



Financial Statements  
June 30, 2021

Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools

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Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
School Board and Administration  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
<b>School Board</b>		
Cody Marshall	Chairperson	2023
Paul Thompson	Vice Chairperson	2021
Mark Sellin	Clerk	2025
Steve Olson	Treasurer	2025
Kara Brager	Director	2025
Jeff Lee	Director	2023
Theodore "TJ" Tibbetts	Director	2025
<b>Administration</b>		
Phil Jensen	Superintendent	
Maria Beringer	Business Manager	



## Independent Auditor's Report

The School Board of  
Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
Hawley, Minnesota

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Independent School District No. 150, Hawley, Minnesota (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, schedule of changes in the District's total OPEB liability and related ratios, schedule of employer's share of net pension liability and schedule of employer's contributions 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 or 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 District's financial statements. The school board and administration, combining and individual fund schedules, and uniform financial accounting and reporting standards compliance table are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the financial statements of the District.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, combining and individual fund schedules, and uniform financial accounting and reporting standards compliance table are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 schedule of expenditures of federal awards, combining and individual fund schedules, and uniform financial accounting and reporting standards compliance table are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The school board and administration has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 27, 2021, on our consideration of the District’s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 District’s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

**Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

In accordance with the Legal Compliance Audit Guide prepared by the Office of the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. §6.65, we have also issued a report dated October 27, 2021 on our consideration of the District’s compliance with aspects of the provisions of the Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for School Districts. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of compliance and the results of that testing, and not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of noncompliance. That report is an integral part of procedures performed in accordance with the Office of the State Auditor’s Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for School Districts in considering the District’s compliance with certain regulatory requirements pursuant to Minn. Stat. §6.65.



Fargo, North Dakota  
October 27, 2021

This section of Hawley Public Schools – Independent School District 150's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2021.

### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for the 2020-2021 fiscal year:

*General Fund 01* - The overall revenues were \$11,347,604 while the expenditures were \$11,001,400. These, along with other financing sources of \$463,352, increased fund balance by \$809,556.

*Food Service Fund 02* - The revenues were \$612,021 and the expenditures were \$516,706, increasing fund balance by \$95,315.

*Community Service Fund 04* - The revenues were \$478,316 while the expenditures were \$454,214, decreasing fund balance by \$125,898.

*Building Project Fund 06* - The revenues were \$774 while the expenditures were \$1,334,417, decreasing fund balance by \$1,333,643.

*Debt Service Fund 07* - The overall revenues were \$1,403,272 while the expenditures were \$1,387,785. These, along with other financing sources of \$7,070,000, increased fund balance by \$7,085,487.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

The financial section of the annual report consists of three parts – Independent Auditor's Report, required supplementary information which includes the management's discussion and analysis (this section) and the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are *district-wide financial statements* that provide both *short-term* and *long-term* information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in *more detail* than the district-wide statements.
- The *governmental funds statements* tell how basic services such as regular and special education were financed in the *short term* as well as what remains for future spending.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The following outline shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.

1. Management's Discussion and Analysis
2. Basic Financial Statements
  - District-Wide Financial Statements
  - Fund Financial Statements

Footnote 1 summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District's activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

### **District-Wide Statements**

The district-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two district-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position – the difference between the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources – is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

In the district-wide financial statements the District's activities are shown in one category:

*Governmental Activities* - All of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation, administration, food services, and community education. Property taxes and state aids finance most of these activities.



## **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds – focusing on its most significant or “major” funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs:

- Some funds are required by State law and by bond covenants.
- The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (e.g., repaying its long-term debts) or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (e.g., federal grants).

The District has two kinds of funds:

*Governmental Funds* - All of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on:

1. How cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and
2. The balances left at year-end that are available for spending.

Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps to determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the district-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.

*Fiduciary Funds* - The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. We exclude these activities from the district-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

**Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole**

*Net Position* – The District's combined net position was a positive \$4,234,288 on June 30, 2021. A condensed version of the Statement of Net Position at June 30, 2021 and 2020 is below.

Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Assets		
Current assets	\$ 14,432,445	\$ 7,734,944
Capital assets	21,714,811	20,857,315
Total assets	36,147,256	28,592,259
Deferred Outflows of Resources	3,246,605	5,362,732
Liabilities		
Other liabilities	1,539,651	1,264,790
Long-term liabilities	25,686,489	18,201,263
Total liabilities	27,226,140	19,466,053
Deferred Inflows of Resources	7,933,433	10,612,015
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	11,174,312	9,377,315
Restricted	8,693,065	2,845,825
Unrestricted	(15,633,089)	(8,346,217)
Total net position	\$ 4,234,288	\$ 3,876,923

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Management's Discussion and Analysis  
June 30, 2021

*Changes in Net Position* - The District's total revenues were \$13,818,315 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

The total cost of all programs and services was \$13,460,950. The District's expenses are predominantly related to educating and caring for students.

Total revenues surpassed expenses, increasing net position \$357,365.

Statement of Activities  
Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Revenues		
Program revenues		
Charges for service	\$ 866,936	\$ 873,109
Operating grants and contributions	1,347,522	277,876
General		
Property taxes	2,236,206	1,945,260
Aids and payments from state and other	9,352,532	9,447,515
Unrestricted investment earnings	3,592	56,594
Miscellaneous revenues	11,527	227,951
Total revenues	13,818,315	12,828,305
Expenses		
District and school administration	635,371	613,790
District support services	413,422	389,609
Regular instruction	6,038,478	5,758,185
Vocational instruction	273,195	261,756
Exceptional instruction	1,312,954	1,233,891
Community education and services	451,717	455,704
Instructional support services	417,594	332,826
Pupil support services	1,136,409	1,235,718
Site, buildings and equipment	2,054,225	1,850,488
Fiscal and other fixed-cost programs	727,585	397,884
Total expenses	13,460,950	12,529,851
Change in Net Position	357,365	298,454
Net Position - Beginning	3,876,923	3,578,469
Net Position - Ending	\$ 4,234,288	\$ 3,876,923

**Financial Analysis of the District's Funds**

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$11,804,789. Revenues for the District's governmental funds were \$13,841,987, while total expenditures were \$14,694,522.

**General Fund**

The General Fund includes the primary operations of the District in providing educational services to students from pre-k/Special Education through grade 12 including pupil transportation activities and capital outlay projects.

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund Revenues:

	Year Ended June 30,		Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
	2021	2020		
Local property taxes	\$ 1,097,972	\$ 976,055	\$ 121,917	12.5%
Other local and county sources	475,485	633,039	(157,554)	-24.9%
State sources	9,274,013	9,204,844	69,169	0.8%
Federal sources	487,022	49,737	437,285	879.2%
Sales and other conversions	13,112	9,994	3,118	31.2%
<b>Total General Fund revenues</b>	<b>\$ 11,347,604</b>	<b>\$ 10,873,669</b>	<b>\$ 473,935</b>	<b>4.4%</b>

The revenues increased in the General Fund by \$473,935 or 4.4% from the previous fiscal year. The increase in local property taxes was attributed to an increase in levied dollars due to the increase in student count from 2020 to 2021. The mix of property tax and state aid can change significantly from year to year without any net change on revenue. Revenue from federal sources increased as a result of COVID-19 related federal aid programs.

Basic general education revenue is determined by the state on a per student funding formula. Other state-authorized revenue, including levy referendum and the property tax shift, involve an equalized mix of property tax and state aid revenue. Therefore, the mix of property tax and state aid can change significantly from year to year without any net change in revenue. The District will continue to look at various cost containment measures to minimize the effect of the uncertainty of education funding by the State of Minnesota.

The following schedule presents a summary of General Fund expenditures.

	Year Ended June 30,		Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
	2021	2020		
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 8,054,987	\$ 7,751,604	\$ 303,383	3.9%
Purchased services	1,195,703	1,150,416	45,287	3.9%
Supplies, materials and equipment	806,249	692,156	114,093	16.5%
Capital expenditures	771,825	559,609	212,216	37.9%
Other expenditures	172,636	211,262	(38,626)	-18.3%
 Total General Fund expenditures	 <u>\$ 11,001,400</u>	 <u>\$ 10,365,047</u>	 <u>\$ 636,353</u>	 6.1%

The expenditures increased in the General Fund by \$636,353 or 6.1% from the previous fiscal year. The increase in salaries and employee benefits was due to the hiring of additional staff to support increased enrollment and distance learning. The increase in supplies, materials, and equipment was due to the purchase of additional supplies with COVID-19 funding to support distance learning and enhanced sanitation. The increase in capital expenditures is due to the purchase of new school buses.

The total fund balance of \$4,232,246 at June 30, 2021 represents a \$809,556 increase in the fund balance from the previous year.

### General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the District did not complete any revisions to the budget. However, Administration compares actual revenues and expenditures to review the District's performance. Any budget amendments fall into three categories:

- Implementing budgets for specially funded projects, which include both federal and state grants, and budgeting for clearing, resale, and gifts.
- Increasing appropriations for significant unbudgeted costs.
- Revising budgets to reflect all salary settlements.

The District's final general fund results when compared to the revised budget are:

- Actual revenues were \$702,631 more than expected.
- Actual expenditures were \$292,291 more than budgeted.

**Other Non-Major Funds**

The Food Service Fund maintains a fund balance of \$150,430. The Community Service Fund maintains a fund balance of \$140,000. Both of these funds continue to operate on a sound financial basis.

**Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

As of June 30, 2021, the District had invested \$34,869,020 in a broad range of capital assets, including school buildings, athletic facilities, computer and audio-visual equipment, and administrative offices. Total depreciation expense for the year was \$1,066,352.

Capital Assets  
June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Land	\$ 112,700	\$ 112,700
Construction in progress	-	804,066
Site improvements	1,093,703	950,083
Buildings	31,513,255	29,330,342
Equipment	2,149,362	2,212,232
Accumulated depreciation	(13,154,209)	(12,552,108)
Total capital assets	\$ 21,714,811	\$ 20,857,315

See the notes to the financial statements for additional information on capital assets.

**Long-Term Liabilities**

At year-end, the District had \$17,760,000 in general obligation bonds, \$279,495 in unamortized bond premiums, and \$272,369 in capital lease payable. The District had \$234,583 in post-employment severance and \$402,417 in other post-employment benefit obligations at June 30, 2021. The District had \$7,687,690 in net pension liability at year-end.

- The District issued \$7,070,000 of new bonds during the year ended June 30, 2021, and continued to pay down its previous outstanding debt, retiring \$790,000 of outstanding bonds.
- The District entered into two capital leases for four new school buses totaling \$336,600 during the year ended June 30, 2021.

See the notes to the financial statements for additional information on long-term liabilities.

### **Factors Bearing on the District's Future**

With the exception of the voter-approved excess operating referendum, the District is dependent on the State of Minnesota for its revenue authority. At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of the following factors that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- The political environment at the state level will have a significant effect on future finances. The state legislature sets the amount of revenue from aids and levies that Minnesota school districts will receive.
- Enrollment fluctuations can have a significant effect on the District's revenue. We will continue to monitor enrollment closely and adjust budgets as necessary.

### **Contacting the District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Business Office, Hawley Public Schools, Independent School District 150, PO Box 608, Hawley, Minnesota 56549.

Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2021

Assets	
Cash and investments	\$ 5,007,643
Cash with fiscal agent	6,891,284
Receivables	
Current property taxes	1,156,692
Delinquent property taxes	20,038
Due from other governmental units	1,167,622
Accounts	86,273
Prepaid items	83,631
Inventories	19,262
	14,432,445
Capital assets	
Non-depreciable	
Land	112,700
Depreciable	
Improvements	1,093,703
Buildings	31,513,255
Equipment	2,149,362
Less accumulated depreciation	(13,154,209)
Total capital assets, net of depreciation	21,714,811
Total assets	36,147,256
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Other post-employment benefits	35,882
Pension plans	3,210,723
Total deferred outflows of resources	3,246,605
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	337,376
Salaries payable	82,057
Accrued interest payable	170,153
Long-term liabilities	
Due within one year - other than pensions and OPEB	950,065
Due in more than one year - other than pensions and OPEB	17,596,382
Due in more than one year - OPEB	402,417
Due in more than one year - net pension liability	7,687,690
Total liabilities	27,226,140
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Property taxes levied for subsequent years	2,188,185
Other post-employment benefits	110,700
Pension plans	5,634,548
Total deferred inflows of resources	7,933,433
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	11,174,312
Restricted	8,693,065
Unrestricted	(15,633,089)
Total net position	\$ 4,234,288

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement



Independent School District No. 150  
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Statement of Activities  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	
Governmental activities				
Administration	\$ 635,371	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (635,371)
District support services	413,422	-	-	(413,422)
Regular instruction	6,038,478	249,118	487,022	(5,302,338)
Vocational educational instruction	273,195	-	-	(273,195)
Special education instruction	1,312,954	194,912	-	(1,118,042)
Community education and services	451,717	344,289	76,638	(30,790)
Instructional support services	417,594	-	-	(417,594)
Pupil support services	1,136,409	78,467	545,423	(512,519)
Sites and buildings	2,054,225	150	238,439	(1,815,636)
Fiscal and other fixed-cost programs	727,585	-	-	(727,585)
<b>Total governmental activities</b>	<b>\$ 13,460,950</b>	<b>\$ 866,936</b>	<b>\$ 1,347,522</b>	<b>\$ (11,246,492)</b>
General Revenues				
Property taxes, levied for general purposes				1,074,300
Property taxes, levied for community service				56,542
Property taxes, levied for debt service				1,105,364
Aids and payments from the state				9,334,329
County apportionment				18,203
Unrestricted investment earnings				3,592
Miscellaneous revenues				11,527
<b>Total general revenues</b>				<b>11,603,857</b>
Changes in net position				357,365
Net position - beginning				3,876,923
Net position - ending				<b>\$ 4,234,288</b>

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Governmental Funds  
Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2021

	General	Debt Service	Building Project	Other Governmental Funds	Totals
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and investments	\$ 3,688,837	\$ 740,798	\$ 277,301	\$ 300,707	\$ 5,007,643
Cash with fiscal agent	-	6,891,284	-	-	6,891,284
Receivables					
Current property taxes	491,826	641,795	-	23,071	1,156,692
Delinquent property taxes	8,964	10,611	-	463	20,038
Due from other governmental units	1,131,922	29,764	-	5,936	1,167,622
Accounts	86,143	-	-	130	86,273
Prepaid items	83,631	-	-	-	83,631
Inventories	-	-	-	19,262	19,262
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 5,491,323</b>	<b>\$ 8,314,252</b>	<b>\$ 277,301</b>	<b>\$ 349,569</b>	<b>\$ 14,432,445</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Accounts payable	\$ 200,859	\$ -	\$ 127,800	\$ 8,717	\$ 337,376
Salaries payable	82,057	-	-	-	82,057
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>282,916</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,800</b>	<b>8,717</b>	<b>419,433</b>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>					
Unavailable revenue-delinquent property taxes	8,964	10,611	-	463	20,038
Property taxes levied for subsequent years	967,197	1,171,029	-	49,959	2,188,185
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>976,161</b>	<b>1,181,640</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50,422</b>	<b>2,208,223</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>					
Nonspendable	83,631	-	-	19,262	102,893
Restricted	1,169,651	7,132,612	149,501	400,380	8,852,144
Committed	234,583	-	-	-	234,583
Assigned	2,570,000	-	-	-	2,570,000
Unassigned	174,381	-	-	(129,212)	45,169
<b>Total fund balance</b>	<b>4,232,246</b>	<b>7,132,612</b>	<b>149,501</b>	<b>290,430</b>	<b>11,804,789</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 5,491,323</b>	<b>\$ 8,314,252</b>	<b>\$ 277,301</b>	<b>\$ 349,569</b>	<b>\$ 14,432,445</b>

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Governmental Funds  
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds  
Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2021

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Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 11,804,789
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	21,714,811
Accrued interest payable for long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	(170,153)
Delinquent property taxes are not considered available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue in the funds.	20,038
Total OPEB obligation liabilities are not recognized in the funds.	(402,417)
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds	(2,498,643)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, unamortized bond premiums, capital lease payable, net pension liability and severance payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	<u>(26,234,137)</u>
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ 4,234,288</u></u>

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	General	Debt Service	Building Project	Other Governmental Funds	Totals
<b>Revenues</b>					
Local property tax levies	\$ 1,097,972	\$ 1,105,364	\$ -	\$ 56,542	\$ 2,259,878
Other local and county sources	475,485	-	774	347,436	823,695
State sources	9,274,013	297,908	-	81,933	9,653,854
Federal sources	487,022	-	-	528,909	1,015,931
Sales and other conversion of assets	13,112	-	-	75,517	88,629
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>11,347,604</b>	<b>1,403,272</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>1,090,337</b>	<b>13,841,987</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
<b>Current</b>					
Administration	635,371	-	-	-	635,371
District support services	421,290	-	-	-	421,290
Regular instruction	5,574,176	-	-	-	5,574,176
Vocational education instruction	273,578	-	-	-	273,578
Special education instruction	1,309,503	-	-	-	1,309,503
Community education and service	-	-	-	454,214	454,214
Instructional support services	308,324	-	-	-	308,324
Pupil support services	541,973	-	-	516,706	1,058,679
Sites and buildings	1,107,671	-	-	-	1,107,671
Fiscal and other fixed cost programs	57,689	1,387,785	-	-	1,445,474
Capital outlay	771,825	-	1,334,417	-	2,106,242
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>11,001,400</b>	<b>1,387,785</b>	<b>1,334,417</b>	<b>970,920</b>	<b>14,694,522</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	346,204	15,487	(1,333,643)	119,417	(852,535)
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>					
Capital lease proceeds	313,352	-	-	-	313,352
Transfers in (out)	150,000	-	-	(150,000)	-
Refunding bond proceeds	-	7,070,000	-	-	7,070,000
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>463,352</b>	<b>7,070,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(150,000)</b>	<b>7,383,352</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>809,556</b>	<b>7,085,487</b>	<b>(1,333,643)</b>	<b>(30,583)</b>	<b>6,530,817</b>
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>3,422,690</b>	<b>47,125</b>	<b>1,483,144</b>	<b>321,013</b>	<b>5,273,972</b>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 4,232,246</b>	<b>\$ 7,132,612</b>	<b>\$ 149,501</b>	<b>\$ 290,430</b>	<b>\$ 11,804,789</b>

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and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities  
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Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ 6,530,817

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

Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay and net disposals exceeds depreciation expense in the current period.	857,496
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	(23,672)
In the statement of activities compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used.	24,759
In the statement of activities OPEB obligations are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used.	24,967
In the statement of activities the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported as pension expense. In the governmental funds, however, the contributions are reported as expense.	(442,044)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	(6,614,958)

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 357,365</u>
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Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget to Actual  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
<b>Revenues</b>				
Local property tax levies	\$ 974,480	\$ 974,480	\$ 1,097,972	\$ 123,492
Other local and county sources	372,185	372,185	475,485	103,300
State sources	9,129,550	9,129,550	9,274,013	144,463
Federal sources	168,208	168,208	487,022	318,814
Sales and other conversion of assets	550	550	13,112	12,562
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>10,644,973</b>	<b>10,644,973</b>	<b>11,347,604</b>	<b>702,631</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Administration	633,789	633,789	635,371	(1,582)
District support services	466,805	466,805	421,290	45,515
Regular instruction	5,382,165	5,382,165	5,574,176	(192,011)
Vocational education instruction	200,090	200,090	273,578	(73,488)
Special education instruction	1,521,243	1,521,243	1,309,503	211,740
Instructional support services	159,393	159,393	308,324	(148,931)
Pupil support services	741,327	691,294	541,973	149,321
Sites and buildings	1,135,330	1,135,330	1,107,671	27,659
Fiscal and other fixed cost programs	112,000	112,000	57,689	54,311
Capital expenditures	407,000	407,000	771,825	(364,825)
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>10,759,142</b>	<b>10,709,109</b>	<b>11,001,400</b>	<b>(292,291)</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	(114,169)	(64,136)	346,204	410,340
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>				
Capital lease proceeds	-	-	313,352	313,352
Transfer in	-	-	150,000	150,000
<b>Total other financing sources</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>463,352</b>	<b>463,352</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ (114,169)</b>	<b>\$ (64,136)</b>	<b>809,556</b>	<b>\$ 873,692</b>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			3,422,690	
Fund Balance, End of Year			<u>\$ 4,232,246</u>	

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Statement of Fiduciary Net Position  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

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Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$          57,726</u>
Net Position	
Restricted for scholarships	<u>\$          57,726</u>

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Year Ended June 30, 2021

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Additions	
Contributions	<u>\$          57,726</u>
Change in Net Position	57,726
Net Position - Beginning	<u>-</u>
Net Position - Ending	<u><u>\$          57,726</u></u>



**Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**A. Organization**

Independent School District No. 150, Hawley Area Public Schools, Hawley, Minnesota (the District) was formed and operates pursuant to applicable Minnesota laws and statutes. The District is governed by a School Board elected by voters of the District. The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

**B. Reporting Entity**

The accompanying financial statements include all funds, departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and other organizations that comprise the District, along with any component units.

Component units are legally separate entities for which the District (primary government) is financially accountable, or for which the exclusion of the component unit would render the financial statements of the primary government misleading. The criteria used to determine if the primary government is financially accountable for a component unit include whether or not the primary government appoints the voting majority of the potential component unit's governing body, is able to impose its will on the potential component unit, is in a relationship of financial burden or benefit with the potential component unit, or is fiscally depended upon by the potential component unit.

Based on these criteria, there are no organizations considered to be component units of the District.

**C. District-Wide Financial Statement Presentation**

The district-wide financial statements (Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities) display information about the reporting government as a whole. Generally, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the district-wide financial statements.

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

The district-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are generally recognized as revenues in the fiscal year for which they are levied, except for amounts advance recognized in accordance with a statutory “tax shift” described later in these notes. Grants and similar items are recognized when all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The District applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available. For capital assets that can be specifically identified with, or allocated to functional areas, depreciation expense is included as a direct expense in the functional areas that utilize the related capital assets. Interest on long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

#### **D. Fund Financial Statement Presentation**

Separate fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Aggregated information for the remaining nonmajor governmental funds is reported in a single column in the fund financial statements.

Fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements for the custodial fund. Since, by definition, fiduciary fund assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used for activities or obligations of the District, these funds are excluded from the district-wide statements.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Under this basis of accounting transactions are recorded in the following manner:

*Revenue Recognition* - Revenue is recognized when it becomes measurable and available. “Measurable” means the amount of the transaction can be determined and “available” means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District generally considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Grants and similar items are recognized when all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. State revenue is recognized in the year to which it applies according to Minnesota Statutes. Federal revenue is recorded in the year in which the related expenditure is made. Proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

*Recording of Expenditures* - Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, severance and healthcare benefits, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital asset acquisitions are included within the applicable functional areas.

Fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting as described earlier in these notes.

## **Description of Funds**

The existence of the various district funds has been established by the Minnesota Department of Education. Each fund is accounted for as an independent entity. A description of the funds included in this report are as follows:

### **Major Governmental Funds**

*General Fund* - The general fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. It includes the general operations and pupil transportation activities of the District, as well as the capital related activities such as maintenance of facilities, equipment purchases, and health and safety projects. The District's Student Activity Funds are under board control and are reported in the general fund.

*Building Project* - The building projects fund is used to account for construction projects within the District.

*Debt Service Fund* - The debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and payment of, general obligation bond principal, interest, and related costs.

### **Nonmajor Governmental Funds**

*Food Service Fund* - The food service fund is used to account for food service revenues and expenditures.

*Community Service Fund* - The community service fund is used to account for services provided to residents in the areas of recreation, civic activities, nonpublic pupils, adult or early childhood programs, extended day programs, or other similar services.

### **Fiduciary Fund**

*Custodial Fund* - The custodial fund is used to report assets held in a trustee or custodial capacity for others and therefore cannot be used to support the government's own programs. The District reports the scholarship activities in a custodial fund. The assets are for the benefit of the graduating students and the District does not have administration involvement with the assets or direct the financial involvement with the assets. In addition, the assets are not derived from the District's provision of goods or services to the scholarship activities.

## **E. Other Significant Accounting Policies**

### **Budgeting**

An operating budget is adopted by July 1 of each fiscal year for all governmental funds on the same modified accrual basis used to reflect actual revenues and expenditures. The superintendent is authorized to transfer budget amounts within line items; however, supplemental appropriations that amend total appropriations of any fund require a board resolution. Reported budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by board resolution. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

### **Cash and Investments**

Cash and investments include balances from all funds that are combined and invested to the extent available in various securities as authorized by state law. Earnings from the pooled investments are allocated to the respective funds on the basis of applicable cash balance participation by each fund.

Short-term, highly liquid debt instruments (including commercial paper, banker's acceptances, and U.S. Treasury and agency obligations) purchased with a remaining maturity of one year or less are reported at amortized cost. Other investments are reported at fair value.

### **Cash with Fiscal Agent**

Cash with fiscal agent consists of restricted cash from the proceeds of the General Obligation Taxable Crossover Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A, held for refunding of the General Obligation School Building Bonds, Series 2014A. These funds will be held as cash with fiscal agent until the Series 2014A bonds are callable on March 1, 2024.

### **Receivables**

All receivables are shown net of any allowance for uncollectibles. No allowances for uncollectibles have been recorded. The only receivables not expected to be collected within one year are property taxes receivable.

### **Prepaid Items**

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items. Prepaid items are reported using the consumption method and recorded as an expense or expenditure at the time of consumption.

### **Inventories**

Inventories are recorded using the consumption method of accounting and consist of purchased food, supplies, and surplus commodities received from the federal government. Food and supply purchases are recorded at invoice cost, computed on a first-in, first-out method. Surplus commodities are stated at standardized costs, as determined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

### **Property Taxes**

The majority of district revenue is determined annually by statutory funding formulas. The total revenue allowed by these formulas is allocated between property taxes and state aids by the Legislature based on education funding priorities.

Generally, property taxes are recognized as revenue by the District in the fiscal year that begins midway through the calendar year in which the tax levy is collectible. To help balance the state budget, the Minnesota Legislature utilizes a tool referred to as the “tax shift,” which periodically changes the District’s recognition of property tax revenue. The tax shift advance recognizes cash collected for the subsequent year’s levy as current year revenue, allowing the state to reduce the amount of aid paid to the District. The remaining portion of the taxes collectible in 2021 is recorded as deferred inflows of resources (property taxes levied for subsequent year).

Property tax levies are certified to the County Auditor in December of each year for collection from taxpayers in May and October of the following calendar year. In Minnesota, counties act as collection agents for all property taxes. The county spreads all levies over taxable property. Such taxes become a lien on property on the following January 1. The county general remits taxes to the District at periodic intervals as they are collected. A portion of the property taxes levied is paid by the State of Minnesota through various tax credits, which are included in revenue from state sources in the financial statements.

Current property taxes receivable is the uncollected portion of the taxes levied in 2020 and collectible in 2021. This levy is offset with a deferred inflow of resources for property taxes levied for a subsequent year. Delinquent taxes receivable includes the past six years’ uncollected taxes. Delinquent taxes have been offset by a deferred inflow of resources for delinquent taxes not received within 60 days after year-end in the fund financial statements.

### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost for assets where actual historic cost is not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation. The District maintains a threshold level of \$2,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Capital assets are recorded in the district-wide financial statements, but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public school purposes by the District, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. Useful lives vary from 3 to 50 years.

Capital assets not being depreciated include land and construction in progress.

The District does not possess any material amounts of infrastructure capital assets. Items such as sidewalks and other land improvements are considered to be part of the cost of buildings or other improvable property.

### **Long-Term Obligations**

In the district-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources, while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

### **Compensated Absences Payable**

*Vacation* - The District compensates substantially all full-time noncertified employees for unused vacation upon termination; however, no employee is allowed to accumulate more than a one-year vacation allowance. The expenditure for vacation pay is recognized when payment is made. Vacation is immaterial as of June 30, 2021, and is not accrued.

*Sick Pay* - Substantially all District employees are allowed to accrue sick leave at varying amounts each year and accumulate within specified limits. Employees are not compensated for unused sick leave upon termination of employment. Since the employees accumulating rights to receive compensation for future absences being caused by future illnesses such amounts cannot be reasonably estimated, a liability for unused sick leave has not been recorded in the financial statements. In some instances, unused sick leave does enter into the calculation of severance pay for some employees upon termination.

*Severance Benefits* - The district has a severance pay plan for teachers who have taught at least 10 years of teaching service in the District and 25 years of teaching experience. Eligible teachers, upon resignation, shall receive as severance pay an amount representing a maximum of 108 days of the teacher's final salary, reduced by the amount of contributions to the teacher's 403(b) plan made by the District. As of June 30, 2021, the district owes \$234,583 for severance pay of which \$182,453 is recorded as a long-term liability due in more than one year on the district-wide statements.

The liability for such vacation, sick pay, or severance benefits is reported as incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for those amounts is recorded in the governmental funds only if the liability has matured as a result of employee resignations or retirements.

### **Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and the Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) and additions to/deductions from PERA's and TRA's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERA and TRA.

TRA has a special funding situation created by direct aid contributions made by the State of Minnesota, City of Minneapolis and Minneapolis School District. The direct aid is a result of the Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association merger into TRA in 2006. A second direct aid source is from the State of Minnesota for the merger of the Duluth Teacher's Retirement Fund Association (DTRFA) in 2015. Additional information can be found in Note 7.

For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized as of employer payroll paid dates and benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### **Deferred Outflows of Resources**

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

The District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category on the government-wide statement of net position. Deferred outflows of resources related to other postemployment benefits consists of various estimate differences and contributions made to the plan subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as expenditures in future years. Deferred outflows of resources related to pension plans consists of various estimate differences and contributions made to the plan subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as expenses in future years.

#### **Deferred Inflows of Resources**

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

The District has three types of items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item, unavailable revenue from property taxes, arises under a modified accrual basis of accounting and is reported only in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. Delinquent property taxes not collected within 60 days of year-end are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the governmental funds in the period the amounts become available. The second item is property taxes levied for subsequent years, which represent property taxes received or reported as a receivable before the period for which the taxes are levied, and is reported as a deferred inflow of resources in both the government-wide Statement of Net Position and the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. Property taxes levied for subsequent years are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the government-wide financial statements in the year for which they are levied and in the governmental fund financial statements during the year for which they are levied, if available. The third item is deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB activity as a result of various estimate differences that will be recognized as expenses in future years, reported in the government-wide statement of net position.

### **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between (a) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (b) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources in the District's government-wide financial statements. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any long-term debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Restricted net position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Unrestricted net position is the net amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

### **Fund Balance**

In governmental fund types, the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources is called "fund balance." The District's governmental funds report the following categories of fund balance, based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes.

*Nonspendable Fund Balance* - represents a portion of fund balance that includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either a) not in spendable form or b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted Fund Balances* - represents a portion of fund balance that reflects constraints placed on the use of resources (other than nonspendable items) that are either: a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Committed Fund Balance* - includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority which is the School Board through an ordinance or resolution.

*Assigned Fund Balance* - represents amounts constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but neither restricted nor committed.

*Unassigned Fund Balance* - represents residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance not assigned to other funds and not restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, it would be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.



The District's policy is to strive to maintain a minimum unrestricted general fund balance of three months of operating expenditures. The first priority is to utilize the balance as restricted fund balance. Committed funds will be considered second with assigned fund balance third when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classification could be used like assigned or unassigned.

### **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; natural disasters; and workers' compensation for which the District carries commercial insurance. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There were no significant reductions in the District's insurance coverage in fiscal year 2021.

### **Estimates**

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

## **Note 2 - Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability**

### **Expenditures in Excess of Appropriations**

Budget control for the fund is established by its total appropriations. The General Fund had expenditures exceeding appropriations in the amount of \$292,291 for the year ended June 30, 2021. These over expenditures were funded by greater than expected revenues and existing fund balance.

## **Note 3 - Deposits and Investments**

### **Deposits**

In accordance with applicable Minnesota Statutes, the District maintains deposits at depository banks authorized by the District's School Board. All such depositories are members of the Federal Reserve System.

The following is considered the most significant risk associated with deposits:

*Custodial Credit Risk* - In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may be lost.

Minnesota Statutes require that all deposits be protected by federal deposit insurance, corporate surety bond, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged must equal 110% of the deposits not covered by federal deposit insurance or corporate surety bonds. Authorized collateral includes treasury bills, notes, and bonds; issues of U.S. government agencies; general obligations rated "A" or better; revenue obligations rated "AA" or better; irrevocable standard letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank; and certificates of deposit. Minnesota Statutes require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping in a restricted account at the Federal Reserve Bank or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution that is not owned or controlled by the financial institution furnishing the collateral.

At June 30, 2021, all deposits were insured or collateralized by securities held by the District's agent in the District's name.

### **Investments**

*Credit Risk* - Minnesota Statutes authorize the District to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities, bankers' acceptances, certain repurchase agreements and commercial paper rated A-1 by Standard & Poor's Corporation or P-1 by Moody's Commercial Paper Record. The District had no such investments during the year or at year end.

*Custodial Credit Risk* - The investment in the Minnesota School District Liquid Asset Fund is not subject to the credit risk classifications as noted in paragraph 9 of GASB Statement No. 40.

*Interest Rate Risk* - The District does not have a formal policy that limits investment maturities.

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The District has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2021:

- US government obligations of \$3,938,937 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs)
- Municipal bonds of \$2,935,628 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs)

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The following table presents the District's deposit and investment balances at June 30, 2021:

Type	Fair Value	Investment Maturities (in Years)		
		N/A	< 1	1 - 5
Cash and cash equivalents				
Minnesota School				
District Liquid Asset Fund	\$ 3,754,135	\$ 3,754,135	\$ -	\$ -
Deposits	912,343	912,343	-	-
Money market accounts	300,158	300,158		
Certificate of deposits	57,726	57,726		
Investments				
US Government Obligations	3,938,937	-	-	3,938,937
Municipal Bonds	2,935,628	-	55,051	2,880,577
	<u>\$ 11,898,927</u>	<u>\$ 5,024,362</u>	<u>\$ 55,051</u>	<u>\$ 6,819,514</u>

The Minnesota School District Liquid Asset Fund is an external investment pool not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) that follows the same regulatory rules of the SEC under rule 2a7. The fair value of the position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool's shares.

Cash and investments are included in the basic financial statements as follows:

Cash and investments - Statement of Net Position	\$ 5,007,643
Cash with fiscal agent - Statement of Net Position	<u>6,891,284</u>
	<u>\$ 11,898,927</u>

**Note 4 - Due from Other Governmental Units**

Amounts receivable from other governments as of June 30, 2021, include:

Fund	State	Federal	Total
Major funds			
General	\$ 979,714	\$ 152,208	\$ 1,131,922
Debt service	29,764	-	29,764
Non-major funds	5,936	-	5,936
	<u>\$ 1,015,414</u>	<u>\$ 152,208</u>	<u>\$ 1,167,622</u>

**Note 5 - Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 was as follows:

	<u>Balance July 1, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2021</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 112,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 112,700
Construction in progress	804,066	1,334,417	2,138,483	-
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>916,766</u>	<u>1,334,417</u>	<u>2,138,483</u>	<u>112,700</u>
Capital assets being depreciated				
Improvements	950,083	143,620	-	1,093,703
Buildings	29,330,342	2,182,913	-	31,513,255
Equipment	2,212,232	424,111	486,981	2,149,362
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>32,492,657</u>	<u>2,750,644</u>	<u>486,981</u>	<u>34,756,320</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Improvements	562,017	34,414	-	596,431
Buildings	10,610,015	877,726	-	11,487,741
Equipment	1,380,076	154,212	464,251	1,070,037
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>12,552,108</u>	<u>1,066,352</u>	<u>464,251</u>	<u>13,154,209</u>
Net capital assets, depreciated	<u>19,940,549</u>	<u>1,684,292</u>	<u>22,730</u>	<u>21,602,111</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 20,857,315</u>	<u>\$ 3,018,709</u>	<u>\$ 2,161,213</u>	<u>\$ 21,714,811</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2021 was charged to the following functions/programs:

Regular instruction	\$ 997,456
Vocational instruction	247
Special education	3,451
Business	3,892
Inst Support	1,186
Pupil support services	<u>60,120</u>
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 1,066,352</u>

**Note 6 - Long-Term Liabilities**

Changes in long-term liabilities during the year ended June 30, 2021 are as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2020	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2021	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable	\$ 11,480,000	\$ 7,070,000	\$ 790,000	\$ 17,760,000	\$ 840,000
Unamortized bond premiums	300,995	-	21,500	279,495	21,500
Capital lease (direct borrowing)	9,523	313,352	50,506	272,369	36,435
Severance payable	259,342	-	24,759	234,583	52,130
	<u>\$ 12,049,860</u>	<u>\$ 7,383,352</u>	<u>\$ 886,765</u>	<u>\$ 18,546,447</u>	<u>\$ 950,065</u>

Following is a summary of bonds payable as of June 30, 2021:

Bond Description	Final Maturities	Interest Rate	Original Principal	Outstanding Balance
General Obligation				
Building Bonds of 2014A	3/24	2.00%-4.00%	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 8,685,000
Facilities Maintenance Bonds of 2019A	2/34	2.25%-4.00%	2,125,000	2,005,000
Taxable Crossover Refunding Bonds of 2021A	3/34	0.73%-2.03%	7,070,000	7,070,000
				<u>\$ 17,760,000</u>

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District issued \$7,070,000 of Taxable Crossover Refunding Bonds of 2021A to refund the Building Bonds of 2014A on the call date of March 1, 2024. The bonds bear an interest rate of 0.73-2.03% and call for semiannual interest payments commencing March 2021 and annual principal payments commencing March 2025. The refunded bonds resulted in an economic gain (difference between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$350,511. These bonds are repaid through special assessments levied against the benefiting properties.

Bond principal and interest payments are made by the debt service fund.

Following is a summary of capital lease payable as of June 30, 2021:

Capital Lease Description	Final Maturities	Interest Rate	Original Principal	Outstanding Balance
2 School buses	10/24	4.037%	\$ 165,420	\$ 124,540
2 School buses	9/25	3.557%	171,240	147,829
				<u>\$ 272,369</u>

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District entered into two capital leases totaling \$336,660 for four new school buses. The leases bear an interest rate of 3.557% - 4.037% and call for annual principal and interest payments commencing September 2021 with a down payment due at the time each lease was signed.

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Annual capital lease principal and interest payments are made by the general fund. The outstanding capital lease contains a provision that in the event of default the buses will be repossessed. The total cost of the buses was \$336,660, with accumulated depreciation of \$21,041 as of June 30, 2021.

*Severance Payable* - This amount consists of vested severance benefits as discussed in Note 1.

Remaining principal and interest payments on general long-term debt are as follows:

Years Ending June 30,	Bonds Payable		Capital Lease Payable	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2022	\$ 840,000	\$ 493,899	\$ 36,435	\$ 10,285
2023	920,000	462,049	37,818	8,902
2024	7,370,000	427,174	39,254	7,465
2025	825,000	150,624	87,616	5,974
2026	845,000	139,533	71,246	2,534
2027-2031	4,295,000	903,942	-	-
2032-2034	2,665,000	107,893	-	-
	<u>\$ 17,760,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,685,114</u>	<u>\$ 272,369</u>	<u>\$ 35,160</u>

Years Ending June 30,	Severance Payable		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2022	\$ 52,130	\$ -	\$ 928,565	\$ 504,184
2023	52,130	-	1,009,948	470,951
2024	52,130	-	7,461,384	434,639
2025	52,130	-	964,746	156,598
2026	26,063	-	942,309	142,067
2027-2031	-	-	4,295,000	903,942
2032-2034	-	-	2,665,000	107,893
	<u>\$ 234,583</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 18,266,952</u>	<u>\$ 2,720,274</u>

**Note 7 - Other Postemployment Benefits**

**A. Plan Description**

All employees are allowed upon meeting the eligibility requirements under Minn. Stat. 471.61 subd, 2b, to participate in the District's health insurance plan after retirement. This plan covers active and retired employees who have reached age 55, with teachers needing at least 3 years of service and all other district employees needing 5 years of service. Benefit provisions are established through negotiations between the District and the union representing District employees and are renegotiated at the end of each contract period. A separately issued report is not available.

**B. Benefits Provided**

The contract groups have access to other post-retirement benefits of blended medical premiums of \$563 for single and \$1,485 for family coverage. The implicit rate subsidy is only until Medicare eligibility. There are no subsidized post-employment medical, dental, or life insurance benefits.

**C. Employees Covered by Benefit Terms**

At the valuation date of July 1, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	4
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	134
	138

**D. Total OPEB Liability**

The District’s total OPEB liability of \$402,417 was measured as of July 1, 2020, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019.

**E. Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs**

The total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2019, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.50 percent	
Salary increases	Service graded table, based on age and years of service	
Discount rate	3.10 percent	
Healthcare cost trend rates	6.25 percent as of July 1, 2020, grading to 5.00 percent over 5 years	
Retiree plan participation	Future retirees electing coverage:	
	- Teachers, administrators, and business managers	50%
	- All others	5%
Percent of married retirees electing spouse coverage	25%	

Since the plan is not funded by an irrevocable trust, the discount rate is equal to the 20-Year Municipal Bond Yield.

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Headcount-Weighted Mortality Tables (General, Teachers) with MP-2018 Generational Improvement Scale.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019, valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study as of July 1, 2019.

There were no changes in actuarial assumptions made for the year ending June 30, 2021:

**F. Changes in Total OPEB Liability**

Balance at June 30, 2020	\$	392,955
Changes from the Prior Year		
Service Cost		26,050
Interest Cost		12,541
Benefit Payments		<u>(29,129)</u>
Net Change		<u>9,462</u>
Balance at June 30, 2021	\$	<u><u>402,417</u></u>

The measurement date of the OPEB liability was July 1, 2020; the date of the actuarial valuation on which the total OPEB liability is based was July 1, 2019.

**G. Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in Discount Rate and the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates**

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1 percentage point lower and 1 percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

	<u>1% Decrease in Discount Rate</u>	<u>Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase in Discount Rate</u>
Discount rate	2.10%	3.10%	4.10%
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 423,007	\$ 402,417	\$ 382,107



The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate 1 percentage point lower and 1 percentage point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease in Healthcare Trend Rate	Selected Healthcare Trend Rate	1% Increase in Healthcare Trend Rate
Net OPEB Liability	\$ 359,112	\$ 402,417	\$ 432,373
Medical trend rate	5.25%, decreasing to 4.00% over 5 years	6.25%, decreasing to 5.00% over 5 years	7.25%, decreasing to 6.00% over 5 years

**H. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$10,915. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Liability gains	\$ -	\$ 104,263
Assumption changes	-	6,437
Employer contributions made after the measurement date	35,882	-
	<u>\$ 35,882</u>	<u>\$ 110,700</u>

The \$35,882 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the total OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Years Ended June 30,	Pension Expense Amount
2022	\$ (27,676)
2023	(27,676)
2024	(27,676)
2025	(27,672)

**Note 8 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

Substantially all employees of the District are required by state law to belong to defined benefit, multi-employer, cost-sharing pension plans administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association (PERA) or the Teachers’ Retirement Association (TRA), all of which are administered on a state-wide basis.

For the year ended June 20, 2021 the District reported its proportionate share of net pension assets , net pension liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expense (income) for each of the plans as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Net Pension Liability	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Pension Expense (Income)
PERA - General Employees Fund	\$ 183,765	\$ 1,223,073	\$ 54,394	\$ 122,434
TRA	3,026,958	6,464,617	5,580,154	642,161
Total all plans	<u>\$ 3,210,723</u>	<u>\$ 7,687,690</u>	<u>\$ 5,634,548</u>	<u>\$ 764,595</u>

Disclosures relating to these plans are as follows:

**Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA)**

**A. Plan Description**

The District participates in the General Employees Retirement Plan, a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). PERA’s defined benefit pension plans are established and administered in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapters 353 and 356. PERA’s defined benefit pension plans are tax qualified plans under Section 401 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The General Employees Retirement Plan covers certain full time and part-time employees of the District, other than teachers. General Employees Plan members belong to the Coordinated Plan. Coordinated Plan members are covered by Social Security.

**B. Benefits Provided**

PERA provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Benefit provisions are established by state statute and can only be modified by the state Legislature. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits, but are not receiving them yet, are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated their public service.

General Employees Plan benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any five successive years of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service. Two methods are used to compute benefits for PERA's Coordinated Plan members. Members hired prior to July 1, 1989, receive the higher of Method 1 or Method 2 formulas. Only Method 2 is used for members hired after June 30, 1989. Under Method 1, the accrual rate for Coordinated members is 1.2 percent for each of the first 10 years of service and 1.7 percent for each additional year. Under Method 2, the accrual rate for Coordinated members is 1.7 percent for all years of service. For members hired prior to July 1, 1989 a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal 90 and normal retirement age is 65. For members hired on or after July 1, 1989, normal retirement age is the age for unreduced Social Security benefits capped at 66.

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. The postretirement increase is equal to 50 percent of the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) announced by the SSA, with a minimum increase of at least 1 percent and a maximum of 1.5 percent. Recipients that have been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive the full increase. Recipients receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one month but less than a full year as of the June 30 before the effective date of the increase will receive a reduced prorated increase. For members retiring on January 1, 2024, or later, the increase will be delayed until normal retirement age (age 65 if hired prior to July 1, 1989, or age 66 for individuals hired on or after July 1, 1989). Members retiring under Rule of 90 are exempt from the delay to normal retirement.

**C. Contribution Rate**

*Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 353 sets the rates for employer and employee contributions. Contribution rates can only be modified by the state Legislature.

Coordinated Plan members were required to contribute 6.50 percent of their annual covered salary in fiscal year 2021 and the District was required to contribute 7.50 percent for Coordinated Plan members. The District's contributions to the General Employees Fund for the year ended June 30, 2021, were \$101,207. The District's contributions were equal to the required contributions for each year as set by state statute.

**D. Pension Costs**

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$1,223,073 for its proportionate share of the General Employees Fund's net pension liability. The District's net pension liability reflected a reduction due to the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$16 million. The State of Minnesota is considered a non-employer contributing entity and the state's contribution meets the definition of a special funding situation. The State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District totaled \$35,591. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, 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 proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on the District's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. The District's proportionate share was 0.0204% at the end of the measurement period and 0.0194% for the beginning of the period.

District's proportionate share of net pension liability	\$ 1,223,073
State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District	<u>37,663</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 1,260,736</u></u>

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of \$122,434 for its proportionate share of the General Employees Plan's pension expense. In addition, the District recognized \$3,278 as grant revenue for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's pension expense for the annual \$16 million contribution.

At June 30, 2021, the District reported its proportionate share of the General Employees Plan's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 10,610	\$ 4,628
Changes in actuarial assumptions	-	44,219
Net collective difference between projected and actual investment earnings	25,695	-
Changes in proportion	46,253	5,547
Contributions paid to PERA subsequent to measurement date	<u>101,207</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 183,765</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 54,394</u></u>

The \$101,207 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, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Years Ended June 30,	Pension Expense Amount
2022	\$ (49,152)
2023	10,780
2024	36,986
2025	29,550

**E. Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2020, actuarial valuation was determined using an individual entry-age normal actuarial cost method and the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.25% per year
Active Member Payroll Growth	3.00% per year
Investment Rate of Return	7.50% per year

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for active members, retirees, survivors, and disabilitants were based on Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality table for the General Employees Plan for males or females, as appropriate, with slight adjustments to fit PERA’s experience. Cost of living benefit increases after retirement for retirees are assumed to be 1.25 percent per year for the General Employees Plan.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies. The most recent four-year experience study for the General Employees Plan was completed in 2019. The assumption changes were adopted by the Board and became effective with the July 1, 2020 actuarial valuation.

The following changes in actuarial assumptions and plan provisions occurred in 2020:

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions:

- The price inflation assumption was decreased from 2.50% to 2.25%.
- The payroll growth assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Assumed salary increase rates were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The net effect is assumed rates that average 0.25% less than previous rates.
- Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The changes result in more unreduced (normal) retirements and slightly fewer Rule of 90 and early retirements.

- Assumed rates of termination were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The new rates are based on service and are generally lower than the previous rates for years 2-5 and slightly higher thereafter.
- Assumed rates of disability were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The change results in fewer predicted disability retirements for males and females.
- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 General Mortality table, with adjustments. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 disabled annuitant mortality table to the PUB-2010 General/Teacher disabled annuitant mortality table, with adjustments.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2018 to Scale MP-2019.
- The assumed spouse age difference was changed from two years older for females to one year older.
- The assumed number of married male new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 35% to 45%. The assumed number of married female new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 15% to 30%. The corresponding number of married new retirees electing the Life annuity option was adjusted accordingly.

Changes in Plan Provisions:

- Augmentation for current privatized members was reduced to 2.0% for the period July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023 and 0.0% after. Augmentation was eliminated for privatizations occurring after June 30, 2020.

The State Board of Investment, which manages the investments of PERA, prepares an analysis of the reasonableness on a regular basis of the long-term expected rate of return using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce an expected long-term rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocations	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Stocks	35.50%	5.10%
International Stocks	17.50%	5.30%
Bonds (Fixed Income)	20.00%	0.75%
Alternative Assets (Private Markets)	25.00%	5.90%
Cash	2.00%	0.00%
	100.0%	

**F. Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability in 2020 was 7.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and employers will be made at rates set in Minnesota Statutes. Based on these assumptions, the fiduciary net position of the General Employees Fund 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.

**G. Pension Liability Sensitivity**

The following presents the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability for the plan it participates in, calculated using the discount rate disclosed in the preceding paragraph, as well as what the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

Sensitivity Analysis  
Net Pension Liability (Asset) at Different Discount Rates

	General Employees Fund		
1% Lower	6.50%	\$	1,960,192
Current Discount Rate	7.50%	\$	1,223,073
1% Higher	8.50%	\$	615,034

**H. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued PERA financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at [www.mnpera.org](http://www.mnpera.org).

**Teachers Retirement Association (TRA)**

**A. Plan Descriptions**

The Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) is an administrator of a multiple employer, cost-sharing, defined benefit retirement fund. TRA administers a Basic Plan (without Social Security coverage) and a Coordinated Plan (with Social Security coverage) in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 354 and 356. TRA is a separate statutory entity and administered by a Board of Trustees. The Board consists of four active members, one retired member and three statutory officials.

Educators employed in Minnesota’s public elementary and secondary schools, charter schools, and certain other TRA-covered educational institutions maintained by the state are required to be TRA members (except those employed by St. Paul schools or Minnesota State Colleges and Universities). Educators first hired by Minnesota State may elect either TRA coverage or coverage through the Defined Contribution Plan (DCR) administered by Minnesota State.

**B. Benefits Provided**

TRA provides retirement benefits as well as disability benefits to members, and benefits to survivors upon death of eligible members. Benefits are established by Minnesota Statute and vest after three years of service credit. The defined retirement benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any five consecutive years of allowable service, age, and a formula multiplier based on years of credit at termination of service.

Two methods are used to compute benefits for TRA's Coordinated and Basic Plan members. Members first employed before July 1, 1989, receive the greater of the Tier I or Tier II benefits as described.

*Tier I Benefits.*

Tier 1	Step Rate Formula	Percentage
Basic	First ten years of service	2.2% per year
	All years after	2.7% per year
Coordinated	First ten years if service years are up to July 1, 2006	1.2% per year
	First ten years if service years are July 1, 2006 or after	1.4% per year
	All other years of service if service years are up to July 1, 2006	1.7% per year
	All other years of service if service years are July 1, 2006 or after	1.9% per year

With these provisions:

1. Normal retirement age is 65 with less than 30 years of allowable service and age 62 with 30 or more years of allowable service.
2. 3 percent per year early retirement reduction factor for all years under normal retirement age.
3. Unreduced benefits for early retirement under a Rule-of-90 (age plus allowable service equals 90 or more).

or

*Tier II Benefits*

For years of service prior to July 1, 2006, a level formula of 1.7 percent per year for coordinated members and 2.7 percent per year for basic members is applied. For years of service July 1, 2006 and after, a level formula of 1.9 percent per year for coordinated members and 2.7 percent per year for Basic members applies. Beginning July 1, 2015, the early retirement reduction factors are based on rates established under Minnesota Statute. Smaller reductions, more favorable to the member, will be applied to individuals who reach age 62 and have 30 years or more of service credit.

Members first employed after June 30, 1989, receive only the Tier II benefit calculation with a normal retirement age that is their retirement age for full Social Security retirement benefits, but not to exceed age 66.



Six different types of annuities are available to members upon retirement. The No Refund Life Plan is a lifetime annuity that ceases upon the death of the retiree – no survivor annuity is payable. A retiring member may also choose to provide survivor benefits to a designated beneficiary(ies) by selecting one of the five plans that have survivorship features. Vested members may also leave their contributions in the TRA Fund upon termination of service in order to qualify for a deferred annuity at retirement age. Any member terminating service is eligible for a refund of their employee contributions plus interest.

The benefit provisions stated apply to active plan participants. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits but not yet receiving them are bound by the plan provisions in effect at the time they last terminated their public service.

**C. Contribution Rate**

Per Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 354 sets the contribution rates for employees and employers. Rates for each fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, were:

	June 30, 2019		June 30, 2020		June 30, 2021	
	Employees	Employers	Employees	Employers	Employees	Employers
Basic	11.00%	11.71%	11.00%	11.92%	11.00%	12.13%
Coordinated	7.50%	7.71%	7.50%	7.92%	7.50%	8.13%

The following is a reconciliation of employer contributions in TRA’s fiscal year 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report “Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position” to the employer contributions used in Schedule of Employer and Non-Employer Pension Allocations.

Employer contributions reported in TRA's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 425,223,000
Add employer contributions not related to future contribution efforts	(56,000)
Deduct TRA's contributions not included in allocation	(508,000)
Total employer contributions	424,659,000
Total non-employer contributions	<u>35,587,000</u>
Total contributions reported in <i>Schedule of Employer and Non-Employer Allocations</i>	<u><u>\$ 460,246,000</u></u>

Amounts reported in the allocation schedules may not precisely agree with financial statement amounts or actuarial valuations due to the number of decimal places used in the allocations. TRA has rounded percentage amounts to the nearest ten thousandths.

**D. Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2020, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

**Key Methods and Assumptions Used in Valuation of Total Pension Liability**

**Actuarial Information**

Valuation Date	June 30, 2020
Experience Study	June 5, 2015 November 6, 2017 (economic assumptions)
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Actuarial Assumptions	
Investment rate of return	7.50%
Price inflation	2.50%
Wage growth rate	2.85% before July 1, 2028, and 3.25% after June 30, 2028
Projected salary increase	2.85% to 8.85% before July 1, 2028, and 3.25% to 9.25% after June 30, 2028
Cost of living adjustment	1.0% for January 2020 through January 2023, then increasing by 0.1% each year up to 1.5% annually

**Mortality assumptions**

Pre-retirement:	RP-2014 white collar employee table, male rates set back six years and female rates set back five years. Generational projection uses the MP-2015 scale.
Post-retirement:	RP-2014 white collar annuitant table, male rates set back three years and female rates set back three years, with further adjustments of the rates. Generational projection uses the MP-2015 scale.
Post-disability:	RP-2014 disabled retiree mortality table, without adjustment.

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

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

Asset Class	Target Allocations	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	35.50%	5.10%
International Equity	17.50%	5.30%
Private Markets	25.00%	5.90%
Fixed Income	20.00%	0.75%
Unallocated Cash	2.00%	0.00%
	100.0%	

The TRA actuary has determined the average of the expected remaining service lives of all members for fiscal year 2016 is six years. The *Difference between Expected and Actual Experience, Changes of Assumptions, and Changes in Proportion* use the amortization period of six years in the schedule presented. The amortization period for *Net Difference between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments* is five years as required by GASB 68.

**Changes in actuarial assumptions since the 2018 valuation**

- The COLA was reduced from 2.0% each January 1 to 1.0%, effective January 1, 2019. Beginning January 1, 2024, the COLA will increase 0.1% each year until reaching the ultimate rate of 1.5% in January 1, 2028.
- Beginning July 1, 2024, eligibility for the first COLA changes to normal retirement age (age 65 to 66, depending on date of birth). However, members who retire under Rule of 90 and members who are at least age 62 with 30 years of service credit are exempt.
- The COLA trigger provision, which would have increased the COLA to 2.5% if the funded ratio was at least 90% for two consecutive years, was eliminated.
- Augmentation in the early retirement reduction factors is phased out over a five-year period beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2024 (this reduces early retirement benefits). Members who retire and are at least age 62 with 30 years of service are exempt.
- Augmentation on deferred benefits will be reduced to zero percent beginning July 1, 2019. Interest payable on refunds to members was reduced from 4.0% to 3.0%, effective July 1, 2018. Interest due on payments and purchases from members, employers is reduced from 8.5% to 7.5%, effective July 1, 2018.
- The employer contribution rate is increased each July 1 over the next 6 years, (7.71% in 2018, 7.92% in 2019, 8.13% in 2020, 8.34% in 2021, 8.55% in 2022, and 8.75% in 2023). In addition, the employee contribution rate will increase from 7.50% to 7.75% on July 1, 2023. The state provides funding for the higher employer contribution rate through an adjustment in the school aid formula.

**E. Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50%. There was no change since the prior measurement date. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the fiscal year 2020 contribution rate, contributions from school districts will be made at contractually required rates (actuarially determined), and contributions from the state will be made at current statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan’s fiduciary net position was not projected to be depleted and, as a result, the Municipal Bond Index Rate was not used in the determination of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR).

**F. Net Pension Liability**

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$6,464,617 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District’s contributions to TRA in relation to total system contributions including direct aid from the State of Minnesota, City of Minneapolis and Minneapolis School District. District proportionate share was 0.0875% at the end of the measurement period and 0.0873% for the beginning of the year.

The pension liability amount reflected a reduction due to direct aid provided to TRA. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the direct aid, and total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District’s proportionate share of net pension liability	\$ 6,464,617
State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the district	\$ 541,567

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of \$642,161. It also recognized \$49,611 as an increase to pension expense for the support provided by direct aid.

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At June 30, 2021, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRA’s deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, and its contributions subsequent to the measurement date, related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 129,642	\$ 98,272
Changes in actuarial assumptions	2,322,155	5,427,402
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	98,499	-
Change in proportion and differences between contributions made and District's proportionate share of contributions	40,752	54,480
District's contributions to TRA subsequent to the measurement date	435,910	-
Total	\$ 3,026,958	\$ 5,580,154

The \$435,910 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions to TRA subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to TRA pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Years Ended June 30,	Pension Expense Amount
2022	\$ 130,538
2023	(1,955,887)
2024	(1,341,330)
2025	147,289
2026	30,284

**G. Net Pension Liability**

The following presents the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50% as well what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.50%) or one percentage point higher (8.50%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate	Discount Rate	1% Increase in Discount Rate
TRA discount rate	6.50%	7.50%	8.50%
District’s proportionate share of the TRA net pension liability	\$ 9,897,261	\$ 6,464,617	\$ 3,636,293

The District’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer contributions to TRA in relation to TRA’s total employer contributions including direct aid contributions from the State of Minnesota, City of Minneapolis and Minneapolis School District.

**H. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about TRA’s fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued TRA financial report. That report can be obtained at [www.MinnesotaTRA.org](http://www.MinnesotaTRA.org), by writing to TRA at 60 Empire Drive, Suite 400, and St. Paul, MN, 55103-4000; or by calling (651)-296-2409 or (800)-657-3669.

**Note 9 - Interfund Transfers**

\$150,000 of ECFE funds were transferred from the Community Service Fund to the General Fund pursuant to Emergency Minnesota Laws 2020, Chapter 116/House File 4415, Article 3 Section 8.

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**Note 10 - Fund Balance**

Certain portions of fund balances are restricted based on state requirements to track special program funding, to provide for funding on certain long-term liabilities, or as required by other outside parties.

At June 30, 2021 the District has recorded the following restrictions of net position for the following purposes:

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Building Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
<b>Nonspendable</b>					
Inventories	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,262	\$ 19,262
Prepaid items	83,631	-	-	-	83,631
<b>Total nonspendable</b>	<b>83,631</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,262</b>	<b>102,893</b>
<b>Restricted</b>					
Student activities	144,097				144,097
Staff development	10,508	-	-	-	10,508
Long term facilities maintenance	923,836	-	149,501	-	1,073,337
Medical assistance	91,210	-	-	-	91,210
Debt service	-	62,612	-	-	62,612
Bond refunding	-	7,070,000	-	-	7,070,000
Food service	-	-	-	131,168	131,168
Community education	-	-	-	50,116	50,116
E.C.F.E.	-	-	-	75,351	75,351
School readiness	-	-	-	143,745	143,745
<b>Total restricted</b>	<b>1,169,651</b>	<b>7,132,612</b>	<b>149,501</b>	<b>400,380</b>	<b>8,852,144</b>
<b>Committed for severance</b>	<b>234,583</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>234,583</b>
<b>Assigned</b>					
Roofing	160,000	-	-	-	160,000
Facilities repair	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
Vehicles	45,000	-	-	-	45,000
Bus	126,000	-	-	-	126,000
Garage	400,000	-	-	-	400,000
Flooring	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
Tuck pointing	60,000	-	-	-	60,000
Seal coat parking lots	35,000	-	-	-	35,000
Staff development	74,000	-	-	-	74,000
Q Comp	170,000	-	-	-	170,000
Future construction	1,300,000	-	-	-	1,300,000
<b>Total assigned</b>	<b>2,570,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,570,000</b>
<b>Unassigned</b>	<b>174,381</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(129,212)</b>	<b>45,169</b>
<b>Total fund balance</b>	<b>\$ 4,232,246</b>	<b>\$ 7,132,612</b>	<b>\$ 149,501</b>	<b>\$ 290,430</b>	<b>\$ 11,804,789</b>

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The UFARS fund balance reporting standards are slightly different than the reporting standards under GASB 54 *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. Below is a reconciliation between the fund balance reporting under GASB 54 and UFARS reporting standards:

	GASB Balance	Reconciling Items	UFARS Balance
Fund Balances			
Nonspendable			
Inventory	\$ 19,262	\$ -	\$ 19,262
Prepays	83,631	-	83,631
Total nonspendable	<u>102,893</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>102,893</u>
Restricted			
Student activities	144,097	-	144,097
Staff development	10,508	-	10,508
Safe school - crime levy	-	(120,289)	(120,289)
Long term facilities maintenance	1,073,337	-	1,073,337
Medical assistance	91,210	-	91,210
Debt service	62,612	-	62,612
Bond refunding	7,070,000	-	7,070,000
Food service	131,168	-	131,168
Community education	50,116	-	50,116
E.C.F.E.	75,351	-	75,351
School readiness	143,745	-	143,745
Total restricted	<u>8,852,144</u>	<u>(120,289)</u>	<u>8,731,855</u>
Committed for severance	<u>234,583</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>234,583</u>
Assigned			
Roofing	160,000	-	160,000
Facilities repair	150,000	-	150,000
Vehicles	45,000	-	45,000
Bus	126,000	-	126,000
Garage	400,000	-	400,000
Flooring	50,000	-	50,000
Tuck pointing	60,000	-	60,000
Seal coat parking lots	35,000	-	35,000
Staff development	74,000	-	74,000
Q Comp	170,000	-	170,000
Future construction	1,300,000	-	1,300,000
Total assigned	<u>2,570,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,570,000</u>
Unassigned	<u>45,169</u>	<u>120,289</u>	<u>165,458</u>
Total fund balance	<u>\$ 11,804,789</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,804,789</u>



**Note 11 - Flexible Benefit Plan**

The District has a flexible benefit plan which is classified as a “cafeteria plan” (the Plan) under section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code. All employee groups of the District are eligible if and when the collective bargaining agreement or contract with their group allows eligibility. Eligible employees can elect to participate by contributing pre-tax dollars withheld from payroll checks to the Plan for healthcare and dependent care benefits.

Before the beginning of the Plan year, which is from September 1 to August 31, each participant designates a total amount of pre-tax dollars to be contributed to the Plan during the year. At June 30, the District is contingently liable for claims against the total amount of participants’ annual contributions to the medical reimbursement portion of the Plan, whether or not such contributions have been made.

Payment of insurance premiums (health, dental, life, and disability) is made by the District directly to the designated insurance companies. These payments are made on a monthly basis and are accounted for in the General Fund and special revenue funds.

Amounts withheld for medical reimbursement and dependent care are paid by the District to an outside administrator upon an employee submitting a request for reimbursement. Payments are made by the outside administrator to participating employees upon submitting a request for reimbursement of eligible expenses actually incurred by the employee.

All property of the Plan and income attributable to that property is solely the property of the District, subject to the claims of the District’s general creditors. Participants’ rights under the plan are equal to those of general creditors of the District in an amount equal to eligible healthcare and dependent care expenses incurred by the participants. The District believes that it is unlikely that it will use the assets to satisfy the claims of general creditors in the future.

**Note 12 - Employee Benefit Plan 403(b)**

Contracted District employees are eligible to participate in the 403(b) program as described by the District. Employee’s participation in the 403(b) program and 403(b) matching program is in accordance with the Master Agreement between Independent School District No. 150, Hawley Area Public Schools and Education Minnesota Hawley. Employer contributions to the plan were \$88,681 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

**Note 13 - Operating Lease**

The district has entered into operating leases for four school buses with North Central Bus Equipment. The lease agreements expire June 30, 2023. Lease expense for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$31,728. Future minimum lease payments for the terms of the lease are as follows:

2022	\$	50,044
2023		<u>26,637</u>
Total future lease payments	\$	<u><u>76,681</u></u>

**Note 14 - Commitments and Contingencies**

**Federal Revenue**

Amounts received or receivable from federal and state agencies are subject to agency audit and adjustment. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of funds which may be disallowed by the agencies cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.



Required Supplementary Information  
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Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios  
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**Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	2021	2020	2019	2018
Service cost	\$ 26,050	\$ 25,291	\$ 29,221	\$ 28,370
Interest	12,541	19,016	18,705	18,209
Assumption changes	-	(9,657)	-	-
Differences between actual and expected experience	-	(156,395)	-	-
Benefit payments	(29,129)	(38,268)	(31,477)	(34,220)
Net change in total OPEB liability	9,462	(160,013)	16,449	12,359
Total OPEB liability - beginning	392,955	552,968	536,519	524,160
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$ 402,417	\$ 392,955	\$ 552,968	\$ 536,519
Covered payroll	\$ 6,270,832	\$ 6,088,186	\$ 5,888,367	\$ 5,716,861
District's total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll	6.42%	6.45%	9.39%	9.38%

\*GASB Statement No. 75 require ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District will present information for those years for which information is available.

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Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Employer's Contributions  
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**Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability  
Last 10 Fiscal Years \***

Pension Plan	Measurement Date	Employer's Proportion (Percentage) of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Proportionate Share (Amount) of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	State's Proportionate Share (Amount) of the Net Pension Liability Associated With District (b)	Total (d) (a+b)	Employer's Covered Payroll (e)	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll (a/e)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
PERA	6/30/2020	0.0204%	\$ 1,223,073	\$ 37,663	\$ 1,260,736	\$ 1,366,547	89.5%	79.06%
PERA	6/30/2019	0.0194%	\$ 1,072,583	\$ 33,499	\$ 1,106,082	\$ 1,265,613	84.7%	80.23%
PERA	6/30/2018	0.0196%	\$ 1,087,328	\$ 35,591	\$ 1,122,919	\$ 1,234,573	88.1%	79.53%
PERA	6/30/2017	0.0193%	\$ 1,232,099	\$ 15,453	\$ 1,247,552	\$ 1,188,293	103.7%	75.90%
PERA	6/30/2016	0.0213%	\$ 1,729,454	\$ 22,610	\$ 1,752,064	\$ 1,229,800	140.6%	68.91%
PERA	6/30/2015	0.0203%	\$ 1,052,051	N/A	\$ 1,052,051	\$ 1,126,493	93.4%	78.19%
PERA	6/30/2014	0.0209%	\$ 981,777	N/A	\$ 981,777	\$ 1,118,551	87.8%	78.80%
TRA	6/30/2020	0.0875%	\$ 6,464,617	\$ 541,567	\$ 7,006,184	\$ 5,085,316	127.1%	75.48%
TRA	6/30/2019	0.0873%	\$ 5,564,520	\$ 492,310	\$ 6,056,830	\$ 4,954,047	112.3%	78.07%
TRA	6/30/2018	0.0874%	\$ 5,486,780	\$ 541,567	\$ 6,028,347	\$ 4,826,333	113.7%	78.07%
TRA	6/30/2017	0.0882%	\$ 17,606,320	\$ 1,701,489	\$ 19,307,809	\$ 4,747,133	370.9%	51.57%
TRA	6/30/2016	0.0876%	\$ 20,894,690	\$ 2,097,439	\$ 22,992,129	\$ 4,554,493	458.8%	44.88%
TRA	6/30/2015	0.0870%	\$ 5,381,810	\$ 660,324	\$ 6,042,134	\$ 4,413,657	121.9%	76.80%
TRA	6/30/2014	0.0930%	\$ 4,285,373	\$ 301,342	\$ 4,586,715	\$ 4,246,288	100.9%	81.50%

\* GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District will present information for those years for which information is available.

**Schedule of Employer's Contributions  
Last 10 Fiscal Years \***

Pension Plan	Fiscal Year Ending	Statutorily Required Contribution (a)	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution (b)	Contribution Deficiency (Excess) (a-b)	Covered Payroll (d)	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b/d)
PERA	6/30/2021	\$ 101,207	\$ 101,207	\$ -	\$ 1,349,427	7.5%
PERA	6/30/2020	\$ 102,491	\$ 102,491	\$ -	\$ 1,366,547	7.5%
PERA	6/30/2019	\$ 94,921	\$ 94,921	\$ -	\$ 1,265,613	7.5%
PERA	6/30/2018	\$ 92,593	\$ 92,593	\$ -	\$ 1,234,573	7.5%
PERA	6/30/2017	\$ 89,122	\$ 89,122	\$ -	\$ 1,188,293	7.5%
PERA	6/30/2016	\$ 92,235	\$ 92,235	\$ -	\$ 1,229,800	7.5%
PERA	6/30/2015	\$ 84,487	\$ 84,487	\$ -	\$ 1,126,493	7.5%
TRA	6/30/2021	\$ 435,910	\$ 435,910	\$ -	\$ 5,361,747	8.1%
TRA	6/30/2020	\$ 402,757	\$ 402,757	\$ -	\$ 5,085,316	7.9%
TRA	6/30/2019	\$ 381,957	\$ 381,957	\$ -	\$ 4,954,047	7.7%
TRA	6/30/2018	\$ 361,975	\$ 361,975	\$ -	\$ 4,826,333	7.5%
TRA	6/30/2017	\$ 356,035	\$ 356,035	\$ -	\$ 4,747,133	7.5%
TRA	6/30/2016	\$ 341,587	\$ 341,587	\$ -	\$ 4,554,493	7.5%
TRA	6/30/2015	\$ 331,026	\$ 331,026	\$ -	\$ 4,413,657	7.5%

\* GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District will present information for those years for which information is available.

**Notes to the Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Employer's Contributions****PERA****2020 Changes**

## Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The price inflation assumption was decreased from 2.50% to 2.25%.
- The payroll growth assumption was decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Assumed salary increase rates were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The net effect is assumed rates that average 0.25% less than previous rates.
- Assumed rates of retirement were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The changes result in more unreduced (normal) retirements and slightly fewer Rule of 90 and early retirements.
- Assumed rates of termination were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The new rates are based on service and are generally lower than the previous rates for years 2-5 and slightly higher thereafter.
- Assumed rates of disability were changed as recommended in the June 30, 2019 experience study. The change results in fewer predicted disability retirements for males and females.
- The base mortality table for healthy annuitants and employees was changed from the RP-2014 table to the Pub-2010 General Mortality table, with adjustments. The base mortality table for disabled annuitants was changed from the RP-2014 disabled annuitant mortality table to the PUB-2010 General/Teacher disabled annuitant mortality table, with adjustments.
- The mortality improvement scale was changed from Scale MP-2018 to Scale MP-2019.
- The assumed spouse age difference was changed from two years older for females to one year older.
- The assumed number of married male new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 35% to 45%. The assumed number of married female new retirees electing the 100% Joint & Survivor option changed from 15% to 30%. The corresponding number of married new retirees electing the Life annuity option was adjusted accordingly.

## Changes in Plan Provisions

- Augmentation for current privatized members was reduced to 2.0% for the period July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023 and 0.0% after. Augmentation was eliminated for privatizations occurring after June 30, 2020.

**2019 Changes**

## Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The mortality projection scale was changed from MP-2017 to MP-2018.

## Changes in Plan Provisions

- The employer supplemental contribution was changed prospectively, decreasing from \$31.0 million to \$21.0 million per year. The State's special funding contribution was changed prospectively, requiring \$16.0 million due per year through 2031.

### 2018 Changes

#### Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The mortality projection scale was changed from MP-2015 to MP-2017.
- The assumed benefit increase was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.25 percent per year.

#### Changes in Plan Provisions

- The augmentation adjustment in early retirement factors is eliminated over a five-year period starting July 1, 2019, resulting in actuarial equivalence after June 30, 2024.
- Interest credited on member contributions decreased from 4.00 percent to 3.00 percent, beginning July 1, 2018.
- Deferred augmentation was changed to 0.00 percent, effective January 1, 2019. Augmentation that has already accrued for deferred members will still apply.
- Contribution stabilizer provisions were repealed.
- Postretirement benefit increases were changed from 1.00 percent per year with a provision to increase to 2.50 percent upon attainment of 90.00 percent funding ratio to 50.00 percent of the Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment, not less than 1.00 percent and not more than 1.50 percent, beginning January 1, 2019.
- For retirements on or after January 1, 2024, the first benefit increase is delayed until the retiree reaches normal retirement age; does not apply to Rule of 90 retirees, disability benefit recipients, or survivors.
- Actuarial equivalent factors were updated to reflect revised mortality and interest assumptions.

### 2017 Changes

#### Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The combined service annuity (CSA) loads were changed from 0.80 percent for active members and 60.00 percent for vested and non-vested deferred members. The revised CSA load are now 0.00 percent for active member liability, 15.00 percent for vested deferred member liability, and 3.00 percent for non-vested deferred member liability.
- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed for 1.00 percent per year for all years to 1.00 percent per year through 2044 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter.

#### Changes in Plan Provisions

- The State's contribution for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund equals \$16,000,000 in 2017 and 2018, and \$6,000,000 thereafter.
- The Employer Supplemental Contribution for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund changed from \$21,000,000 to \$31,000,000 in calendar years 2019 to 2031. The state's contribution changed from \$16,000,000 to \$6,000,000 in calendar years 2019 to 2031.

**2016 Changes:**

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2035 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.00 percent per year for all years.
- The assumed investment return was changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent. The single discount rate changed from 7.90 percent to 7.50 percent.
- Other assumptions were changed pursuant to the experience study June 30, 2015. The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth, and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.50 percent for inflation.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

**2015 Changes:**

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The assumed postretirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.00 percent per year through 2030 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter to 1.00 percent per year through 2035 and 2.50 percent per year thereafter.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- On January 1, 2015, the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund was merged into the General Employees Fund, which increased the total pension liability by \$1.1 billion and increase the fiduciary plan net position by \$892 million. Upon consolidation, state and employer contributions were revised; the State's contribution of \$6.0 million, which meets the special funding situation definition, was due September 2015.

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**2020 Changes**

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The COLA was reduced from 2.0% each January 1 to 1.0%, effective January 1, 2019. Beginning January 1, 2024, the COLA will increase 0.1% each year until reaching the ultimate rate of 1.5% in January 1, 2028.
- Beginning July 1, 2024, eligibility for the first COLA changes to normal retirement age (age 65 to 66, depending on date of birth). However, members who retire under Rule of 90 and members who are at least age 62 with 30 years of service credit are exempt.
- The COLA trigger provision, which would have increased the COLA to 2.5% if the funded ratio was at least 90% for two consecutive years, was eliminated.
- Augmentation in the early retirement reduction factors is phased out over a five-year period beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2024 (this reduces early retirement benefits). Members who retire and are at least age 62 with 30 years of service are exempt.
- Augmentation on deferred benefits will be reduced to zero percent beginning July 1, 2019. Interest payable on refunds to members was reduced from 4.0% to 3.0%, effective July 1, 2018. Interest due on payments and purchases from members, employers is reduced from 8.5% to 7.5%, effective July 1, 2018.



- The employer contribution rate is increased each July 1 over the next 6 years, (7.71% in 2018, 7.92% in 2019, 8.13% in 2020, 8.34% in 2021, 8.55% in 2022, and 8.75% in 2023). In addition, the employee contribution rate will increase from 7.50% to 7.75% on July 1, 2023. The state provides funding for the higher employer contribution rate through an adjustment in the school aid formula.

#### Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

#### 2019 Changes

##### Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The COLA was reduced from 2.0% each January 1 to 1.0%, effective January 1, 2019. Beginning January 1, 2024, the COLA will increase 0.1% each year until reaching the ultimate rate of 1.5% in January 1, 2028.
- Beginning July 1, 2024, eligibility for the first COLA changes to normal retirement age (age 65 to 66, depending on date of birth). However, members who retire under Rule of 90 and members who are at least age 62 with 30 years of service credit are exempt.
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#### Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

#### 2018 Changes

##### Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The discount rate was decreased to 4.66% from 8.0%.
- The cost of living adjustment (COLA) was reduced from 2.0% each January 1 to 1.0%, effective January 1, 2019. Beginning January 1, 2024, the COLA will increase 0.1% each year until reaching the ultimate rate of 1.5% on January 1, 2028.
- Beginning July 1, 2024, eligibility for the first COLA changes to normal retirement age (age 65 to 66, depending on date of birth). However, members who retire under Rule of 90 and members who are at least age 62 with 30 years of service credit are exempt.
- The COLA trigger provision, which would have increased the COLA to 2.5% if the funded ratio was at least 90% for two consecutive years, was eliminated.

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- Augmentation in the early retirement reduction factors is phased out over a five-year period beginning July 1, 2019 and ending July 1, 2024 (this reduces early retirement benefits). Members who retire and are at least age 62 with 30 years of service are exempt.
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- The employer contribution rate is increased each July 1 over the next six years (7.71% in 2018, 7.92% in 2019, 8.13% in 2020, 8.34% in 2021, 8.55% in 2022, and 8.75% in 2023). In addition, the employee contribution rate will increase from 7.50% to 7.75% on July 1, 2023. The state provides funding for the higher employer contribution rate through an adjustment in the school aid formula.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

**2017 Changes**

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The discount rate was decreased to 5.12% from 4.66%.
- The cost of living adjustment (COLA) was assumed to increase from 2.0% annually to 2.5% annually on July 1, 2045.
- The COLA was not assumed to increase to 2.5% but remain at 2.0% for all future years.
- Adjustments were made to the combined service annuity loads. The active load was reduced from 1.4% to 0.0%, the vested inactive load increased from 4.0% to 7.0% and the non-vested inactive load increased from 4.0% to 9.0%.
- The investment return assumption was changed from 8.0% to 7.5%.
- The price inflation assumption was lowered from 2.75% to 2.5%.
- The payroll growth assumption was lowered from 2.5% to 3.0%.
- The general wage growth assumption was lowered from 3.5% to 2.85% for ten years followed by 3.25% thereafter.
- The salary increase assumption was adjusted to reflect the changes in the general wage growth assumption.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

**2016 Changes**

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The discount rate was decreased to 4.66% from 8.0%.
- The COLA was not assumed to increase for funding or the GASB calculation. It remained at 2% for all future years.
- The price inflation assumption was lowered from 3% to 2.75%.
- The general wage growth and payroll growth assumptions were lowered from 3.75% to 3.5%.
- Minor changes as some durations for the merit scale of the salary increase assumption.
- The pre-retirement mortality assumption was changed to the RP 2014 white collar employee table, male rates set back six years and female rates set back five years. Generational projection uses the MP 2015 scale.

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- The post-retirement mortality assumption was changed to the RP 2014 white collar annuitant table, male rates set back three years and female rates set back three years, with further adjustments of the rates. Generational projection uses the MP 2015 scale.
- The post-disability mortality assumption was changed to the RP 2014 disabled retiree mortality table, without adjustment.
- Augmentation in the early retirement reduction factors is phased out o Separate retirement assumptions for members hired before or after July 1, 1989, were created to better reflect each group's behavior in light of different requirements for retirement eligibility.
- Assumed termination rates were changed to be based solely on years of service in order to better fit the observed experience.
- A minor adjustment and simplification of the assumption regarding the election of optional form of annuity payment at retirement were made.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- There have been no changes since the prior valuation.

**2015 Changes**

Changes of benefit terms:

- The DTRFA was merged into TRA on June 30, 2015.

Changes in Actuarial Assumptions

- The annual COLA for the June 30, 2015, valuation assumed 2%. The prior year valuation used 2% with an increase to 2.5% commencing in 2034. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.0%. This is a decrease from the discount rate at the prior measurement date of 8.25%. Details, if necessary, can be obtained from the TRA Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Changes in Plan Provisions

- None

PERA's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report may be obtained on the PERA's website at [www.mnpera.org](http://www.mnpera.org) for notes to the Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Employer's Contributions.

Additional financial and actuarial information can be found in TRA's GASB 67-68 report. Both reports can be obtained at <https://minnesotatra.org>.



Combining and Individual Fund Schedules  
June 30, 2021

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Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
General Fund  
Schedule of Changes in UFARS Fund Balances  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Fund Balance (Deficit) Beginning of Year	Net Change in Fund Balance	Fund Balance (Deficit) End of Year
Nonspendable	\$ 20,960	\$ 62,671	\$ 83,631
Restricted for student activities	131,077	13,020	144,097
Restricted for staff development	18,059	(7,551)	10,508
Restricted for gifted and talented	35,835	(35,835)	-
Restricted for safe school - crime levy	(61,945)	(58,344)	(120,289)
Restricted for long term facilities maintenance	768,750	155,086	923,836
Restricted for medical assistance	61,299	29,911	91,210
Committed for severance	259,342	(24,759)	234,583
Assigned	1,401,467	1,168,533	2,570,000
Unassigned	787,846	(493,176)	294,670
	<u>\$ 3,422,690</u>	<u>\$ 809,556</u>	<u>\$ 4,232,246</u>

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Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2021

	Food Service	Community Service	Totals
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 131,038	\$ 169,669	\$ 300,707
Receivables			
Current property taxes	-	23,071	23,071
Delinquent property taxes	-	463	463
Due from other governmental units	-	5,936	5,936
Accounts	130	-	130
Inventories	19,262	-	19,262
	<u>150,430</u>	<u>199,139</u>	<u>349,569</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 150,430</u>	<u>\$ 199,139</u>	<u>\$ 349,569</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 8,717	\$ 8,717
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>			
Unavailable revenue-delinquent property taxes	-	463	463
Property taxes levied for subsequent years	-	49,959	49,959
	<u>-</u>	<u>50,422</u>	<u>50,422</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>-</u>	<u>50,422</u>	<u>50,422</u>
<b>Fund Balance</b>			
Nonspendable	19,262	-	19,262
Restricted	131,168	269,212	400,380
Unassigned	-	(129,212)	(129,212)
	<u>150,430</u>	<u>140,000</u>	<u>290,430</u>
Total fund balance	<u>150,430</u>	<u>140,000</u>	<u>290,430</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 150,430</u>	<u>\$ 199,139</u>	<u>\$ 349,569</u>

Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Food Service	Community Service	Totals
<b>Revenues</b>			
Local property tax levies	\$ -	\$ 56,542	\$ 56,542
Other local and county sources	3,147	344,289	347,436
State sources	4,448	77,485	81,933
Federal sources	528,909	-	528,909
Sales and other conversion of assets	75,517	-	75,517
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>612,021</b>	<b>478,316</b>	<b>1,090,337</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Community education and service	-	454,214	454,214
Pupil support services	516,706	-	516,706
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>516,706</b>	<b>454,214</b>	<b>970,920</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>95,315</b>	<b>24,102</b>	<b>119,417</b>
<b>Other Financing Uses</b>			
Transfers out	-	(150,000)	(150,000)
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>95,315</b>	<b>(125,898)</b>	<b>(30,583)</b>
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning of Year</b>	<b>55,115</b>	<b>265,898</b>	<b>321,013</b>
<b>Fund Balance, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 150,430</b>	<b>\$ 140,000</b>	<b>\$ 290,430</b>



Other Supplementary Information  
June 30, 2021

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Financial Assistance Listing/Federal CFDA Number	Pass-through Entity Identifying Number	Expenditures	
<b>Department of Agriculture</b>				
<i>Passed through Minnesota Department of Education</i>				
Noncash Assistance:				
Food Distribution	10.558	0150-01-000 FIN 701	\$	44,953
Cash Assistance:				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
School Breakfast Program	10.553	0150-01-000 FIN 705	\$	613
National School Lunch Program	10.555	0150-01-000 FIN 701		6,719
Summer Food Service Program	10.559	0150-01-000 FIN 709		476,339
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				<u>483,671</u>
Total Department of Agriculture				\$ 528,624
<b>Department of Treasury</b>				
<i>Passed through Minnesota Department of Education</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019C	0150-01-000 FIN 154		231,848
<i>Passed through Eglon Township</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019C	0150-01-000 FIN 154		14,800
<i>Passed through Parke Township</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019C	0150-01-000 FIN 154		12,500
<i>Passed through Hawley Township</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019C	0150-01-000 FIN 154		10,000
<i>Passed through Cromwell Township</i>				
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019C	0150-01-000 FIN 154		6,480
Total 21.019				<u>275,628</u>
<b>Department of Education</b>				
<i>Passed through Minnesota Department of Education</i>				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0150-01-000 FIN 401		68,572
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	0150-01-000 FIN 414		19,192
COVID-19 Education Stabilization Fund - ESSER	84.425D	0150-01-000 FIN 155		121,649
<i>Passed through Lake Agassiz Education Cooperative</i>				
Special Education Grants to States	84.027A	0150-01-000 FIN 619		3,476
Total Department of Education				<u>212,889</u>
Total Federal Financial Assistance				<u>\$ 1,017,141</u>

**Note 1 - Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the schedule) includes the federal grant activity of the District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information 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 District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position/fund balance of the District.

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Expenditures reported in the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. When applicable, 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. No federal financial assistance has been provided to a subrecipient.

**Note 3 - Indirect Cost Rate**

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

**Note 4 - Food Donation**

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in this schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received and disbursed. At June 30, 2021, the District had food commodities totaling \$19,262 in inventory.

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	Audit	UFARS	Audit - UFARS		Audit	UFARS	Audit - UFARS
<b>01 GENERAL FUND</b>				<b>06 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION</b>			
Total Revenue	\$11,347,604	<u>\$11,347,606</u>	(\$2)	Total Revenue	\$774	<u>\$774</u>	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$11,001,400	<u>\$11,001,404</u>	(\$4)	Total Expenditures	\$1,334,417	<u>\$1,334,417</u>	\$0
<i>Non Spendable:</i>				<i>Non Spendable:</i>			
4.60 Non Spendable Fund Balance	\$83,631	<u>\$83,631</u>	\$0	4.60 Non Spendable Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>				<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>			
4.01 Student Activities	\$144,097	<u>\$144,098</u>	\$1	4.07 Capital Projects Levy	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.02 Scholarships	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.13 Project Funded by COP	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.03 Staff Development	\$10,508	<u>\$10,509</u>	(\$1)	4.67 LTFM	\$149,501	<u>\$149,500</u>	\$1
4.07 Capital Projects Levy	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<i>Restricted:</i>			
4.08 Cooperative Revenue	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.13 Project Funded by COP	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<i>Unassigned:</i>			
4.14 Operating Debt	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.63 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.16 Levy Reduction	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.17 Taconite Building Maint	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<b>07 DEBT SERVICE</b>			
4.24 Operating Capital	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	Total Revenue	\$1,403,272	<u>\$1,403,272</u>	\$0
4.26 \$25 Taconite	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	Total Expenditures	\$1,387,785	<u>\$1,387,784</u>	\$1
4.27 Disabled Accessibility	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<i>Non Spendable:</i>			
4.28 Learning & Development	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.60 Non Spendable Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.34 Area Learning Center	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>			
4.35 Contracted Alt. Programs	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.25 Bond Refundings	\$7,070,000	<u>\$7,070,000</u>	\$0
4.36 State Approved Alt. Program	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.33 Maximum Effort Loan Aid	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.38 Gifted & Talented	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.51 QZAB Payments	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.40 Teacher Development and Evaluation	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.67 LTFM	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.41 Basic Skills Programs	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<i>Restricted:</i>			
4.48 Achievement and Integration	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$62,612	<u>\$62,612</u>	\$0
4.49 Safe School Crime - Crime Levy	(\$120,289)	<u>(\$120,289)</u>	\$0	<i>Unassigned:</i>			
4.51 QZAB Payments	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.63 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.52 OPEB Liab Not In Trust	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.53 Unfunded Sev & Retirement Levy	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<b>08 TRUST</b>			
4.59 Basic Skills Extended Time	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	Total Revenue	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.67 LTFM	\$923,836	<u>\$923,838</u>	\$2	Total Expenditures	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.72 Medical Assistance	\$91,210	<u>\$91,209</u>	\$1	<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>			
4.73 PPP Loan	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.01 Student Activities	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.74 EIDL Loan	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.02 Scholarships	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
<i>Restricted:</i>				4.22 Unassigned Fund Balance (Net Assets)	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.75 Title VII Impact Aid	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<b>18 CUSTODIAL</b>			
4.76 Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	Total Revenue	\$57,726	<u>\$57,726</u>	\$0
<i>Committed:</i>				Total Expenditures	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.18 Committed for Separation	\$234,583	<u>\$234,583</u>	\$0	<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>			
4.61 Committed Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.01 Student Activities	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
<i>Assigned:</i>				4.02 Scholarships	\$57,726	<u>\$57,726</u>	\$0
4.62 Assigned Fund Balance	\$2,570,000	<u>\$2,570,000</u>	\$0	4.48 Achievement and Integration	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
<i>Unassigned:</i>				4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
4.22 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$294,670	<u>\$294,671</u>	(\$1)	<b>20 INTERNAL SERVICE</b>			

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<b>02 FOOD SERVICES</b>				Total Revenue	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Revenue	\$812,021	<u>\$812,023</u>	(\$2)	Total Expenditures	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Expenditures	\$516,706	<u>\$516,704</u>	\$2	4.22 Unassigned Fund Balance (Net Assets)	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<i>Non Spendable:</i>				<b>25 OPEB REVOCABLE TRUST</b>			
4.60 Non Spendable Fund Balance	\$19,262	<u>\$19,262</u>	\$0	Total Revenue	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>				Total Expenditures	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.52 OPEB Liab Not In Trust	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.22 Unassigned Fund Balance (Net Assets)	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.74 EIDL Loan	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<b>45 OPEB IRREVOCABLE TRUST</b>			
<i>Restricted:</i>				Total Revenue	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$131,168	<u>\$131,169</u>	(\$1)	Total Expenditures	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<i>Unassigned:</i>				4.22 Unassigned Fund Balance (Net Assets)	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.63 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<b>47 OPEB DEBT SERVICE</b>			
<b>04 COMMUNITY SERVICE</b>				Total Revenue	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Revenue	\$478,316	<u>\$478,315</u>	\$1	Total Expenditures	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Expenditures	\$454,214	<u>\$454,215</u>	(\$1)	<i>Non Spendable:</i>			
<i>Non Spendable:</i>				4.60 Non Spendable Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.60 Non Spendable Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<i>Restricted:</i>			
<i>Restricted / Reserved:</i>				4.25 Bond Refundings	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.26 \$25 Taconite	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.31 Community Education	\$50,116	<u>\$50,116</u>	\$0	<i>Unassigned:</i>			
4.32 E.C.F.E	\$75,351	<u>\$75,351</u>	\$0	4.63 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
4.40 Teacher Development and Evaluation	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.44 School Readiness	\$143,745	<u>\$143,745</u>	\$0				
4.47 Adult Basic Education	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.52 OPEB Liab Not In Trust	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.73 PPP Loan	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
4.74 EIDL Loan	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
<i>Restricted:</i>							
4.64 Restricted Fund Balance	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0				
<i>Unassigned:</i>							
4.63 Unassigned Fund Balance	(\$129,212)	<u>(\$129,210)</u>	(\$2)				



Additional Reports  
June 30, 2021

Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools



**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

The School Board of  
Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
Hawley, Minnesota

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Independent School District No. 150, Hawley, Minnesota (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 27, 2021.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

*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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2021-001, 2021-002, and 2021-003 to be material weaknesses.

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. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2021-004 to be a significant deficiency.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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*.

### **Response to Findings**

The District's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the corrective action plan. The District's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

### **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.



Fargo, North Dakota  
October 27, 2021



## **Independent Auditor’s Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

The School Board of  
Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
Hawley, Minnesota

### **Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Programs**

We have audited the 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 the District’s major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The District’s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor’s results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### **Management’s Responsibility**

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

#### **Auditor’s Responsibility**

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

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



### **Opinion on the Major Federal Programs**

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major Federal program for the year ended June 30, 2021.

### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

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

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

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

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.

The image shows a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eide Bailly LLP".

Fargo, North Dakota  
October 27, 2021



## Independent Auditor's Report on *Minnesota Legal Compliance*

The School Board of  
Independent School District No. 150  
Hawley Area Public Schools  
Hawley, Minnesota

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Independent School District No. 150 (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 27, 2021.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the District failed to comply with the provisions of the contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, miscellaneous provisions, and uniform financial accounting and reporting standards sections of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for School Districts*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65, insofar as they relate to accounting matters. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding the District's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions, insofar as they relate to accounting matters.

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Fargo, North Dakota  
October 27, 2021

**Section I – Summary of Auditor’s Results**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weaknesses identified	Yes
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	Yes
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No

**FEDERAL AWARDS**

Internal control over major program:	
Material weaknesses identified	No
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200.516:	No

**Identification of major programs:**

Name of Federal Program	Federal Financial Assistance Listing/CFDA Number
Child Nutrition Cluster	10.553 / 10.555 / 10.559
COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019C

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:	\$ 750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	No

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**Section II – Financial Statement Findings**

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**2021-001      Segregation of Duties  
Material Weaknesses**

*Criteria* - A good system of internal control requires an adequate segregation of duties so that no one individual has incompatible responsibilities. No one person should have more than one duty relating to the authorization (approval), custody of assets (check signers), record keeping, and reconciliation functions.

*Condition* - The District has a lack of segregation of duties in certain areas due to a limited staff.

*Cause* - There is a limited amount of office employees.

*Effect* - Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the District's ability to detect misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements in a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

*Recommendation* - While we recognize that your staff may not be large enough to permit complete segregation of duties in all material respects for an effective system of internal control, the functions should be reviewed to determine if additional segregation of duties is feasible and to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of financial management and financial statement accuracy for the District. Segregation of authorization, custody of assets, record keeping, and reconciliation functions would assist in mitigating the risk of fraud or misstatements to the financial statements.

*View of Responsible Officials* - There is no disagreement with the finding.

**2021-002**      **Material Adjustments**  
**Material Weakness**

*Criteria* - A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for recording and processing entries to the financial statements and for adequate knowledge and interpretation of reporting standards.

*Condition* - During the course of our engagement, we proposed audit adjustments that would not have been identified as a result of the District's existing internal controls.

*Cause* - The District does not have an internal control system designed to identify all necessary adjustments or properly interpret all new reporting standards.

*Effect* - This deficiency could result in a misstatement to the financial statements that would not be prevented or detected.

*Recommendation* - A thorough review and reconciliation of accounts in each fund should take place prior to the beginning of the audit. This review should be done at both the accounting staff and accounting supervisor levels.

*View of Responsible Officials* - There is no disagreement with the finding.

**2021-003      Preparation of Financial Statements including Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
Material Weakness**

*Criteria* - A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for internally preparing the District's financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("SEFA").

*Condition* - The District does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements and SEFA being audited. The auditors were requested to, and did, draft the financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements, as well as the SEFA.

*Cause* - The District does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements and SEFA being audited.

*Effect* - The disclosures in the financial statements could be incomplete.

*Recommendation* - This circumstance is not unusual in a District of your size. It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations.

*View of Responsible Officials* - There is no disagreement with the audit finding.

**2021-004      Improper Completion and Retention of Employee Personnel Forms  
Significant Deficiency**

*Criteria* - A good system of internal control contemplates an adequate system for ensuring all required documentation is completed accurately and retained.

*Condition* - During the course of our engagement, we noted employee personnel forms that were incomplete or missing.

*Cause* - The District does not have an internal control system designed to properly complete and retain all required documentation.

*Effect* - This deficiency could result in improper reporting of employee information.

*Recommendation* - Management should make an effort to ensure all employee personnel forms are completed properly and retained appropriately.

*View of Responsible Officials* - There is no disagreement with the finding.

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**Section III –Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

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**None Reported**

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**Section IV –Minnesota Legal Compliance Findings**

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**None Reported**