



BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS

Chippewa County, Michigan

Annual Financial Report

For the year ended June 30, 2025



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FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

October 9, 2025

The Board of Education
Brimley Area Schools

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Brimley Area Schools as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Brimley Area Schools' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Brimley Area Schools, as of June 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position, and the respective 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Brimley Area Schools 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 Brimley Area Schools' ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 Brimley Area Schools' internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Brimley Area Schools' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and other required supplementary information as listed in the 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 Brimley Area Schools' basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules 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 combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules 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 9, 2025, on our consideration of Brimley Area Schools' 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 Brimley Area Schools' 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 Brimley Area Schools' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Certified Public Accountants
Grand Rapids, Michigan

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of Brimley Area Schools ("the District"), we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of four parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the Basic Financial Statements, Required Supplementary Information, and Supplementary Information. The Basic Financial Statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements, the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, are *district-wide financial statements* that provide both short-term and long-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the district-wide statements.
 - ♦ *Governmental funds statements* tell how basic services such as regular and special education were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.
 - ♦ *Fiduciary funds statements* provide information about the financial relationships in which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others.

The Basic Financial Statements also include Notes to Financial Statements that explain the information in the Basic Financial Statements and provide more detailed data; Required Supplementary Information includes pension and OPEB information schedules; Other Supplementary Information follows and includes combining and individual fund statements and schedules.

District-wide Statements

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

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

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position is an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the District's overall health, one should consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax-base, economic factors that might influence state aid revenue, and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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In the district-wide financial statements, the District's activities are presented as follows:

- Governmental activities: The District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, instructional support, transportation, administration, community services, food service and athletics. State aid and property taxes finance most of these activities.

Condensed District-wide Financial Information

The Statement of Net Position provides financial information on the District as a whole.

	2025	2024
Assets		
Current assets	\$ 5,036,340	\$ 5,047,142
Net capital assets	5,693,168	6,014,400
Net OPEB asset	1,633,535	208,486
Total Assets	12,363,043	11,270,028
Deferred Outflows of Resources	3,733,271	4,574,221
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	1,327,117	1,511,486
Long-term liabilities	1,321,447	1,861,517
Net pension liability	9,205,946	11,570,176
Total Liabilities	11,854,510	14,943,179
Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,854,283	3,146,740
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	4,258,010	4,263,643
Restricted	319,812	298,713
Unrestricted (deficit)	(5,190,301)	(6,808,026)
Total Net Position	\$ (612,479)	\$ (2,245,670)

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
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The Statement of Activities presents changes in net position from operating results:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Program Revenues		
Charges for services	\$ 49,894	\$ 51,856
Operating grants	2,934,697	2,962,825
General Revenues		
Property taxes	1,838,560	1,692,319
State school aid, unrestricted	3,060,402	3,219,147
Federal impact aid	1,356,225	1,240,510
Schools and roads	88,200	106,889
Interest and investment earnings	106,665	139,454
Other	262,419	371,655
Total Revenues	<u>9,697,062</u>	<u>9,784,655</u>
Expenses		
Instruction	4,344,711	4,585,822
Supporting services	2,982,124	3,108,908
Food service	320,499	331,514
Interest on long-term debt	47,611	57,815
Depreciation – unallocated	368,926	390,535
Total Expenses	<u>8,063,871</u>	<u>8,474,594</u>
Increase in Net Position	1,633,191	1,310,061
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>(2,245,670)</u>	<u>(3,555,731)</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u><u>\$ (612,479)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (2,245,670)</u></u>

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

Total revenues exceeded expenses by \$1,633,191 on the Statement of Activities, increasing total net position from a deficit of \$2,245,670 at June 30, 2024 to a deficit of \$612,479 at June 30, 2025. Unrestricted net assets increased by \$1,617,725 to a deficit of \$5,190,301 at June 30, 2025. The District's net pension liability, including deferred outflows and inflows of resources, decreased by \$600,633 during the fiscal year, and its net OPEB liability, including deferred outflows and inflows of resources, decreased by \$647,041.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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The District's financial position is the product of various financial transactions, including the net results of activities, the acquisition and payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets, and the depreciation and amortization of capital assets. A large portion of the District's net position reflects investment in capital assets (e.g., land and improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles, furniture and equipment, and construction in progress); less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to its students; consequently, they are not available for future spending. Although the District's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The District's total revenues were \$9.70 million. Property taxes and unrestricted State aid accounted for the majority of the District's revenues, contributing 50.5 percent of the total. The remainder came from State and federal aid for specific programs (30.3%), fees charged for services, interest earnings and other local sources.

The total cost of all programs during the year decreased by 4.8 percent to a total of \$8.06 million. The District's expenses are predominantly related to instruction (53.9%) and supporting services (37.0%), which include various functions such as caring for (pupil services) and transporting students, administrative services, and operation and maintenance services.

The current position of the District's finances can be credited to careful monitoring of economic changes and appropriate cost-cutting measures to maintain programs during these challenging economic times. Despite the ongoing uncertainty of funding revenue from the State of Michigan, the District has endeavored to maintain a positive fund balance.

- The District has conducted a thorough budget analysis and has broken the budget down into specific components and their related expenses. This has allowed the District to prioritize expenses, and also to identify where cuts could occur if necessary.
- Regular updates were provided to the Board of Education during the school year. This information is also presented to the community via the District's website transparency reporting.
- Collaboration with the surrounding districts has helped reduce expenditures in many areas including special education, special education transportation, technology, and business services. The nineteen school districts and academies as well as the Intermediate School District in the Eastern Upper Peninsula have historically collaborated in many areas and continue to find more ways to collaborate to provide the most services while maximizing efficiencies.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds - not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs. As a general rule, fund balances from one fund are prohibited from being expended on expenditures of another fund.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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The District utilizes two kinds of funds:

- *Governmental funds:* Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the district-wide statements, additional information following the governmental funds' statements explains the relationship (or differences) between them.
- *Fiduciary funds:* The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others, such as the Scholarship Fund. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the district-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The District uses funds to record and analyze financial information. Brimley Area Schools' funds are described as follows:

Major Fund

General Fund

The General Fund is the District's primary operating fund. The General Fund had total revenues of \$8,748,111, total other financing sources of \$13,380, total expenditures of \$8,719,023, and total other financing uses of \$50,000. The ending fund balance was \$3,779,450 at June 30, 2025, up from \$3,786,982 at June 30, 2024.

Nonmajor Funds

Special Revenue Funds

The District operates two Special Revenue Funds. The Food Service Fund, which administers the hot lunch program of the District, had total revenues of \$346,538, total other financing sources of \$50,000, and total expenditures of \$372,032. The ending fund balance was \$65,990 at June 30, 2025, up from \$41,484 at June 30, 2024.

The Student/School Activity Fund segregates and maintains funds to be held for the benefit of the District's students. The Student/School Activity Fund had total revenues of \$180,664 and total expenditures of \$201,674. The ending fund balance was \$72,559 at June 30, 2025, down from \$93,569 at June 30, 2024.

Debt Service Funds

The District operates one Debt Service Fund. The fund had total revenues of \$421,749 and total expenditures of \$392,466. The ending fund balance was \$138,238 at June 30, 2025, up from \$108,955 at June 30, 2024.

Capital Projects Funds

The Capital Improvements Capital Projects Fund had total other financing uses of \$13,380 during the fiscal year. The ending fund balance was \$50,000 at June 30, 2025, down from \$63,380 at June 30, 2024.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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Fiduciary Funds

The Scholarship Funds are operated as Fiduciary Funds of the District. The assets of these funds are being held for the benefit of the District's students. The balance on hand at June 30, 2025 totaled \$4,671.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the course of the year, the District continuously reviews the annual operating budget after the June adoption. Changes in the budget are due to the following:

- Changes made in the fall to account for the final student enrollment, which determines how much state foundation grant will be received during the fiscal year. The District did not fully recover its student population due to the availability of virtual options and competition between districts for students after COVID. Declining enrollment continues to be an issue, contributing to reduced funding at both the federal and state level.
- Final amendments are made in June for increases in appropriations to prevent budget overruns and reductions in expenses put into place by the administration.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2025, the District had a \$11,658,542 investment in a broad range of capital assets, including land, school buildings, athletic facilities, vehicles, and administrative offices. (More detailed information about capital assets can be found in Note E in the Notes to Basic Financial Statements.)

At June 30, 2025, the District's investment in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) was \$5,693,168. Net capital assets additions totaled \$47,694 and accumulated depreciation increased by \$368,926, resulting in a decrease in net capital assets of \$321,232.

The District's net investment in capital assets is detailed as follows:

Land	\$ 104,466
Land improvements	684,682
Buildings and improvements	4,459,023
Furniture and equipment	262,472
Vehicles	182,525
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Net Capital Assets	\$ 5,693,168

Long-term Obligations

At year end, the District had \$1,395,000 in general obligation bonds – a net decrease of \$340,000 from June 30, 2024.

The District's underlying bond rating for general obligation debt was affirmed by Standard and Poor's as A+, with a stable outlook. The State limits the amount of general obligation debt that schools can issue to 15 percent of the assessed value of all taxable property within a District's boundaries.

The District's other obligations include Bond premium and accumulated compensated absences. We present more detailed information about our long-term liabilities in Note F in the Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

Factors Bearing on the District's Future

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of the following circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- The State of Michigan continues to increase its focus on student achievement. Results of State standardized test scores are compared from year to year, with the results being tabulated by school building and by district.
- Cost increases exceeding the general rate of inflation continue to be expected for the District relative to health care and pension contribution obligations in 2024-25 and beyond. These costs represent a significant portion of the District's budget, and their rate of increase is a concern to management. Surges in prices of energy commodities such as diesel, gasoline and natural gas have maintained relative to the previous year. It provided some relief from the rate of growth in overall operating costs going forward.
- The District and bargaining units are currently negotiating as the current three-year contract ended June 30, 2025 for both professional and support staff. The current contract provides for health insurance through MESSA. Employees have the choice of the ABC High-Deductible Plan or the more traditional Choices Plan. With either plan the excess premium cost over the state mandated cap is borne by the employee. Recent changes to laws regulating the bidding and procurement of health insurance may change the way insurance is provided to the bargaining units.
- Recent months have seen a lot of legislative activity in the areas of teacher tenure, seniority and layoffs, teacher and administrator evaluations, student achievement and employee contributions to health insurance. Items that were previously prohibited are now allowable under current legislation. The District is determined to keep up with all the changes even with a reduction in the administrative work force.
- As the District continues to face the budget challenges of the current and upcoming school years, operating efficiencies and balanced budgets will be necessary. The ability to continue to operate an adequate educational system with continued less revenue and increasing expenditures is the challenge of the future. The Board of Education continues to be aware of the importance of fiscal oversight, fiscal responsibility, and financial planning.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Business Office of Brimley Area Schools, 7134 S M-221, Brimley, Michigan 49715.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
June 30, 2025

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash	\$ 300
Cash equivalents and investments (Note B)	3,714,484
Accounts receivable	1,521
Due from other governmental units (Note C)	1,313,909
Inventory	6,126
Capital assets not being depreciated (Note E)	104,466
Capital assets being depreciated, net (Note E)	5,588,702
Net OPEB asset (Note H)	1,633,535
Total Assets	<u>12,363,043</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Loss on advance bond refunding, net	27,556
Deferred pension amounts	3,147,542
Deferred OPEB amounts	558,173
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>3,733,271</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	106,769
Due to other governmental units	289,757
Accrued expenses	66,180
Accrued interest payable	6,975
Salaries payable	465,787
Unearned revenue	1,610
Long-term liabilities (Note F):	
Due within one year	390,039
Due in more than one year	1,321,447
Net pension liability (Note G)	9,205,946
Total Liabilities	<u>11,854,510</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred pension amounts	2,660,187
Deferred OPEB amounts	2,194,096
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>4,854,283</u>
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	4,258,010
Restricted for:	
Capital improvements	50,000
Debt service	131,263
Food service	65,990
Student/school activity	72,559
Unrestricted (deficit)	(5,190,301)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (612,479)</u>

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
For the year ended June 30, 2025

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes In Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants	
Governmental Activities				
Instruction	\$ 4,344,711	\$ -	\$ 2,434,901	\$ (1,909,810)
Supporting services	2,982,124	39,297	163,855	(2,778,972)
Food service	320,499	10,597	335,941	26,039
Interest on long-term debt	47,611	-	-	(47,611)
Depreciation - unallocated*	368,926	-	-	(368,926)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 8,063,871	\$ 49,894	\$ 2,934,697	(5,079,280)
General Revenues				
Taxes:				
				1,417,902
				420,658
				3,060,402
				1,356,225
				88,200
				106,665
				262,419
				6,712,471
				1,633,191
				(2,245,670)
				\$ (612,479)

*This amount excludes direct depreciation expenses of the various programs.

**BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

**BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
June 30, 2025**

Assets	General	Nonmajor	Total
Cash	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 300
Cash equivalents and investments (Note B)	3,423,648	290,836	3,714,484
Accounts receivable	1,298	223	1,521
Due from other governmental units (Note C)	1,282,697	31,212	1,313,909
Inventory	-	6,126	6,126
Total Assets	\$ 4,707,943	\$ 328,397	\$ 5,036,340
 Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ 106,769	\$ -	\$ 106,769
Due to other governmental units	289,757	-	289,757
Accrued expenditures	66,180	-	66,180
Salaries payable	465,787	-	465,787
Unearned revenue	-	1,610	1,610
Total Liabilities	928,493	1,610	930,103
 Fund Balances (Note A)			
Nonspendable	-	6,126	6,126
Restricted	-	320,661	320,661
Unassigned	3,779,450	-	3,779,450
Total Fund Balances	3,779,450	326,787	4,106,237
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 4,707,943	\$ 328,397	\$ 5,036,340

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
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Total governmental fund balances		\$ 4,106,237
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. The cost of assets is \$11,658,542 and accumulated depreciation is \$5,965,374.		5,693,168
Bond refunding losses are not expensed but are amortized over the life of the new bond issue on the Statement of Activities.		27,556
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:		
General obligation bonds	\$ (1,395,000)	
Bond premium	(40,158)	
Compensated absences	<u>(276,328)</u>	(1,711,486)
Accrued interest on long-term debt is not included as a liability in governmental funds.		(6,975)
Net pension liability and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as assets/liabilities in governmental funds:		
Net pension liability	(9,205,946)	
Deferred outflows	3,147,542	
Deferred inflows	<u>(2,660,187)</u>	(8,718,591)
Net OPEB asset and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as assets/liabilities in governmental funds:		
Net OPEB asset	1,633,535	
Deferred outflows	558,173	
Deferred inflows	<u>(2,194,096)</u>	(2,388)
Total net position - governmental activities		<u><u>\$ (612,479)</u></u>

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

**BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
June 30, 2025**

	General	Nonmajor	Total
Revenues			
Local sources	\$ 1,607,903	\$ 613,010	\$ 2,220,913
Non-educational entity	33,117	-	33,117
State sources	4,818,462	162,754	4,981,216
Federal sources	1,786,769	173,187	1,959,956
Interdistrict sources	501,860	-	501,860
Total Revenues	8,748,111	948,951	9,697,062
Expenditures			
Current:			
Instruction	5,298,181	-	5,298,181
Supporting services	3,420,842	201,674	3,622,516
Food service	-	372,032	372,032
Debt service:			
Principal repayment	-	340,000	340,000
Interest and fiscal charges	-	52,466	52,466
Total Expenditures	8,719,023	966,172	9,685,195
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	29,088	(17,221)	11,867
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers in	13,380	50,000	63,380
Transfers out	(50,000)	(13,380)	(63,380)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(36,620)	36,620	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	(7,532)	19,399	11,867
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	3,786,982	307,388	4,094,370
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 3,779,450	\$ 326,787	\$ 4,106,237

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

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Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ 11,867

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of these assets is capitalized and allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period:

	Capital outlays	\$ 47,694	
	Depreciation expense	<u>(368,926)</u>	(321,232)

Bond premium is amortized over the life of the new bond issue on the Statement of Activities. 10,043

Losses on advanced bond refundings are amortized over the life of the new bond issue on the Statement of Activities. (6,888)

Repayment of long-term debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not effect the Statement of Activities:
 General obligation bonds 340,000

Interest on long-term liabilities in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported on the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due and paid, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is paid. 1,700

In the Statement of Net Position, compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This year the amount of benefits used/paid exceed the amount of benefits earned. 350,027

The changes in net pension liability and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. 600,633

The changes in net OPEB asset and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. 647,041

Total changes in net position - governmental activities \$ 1,633,191

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET & ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND**

**BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
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	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 1,498,713	\$ 1,611,277	\$ 1,607,903	\$ (3,374)
Non-educational entity	37,377	33,117	33,117	-
State sources	4,928,462	4,687,825	4,818,462	130,637
Federal sources	1,810,514	1,805,489	1,786,769	(18,720)
Interdistrict sources	351,629	405,561	501,860	96,299
Total Revenues	8,626,695	8,543,269	8,748,111	204,842
Expenditures				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Basic programs	3,898,929	4,006,220	4,019,538	(13,318)
Added needs	1,170,582	1,214,567	1,278,643	(64,076)
Supporting services:				
Pupil services	414,492	369,455	287,202	82,253
Instructional staff services	138,488	136,899	69,133	67,766
General administrative services	286,280	368,889	324,301	44,588
School administrative services	518,872	454,109	470,784	(16,675)
Business services	221,301	321,369	301,565	19,804
Operation and maintenance services	825,856	868,197	866,120	2,077
Pupil transportation services	576,328	602,987	605,643	(2,656)
Central services	226,155	233,582	297,444	(63,862)
Other supporting services	210,296	219,726	198,650	21,076
Total Expenditures	8,487,579	8,796,000	8,719,023	76,977
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	139,116	(252,731)	29,088	281,819
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers in	-	-	13,380	13,380
Transfers out	(139,116)	(50,000)	(50,000)	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(139,116)	(50,000)	(36,620)	13,380
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	(302,731)	(7,532)	295,199
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	3,786,982	3,786,982	3,786,982	-
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 3,786,982	\$ 3,484,251	\$ 3,779,450	\$ 295,199

**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

**BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
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	<u>Private Purpose Trust Fund</u>
Assets	
Cash equivalents (Note B)	\$ 4,671
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	<u>2,000</u>
Net Position	
Held in trust for: Individuals and organizations	<u><u>\$ 2,671</u></u>

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

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	<u>Private Purpose Trust Fund</u>
Additions	
Contributions	<u>\$ 1,669</u>
Deductions	
Distributions - scholarships	<u>3,500</u>
Change In Net Position	(1,831)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>4,502</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u><u>\$ 2,671</u></u>

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note A – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Brimley Area Schools (the “District”) was organized under the School Code of the State of Michigan, and services a population of approximately 461 students. The District is governed by an elected Board of Education consisting of seven members and administered by a Superintendent who is appointed by the aforementioned Board. The District provides a comprehensive range of educational services as specified by state statute and Board of Education policy. These services include elementary education, secondary education, pre-school programs, athletic activities, special education, community services and general administrative services. The Board of Education also has broad financial responsibilities, including the approval of the annual budget and the establishment of a system of accounting and budgetary controls.

The financial statements of Brimley Area Schools have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to school districts. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The District’s significant accounting policies are described below.

1. Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity consists of a primary government and its component units. The District is a primary government because it is a special-purpose government that has a separately elected governing body, is legally separate and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. Furthermore, there are no component units combined with the District for financial statement presentation purposes, and the District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity. Consequently, the District’s financial statements include the funds of those organizational entities for which its elected governing board is financially accountable.

2. District-wide and Fund Financial Statements

District-wide Financial Statements - The district-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) present financial information about the District as a whole. The reported information includes all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. The District does not allocate indirect costs and, for the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed. These statements are to distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the District. *Governmental activities* normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, and are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. The District does not have any *business-type activities*.

The Statement of Net Position is reported on the full accrual, economic resources basis, which recognizes all long-term assets as well as all long-term debt and obligations. The District’s net position is reported in three parts: net investment in capital assets, restricted net position, and unrestricted net position.

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The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property taxes, unrestricted state aid, interest earnings and other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the district-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The General Fund is the District's only major fund. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Fund Financial Statements – Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Fund level statements include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. The Balance Sheet reports current assets, current liabilities, and fund balances. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances reports on the sources and uses of current financial resources. This differs from the economic resources measurement focus used to report at the district-wide level. Reconciliations between the two sets of statements are provided in separate schedules.

Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual, i.e., 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. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recorded when the liability is incurred if they are paid within 60 days after the end of the current fiscal period. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on long-term debt is recognized when due.

Revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, state aid, federal and interdistrict revenues and investment income. Other revenues are recognized when received. Unearned revenue arises when potential revenue does not meet both the measurable and available criteria for recognition in the current period. Unearned revenue also arises when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of the qualifying expenditures.

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

District-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor or provider have been met.

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The State of Michigan utilizes a foundation allowance approach, which provides for a specific annual amount of revenue per student based on a State-wide formula. The foundation allowance is funded from a combination of State and local sources. Revenues from State sources are primarily governed by the School Aid Act and the School Code of Michigan. The State portion of the foundation is provided from the State's School Aid Fund and is recognized as revenues in accordance with State law and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those funds through which most school district functions typically are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of a school district's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds.

Major Fund:

The *General Fund* is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are all transactions related to the current operating budget.

Nonmajor Funds:

Special Revenue Funds—Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

School Service Funds—School Service Funds are used to segregate, for administrative purposes, the transactions of a particular activity from regular revenue and expenditure accounts. A school district maintains full control of these funds. The School Service Funds maintained by the District are the Food Service and Student/School Activities Special Revenue Funds.

Debt Service Funds—Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt (bonds, notes, loans, leases, and school bond loan) principal, interest, and related costs.

Capital Projects Funds—Capital Projects Funds are used to record the bond proceeds, investment earnings and the disbursement of the monies specifically designated for acquiring new school sites, buildings, equipment and for major remodeling and repairs. The funds are retained until the purpose for which the funds were created has been accomplished.

The Capital Projects Funds include capital projects activities funded with bonds after May 1, 1994. For these capital projects, the District has complied with the applicable provisions of Section 1351a of the State of Michigan's School code.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by a school district in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds.

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Trust Funds—Trust Fund net position and results of operations are not included in the district-wide financial statements. Trust funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted as they are needed.

4. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

State of Michigan Public Act 621 (the Uniform Budgetary and Accounting Act) requires that the General Fund of a school district be under budgetary control and that both budgeted and actual financial results do not incur a deficit. The District has also adopted budgets for its Food Service Special Revenue Fund and its Student/School Activity Special Revenue Fund. A school district's Budget Appropriations Act (the "budget") must be adopted before the beginning of each fiscal year. No violations (dollar deviations) from a district's budget may occur without a corresponding amendment to the budget. A school district has the ability to amend the budget provided that the amendment is prior to the occurrence of the deviation and prior to the fiscal year end. A school district may also permit the chief administrative or fiscal officer to execute transfers between line items, within defined dollar or percentage limits, without prior approval of the Board of Education. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the function level. All appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

During the year ended June 30, 2025, expenditures exceeded budgeted appropriations in the Food Service and Student/School Activity Special Revenue Funds. For more detail, refer to the budget to actual schedules on pages 72-73.

Brimley Area Schools utilizes the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- Starting in the spring, District administrative personnel and department heads work with the Superintendent and Business Manager to establish proposed operating budgets for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1.
- In June, preliminary operating budgets are submitted to the Board of Education. These budgets include proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- Prior to June 30, a public hearing is held to obtain taxpayer comments on the proposed budgets.
- After the budgets are finalized, the Board of Education adopts an appropriations resolution setting forth the amount of the proposed expenditures and the sources of revenue to finance them.
- The original General and Special Revenue Funds budgets were amended during the year in compliance with State of Michigan Public Act 621 (the Uniform Budgetary and Accounting Act).
- Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds were adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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5. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed as an extension of formal budget integration in the governmental funds. There were no substantial encumbrances outstanding at year end.

6. Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value. Investment income is composed of interest and net changes in the fair value of applicable investments.

7. Inventory/Prepaid Items

Inventories are valued at cost (first-in, first-out) and are accounted for using the consumption method. Inventories of the Food Service Fund consist of food and other nonperishable supplies. Disbursements for inventory-type items are recorded as expenditures at the time of use for each fund. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the district-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenses/expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

8. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles and furniture and equipment, are reported in the district-wide financial statements. Assets having a useful life in excess of one year and whose costs exceed \$5,000 are capitalized. Capital assets are stated at historical cost or estimated historical cost where actual cost information is not available. Donated capital assets are stated at fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of an asset or materially extend an asset's useful life are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful life of the related assets.

Land improvements, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, and vehicles are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Land improvements	10 - 20 years
Buildings and improvements	40 - 50 years
Furniture and equipment	3 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 - 10 years

9. Long-term Obligations

In the district-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities on the Statement of Net Position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

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

10. Compensated Absences

Compensated absences at the District consist of accumulated sick and vacation leave as of June 30, 2025. In accordance with applicable accounting standards, the District accrues a liability for compensated absences when it is more likely than not that the benefit will be realized by the employee, either through future use or payment upon separation from service. At June 30, 2025, the total accrued compensated absences amounted to \$276,328.

11. Retirement Plan

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, and Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date*, were implemented by the District during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. These Statements establish standards for measuring and recognizing liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. For defined benefit pensions, the Statements identify the methods and assumptions that should be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. Note disclosure and required supplementary information requirements about pensions also are addressed. Distinctions are made regarding the particular requirements for employers based on the number of employers whose employees are provided with pensions through the pension plan and whether pension obligations and pension plan assets are shared. Cost sharing employers are those whose employees are provided with defined benefit pensions through cost-sharing multiple-employer pension plans – pension plans in which the pension obligations to the employees of more than one employer are pooled and plan assets can be used to pay the benefits of the employees of any employer that provides pensions through the pension plan.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS) and additions to/deductions from MPSERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by MPSERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Plan investments are reported at fair value.

12. Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, was implemented by the District during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. This Statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. For defined benefit OPEB plans, the Statement identifies the methods and assumptions that are required to be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. Note disclosure and required supplementary information requirements about OPEB are also addressed. Distinctions are made regarding the particular requirements depending upon whether the OPEB plans through which the benefits are provided are administered through trusts that meet specific criteria. Cost-sharing employers are those whose employees are provided with defined benefit OPEB through cost-sharing multiple-employer OPEB plans—OPEB plans in which the OPEB obligations to the employees of more than one employer are pooled and plan assets can be used to pay the benefits of the employees of any employer that provides OPEB through the OPEB plan.

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability (asset), deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS) and additions to/deductions from MPSERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by MPSERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Plan investments are reported at fair value.

13. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The District has three such items that qualify for reporting in this category: the deferred charge on a previous year's bond refunding, the deferred outflows of resources relating to the recognition of net pension liability on the financial statements and the deferred outflows of resources relating to the recognition of net OPEB asset on the financial statements.

In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has two types of items that qualify for reporting in this category: the deferred inflows of resources relating to the recognition of net pension liability on the financial statements and the deferred inflows of resources relating to the recognition of net OPEB asset on the financial statements.

14. Net Position

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

15. Fund Balance

The District had adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54 *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. The stated objective of GASB Statement No. 54 is to enhance the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund type definitions. This Statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds, detailed as follows:

- Nonspendable – resources that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form (inventories and prepaid amounts) or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact (the principal of a permanent fund).
- Restricted – resources that cannot be spent because of (a) constraints externally imposed by creditors (debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation and includes a legally enforceable requirement that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.
- Committed – resources that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government’s highest level of decision-making authority (Board of Education). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government removes or changes the specified uses by taking the same type of action it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance does not lapse at year end.
- Assigned – resources that are constrained by the government’s *intent* to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent should be expressed by (a) the governing body itself or (b) a body or official to which the governing body has designated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balance does not lapse at year end.
- Unassigned – unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. The General Fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount.

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As of June 30, 2025, Brimley Area Schools had not established a policy for its use of unrestricted fund balance amounts; it considers that committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first to defer the use of other classified funds.

16. Interfund Activity

Flows of cash from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated in the Statement of Activities. Interfund transfers in the fund financial statements are reported as other financing sources/uses.

17. Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Note B – Cash Equivalents and Investments

The State of Michigan allows a political subdivision to authorize its Treasurer or other chief fiscal officer to invest surplus funds belonging to and under the control of the entity as follows:

- Bonds, bills, or notes of the United States; obligations, the principal and interest of which are fully guaranteed by the United States; or obligations of the State.
- Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a financial institution, but only if the financial institution is a state or nationally chartered bank or a state or federally chartered savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union whose deposits are insured by an agency of the United States government and that maintains a principal office or branch office located in this State under the laws of this State or the United States.
- Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- Securities issued or guaranteed by agencies or instrumentalities of the United States government.
- United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements.
- Banker's acceptances issued by a bank that is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

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- Mutual funds composed entirely of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by a school district in Michigan.
- Investment pools, as authorized by the surplus funds investment pool act, Act No. 367 of the Public Acts of 1982, being sections 129.11 to 129.118 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, composed entirely of instruments that are legal for direct investment by a school district in Michigan.

Balances at June 30, 2025 related to cash equivalents and investments are detailed in the Basic Financial Statements as follows:

Statement of Net Position:	
Governmental activities	\$ 3,714,484
Fiduciary Funds:	
Trust Fund	<u>4,671</u>
	<u>\$ 3,719,155</u>

Cash Equivalents

Depositories actively used by the District during the year are detailed as follows:

1. Central Savings Bank
2. Soo Co-op Credit Union

Cash equivalents consist of bank public funds checking and savings accounts.

June 30, 2025 balances are detailed as follows:

Cash equivalents	<u>\$ 1,645,829</u>
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Custodial Credit Risk Related to Bank Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to the District. Protection of District deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the National Credit Union Administration. At year end, the carrying amount of the District's cash equivalents was \$1,645,829, and the bank balance was \$1,821,012. Of the bank balance \$576,183 was insured and \$1,244,829 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Investments

As of June 30, 2025 the District had the following investments:

Surplus Funds Investment Pool Account:	
Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF+) - MAX Class	\$ 2,061,869
Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF+) - Cash Management	<u>11,457</u>
	<u>\$ 2,073,326</u>

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The Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF) is an external pooled investment fund that includes qualified investments in accordance with the applicable sections of the School Code. MILAF+ is not regulated or registered with the Securities Exchange Commission. The MILAF+ MAX Class requires a 14-day redemption notice. The MILAF+ Fund is carried at amortized cost and rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's.

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Investments

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty, the District may not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District will minimize custodial credit risk by limiting investments to the types of securities allowed by law; and pre-qualifying the financial institutions, broker/dealers, intermediaries, and advisors with which the District will do business. At June 30, 2025, the District had no investments that were subject to custodial credit risk.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation. The District's investment policy does not specifically address credit risk but minimizes its credit risk by limiting investments to the types allowed by the State.

Interest Rate Risk

The District minimizes interest rate risk, which is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates, by structuring the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities in the open market, and, investing operating funds primarily in shorter-term securities, liquid asset funds, money market funds, or similar investment pools and limiting the average maturity in accordance with the District's cash requirements.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The District minimizes concentration of credit risk which is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the District's investment in a single issuer, by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimized. The District's investment policy places no restrictions on the amount or percentage that may be invested in any one type of security.

Foreign Currency Risk

The District is not authorized to invest in investments which have this type of risk.

Note C – State School Aid/Property Taxes

On March 15, 1994, the voters of the State of Michigan approved Proposal A, which increased the State Sales and Use Tax rates from 4% to 6% and established a State Education Tax at a rate of 6 mills on all property, except that which is exempt by law from ad valorem property taxes, and dedicated the additional revenues generated to Michigan school districts.

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These additional State revenues pass through to Michigan school districts in the form of a per pupil "Foundation Allowance" paid on a "blended count" of District pupil membership in February 2024 and October 2024. The 2024-25 "Foundation Allowance" for Brimley Area Schools was \$9,608 for 459 "Full Time Equivalent" students, generating \$4,945,829 in state aid payments to the District of which \$887,212 was paid to the District in July and August 2025 and is included in "Due From Other Governmental Units" of the General Fund and Food Service Fund of the District.

Property taxes for the District are levied December 1 (the tax lien date) by the Townships of Bay Mills, Chippewa, Dafer and Superior, and are due 75 days after levy dates. The taxes are then collected by each governmental unit and remitted to the District. The County of Chippewa, through its Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund, advances all delinquent real property taxes at March 1 to the District each year prior to June 30.

Section 1211(1) of 1993 PA 312 states that beginning in 1994, the board of a school district shall levy not more than 18 mills, if approved by voters, for school operating purposes, or the number of mills levied in 1993, whichever is less, on non-homestead property only, in order to be eligible to receive funds under the State School Aid Act of 1979. After 1996, electors may approve a 3 mill "Local Enhancement Millage" which must be shared between all local districts in each respective county intermediate district.

As Brimley Area Schools' electors had previously (August 2020) approved an operating millage extension, the 18 mill non-homestead property tax was levied in the District for 2024.

The District levied 2.7 mills for debt service purposes in 2024, applied on all taxable property in the District.

Taxable property in the District is assessed initially at 50% of true cash value by the assessing officials of the various units of government that comprise the District. These valuations are then equalized by the county and finally by the State of Michigan, generating the State Equalized Valuation. Taxable valuation increases will be limited, or capped (known as capped valuation), at 5% or the rate of inflation, whichever is less. With the implementation of Proposal A and Public Act 36, taxable property is now divided into two categories: PRE and NPRES.

A principal residence exemption property (PRE) is exempt from the 18 mill "School Operating" tax. It is not exempt from the 6 mill "State Education" tax, any voted "Local Enhancement Millage" nor any additional voted millage for the retirement of debt.

Non-principal residence exemption property (NPRES) is subject to all District levies. However, since Public Act 36, establishing the Michigan Business Tax, was signed into law, Public Acts 37-40 of 2007 now exempt Industrial Personal Property from the 6 mill State Education Tax and up to 18 mills of local school district operating millage (includes property under Industrial Facilities Tax exemptions); and exempt Commercial Personal Property from up to 12 mills of local school district operating millage (exceptions may apply).

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The District is subject to tax abatements granted by the County of Chippewa with local businesses under the Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act, (known as the Industrial Facilities Exemption) PA 198 of 1974, as amended, provides a tax incentive to manufacturers to enable renovation and expansion of aging facilities, assists in the building of new facilities, and promotes the establishment of high-tech facilities. An Industrial Facilities Exemption (IFE) certificate entitles the facility to exemption from ad valorem real and/or personal property taxes for a term up to 12 years as determined by the local unit of government. The agreements entered into by each local unit include claw back provisions should the recipient of the tax abatement fail to fully meet its commitments, such as employment levels and timelines for relocation. The tax abated property taxes are calculated by applying half the local property tax millage rate on the total IFT taxable value. This amounts to a reduction in property tax revenue of approximately 50%.

For the year ended June 30, 2025, there were no businesses located within the Brimley Area School District boundaries with an active IFE certificate.

Note D – Interfund Receivables/Payables and Transfers

There were no amounts due from (to) other funds outstanding at June 30, 2025.

Operating transfers between funds to allocate expenditures during the year ended June 30, 2025 were as follows:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
Major Funds		
General Fund:		
Capital Projects Fund:		
Capital Improvements	\$ 13,380	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds:		
Food Service	-	50,000
	-	50,000
Nonmajor Funds		
Capital Projects Fund:		
Capital Improvements:		
General Fund	-	13,380
Special Revenue Funds:		
Food Service:		
General Fund	50,000	-
	50,000	-
Total All Funds	\$ 63,380	\$ 63,380

The operating transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund to the General Fund is to reimburse for building site improvements incurred in the General Fund during the year. The transfer from the General Fund to the Food Service Fund was to supplement expenditures incurred.

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Note E – Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 was as follows:

	Balances July 1, 2024	Additions	Deductions	Balances June 30, 2025
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 104,466	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 104,466
Construction in progress	120,461	34,917	155,378	-
Totals capital assets not being depreciated	<u>224,927</u>	<u>\$ 34,917</u>	<u>\$ 155,378</u>	<u>104,466</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	987,583	\$ -	\$ -	987,583
Buildings and improvements	9,047,031	-	-	9,047,031
Furniture and equipment	612,911	168,155	-	781,066
Vehicles	738,396	-	-	738,396
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>11,385,921</u>	<u>\$ 168,155</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>11,554,076</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	247,101	\$ 55,800	\$ -	302,901
Buildings and improvements	4,372,140	215,868	-	4,588,008
Furniture and equipment	484,412	34,182	-	518,594
Vehicles	492,795	63,076	-	555,871
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>5,596,448</u>	<u>\$ 368,926</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>5,965,374</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>5,789,473</u>			<u>5,588,702</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u><u>\$ 6,014,400</u></u>			<u><u>\$ 5,693,168</u></u>

Depreciation expense for the District was \$368,926. The District determined that it was impractical to allocate depreciation to various governmental activities as the assets serve multiple functions.

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Note F – Long-term Obligations

Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended June 30, 2025 are summarized as follows:

	Debt Outstanding July 1, 2024	Adjustment*	Debt Added	Debt Retired	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2025
General obligation bonds:					
2014 Refunding	\$ 1,735,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 340,000	\$ 1,395,000
Bond premium	50,201	-	-	10,043	40,158
Compensated absences	626,355	(362,585)	12,558	-	276,328
	<u>\$ 2,411,556</u>	<u>\$ (362,585)</u>	<u>\$ 12,558</u>	<u>\$ 350,043</u>	<u>\$ 1,711,486</u>

*See Note K – Change in Accounting Estimate

Long-term obligations outstanding at June 30, 2025 is comprised of the following:

	Final Maturity Dates	Interest Rates	Outstanding Balance	Amount Due Within One Year
General Obligation Bonds				
\$4,775K 2014 Refunding:				
Annual maturities of \$345K to \$350K	May 1, 2029	3.0%	\$ 1,395,000	\$ 350,000
Bond premium		N/A	40,158	10,039
Other Obligations				
Compensated absences			276,328	30,000
			<u>\$ 1,711,486</u>	<u>\$ 390,039</u>

The annual requirements to pay principal and interest on long-term bonds outstanding are as follows:

Years Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	\$ 350,000	\$ 41,850	\$ 391,850
2027	350,000	31,350	381,350
2028	350,000	20,850	370,850
2029	345,000	10,350	355,350
	<u>\$ 1,395,000</u>	<u>\$ 104,400</u>	<u>\$ 1,499,400</u>

Note G – Retirement Plan

Plan Description

The Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS) (the "System") is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, state-wide, defined benefit public employee retirement plan and fiduciary component unit of the State of Michigan (State) originally created under Public Act 136 of 1945, recodified and currently operating under the provisions of Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended. Section 25 of this act establishes the board's authority to promulgate or amend the provisions of the System. The board consists of twelve members – eleven appointed by the Governor, and the State Superintendent of Instruction, who serves as the ex-officio member.

The System's pension plan was established by the State to provide retirement, survivor, and disability benefits to public school employees. In addition, the System's health plan provides all retirees with the option of receiving health, prescription drug, dental and vision coverage under the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement Act (1980 PA 300 as amended).

The System is administered by the Office of Retirement Services (ORS) within the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget. The Department Director appoints the Office Director, with whom the general oversight of the System resides. The State Treasurer serves as the investment officer and custodian for the System.

The System's financial statements are available at www.michigan.gov/orsschools.

Benefits Provided

Benefit provisions of the defined benefit pension plan are established by State statute, which may be amended. Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, establishes eligibility and benefit provisions for the defined benefit (DB) pension plan. Depending on the plan option selected, member retirement benefits are determined by final average compensation, years of service, and a pension factor ranging from 1.25 percent to 1.50 percent. DB members are eligible to receive a monthly benefit when they meet certain age and service requirements. The age and service requirements range from attaining the age of 46 to 60 with years of service ranging from 5 to 30 years, depending on when the employee became a member. Early retirement is computed in the same manner as a regular pension but is permanently reduced by .50 percent for each full and partial month between the pension effective date and the date the member will attain age 60. There is no mandatory retirement age. The System also provides disability and survivor benefits to DB plan members.

Certain employees have the option to participate in the defined contribution (DC) plan that provides a 50 percent employer match (up to 3 percent of salary) on employee contributions.

Benefit terms provide for annual cost of living adjustments to each employee's retirement allowance subsequent to the employee's retirement date. The annual adjustment, if applicable, is 3 percent. Some members who do not receive an annual increase are eligible to receive a supplemental payment in those years when investment earnings exceed actuarial assumptions.

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A DB plan member who leaves Michigan public school employment may request a refund of his or her member contributions to the retirement system account if applicable. A refund cancels a former member's rights to future benefits. However, returning members who previously received a refund of their contributions may reinstate their service through repayment of the refund upon satisfaction of certain requirements.

Contributions

Employers are required by Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, to contribute amounts necessary to finance the coverage of active and retired members. Contribution provisions are specified by State statute and may be amended only by action of the State Legislature.

Employer contributions to the System are determined on an actuarial basis using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Under this method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the actuarial valuation is allocated on a level basis over the service of the individual between entry age and assumed exit age. The portion of this cost allocated to the current valuation year is called the normal cost. The remainder is called the actuarial accrued liability. Normal cost is funded on a current basis. The unfunded (overfunded) actuarial accrued liability as of the September 30, 2023 valuation will be amortized over a 15-year period beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2038.

The schedule below summarizes pension contribution rates in effect for the plan fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

Plan Name	Pension Contribution Rates:		
	Plan Status	Member	District
Basic	Closed	0.0 – 4.0%	23.03%
Member Investment Plan (MIP)	Closed	3.0 – 7.0%	23.03%
Pension Plus (Hybrid)	Closed	3.0 – 6.4%	19.17%
Pension Plus 2 (Hybrid)	Open	6.2%	20.10%
Defined Contribution	Open	0.0%	13.90%

The District's contributions to MPSERS under all pension plans for the year ended June 30, 2025 inclusive of the MSPERS UAAL Stabilization, totaled \$1,533,515.

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

As of June 30, 2025, the District reported a liability of \$9,205,946 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of September 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation rolled forward from September 2023. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was determined by dividing each employer's statutorily required pension contributions to the System during the measurement period by the percent of the pension contributions required from all applicable employers during the measurement period. As of September 30, 2024 the District's proportion was 0.03760289% which was an increase from 0.03574786% at September 30, 2023.

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For the year ended June 30, 2025 the District recognized pension expense of \$897,516. As of June 30, 2025, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 249,764	\$ 100,024
Changes of assumptions	959,774	674,505
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	—	1,756,885
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	515,525	128,773
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date*	1,422,479	—
Total	\$ 3,147,542	\$ 2,660,187

* This amount, reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2026.

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

Years Ending June 30	Amount
2026	\$ (184,806)
2027	168,394
2028	(519,113)
2029	(399,599)

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Actuarial Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows:

Summary of Actuarial Assumptions:

Valuation Date:	September 30, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age, Normal
Wage Inflation Rate:	2.75%
Investment Rate of Return:	
MIP and Basic Plans	6.00% net of investment expenses
Pension Plus Plan	6.00% net of investment expenses
Pension Plus 2:	6.00% net of investment expenses
Projected Salary Increases:	2.75% - 11.55%, including wage inflation of 2.75%
Cost-of-Living Adjustments:	3% annual non-compounded for MIP members
Mortality:	
Retirees:	PubT-2010 Male and Female Retiree Mortality Tables scaled by 116% for males and 116% for females and adjusted for mortality improvements using projection scale MP-2021 from 2010.
Active Members:	PubT-2010 Male and Female Employee Mortality Tables scaled by 100% and adjusted for mortality improvements using projection scale MP-2021 from 2010.

Notes:

- Assumption changes as a result of an experience study for the period 2017 through 2022 have been adopted by the System for use in the annual pension valuations beginning with the September 30, 2023 valuation. The total pension liability as of September 30, 2023 is based on the results of an actuarial valuation date of September 30, 2022 and rolled forward using generally accepted actuarial procedures, including the experience study.
- Recognition period for liabilities is the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees in years: [4.4612 for non-university employers].
- Recognition period for assets in years: 5.0000.
- Full actuarial assumptions are available in the 2024 MPSERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report found on the ORS website at (www.michigan.gov/orsschools).

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Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Plan Investments

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan’s target asset allocation as of September 30, 2024 are summarized in the following table:

Investment Category	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return*
Domestic Equity Pools	25.0%	5.3%
Private Equity Pools	16.0%	9.6%
International Equity Pools	15.0%	6.5%
Fixed Income Pools	13.0%	2.2%
Real Estate and Infrastructure Pools	10.0%	7.1%
Absolute Return Pools	9.0%	5.2%
Real Return/Opportunistic Pools	10.0%	6.9%
Short-term Investment Pools	2.0%	1.4%
Total	100.0%	

*Long-term rates of return are net of administrative expenses and 2.3% inflation.

Rate of Return

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 15.47%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Discount Rate

A discount rate of 6.00% was used to measure the total pension liability (6.00% for the Pension Plus Plan , 6.00% for the Pension Plus 2 Plan, hybrid plans provided through non-university employers only). This discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 6.00% (6.00% for the Pension Plus Plan, 6.00% for the Pension Plus 2 plan). The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.00% (6.00% for the Pension Plus plan, 6.00% for the Pension Plus 2 plan), as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher:

	1% Decrease 5.00%	Current Single Discount Rate Assumption 6.00%	1% Increase 7.00%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 13,496,016	\$ 9,205,946	\$ 5,633,637

Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS) Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System September 30, 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, available here: (www.michigan.gov/orsschools).

Payables to the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS)

Payables to the pension plan totaling \$200,255 arise from the normal legally required contributions based on the accrued salaries payable at year end, expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The payables are included in the "Due to Other Governmental Units" at June 30, 2025.

Note H – Other Postemployment Benefits

Plan Description

The Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS or "System") is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, state-wide, defined benefit public employee retirement plan and a fiduciary component unit of the State of Michigan (State) originally created under Public Act 136 of 1945, recodified and currently operating under the provisions of Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended. Section 25 of this act establishes the board's authority to promulgate or amend the provisions of the System. The board consists of twelve members— eleven appointed by the Governor and the State Superintendent of Instruction, who serves as an ex-officio member.

The System's health plan provides all eligible retirees with the option of receiving health, prescription drug, dental and vision coverage under the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement Act (1980 PA 300 as amended).

The System is administered by the Office of Retirement Services (ORS) within the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget. The Department Director appoints the Office Director, with whom the general oversight of the System resides. The State Treasurer serves as the investment officer and custodian for the System.

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Benefits Provided

Benefit provisions of the postemployment healthcare plan are established by State statute, which may be amended. Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, establishes eligibility and benefit provisions. Retirees have the option of health coverage, which, through 2012, was funded on a cash disbursement basis. Beginning fiscal year 2013, it is funded on a prefunded basis. The System has contracted to provide comprehensive group medical, prescription drug, dental and vision coverage for retirees and beneficiaries. A subsidized portion of the premium is paid by the System with the balance deducted from the monthly pension of each retiree healthcare recipient. For members who first worked before July 1, 2008, (Basic, MIP-Fixed, and MIP Graded plan members) the subsidy is the maximum allowed by statute. To limit future liabilities of Other Postemployment Benefits, members who first worked on or after July 1, 2008 (MIP-Plus plan members) have a graded premium subsidy based on career length where they accrue credit towards their insurance premiums in retirement, not to exceed the maximum allowable by statute. Public Act 300 of 2012 sets the maximum subsidy at 80% beginning January 1, 2013; 90% for those Medicare eligible and enrolled in the insurances as of that date. Dependents are eligible for healthcare coverage if they meet the dependency requirements set forth in Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended.

Public Act 300 of 2012 granted all active members of the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System, who earned service credit in the 12 months ending September 3, 2012 or were on an approved professional services or military leave of absence on September 3, 2012, a voluntary election regarding their retirement healthcare. Any changes to a member's healthcare benefit are effective as of the member's transition date, which is defined as the first day of the pay period that begins on or after February 1, 2013.

Under Public Act 300 of 2012, members were given the choice between continuing the 3% contribution to retiree healthcare and keeping the premium subsidy benefit described above, or choosing not to pay the 3% contribution and instead opting out of the subsidy benefit and becoming a participant in the Personal Healthcare Fund (PHF), a portable, tax-deferred fund that can be used to pay healthcare expenses in retirement. Participants in the PHF are automatically enrolled in a 2% employee contribution into their 457 account as of their transition date, earning them a 2% employer match into a 401(k) account. Members who selected this option stop paying the 3% contribution to retiree healthcare as of the day before their transition date, and their prior contributions were deposited into their 401(k) account.

Contributions

Employers are required by Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, to contribute amounts necessary to finance the coverage of active and retired members. Contribution provisions are specified by State statute and may be amended only by action of the State Legislature.

Employer OPEB contributions to the System are determined on an actuarial basis using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Under this method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the actuarial valuation is allocated on a level basis over the service of the individual between entry age and assumed exit age. The portion of this cost allocated to the current valuation year is called the normal cost. The remainder is called the actuarial accrued liability. Normal cost is funded on a current basis. The unfunded (overfunded) actuarial accrued liability as of the September 30, 2023 valuation will be amortized over a 15-year period beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2038.

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The schedule below summarizes OPEB contribution rates in effect for fiscal year ended September 30, 2024:

OPEB Contribution Rates:

Benefit Structure	Member	District
Premium Subsidy	3.0%	8.31%
Personal Healthcare Fund (PHF)	0.0%	7.06%

Required contributions to the OPEB plan from the District were \$64,140 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

OPEB Assets, OPEB Credit, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

As of June 30, 2025, the District reported an asset of \$1,633,535 for its proportionate share of the MPSERS net OPEB asset. The net OPEB asset was measured as of September 30, 2024, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB asset was determined by an actuarial valuation rolled forward from September 2023. The District's proportion of the net OPEB asset was determined by dividing each employer's statutorily required OPEB contributions to the System during the measurement period by the percent of OPEB contributions required from all applicable employers during the measurement period. As of September 30, 2024 the District's proportion was 0.03795037%, which was an increase from 0.03685458% at September 30, 2023.

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For the year ended June 30, 2025, the District recognized OPEB credit of \$574,771. At June 30, 2025, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ —	\$ 1,731,048
Changes of assumptions	356,788	41,010
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	—	309,247
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	175,279	112,791
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date*	26,106	—
Total	\$ 558,173	\$ 2,194,096

* This amount, reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as an addition of the net OPEB asset in the year ended June 30, 2026.

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

Years Ending June 30	Amount
2026	\$ (540,721)
2027	(317,779)
2028	(338,940)
2029	(285,720)
2030	(149,582)
Thereafter	(29,287)

Actuarial Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

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Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows:

Summary of Actuarial Assumptions:

Valuation Date:	September 30, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age, Normal
Wage Inflation Rate:	2.75%
Investment Rate of Return:	6.00% net of investment expense
Projected Salary Increases:	2.75% - 11.55%, including wage inflation of 2.75%
Healthcare Cost Trend Rate:	Pre-65 - 7.25% Year 1 graded to 3.5% Year 15 Post-65 - 6.50% Year 1 graded to 3.5% Year 15
Mortality:	
Retirees:	PubT-2010 Male and Female Retiree Mortality Tables, scaled by 116% for males and 116% for females and adjusted for mortality improvements using projection scale MP-2021 from 2010.
Active Members:	PubT-2010 Male and Female Employee Mortality Tables, scaled 100% and adjusted for mortality improvements using projection scale MP-2021 from 2010.

Other Assumptions:

Opt Out Assumptions:	21% of eligible participants hired before July 1, 2008 and 30% of those hired after June 30, 2008 are assumed to opt out of the retiree health plan.
Survivor Coverage:	80% of male retirees and 67% of female retirees are assumed to have coverages continuing after the retiree's death.
Coverage Election at Retirement:	75% of male and 60% of female future retirees are assumed to elect coverage for one or more dependents.

Notes:

- Assumption changes as a result of an experience study for the period 2017 through 2022 have been adopted by the System for use in the annual OPEB valuations beginning with the September 30, 2023 valuation. The total OPEB liability as of September 30, 2024 is based on the results of an actuarial valuation date of September 30, 2023 and rolled forward using generally accepted actuarial procedures, including the experience study.
- Recognition period for liabilities is the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees in years: [6.2834 for non-university employers].
- Recognition period for assets in years: 5.0000.
- Full actuarial assumptions are available in the 2024 MPSERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report found on the ORS website at www.michigan.gov/orsschools.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Plan Investments

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the OPEB plan’s target asset allocation as of September 30, 2024, are summarized in the following table:

Investment Category	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return*
Domestic Equity Pools	25.0%	5.3%
Private Equity Pools	16.0%	9.0%
International Equity Pools	15.0%	6.5%
Fixed Income Pools	13.0%	2.0%
Real Estate and Infrastructure Pools	10.0%	7.1%
Absolute Return Pools	9.0%	5.2%
Real Return/Oppportunistic Pools	10.0%	6.9%
Short-term Investment Pools	2.0%	1.4%
Total	100.0%	

* Long-term rates of return are net of administrative expenses and 2.3% inflation.

Rate of Return

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, the annual money-weighted rate of return on OPEB plan investments, net of OPEB plan investment expense, was 15.45%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Discount Rate

A discount rate of 6.00% was used to measure the total OPEB liability. This discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments of 6.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

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Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 6.00 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher:

	1% Decrease 5.00%	Current Discount Rate 6.00%	1% Increase 7.00%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (1,262,409)	\$ (1,633,535)	\$ (1,954,412)

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) to Healthcare Cost Trend Rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) calculated using assumed trend rates, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a trend rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher:

	1% Decrease	Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rate	1% Increase
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (1,954,416)	\$ (1,633,535)	\$ (1,289,392)

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued 2024 MPSERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, available on the ORS website at www.michigan.gov/orsschools.

Payables to the OPEB Plan

Payables to the OPEB plan totaling \$3,232 arise from the normal legally required contributions based on the accrued salaries payable at year end, expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The payables are included in the "Due to Other Governmental Units" at June 30, 2025.

Note I – Risk Management and Employee Benefits

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, and employee injuries (workers' compensation), as well as medical benefits provided to employees. The District has purchased commercial insurance for property loss, errors and omissions, workers' compensation, health benefits, and dental and vision benefits provided to employees. Settled claims relating to the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in fiscal 2024-25, and as of year ended June 30, 2025, there were no material pending claims against the District.

Note J – Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the District encountered instances of budget noncompliance. The general fund, food service fund, and student/school activity fund had actual revenues below final budgeted amounts and/or actual expenditures exceed the final budgeted amounts at the individual and functional levels. For more detail, reference the budget to actual on pages 22, 71, and 72, respectively.

The District has an unrestricted net position deficit of \$5,190,301 and a total net position deficit of \$612,479, as of June 30, 2025. These deficit net positions result primarily from the net pension liability of \$8,718,591 and the net OPEB liability of \$2,388 (net of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to the pension plan and OPEB plan).

Note K – Change in Accounting Estimate

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the District re-evaluated its policies and estimates used to recognize liabilities for compensated absences to more accurately reflect obligations related to current employment arrangements, as required by applicable accounting standards.

This change led to a decrease of \$362,585 to the compensated absences liability reported in the government-wide financial statements and enhances the accuracy and consistency of the District's financial reporting.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
MPSERS COST-SHARING MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER PLAN**

	Year Ended June 30, 2025	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.03760289%	0.03574786%	0.03549249%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 9,205,946	\$ 11,570,176	\$ 13,348,271
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,002,145	\$ 3,970,924	\$ 3,637,114
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	230.03%	291.37%	367.00%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	74.44%	65.91%	60.77%

The amounts presented for each of the last ten fiscal years were determined as of September 30 of the preceding year.

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Year Ended June 30, 2022	Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Year Ended June 30, 2019	Year Ended June 30, 2018	Year Ended June 30, 2017	Year Ended June 30, 2016
0.03650454%	0.03522517%	0.03532202%	0.03502077%	0.03404490%	0.03300988%	0.03303045%
\$ 8,462,600	\$ 12,100,229	\$ 11,697,465	\$ 10,527,876	\$ 8,822,481	\$ 8,235,695	\$ 8,067,696
\$ 3,422,793	\$ 3,117,218	\$ 3,071,704	\$ 3,020,812	\$ 2,886,982	\$ 2,785,693	\$ 2,750,270
252.50%	388.17%	380.81%	348.51%	305.60%	295.64%	293.34%
72.60%	59.72%	60.31%	62.36%	63.96%	63.01%	62.92%

**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY (ASSET)
MPSERS COST-SHARING MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER PLAN**

	Year Ended June 30, 2025	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset)	0.03795037%	0.03685458%	0.03447403%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (1,633,535)	\$ (208,486)	\$ 730,182
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,002,145	\$ 3,970,924	\$ 3,637,114
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	(40.82%)	5.25%	20.08%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability (asset)	143.08%	105.04%	83.09%

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of September 30 of the preceding year.

Note: GASB Statement No 75 was implemented in fiscal year 2018. This schedule is being built prospectively. Ultimately, 10 years of data will be presented.

<u>Year Ended June 30, 2022</u>	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2021</u>	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2019</u>	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2018</u>
0.03782355%	0.03515232%	0.03513970%	0.03548704%	0.03392391%
\$ 577,330	\$ 1,883,204	\$ 2,522,239	\$ 2,820,848	\$ 3,004,122
\$ 3,422,793	\$ 3,117,218	\$ 3,071,704	\$ 3,020,812	\$ 2,886,982
16.87%	60.41%	82.11%	93.38%	104.06%
87.33%	59.44%	48.46%	42.95%	36.53%

**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS
MPSERS COST-SHARING MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER PLAN**

	Year Ended June 30, 2025	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,533,515	\$ 1,598,872	\$ 1,317,402
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>1,533,515</u>	<u>1,598,872</u>	<u>1,317,402</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,016,487	\$ 3,990,946	\$ 3,752,131
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	38.18%	40.06%	35.11%

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June 30, 2025

Year Ended June 30, 2022	Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Year Ended June 30, 2019	Year Ended June 30, 2018	Year Ended June 30, 2017	Year Ended June 30, 2016
\$ 1,225,919	\$ 1,071,436	\$ 980,405	\$ 949,687	\$ 899,068	\$ 889,664	\$ 862,981
1,225,919	1,071,436	980,405	949,687	899,068	889,664	862,981
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,353,604	\$ 3,198,892	\$ 3,113,575	\$ 3,080,478	\$ 2,991,005	\$ 2,852,127	\$ 2,833,639
36.56%	33.49%	31.49%	30.83%	30.06%	31.19%	30.45%

**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS
MPSERS COST-SHARING MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER PLAN**

	Year Ended June 30, 2025	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023
Contractually required contribution	\$ 64,140	\$ 309,958	\$ 295,988
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>64,140</u>	<u>309,958</u>	<u>295,988</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 4,016,487	\$ 3,990,946	\$ 3,752,131
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	1.60%	7.77%	7.89%

Note: GASB Statement No 75 was implemented in fiscal year 2018. This schedule is being built prospectively. Ultimately, 10 years of data will be presented.

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Year Ended June 30, 2022	Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Year Ended June 30, 2019	Year Ended June 30, 2018
\$ 264,205	\$ 260,390	\$ 248,685	\$ 244,707	\$ 223,786
264,205	260,390	248,685	244,707	223,786
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,353,604	\$ 3,198,892	\$ 3,113,575	\$ 3,080,478	\$ 2,991,005
7.88%	8.14%	7.99%	7.94%	7.48%

Note A - Net Pension Liability and Contributions

Changes of benefit terms: There were no changes of benefit terms in 2024-25.

Changes of assumptions: There were no changes of benefit assumptions in 2024-25.

Note B - Net OPEB Liability (Asset) and Contributions

Changes of benefit terms: There were no changes of benefit terms in 2024-25.

Changes of assumptions: There were no changes of benefit assumptions in 2024-25.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

	Special Revenue		Debt Service
	Food Service	Student/School Activity	2014 Debt
Assets			
Cash equivalents and investments	\$ 30,039	\$ 72,559	\$ 138,238
Accounts receivable	223	-	-
Due from other governmental units	31,212	-	-
Inventory	6,126	-	-
Total Assets	\$ 67,600	\$ 72,559	\$ 138,238
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities			
Unearned revenue	\$ 1,610	\$ -	\$ -
Fund Balances			
Nonspendable	6,126	-	-
Restricted	59,864	72,559	138,238
Total Fund Balances	65,990	72,559	138,238
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 67,600	\$ 72,559	\$ 138,238

<u>Capital Projects</u>			
<u>Capital</u>			
<u>Improvements</u>		<u>Total</u>	
\$	50,000	\$	290,836
	-		223
	-		31,212
	-		6,126
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<u>\$</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>328,397</u>

<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,610</u>
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	-		6,126
	50,000		320,661
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	50,000		326,787
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<u>\$</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>328,397</u>

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES – NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

	Special Revenue		Debt Service
	Food Service	Student/School Activity	2014 Debt
Revenues			
Local sources:			
Property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 420,658
Interest earnings	-	-	1,091
Food sales	10,597	-	-
Other	-	180,664	-
Total local sources	10,597	180,664	421,749
State sources	162,754	-	-
Federal sources	173,187	-	-
Total Revenues	346,538	180,664	421,749
Expenditures			
Current:			
Supporting services	-	201,674	-
Food service	372,032	-	-
Debt service:			
Principal repayment	-	-	340,000
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	52,466
Total Expenditures	372,032	201,674	392,466
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(25,494)	(21,010)	29,283
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers in	50,000	-	-
Transfers out	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	50,000	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	24,506	(21,010)	29,283
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	41,484	93,569	108,955
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 65,990	\$ 72,559	\$ 138,238

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<u>Capital Projects</u>			
<u>Capital Improvements</u>	<u>Total</u>		
\$	-	\$	420,658
	-		1,091
	-		10,597
	-		180,664
	-		613,010
	-		162,754
	-		173,187
	-		948,951
	-		201,674
	-		372,032
	-		340,000
	-		52,466
	-		966,172
	-		(17,221)
	-		50,000
	(13,380)		(13,380)
	(13,380)		36,620
	(13,380)		19,399
	63,380		307,388
\$	50,000	\$	326,787

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL – FOOD SERVICE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
For the year ended June 30, 2025**

	Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues			
Local sources	\$ 6,550	\$ 10,597	\$ 4,047
State sources	108,753	162,754	54,001
Federal sources	157,007	173,187	16,180
Total Revenues	272,310	346,538	74,228
Expenditures			
Current:			
Food service	346,147	372,032	(25,885)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(73,837)	(25,494)	48,343
Other Financing Sources			
Transfers in	50,000	50,000	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	(23,837)	24,506	48,343
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	41,484	41,484	-
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 17,647	\$ 65,990	\$ 48,343

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL – STUDENT/SCHOOL ACTIVITY SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**BRIMLEY AREA SCHOOLS
For the year ended June 30, 2025**

	Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues			
Local sources	\$ 169,802	\$ 180,664	\$ 10,862
Expenditures			
Current:			
Other student/school activity	184,314	201,674	(17,360)
Net Change in Fund Balance	(14,512)	(21,010)	(6,498)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	93,569	93,569	-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 79,057	\$ 72,559	\$ (6,498)

October 9, 2025

The Board of Education
Brimley Area Schools
Chippewa County, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Brimley Area Schools for the year ended June 30, 2025. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards (and Government Auditing Standards and the Uniform Guidance, if applicable), as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated April 29, 2025. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Brimley Area Schools are described in the notes to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended June 30, 2025. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the Government-Wide financial statements were:

Management's estimate of the liability of the payout for the employee compensated absences upon their retirement is based on expected payout. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the balance of compensated absences in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's estimate of the lives of capital assets. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimated life span of the capital assets in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole. Certain amounts included in capital assets have been estimated by appraisers based on historical information for assets placed in service prior to implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements were related to the District's share of the net pension and net OPEB liabilities related to GASB Statements No. 68 and 75.

The disclosure of the net pension liability and the net OPEB asset (liability) in the Notes to the financial statements were recorded as of June 30, 2025 based on information received from the Michigan Office of Retirement Services. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these liabilities in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statements taken as a whole. There were no significant adjustments derived from the audit process.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated October 9, 2025.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matter, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship, and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the Management's Discussion and Analysis and Schedules related to the Proportionate Share and Contributions of the District's Net Pension Liability, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding 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 did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on combining and individual fund statements and schedules, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Other Comments

The District General Fund balance decreased by \$7,532 to \$3,779,450 at June 30, 2025. This balance represents approximately 44 percent of the District's 2025-26 expenditure budget (up from 43.9 percent at June 30, 2024). Maintaining a fund balance of at least 10 to 20 percent of the ensuing year's expenditure budget is advisable for Brimley Area Schools.

Restriction on Use

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Brimley Area Schools Board of Education and management and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. We have furnished a copy of this letter to the Michigan Departments of Education and Treasury as an enclosure with the audited financial statements as required by the State of Michigan.



Certified Public Accountants