



GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Gogebic, Ontonagon and Houghton Counties, Michigan

Annual Financial Report

For the year ended June 30, 2024



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FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 27, 2024

The Board of Education
Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and the respective budgetary comparisons for the major funds, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that 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 the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual 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 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 September 27, 2024, on our consideration of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Certified Public Accountants
Grand Rapids, Michigan

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 2024

As management of the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District ("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, 2024. 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.

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 and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

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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.

	2024	2023
Assets		
Current assets	\$ 27,505,349	\$ 17,933,973
Net capital assets	855,949	701,085
Net OPEB asset	240,572	-
Total Assets	28,601,870	18,635,058
Deferred Outflows of Resources	7,439,517	7,665,884
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	20,561,542	12,113,368
Long-term liabilities	78,109	112,945
Net pension liability	13,731,207	14,690,808
Net OPEB liability	-	883,456
Total Liabilities	34,370,858	27,800,577
Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,333,696	1,872,595
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	855,949	701,085
Restricted	4,594,918	3,967,212
Unrestricted (deficit)	(7,114,034)	(8,040,527)
Total Net Position	\$ (1,663,167)	\$ (3,372,230)

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GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 2024

The Statement of Activities presents changes in net position for operating results:

	2024	2023
Program Revenues		
Charges for services	\$ 59,465	\$ 23,960
Operating grants	16,237,493	16,130,035
General Revenues		
Property taxes	3,599,578	3,309,730
State school aid, unrestricted	362,769	345,494
Federal medicaid reimbursement	557,272	640,198
Interest and investment earnings	774,840	545,831
Other	380,993	172,048
Total Revenues	21,972,410	21,167,296
Expenses		
Instruction	1,964,081	1,821,093
Supporting services	10,202,642	10,786,759
Community services	452,820	285,369
Intergovernmental	7,533,412	6,171,187
Other	11,534	-
Depreciation - unallocated	98,858	88,505
Total Expenses	20,263,347	19,152,913
Increase in net position	1,709,063	2,014,383
Net Position, Beginning of Year	(3,372,230)	(5,386,613)
Net Position, End of Year	\$ (1,663,167)	\$ (3,372,230)

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

Total revenues exceeded expenses by \$1,709,063, increasing total net position from a deficit of \$3,372,230 at June 30, 2023, to a deficit of \$1,663,167 at June 30, 2024. Unrestricted net position increased by \$926,493 to a deficit of \$7,114,034 at June 30, 2024. The District's net pension liability, including deferred outflows and inflows of resources, increased by \$294,626. The net OPEB liability, including deferred outflows and inflows of resources, decreased by \$690,787.

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 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.

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June 30, 2024

The District's total revenues were \$22.0 million. State and federal aid for specific programs accounted for most of the District's revenue, contributing 73.9% of the total. Another 18% came from property taxes and unrestricted State aid, and the remainder from Federal Medicaid reimbursements, interest earnings and miscellaneous sources.

The total cost of all programs increased by 5.80% to \$20.3 million. The District's expenses are predominantly related to instructing (10%), intergovernmental payments (37%) to local school districts within the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's boundaries, and various supporting services (50%), including instructional staff support and pupil services.

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.

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 explain the relationship (or differences) between them.

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The District uses funds to record and analyze financial information. Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's funds are described as follows:

Major Funds

General Fund

The General Fund is the District's primary operating fund. The General Fund had total revenues of \$13,299,124 and total expenditures of \$12,809,628. The ending fund balance was \$2,378,889 at June 30, 2024, up from \$1,889,393 at June 30, 2023.

Special Education Special Revenue Fund

The District operates one major special revenue fund, the Special Education Fund. During the fiscal year the fund had total revenues of \$7,010,984 and total expenditures of \$6,473,061. The ending fund balance was \$3,870,564 at June 30, 2024, up from \$3,332,641 at June 30, 2023.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

Nonmajor Fund

Vocational Education Special Revenue Fund

The District operates one nonmajor Special Revenue Fund, the Vocational Education Fund. During the fiscal year the fund had total revenues of \$1,662,302 and total expenditures of \$1,572,519. The ending fund balance was \$724,354 at June 30, 2024, up from \$634,571 at June 30, 2023.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the District revised the annual operating budget two times after the June 2023 adoption.

- Changes were adopted in January 2024 to adjust revenue for additional state and federal grants and to bring expenses in line with the additional grant funding. There was also a significant reduction in budgeted expenses for the day care center that the GOISD has started operating. The original acquisition date was October 2023 but this was delayed to May 2024 due to licensing.
- In June 2024 changes were adopted to account for the final annual adjustments of revenue, general supplies, and expenditures anticipated at fiscal year-end.
- The District's final budget for the General Fund anticipated that revenues would exceed expenditures by \$399,304 resulting in an increase to the fund balance. The actual increase to the general fund was \$489,496, resulting in the fund balance of \$2,378,884.
- The District's final budget for the Special Education Fund anticipated that revenues would exceed expenditures by \$241,361 resulting in an addition to the fund balance. The final numbers disclosed an increase to the fund balance of \$537,923, resulting in the fund balance of \$3,870,564. The difference was due to less than expected expenses for capital equipment and LEA Support Services, an adjustment to the health insurance payable liability and an unexpected increase in the MPSERS Offset funds through state aid and some additional local property tax payments.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

By the end of 2024, the District had invested \$2.44 million in a broad range of capital assets, including land, land improvements, buildings and building improvements, and vehicles (More detailed information about capital assets can be found in Note E in the notes to basic financial statements). Total depreciation expense for the year was \$98,858 and the District's total investment in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) was \$855,949, an increase of \$154,864 from June 30, 2023.

Land	\$ 42,500
Land improvements	11,708
Buildings and improvements	551,553
Furniture and equipment	87,422
Vehicles	<u>162,766</u>
Total Capital Assets	<u><u>\$ 855,949</u></u>

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June 30, 2024

Long-term Obligations

The District's only long-term obligations include compensated absences and early retirement incentive obligations for employees of the District, which totaled \$66,109 and \$42,000, respectively, as of June 30, 2024. We present more detailed information about our long-term liabilities in Note F in the Notes to the 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 Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District (GOISD) has been expanding programs and services to local districts over the past several years, resulting in an increase in staff. The General Education Department was restructured into the Instructional Services Department and the Student Health and Wellness Services Department. This restructuring will allow for more efficiency in providing services to our local districts. GOISD has continued to provide business office services to some constituent school districts and has added two positions to support the work being performed for local districts. Revenue generated from contracts with districts receiving business office services has supported those positions. Business service contracts have been reviewed and renewed with districts. Additional staff have been hired in General Education utilizing funding from multiple state sources of revenue, including 31n(6), which has been used to hire school social workers and therapists. Special education staffing has increased due to the growth of the student population that needs special education services. In addition to the staff mentioned above, GOISD has formally assumed operation of an Early Childhood Center Preschool and Daycare in Ironwood, Michigan.
- GOISD continues to fiscally manage several large state grants. These grants provide indirect revenue sources that the district uses to supplement existing programming and provide new services to students in GOISD programs and local school districts.
- It is anticipated the State will continue to be cautious with the overall budget and remain conservative in funding growth for schools. GOISD's continued practice of conservative budget development and fiscal policies provides a secure financial planning for the future.
- Regionally, enrollment projections indicate a stable to slightly decreasing number of students enrolled in local districts served by the GOISD. As local district budgets become more strained due to declining enrollment, districts tend to seek assistance from GOISD to support programming.
- Negotiations with bargaining unit staff resulted in a two-year agreement with an annual increase of 3% each year of the agreement. A recruitment and retention incentive was added to the agreement, and an early retirement incentive was modified to become an employee service incentive. Two weeks of paid childcare leave for infants and adopted children were included, and the staff was offered a reduction in childcare fees at the early childhood center operated by the GOISD. The total package included in the new two-year agreement attempts to make the GOISD a destination employer. The current bargaining unit agreement expires August 26, 2025.

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June 30, 2024

- GOISD continues to develop and expand partnerships with community agencies, industry partners, and our local community college to develop programs and provide student opportunities. The District's Career and Technical Education Department (CTE) has increased participation in the Early College Program and has developed a Less Than Class Size program model to expand course offerings to students who do not have access to CTE courses at the community college due to the geographic distance from campus.
- The administration and Board of Education of the Gogebic-Ontonagon ISD are optimistic about the future and the role that our organization will continue to play in education and our region's economy. GOISD is not just an educational service agency but a vital partner in the region's education and economy, as viewed by local industry, community organizations, higher education institutions, and our constituent districts.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, 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, Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District, 906-575-3438 x100, via e-mail to the attention of Tammy Gibson, Director of Business and Finance tgibson@goisd.org.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 2024

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash equivalents and investments (Note B)	\$ 15,356,232
Accounts receivable	2,157
Due from other governmental units (Note C)	12,142,102
Prepaid expenses	4,858
Capital assets not being depreciated (Note E)	42,500
Capital assets being depreciated, net (Note E)	813,449
Net OPEB asset (Note H)	240,572
Total Assets	28,601,870
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Deferred pension amounts	6,043,908
Deferred OPEB amounts	1,395,609
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	7,439,517
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	1,292,492
Due to other governmental units	302,470
Salaries payable	625,431
Unearned revenue	18,311,149
Long-term liabilities (Note F):	
Due within one year	30,000
Due in more than one year	78,109
Net pension liability (Note G)	13,731,207
Total Liabilities	34,370,858
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Deferred pension amounts	1,430,512
Deferred OPEB amounts	1,903,184
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,333,696
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	855,949
Restricted for:	
Special education	3,870,564
Vocational education	724,354
Unrestricted (deficit)	(7,114,034)
Total Net Position	\$ (1,663,167)

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT For the year ended June 30, 2024

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants	
Governmental Activities				
Instruction	\$ 1,964,081	\$ -	\$ 15,159,698	\$ 13,195,617
Supporting services	10,202,642	27,273	1,008,799	(9,166,570)
Community services	452,820	32,192	68,996	(351,632)
Intergovernmental	7,533,412	-	-	(7,533,412)
Depreciation - unallocated*	98,858	-	-	(98,858)
Other	11,534	-	-	(11,534)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 20,263,347	\$ 59,465	\$ 16,237,493	(3,966,389)
General Revenues				
Taxes:				
Property taxes, levied for general operations				317,679
Property taxes, levied for special education				2,287,886
Property taxes, levied for vocational education				994,013
State school aid, unrestricted				362,769
Federal medicaid reimbursement				557,272
Interest and investment earnings				774,840
Other				380,993
Total General Revenues				5,675,452
Change in Net Position				1,709,063
Net Position - Beginning of Year				(3,372,230)
Net Position - End of Year				\$ (1,663,167)

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

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special Education	Nonmajor	Total
Assets				
Cash equivalents and investments (Note B)	\$ 11,142,657	\$ 3,505,137	\$ 708,438	\$ 15,356,232
Accounts receivable	-	2,157	-	2,157
Due from other governmental units	11,138,410	888,479	115,213	12,142,102
Prepaid expenses	-	4,858	-	4,858
Total Assets	\$ 22,281,067	\$ 4,400,631	\$ 823,651	\$ 27,505,349
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,254,697	\$ 24,579	\$ 13,216	\$ 1,292,492
Due to other governmental units	110,007	174,975	17,488	302,470
Accrued payroll liabilities	61,768	104,793	17,836	184,397
Salaries payable	172,002	222,720	46,312	441,034
Unearned revenue	18,303,704	3,000	4,445	18,311,149
Total Liabilities	19,902,178	530,067	99,297	20,531,542
Fund Balances				
Restricted	-	3,631,426	724,354	4,355,780
Assigned - equipment and recapture reserves	100,264	239,138	-	339,402
Unassigned	2,278,625	-	-	2,278,625
Total Fund Balances	2,378,889	3,870,564	724,354	6,973,807
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 22,281,067	\$ 4,400,631	\$ 823,651	\$ 27,505,349

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

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 2024

Total governmental fund balances \$ 6,973,807

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 \$2,436,064 and accumulated depreciation is \$1,580,115. 855,949

Long-term liabilities, including compensated absences and early retirement incentives, 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:

Compensated absences	\$ (66,109)	
Early retirement incentive	<u>(42,000)</u>	(108,109)

Net pension liability and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as assets/liabilities in governmental funds:

Net pension liability	(13,731,207)	
Deferred outflows	6,043,908	
Deferred inflows	<u>(1,430,512)</u>	(9,117,811)

Net OPEB asset and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as assets/liabilities in governmental funds:

Net OPEB asset	240,572	
Deferred outflows	1,395,609	
Deferred inflows	<u>(1,903,184)</u>	(267,003)

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ (1,663,167)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
For the year ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	Special Education	Nonmajor	Total
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 1,244,880	\$ 2,510,888	\$ 1,059,108	\$ 4,814,876
Non-education sources	68,996	-	-	68,996
State sources	10,344,461	2,980,832	443,659	13,768,952
Federal sources	760,146	1,519,264	159,535	2,438,945
Interdistrict sources	880,641	-	-	880,641
Total Revenues	13,299,124	7,010,984	1,662,302	21,972,410
Expenditures				
Current:				
Instruction	203,679	2,038,056	-	2,241,735
Supporting services	4,710,345	4,431,329	1,476,799	10,618,473
Community services	458,874	2,714	-	461,588
Interdistrict	88,532	962	95,720	185,214
Payments to other governments and not for profit entities	7,348,198	-	-	7,348,198
Total Expenditures	12,809,628	6,473,061	1,572,519	20,855,208
Net Change in Fund Balances	489,496	537,923	89,783	1,117,202
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	1,889,393	3,332,641	634,571	5,856,605
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 2,378,889	\$ 3,870,564	\$ 724,354	\$ 6,973,807

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

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ 1,117,202

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 capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period:

Capital outlays	\$ 265,256	
Depreciation expense	<u>(98,858)</u>	166,398

In the Statement of Activities, only the loss on the sale of capital assets is reported, whereas in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the net book value of the asset sold/retired. (11,534)

In the Statement of Net Position, early retirement incentive pay and 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 the benefits used/paid exceeded the amounts earned. 40,836

The changes in net pension liability and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. (294,626)

The changes in net OPEB asset and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources are not included as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. 690,787

Total change in net position - governmental activities \$ 1,709,063

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
For the year ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 630,285	\$ 1,199,620	\$ 1,244,880	\$ 45,260
Non-educational sources	-	79,200	68,996	(10,204)
State sources	3,047,777	10,558,977	10,344,461	(214,516)
Federal sources	297,011	776,323	760,146	(16,177)
Interdistrict sources	1,121,875	880,641	880,641	-
Total Revenues	5,096,948	13,494,761	13,299,124	(195,637)
Expenditures				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Basic programs	122,773	174,993	180,051	(5,058)
Added needs	99,200	6,038	6,038	-
Adult/continuing education	-	17,591	17,590	1
Supporting services:				
Pupil services	1,721,512	1,038,217	1,015,551	22,666
Instructional staff services	1,237,722	2,372,222	2,337,618	34,604
General administrative services	353,470	402,537	396,637	5,900
Business services	276,629	513,490	507,854	5,636
Operation and maintenance services	111,763	151,885	140,100	11,785
Central services	123,416	285,861	290,016	(4,155)
Other supporting services	-	36,515	22,569	13,946
Community services	1,061,414	490,753	458,874	31,879
Interdistrict	16,243	91,435	88,532	2,903
Payments to other governments	-	162,341	166,990	(4,649)
Payments to not for profit entities	-	7,351,579	7,181,208	170,371
Total Expenditures	5,124,142	13,095,457	12,809,628	285,829
Net Change in Fund Balances	(27,194)	399,304	489,496	90,192
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	1,889,393	1,889,393	1,889,393	-
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 1,862,199	\$ 2,288,697	\$ 2,378,889	\$ 90,192

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL – SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND**

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
For the year ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 2,268,795	\$ 2,482,491	\$ 2,510,888	\$ 28,397
State sources	1,857,900	2,956,241	2,980,832	24,591
Federal sources	1,348,527	1,476,472	1,519,264	42,792
Interdistrict sources	550	-	-	-
Total Revenues	5,475,772	6,915,204	7,010,984	95,780
Expenditures				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Added needs	2,013,418	2,127,519	2,038,056	89,463
Supporting services:				
Pupil services	2,625,772	2,813,498	2,775,542	37,956
Instructional staff services	445,569	447,183	441,092	6,091
General administrative services	22,555	19,045	18,830	215
School administration	155,713	169,341	164,509	4,832
Business services	215,582	207,447	204,211	3,236
Operation and maintenance services	168,350	196,064	190,716	5,348
Pupil transportation services	291,437	322,836	302,854	19,982
Central services	412,582	312,795	296,085	16,710
Other supporting services	-	55,028	37,490	17,538
Community services	2,764	2,087	2,714	(627)
Interdistrict	1,000	1,000	962	38
Total Expenditures	6,354,742	6,673,843	6,473,061	200,782
Net Change in Fund Balances	(878,970)	241,361	537,923	296,562
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	3,332,641	3,332,641	3,332,641	-
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 2,453,671	\$ 3,574,002	\$ 3,870,564	\$ 296,562

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note A – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District ("the District") was organized under the School Code of the State of Michigan, and services a population of approximately 59 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, including instruction, pupil support services, special education, vocational education 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 the District 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 eliminated. 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: invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net position, and unrestricted net position.

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*.

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Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The General Fund and the Special Education Fund are the District's major funds. 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 separately.

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*. 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.

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.

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General Fund—The General Fund is the general operating fund of a school 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.

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 Special Education Special Revenue Fund and the Vocational Education Special Revenue Fund.

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. Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District has also adopted budgets for its Special Revenue Funds. A school district's General Appropriations Resolution (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.

Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District 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 Director of Business and Finance 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 Fund budgets were amended during the year in compliance with State of Michigan Public Act 621 (the Uniform Budgetary and Accounting Act).

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- 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.

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. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories are valued at cost (first-in, first-out). Inventories of the General Fund consist of teaching and custodial 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, furniture and equipment, and vehicles are reported in the district-wide financial statements. Assets having a useful life in excess of five years 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, vehicles and furniture and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

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

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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 at the total amount of bonds issued.

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.

The District had no outstanding bonds as of June 30, 2024.

10. Early Retirement Incentive and Compensated Absences

Early retirement incentive and compensated absences, including accumulated sick and vacation pay, at June 30, 2024 have been computed and recorded in the basic financial statements of the District. Employees who leave the District are entitled to reimbursement for a portion of their unused vacation and sick days. At June 30, 2024, the accumulated liabilities, including salary related payments, for early retirement incentive and compensated absences amounted to \$42,000 and \$66,109, respectively.

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 (MPERS) and additions to/deductions from MPERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by MPERS. 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 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, 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 (MPERS) and additions to/deductions from MPERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by MPERS. 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 two such items that qualify for reporting in this category: 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 the 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 qualifies 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 including deferred outflows of resources and liabilities including 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.

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15. Fund Balance

The District has 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.
- **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.
- **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.

As of June 30, 2024, Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District 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.

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.

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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 2 standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of the 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.
- 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.

Cash Equivalents and Investments

Balances at June 30, 2024 related to cash equivalents and investments are detailed in the Basic Financial Statements as follows:

Statement of Net Position:	
Governmental activities	<u>\$ 15,356,232</u>

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Cash Equivalents

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

1. Incredible Bank

Cash equivalents consist of bank public funds checking accounts.

June 30, 2024 balances are detailed as follows:

Cash equivalents	<u>\$ 1,850,382</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. At year end, the carrying amount of the District's cash equivalents was \$1,850,382 and the bank balance was \$1,544,562. Of the bank balance, \$1,542,094 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$2,468 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Investments

As of June 30, 2024, the District had the following investments:

Governmental activities:	
Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF+) – Cash Management	\$ 4,559
Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus (MILAF+) – MAX Class	13,501,291
	<u>\$ 13,505,850</u>

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 and Exchange Commission and reported the same value of the pool shares as the fair value of the District's investments at June 30, 2024. The MILAF+ Fund is rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's and is carried at amortized cost. The MILAF+ MAX Class requires a 14-day redemption notice.

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 possession of an outside party. The District minimizes custodial credit risk by limiting investments to the types of securities allowed by State statute.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. 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.

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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. Excluding U.S. Government guaranteed investments, and mutual fund and pooled investments, no single investment exceeded 5% of total investments at June 30, 2024.

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.

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. These 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 2023 and October 2023.

The District also receives revenue from the State to administer certain "categorical" education programs. State rules require that revenue earmarked for those programs be used for each program's specific purpose. Certain categorical funds require an accounting to the State of the expenditures incurred. For categorical funds meeting this requirement, funds received, which are not expended by the close of the fiscal year are recorded as unearned revenue. Other categorical funding is recognized when the appropriation is received.

Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District's State Aid pupil membership was 58 generating \$22,924,964 in "categorical" state aid payments for 2023-24 of which \$11,526,425 was paid to the District in July and August 2024 and included in "Due From Other Governmental Units" of the General Fund, Special Education Special Revenue Fund, and Vocational Education Special Revenue Fund of the District.

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Property taxes for the District are levied on July 1 and December 1 (the tax lien date) by the Counties of Gogebic, Houghton, and Ontonagon and are due 75 days after levy dates. The taxes are then collected by each governmental unit and remitted to the District.

As Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District electors had previously (November 2020) approved an operating millage extension, the 0.3183 property tax millage was levied in the District for 2024.

The District levied 2.2821 and 0.9921 mills for special and vocational education purposes in 2024, respectively, 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 NPRE.

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 (NPRE) 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).

The District is subject to tax abatements granted by the Counties of Gogebic, Houghton and Ontonagon 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, 2024, there were no businesses within the District's boundaries with an active IFE certificate.

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Note D – Interfund Receivables/Payables and Transfers

The District had not interfund receivables/payables, and no amounts were transferred between funds for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Note E – Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

	Balances July 1, 2023	Additions	Deductions	Balances June 30, 2024
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 42,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,500
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	23,795	\$ -	\$ -	23,795
Buildings and improvements	995,307	137,792	-	1,133,099
Furniture and equipment	823,801	72,674	-	896,475
Vehicles	313,087	54,790	27,682	340,195
Total capital assets being depreciated	2,155,990	\$ 265,256	\$ -	2,393,564
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	11,653	\$ 434	\$ -	12,087
Buildings and improvements	543,181	38,365	-	581,546
Furniture and equipment	794,286	14,767	-	809,053
Vehicles	148,285	45,292	16,148	177,429
Total accumulated depreciation	1,497,405	\$ 98,858	\$ -	1,580,115
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	658,585			813,449
Net Capital Assets	\$ 701,085			\$ 855,949

Depreciation expense for the District was \$98,858. 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, 2024 are summarized as follows:

	Debt Outstanding July 1, 2023	Debt Added	Debt Retired	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2024
Compensated absences *	\$ 112,945	\$ -	\$ 46,836	\$ 66,109
Early retirement incentive	36,000	18,000	12,000	42,000
	<u>\$ 148,945</u>	<u>\$ 18,000</u>	<u>\$ 58,836</u>	<u>\$ 108,109</u>

*Net change reported.

Long-term obligations at June 30, 2024 are comprised of the following:

	Outstanding Balance	Amount Due Within One Year
Compensated absences	\$ 66,109	\$ 6,000
Early retirement incentive - contractual	42,000	18,000
	<u>\$ 108,109</u>	<u>\$ 24,000</u>

Note G – Retirement Plan

Plan Description

The Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPERS) (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).

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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.

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 and Funded Status

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, 2022 valuation will be amortized over a 16-year period beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2038.

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The schedule below summarizes pension contribution rates in effect for the plan fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

Plan Name	Pension Contribution Rates:		
	Plan Status	Member	District
Basic	Closed	0.0 – 4.0 %	20.16%
Member Investment Plan (MIP)	Closed	3.0 – 7.0%	20.16%
Pension Plus	Closed	3.0 – 6.4 %	17.24%
Pension Plus 2	Open	6.2%	19.95%
Defined Contribution	Open	0.0%	13.75%

The District's contributions to MPSERS under all pension plans for the year ended June 30, 2024 inclusive of the MSPERS UAAL Stabilization, totaled \$1,931,022.

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

As of June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$13,731,207 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of September 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation rolled forward from September 2022. 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, 2023 the District's proportion was 0.04242470%, which was an increase from 0.03906224% at September 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024 the District recognized pension expense of \$2,560,487. As of June 30, 2024, 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	\$ 433,452	\$ 21,034
Changes of assumptions	1,860,641	1,072,803
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	—	280,985
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	2,000,486	55,690
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date*	1,749,329	—
Total	\$ 6,043,908	\$ 1,430,512

* 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, 2025.

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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
2025	\$ 1,125,731
2026	880,942
2027	959,472
2028	(102,078)

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, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age, Normal
Wage Inflation Rate:	2.75%
Investment Rate of Return:	
MIP and Basic Plans (Non-Hybrid):	6.00% net of investment expenses
Pension Plus Plan (Hybrid):	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: [4.4406 for non-university employers].

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- Recognition period for assets in years: 5.0000.
- Full actuarial assumptions are available in the 2023 MPSERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report found on the ORS website at (www.michigan.gov/orsschools).

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on 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, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

Investment Category	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return*
Domestic Equity Pools	25.0%	5.8%
Private Equity Pools	16.0%	9.6%
International Equity	15.0%	6.8%
Fixed Income Pools	13.0%	1.3%
Real Estate and Infrastructure Pools	10.0%	6.4%
Absolute Return Pools	9.0%	4.8%
Real Return/Opportunistic Pools	10.0%	7.3%
Short-term Investment Pools	2.0%	0.3%
Total	100.0%	

*Long-term rates of return are net of administrative expenses and 2.7% inflation.

Rate of Return

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 8.29%. 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 Discount Rate Assumption 6.00%	1% Increase 7.00%
District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 18,550,820	\$ 13,731,207	\$ 9,718,704

Michigan Public School Employees’ Retirement System (MPERS) 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, 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, available here: (www.michigan.gov/orsschools).

Payables to the Michigan Public School Employees’ Retirement System (MPERS)

Payables to the pension plan totaling \$242,551 at June 30, 2024 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.

Note H – Other Postemployment Benefits

Plan Description

The Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPERS 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.

The System’s financial statements are available on the ORS website at www.michigan.gov/orsschools.

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 and Funded Status

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, 2022 valuation will be amortized over a 16-year period beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2038.

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The schedule below summarizes OPEB contribution rates in effect for fiscal year ended September 30, 2023:

OPEB Contribution Rates:

Benefit Structure	Member	District
Premium Subsidy	3.0%	8.07%
Personal Healthcare Fund (PHF)	0.0 %	7.21%

Required contributions to the OPEB plan from the District were \$442,730 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

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

As of June 30, 2024, the District reported an asset of \$240,572 for its proportionate share of the MPSERS net OPEB asset. The net OPEB liability was measured as of September 30, 2023, and the total OPEB asset used to calculate the net OPEB asset was determined by an actuarial valuation rolled forward from September 2022. The District’s proportion of the net OPEB liability 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, 2023 the District’s proportion was 0.04252651%, which was an increase from 0.04171055% at September 30, 2022.

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For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB credit of \$284,259. At June 30, 2024, 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	\$ —	\$ 1,817,884
Changes of assumptions	535,555	64,491
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	734	—
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	489,254	20,809
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date*	370,066	—
Total	\$ 1,395,609	\$ 1,903,184

* This amount, reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2025.

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
2025	\$ (300,780)
2026	(271,656)
2027	(50,407)
2028	(90,596)
2029	(104,606)
Thereafter	(59,596)

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, 2022
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age, Normal
Asset Valuation Method:	Fair Value
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 - 7.50% Year 1 graded to 3.5% Year 15 Post-65 - 6.25% 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 asset 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: [6.5099 for non-university employers].
- Recognition period for assets in years: 5.0000.
- Full actuarial assumptions are available in the 2023 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 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, 2023, are summarized in the following table:

Investment Category	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return*
Domestic Equity Pools	25.0%	5.8%
Private Equity Pools	16.0%	9.6%
International Equity	15.0%	6.8%
Fixed Income Pools	13.0%	1.3%
Real Estate and Infrastructure Pools	10.0%	6.4%
Absolute Return Pools	9.0%	4.8%
Real Return/Opportunistic Pools	10.0%	7.3%
Short-term Investment Pools	2.0%	0.3%
Total	100.0%	

* Long-term rates of return are net of administrative expenses and 2.7% inflation.

Rate of Return

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, the annual money-weighted rate of return on OPEB plan investments, net of OPEB plan investment expense, was 7.94%. 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 asset. 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 asset.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

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)	\$ 249,401	\$ (240,572)	\$ (661,655)

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)	\$ (662,705)	\$ (240,572)	\$ 216,315

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued 2023 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 \$36,274 at June 30, 2024 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.

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 2023-24, and as of year ended June 30, 2024, there were no material pending claims against the District.

Note J – Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

The District has an unrestricted net position deficit of \$7,114,034 and a total net position deficit of \$1,663,167 as of June 30, 2024. These deficit net positions result primarily from the net pension liability of \$9,117,811, and net OPEB liability of \$267,003 (net of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to the pension and OPEB plans).

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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

**GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024**

	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023	Year Ended June 30, 2022
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.04242470%	0.03906224%	0.03377623%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 13,731,207	\$ 14,690,808	\$ 7,996,662
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,131,178	\$ 4,092,497	\$ 3,275,929
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	267.60%	358.97%	244.10%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	65.91%	60.77%	72.60%

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

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	Year Ended June 30, 2015
0.03055000%	0.02939000%	0.02933000%	0.03007000%	0.02848000%	0.02759000%	0.02556000%
\$10,493,876	\$ 9,735,593	\$ 8,996,446	\$ 7,791,941	\$ 7,105,168	\$ 6,740,638	\$ 5,629,069
\$ 2,797,673	\$ 2,579,727	\$ 2,517,666	\$ 2,605,583	\$ 2,541,774	\$ 2,360,235	\$ 2,211,583
375.09%	377.39%	357.33%	299.05%	279.54%	285.59%	254.53%
59.72%	60.31%	32.36%	64.21%	63.27%	63.17%	66.20%

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

**GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024**

	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023	Year Ended June 30, 2022
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset)	0.04252651%	0.04171055%	0.03604117%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ (240,752)	\$ 883,456	\$ 550,124
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,131,178	\$ 4,092,497	\$ 3,275,929
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	4.69%	21.59%	16.79%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability (asset)	105.04%	83.09%	87.33%

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.

Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Year Ended June 30, 2019	Year Ended June 30, 2018
0.03159000%	0.02950000%	0.02958000%	0.02997000%
\$ 1,692,247	\$ 2,117,775	\$ 2,351,588	\$ 2,653,581
\$ 2,797,673	\$ 2,579,727	\$ 2,517,666	\$ 2,605,583
60.49%	82.09%	93.40%	101.84%
59.44%	48.46%	42.95%	36.39%

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS
MPERS COST-SHARING MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER PLAN

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023	Year Ended June 30, 2022	Year Ended June 30, 2021
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,931,022	\$ 1,476,977	\$ 1,257,022	\$ 1,003,503
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	1,931,022	1,476,977	1,257,022	1,003,503
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,536,321	\$ 3,986,501	\$ 3,884,871	\$ 3,108,395
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	34.88%	37.05%	32.36%	32.28%

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	Year Ended June 30, 2015
\$ 830,894	\$ 742,034	\$ 758,531	\$ 703,223	\$ 657,298	\$ 509,878
830,894	742,034	758,531	703,223	657,298	509,878
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 2,697,171	\$ 2,523,211	\$ 2,535,065	\$ 2,370,010	\$ 2,516,154	\$ 233,587
30.81%	29.41%	29.92%	25.76%	26.12%	21.88%

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

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Year Ended June 30, 2023	Year Ended June 30, 2022
Contractually required contribution	\$ 442,730	\$ 312,897	\$ 300,552
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	442,730	312,897	300,552
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,536,321	\$ 3,986,501	\$ 3,884,871
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	8.00%	7.85%	7.74%

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.

Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	Year Ended June 30, 2019	Year Ended June 30, 2018
\$ 260,883	\$ 218,358	\$ 172,671	\$ 184,983
260,883	218,358	172,671	184,983
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 3,108,395	\$ 2,697,171	\$ 2,523,211	\$ 2,535,065
8.39%	8.10%	6.84%	7.30%

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 2024

Note A – Net Pension Liability and Contributions

Changes of benefit terms: There were no changes of benefit terms in 2023-24.

Changes of assumptions: There were no changes of benefit assumptions in 2023-24.

Note B – Net OPEB Liability and Contributions

Changes of benefit terms: There were no changes of benefit terms in 2023-24.

Changes of assumptions: There were no changes of benefit assumptions in 2023-24.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

	<u>2024</u>
Assets	
Cash equivalents and investments	\$ 708,438
Due from other governmental units	<u>115,213</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 823,651</u></u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 13,216
Due to other governmental units	17,488
Accrued payroll liabilities	17,836
Salaries payable	46,312
Unearned revenue	<u>4,445</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>99,297</u>
Fund Balances	
Restricted	<u>724,354</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u><u>\$ 823,651</u></u>

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES **VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024

	Vocational Education
Revenues	
Local sources:	
Property taxes	\$ 994,013
Interest earnings	44,256
Other local sources	20,839
Total local sources	<u>1,059,108</u>
State sources	443,659
Federal sources	<u>159,535</u>
Total Revenues	<u>1,662,302</u>
Expenditures	
Current:	
Instruction	954,800
Supporting services	521,999
Interdistrict	<u>95,720</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>1,572,519</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	89,783
Fund Balances , Beginning of Year,	<u>634,571</u>
Fund Balances , End of Year	<u><u>\$ 724,354</u></u>

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET & ACTUAL - VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**GOGEBIC-ONTONAGON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
June 30, 2024**

	Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues			
Local sources	\$ 1,044,311	\$ 1,059,108	\$ 14,797
State sources	411,196	443,659	32,463
Federal sources	159,535	159,535	-
Interdistrict sources	23,887	-	(23,887)
Total Revenues	1,638,929	1,662,302	23,373
Expenditures			
Current:			
Supporting services	1,508,241	1,476,799	31,442
Payments to other public schools	95,720	95,720	-
Total Expenditures	1,603,961	1,572,519	31,442
Net Change in Fund Balances	34,968	89,783	54,815
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	634,571	634,571	-
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 669,539	\$ 724,354	\$ 54,815