

**Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free
School District, New York**

Financial Statements and
Supplementary Information

Year Ended June 30, 2023

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

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Independent Auditors' Report

**The Board of Education of the
Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York ("School District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the School District, as of June 30, 2023, 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.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

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

Supplementary Information

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 30, 2023 on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

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Harrison, New York

October 30, 2023

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) June 30, 2023

Introduction

Our discussion and analysis of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York's ("School District") financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2023. It should be read in conjunction with the basic financial statements to enhance understanding of the School District's financial performance, which immediately follows this section.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2023 are as follows:

- The School District has been established pursuant to New York State law as a "Special Act School District" for the purpose of providing education to children with physical and medical disabilities. As a Special Act School District, tuition charges represent the primary revenue source. The School District's tuition is established by a rate setting methodology provided by the State Education Department, which is designed to provide sufficient resources to fund costs, subject to certain cost ceilings and growth limitations. The School District operates within this structure. At the end of the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the General Fund reported an unassigned fund balance of \$228,204, the same as the prior year. However, the total fund balance increased by \$1,672,144 during the 2022-23 fiscal year, which includes a non-spendable amount of \$58,387 related to a prepayment to the Employee Retirement System. This was primarily generated by an 11% increase in tuition rates approved for all Special Act School Districts. Beginning in the prior year, the School District established a fiscal stabilization restriction of fund balance in accordance with Section 4405(4)(K) of the Education Law of the State of New York. This new law permits Special Act School Districts to retain funds in excess of their allowable and reimbursable costs incurred for services and programs provided to school age students to support fiscal stabilization. The School District added \$1,613,757 of the current year surplus to the June 30, 2022 fiscal stabilization amount of \$155,000 bringing its total to \$1,768,757 at June 30, 2023. As a point of reference, the School District's General Fund reflected an unassigned deficit of \$5,351,379 at the close of the 2008-2009 fiscal year.
- Through aggressive cash flow management, the School District was able to remain operating without a revenue anticipation note. The School District was able to stabilize its over 90 day receivables, which strengthened cash flow and enabled the School District to continue to operate without borrowing.
- For the year ended June 30, 2023, the School District received a \$35.98 daily student tuition rate increase from the 2021-2022 prospective rate. The student census was slightly lower than originally budgeted, but due to management of operations, expenditure growth was minimized.
- On the district-wide financial statements, the liabilities and deferred inflows of resources of the School District exceeded the assets and deferred outflows of resources at June 30, 2023 by \$41,378,538 (deficit net position), a decrease to the deficit of \$2,980,315 from the net deficit position of (\$44,358,853) for the year ended June 30, 2022.

- The School District is committed to provide postemployment benefits to its employees in the form of pensions and healthcare. As a result, the School District has recognized substantial liabilities in the district-wide financial statements for these benefits. As of June 30, 2023, the School District had liabilities of \$36,180,354 for other postemployment benefits recorded in accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statement No. 75, “*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*” (“OPEB”). However, because of investment losses by the New York State pension plans, the School District also reported \$1,818,125 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System (“ERS”) and \$713,657 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the New York State Teachers’ Retirement System (“TRS”) recorded in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, “*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*”. More detailed information about the School District’s OPEB and pension reporting is presented in Note 3C in the notes to financial statements.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School District’s basic financial statements. The School District’s basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) district-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains individual fund financial schedules in addition to the basic financial statements.

District-Wide Financial Statements

- The *district-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School District’s finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.
 - The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the School District’s assets, liabilities and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, with the difference reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School District is improving or deteriorating.
 - The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the School District’s net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (for example, earned but unused vacation leave, OPEB and net pension liabilities).
 - The *governmental activities* of the School District include instruction, pupil transportation, other and general administrative support.

The district-wide financial statements can be found on the pages immediately following this section as the first two pages of the basic financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements

- A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the School District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

- *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the district-wide financial statements. However, unlike the district-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the School District's near-term financing requirements.
- Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the district-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the district-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.
- The School District maintains three individual governmental funds: General Fund, Special Aid Fund and Special Purpose Fund. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for each fund, since the School District has elected to report them as major funds.
- The School District adopts an annual budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund within the basic financial statements to demonstrate compliance with the budget.
- The *Fiduciary Funds* are used to account for assets held by the School District on behalf of others. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 84, "*Fiduciary Activities*", the School District had no such activity to report in this fund category.

The financial statements for the governmental funds can be found in the basic financial statements section of this report.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to financial statements can be found following the basic financial statements section of this report.

Other Information

Additional statements and schedules can be found immediately following the notes to the financial statements. These include the required supplementary information for the School District's other postemployment and pension benefit liabilities and schedules of budget to actual comparisons.

District-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the School District's financial position. In the case of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$41,378,538 at the close of the current fiscal year.

Net Position

	June 30,		Increase	
	2023	2022	(Decrease)	% Change
Current Assets	\$ 4,454,440	\$ 3,958,710	\$ 495,730	12.5%
Net Pension Asset	-	6,779,026	(6,779,026)	100.0%
Capital Assets, Net	3,661,218	3,650,230	10,988	0.3%
Total Assets	8,115,658	14,387,966	(6,272,308)	-43.6%
Deferred Outflows of Resources	9,365,157	11,485,744	(2,120,587)	-18.5%
Current Liabilities	2,398,457	3,571,441	(1,172,984)	-32.8%
Long-Term Liabilities	38,768,653	39,644,549	(875,896)	-2.2%
Total Liabilities	41,167,110	43,215,990	(2,048,880)	-4.7%
Deferred Inflows of Resources	17,692,243	27,016,573	(9,324,330)	-34.5%
Net Position				
Investment in Capital Assets	3,661,218	3,650,230	10,988	0.3%
Restricted	1,769,392	159,065	1,610,327	1012.4%
Unrestricted	(46,809,148)	(48,168,148)	1,359,000	-2.8%
Total Net Position	\$ (41,378,538)	\$ (44,358,853)	\$ 2,980,315	-6.7%

The net pension asset for ERS and TRS decreased by \$6,779,026 (and became net pension liabilities) due to investment losses of the retirement systems for their respective fiscal years ended March 31, 2023 for ERS and June 30, 2022 for TRS.

The decrease in long-term liabilities, which consist primarily of net pension and OPEB liabilities, results from a decrease in the OPEB liability \$3,364,388 due primarily to an increase in the discount rate and the change in the subsidy provided to certain bargaining units. The ERS and TRS net pension assets reported in the prior year became net pension liabilities in the current year as noted above, thus eliminating net pension assets reported in the prior year and increasing long-term liabilities by \$2,531,782.

Those assets subject to external restrictions listed above constitute \$1,769,392 of net position and are comprised of amounts restricted for fiscal stabilization and special purposes. There is a negative balance of unrestricted net position of \$46,809,148 primarily a result of the recognition of the OPEB liabilities. Overall, net position increased by \$2,980,315 from the prior year.

Changes in Net Position

	June 30,		Increase	
	2023	2022	(Decrease)	% Change
REVENUES				
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$ 18,434,161	\$ 17,521,782	\$ 912,379	5.2%
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,026,987	1,172,122	854,865	72.9%
Total Program Revenues	20,461,148	18,693,904	1,767,244	9.5%
General Revenues				
Unrestricted Use of Money and Property	1,246	191	1,055	552.4%
Sale of Property and Compensation for loss	-	15,497	(15,497)	-100.0%
Unrestricted State Aid	364,080	302,711	61,369	20.3%
Miscellaneous	125,668	85,338	40,330	47.3%
Total General Revenues	490,994	403,737	87,257	21.6%
Total Revenues	20,952,142	19,097,641	1,854,501	9.7%
EXPENSES				
General Support	3,018,874	2,466,990	551,884	22.4%
Instruction	14,732,251	13,822,346	909,905	6.6%
Pupil Transportation	217,098	214,152	2,946	1.4%
Other	3,604	3,387	217	6.4%
Total Expenses	17,971,827	16,506,875	1,464,952	8.9%
Change in Net Position	2,980,315	2,590,766	389,549	-15.0%
NET POSITION				
Beginning	(44,358,853)	(46,949,619)	2,590,766	5.5%
Ending	\$ (41,378,538)	\$ (44,358,853)	\$ 2,980,315	6.7%

Revenues:

- The revenues increased from 2021-2022 as the tuition billings increased by \$912,379, primarily due to an 11% increase in the tuition rate partially offset by a small decline in the student census ("FTE").
- Operating grants and contributions increased by \$854,865 primarily due to an increase in federal stimulus funding under the ESSER program.

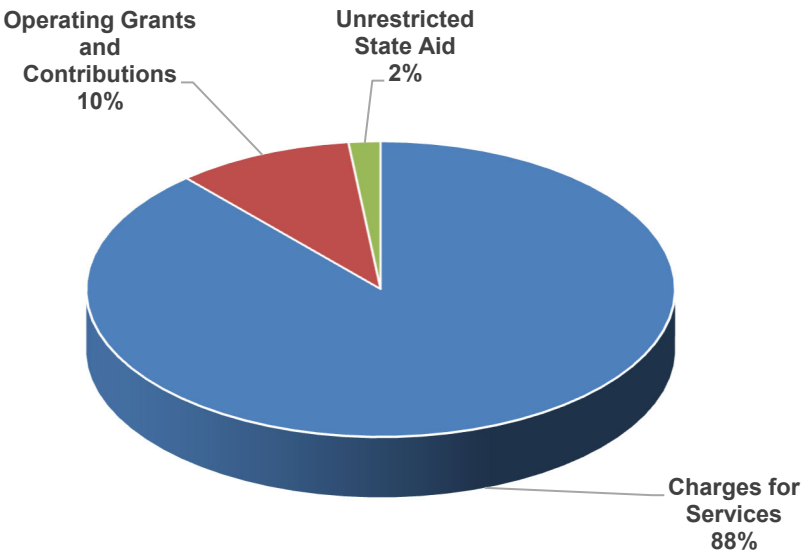
Expenses:

- Total expenses increased by \$1,464,952. There was an increase in general support expenses of \$551,884 and an increase in instructional expenses of \$909,905.

As indicated on the following graphs, the School District relies upon tuition billings as its primary revenue source. As noted on the following graph, tuition billing accounts for 88% of the School District's revenue stream. Instructional expenses account for 82% of the School District's expenses.

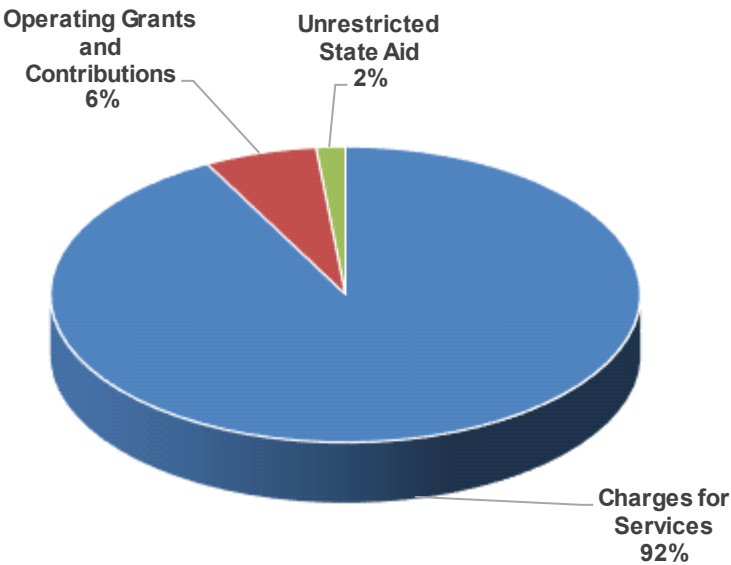
**Sources of Revenues
Governmental Activities**

June 30, 2023



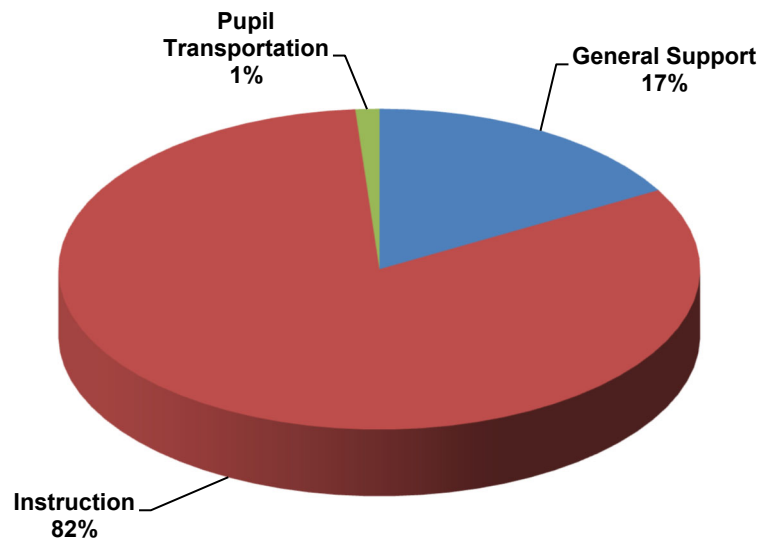
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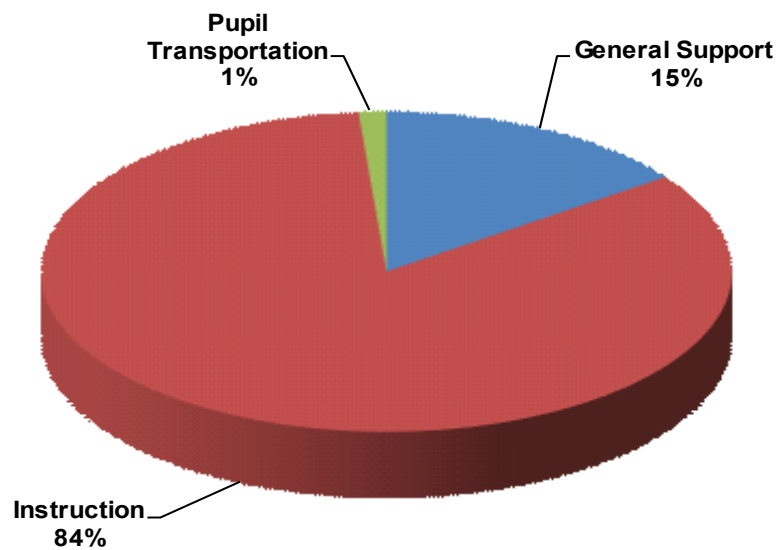
**Sources of Expenses
Governmental Activities**

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Financial Analysis of the School District's Funds

As noted earlier, the School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

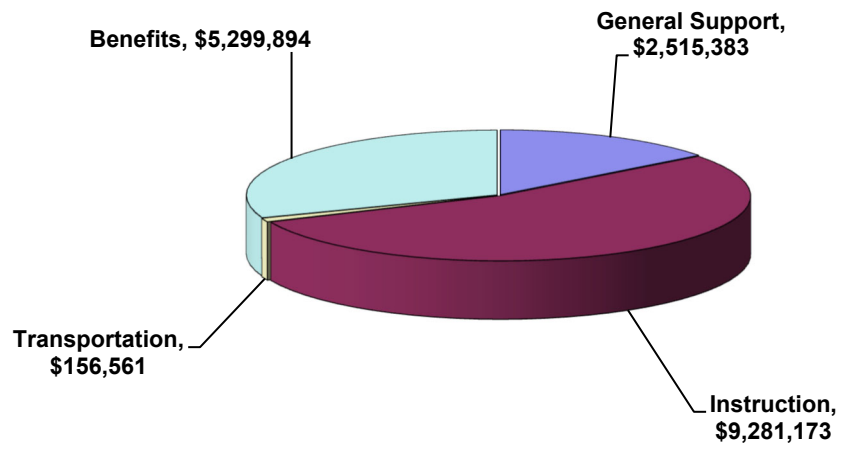
The focus of the School District's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School District's financing requirements. While *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a public school district's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year, the rate setting methodology governing special act school districts does not allow for the creation of unassigned fund balance, except from prior period revenues, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the School District's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$2,055,983, which was comprised of \$2,055,348 in the General Fund and \$635 in the Special Purpose Fund. This represented an increase of \$1,668,714 from the prior year (\$383,204 of General fund and \$4,065 of Special Purpose fund). The results of operations at the end of 2022-2023 reflect the School District's improved financial position and its successful efforts to increase revenues while managing expenditures and maintain fund balance for future operations. The School District was also able to increase funds for the fiscal stabilization restriction in the General Fund by \$1,613,757, adding to the Fiscal Year Fiscal reserve of \$155,000, bringing the total to \$1,768,757 at June 30, 2023, in accordance with a new provision for special act school districts added to the Education Law of the State of New York.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

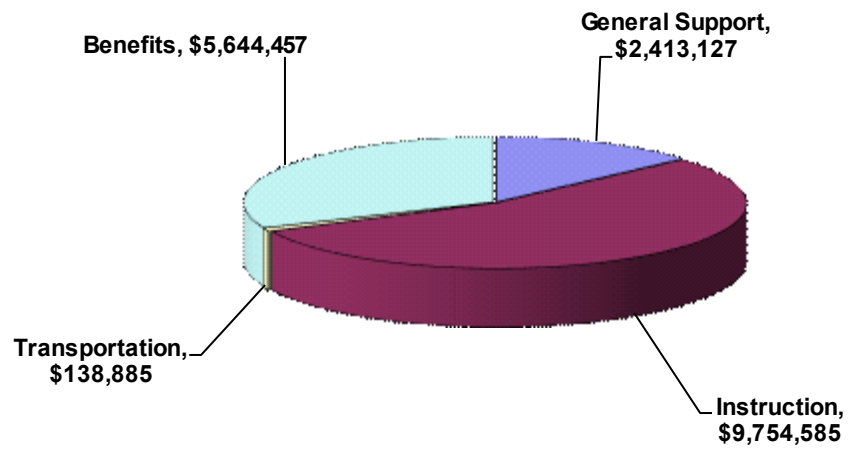
The School District's 2022-23 adopted budget was \$17,903,014. The overall total budget was amended during the 2022-23 fiscal year to \$19,934,841. The actual expenditures were \$2,681,830 less than the final budgeted amount. As stated earlier, this was the result of a deliberate effort to adjust School District expenditures to provide educational services to students and to ensure that School District staffing patterns are stringently aligned with student population. The student FTE census was slightly lower than the projected census in the final budget, but due to the tuition prospective rate increase in 2022-2023, overall tuition revenue grew. The School District will continue to monitor student census in the 2023-24 school year and will adjust expenditures accordingly.

**General Fund 2022-2023
Actual Expenditures**



VS.

**General Fund 2021-2022
Actual Expenditures**



Capital Assets

At June 30, 2023, the School District had \$3,661,218 net of accumulated depreciation, invested in capital assets, including buildings and improvements and machinery and equipment. The change in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, is reflected below.

Class	June 30,	
	2023	2022
Buildings	\$ 2,750,700	\$ 2,548,784
Machinery and Equipment	910,518	1,101,446
Total Capital Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 3,661,218</u>	<u>\$ 3,650,230</u>

More detailed information about the School District's capital assets is presented in Note 3B in the notes to financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

	June 30,	
	2023	2022
Compensated Absences	\$ 56,517	\$ 83,607
Net Pension Liability - ERS	1,818,125	-
Net Pension Liability - TRS	713,657	-
Retirement Incentives and Other Pension Liabilities	-	16,200
Other Postemployment Benefit Liability Payable	36,180,354	39,544,742
	<u>\$ 38,768,653</u>	<u>\$ 39,644,549</u>

The School District's long-term liabilities decrease of \$875,896 primarily resulted from a decrease of \$3,364,388 in liabilities for other postemployment retirement benefits primarily due to an increase in the discount rate and employee contributions. There was also an elimination of the net pension asset, creating a net pension liability, to the ERS (due to pension fund investment losses as of March 31, 2023) and to the TRS (due to pension fund investment losses as of June 30, 2022), both calculated in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68. At June 30, 2023, both ERS and TRS are reflected as net pension liabilities.

More detailed information about the School District's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 3C in the notes to financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The General Fund budget, as approved by the Board for the year ending June 30, 2024, is \$18,727,838.

The 2023-2024 School District's approved amended budget was created with a student census projection of 215 FTE. This was a decrease of 30 FTE students from the 2022-2023 FTE, but consistent with the actual enrollment. The School District made a conscious effort to create a budget aligned to the anticipated census. The School District will continue to monitor student census and adjust spending as needed to ensure that the School District's expenditures meet its revenue. The School District was informed by NYSED Rate Setting Unit that a tuition rate increase for 2023-2024 school was approved. We received a prospective rate in July 2022.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School District's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District
Attn: Stephen Beovich
Superintendent
1075 Broadway
Pleasantville, New York 10570

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New YorkStatement of Net Position
June 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 559,790
Receivables	
Accounts	2,700
State and Federal aid	1,081,538
Due from other governments	2,752,025
Prepaid expenses	58,387
Capital assets	
Being depreciated, net	<u>3,661,218</u>
Total Assets	<u>8,115,658</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension related	5,149,062
OPEB related	<u>4,216,095</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>9,365,157</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	1,269,088
Due to other governments	48,698
Due to retirement systems	857,382
Employee payroll deductions	5,211
Unearned revenues	218,078
Non-current liabilities	
Due within one year	6,000
Due in more than one year	<u>38,762,653</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>41,167,110</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension related	517,915
OPEB related	<u>17,174,328</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>17,692,243</u>
NET POSITION	
Investment in capital assets	3,661,218
Restricted	
Fiscal stabilization	1,768,757
Special purposes	635
Unrestricted	<u>(46,809,148)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (41,378,538)</u>

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	
Governmental Activities				
General support	\$ 3,018,874	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,018,874)
Instruction	14,732,251	18,434,161	2,026,813	5,728,723
Pupil transportation	217,098	-	-	(217,098)
Other	3,604	-	174	(3,430)
Total Governmental Activities	17,971,827	18,434,161	2,026,987	2,489,321
General revenues				
Unrestricted use of money and property				1,246
Unrestricted State aid				364,080
Miscellaneous				125,668
Total General Revenues				490,994
Change in Net Position				2,980,315
Net Position - Beginning				(44,358,853)
Net Position - Ending				<u>\$ (41,378,538)</u>

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2023

	General	Special Aid	Special Purpose	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and equivalents	\$ 546,187	\$ 12,968	\$ 635	\$ 559,790
Receivables				
Accounts	2,700	-	-	2,700
State and Federal aid	320,912	760,626	-	1,081,538
Due from other governments	2,752,025	-	-	2,752,025
Due from other funds	488,016	-	-	488,016
Prepaid expenditures	58,387	-	-	58,387
Total Assets	<u>\$ 4,168,227</u>	<u>\$ 773,594</u>	<u>\$ 635</u>	<u>\$ 4,942,456</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,201,588	\$ 67,500	\$ -	\$ 1,269,088
Due to other funds	-	488,016	-	488,016
Due to other governments	48,698	-	-	48,698
Due to retirement systems	857,382	-	-	857,382
Employee payroll deductions	5,211	-	-	5,211
Unearned revenues	-	218,078	-	218,078
Total Liabilities	<u>2,112,879</u>	<u>773,594</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,886,473</u>
Fund balances				
Nonspendable	58,387	-	-	58,387
Restricted	1,768,757	-	635	1,769,392
Unassigned	228,204	-	-	228,204
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,055,348</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>635</u>	<u>2,055,983</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 4,168,227</u>	<u>\$ 773,594</u>	<u>\$ 635</u>	<u>\$ 4,942,456</u>

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet
to the District-Wide Statement of Net Position
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are Different Because

Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 2,055,983</u>
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	
Capital assets - depreciable	6,434,963
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,773,745)</u>
	<u>3,661,218</u>
Differences between expected and actual experiences, assumption changes and net differences between projected and actual earnings and contributions subsequent to the measurement date for the postretirement benefits (pension and OPEB) are recognized as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources on the statement of net position.	
Deferred outflows - pension related	5,149,062
Deferred outflows - OPEB related	4,216,095
Deferred inflows - pension related	(517,915)
Deferred inflows - OPEB related	<u>(17,174,328)</u>
	<u>(8,327,086)</u>
Long-term liabilities that are not due and payable in the current period are not reported in the funds.	
Compensated absences	(56,517)
Net pension liability - ERS	(1,818,125)
Net pension liability - TRS	(713,657)
Total OPEB liability	<u>(36,180,354)</u>
	<u>(38,768,653)</u>
Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ (41,378,538)</u></u>

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Governmental Funds

Year Ended June 30, 2023

	General	Special Aid	Special Purpose	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 18,434,161	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,434,161
Use of money and property	1,246	-	-	1,246
State aid	364,080	155,911	-	519,991
Federal aid	-	1,870,902	-	1,870,902
Miscellaneous	125,668	-	174	125,842
Total Revenues	18,925,155	2,026,813	174	20,952,142
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General support	2,515,383	-	-	2,515,383
Instruction	9,281,173	2,026,813	-	11,307,986
Pupil transportation	156,561	-	-	156,561
Employee benefits	5,299,894	-	-	5,299,894
Other	-	-	3,604	3,604
Total Expenditures	17,253,011	2,026,813	3,604	19,283,428
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	1,672,144	-	(3,430)	1,668,714
FUND BALANCES				
Beginning of Year	383,204	-	4,065	387,269
End of Year	\$ 2,055,348	\$ -	\$ 635	\$ 2,055,983

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are Different Because

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 1,668,714</u>
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Capital outlays	404,648
Depreciation expense	<u>(393,660)</u>
	<u>10,988</u>
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
Compensated absences	27,090
Retirement incentives and other pension liabilities	16,200
Changes in pension liabilities and related deferred outflows and inflows of resources	(726,485)
Changes in OPEB liabilities and related deferred outflows and inflows of resources	<u>1,983,808</u>
	<u>1,300,613</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ 2,980,315</u></u>

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual
General Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 17,903,014	\$ 19,934,841	\$ 18,434,161	\$ (1,500,680)
Use of money and property	-	-	1,246	1,246
State aid	-	-	364,080	364,080
Miscellaneous	-	-	125,668	125,668
	<u>17,903,014</u>	<u>19,934,841</u>	<u>18,925,155</u>	<u>(1,009,686)</u>
Total Revenues	<u>17,903,014</u>	<u>19,934,841</u>	<u>18,925,155</u>	<u>(1,009,686)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
General support	2,172,418	2,914,864	2,515,383	399,481
Instruction	9,660,984	10,756,853	9,281,173	1,475,680
Pupil transportation	145,844	219,344	156,561	62,783
Employee benefits	5,923,768	6,043,780	5,299,894	743,886
	<u>17,903,014</u>	<u>19,934,841</u>	<u>17,253,011</u>	<u>2,681,830</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>17,903,014</u>	<u>19,934,841</u>	<u>17,253,011</u>	<u>2,681,830</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	-	-	1,672,144	1,672,144
FUND BALANCE				
Beginning of Year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>383,204</u>	<u>383,204</u>
End of Year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,055,348</u>	<u>\$ 2,055,348</u>

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

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Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York ("School District"), as presently constituted, was established in 1967 and operates in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law of the State of New York. The Board of Education is the legislative body responsible for overall operation of the School District and seven of its nine members are appointed by the Board of Directors of the Jewish Child Care Association, the sponsoring agency, while the other two members are appointed by the Commissioner of Education. The Superintendent serves as the chief executive officer. The School District's primary function is to provide education for its pupils. Services such as administration, finance and plant maintenance support the primary function.

The financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units and the Uniform System of Accounts as prescribed by the State of New York. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The School District's significant accounting policies are described below:

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity consists of a) the primary government, which is the School District, b) organizations for which the School District is financially accountable and c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School District are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete as set forth by GASB.

In evaluating how to define the School District, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the School District's reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth by GASB, including legal standing, fiscal dependency and financial accountability. Based upon the application of these criteria, there are no other entities which would be included in the financial statements.

The School District participates in the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services ("BOCES"), a jointly governed entity. BOCES is a voluntary cooperative association of school districts in a geographic area that share planning, services and programs, which provide educational and support services. BOCES' governing board is elected based on the vote of the members of the participating districts' governing boards. BOCES' budget is comprised of separate budgets for administrative, program and capital costs. BOCES charges the districts for program costs based on participation and for administrative and capital costs. Each component school district's share of administrative and capital costs is determined by resident public school enrollment as defined in Education Law. Copies of BOCES' financial statements can be requested from Southern Westchester BOCES, 17 Berkley Drive, Rye Brook, New York 10573.

B. District-Wide Financial Statements

The district-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all non-fiduciary activities of the School District as a whole. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements, except for interfund services provided and used.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the School District at the end of its fiscal year. The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which 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 (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods or services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment and (3) interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. Other items not identified as program revenues are reported as general revenues. The School District does not allocate indirect expenses to functions in the Statement of Activities.

While separate district-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter is excluded from the district-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Fund Financial Statements

The accounts of the School District are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts which comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, fund balances, revenues and expenditures. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance related legal and contractual provisions. The School District maintains the minimum number of funds consistent with legal and managerial requirements. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds as that term is defined in professional pronouncements. Each major fund is to be presented in a separate column, with non-major funds, if any, aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type. The School District has elected to treat each governmental fund as a major fund as provided by the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, "*Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*". Since the governmental fund statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the district-wide statements' governmental activities column, a reconciliation is presented on the pages following, which briefly explains the adjustments necessary to transform the fund based financial statements into the governmental activities column of the district-wide presentation. The School District's resources are reflected in the fund financial statements in two broad fund categories, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as follows:

Fund Categories

- a. Governmental Funds - Governmental Funds are those through which most general government functions are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The following represents the School District's major governmental funds.

General Fund - The General Fund constitutes the primary fund of the School District and is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Special Revenue Funds - Special revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The major special revenue funds of the School District are as follows:

Special Aid Fund - The Special Aid Fund is used to account for special projects or programs supported in whole or in part with Federal or State funds. The major revenues of this fund are Federal and State aid.

Special Purpose Fund - The Special Purpose Fund is used to account for assets held by the School District in accordance with grantor or contributor stipulations. The major revenues of this fund are donations.

- b. Fiduciary Funds (Not Included in District-Wide Financial Statements) - Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the School District on behalf of others. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 84, "*Fiduciary Activities*", the School District had no such activity to report in this fund category.

D. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

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

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 related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they have been earned and they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. If expenditures are the prime factor for determining eligibility, revenues from Federal and State grants are recognized as revenues when the expenditure is made and the amounts are expected to be collected within one year of the fiscal year end. A ninety day availability period is generally used for revenue recognition for most other governmental fund revenues. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, expenditures related to compensated absences, net pension liabilities, certain pension costs and other postemployment benefit liability are recognized later based on specific accounting rules applicable to each, generally when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuances of long-term debt are reported as other financing sources.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position or Fund Balances

Cash and Equivalents, Investments and Risk Disclosure

Cash and Equivalents - Cash and equivalents consist of funds deposited in demand deposit accounts, time deposit accounts and short-term investments with original maturities of less than three months from the date of acquisition.

The School District's deposits and investment policies are governed by State statutes. The School District has adopted its own written investment policy, which provides for the deposit of funds in FDIC insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. The School District is authorized to use demand deposit accounts, time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit.

Collateral is required for demand deposit accounts, time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit at 100% of all deposits not covered by Federal deposit insurance. The School District has entered into custodial agreements with the various banks which hold their deposits. These agreements authorize the obligations that may be pledged as collateral. Such obligations include, among other instruments, obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of the State and its municipal and school district subdivisions.

Investments - Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements and obligations of New York State or its political subdivisions.

The School District follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 72, "*Fair Value Measurement and Application*", which defines fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy organized into three levels based upon the input assumptions used in pricing assets. Level 1 inputs have the highest reliability and are related to assets with unadjusted quoted prices in active markets. Level 2 inputs relate to assets with other than quoted prices in active markets which may include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or other inputs which can be corroborated by observable market data. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs and are used to the extent that observable inputs do not exist.

Risk Disclosure

Interest Rate Risk - Interest rate risk is the risk that the government will incur losses in fair value caused by changing interest rates. The School District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from changing interest rates. Generally, the School District does not invest in any long-term investment obligations.

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. GASB Statement No. 40, "*Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 3*", directs that deposits be disclosed as exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are either uncollateralized, collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution or collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department but not in the School District's name. The School District's aggregate bank balances that were not

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

covered by depository insurance were not exposed to custodial credit risk at June 30, 2023.

Credit Risk - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty will not fulfill its specific obligation even without the entity's complete failure. The School District does not have a formal credit risk policy other than restrictions to obligations allowable under General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Concentration of Credit Risk - Concentration of credit risk is the risk attributed to the magnitude of a government's investments in a single issuer. The School District's investment policy limits the amount on deposit at each of its banking institutions.

Receivables - Receivables include amounts due from other governments for tuition and other items. Receivables are recorded and revenues recognized as earned or as specific program expenditures are incurred. Allowances are recorded when appropriate.

Due From/To Other Funds - During the course of its operations, the School District has numerous transactions between funds to finance operations, provide services and construct assets. To the extent that certain transactions between funds had not been paid or received as of June 30, 2023, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded in the fund financial statements.

Inventories - There are no inventory values presented in the financial statements of the School District. Purchases of inventoriable items are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase and year-end balances are not material.

Prepaid Expenses/Expenditures - Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods, and are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method in both the district-wide and fund financial statements. Prepaid expenses/expenditures consist of employee retirement costs which have been satisfied prior to the end of the fiscal year, but represent items which have been provided for in the subsequent year's budget and will benefit such periods. Reported amounts in governmental funds are equally offset by nonspendable fund balance, in the fund financial statements, which indicates that these amounts do not constitute "available spendable" resources" even though they are a component of current assets.

Capital Assets - Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the district-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School District as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation. Acquisition value is the price that would be paid to acquire an asset with equivalent service potential on the date of the donation.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives is not capitalized.

Property, plant and equipment of the School District are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives.

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)
June 30, 2023

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

<u>Class</u>	<u>Life in Years</u>
Buildings and Improvements	20-50
Machinery and Equipment	5-10

The costs associated with the acquisition or construction of capital assets are shown as capital outlay expenditures on the governmental fund financial statements. Capital assets are not shown on the governmental fund balance sheets.

Unearned Revenues - Unearned revenues arise when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. In the district-wide financial statements, unearned revenues consist of revenue received in advance and/or grants received before the eligibility requirements have been met.

Unearned revenues in the fund financial statements are those where asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met. The School District has reported unearned revenues of \$218,078 for Federal aid received in advance in the Special Aid fund. Such amounts have been deemed to be measurable but not "available" pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles.

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

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

The School District has reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources in relation to its pension and other postemployment benefit liabilities in the district-wide financial statements. These amounts are detailed in the discussion of the School District's pension and other postemployment benefit liabilities in Note 3C.

Compensated Absences - The various collective bargaining agreements provide for the payment of accumulated sick leave upon separation from service. The liability for such accumulated leave is reflected in the district-wide Statement of Net Position as current and long-term liabilities. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only if the liability has matured through employee resignation or retirement. The liability for compensated absences includes salary related payments, where applicable.

Net Pension Liability (Asset) - The net pension liability (asset) represents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) of the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System and the New York State Teachers' Retirement System. The financial reporting of these amounts are presented in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, *"Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions"* and GASB Statement No. 71, *"Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68"*.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Other Postemployment Benefit Liability ("OPEB") - In addition to providing pension benefits, the School District provides health care benefits for certain retired employees and their survivors. The financial reporting of these amounts are presented in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 75, "*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*".

Net Position - Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is comprised of three components: investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

Investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets are also included in this component of net position.

Restricted net position consists of restricted assets and deferred outflows of resources reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Assets are reported as restricted when constraints are placed on asset use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Restricted net position for the School District includes restricted for fiscal stabilization and special purposes.

Unrestricted net position is the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that does not meet the definition of the two preceding categories.

Fund Balances - Generally, fund balance represents the difference between current assets and deferred outflows of resources and current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report fund classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent. Under this standard, the fund balance classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable fund balance includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form (inventories, prepaid amounts, long-term receivables) or they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact (the corpus of a permanent fund).

Restricted fund balance is reported when constraints placed on the use of the resources are imposed by grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through enabling legislation. Enabling legislation includes a legally enforceable requirement that these resources be used only for the specific purposes as provided in the legislation. This fund balance classification is used to report funds that are restricted for debt service obligations and for other items contained in the General Municipal Law or Education Law of the State of New York.

Committed fund balance is reported for amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to formal action of the entity's highest level of decision making authority. The Board of Education is the highest level of decision making authority for the School District that can, by the adoption of a resolution prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, these funds may only be used for the purpose

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

specified unless the entity removes or changes the purpose by taking the same action that was used to establish the commitment. This classification includes certain amounts established and approved by the Board of Education.

Assigned fund balance, in the General Fund, represents amounts constrained either by policies of the Board of Education for amounts assigned for balancing the subsequent year's budget or delegated to the Assistant Superintendent for Business, Finance and Facilities for amounts assigned for encumbrances. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily, in that additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. An assignment cannot result in a deficit in the unassigned fund balance in the General Fund. Assigned fund balance in all funds except the General Fund includes all remaining amounts, except for negative balances, that are not classified as nonspendable and are neither restricted nor committed.

Unassigned fund balance, in the General Fund, represents amounts not classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned. The General Fund is the only fund that would report a positive unassigned fund balance. For all governmental funds other than the General Fund, any deficit fund balance is reported as unassigned.

In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted and unrestricted fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. When both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balance are available for use for expenditures incurred, it is the School District's policy to use restricted amounts first and then unrestricted amounts as they are needed. For unrestricted amounts of fund balance, it is the School District's policy to use fund balance in the following order: committed, assigned, and unassigned.

F. Encumbrances

In governmental funds, encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve applicable appropriations, is generally employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the General Fund. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as assigned fund balance since they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

G. Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

H. Subsequent Events Evaluation by Management

Management has evaluated subsequent events for disclosure and/or recognition in the financial statements through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, which date is October 30, 2023.

Note 2 - Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

A. Budgetary Data

The School District generally follows the procedures enumerated below in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a) At least two weeks prior to the budget presentation, a copy of the budget is made available to the Board of Education.
- b) At the budget presentation, the Board may raise questions concerning the items contained in the budget.
- c) The Board of Education establishes a date for a meeting to vote upon the General Fund budget. This usually occurs in May or June of the preceding fiscal year.
- d) Formal budgetary integration is employed during the year as a management control device for the General Fund.
- e) The budget for the General Fund is legally adopted annually on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. The Board of Education does not adopt a budget for the Special Aid and Special Purpose funds since other means control the use of these resources (e.g., grants awards) and sometimes span a period of more than one fiscal year.
- f) The Board of Education has established legal control of the budget at the function level of expenditures. Transfers between appropriation accounts, at the function level, require approval by the Board of Education. Any modification to appropriations resulting from increases in revenue estimates or supplemental reserve appropriations also require a majority vote by the Board.
- g) Appropriations in the General Fund lapse at the end of the fiscal year, except that outstanding encumbrances are reappropriated in the succeeding year pursuant to the Uniform System of Accounts promulgated by the Office of the State Comptroller.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education.

B. New Accounting Pronouncement

GASB Statement No. 96, "*Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA's)*", established a single model for SBITA accounting based on the concept that SBITA's are a financing of a "right-to-use" underlying asset. This statement requires a subscriber to recognize a subscription liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset. The requirements of GASB Statement No. 96 are effective for the School District's fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The School District has completed its evaluation of the financial impact of GASB Statement No. 96 and determined that the implementation of this standard was not required as it did not have a material impact on its financial statements.

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds**A. Interfund Receivables/Payables**

The composition of due from/to other funds at June 30, 2023 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Due From</u>	<u>Due To</u>
General	\$ 488,016	\$ -
Special Aid	-	488,016
	<u>\$ 488,016</u>	<u>\$ 488,016</u>

The outstanding balances between funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that 1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, 2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system and 3) payments between funds are made.

B. Capital Assets

Changes in the School District's capital assets are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2022</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2023</u>
Capital Assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 3,204,752	\$ 392,528	\$ -	\$ 3,597,280
Machinery and Equipment	2,825,563	12,120	-	2,837,683
Total Capital Assets, being depreciated	<u>6,030,315</u>	<u>404,648</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,434,963</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings and Improvements	655,968	190,612	-	846,580
Machinery and Equipment	1,724,117	203,048	-	1,927,165
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>2,380,085</u>	<u>393,660</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,773,745</u>
Total Capital Assets, net	<u>\$ 3,650,230</u>	<u>\$ 10,988</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,661,218</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to School District functions and programs as follows:

General Support	\$ 155,467
Instruction	226,433
Transportation	<u>11,760</u>
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$ 393,660</u>

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

C. Long-Term Liabilities

The following table summarizes changes in the School District's long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	Balance July 1, 2022	New Issues/ Additions	Maturities and/or Payments	Balance June 30, 2023	Due Within One-Year
Long-Term Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	\$ 83,607	\$ -	\$ 27,090	\$ 56,517	\$ 6,000
Net Pension Liability - ERS	-	1,818,125	-	1,818,125	-
Net Pension Liability - TRS	-	713,657	-	713,657	-
Retirement Incentives and Other Pension Liabilities	16,200	-	16,200	-	-
Other Postemployment Benefit Liability	39,544,742	-	3,364,388	36,180,354	-
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 39,644,549</u>	<u>\$ 2,531,782</u>	<u>\$ 3,407,678</u>	<u>\$ 38,768,653</u>	<u>\$ 6,000</u>

Each governmental fund's liability for compensated absences, net pension liabilities, retirement incentives and other pension liabilities and other postemployment benefit liability are liquidated by the General Fund.

Compensated Absences

Under the terms of the existing collective bargaining agreements, the School District is required to compensate retiring employees with 10 or more years of service for accumulated sick leave. All such employees are to be paid at the rate of \$40 per day if the employee has between 150 and 184 accumulated days. If the employee has accumulated between 185 and 250 days, payments are as follows: teachers \$100 per day; teaching assistants \$50 per day; custodial staff and clerical staff \$60 per day. Administrators and supervisors who have accumulated between 185 and 265 days will be compensated \$100 per day. Vacation time must be taken in the year earned. The value of the compensated absences has been reflected in the district-wide financial statements.

Pension Plans

New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System and Teachers' Retirement System

The School District participates in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System ("ERS"). This is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. ERS provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. The net position of the ERS is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund ("Fund"), which was established to hold all assets and record changes in fiduciary net position. The Comptroller of the State of New York serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of the ERS. The Comptroller is an elected official determined in a direct statewide election and serves a four year term. Obligations of employers and employees to contribute and benefits to employees are governed by the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law ("NYSRSSL"). Once a public employer elects to participate in the ERS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The School District also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan, which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The ERS is included in the State's financial

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided may be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/about_us/financial_statements_index.php or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

The School District also participates in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System ("TRS"). This is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. TRS provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. The TRS is governed by a ten member Board of Trustees, which sets policy and oversees operations consistent with its fiduciary obligations under applicable law. Obligations of employers and employees to contribute and benefits to employees are governed by the Education Law of the State of New York. Once a public employer elects to participate in the TRS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The TRS issues a stand-alone financial report which may be found at www.nystrs.org or obtained by writing to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, NY 12211-2395.

ERS and TRS are noncontributory for employees who joined the systems before July 27, 1976. Employees who joined the systems after July 27, 1976 and before January 1, 2010 contribute 3% of their salary for the first ten years of membership. Employees who joined the systems after January 1, 2010 generally contribute between 3% and 6% of their salary for their entire length of service. Under the authority of the NYSRSSL, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions based on salaries paid during the ERS's fiscal year ending March 31. Pursuant to Article 11 of the Education Law of the State of New York, actuarially determined employer contributions are established annually for the TRS by its Board of Trustees. The employer contribution rates for the ERS plan year ended March 31, 2023 and TRS plan year ended June 30, 2023 are as follows:

	<u>Tier/Plan</u>	<u>Rate</u>
ERS	4 A15	13.0 %
	5 A15	11.1
	6 A15	8.2
TRS	1-6	10.29 %

At June 30, 2023, the School District reported the following for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for ERS and TRS:

	<u>ERS</u>	<u>TRS</u>
Measurement date	March 31, 2023	June 30, 2022
Net pension liability	\$ 1,818,125	\$ 713,657
School Districts' proportion of the net pension liability	0.0084785 %	0.037191 %
Change in proportion since the prior measurement date	0.0018275 %	0.001209 %

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

The net pension liability was measured as of March 31, 2023 for ERS and June 30, 2022 for TRS and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability were determined by actuarial valuations as of those dates. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability for ERS was based on a computation of the actuarially determined indexed present value of future compensation by employer relative to the total of all participating members. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability for TRS was based on the School District's contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating members.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the School District recognized pension expense in the district-wide financial statements of \$1,667,072 (\$645,315 for ERS and \$1,021,757 for TRS). Pension expenditures of \$249,415 were recorded for ERS (\$246,839 in the General Fund and \$2,576 in the Special Aid Fund). Pension expenditures of \$691,172 were recorded for TRS (\$624,474 in the General Fund and \$66,698 in the Special Aid Fund).

At June 30, 2023, the School District reported its proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	ERS		TRS	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 193,645	\$ 51,060	\$ 747,822	\$ 14,300
Changes of assumptions	882,999	9,759	1,384,374	287,481
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	10,681	922,113	-
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	87,785	37,056	157,249	107,578
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	82,395	-	690,680	-
	<u>\$ 1,246,824</u>	<u>\$ 108,556</u>	<u>\$ 3,902,238</u>	<u>\$ 409,359</u>
Total				
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 941,467	\$ 65,360		
Changes of assumptions	2,267,373	297,240		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	922,113	10,681		
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	245,034	144,634		
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	773,075	-		
	<u>\$ 5,149,062</u>	<u>\$ 517,915</u>		

\$82,395 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to ERS resulting from the School District's accrued contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the plan's year ended March 31, 2024. The \$690,680 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to TRS will be recognized as a decrease of the

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

net pension liability in the plan's year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to ERS and TRS will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended</u>	<u>March 31, ERS</u>	<u>June 30, TRS</u>
2023	\$ -	\$ 621,343
2024	245,176	298,489
2025	(81,759)	(134,195)
2026	384,208	1,795,026
2027	508,248	217,456
Thereafter	-	4,080
	<u>\$ 1,055,873</u>	<u>\$ 2,802,199</u>

The total pension liability for the ERS and TRS measurement dates were determined by using actuarial valuation dates as noted below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liabilities to those measurement dates. Significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuations were as follows:

	<u>ERS</u>	<u>TRS</u>
Measurement Date	March 31, 2023	June 30, 2022
Actuarial valuation date	April 1, 2022	June 30, 2021
Investment rate of return	5.9% *	6.95% *
Salary scale	4.4%	1.95%-5.18%
Inflation rate	2.9%	2.4%
Cost of living adjustments	1.5%	1.3%

*Compounded annually, net of pension plan investment expenses, including inflation.

For ERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on the ERS's experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2021. For TRS, annuitant mortality rates are based on plan member experience, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2021, applied on a generational basis. Active member mortality rates are based on plan member experience.

The actuarial assumptions used in the ERS valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2020. The actuarial assumptions used in the TRS valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020.

For ERS, 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 return, net of investment expenses 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.

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice ("ASOP") No. 27, *Selection of Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. ASOP No. 27 provides guidance on the selection of an appropriate assumed investment rate of return. Consideration was given to expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class as well as historical investment data and plan performance.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation is summarized in the following table:

Asset Type	ERS March 31, 2023		TRS June 30, 2022	
	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	32 %	4.30 %	33 %	6.5 %
International Equity	15	6.85	16	7.2
Private Equity	10	7.50	8	9.9
Real Estate	9	4.60	11	6.2
Domestic Fixed Income Securities	-	-	16	1.1
Global Bonds	-	-	2	0.6
High Yield Bonds	-	-	1	3.3
Global Equities	-	-	4	6.9
Private Debt	-	-	2	5.3
Real Estate Debt	-	-	6	2.4
Opportunistic/ARS Portfolio	3	5.38	-	-
Credit	4	5.43	-	-
Real Assets	3	5.84	-	-
Fixed Income	23	1.50	-	-
Cash	1	-	1	(0.3)
	<u>100 %</u>		<u>100 %</u>	

The real rate of return is net of the long-term inflation assumption of 2.9% for ERS and 2.4% for TRS.

The discount rate used to calculate the total pension liability was 5.9% for ERS and 6.95% for TRS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based upon those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 5.9% for ERS and 6.95% for TRS, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (4.9% for ERS and 5.95% for TRS) or 1 percentage point higher (6.9% for ERS and 7.95% for TRS) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (4.9%)	Current Discount Rate (5.9%)	1% Increase (6.9%)
School District's proportionate share of the ERS net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 4,393,629</u>	<u>\$ 1,818,125</u>	<u>\$ (334,008)</u>
	1% Decrease (5.95%)	Current Discount Rate (6.95%)	1% Increase (7.95%)
School District's proportionate share of the TRS net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 6,580,254</u>	<u>\$ 713,657</u>	<u>\$ (4,220,113)</u>

The components of the collective net pension liability as of the March 31, 2023 ERS measurement date and the June 30, 2022 TRS measurement date were as follows:

	ERS	TRS
Total pension liability	\$ 232,627,259,000	\$ 133,883,473,797
Fiduciary net position	<u>211,183,223,000</u>	<u>131,964,582,107</u>
Employers' net pension liability	<u>\$ 21,444,036,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,918,891,690</u>
Fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	<u>90.78%</u>	<u>98.57%</u>

Employer contributions to ERS are paid annually and cover the period through the end of ERS's fiscal year, which is March 31st. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 represent the projected employer contribution for the period April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 based on paid ERS wages multiplied by the employers' contribution rate, by tier. Employee contributions are remitted monthly.

Employer and employee contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023 are paid to TRS in the following fiscal year through a state aid intercept or, if state aid is insufficient, through a payment by the School District to TRS. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 represent employee and employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 based on paid TRS wages multiplied by the employers' contribution rate plus employee contributions for the fiscal year as reported to TRS.

Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2023 were \$82,395 to ERS and \$774,987 to TRS (including employee contributions of \$84,307).

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

Voluntary Defined Contribution Plan

The School District can offer a defined contribution plan to all non-union employees hired on or after July 1, 2013 and earning at the annual full-time salary rate of \$75,000 or more. The employee contribution is between 3% and 6% depending on salary and the School District will contribute 8%. Employer contributions vest after 366 days of service. No current employees participated in this program.

Retirement Incentives and Other Pension Liabilities

The State Legislature enacted Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2010. This chapter authorized local governments, at their option, to amortize a portion of their ERS contribution beginning in 2010. The maximum amortization amount each year going forward will be determined by the difference between each employer's effective contribution rate as compared to the System's overall graded rate. The amortized amounts are to be paid in equal annual installments over a ten year period, although amounts may be prepaid at any time. Interest will be charged at rates which approximate a market rate of return on taxable fixed rate securities of a comparable duration and will be adjusted annually. The School District elected to amortize the maximum allowable ERS contributions as noted in the table below.

	Original Amount Amortized	Current Year Payments	Balance Due	Due Within One Year
2013 ERS	\$ 142,344	\$ 16,686	\$ -	\$ -

The current year payments were charged to retirement expenditures in the General Fund.

Other Postemployment Benefit Liability ("OPEB")

In addition to providing pension benefits, the School District provides certain health care benefits for retired employees through a single employer defined benefit OPEB plan. The various collective bargaining agreements stipulate the employees covered and the percentage of contribution. Contributions by the School District may vary according to length of service. The cost of providing postemployment health care benefits is shared between the School District and the retired employee as noted below. Substantially all of the School District's employees may become eligible for those benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the School District. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions", so the net OPEB liability is equal to the total OPEB liability. Separate financial statements are not issued for the plan.

At June 30, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees currently receiving benefit payments	95
Active employees	99
	<u>194</u>

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

The School District's total OPEB liability of \$36,180,354 was measured as of June 30, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022.

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Salary increases	2.2% - 12.3%, average, including inflation
Discount rate	4.13%
Healthcare cost trend rates	6.75% for 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.14% by 2075
Retirees' share of benefit-related costs	Varies from 0% to 50%, depending on applicable hire date and bargaining unit

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Year Municipal Bond Index.

Mortality rates were based on Pub-2010 Employees Headcount-Weighted table projected fully generationally using MP-2021.

The School District's change in the total OPEB liability for the year ended June 30, 2023 is as follows:

Total OPEB Liability - Beginning of Year	\$ 39,544,742
Service cost	1,429,043
Interest	1,428,384
Differences between expected and actual experience	(2,489,336)
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	(2,473,631)
Benefit payments	<u>(1,258,848)</u>
Total OPEB Liability - End of Year	<u><u>\$ 36,180,354</u></u>

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the School District, as well as what the School District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.13%) or 1 percentage point higher (5.13%) than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease (3.13%)	Current Discount Rate (4.13%)	1% Increase (5.13%)
Total OPEB Liability	<u><u>\$ 41,873,297</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 36,180,354</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 31,570,986</u></u>

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the School District, as well as what the School District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (5.75% decreasing to 3.14%) or 1 percentage point higher (7.75% decreasing to 5.14%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease (5.75% decreasing to 3.14%)	Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rates (6.75% decreasing to 4.14%)	1% Increase (7.75% decreasing to 5.14%)
Total OPEB Liability	<u>\$ 30,898,049</u>	<u>\$ 36,180,354</u>	<u>\$ 42,871,761</u>

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the School District recognized OPEB expense of (\$724,960) in the district-wide financial statements. At June 30, 2023, the School 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
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	\$ 4,216,095	\$ 10,164,908
Differences between expected and actual experience	<u>-</u>	<u>7,009,420</u>
	<u>\$ 4,216,095</u>	<u>\$ 17,174,328</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	
2024	\$ (3,314,730)
2025	(3,548,558)
2026	(5,102,350)
2027	(992,595)
Thereafter	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ (12,958,233)</u>

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Note 3 - Detailed Notes on All Funds (Continued)

D. Net Position

The components of net position are detailed below:

Investment in Capital Assets - the component of net position that reports the difference between capital assets less the accumulated depreciation.

Restricted for Fiscal Stabilization - the component of net position that has been established in accordance with Section 4405(4)(K) of the Education Law of the State of New York to permit the retention of funds in excess of the School District's allowable and reimbursable costs incurred for services and programs provided to school-age students to support fiscal stabilization.

Restricted for Special Purposes - the component of net position that reports the difference between assets and liabilities with constraints placed on their use by either external parties and/or statute.

Unrestricted - all other amounts that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "investment in capital assets".

E. Fund Balances

	2023			2022		
	General	Special Purpose	Total	General	Special Purpose	Total
Nonspendable - Prepaid expenditures	\$ 58,387	\$ -	\$ 58,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Restricted:						
Fiscal stabilization	1,768,757	-	1,768,757	155,000	-	155,000
Special purposes	-	635	635	-	4,065	4,065
Total Restricted	1,768,757	635	1,769,392	155,000	4,065	159,065
Unassigned	228,204	-	228,204	228,204	-	228,204
Total Fund Balances	\$ 2,055,348	\$ 635	\$ 2,055,983	\$ 383,204	\$ 4,065	\$ 387,269

An analysis of the activity in the fund balance restricted for fiscal stabilization is as follows:

	Year Ended June 30,	
	2023	2022
Balance - Beginning of Year	\$ 155,000	\$ -
Additions	1,613,757	155,000
Reductions	-	-
Balance - End of Year	\$ 1,768,757	\$ 155,000

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Certain elements of fund balance are described above. Those additional elements, which are not reflected in the Statement of Net Position but are reported in the governmental funds balance sheet are described below.

Prepaid Expenditures has been established to account for retirement payments made in advance. The amount is classified as nonspendable to indicate that funds are not "available" for appropriation or expenditure even though they are components of current assets.

Unassigned fund balance in the General Fund represents amounts not classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned.

Note 4 - Summary Disclosure of Significant Contingencies

A. Litigation

The School District is a defendant in various actions seeking damages for alleged employment and discriminatory practices. The School District has aggressively pursued the defense of these actions. Counsels for the School District have expressed opinions of likelihood of favorable outcomes in these matters.

B. Contingencies

The School District participates in various Federal grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits pursuant to the Uniform Guidance. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the School District anticipates such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The School District is subject to audits of State aid and tuition revenue by the New York State Education Department. The amounts previously paid to the School District which may be disallowed cannot be determined at this time, although the School District anticipates such amount, if any, to be immaterial.

The School District currently has one labor contract that is expired as of June 30, 2023. No provision has been made in these financial statements for the settlement of this labor contract. The bargaining unit and contract expiration date is as follows:

<u>Bargaining Unit</u>	<u>Contract Expiration Date</u>
Teaching Assistant's Association	June 30, 2014

Note 4 - Summary Disclosure of Significant Contingencies (Continued)

C. Risk Management

The School District purchases various conventional insurance coverages to reduce its exposure to loss. The School District maintains general liability policies with coverage up to \$3 million in the aggregate and \$1 million for each occurrence, and an excess liability policy with coverage up to \$5 million. The School District maintains liability coverage for school board members with coverage up to \$1 million and an umbrella policy with coverage up to \$5 million. The School District also maintains employment practices liability coverage up to \$1 million. The School District purchases conventional workers' compensation insurance with coverage at statutory levels. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The School District and neighboring districts in Southern Westchester County participate in the State-Wide Schools Cooperative Health Plan. The Plan operates under an agreement, as amended, dated December 12, 1985. The purposes of the Plan are to effect cost savings in members' expenses for health coverage; to permit members to secure improved levels of health coverage; to provide for centralized administration, funding and disbursements for health coverage; and to provide for such risk management services as may be appropriate to reduce future expense and liability for health coverage. The governance of the Plan shall be in all respects in the hands of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall consist of seven trustees elected by the general membership of the Plan. No action may be taken by the Board of Trustees except by a vote of a majority of the total number of trustees. Billings to participants are based upon coverage provided to each participant's employees. The School District has transferred all related risk to the Plan.

Note 5 - Recently Issued GASB Pronouncements

GASB Statement No. 101, "*Compensated Absences*" provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for compensated absences. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2023.

This is not an all-inclusive list of recently issued GASB pronouncements but rather a listing of Statements that the School District believes will most impact its financial statements. The School District will evaluate the impact of this and other pronouncements may have on its financial statements and will implement them if applicable and when material.

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Required Supplementary Information - Schedule of Changes in the School District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)(2)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB Liability:						
Service cost	\$ 1,429,043	\$ 2,082,954	\$ 2,592,167	\$ 1,786,337	\$ 1,215,407	\$ 1,259,270
Interest	1,428,384	1,095,275	1,326,652	1,679,094	1,716,943	1,572,171
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	(779,411)	-	17,168	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(2,489,336)	(2,395,156)	(5,412,343)	(1,803,819)	(1,640,484)	-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(2,473,631)	(9,259,827)	(5,260,215)	11,126,560	3,043,453	(2,227,996)
Benefit payments	(1,258,848)	(1,199,025)	(1,359,897)	(1,439,015)	(1,462,381)	(1,289,051)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	(3,364,388)	(9,675,779)	(8,893,047)	11,349,157	2,890,106	(685,606)
Total OPEB Liability – Beginning of Year	39,544,742	49,220,521	58,113,568	46,764,411	43,874,305	44,559,911 (3)
Total OPEB Liability – End of Year	<u>\$ 36,180,354</u>	<u>\$ 39,544,742</u>	<u>\$ 49,220,521</u>	<u>\$ 58,113,568</u>	<u>\$ 46,764,411</u>	<u>\$ 43,874,305</u>
School District's covered-employee payroll	<u>\$ 7,982,489</u>	<u>\$ 7,541,100</u>	<u>\$ 7,296,308</u>	<u>\$ 9,040,063</u>	<u>\$ 6,637,362</u>	<u>\$ 6,427,115</u>
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	<u>453.25%</u>	<u>524.39%</u>	<u>674.59%</u>	<u>642.84%</u>	<u>704.56%</u>	<u>682.64%</u>
Discount Rate	<u>4.13%</u>	<u>3.54%</u>	<u>2.16%</u>	<u>2.21%</u>	<u>3.51%</u>	<u>3.87%</u>

(1) Data not available prior to fiscal year 2018 implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions".

(2) No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of this Statement to pay related benefits.

(3) Restated for the implementation of the provisions of GASB Statement No. 75.

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Required Supplementary Information
New York State Teachers' Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (2)

	2023 (3)	2022 (4)	2021 (3)	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
School District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.037191%	0.035982%	0.035113%	0.034643%	0.034436%	0.037498%	0.043117%	0.046446%	0.051123%
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 713,657	\$ (6,235,331)	\$ 970,272	\$ (900,027)	\$ (622,692)	\$ (285,020)	\$ 461,796	\$ (4,824,224)	\$ (5,694,799)
School District's covered payroll	\$ 6,588,510	\$ 6,107,295	\$ 5,959,821	\$ 5,782,476	\$ 5,609,224	\$ 5,942,159	\$ 6,653,318	\$ 6,976,771	\$ 7,555,178
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	10.83%	(102.10)%	16.28%	(15.56)%	(11.10)%	(4.80)%	6.94%	(69.15)%	(75.38)%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (asset)	98.57%	113.20%	97.76%	102.17%	101.53%	100.66%	99.01%	110.46%	111.48%
Discount Rate	6.95%	6.95%	7.10%	7.10%	7.25%	7.25%	7.50%	8.00%	8.00%

Schedule of Contributions

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 690,680	\$ 645,674	\$ 582,025	\$ 528,040	\$ 614,099	\$ 549,704	\$ 696,421	\$ 882,230	\$ 1,223,028
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(690,680)	(645,674)	(582,025)	(528,040)	(614,099)	(549,704)	(696,421)	(882,230)	(1,223,028)
Contribution excess	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
School District's covered payroll	\$ 6,712,148	\$ 6,588,510	\$ 6,107,295	\$ 5,959,821	\$ 5,782,476	\$ 5,609,224	\$ 5,942,159	\$ 6,653,318	\$ 6,976,771
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	10.29%	9.80%	9.53%	8.86%	10.62%	9.80%	11.72%	13.26%	17.53%

(1) Data not available prior to fiscal year 2015 implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions".

(2) The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the June 30 measurement date of the prior fiscal year.

(3) Increase in the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability mainly attributable to decrease in plan fiduciary net position due to investment losses.

(4) Decrease in the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability mainly attributable to decrease in plan fiduciary net position due to investment gains.

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Required Supplementary Information
New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (2)

	2023 (3)	2022 (4)	2021 (4)	2020 (3)	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
School District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	<u>0.0084785%</u>	<u>0.0066510%</u>	<u>0.0067470%</u>	<u>0.0067798%</u>	<u>0.0073921%</u>	<u>0.0064195%</u>	<u>0.0070709%</u>	<u>0.0068627%</u>	<u>0.0073333%</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 1,818,125</u>	<u>\$ (543,695)</u>	<u>\$ 6,718</u>	<u>\$ 1,795,325</u>	<u>\$ 523,750</u>	<u>\$ 207,187</u>	<u>\$ 664,393</u>	<u>\$ 1,101,485</u>	<u>\$ 247,736</u>
School District's covered payroll	<u>\$ 3,545,543</u>	<u>\$ 3,231,761</u>	<u>\$ 2,172,256</u>	<u>\$ 2,201,772</u>	<u>\$ 2,047,039</u>	<u>\$ 1,702,023</u>	<u>\$ 1,452,484</u>	<u>\$ 1,590,965</u>	<u>\$ 1,827,183</u>
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	<u>51.28%</u>	<u>(16.82)%</u>	<u>0.31%</u>	<u>81.54%</u>	<u>25.59%</u>	<u>12.17%</u>	<u>45.74%</u>	<u>69.23%</u>	<u>13.56%</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	<u>90.78%</u>	<u>103.65%</u>	<u>99.95%</u>	<u>86.39%</u>	<u>96.27%</u>	<u>98.24%</u>	<u>94.70%</u>	<u>90.70%</u>	<u>97.90%</u>
Discount Rate	<u>5.90%</u>	<u>5.90%</u>	<u>5.90%</u>	<u>6.80%</u>	<u>7.00%</u>	<u>7.00%</u>	<u>7.00%</u>	<u>7.00%</u>	<u>7.50%</u>

Schedule of Contributions

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	<u>\$ 249,562</u>	<u>\$ 304,900</u>	<u>\$ 288,111</u>	<u>\$ 264,768</u>	<u>\$ 233,529</u>	<u>\$ 239,482</u>	<u>\$ 250,088</u>	<u>\$ 286,955</u>	<u>\$ 348,530</u>
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(249,562)</u>	<u>(304,900)</u>	<u>(288,111)</u>	<u>(264,768)</u>	<u>(233,529)</u>	<u>(239,482)</u>	<u>(250,088)</u>	<u>(286,955)</u>	<u>(348,530)</u>
Contribution excess	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School District's covered payroll	<u>\$ 3,521,938</u>	<u>\$ 3,304,982</u>	<u>\$ 2,091,412</u>	<u>\$ 2,159,764</u>	<u>\$ 2,179,265</u>	<u>\$ 1,824,064</u>	<u>\$ 1,648,187</u>	<u>\$ 1,809,379</u>	<u>\$ 1,628,319</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	<u>7.09%</u>	<u>9.23%</u>	<u>13.78%</u>	<u>12.26%</u>	<u>10.72%</u>	<u>13.13%</u>	<u>15.17%</u>	<u>15.86%</u>	<u>21.40%</u>

(1) Data not available prior to fiscal year 2015 implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions".

(2) The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the March 31 measurement date within the current fiscal year.

(3) Increase in the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability mainly attributable to decrease in plan fiduciary net position due to investment losses.

(4) Decrease in the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability mainly attributable to increase in plan fiduciary net position due to investment gains.

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

General Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and

Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual

Year Ended June 30,

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Encumbr- ances	Variance with Final Budget
REVENUES					
Charges for services	\$ 17,903,014	\$ 19,934,841	\$ 18,434,161	\$	\$ (1,500,680)
Use of money and property	-	-	1,246		1,246
State aid	-	-	364,080		364,080
Miscellaneous	-	-	125,668		125,668
Total Revenues	17,903,014	19,934,841	18,925,155		(1,009,686)
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General support					
Board of education	129,425	143,225	125,020	-	18,205
Central administration	350,431	377,700	335,112	-	42,588
Finance	497,055	537,546	515,192	-	22,354
Central services	962,320	1,621,106	1,304,845	-	316,261
Special items	233,187	235,287	235,214	-	73
Total General Support	2,172,418	2,914,864	2,515,383	-	399,481
Instruction					
Instruction, administration and improvement	1,123,705	1,147,005	993,759	-	153,246
Teaching - Regular school	6,000,727	6,967,703	6,188,647	-	779,056
Teaching - Special schools	589,067	614,858	442,040	-	172,818
Instructional media	697,525	677,590	503,293	-	174,297
Pupil services	1,249,960	1,349,697	1,153,434	-	196,263
Total Instruction	9,660,984	10,756,853	9,281,173	-	1,475,680
Pupil transportation	145,844	219,344	156,561	-	62,783
Employee benefits	5,923,768	6,043,780	5,299,894	-	743,886
Total Expenditures	17,903,014	19,934,841	17,253,011	-	2,681,830
Net Change in Fund Balance	-	-	1,672,144	\$ -	\$ 1,672,144
FUND BALANCE					
Beginning of Year	-	-	383,204		
End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,055,348		

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

General Fund

Schedule of Revenues Compared to Budget

Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Day school tuition	\$ 17,903,014	\$ 19,934,841	\$ 18,434,161	\$ (1,500,680)
USE OF MONEY AND PROPERTY				
Earnings on investments	-	-	1,246	1,246
STATE AID				
BOCES	-	-	285,655	285,655
Other	-	-	78,425	78,425
	-	-	364,080	364,080
MISCELLANEOUS				
Refund of prior year's expenditures	-	-	40,729	40,729
Refunds of BOCES aided services	-	-	30,390	30,390
Other	-	-	54,549	54,549
	-	-	125,668	125,668
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 17,903,014</u>	<u>\$ 19,934,841</u>	<u>\$ 18,925,155</u>	<u>\$ (1,009,686)</u>

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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

General Fund
Schedule of Expenditures Compared to Budget
Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Encum- brances	Variance with Final Budget
GENERAL SUPPORT					
<i>BOARD OF EDUCATION</i>					
Board of education	\$ 121,700	\$ 135,500	\$ 117,295	\$ -	\$ 18,205
District clerk	7,725	7,725	7,725	-	-
Total Board of Education	129,425	143,225	125,020	-	18,205
<i>CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION</i>					
Chief school administrator	350,431	377,700	335,112	-	42,588
<i>FINANCE</i>					
Business administration	446,409	469,950	448,761	-	21,189
Auditing	38,750	55,000	53,905	-	1,095
Treasurer	11,896	12,596	12,526	-	70
Total Finance	497,055	537,546	515,192	-	22,354
<i>CENTRAL SERVICES</i>					
Operation and maintenance of plant	892,320	1,471,606	1,164,397	-	307,209
Central printing and mailing	70,000	149,500	140,448	-	9,052
Total Central Services	962,320	1,621,106	1,304,845	-	316,261
<i>SPECIAL ITEMS</i>					
Unallocated insurance	200,000	200,600	200,542	-	58
Administrative charge - BOCES	33,187	34,687	34,672	-	15
Total Special Items	233,187	235,287	235,214	-	73
Total General Support	2,172,418	2,914,864	2,515,383	-	399,481

INSTRUCTION**INSTRUCTION, ADMINISTRATION
AND IMPROVEMENT**

Supervision - Regular school	1,097,405	1,066,605	921,780	-	144,825
In-service training - Instruction	26,300	80,400	71,979	-	8,421

Total Instruction, Administration
and Improvement

1,123,705	1,147,005	993,759	-	153,246
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TEACHING - REGULAR SCHOOL

6,000,727	6,967,703	6,188,647	-	779,056
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TEACHING - SPECIAL SCHOOLS

589,067	614,858	442,040	-	172,818
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INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA

Computer assisted instruction	697,525	677,590	503,293	-	174,297
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PUPIL SERVICES

Guidance - Regular School	81,214	116,214	102,532	-	13,682
Health services	141,013	165,750	123,942	-	41,808
Psychological services	455,505	455,505	396,972	-	58,533
Speech, vocational and occupational therapy services	350,466	390,466	326,296	-	64,170
Social work services	221,762	221,762	203,692	-	18,070

Total Pupil Services

1,249,960	1,349,697	1,153,434	-	196,263
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Total Instruction

9,660,984	10,756,853	9,281,173	-	1,475,680
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PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

District transportation services	145,844	219,344	156,561	-	62,783
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EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

State retirement	508,318	508,318	263,525	-	244,793
Teachers' retirement	594,724	624,523	624,474	-	49
Social security	721,426	756,426	726,547	-	29,879
Workers' compensation	591,360	595,000	561,976	-	33,024
Life insurance	35,000	35,000	32,144	-	2,856
Unemployment benefits	30,000	30,000	7,948	-	22,052
Hospital, medical and dental insurance	3,175,505	3,095,505	2,742,570	-	352,935
Union welfare benefits	158,285	158,285	142,619	-	15,666
Other	109,150	240,723	198,091	-	42,632

Total Employee Benefits

5,923,768	6,043,780	5,299,894	-	743,886
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$ 17,903,014	\$ 19,934,841	\$ 17,253,011	\$ -	\$ 2,681,830
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Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

General Fund
Analysis of Change from Adopted Budget to Final Budget
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Adopted/Original Budget	\$ 17,903,014
Budget Revisions	<u>2,031,827</u>
Final Budget	<u><u>\$ 19,934,841</u></u>

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Schedule of Investment in Capital Assets
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Capital Assets, net/Investment in Capital Assets	<u><u>\$ 3,661,218</u></u>
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**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**

Independent Auditors' Report

**The Board of Education of the
Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York**

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York ("School District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November XX, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of This Report

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

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

Harrison, New York

October 30, 2023



**Report on Compliance For Each Major Federal Program and Report
on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by
the Uniform Guidance**

Independent Auditors' Report

**The Board of Education of the
Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York**

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York's ("School District") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. The School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the School District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP

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Harrison, New York

October 30, 2023

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Mount Pleasant Cottage Union Free School District, New York

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Year Ended June 30, 2023

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title</u>	<u>Federal Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number</u>	<u>Provided to Sub- Recipients</u>	<u>Total Federal Expenditures</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>				
Indirect Programs - Passed through New York				
State Department of Education				
<i>Special Education Cluster (IDEA)</i>				
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	0032-22-1072	\$ -	\$ 722
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	0032-23-1072	-	216,279
Subtotal Special Education Cluster			-	217,001
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0016-22-3720	-	98,227
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0016-23-3720	-	558,438
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0021-22-3720	-	51,740
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	0021-23-3720	-	198,312
			-	906,717
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	0204-23-3720	-	16,562
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency				
Relief (ESSER) Fund (CRRSA)	84.425D	5891-21-3720	-	321,236
American Rescue Plan (ARP) ESSER II	84.425U	5880-21-3720	-	409,386
			-	747,184
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ -	\$ 1,870,902

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York ("School District") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. Federal awards received directly from the Federal agencies as well as Federal awards passed through other government agencies are included in the Schedule. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the School District.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

Note 3 - Indirect Cost Rate

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

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued
on whether the financial statements audited
were prepared in accordance with GAAP

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified?
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified?

____ Yes X No
____ Yes X None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements
noted?

____ Yes X No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major federal programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified?
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified?

____ Yes X No
____ Yes X None reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance
for major federal programs

Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are
required to be reported in accordance with
2 CFR 200.516(a)?

____ Yes X No

Identification of major federal programs:

Assistance

Listing Number(s)

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

84.010

Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

Dollar threshold used to distinguish
between Type A and Type B programs:

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

 X Yes ____ No

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Concluded)
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

None

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None

Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, New York

Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
Year Ended June 30, 2023

Finding: 2022-001 – Other Matters – Personnel Activity Reports (PARs)

Status: This condition is not a repeated finding in the current fiscal year. During the 2022-2023 school year, the School District implemented the process of completing the Personnel Activity Reports per the requirements of the program.