\$ 15,049,167	\$ 14,596,474	\$ 14,109,26	4	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0%	0%		0%	0%	0%	, O	%	0%	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	65.59%	58.27%		58.76%	59.27%	39.83%	35.22	%	42.49%	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Changes of benefit terms: None

Changes of assumption: In the 2011 valuation and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Mortality Table rather than the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2011. In the 2011 valuation, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In the 2011 valuation, the Board adopted an interest smoothing methodology to calculate liabilities for purposes of determining the actuarially determined contributions.

Changes of assumption: In 2014, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 5.16% to 5.23%.

Changes of assumption: In 2015, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 5.23% to 4.88%.

Changes of assumption: In the 2016 valuation, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In the 2016 valuation, the Assumed Salary Scale, Price Inflation, and Wage Inflation were adjusted to reflect a decrease. In addition, the calculation for the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.88% to 4.20%.

Changes of assumption: In 2017, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.20% to 4.49%.

Changes of assumption: In 2018, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.49% to 7.50%.

# **Schedule of District Contributions - TRS**

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$ 562,444	\$ 535,617	\$ 514,343	\$ 526,317	\$ 503,092	\$ 488,200	\$ 457,608	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(562,444)	(535,617)	(514,343)	(526,317)	(503,092)	(488,200)	(457,608)	*	*	*
Contribution excess/(deficiency)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 16,692,303	\$ 16,373,117	\$ 15,574,343	\$ 15,491,357	\$ 15,049,167	\$ 14,596,474	\$ 14,109,264	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of of covered-employee payroll	3.37%	3.27%	3.30%	3.40%	3.34%	3.34%	3.24%	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

# Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - CERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
District's proportion of net pension liability	0.133325%	0.131674%	0.136603%	0.130827%	0.130886%	0.130997%	0.127729%	0.132183%	*	*
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 8,500,515	\$ 10,099,287	\$ 9,607,350	\$ 7,967,763	\$ 7,661,160	\$ 6,449,774	\$ 5,491,732	\$ 4,288,514	*	*
Total net pension liability	\$ 6,375,784,388	\$ 7,669,917,211	\$ 7,033,044,552	\$ 6,090,304,793	\$ 5,853,307,482	\$ 4,923,618,237	\$ 4,299,525,565	\$ 3,244,377,000	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 3,486,712	\$ 3,473,757	\$ 3,546,364	\$ 3,338,010	\$ 3,239,050	\$ 3,157,875	\$ 2,994,701	\$ 3,049,942	*	*
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	243.8%	290.7%	270.9%	238.7%	236.5%	204.2%	183.4%	140.6%	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.33%	47.81%	50.45%	53.54%	53.30%	55.50%	59.97%	66.80%	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Changes of benefit terms: The following changes were made by the Kentucky Legislature and reflected in the valuation performed as of June 30 listed below:

2009: A new benefit tire for members who first participate on or after September 1, 2008 was introduced which included the following changes:

- 1. Tiered structure for benefit accrual rates
- 2. New retirement eligibility requirements
- 3. Different rules for the computation of final average compensation
- 2014: As cash balance plan was introduced for member whose participation date is on or after January 1, 2014.

Changes of assumption: The following changes were made by the Kentucky Legislature and reflected in the valuation performed as of June 30 listed below:

- 2015: The assumed investment rate of return was decreased from 7.75% to 7.50%.
- 2015: The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.50% to 3.25%.
- 2015: The assumed rate of wage inflation was reduced from 1.00% to 0.75%.
- 2015: Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.50% to 4.00%.
- 2015: The mortality table used for active members is RP-2000 Combined Mortality table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (multiplied by 50% for males and 30% for females).
- 2015: For healthy retired members and beneficiaries, the mortality table used is the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set back 1 year for females). For disabled members, the RP-2000 Combined Disabled Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set back 4 years for males) is used for the period after disability retirement. There is some margin in the current mortality tables for possible future improvement in mortality rates and that margin will be reviewed again when the next experience investigation is conducted.
- 2015: The assumed rates of Retirement, Withdrawal and Disability were updated to more accurately reflect experience.
- 2017: The assumed investment rate of return was decreased from 7.50% to 6.25%.
- 2017: The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 2.30%.
- 2017: The assumed rate of salary growth was reduced from 4.00% to 3.05%.

# **Schedule of District Contributions – CERS**

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$ 929,124	\$ 839,193	\$ 834,715	\$ 771,744	\$ 640,479	\$ 604,930	\$ 538,733	\$ 529,157	\$ 576,133	\$ 566,170
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(929,124)	(839,193)	(834,715)	(771,744)	(640,479)	(604,930)	(538,733)	(529,157)	(576,133)	(566,170)
Contribution excess/(deficiency)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 3,441,508	\$ 3,486,712	\$ 3,473,757	\$ 3,546,364	\$ 3,338,010	\$ 3,239,050	\$ 3,157,875	\$ 2,994,701	\$ 3,049,942	\$ 2,895,942
Contributions as a percentage of of covered-employee payroll	27.00%	24.07%	24.03%	21.76%	19.19%	18.68%	17.06%	17.67%	18.89%	19.55%

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

# Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability - LIF

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	*	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District	63,000	158,000	142,000	127,000	67,000	*	*	*	*	*
Total net OPEB liability	\$ 63,000	\$ 158,000	\$ 142,000	\$ 127,000	\$ 67,000	*	*	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 16,373,117	\$ 15,574,343	\$ 15,491,357	\$ 15,049,167	\$ 14,596,474	*	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	*	*	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	89.15%	71.57%	73.40%	74.97%	79.99%	*	*	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Changes of benefit terms - None.

Methods and assumptions used in the actuarially determined contributions - The actuarially determined contribution rates, as a percentage of payroll, used to determine the actuarially determined contribution amounts in the Schedule of Employer Contributions are calculated as the of the indicated valuation date. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the indicated actuarial valuations) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2021:

Valuation date	June 30, 2018
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Percent of Payroll
Amortization period	26 Years
Asset valuation method	Five-year smoothed value
Inflation	3.00%
Real wage growth	0.50%
Wage inflation	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50% - 7.20%
Discount rate	7 50%

# **Schedule of District Contributions - LIF**

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution					<u> </u>	*	*	*	*	*
Contribution deficiency						*	*	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 16,692,303	\$ 16,373,117	\$ 15,574,343	\$ 15,491,357	\$ 15,049,167	*	*	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of of covered-employee payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	*	*	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. No changes were made to the assumptions or benefit terms.

# Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability – MIF

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

		2021		2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability		0.271001%		0.258465%	0.258960%	0.246827%	0.248538%	*	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$	5,815,000	\$	6,523,000	\$ 7,579,000	\$ 8,564,000	\$ 8,862,000	*	*	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability associated with the District	\$	4,722,000	•	5,225,000	\$ 6,121,000	\$ 7,381,000	Ф <b>7</b> 220 000	*	*	*		*
the district	ф	4,722,000	\$	5,225,000	\$ 6,121,000	\$ 7,381,000	\$ 7,239,000					
Total net OPEB liability	\$	10,537,000	\$	11,748,000	\$ 13,700,000	\$ 15,945,000	\$ 16,101,000	*	*	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$	16,373,117	\$	15,574,343	\$ 15,491,357	\$ 15,049,167	\$ 14,596,474	*	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		35.5%		41.9%	48.9%	56.9%	60.7%	*	*	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability		51.74%		39.05%	32.58%	25.54%	21.18%	*	*	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Changes of benefit terms - None

The Health Trust is not funded based on actuarially determined contribution, but instead is funded based on statutorily determined amounts as noted in the assumed asset allocation for MIF.

# **Schedule of District Contributions – MIF**

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$ 481,029	\$ 456,467	\$ 450,920	\$ 439,677	\$ 425,816	*	*	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(481,029)	(456,467)	(450,920)	(439,677)	(425,816)	*	*	*	*	*
Contribution deficiency			<u> </u>		-	*	*	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 16,692,303	\$ 16,373,117	\$ 15,574,343	\$ 15,491,357	\$ 15,049,167	*	*	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of of covered-employee payroll	2.88%	2.79%	2.90%	2.84%	2.83%	*	*	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. No changes were made to the assumptions or benefit terms.

Changes of benefit terms - None

The Health Trust is not funded based on actuarially determined contribution, but instead is funded based on statutorily determined amounts as noted in the assumed asset allocation for MIF.

# Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability – MIF (CERS)

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.133294%	0.131636%	0.136568%	0.130822%	0.130886%	*	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 2,551,847	\$ 3,178,609	\$ 2,297,012	\$ 2,322,719	\$ 2,631,256	*	*	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability associated with the District	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*	*	*
Total net OPEB liability	\$ 2,551,847	\$ 3,178,609	\$ 2,297,012	\$ 2,322,719	\$ 2,631,256	*	*	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 3,486,712	\$ 3,473,757	\$ 3,546,364	\$ 3,338,010	\$ 3,239,050	*	*	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	e 73.2%	91.5%	64.8%	69.6%	81.2%	*	*	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	62.91%	51.67%	60.44%	57.62%	52.40%	*	*	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Changes in assumptions: None

2018: Updated healthcare trend rates were implemented.

# Schedule of District Contributions – MIF (CERS)

Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Contractually required contribution	\$ 162,100	\$ 160,547	\$ 181,245	\$ 152,399	\$ 150,734	*	*	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(162,100)	(160,547)	(181,245)	(152,399)	(150,734)	*	*	*	*	*
Contribution deficiency					-	*	*	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 3,441,508	\$ 3,486,712	\$ 3,473,757	\$ 3,546,364	\$ 3,338,010	*	*	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of of covered-employee payroll	4.71%	4.60%	5.22%	4.30%	4.52%	*	*	*	*	*

<sup>\*</sup> The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30. Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available. No changes were made to the assumptions or benefit terms.

# Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Agreement Number	Expen for	leral ditures FYE /2022
U.S. Department of Education				
Passed through Kentucky Department of Education				
Special Education Cluster				
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	3810002 20	\$	115,874
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	3810002 21	4	435,796
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027X	4910002 21		8,587
Special Education_Preschool Grants	84.173	3800002 19		13,726
Special Education_Preschool Grants	84.173	3800002 20		17,865
Special Education_Preschool Grants	84.173X	4900002 21		9,474
Total Special Education Cluster			(	601,322
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	3100002 20		25,159
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	3100002 21		150,657
Total ALN #84.010				175,816
Title I Vocational Education Grants to States	84.048	4621232 20		2,067
Title I Vocational Education Grants to States	84.048	4621232 20		15,601
Total ALN #84.048				17,668
Title II Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	3230002 20		12,260
Title II Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	3230002 21		42,589
Total ALN #84.367				54,849
Title IV Part A - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant	84.424A	3420002 20		10,949
Title IV Part A - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant	84.424A	3420002 21		1,698
Total ALN #84.424A				12,647
COVID-19 Digital Learning Coaches	84.425	4000003 20		3,829
COVID-19 Digital Learning Coaches	84.425	4000003 21		3,838
COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II	84.425	4200003 21		36,600
OCIS - America Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund Total ALN #84.425	84.425	4300002 21		200,000 244,267
Total U.S. Department of Education			1,	106,569
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 1,	106,569

# Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

### NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the Fort Thomas Independent School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022, and is reported on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Fort Thomas Independent School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the District.

### NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

### NOTE 3 INDIRECT COST RATE

The District has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance.

# NOTE 4 SUBRECIPIENTS

The District did not have any subrecipients during the year ended June 30, 2022.



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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

To the Members of the Board of Education Fort Thomas Independent School District Fort Thomas, Kentucky

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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fort Thomas Independent School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Fort Thomas Independent School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 15, 2022.

## **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Fort Thomas Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Fort Thomas Independent School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Fort Thomas 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 the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Fort Thomas 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*.

We noted other matters that we reported to management of the District on pages 78-80 of the audited financial statements.

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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 (CONTINUED)

# **Purpose of this Report**

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

Crestview Hills, Kentucky November 15, 2022

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

To the Members of the Board of Education Fort Thomas Independent School District Fort Thomas, Kentucky

## Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

# Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Fort Thomas Independent School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Fort Thomas Independent School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. Fort Thomas Independent School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

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

## Management's Responsibility

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

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

We are required to be independent of Fort Thomas 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 Fort Thomas 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 Fort Thomas Independent School District's federal programs.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE (CONTINUED)

## 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 Fort Thomas 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 generally accepted auditing standards, 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 Fort Thomas Independent School District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, 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 Fort Thomas 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 Fort Thomas 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 Fort Thomas 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.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE (CONTINUED)

## **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (Continued)**

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.

Crestview Hills, Kentucky November 15, 2022

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## Schedule of Findings of Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2022

## **SECTION I -SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

No matters are reportable

Financial Statements				
Type of auditor's report issued: <u>Unmodified</u>	_			
Internal control over financial reporting:  • Material weakness(es) identified?	_	Yes	X	No_
<ul> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified that material weaknesses?</li> </ul>	are not considered to be	Yes	Х	None noted
Noncompliance material to financial statemen	Yes	Х	No	
Federal Awards Internal control over major programs:  Material weakness(es) identified?		Yes	X	No -
<ul> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified that material weaknesses?</li> </ul>	are not considered to be	Yes	Х	_ None noted
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance	for major programs: <u>Unm</u>	odified_		
Any audit findings disclosed that are recactordance with Section 2 CFR Section 200.5	•	Yes	X	_ No
Identification of major programs				
ALN No.	Name of Federal Program	or Cluster		
84.027/84.173 84.425	Special Education (IDEA) Education Stabilization Fu Relief, And Economic Sec	und Under the C	oronavi	rus Aid,
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs		s: \$750,	\$750,000	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<u>-</u>	Yes	Х	No
SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FIND	INGS			
No matters are reportable				
SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS	S AND QUESTIONED COST	Г		

## Summary Schedule of Prior Year Findings of Questioned Costs Year Ended June 30, 2022

## **SECTION I -SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

No matters are reportable.

## SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters are reportable

## SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST

No matters are reportable

### Management Letter Comments Year Ended June 30, 2022

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Fort Thomas Independent School District for the year ended June 30, 2022, we considered the District's internal control structure to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

This letter summarizes our comments and suggestions regarding those matters. A separate report dated November 15, 2022 contains our report on significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the District's internal control structure. This letter does not affect our report dated November 15, 2022 on the financial statements of the Fort Thomas Independent School District.

#### **CURRENT YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **CENTRAL OFFICE**

Statement of deficiency: It was noted that there were errors on the sick leave liability due to lack of review.

Management Response: The report run out of MUNIS was accidently run for a calendar year instead of a fiscal year. For FY 2023 multiple central office employees, including HR & Payroll, will review the report for accuracy.

#### **ACTIVITY FUNDS**

#### **Highlands High School**

Statement of deficiency: It was noted that four outstanding checks were carried for longer than 12 months.

Management Response: The HHS bookkeeper retired, and the District Finance Office has taken over check writing and bank reconciliation duties for Highlands High School in FY 23. The District will make sure long outstanding checks are addressed on a monthly basis moving forward.

#### **Highlands Middle School**

Statement of deficiency: It was noted that two multiple receipt forms were signed by the teacher rather than the student.

Management Response: The Highlands Middle School Management will remind the Highlands Middle School staff on proper Redbook procedures regarding multiple receipt forms. If a form is given to the Highlands Middle School bookkeeper without student signatures, the bookkeeper will hand the form back to the teacher to have the form properly filled out.

#### **Robert Johnson Elementary School**

Statement of deficiency: It was noted that several monthly financial reports were not prepared timely.

Management Response: The Johnson Elementary School bookkeeper did complete the monthly financial reports every month but was not aware of the 15th of the month deadline in Redbook. The Johnson Elementary School bookkeeper will complete financial reporting by the 15th of the month moving forward.

## Management Letter Comments (Continued) Year Ended June 30, 2022

## **CURRENT YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)**

## **Ruth Moyer Elementary School**

Statement of deficiency: It was noted that one receipt was not deposited timely.

Management Response: The bookkeeper was out unexpectedly and was not able to make the deposit as timely as the Redbook requires. An employee will be assigned as a backup to make deposits at each school to ensure timely deposits into the bank account.

## **Samuel Woodfill Elementary School**

No matters are reportable

## Management Letter Comments (Continued) Year Ended June 30, 2022

#### STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS

#### **CENTRAL OFFICE**

Statement of prior year deficiency: It was noted that there were errors on the sick leave liability due to lack of review.

Current year follow-up: See current year recommendation.

#### **ACTIVITY FUNDS**

## **Highlands High School**

Statement of prior year deficiency: It was noted that two multiple receipt forms were signed by the teacher rather than the student.

Current year follow-up: No such instances noted.

#### **Highlands Middle School**

No matters are reportable.

## **Robert Johnson Elementary School**

No matters are reportable.

#### **Ruth Moyer Elementary School**

No matters are reportable.

## **Samuel Woodfill Elementary School**

No matters are reportable.

## **APPENDIX C**

Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds Series 2023B

Official Terms and Conditions of Sale

# OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE

#### \$595,000\*

Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds, Series 2023B Dated May 17, 2023

SALE: April 26, 2023 AT 11:00 A.M., E.D.T.

As advertised on BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>, the Secretary of the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation (the "Corporation") will until April 26, 2023, at the hour of 11:00 A.M., E.D.T., at the office of the Executive Director of the Kentucky School Facilities Construction, 700 Louisville Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, receive sealed competitive bids for the revenue bonds (the "Bonds") herein described. To be considered, Bids must be submitted on an Official Bid Form and must be delivered to the Secretary at the address indicated on the date of sale no later than the hour indicated. Bids will be opened by the Secretary and may be accepted without further action by the Corporation's Board of Directors.

\*Subject to Permitted Adjustment increasing or decreasing the issue by \$60,000.

#### STATUTORY AUTHORITY, PURPOSE OF ISSUE AND SECURITY

The Bonds are authorized pursuant to KRS 162.120 through 162.300, 162.385 and KRS 58.180 and are issued in accordance with a Resolution of the Corporation's Board of Directors. The Bonds are revenue bonds and constitute a limited indebtedness of the Corporation payable from rental revenues derived by the Corporation from the Board under the Lease identified below.

The Bonds are being issued to finance the costs of the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping of a new roof at Highlands Middle School (the "Project") and are secured by a statutory mortgage lien upon and a pledge of the revenues from the rental of the school building to the Board of Education of Fort Thomas Independent School District (the "Board") under a Contract, Lease and Option (the "Lease") on a year to year basis; the first rental period ending June 30, 2023. The statutory mortgage lien securing the Bonds is limited in its application to the exact site of the Project constructed from the proceeds of the Bonds, real estate unoccupied by the Project is unencumbered. The Board has reserved the right to obtain the release of the statutory mortgage lien and revenue pledge on the site of the Project by effecting the redemption or defeasance of the proportionate part of the Bonds then outstanding as was expended on the site being released. Should the Board default in its obligations under the Lease or fail to renew the Lease, the Registered Owners of the Bonds have the right to have a receiver appointed to administer the Project under KRS 162.220; foreclosure and sale are not available as remedies.

The rental of the Project from the Corporation to the Board is to be effected under the Lease, whereunder the Project is leased to the Board for an initial period ending June 30, 2023, with an option in the Board to renew the Lease each year at rentals sufficient to provide for the principal and interest requirements on the Bonds as they become due, plus the costs of insurance, maintenance, depreciation, and bond issuance and administration expenses; the Board is legally obligated only for the initial rental period and for one year at a time thereafter each time the Lease is renewed.

Although the Board is obligated to pay the Corporation annual rentals in the full amount of the principal and interest requirements on the Bonds for each year in which the Lease is renewed, the Board has entered into the Lease in reliance upon a certain Participation Agreement by and between the Board and the Kentucky School Facilities Commission (the "Commission"). Under the terms of the Participation Agreement, the Commission has agreed to pay annually, until May 1, 2043 directly to the Paying Agent for the Bonds a stated agreed participation of approximately 2% of the debt service requirements for the Bonds herein identified until such date, subject to the constitutional restrictions limiting the commitment to the biennial; said annual amount is to be applied only to the principal and interest requirements of the Bonds so long as the Board renews the Lease. Under the Lease, the Board has pledged and assigned all of its rights under the Participation Agreement in and to the Agreed Participation to the Corporation in order to secure the Bonds and has agreed to pay that portion of the rentals in excess of the Agreed Participation for each year in which the Lease is renewed.

## KENTUCKY SCHOOL FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION

The Commission is an independent corporate agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Kentucky established pursuant to the provisions of §§ 157.611 through 157.640 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as repealed, amended, and reenacted (the "Act") for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting the school construction needs of the Commonwealth in a manner which will ensure an equitable distribution of funds based upon unmet need.

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#### ADDITIONAL PARITY BONDS

The Corporation has reserved the right and privilege of issuing additional bonds from time to time payable from the income and revenues of the Project and secured by the same statutory mortgage lien and pledge of revenues, but only if and to the extent the issuance of such additional parity bonds may be necessary to pay the costs, for which funds are not otherwise available, of completing the construction of the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications of the architect in charge of the Project, which plans have been completed, approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Education, the Board of Education, and filed in the office of the Secretary of the Corporation, and the issuance thereof shall be approved by the proper agents of the State Department of Education as required by law, and a Supplemental Contract, Lease and Option shall have been entered into whereunder the annual rental payments during the life of such additional bonds.

#### BOND MATURITIES, PRIOR REDEMPTION PROVISIONS AND PAYING AGENT

The Bonds shall be in denominations in multiples of \$5,000 within the same maturity, bear interest from May 17, 2023, payable on November 1, 2023, and semiannually thereafter and shall mature as to principal on May 1st in each of the years as follows:

<b>Maturity</b>	Amount*	<b>Maturity</b>	Amount*
3.6 1 2024	<b>#</b> 10.000	1.6 1.0004	<b>#</b> 40.000
May 1, 2024	\$ 10,000	May 1, 2034	\$ 40,000
May 1, 2025	10,000	May 1, 2035	45,000
May 1, 2026	10,000	May 1, 2036	45,000
May 1, 2027	10,000	May 1, 2037	45,000
May 1, 2028	10,000	May 1, 2038	50,000
May 1, 2029	10,000	May 1, 2039	50,000
May 1, 2030	10,000	May 1, 2040	50,000
May 1, 2031	10,000	May 1, 2041	55,000
May 1, 2032	10,000	May 1, 2042	55,000
May 1, 2033	10,000	May 1, 2043	60,000

<sup>\*</sup>Subject to a Permitted Adjustment of the amount of Bonds awarded of up to \$67,000 which may be applied in any or all maturities.

The Bonds maturing on or after May 1, 2032, are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities on any date falling on or after May 1, 2031, in such order of maturities as the Corporation may determine (less than all of a single maturity to be selected by lot), in whole or in part, upon notice of such prior redemption being given by the Paying Agent by regular United States Mail to the registered Owners of the Bonds so selected not less than thirty days prior to the date of redemption, upon terms of the face amount, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The Bonds are further subject to extraordinary optional redemption prior to their stated maturities on any date, in such order of maturities as the Corporation may determine (less than all of a single maturity to be selected by lot), in whole or in part, from the proceeds of casualty insurance received upon the total destruction by fire, lightning, windstorm or other hazard of any of the buildings constituting the Project, upon notice of such prior redemption being given by the Paying Agent by regular United States Mail to the registered Owners of the Bonds so selected not less than thirty days prior to the date of redemption, upon terms of the face amount, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The Bonds are to be issued in fully registered form (both principal and interest). U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, the Bond Registrar and Paying Agent, shall remit interest on each semiannual due date to each Registered Owner of records of the 15th day of each month preceding the due date by regular United States Mail postmarked as of the interest due date. Principal shall be paid upon submission of matured Bond Certificates to the Paying Agent. Subsequent to the initial delivery of the Bonds, upon the submission of proper authentication, the Bond Registrar shall transfer ownership of Bonds within three business days of receipt without expense to the Registered Owner.

#### FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Corporation shall provide to the successful purchaser a Final Official Statement. Arrangements have been made with the printer of the Preliminary Official Statement, upon submission of completion text, to print a reasonable quantity of Final Official Statements in sufficient time to meet the delivery requirements of the successful bidder under SEC or Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board delivery requirements. The successful bidder shall be required to pay for the printing of the Final Official Statement.

#### BOND MATURITIES, PRIOR REDEMPTION PROVISIONS AND PAYING AGENT

The Bonds will mature, have interest payment dates, be subject to redemption, have a Paying Agent and Registrar, be subject to the issuance of additional bonds and have other conditions and restrictions as set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement describing the Bonds. Reference is made to the Preliminary Official Statement for such information and for information regarding the District and the Corporation.

#### **BIDDING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

(A) Bids must be made on Official Bid Form, contained in the Official Statement available from the undersigned or RSA Advisors, LLC 147 East Third Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40508, enclosed in sealed envelopes marked "Bid for School Building Revenue Bonds." Bids may alternatively be submitted electronically via BiDCOMPTM/PARITYTM system. Electronic bids for the Bonds must be submitted through the BiDCOMPTM/PARITYTM system and no other provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. Subscription to the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system is required in order to submit an electronic bid. The Corporation will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidders to subscribe. For the purposes of the bidding process, the time as maintained by the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids whether in electronic or written form. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system conflict with the terms of the Official Terms and Conditions of Sale of Bonds, this Official Terms and Conditions of Sale of Bonds shall prevail. Electronic bids made through the facilities of the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system shall be deemed an offer to purchase in response to the Notice of Bond Sale and shall be binding upon the bidders as if made by signed, sealed written bids delivered to the Corporation. The Corporation shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by or as a result of the use of the electronic bidding facilities provided and maintained by the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system. The use of the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system facilities are at the sole risk of the prospective bidders. For further information regarding the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> system, potential bidders may contact BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>, 1359 Broadway - 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10018, Telephone: (800) 850-7422. Notwithstanding the foregoing non-electronic bids may be submitted via facsimile or by hand delivery utilizing the Official Bid Form.

- (B) Bidders are required to bid for the entire issue of Bonds at a minimum price of not less than \$583,100 (98% of par) PAYABLE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS. Interest rates for the Bonds must be in multiples one eighth of one percent (0.125%) and/or one one hundredth of one percent (0.010%), or both. Only one interest rate shall be permitted per Bond and all Bonds of the same maturity shall bear the same rate. Interest rates must be on an ascending scale, in that the interest rate stipulated for any maturity shall not be less than the interest rate for any preceding maturity. There is no limit on the number of different interest rates.
- (C) The maximum permissible net interest cost for each of the Bonds shall not exceed "The Bond Buyer's" Index of 20 Municipal Bonds as established on the Thursday immediately preceding the sale of the bonds plus 1.50%.
- (D) The determination of the best purchase bid for the Bonds shall be made on the basis of all bids submitted for exactly \$595,000 principal amount of Bonds offered for sale under the terms and conditions herein specified; but the Corporation may adjust the principal amount of Bonds which may be awarded to such best bidder upward by up to \$60,000 or downward in an amount determined to be in the best interest of the Corporation. The Corporation will accept or reject such best bid, provided, however, a Permitted Adjustment is reserved hereunder and the Corporation reserves the right to increase the total amount of Bonds by 10% or decrease the total amount of Bonds by an amount determined by the Corporation to be in its best interest. In the event of any such Permitted Adjustment, no rebidding or recalculation of a submitted bid will be required or permitted. The Corporation also has the right to adjust the individual principal maturity amounts, even if the total amount of the Bonds does not change, in order to promote desired annual debt service levels. If the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds is revised after the award, the interest rate and reoffering price for each maturity and the Underwriter's Discount on the Bonds as submitted by the successful bidder shall be held constant.
- (E) If three or more bids for the Bonds are received as a result of this competitive sale, the successful purchaser will be required to certify on or before the issue date the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public for each Maturity of the Bonds which prices are the prices for each Maturity of the Bonds used by the successful purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds.

If less than three bids for the Bonds are received as a result of this competitive sale, the successful purchaser, by submitting a bid pursuant to a published Notice of Sale, has agreed in writing that they will be required to certify on or before the issue date (and provide reasonable supporting documentation for such Certification, such as a copy of the Pricing Wire or equivalent communication) for each Maturity of the Bonds (i) the first price at which at least 10% of each Maturity of the Bonds was sold to the Public, (ii) the initial offering price to the public as of the Sale Date of any Maturity of the Bonds, and (iii) that they neither offered nor sold any of the Bonds of any Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity.

Bids will not be subject to cancellation or withdrawal by the bidder in the event that three bids are not received and the winning bidder shall advise the Corporation on the Sale Date if any maturity of the Bonds satisfies the 10% test set forth in (i) above as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds.

For purposes of the above the following terms are defined as follows:

(i) Holding Period means, with respect to a Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which the successful purchaser has sold at least 10% of such Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity.

- (ii) *Maturity* means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (iii) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50% common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (iv) *Sale Date* means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 26, 2023.
- (v) *Underwriter* means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).
- (F) CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds at the expense of the purchaser. The purchaser shall pay the CUSIP Service Bureau Charge and the cost of printing the Final Official Statement. Improper imprintation or the failure to imprint CUSIP numbers shall not constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of any accepted proposal for the purchase of the Bonds.
- (G) The Corporation shall provide to the successful purchaser a Final Official Statement in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12, as amended. Arrangements have been made with the printer of the Preliminary Official Statement, upon submission of completion text, to print a reasonable quantity of Final Official Statements in sufficient time to meet the delivery requirements of the successful bidder under SEC or Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Delivery Requirements. The successful bidder shall be required to pay for the printing of the Final Official Statement.
- (H) Bids need not be accompanied by a certified or bank cashier's good faith check, but the successful bidder will be required to wire transfer to the order of the Corporation an amount equal to 2% of the amount of the principal amount of Bonds awarded by the close of business on the day following the award. The good faith amount will be forfeited as liquidated damages in the event of a failure of the successful bidder to take delivery of such Bonds when ready. The good faith amount (without interest) will be applied to the purchase price upon delivery of the Bonds. The successful bidder shall not be required to take up and pay for the Bonds unless delivery is made within 45 days from the date the bid is accepted.
- (I) The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. They will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee). One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds of each series, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC. Purchases of the Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations (the "Direct Participants"), which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond (a "Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the records of Direct Participants or securities brokers and dealers, banks, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant (the "Indirect Participants"). Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are

expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

- (J) The purchaser shall be required to supply the Bond Registrar with the name, address, social security number or taxpayer identification number, principal amount and principal maturities for each person or entity in whose name Bonds are to be registered. Failure of a purchaser to fully designate the Registered Owners of Bonds shall result in the issuance of Bond Certificates by the Registrar in the purchaser's "street name" (to the extent a purchaser fails to designate).
- (K) The Corporation reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality in any bid. The Bonds are offered for sale subject to the principal and interest not being subject to Federal or Kentucky income taxation or Kentucky ad valorem taxation on the date of their delivery to the successful bidder, in accordance with the Final Approving Legal Opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, which Opinion will be qualified in accordance with the section hereof on TAX TREATMENT.
- (L) The successful purchaser may require that a portion of the Bonds be term bonds maturing on one or more dates (the "Term Bonds"); provided, however, that the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption by lot at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption on May 1st of the years and in the principal amounts set forth in the final adjusted maturity schedule as seen on page 2 of the successful bid.
- (M) Prospective bidders are advised that RSA Advisors, LLC has been employed as Financial Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. RSA Advisors, LLC's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery thereof. Bidders may submit a bid for the purchase of the Bonds at the time of the advertised public sale, either individually or as a member of a syndicate organized to submit a bid for the purchase of the Bonds.
- (N) As required by the Code, the purchaser of the Bonds will be required to certify to the Corporation as to certain of their activities regarding any reoffering to the public of the Bonds, including any reoffering prices.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

As a result of the principal amount of Bonds being offered not exceeding \$1,000,000 Bond Counsel has advised the Corporation and the Board that they are exempt from application of the Rule 15c2-12c2-12(b)(5) of the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the Bonds.

The Board and Corporation have been timely in making required filings under the terms of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the past five years. The Board has adopted procedures to assure timely and complete filings in the future with regard to the Rule in order to provide required financial reports and operating data or notices of material events.

Financial information regarding the Board may be obtained from Superintendent, Fort Thomas Independent Board of Education, 28 North Ft. Thomas Avenue, Ft. Thomas, KY 41075 (859) 781-3333.

#### TAX TREATMENT

Bond Counsel is of the opinion that:

- (A) The Bonds and the interest payable thereon are exempt from income and ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and all of its political subdivisions
- (B) Interest payable on the Bonds is excludable from gross income under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Furthermore, interest on the Bonds will not be treated as a specific item of tax preference, under Section 57(a)(5) of the Code, in computing the alternative minimum tax; however, interest on any Bonds held by an "applicable corporation" is included in annual "adjusted financial statement income" for purposes of calculating the alternative minimum tax imposed on applicable corporations for tax years beginning after December 31, 2023 The Corporation has covenanted to comply with the applicable provisions of the Code, and such compliance by the corporation is necessary to maintain the federal income tax status described above. No opinion is expressed regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds.
- (C) The Corporation has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265 of the Code.

FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION

By /s/ Brian Robinson Secretary

## **APPENDIX D**

Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds Series 2023B

Official Bid Form

## **OFFICIAL BID FORM** (Bond Purchase Agreement)

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale for \$595,000\* of School Building Revenue Bonds, Series 2023B, dated the date of initial issuance and delivery (the "Bonds") offered for sale by the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation (the "Corporation"), an agency and instrumentality acting on behalf of the Board of Education of the Fort Thomas Independent School District and in accordance with the Notice of Bond Sale, as advertised in conformity with Chapter 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, to all of which the undersigned agrees, the undersigned hereby submits the following offer to purchase the Bonds.

We hereby bid for said \$595,000\* principal amount of the Bonds, the total sum of  $\$  (not less than \$60,000) plus accrued interest from May 17, 2023, at the following annual rate(s), payable semiannually (rates on ascending scale, number of interest rates unlimited):

<b>Maturity</b>	Amount*	<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Maturity</b>	Amount*	<b>Interest Rate</b>
May 1, 2024 May 1, 2025 May 1, 2026 May 1, 2027 May 1, 2028 May 1, 2029 May 1, 2030 May 1, 2031 May 1, 2032 May 1, 2033	\$10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000 10,000		May 1, 2034 May 1, 2035 May 1, 2036 May 1, 2037 May 1, 2038 May 1, 2039 May 1, 2040 May 1, 2041 May 1, 2042 May 1, 2043	\$40,000 45,000 45,000 45,000 50,000 50,000 55,000 55,000 60,000	

<sup>\*</sup> Subject to Permitted Adjustment

We understand this bid may be accepted for as much as \$535,000 of the Bonds or as little as is deemed by the Issuer to be in the Issuer's best interest, at the same price per \$1,000 Bond, with the variation in such amount occurring in any maturity of all maturities, which will be determined by the Corporation at the time of acceptance of the best bid.

It is understood that the Corporation will furnish the final, approving Legal Opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel, of Covington, Kentucky.

No certified or bank cashier's check will be required to accompany the bid, but the successful bidder shall be required to wire transfer an amount equal to 2% of the principal amount of Bonds awarded by the close of business on the day following the award. The good faith amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price when the Bonds are tendered for delivery.

Electronic bids for the Bonds must be submitted through BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> and no other provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. Subscription to the BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit an electronic bid. The Corporation will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidders to subscribe. For the purposes of the bidding process, the time as maintained by BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids whether in electronic or written form. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> conflict with the terms of the Official Terms and Conditions of Sale of Bonds, the Official Terms and Conditions of Sale of Bonds shall prevail. Electronic bids made through the facilities of BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> shall be deemed an offer to purchase in response to the Notice of Bond Sale and shall be binding upon the bidders as if made by signed, sealed written bids delivered to the Corporation. The Corporation shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by or as a result of the use of the electronic bidding facilities provided and maintained by BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>. The use of BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup> facilities are at the sole risk of the prospective bidders. For further information regarding BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>, potential bidders may contact BiDCOMP<sup>TM</sup>/PARITY<sup>TM</sup>, 1359 Broadway - 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10018, Telephone: (800) 850-7422. Notwithstanding the foregoing non-electronic bids may be submitted via facsimile or by hand delivery utilizing the Official Bid Form.

We further understand that by submitting a bid we agree as follows:

If three or more bids for the Bonds are received as a result of this competitive sale, the successful purchaser will be required to certify on or before the issue date the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public for each Maturity of the Bonds which prices are the prices for each Maturity of the Bonds used by the successful purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds.

If less than three bids for the Bonds are received as a result of this competitive sale, the successful purchaser, by submitting a bid pursuant to a published Notice of Sale, has agreed in writing that they will be required to certify on or before the issue date (and provide reasonable supporting documentation for such Certification, such as a copy of the Pricing Wire or equivalent communication) for each Maturity of the Bonds (i) the first price at which at least 10% of each Maturity of the Bonds was sold to the Public, or (ii) that they neither offered nor sold any of the Bonds of any Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity.

Bids will not be subject to cancellation or withdrawal by the bidder in the event that three bids are not received and the Issuer determines to apply the hold-the-offering-price rule. For purposes of the above the following terms are defined as follows:

- (a) *Holding Period* means, with respect to a Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which the successful purchaser has sold at least 10% of such Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity.
- (b) *Maturity* means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (c) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50% common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (d) Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 26, 2023.
- (e) Underwriter means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of

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Plus discount			\$		
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Dated: April 26, 2023

Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation