# OFFICIAL STATEMENT Dated: December 2, 2025

# **NEW ISSUE: BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY**

In the opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton, L.L.P., Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date thereof, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein, including the alternative minimum tax on certain corporations.

# \$31,580,000 WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (A political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Ellis County, Texas) Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025

Dated Date: December 1, 2025 Due: February 15, as shown on page ii

The Waxahachie Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds") are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas, including Chapters 1207 and 1371, Texas Government Code (together, the "Act"), as amended, and an order (the "Bond Order") authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, adopted on October 14, 2025 by the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Waxahachie Independent School District (the "District"). As permitted by the provisions of the Act, the Board, in the Bond Order, delegated the authority to certain District officials (each, a "Pricing Officer") to execute approval of a pricing certificate (the "Pricing Certificate") establishing the pricing terms for the Bonds (the "Pricing Certificate," together with the Bond Order, are collectively referred to herein as the "Order"). The Pricing Certificate was executed by the Pricing Officer on December 2, 2025, which completed the sale of the Bonds. The Bonds are payable as to principal and interest from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limit as to rate or amount, against all taxable property located within the District. The District has received conditional approval from the Texas Education Agency for the Bonds to be guaranteed under the State of Texas Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program (hereinafter defined), which will automatically become effective when the Attorney General of Texas approves the Bonds. (See "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM").

Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the Dated Date shown above and will be payable on February 15 and August 15 of each year, commencing February 15, 2026, until stated maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form in principal denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Principal will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar, which initially is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar"), upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds for payment. Interest on the Bonds is payable by check dated as of the interest payment date and mailed by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owners as shown on the records of the Paying Agent/Registrar on the close of business as of the last business day of the month next preceding each interest payment date.

The District intends to utilize the Book-Entry-Only System of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). Such Book-Entry-Only System will affect the method and timing of payment and the method of transfer of the Bonds. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM").

Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used to (i) refund a portion of the District's outstanding bonds for debt service savings and (ii) pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. (See "THE BONDS - Authorization and Purpose" and "SCHEDULE I – Schedule of Refunded Bonds").

The Bonds maturing on and after February 15, 2036 are subject to redemption at the option of the District in whole or in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof, on August 15, 2035 or any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. (See "THE BONDS - Optional Redemption.")

### **MATURITY SCHEDULE**

(On Inside Cover)

The Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued, and received by the Underwriters identified below (the "Underwriters") subject to the approval of legality by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, Bracewell LLP, Dallas, Texas. The Bonds are expected to be available for initial delivery through the facilities of DTC on or about December 23, 2025.

**WELLS FARGO SECURITIES** 

**HILLTOPSECURITIES** 

# \$31,580,000 WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (A political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Ellis County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2025

# **MATURITY SCHEDULE**Base CUSIP No: 944097 (1)

Maturity Date (2/15)	Principal <u>Amount</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Initial <u>Yield</u>	CUSIP No. <u>Suffix<sup>(1)</sup></u>
2026	\$335,000	5.00%	2.69%	F82
2027	465,000	5.00	2.71	F90
2028	490,000	5.00	2.71	G24
2029	1,480,000	5.00	2.64	G32
2030	1,555,000	5.00	2.64	G40
2031	1,585,000	5.00	2.69	G57
2032	1,670,000	5.00	2.75	G65
2033	1,755,000	5.00	2.85	G73
2034	2,845,000	5.00	2.86	G81
2035	1,805,000	5.00	2.94	G99
2036	3,025,000	5.00	$3.06^{(2)}$	H23
2037	2,165,000	5.00	$3.20^{(2)}$	H31
2038	9,310,000	5.00	3.31 <sup>(2)</sup>	H49
2039	3,095,000	5.00	$3.44^{(2)}$	H56

(Interest to accrue from the Dated Date)

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<sup>(2)</sup> Yield calculated based on the assumption that the Bonds denoted and sold at a premium will be redeemed on August 15, 2035, the first optional call date for such Bonds, at a redemption price of par, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

# **WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

	Date Initially	Current Term	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Expires</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
Dusty Autrey, President	2019	2028	Businessperson
Debbie Timmermann, Vice President	2019	2028	Retired Educator
Ryan Pitts, Secretary	2024	2027	Business Owner
Adrian Cooper, Trustee	2024	2027	Business Owner / Pastor
Kim Kriegel, Trustee	2018	2027	Retired Educator
Judd McCutchen, Trustee	2017	2026	Businessperson
Clay Schoolfield, Trustee	2017	2026	Businessperson

# **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Name	<u>Position</u>	Length of Education Service	Length of Service with District
Becky McCutchen	Superintendent	28 Years	8 Months
Ryan Kahlden	Chief Financial Officer	11 Years	11 Years

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# **USE OF INFORMATION IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page, Schedule I and the Appendices hereto, does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation or sale.

No dealer, broker, salesperson or other person has been authorized to give information or to make any representation other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information in the Official Statement pursuant to their respective responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

The information set forth herein has been obtained from the District and other sources believed to be reliable, but such information is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness and is not to be construed as the promise or guarantee of the District, the Financial Advisor or the Underwriters. This Official Statement contains, in part, estimates and matters of opinion which are not intended as statements of fact, and no representation is made as to the correctness of such estimates and opinions, or that they will be realized.

The information and expressions of opinion contained herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District or other matters described herein. See "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM – PSF Continuing Disclosure Undertaking" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" for a description of the undertakings of the Texas Education Agency ("TEA") and the District, respectively to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

THE BONDS ARE EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION WITH THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND CONSEQUENTLY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED THEREWITH. THE REGISTRATION, QUALIFICATION, OR EXEMPTION OF THE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW PROVISIONS OF THE JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH THE BONDS HAVE BEEN REGISTERED, QUALIFIED, OR EXEMPTED SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS A RECOMMENDATION THEREOF.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

NONE OF THE DISTRICT, ITS FINANCIAL ADVISOR, OR THE UNDERWRITERS MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, NEW YORK, NEW YORK ("DTC") OR ITS BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM DESCRIBED UNDER "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" OR THE AFFAIRS OF THE TEA DESCRIBED UNDER "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM". AS SUCH INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY THE DTC AND THE TEA. RESPECTIVELY.

THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT CONTAINS "FORWARD-LOOKING" STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21E OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED. SUCH STATEMENTS MAY INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE THE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS TO BE DIFFERENT FROM THE FUTURE RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. INVESTORS ARE CAUTIONED THAT THE ACTUAL RESULTS COULD DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE SET FORTH IN THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. SEE "FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS" HEREIN.

The agreements of the District and others related to the Bonds are contained solely in the contracts described herein. Neither this Official Statement nor any other statement made in connection with the offer or sale of the Bonds is to be construed as constituting an agreement with the purchasers of the Bonds. INVESTORS SHOULD READ THE ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT, INCLUDING SCHEDULE I AND ALL APPENDICES ATTACHED HERETO, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ESSENTIAL TO MAKING AN INFORMED INVESTMENT DECISION.

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#### SELECTED DATA FROM THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The selected data is subject in all respects to the more complete information and definitions contained or incorporated in this Official Statement. The offering of the Bonds to potential investors is made only by means of this entire Official Statement. No person is authorized to detach this page from this Official Statement or to otherwise use it without the entire Official Statement.

# The District

The Waxahachie Independent School District (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Ellis County, Texas. The District is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees (the "Board"). Policy-making and supervisory functions are the responsibility of, and are vested in, the Board. The Board delegates administrative responsibilities to the Superintendent of Schools who is the chief administrative officer of the District. Support services are supplied by consultants and advisors.

# The Bonds

The Bonds are being issued in the principal amount of \$31,580,000 pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas, including Chapters 1207 and 1371, Texas Government Code (together, the "Act"), as amended, and the order (the "Bond Order") adopted by the Board of Trustees on October 14, 2025. As permitted by the provisions of the Act, the Board, in the Bond Order, delegated the authority to certain District officials, each a "Pricing Officer" to execute a pricing certificate (the "Pricing Certificate") establishing the pricing terms for the Bonds (the Pricing Certificate and the Bond Order are collectively referred to herein as the "Order"). The Pricing Certificate was executed by the Pricing Officer on December 2, 2025, which completed the sale of the Bonds. Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used to (i) refund a portion of the District's outstanding bonds for debt service savings and (ii) pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. (See "THE BONDS - Refunded Bonds" and "Schedule I – Schedule of Refunded Bonds").

# Paying Agent/Registrar

The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas. The District intends to use the Book-Entry-Only System of DTC. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein).

#### Security

The Bonds will constitute direct obligations of the District, payable as to principal and interest from ad valorem taxes levied annually against all taxable property located within the District, without legal limitation as to rate or amount. Payments of principal and interest on the Bonds will be guaranteed by the corpus of the Permanent School Fund of Texas. (See "THE BONDS – Security" and "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS" and "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" herein).

#### Redemption

The Bonds maturing on and after February 15, 2036 are subject to redemption at the option of the District in whole or in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof, on August 15, 2035 or any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. (See "THE BONDS – Optional Redemption.")

# Permanent School Fund Guarantee

The District has received conditional approval from the Texas Education Agency for the payment of the Bonds to be guaranteed under the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program, which guarantee will automatically become effective when the Attorney General of Texas approves the Bonds. (See "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM").

# Rating

The Bonds are rated "Aaa" by Moody's Ratings ("Moody's") based upon the guaranteed repayment thereof under the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program of the Texas Education Agency. The District's current underlying, unenhanced rating, including the Bonds, is "Aa3" by Moody's. (See "APPENDIX E – THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" and "RATING" herein.)

#### **Tax Matters**

In the opinion of Bond Counsel for the District, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date thereof, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein, including the alternative minimum tax on certain corporations. (See "TAX MATTERS" and "Appendix C - Form of Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel" herein).

# **Payment Record**

The District has never defaulted on the payment of its bonded indebtedness.

# **Legal Opinion**

Delivery of the Bonds is subject to the approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the rendering of an opinion as to legality by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel.

# Delivery

When issued, anticipated to be on or about December 23, 2025.

# INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Official Statement (the "Official Statement"), which includes the cover page, Schedule I and Appendices A, B and D attached hereto, has been prepared by the Waxahachie Independent School District (the "District"), a political subdivision of the State of Texas (the "State") located in Ellis County, Texas, in connection with the offering by the District of its Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds") identified on page ii hereof.

All financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the District from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other sources, is intended to show recent historic information, and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the District. No representation is made that past experience, as is shown by that financial and other information, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future.

There follows in this Official Statement descriptions of the Bonds, the Order (as defined below) and certain other information about the District and its finances. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document. Copies of such documents may be obtained by writing the Waxahachie Independent School District, 411 North Gibson Street, Waxahachie, Texas 75165 and, during the offering period, from the Financial Advisor, SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc., 5800 Granite Parkway, Suite 210, Plano, Texas 75024, by electronic mail or upon payment of reasonable copying, mailing, and handling charges.

This Official Statement speaks only as to its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. A copy of this Final Official Statement pertaining to the Bonds will be deposited with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through its Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" herein for a description of the District's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

# THE BONDS

# **Authorization and Purpose**

The Bonds are being issued in the principal amount of \$31,580,000 pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State, including particularly Chapter 1207 and 1371, Texas Government Code (together, the "Act), as amended, and an order (the "Bond Order") adopted on October 14, 2025 by the Board of Trustees of the District (the "Board") which authorizes the issuance of the Bonds. As permitted by the provisions of the Act, the Board, in the Bond Order, delegated the authority to certain District officials each, a "Pricing Officer", to execute a pricing certificate (the "Pricing Certificate") establishing the pricing terms for the Bonds (the Pricing Certificate and the Bond Order are collectively referred to herein as the "Order"). The Pricing Certificate was executed by the Pricing Officer on December 2, 2025, which completed the sale of the Bonds.

#### **Refunded Bonds**

The Bond Order provides that from a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds to the Underwriters, the District will deposit with BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas, the escrow agent for the Refunded Bonds (the "Escrow Agent"), an amount which will be sufficient to accomplish the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Bonds on their applicable redemption date (the "Redemption Date") as shown on Schedule I hereto. Such funds will be held by the Escrow Agent in an escrow account (the "Escrow Fund") in cash and invested in in United States Treasury Securities – State and Local Government Series ("Defeasance Securities") until the Redemption Date for the Refunded Bonds. Such maturing principal of and interest on the Defeasance Securities will not be available to pay the Bonds. Under the Escrow Agreement, the Escrow Fund is irrevocably pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the Refunded Bonds. Public Finance Partners LLC will issue its report (the "Report") verifying at the time of delivery of the Bonds to the Underwriters thereof the mathematical accuracy of the schedules that demonstrate the Defeasance Securities will mature and pay interest in such amounts which, together with uninvested funds in the Escrow Fund, will be sufficient to pay, when due, the principal of and interest on the Refunded Bonds. See "VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS". Such maturing principal of and interest on the Defeasance Securities will not be available to pay the Bonds.

By the deposit of cash and Defeasance Securities with the Escrow Agent pursuant to the Escrow Agreement, the District will have effected the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds pursuant to the terms of Chapter 1207 and the bond orders authorizing the issuance of the Refunded Bonds. It is the opinion of Bond Counsel that as a result of such deposit, and in reliance on the Report, the Refunded Bonds will be outstanding only for the purpose of receiving payments from the Defeasance Securities and cash held for such purpose by the Escrow Agent, and the Refunded Bonds will not be deemed as being outstanding obligations of the District, payable from the sources and secured in the manner provided in the orders authorizing their issuance or for any other purpose, and the District will have no further responsibility with respect to amounts available in the Escrow Fund for the payment of the Refunded Bonds.

Upon defeasance of the Refunded Bonds, the payment of the Refunded Bonds will no longer be guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund of Texas.

# **General Description**

The Bonds are dated December 1, 2025 (the "Dated Date") and will bear interest from the Dated Date. The Bonds will mature on the dates and in the principal amounts set forth on page ii of this Official Statement. Interest on the Bonds is payable initially on February 15, 2026, and on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter until stated maturity or prior redemption.

The Bonds will be issued only as fully registered bonds. The Bonds will be issued in the denominations of \$5,000 of principal amount or any integral multiple thereof within a stated maturity.

Interest on the Bonds is payable by check mailed on or before each interest payment date by the Paying Agent/Registrar, initially, BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas, to the registered owner at the last known address as it appears on the Paying Agent/Registrar's books on the Record Date (defined herein) or by such other customary banking arrangement acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar and the registered owner to whom interest is to be paid, provided, however, that such person shall bear all risk and expense of such other arrangements. Principal of the Bonds will be payable only upon presentation of such Bonds at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar at stated maturity or prior redemption. So long as the Bonds are registered in the name of CEDE & CO. or other nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), payments of principal and interest of the Bonds will be made as described in "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

If the date for any payment due on any Bond shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions in the city in which the designated office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a day. The payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due.

# **Optional Redemption**

The Bonds maturing on and after February 15, 2036 are subject to redemption at the option of the District in whole or in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof, on August 15, 2035 or any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. If less than all of the Bonds are to be redeemed, the District shall determine the amounts and maturities thereof to be redeemed and shall direct the Paying Agent/Registrar to select by lot the Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed.

# Notice of Redemption and DTC Notices

Not less than 30 days prior to a redemption date for the Bonds, the District shall cause a notice of redemption to be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to each registered owner of a Bond to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the registered owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing such notice. ANY NOTICE OF REDEMPTION SO MAILED SHALL BE CONCLUSIVELY PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN DULY GIVEN IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER RECEIVED BY THE BONDHOLDER, AND, SUBJECT TO PROVISION FOR PAYMENT OF THE REDEMPTION PRICE HAVING BEEN MADE AND THE SATISFACTION OF ANY OTHER CONDITION SPECIFIED IN THE NOTICE, INTEREST ON THE REDEEMED BONDS SHALL CEASE TO ACCRUE FROM AND AFTER SUCH REDEMPTION DATE NOTWITHSTANDING THAT A BOND HAS NOT BEEN PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT.

All notices of redemption shall (i) specify the date of redemption for the Bonds, (ii) identify the Bonds to be redeemed and, in the case of a portion of the principal amount to be redeemed, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, (iii) state the redemption price, (iv) state that the Bonds, or the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, shall become due and payable on the redemption date specified, and the interest thereon, or on the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, and (v) specify that payment of the redemption price for the Bonds, or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, shall be made at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender thereof by the registered owner.

The Paying Agent/Registrar and the District, so long as a Book-Entry-Only System is used for the Bonds, will send any notice of redemption, notice of proposed amendment to the Order or other notices only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC participant, or of any DTC participant or indirect participant to notify the beneficial owner, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of the Bonds called for redemption or any other action premised on any such notice. Redemption of portions of the Bonds by the District will reduce the outstanding principal amount of such Bonds held by DTC. In such event, DTC may implement, through its Book-Entry-Only System, a redemption of such Bonds held for the account of DTC participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with DTC participants and then DTC participants and indirect participants may implement a redemption of such Bonds from the beneficial owners. Any such selection of Bonds to be redeemed will not be governed by the Order and will not be conducted by the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Neither the District nor the Paying Agent/Registrar will have any responsibility to DTC participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom DTC participants act as nominees, with respect to the payments on the Bonds or the providing of notice to DTC participants, indirect participants, or beneficial owners of the selection of portions of the Bonds for redemption. See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

With respect to any optional redemption of the Bonds, unless certain prerequisites to such redemption required by the Order have been met and money sufficient to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to be redeemed will have been received by the Paying Agent/Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of redemption, such notice will state that said redemption may, at the option of the District, be conditional upon the satisfaction of such prerequisites and receipt of such money by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for such redemption our upon any prerequisite set forth in such notice of redemption. If a conditional notice of redemption is given and such prerequisites to the redemption are not fulfilled, such notice will be of no force and effect, the District will not redeem such Bonds, and the Paying Agent/Registrar will give notice in the manner in which the notice of redemption was given, to the effect that the Bonds have not been redeemed.

# Security

The Bonds are direct obligations of the District and are payable as to both principal and interest from ad valorem taxes levied annually on all taxable property within the District, without legal limitation as to rate or amount. The District has received conditional approval from the Texas Education Agency for the payment of the Bonds to be guaranteed under the State of Texas Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program (hereinafter defined), which will automatically become effective when the Attorney General of Texas approves the Bonds. (See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES", "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS" and "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" herein).

# **Permanent School Fund Guarantee**

In connection with the sale of the Bonds, the District has received conditional approval from the Commissioner of Education of the State for the guarantee of the Bonds under the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program (Chapter 45, Subchapter C, of the Texas Education Code, as amended). Subject to meeting certain conditions discussed under the heading "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" herein, the Bonds will be absolutely and unconditionally guaranteed by the corpus of the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas. In the event of a payment default by the District, registered owners will receive all payments due from the corpus of the Permanent School Fund.

In the event the District defeases any of the Bonds, the payment of such defeased Bonds will cease to be guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund Guarantee. See "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" and "REGISTERED OWNERS' REMEDIES" herein.

# Legality

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approval of legality by the Attorney General of the State and McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel. (See "Legal MATTERS" and "Appendix C - Form of Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel").

# **Payment Record**

The District has never defaulted on the payment of its bonded indebtedness.

#### **Amendments**

In the Bond Order, the District has reserved the right to amend the Bond Order without the consent of any holder for the purpose of amending or supplementing the Bond Order to (i) cure any ambiguity, defect or omission therein that does not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders, (ii) grant additional rights or security for the benefit of the holders, (iii) add events of

default as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the Bond Order that do not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders, (iv) qualify the Bond Order under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or corresponding provisions of federal laws from time to time in effect or (v) make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under the Bond Order that are not inconsistent with the provisions thereof and which, in the opinion of Bond Counsel for the District, do not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders.

The Bond Order further provides that the holders of the Bonds aggregating in principal amount 51% of the outstanding Bonds shall have the right from time to time to approve any amendment not described above to the Bond Order if it is deemed necessary or desirable by the District; provided, however, that without the consent of 100% of the holders of the then outstanding Bonds so affected, no amendment may be made for the purpose of: (i) making any change in the maturity of any of the outstanding Bonds; (ii) reducing the rate of interest borne by any of the outstanding Bonds; (iii) reducing the amount of the principal of or redemption premium, if any, payable on any outstanding Bonds; (iv) modifying the terms of payment of principal or interest on outstanding Bonds or imposing any condition with respect to such payment; or (v) changing the minimum percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds necessary for consent to such amendment. Reference is made to the Bond Order for further provisions relating to the amendment thereof.

#### **Defeasance**

The Bond Order provides for the defeasance of the Bonds when payment of the principal amount of the Bonds plus interest accrued on the Bonds to their due date (whether such due date be by reason of stated maturity, redemption or otherwise) is provided by irrevocably depositing with a paying agent, or other authorized escrow agent, in trust (1) money in an amount sufficient to make such payment and/or (2) Defeasance Securities, that will mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times to insure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to make such payment, and all necessary and proper fees, compensation and expenses of the paying agent for the Bonds, and thereafter the District will have no further responsibility with respect to amounts available to such paying agent (or other financial institution permitted by applicable law) for the payment of such defeased bonds, including any insufficiency therein caused by the failure of such paying agent (or other financial institution permitted by applicable law) to receive payment when due on the Defeasance Securities. The District has additionally reserved the right, subject to satisfying the requirements of (1) and (2) above, to substitute other Defeasance Securities originally deposited, to reinvest the uninvested moneys on deposit for such defeasance and to withdraw for the benefit of the District moneys in excess of the amount required for such defeasance. The Bond Order provides that "Defeasance Securities" means any securities and obligations now or hereafter authorized by State law that are eligible to discharge obligations such as the Bonds. Current State law permits defeasance with the following types of securities: (a) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the District authorizes the defeasance, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the financial arrangements have been refunded and are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent and (d) any additional securities and obligations hereafter authorized by Texas law as eligible for use to accomplish the discharge of obligations such as the Bonds. There is no assurance that the current law will not be changed in a manner which would permit investments other than those described above to be made with amounts deposited to defease the Bonds. Because the Bond Order does not contractually limit such investments, registered owners will be deemed to have consented to defeasance with such other investments, notwithstanding the fact that such investments may not be of the same investment quality as those currently permitted under State law. There is no assurance that the ratings for U.S. Treasury securities used for defeasance purposes or that for any other Defeasance Security will be maintained at any particular rating category.

Upon such deposit as described above, such Bonds shall no longer be regarded to be outstanding or unpaid. After firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Bonds have been made as described above, all rights of the District to initiate proceedings to call the Bonds for redemption or take any other action amending the terms of the Bonds are extinguished; provided, however, the District has the option, to be exercised at the time of the defeasance of the Bonds, to call for redemption at an earlier date those Bonds which have been defeased to their maturity date, if the District (i) in the proceedings providing for the firm banking and financial arrangements, expressly reserves the right to call the Bonds for redemption, (ii) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Bonds immediately following the making of the firm banking and financial arrangements, and (iii) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.

Defeasance will automatically cancel the Permanent School Fund Guarantee with respect to those defeased Bonds.

# **Sources and Uses of Funds**

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be applied approximately as follows:

Sources		
Par Amount of Bonds	\$	31,580,000.00
Reoffering Premium		4,138,445.10
Accrued Interest		96,494.44
Total Sources of Funds	\$	35,814,939.54
Uses		
Deposit to Escrow Fund	\$	35,361,321.87
Costs of Issuance		198,145.53
Deposit to Interest and Sinking Fund (Accrued Interest)		96,494.44
Underwriters' Discount	_	158,977.70
Total Uses of Funds	\$	35,814,939.54

# **REGISTERED OWNERS' REMEDIES**

The Bond Order establishes specific events of default with respect to the Bonds and provides that if the District defaults in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds when due, or defaults in the observation or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Order, and the continuation thereof for a period of 60 days after notice of default is given by the District by any registered owner, the registered owners may seek a writ of mandamus to compel District officials to carry out their legally imposed duties with respect to the Bonds, if there is no other available remedy at law to compel performance

of the Bonds or the Bond Order covenants and the District's obligations are not uncertain or disputed. The issuance of a writ of mandamus is controlled by equitable principles and rests with the discretion of the court, but may not be arbitrarily refused. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. The Bond Order does not provide for the appointment of a trustee to represent the interest of the bondholders upon any failure of the District to perform in accordance with the terms of the Bond Order, or upon any other condition and accordingly all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the registered owners. The Texas Supreme Court ruled in Tooke v. City of Mexia, 197 S.W.3d 23C [Tex. 2006], that a waiver of sovereign immunity in a contractual dispute must be provided for by statute in "clear and unambiguous" language. Chapter 1371, which pertains to the issuance of the Bonds. Notwithstanding its reliance upon the provisions of Chapter 1371 in connection with the issuance of the Bonds (see "THE BONDS – Authorization and Purpose" herein), the District has not waived the District's sovereign immunity with respect thereto. Because it is unclear whether the Texas Legislature has effectively waived the District's sovereign immunity from a suit for money damages, beyond Chapter 1371, bondholders may not be able to bring such a suit against the District for breach of the Bonds or Order covenants. Even if a judgment against the District could be obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. As a result, bondholders may not be able to bring such a suit against the District for breach of the Bonds or Bond Order covenants. Even if a judgment against the District could be obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the registered o

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

This section describes how ownership of the Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds are to be paid to and credited by DTC while the Bonds are registered in its nominee name. The information in this section concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been provided by DTC for use in disclosure documents such as this Official Statement. The District, the Financial Advisor and the Underwriters believe the source of such information to be reliable but take no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.

The District and the Underwriters cannot and do not give any assurance that (1) DTC will distribute payments of debt service on the Bonds, or redemption or any other notices to DTC Participants, (2) DTC Participants or others will distribute debt service payments paid to DTC or its nominee (as the registered owner of the Bonds) or redemption, or any other notices to the Beneficial Owners, or that they will do so on a timely basis, or (3) DTC will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement. The current rules applicable to DTC are on file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, and the current procedures of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each stated maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposite with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a S&P Global Ratings rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

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

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

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject

to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

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

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

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

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor Securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to bond holders.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District, the Financial Advisor and the Underwriters believe to be reliable, but none of the District, the Financial Advisor or the Underwriters take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

# Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of this Official Statement

In reading this Official Statement it should be understood that while the Bonds are in the Book-Entry-Only System, references in other sections of this Official Statement to registered owners should be read to include the person for which the Direct or Indirect Participant acquires an interest in the Bonds, but (i) all rights of ownership must be exercised through DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System, and (ii) except as described above, notices that are to be given to registered owners under the Order will be given only to DTC.

#### REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE

# Paying Agent/Registrar

The initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas. In the Bond Order, the District covenants to maintain and provide a Paying Agent/Registrar until the Bonds are duly paid.

### Successor Paying Agent/Registrar

Provision is made in the Bond Order for replacing the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the District replaces the Paying Agent/Registrar, such Paying Agent/Registrar shall, promptly upon the appointment of a successor, deliver the Paying Agent/Registrar's records to the successor Paying Agent/Registrar, and the successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any successor Paying Agent/Registrar selected by the District shall be a commercial bank, trust company, financial institution or other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve and perform the duties of the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds, the District has agreed to promptly cause a written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Bonds by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, which notice shall also give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

# **Initial Registration**

Definitive Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to CEDE & CO., the nominee of DTC pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein.

# **Future Registration**

In the event the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, the Bonds will be printed and delivered to the beneficial owners thereof and thereafter may be transferred, registered and assigned on the registration books only upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds to the Paying Agent/Registrar, and such registration and transfer shall be without expense or service charge to the registered owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration and transfer. A Bond may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Bonds or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Bond or Bonds will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in lieu of the Bond or Bonds being transferred or exchanged at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or sent by United States mail, first class postage prepaid to the new registered owner. To the extent possible, new Bonds issued in an exchange or transfer of Bonds will be delivered to the registered owner or assignee of the registered owner in not more than three (3) business days after the receipt of the Bonds to be canceled in the exchange or transfer and the written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Bonds registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in authorized denominations and for a like aggregate principal amount as the Bonds surrendered for exchange or transfer.

# **Record Date for Interest Payment**

The Record Date for determining the party to whom the interest payable on a Bond on any interest payment date means the close of business on the last business day of the next preceding month. In the event of a non-payment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for 30 days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the District. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (the "Special Payment Date", which shall be

15 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the address of each registered owner of a Bond appearing on the books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

#### Limitation on Transfer of Bonds

The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to make any such transfer, conversion or exchange (i) during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date or (ii) with respect to any Bond or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date.

# Replacement Bonds

If any Bond is mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost, a new Bond in the same principal amount as the Bond so mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost will be issued. In the case of a mutilated Bond, such new Bond will be delivered only upon surrender and cancellation of such mutilated Bond. In the case of any Bond issued in lieu of and substitution for a Bond which has been destroyed, stolen or lost, such new Bond will be delivered only (a) upon filing with the District and the Paying Agent/Registrar a certificate to the effect that such Bond has been destroyed, stolen or lost and proof of the ownership thereof, and (b) upon furnishing the District and the Paying Agent/Registrar with indemnity satisfactory to them. The person requesting the authentication and delivery of a new Bond must pay such expenses as the Paying Agent/Registrar may incur in connection therewith.

# THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Subject to satisfying certain conditions, the payment of the Bonds will be guaranteed by the corpus of the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas. In the event of default, registered owners will receive all payments due on the Bonds from the Permanent School Fund, and the Charter District Bond Guarantee Reserve would be the first source to pay debt service if a charter school was unable to make such payment. See "APPENDIX E – THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" for pertinent information regarding the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program. The disclosure regarding the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program in Appendix E is incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

#### STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS

# Litigation Relating to the Texas Public School Finance System

On seven occasions in the last thirty years, the Texas Supreme Court (the "Court") has issued decisions assessing the constitutionality of the Texas public school finance system (the "Finance System"). The litigation has primarily focused on whether the Finance System, as amended by the Texas Legislature (the "Legislature") from time to time (i) met the requirements of article VII, section 1 of the Texas Constitution, which requires the Legislature to "establish and make suitable provision for the support and maintenance of an efficient system of public free schools," or (ii) imposed a statewide ad valorem tax in violation of article VIII, section 1-e of the Texas Constitution because the statutory limit on property taxes levied by school districts for maintenance and operation purposes had allegedly denied school districts meaningful discretion in setting their tax rates. In response to the Court's previous decisions, the Legislature enacted multiple laws that made substantive changes in the way the Finance System is funded in efforts to address the prior decisions declaring the Finance System unconstitutional.

On May 13, 2016, the Court issued its opinion in the most recent school finance litigation, *Morath v. The Texas Taxpayer & Student Fairness Coal.*, 490 S.W.3d 826 (Tex. 2016) ("*Morath*"). The plaintiffs and intervenors in the case had alleged that the Finance System, as modified by the Legislature in part in response to prior decisions of the Court, violated article VII, section 1 and article VIII, section 1-e of the Texas Constitution. In its opinion, the Court held that "[d]espite the imperfections of the current school funding regime, it meets minimum constitutional requirements." The Court also noted that:

Lawmakers decide if laws pass, and judges decide if those laws pass muster. But our lenient standard of review in this policy-laden area counsels modesty. The judicial role is not to second-guess whether our system is optimal, but whether it is constitutional. Our Byzantine school funding "system" is undeniably imperfect, with immense room for improvement. But it satisfies minimum constitutional requirements.

### Possible Effects of Changes in Law on District Bonds

The Court's decision in *Morath* upheld the constitutionality of the Finance System but noted that the Finance System was "undeniably imperfect". While not compelled by the *Morath* decision to reform the Finance System, the Legislature could enact future changes to the Finance System. Any such changes could benefit or be a detriment to the District. If the Legislature enacts future changes to, or fails adequately to fund the Finance System, or if changes in circumstances otherwise provide grounds for a challenge, the Finance System could be challenged again in the future. In its 1995 opinion in *Edgewood Independent School District v. Meno*, 917 S.W.2d 717 (Tex. 1995), the Court stated that any future determination of unconstitutionality "would not, however, affect the district's authority to levy the taxes necessary to retire previously issued bonds, but would instead require the Legislature to cure the system's unconstitutionality in a way that is consistent with the Contract Clauses of the U.S. and Texas Constitutions" (collectively, the "Contract Clauses"), which prohibit the enactment of laws that impair prior obligations of contracts.

Although, as a matter of law, the Bonds, upon issuance and delivery, will be entitled to the protections afforded previously existing contractual obligations under the Contract Clauses, the District can make no representations or predictions concerning the effect of future legislation, or any litigation that may be associated with such legislation, on the District's financial condition, revenues or operations. While the enactment of future legislation to address school funding in Texas could adversely affect the financial condition, revenues or operations of the District, the District does not anticipate that the security for payment of the Bonds, specifically, the District's obligation to levy an unlimited debt service tax and any Permanent School Fund guarantee of the Bonds would be adversely affected by any such legislation. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM".

# CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM

# Overview

The following language constitutes only a summary of the Finance System. The information contained under the captions "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" and "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS" is subject to change, and only reflects the District's understanding based on information available to the District as of the date of this Official Statement. For a more complete description of school finance and fiscal management in the State, reference is made to Chapters 43 through 49 of the Texas Education Code, as amended. Additionally, prospective investors are encouraged to review the Property Tax Code (as defined herein) for definitive requirements for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes and the calculation of the defined tax rates.

Local school district funding is derived from collections of ad valorem taxes levied on property located within each school district's boundaries. School districts are authorized to levy two types of property taxes: a maintenance and operations ("M&O") tax to pay current expenses and an interest and sinking fund ("I&S") tax to pay debt service on bonds. School districts are prohibited from levying an M&O tax rate for the purpose of creating a surplus in M&O tax revenues to pay the district's debt service. Current law also requires school districts to demonstrate their ability to pay debt service on outstanding bonded indebtedness through the levy of an I&S tax at

a rate not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 of taxable value at the time bonds are issued. Once bonds are issued, however, school districts generally may levy an I&S tax sufficient to pay debt service on such bonds unlimited as to rate or amount (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – I&S Tax Rate Limitations" herein). Because property values vary widely among school districts, the amount of local funding generated by school districts with the same I&S tax rate and M&O tax rate is also subject to wide variation; however, the public school finance funding formulas are designed to generally equalize, on a per student basis, local funding generated by a school district's M&O tax rate.

#### 2025 Legislative Session

The regular session of the 89th Texas Legislature (the "Legislature") commenced on January 14, 2025 and concluded on June 2, 2025 (the "89th Regular Session"). The Legislature meets in regular session in odd numbered years for 140 days. When the Legislature is not in session, the Governor of Texas (the "Governor") may call one or more special sessions, at the Governor's discretion, each lasting no more than 30 days, and for which the Governor sets the agenda (any such special sessions, to gether with the 89th Regular Session, are collectively referred to herein as the "2025 Legislative Sessions"). The Governor called a first special session, which began on July 21, 2025 and ended on August 15, 2025. The Governor called a second special session, which began on August 15, 2025 and ended on September 4, 2025.

During the 89th Regular Session, the Legislature considered a general appropriations act and legislation affecting the Finance System and ad valorem taxation procedures and exemptions, and investments, among other legislation affecting school districts and the administrative agencies that oversee school districts. At a Statewide election held on November 4, 2025, voters approved increases in property tax valuation exemptions as follows: (1) in the State mandated general homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000, (2) the additional exemption on the residence homesteads of those at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000, and (3) the exemption for tangible personal property used in the "production of income" from \$2,500 to \$125,000. Additionally, both houses of the Legislature passed and the Governor signed legislation that authorizes roughly \$8.5 billion in funding for public schools and provides districts with a \$55 per-student increase to their base funding, as well as provide districts with additional funding for teacher and staff salaries, educator preparation, special education, safety requirements and early childhood learning. Finally, legislation passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor will create an education savings account program (commonly referred to as vouchers) for students that attend private schools or home school. The legislation became effective September 1, 2025, though families will not receive ESA funds until the 2026-2027 school year. The amount spent for purposes of the program for the 2025-2027 biennium may not exceed \$1 billion. Beginning on September 1, 2027, the legislation requires the Legislature to re-appropriate funds for the program for each subsequent State fiscal biennium. Such program could impact attendance in the District by incentivizing students to homeschool or attend private schools, which could negatively affect the District's attendance based funding.

The District is still in the process of reviewing legislation passed during the 2025 Legislative Sessions. At this time, the District cannot make any representations as to the full impact of such legislation. Further, the District can make no representations or predictions regarding the scope of legislation that may be considered in any special session or the potential impact of such legislation at this time, but it intends to monitor applicable legislation related thereto.

# **Local Funding for School Districts**

A school district's M&O tax rate is composed of two distinct parts: the "Tier One Tax Rate", which is the local M&O tax rate required for a school district to receive any part of the basic level of State funding (referred to herein as "Tier One") under the Foundation School Program, as further described below, and the "Enrichment Tax Rate", which is any local M&O tax effort in excess of its Tier One Tax Rate. Formulas for the State Compression Percentage and Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (each as described below) are designed to compress M&O tax rates in response to year-over-year increases in property values across the State and within a school district, respectively. The discussion in this subcaption "Local Funding For School Districts" is generally intended to describe funding provisions applicable to all school districts; however, there are distinctions in the funding formulas for school districts generate local M&O tax revenues in excess of the school districts' funding entitlements, as further discussed under the subcaption "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – Local Revenue Level In Excess of Entitlement" herein.

# State Compression Percentage

The State Compression Percentage (the "SCP") is a statutorily-defined percentage of the rate of \$1.00 per \$100 that is used to determine a school district's Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (described below). The State Compression Percentage is the lesser of three alternative calculations: (1) 93% or a lower percentage set by appropriation for a school year; (2) a percentage determined by formula if the estimated total taxable property value of the State (as submitted annually to the State Legislature by the State Comptroller) has increased by at least 2.5% over the prior year; and (3) the prior year State Compression Percentage. For any year, the maximum State Compression Percentage is 93%. For the State fiscal year ending in 2026, the State Compression Percentage is set at 63.22%.

# Maximum Compressed Tax Rate

The Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (the "MCR") is the tax rate per \$100 of valuation of taxable property at which a school district must levy its Tier One Tax Rate to receive the full amount of the Tier One funding to which the school district is entitled. The MCR is equal to the lesser of two alternative calculations: (1) the school district's current year SCP multiplied by \$1.00; or (2) a percentage determined by formula if the school district experienced a year-over-year increase in property value of at least 2.5% (if the increase in property value is less than 2.5%, then MCR is equal to the prior year MCR). However, each year the TEA shall evaluate the MCR for each school district in the State, and for any given year, if a school district's MCR is calculated to be less than 90% of any other school district's MCR for the current year, then the school district's MCR is instead equal to the school district's prior year MCR, until TEA determines that the difference between the school district's MCR and any other school district's MCR is not more than 10%. These compression formulas are intended to more closely equalize local generation of Tier One funding among districts with disparate tax bases and generally reduce the Tier One Tax Rates of school districts as property values increase. During the 2025 Legislative Session, the Legislature took action to reduce the MCR for the 2025-2026 school year. The MCR for the 2025-2026 school year is \$0.6322 and the floor is \$0.5689.

In calculating and making available school districts' MCRs for the 2025-2026 school year, the TEA shall calculate and make available the rates as if the increase in the residence homestead exemption under Section 1-b(c), Article VIII, Texas Constitution, as proposed by the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, took effect. Such calculation for the 2025-2026 school year expires September 1, 2026. At a Statewide election held on November 4, 2025, voters approved a property tax valuation exemptions to (1) increase the State mandated general homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000, and (2) the additional exemption on the residence homesteads of those at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000. These changes take effect for the tax year beginning January 1, 2025.

# Tier One Tax Rate

A school district's Tier One Tax Rate is defined as a school district's M&O tax rate levied that does not exceed the school district's MCR.

#### **Enrichment Tax Rate**

The Enrichment Tax Rate is the number of cents a school district levies for M&O in excess of the Tier One Tax Rate, up to an additional \$0.17. The Enrichment Tax Rate is divided into two components: (i) "Golden Pennies" which are the first \$0.08 of tax effort in excess of a school district's Tier One Tax Rate; and (ii) "Copper Pennies" which are the next \$0.09 in excess of a school district's Tier One Tax Rate plus Golden Pennies.

School districts may levy an Enrichment Tax Rate at a level of their choice, subject to the limitations described under "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate"; however to levy any of the Enrichment Tax Rate in a given year, a school district must levy a Tier One Tax Rate equal to the school district's MCR.

# State Funding for School Districts

State funding for school districts is provided through the two-tiered Foundation School Program, which guarantees certain levels of funding for school districts in the State. School districts are entitled to a legislatively appropriated guaranteed yield on their Tier One Tax Rate and Enrichment Tax Rate. When a school district's Tier One Tax Rate and Enrichment Tax Rate generate tax revenues at a level below the respective entitlement, the State will provide "Tier One" funding or "Tier Two" funding, respectively, to fund the difference between the school district's entitlements and the actual M&O revenues generated by the school district's respective M&O tax rates.

The first level of funding, Tier One, is the basic level of funding guaranteed to all school districts based on a school district's Tier One Tax Rate. Tier One funding may then be "enriched" with Tier Two funding. Tier Two provides a guaranteed entitlement for each cent of a school district's Enrichment Tax Rate, allowing a school district increase or decrease its Enrichment Tax Rate to supplement Tier One funding at a level of the school district's own choice. While Tier One funding may be used for the payment of debt service (except for school districts subject to the recapture provisions of Chapter 49 of the Texas Education Code, as discussed herein), and in some instances is required to be used for that purpose (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – I&S Tax Rate Limitations"), Tier Two funding may not be used for the payment of debt service or capital outlay.

The current public school finance system also provides an Existing Debt Allotment ("EDA") to subsidize debt service on eligible outstanding school district bonds, an Instructional Facilities Allotment ("IFA") to subsidize debt service on newly issued bonds, and a New Instructional Facilities Allotment ("NIFA") to subsidize operational expenses associated with the opening of a new instructional facility. IFA primarily addresses the debt service needs of property-poor school districts.

Tier One and Tier Two allotments represent the State's share of the cost of M&O expenses of school districts, with local M&O taxes representing the school district's local share. EDA and IFA allotments supplement a school district's local I&S taxes levied for debt service on eligible bonds issued to construct, acquire and improve facilities, provided that a school district qualifies for such funding and that the State Legislature makes sufficient appropriations to fund the allotments for a State fiscal biennium. Tier One and Tier Two allotments and existing EDA and IFA allotments are generally required to be funded each year by the State Legislature.

#### Tier One

Tier One funding is the basic level of funding guaranteed to a school district, consisting of a State-appropriated baseline level of funding (the "Basic Allotment") for each student in "Average Daily Attendance" (being generally calculated as the sum of student attendance, other than students in average daily attendance who do not reside in the District and are enrolled in a fulltime virtual program, for each State-mandated day of instruction divided by the number of State-mandated days of instruction, defined herein as "ADA"). The Basic Allotment is revised downward if a school district's Tier One Tax Rate is less than the State-determined threshold. The Basic Allotment is supplemented by additional State funds, allotted based upon the unique school district characteristics and demographics of students in ADA, to make up most of a school district's Tier One entitlement under the Foundation School Program.

The Basic Allotment for school districts with a Tier One Tax Rate equal to the school district's MCR, is \$6,160 plus the guaranteed yield increment adjustment (the "GYIA") for each student in ADA and is revised downward for school districts with a Tier One Tax Rate lower than the school district's MCR. The GYIA is established by October 1 of each even-numbered year for the subsequent biennium. For the 2026-27 biennium, the GYIA is set at \$55. The Basic Allotment is then supplemented for all school districts by various weights to account for differences among school districts and their student populations. Such additional allotments include, but are not limited to, increased funds for students in ADA who: (i) attend a qualified special education program, (ii) are diagnosed with dyslexia or a related disorder, (iii) are economically disadvantaged, or (iv) have limited English language proficiency. Additional allotments to mitigate differences among school districts include, but are not limited to: (i) a transportation allotment for mileage associated with transporting students who reside two miles or more from their home campus, (ii) a fast growth allotment (for school districts in the top 25% of enrollment growth relative to other school districts), (iii) a college, career and military readiness allotment to further Texas' goal of increasing the number of students who attain a post-secondary education or workforce credential, and (iv) a teacher incentive allotment to increase teacher compensation and retention in disadvantaged or rural school districts. A school district's total Tier One funding, divided by the district's basic allotment, is a school district's measure of students in "Weighted Average Daily Attendance" ("WADA"), which serves to calculate Tier Two funding.

The fast growth allotment weights change to 0.48 for districts in the top 40% of school districts for growth, 0.33 for districts in the middle 30% of school districts for growth and 0.18 for districts in the bottom 30% of school districts for growth. The fast growth allotment is limited to \$320 million for each year of the 2026-2027 state fiscal biennium.

### Tier Two

Tier Two supplements Tier One funding and provides two levels of enrichment with different guaranteed yields (i.e., Golden Pennies and Copper Pennies) depending on the school district's Enrichment Tax Rate. Golden Pennies generate a guaranteed yield equal to the Basic Allotment multiplied by 0.02084. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, school districts are guaranteed a yield on each Golden Penny levied of \$129.52 per student in WADA. Copper Pennies generate a guaranteed yield per student in WADA equal to the school district's Basic Allotment multiplied by 0.008. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, school districts are guaranteed a yield on each Copper Penny levied of \$49.72 per student in WADA.

# Existing Debt Allotment, Instructional Facilities Allotment, and New Instructional Facilities Allotment

The Foundation School Program also includes facilities funding components consisting of the IFA and the EDA, subject to legislative appropriation each State fiscal biennium. To the extent funded for a biennium, these programs assist school districts in funding facilities by, generally, equalizing a school district's I&S tax effort. The IFA guarantees each awarded school district a specified amount per student (the "IFA Yield") in State and local funds for each cent of I&S tax levied to pay the principal of and interest on eligible bonds issued to construct, acquire, renovate or improve instructional facilities. The IFA Yield has been \$35 since this program first began in 1997. New awards of IFA are only available if appropriated funds are allocated for such purpose by the State Legislature. To receive an IFA award, in years where new IFA awards are available, a school district must apply to the Commissioner in accordance with rules adopted by the TEA before issuing the bonds to be paid with IFA State assistance. The total amount of debt service assistance over a biennium for which a school district may be awarded is limited to the lesser of (1) the actual debt service payments made by the school district in the biennium in which the bonds are issued; or (2) the greater of (a) \$100,000 or (b) \$250 multiplied by the number of students in ADA. The IFA is also available for lease-purchase agreements and refunding bonds meeting certain prescribed conditions. Once a school district receives an IFA award for bonds, it is entitled to continue receiving State

assistance for such bonds without reapplying to the Commissioner. A school district may use additional state aid received from an IFA award only to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds for which the district received the aid. The guaranteed level of State and local funds per student percent of local tax effort applicable to the bonds may not be reduced below the level provided for the year in which the bonds were issued. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, the State Legislature did not appropriate any funds for new IFA awards; however, awards previously granted in years the State Legislature did appropriate funds for new IFA awards will continue to be funded.

State financial assistance is provided for certain existing eligible debt issued by school districts through the EDA program. The EDA guaranteed yield (the "EDA Yield") is the lesser of (i) \$40 per student in ADA or a greater amount for any year provided by appropriation; or (ii) the amount that would result in a total additional EDA of \$60 million more than the EDA to which school districts would have been entitled to if the EDA Yield were \$35. The portion of a school district's local debt service rate that qualifies for EDA assistance is limited to the first \$0.29 of its I&S tax rate (or a greater amount for any year provided by appropriation by the State Legislature). In general, a school district's bonds are eligible for EDA assistance if (i) the school district made payments on the bonds during the final fiscal year of the preceding State fiscal biennium, or (ii) the school district levied taxes to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds for that fiscal year. Each biennium, access to EDA funding is determined by the debt service taxes collected in the final year of the preceding biennium. A school district may not receive EDA funding for the principal and interest on a series of otherwise eligible bonds for which the school district receives IFA funding.

Since future-year IFA awards were not funded by the State Legislature for the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium and debt service assistance on school district bonds that are not yet eligible for EDA is not available, debt service payments during the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium on new bonds issued by school districts in the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium to construct, acquire and improve facilities must be funded solely from local I&S taxes, except to the extent the bonds of a school district are eligible for hold harmless funding from the State for local tax revenue lost as a result of an increase in the mandatory homestead exemption. See "State Funding For School Districts – Tax Rate and Funding Equity" below.

A school district may also qualify for a NIFA allotment, which provides assistance to school districts for operational expenses associated with opening new instructional facilities or a renovated portion of an instructional facility to be used for the first time to provide high-cost and undersubscribed career and technology education programs, as determined by the Commissioner. In the 89th Regular Session, the Legislature appropriated funds in the amount of \$150,000,000 for each fiscal year of the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium for NIFA allotments.

# Tax Rate and Funding Equity

The Commissioner may proportionally reduce the amount of funding a school district receives under the Foundation School Program and the ADA calculation if the school district operates on a calendar that provides less than the State-mandated minimum instruction time in a school year. The Commissioner may also adjust a school district's ADA as it relates to State funding where disaster, flood, extreme weather or other calamity has a significant effect on a school district's attendance.

For the 2026-2027 school year, school districts will be held harmless and entitled to additional state aid to the extent that state and local revenue used to service eligible debt is less than the state and local revenue that would have been available to the district under state law providing for state aid to districts to account for increases in the general residence homestead exemption and the elderly or disabled tax ceiling, if any increase in a residence homestead exemption under the Texas Constitution, and any additional limitation on tax increases under the elderly or disabled tax ceiling had not occurred.

# **Local Revenue Level in Excess of Entitlement**

A school district that has sufficient property wealth per student in ADA to generate local revenues on the school district's Tier One Tax Rate and Copper Pennies in excess of the school district's respective funding entitlements (a "Chapter 49 school district"), is subject to the local revenue reduction provisions contained in Chapter 49 of Texas Education Code, as amended ("Chapter 49"). Additionally, in years in which the amount of State funds appropriated specifically excludes the amount necessary to provide the guaranteed yield for Golden Pennies, local revenues generated on a school district's Golden Pennies in excess of the school district's respective funding entitlement are subject to the local revenue reduction provisions of Chapter 49. To reduce local revenue, Chapter 49 school districts are generally subject to a process known as "recapture", which requires a Chapter 49 school district to exercise certain options to remit local M&O tax revenues collected in excess of the Chapter 49 school district's funding entitlements to the State (for redistribution to other school districts) or otherwise expending the respective M&O tax revenues for the benefit of students in school districts that are not Chapter 49 school districts, as described in the subcaption "Options for Local Revenue Levels in Excess of Entitlement". Chapter 49 school districts receive their allocable share of funds distributed from the constitutionally-prescribed Available School Fund, but are generally not eligible to receive State aid under the Foundation School Program, although they may continue to receive State funds for certain competitive grants and certain programs that remain outside the Foundation School Program.

Recapture is measured by the "local revenue level" (being the M&O tax revenues generated in a school district) in excess of the entitlements appropriated by the State Legislature each fiscal biennium. Therefore, school districts are now guaranteed that recapture will not reduce revenue below their statutory entitlement.

# Options for Local Revenue Levels in Excess of Entitlement

Under Chapter 49, a school district has six options to reduce local revenues to a level that does not exceed the school district's respective entitlements: (1) a school district may consolidate by agreement with one or more school districts to form a consolidated school district; all property and debt of the consolidating school districts vest in the consolidated school district; (2) a school district may detach property from its territory for annexation by a property-poor school district; (3) a school district may purchase attendance credits from the State; (4) a school district may contract to educate nonresident students from a property-poor school district by sending money directly to one or more property-poor school districts; (5) a school district may execute an agreement to provide students of one or more other school districts with career and technology education through a program designated as an area program for career and technology education; or (6) a school district may consolidate by agreement with one or more school districts to form a consolidated taxing school district solely to levy and distribute either M&O taxes or both M&O taxes and I&S taxes. A Chapter 49 school district may also exercise any combination of these remedies. Options (3), (4) and (6) require prior approval by the Chapter 49 school district's voters. A district that enters into an agreement to exercise an option to reduce the district's local revenue level in exercise said options may request and may receive approval from the Commissioner to delay the date of the election otherwise required to be ordered before September 1. The Commissioner shall set a date by which each district that receives approval to delay an election must order the election and requires the Commissioner, not later than the 2026-2027 school year, to order detachment and annexation of district property or consolidation as necessary to reduce the district's excess local revenue to the level established by law for a district that receives approval to delay a

Furthermore, a school district may not adopt a tax rate until its effective local revenue level is at or below the level that would produce its guaranteed entitlement under the Foundation School Program. If a school district fails to exercise a permitted option, the Commissioner must reduce the school district's local revenue level to the level that would produce the school district's guaranteed entitlement, by detaching certain types of property from the school district and annexing the property to a property-poor school district or, if necessary, consolidate the school district with a property-poor school district. Provisions governing detachment and annexation of taxable property by the Commissioner do not provide for assumption of any of the transferring school district's existing debt.

# CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT

For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the District was designated as an "excess local revenue" district by the TEA. Accordingly, the District is subject to recapture and, therefore, is required to exercise one of the wealth equalization options permitted under applicable State law. The District has notified the TEA that it intends to reduce its wealth per student pursuant to Option 3, an agreement to purchase attendance credits pursuant to Chapter 49, Texas Education Code, as amended (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM - LOCAL REVENUE IN EXCESS OF ENTITLEMENT" herein). The District estimates it will pay approximately \$800,000 to purchase attendance credits in the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

A district's "excess local revenues" must be tested for each future school year and, if it exceeds the equalized wealth value, the District must reduce its wealth per student by the exercise of one of the permitted wealth equalization options. Accordingly, if the District's wealth per student should exceed the maximum permitted value in future school years, it will be required to exercise one or more of the permitted wealth equalization options. If the District were to consolidate (or consolidate its tax base for all purposes) with a property-poor district, the outstanding debt of each district could become payable from the consolidated district's combined property tax base, and the District's ration of taxable property to debt could become diluted. If the District were to detach property voluntarily, a portion of its outstanding debt (including the Bonds) could be assumed by the district to which the property is annexed, in which case timely payment of the Bonds could become dependent in part on the financial performance of an annexing district.

For a detailed discussion of State funding for school district see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM - State Funding for School Districts."

#### AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES

The following is a summary of certain provisions of State law as it relates to ad valorem taxation and is not intended to be complete. Reference is made to Title I of the Texas Tax Code, as amended (the "Property Tax Code"), for identification of property subject to ad valorem taxation, property exempt or which may be exempted from ad valorem taxation if claimed, the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes, and the procedures and limitations applicable to the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes.

### **Valuation of Taxable Property**

The Property Tax Code provides for countywide appraisal and equalization of taxable property values and establishes in each county of the State an appraisal district and an appraisal review board (the "Appraisal Review Board") responsible for appraising property for all taxing units within the county. The appraisal of property within the District is the responsibility of the Ellis County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District"). Except as generally described below, the Appraisal District is required to appraise all property within the Appraisal District on the basis of 100% of its market value and is prohibited from applying any assessment ratios. In determining market value of property, the Appraisal District is required to consider the cost method of appraisal, the income method of appraisal and the market data comparison method of appraisal, and use the method the chief appraiser of the Appraisal District considers most appropriate. The Property Tax Code requires appraisal districts to reappraise all property in its jurisdiction at least once every three (3) years. A taxing unit may require annual review at its own expense, and is entitled to challenge the determination of appraised value of property within the taxing unit by petition filed with the Appraisal Review Board.

State law requires the appraised value of an owner's principal residence ("homestead" or "homesteads") to be based solely on the property's value as a homestead, regardless of whether residential use is considered to be the highest and best use of the property. State law further limits the appraised value of a homestead to the lesser of (1) the market value of the property or (2) 110% of the appraised value of the property for the preceding tax year plus the market value of all new improvements to the property.

Unless extended by the Legislature, through December 31, 2026 an appraisal district is prohibited from increasing the appraised value of real property during the 2025 tax year on certain non-homestead properties (the "Subjected Property") whose appraised values are not more than \$5.16 million dollars (the "maximum property value") to an amount not to exceed the lesser of: (1) the market value of the Subjected Property for the most recent tax year that the market value was determined by the appraisal office or (2) the sum of: (a) 20 percent of the appraised value of the Subjected Property for the preceding tax year; (b) the appraised value of the Subjected Property for the preceding tax year; and (c) the market value of all new improvements to the Subjected Property. The maximum property value may be increased or decreased by the product of the preceding state fiscal year's increase or decrease in the consumer price index, as applicable, to the maximum property value.

State law provides that eligible owners of both agricultural land and open-space land, including open-space land devoted to farm or ranch purposes or open-space land devoted to timber production, may elect to have such property appraised for property taxation on the basis of its productive capacity. The same land may not be qualified as both agricultural and open-space land.

The appraisal values set by the Appraisal District are subject to review and change by the Appraisal Review Board. The appraisal rolls, as approved by the Appraisal Review Board, are used by taxing units, such as the District, in establishing their tax rolls and tax rates (see "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES – District and Taxpayer Remedies").

# State Mandated Homestead Exemptions

State law grants, with respect to school district taxes imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes, (1) a \$100,000 exemption of the appraised value of all homesteads, (2) a \$10,000 exemption of the appraised value of the residence homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled, and (3) various exemptions for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.

At a Statewide election held on November 4, 2025, voters approved increases in residential homestead exemptions as follows: (1) the State mandated general homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000, and (2) the additional exemption on the residence homesteads of those at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000.

#### **Local Option Homestead Exemptions**

The governing body of a taxing unit, including a city, county, school district, or special district, at its option may grant: (1) an exemption of up to 20% of the appraised value of all homesteads (but not less than \$5,000) and (2) an additional exemption of at least \$3,000 of the appraised value of the homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled. Each taxing unit decides if it will offer the local option homestead exemptions and at what percentage or dollar amount, as applicable. The exemption described in (2), above, may also be created, increased, decreased or repealed at an election called by the governing body of a taxing unit upon presentment of a petition for such creation, increase, decrease, or repeal of at least 20% of the number of qualified voters who voted

in the preceding election of the taxing unit. Cities, counties, and school districts are prohibited from repealing or reducing an optional homestead exemption (described in (1) above) that was granted in tax year 2022 through December 31, 2027. See "Appendix A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation, if any, attributable to local option homestead exemptions.

#### State Mandated Freeze on School District Taxes

Except for increases attributable to certain improvements, a school district is prohibited from increasing the total ad valorem tax on the homestead of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older or of disabled persons above the amount of tax imposed in the year such homestead qualified for such exemption. This freeze is transferable to a different homestead if a qualifying taxpayer moves and, under certain circumstances, is also transferable to the surviving spouse of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, but not the disabled. See "Appendix A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation attributable to the freeze on taxes for the elderly and disabled.

# **Personal Property**

Tangible personal property (furniture, machinery, supplies, inventories, etc.) used in the "production of income" is taxed based on the property's market value. Taxable personal property includes income-producing equipment and inventory. Intangibles such as goodwill, accounts receivable, and proprietary processes are not taxable. Tangible personal property not held or used for production of income, such as household goods, automobiles or light trucks, and boats, is exempt from ad valorem taxation unless the governing body of a taxing unit elects to tax such property. At a Statewide election held on November 4, 2025, voters approved an exemption from taxation by a taxing unit of \$125,000 of the appraised value of tangible personal property the person owns that is held or used for the production of income and has taxable situs at the same location in the taxing unit. A person who leases tangible personal property is also entitled to a tax exemption of \$125,000, regardless of where the property is located in the taxing unit.

# Freeport and Goods-In-Transit Exemptions

Certain goods that are acquired in or imported into the State to be forwarded outside the State, and are detained in the State for 175 days or less for the purpose of assembly, storage, manufacturing, processing or fabrication ("Freeport Property") are exempt from ad valorem taxation unless a taxing unit took official action to tax Freeport Property before April 1, 1990 and has not subsequently taken official action to exempt Freeport Property. Decisions to continue taxing Freeport Property may be reversed in the future; decisions to exempt Freeport Property are not subject to reversal.

Certain goods, that are acquired in or imported into the State to be forwarded to another location within or without the State, stored in a location that is not owned by the owner of the goods and are transported to another location within or without the State within 175 days ("Goods-in-Transit"), are generally exempt from ad valorem taxation; however, the Property Tax Code permits a taxing unit, on a local option basis, to tax Goods-in-Transit if the taxing unit takes official action, after conducting a public hearing, before January 1 of the first tax year in which the taxing unit proposes to tax Goods-in-Transit. Goods-in-Transit and Freeport Property do not include oil, natural gas or petroleum products, and Goods-in-Transit does not include aircraft or special inventories such as manufactured housing inventory, or a dealer's motor vehicle, boat, or heavy equipment inventory.

A taxpayer may receive only one of the Goods-in-Transit or Freeport Property exemptions for items of personal property. See "Appendix A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation, if any, attributable to Goods-in-Transit or Freeport Property exemptions.

#### Other Exempt Property

Other major categories of exempt property include property owned by the State or its political subdivisions if used for public purposes, property exempt by federal law, property used for pollution control, farm products owned by producers, property of nonprofit corporations used for scientific research or educational activities benefitting a college or university, designated historic sites, solar and wind-powered energy devices, and certain classes of intangible personal property. Beginning with the 2026 tax year, all intangible personal property personal property is exempt from State taxation.

# Temporary Exemption for Qualified Property Damaged by a Disaster

The Property Tax Code entitles the owner of certain qualified (i) tangible personal property used for the production of income, (ii) improvements to real property, and (iii) manufactured homes located in an area declared by the Governor to be a disaster area following a disaster and is at least 15 percent damaged by the disaster, as determined by the chief appraiser, to an exemption from taxation of a portion of the appraised value of the property. The amount of the exemption ranges from 15 percent to 100 percent based upon the damage assessment rating assigned by the chief appraiser. Except in situations where the territory is declared a disaster on or after the date the taxing unit adopts a tax rate for the year in which the disaster declaration is issued, the governing body of the taxing unit is not required to take any action in order for the taxpayer to be eligible for the exemption. If a taxpayer qualifies for the exemption after the beginning of the tax year, the amount of the exemption is prorated based on the number of days left in the tax year following the day on which the Governor declares the area to be a disaster area. The Texas Legislature amended Section 11.35, Property Tax Code, to clarify that "damage" for purposes of such statute is limited to "physical damage." For more information on the exemption, reference is made to Section 11.35 of the Tax Code.

# **Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones**

A city or county, by petition of the landowners or by action of its governing body, may create one or more tax increment reinvestment zones ("TIRZ") within its boundaries. At the time of the creation of the TIRZ, a "base value" for the real property in the TIRZ is established and the difference between any increase in the assessed valuation of taxable real property in the TIRZ in excess of the base value is known as the "tax increment". During the existence of the TIRZ, all or a portion of the taxes levied against the tax increment by a city or county, and all other overlapping taxing units that elected to participate, are restricted to paying only planned project and financing costs within the TIRZ and are not available for the payment of other obligations of such taxing units.

Until September 1, 1999, school districts were able to reduce the value of taxable property reported to the State to reflect any taxable value lost due to TIRZ participation by the school district. The ability of the school district to deduct the taxable value of the tax increment that it contributed prevented the school district from being negatively affected in terms of state school funding. However, due to a change in law, local M&O tax rate revenue contributed to a TIRZ created on or after May 31, 1999 will count toward a school district's Tier One entitlement (reducing Tier One State funds for eligible school districts) and will not be considered in calculating any school district's Tier Two entitlement (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts").

# **Tax Limitation Agreements**

The Texas Economic Development Act (Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code, as amended) allowed school districts to grant limitations on appraised property values to certain corporations and limited liability companies to encourage economic development within the school district. Generally, during the last eight (8) years of the ten-year term of a tax limitation agreement, a school district could only levy and collect M&O taxes on the agreed-to limited appraised property value. For the purposes of calculating its Tier One and Tier

Two entitlements, the portion of a school district's property that is not fully taxable is excluded from the school district's taxable property values. Therefore, a school district will not be subject to a reduction in Tier One or Tier Two State funds as a result of lost M&O tax revenues due to entering into a tax limitation agreement (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts"). The 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature did not vote to extend this program, which expired by its terms effective December 31, 2022.

# **Tax Abatement Agreements**

Taxing units may also enter into tax abatement agreements to encourage economic development. Under the agreements, a property owner agrees to construct certain improvements on its property. The taxing unit, in turn, agrees not to levy a tax on all or part of the increased value attributable to the improvements until the expiration of the agreement. The abatement agreement could last for a period of up to 10 years.

In the 88th Legislative Session, House Bill 5 ("HB 5" or "The Texas Jobs, Energy, Technology, and Innovation Act") was adopted to create an economic development program, subject to state oversight, which would attract jobs and investment to Texas through school district property tax abatement agreements with businesses. HB5 was codified as Chapter 403, Subchapter T, Texas Government Code ("Chapter 403") and had an effective date of January 1, 2024. Under Chapter 403, a school district may offer a 50% abatement on taxable value for maintenance and operations property taxes for certain eligible projects, except that projects in a federally designated economic opportunity zone receive a 75% abatement. Chapter 403 also provides a 100% abatement of maintenance and operations taxes for eligible property during a project's construction period. Taxable valuation for purposes of the debt service tax securing a series of bonds cannot be abated under Chapter 403. Eligible projects must involve manufacturing, dispatchable power generation facilities, technology research/development facilities, or critical infrastructure projects and projects must create and maintain jobs, as well as meet certain minimum investment requirements. The District is still in the process of reviewing Chapter 403 and cannot make any representations as to what impact, if any, Chapter 403 will have on its finances or operations.

For a discussion of how the various exemptions described above are applied by the District, see "THE PROPERTY TAX CODE AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT" herein.

# **District and Taxpayer Remedies**

Under certain circumstances, taxpayers and taxing units, including the District, may appeal the determinations of the Appraisal District by timely initiating a protest with the Appraisal Review Board. Additionally, taxing units such as the District may bring suit against the Appraisal District to compel compliance with the Property Tax Code.

Owners of certain property (being (i) commercial real and personal property, (ii) real and personal property of utilities, (iii) industrial and manufacturing real and personal property, and (iv) multifamily residential real property) with a taxable value in excess of the current year "minimum eligibility amount", as determined by the State Comptroller, and situated in a county with a population of 1.2 million or more, may protest the determinations of an appraisal district directly to a three-member special panel of the appraisal review board, appointed by the chairman of the appraisal review board, consisting of highly qualified professionals in the field of property tax appraisal. The minimum eligibility amount is set at \$61,349,201 for the 2025 tax year and is adjusted annually by the State Comptroller to reflect the inflation rate.

The Property Tax Code sets forth notice and hearing procedures for certain tax rate increases by the District and provides for taxpayer referenda that could result in the repeal of certain tax increases (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate"). The Property Tax Code also establishes a procedure for providing notice to property owners of reappraisals reflecting increased property value, appraisals which are higher than renditions, and appraisals of property not previously on an appraisal roll.

# Levy and Collection of Taxes

The District is responsible for the collection of its taxes, unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. Taxes are due October 1, or when billed, whichever comes later, and become delinquent after January 31 of the following year. A delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. If the tax is not paid by July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent, the tax incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) regardless of the number of months the tax has been delinquent and incurs an additional penalty of up to twenty percent (20%) if imposed by the District. The delinquent tax also accrues interest at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month it remains unpaid. The Property Tax Code also makes provision for the split payment of taxes, discounts for early payment and the postponement of the delinquency date of taxes for certain taxpayers. Furthermore, the District may provide, on a local option basis, for the split payment, partial payment, and discounts for early payment of taxes under certain circumstances. The Property Tax Code permits taxpayers owning homes or certain businesses located in a disaster area and damaged as a direct result of the declared disaster to pay taxes imposed in the year following the disaster in four equal installments without penalty or interest, commencing on February 1 and ending on August 1. See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES – Temporary Exemption for Qualified Property Damaged by a Disaster" for further information related to a discussion of the applicability of this section of the Property Tax Code.

# District's Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies

Taxes levied by the District are a personal obligation of the owner of the property. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all state and local taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit, including the District, having power to tax the property. The District's tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of such other taxing units. A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claim of most creditors and other holders of liens on the property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before the attachment of the tax lien; however, whether a lien of the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property, under certain circumstances, is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalty, and interest

At any time after taxes on property become delinquent, the District may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both. In filing a suit to foreclose a tax lien on real property, the District must join other taxing units that have claims for delinquent taxes against all or part of the same property.

Collection of delinquent taxes may be adversely affected by the amount of taxes owed to other taxing units, adverse market conditions, taxpayer redemption rights, or bankruptcy proceedings which restrain the collection of a taxpayer's debt.

Federal bankruptcy law provides that an automatic stay of actions by creditors and other entities, including governmental units, goes into effect with the filing of any petition in bankruptcy. The automatic stay prevents governmental units from foreclosing on property and prevents liens for post-petition taxes from attaching to property and obtaining secured creditor status unless, in either case, an order lifting the stay is obtained from the bankruptcy court. In many cases, post-petition taxes are paid as an administrative expense of the estate in bankruptcy or by order of the bankruptcy court.

# TAX RATE LIMITATIONS

#### **M&O Tax Rate Limitations**

The District is authorized to levy an M&O tax rate pursuant to the approval of the voters of the District at an election held on April 2, 1960 pursuant to Article 2784e-1, Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated, as amended.

The maximum M&O tax rate per \$100 of taxable value that may be adopted by a school district is the sum of \$0.17 and the school district's MCR. A school district's MCR is, generally, inversely proportional to the change in taxable property values both within the school district and the State, and is subject to recalculation annually. For any year, the highest possible MCR for a school district is \$0.93.

Furthermore, a school district cannot annually increase its tax rate in excess of the school district's Voter-Approval Tax Rate without submitting such tax rate to an election and a majority of the voters voting at such election approving the adopted rate (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate" herein).

#### **I&S Tax Rate Limitations**

A school district is also authorized to issue bonds and levy taxes for payment of bonds subject to voter approval of one or more propositions submitted to the voters under Section 45.003(b)(1), Texas Education Code, as amended, which provides a tax unlimited as to rate or amount for the support of school district bonded indebtedness (see "THE BONDS – Security").

Section 45.0031 of the Texas Education Code, as amended, requires a school district to demonstrate to the Texas Attorney General that it has the prospective ability to pay its maximum annual debt service on a proposed issue of bonds and all previously issued bonds, other than bonds approved by voters of a school district at an election held on or before April 1, 1991 and issued before September 1, 1992 (or debt issued to refund such bonds, collectively, "exempt bonds"), from a tax levied at a rate of \$0.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation before bonds may be issued (the "50-cent Test"). In demonstrating the ability to pay debt service at a rate of \$0.50, a school district may take into account EDA and IFA allotments to the school district, which effectively reduces the school district secroises this option, it may not adopt an I&S tax until it has credited to the school district's I&S fund an amount equal to all State allotments provided solely for payment of debt service and any Tier One funds needed to demonstrate compliance with the threshold tax rate test and which is received or to be received in that year. Additionally, a school district may demonstrate its ability to comply with the 50-cent Test by applying the \$0.50 tax rate to an amount equal to 90% of projected future taxable value of property in the school district, as certified by a registered professional appraiser, anticipated for the earlier of the tax year five (5) years after the current tax year or the tax year in which the final payment for the bonds is due. However, if a school district uses projected future taxable values to meet the 50-cent Test and subsequently imposes a tax at a rate greater than \$0.50 per \$100 of valuation to pay for bonds subject to the test, then for subsequent bond issues, the Texas Attorney General must find that the school district has the projected ability to pay principal and interest on the prospective ability to pay such tax has been shown and the bonds are issued, a school district may levy an unlimited tax to p

# Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate

A school district's total tax rate is the combination of the M&O tax rate and the I&S tax rate. Generally, the highest rate at which a school district may levy taxes for any given year without holding an election to approve the tax rate is the "Voter-Approval Tax Rate".

A school district is required to adopt its annual tax rate before the later of September 30 or the sixtieth (60th) day after the date the certified appraisal roll is received by the taxing unit, except that a tax rate that exceeds the Voter-Approval Tax Rate must be adopted not later than the seventy-first (71st) day before the next occurring November uniform election date. A school district's failure to adopt a tax rate equal to or less than the Voter-Approval Tax Rate by September 30 or the sixtieth (60th) day after receipt of the certified appraisal roll, will result in the tax rate for such school district for the tax year to be the lower of the "no-new-revenue tax rate" calculated for that tax year or the tax rate adopted by the school district for the preceding tax year. A school district's failure to adopt a tax rate in excess of the Voter-Approval Tax Rate on or prior to the seventy-first (71st) day before the next occurring November uniform election date, will result in the school district adopting a tax rate equal to or less than its Voter-Approval Tax Rate by the later of September 30 or the sixtieth (60th) day after receipt of the certified appraisal roll. "No-new-revenue tax rate" means the rate that will produce the prior year's total tax levy from the current year's total taxable values, adjusted such that lost values are not included in the calculation of the prior year's taxable values and new values are not included in the current year's taxable values.

The Voter-Approval Tax Rate for a school district is the sum of (i) the school district's MCR; (ii) the greater of (a) the school district's Enrichment Tax Rate for the preceding year, less any amount by which the school district is required to reduce its current year Enrichment Tax Rate pursuant to Section 48.202(f), Education Code, as amended, or (b) the rate of \$0.05 per \$100 of taxable value; and (iii) the school district's current I&S tax rate. A school district's M&O tax rate may not exceed the rate equal to the sum of (i) \$0.17 and (ii) the school district's MCR (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" herein, for more information regarding the State Compression Percentage, MCR, and the Enrichment Tax Rate).

The governing body of a school district generally cannot adopt a tax rate exceeding the school district's Voter-Approval Tax Rate without approval by a majority of the voters approving the higher rate at an election to be held on the next uniform election date. Further, subject to certain exceptions for areas declared disaster areas, State law requires the board of trustees of a school district to conduct an efficiency audit before seeking voter approval to adopt a tax rate exceeding the Voter-Approval Tax Rate and sets certain parameters for conducting and disclosing the results of such efficiency audit. An election is not required for a tax increase to address increased expenditures resulting from certain natural disasters in the year following the year in which such disaster occurs; however, the amount by which the increased tax rate exceeds the school district's Voter-Approval Tax Rate for such year may not be considered by the school district in the calculation of its subsequent Voter-Approval Tax Rate.

The calculation of the Voter-Approval Tax Rate does not limit or impact the District's ability to set an I&S tax rate in each year sufficient to pay debt service on all of the District's tax-supported debt obligations, including the Bonds.

Before adopting its annual tax rate, a public meeting must be held for the purpose of adopting a budget for the succeeding year. A notice of public meeting to discuss the school district's budget and proposed tax rate must be published in the time, format and

manner prescribed in Section 44.004 of the Texas Education Code. Section 44.004(e) of the Texas Education Code provides that a person who owns taxable property in a school district is entitled to an injunction restraining the collection of taxes by the school district if the school district has not complied with such notice requirements or the language and format requirements of such notice as set forth in Section 44.004(b), (c), (c-1), (c-2), and (d), and, if applicable, subsection (i), and if such failure to comply was not in good faith. Section 44.004(e) further provides the action to enjoin the collection of taxes must be filed before the date the school district delivers substantially all of its tax bills. A school district that elects to adopt a tax rate before the adoption of a budget for the fiscal year that begins in the current tax year may adopt a tax rate for the current tax year before receipt of the certified appraisal roll, so long as the chief appraiser of the appraisal district in which the school district participates has certified to the assessor for the school district an estimate of the taxable value of property in the school district. If a school district adopts its tax rate prior to the adoption of its budget, both the no-new-revenue tax rate and the Voter-Approval Tax Rate of the school district shall be calculated based on the school district's certified estimate of taxable value. A school district that adopts a tax rate before adopting its budget must hold a public hearing on the proposed tax rate followed by another public hearing on the proposed budget rather than holding a single hearing on the two items.

A school district must annually calculate and prominently post on its internet website, and submit to the county tax assessor-collector for each county in which all or part of the school district is located, its Voter-Approval Tax Rate in accordance with forms prescribed by the State Comptroller.

#### THE PROPERTY TAX CODE AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT

The Appraisal District has the responsibility for appraising property in the District as well as other taxing units in Ellis County. The Appraisal District is governed by a board of directors appointed by members of the governing bodies of various political subdivisions within Ellis County.

Property within the District is assessed as of January 1 of each year, taxes become due October 1 of the same year and become delinquent on February 1 of the following year.

The District does not tax personal property not used in the production of income, such as personal automobiles.

The District does collect an additional 20% penalty to defray attorney costs in the collection of delinquent taxes over and above the penalty automatically assessed under the Tax Code.

The District's taxes are collected by the Ellis County Tax Assessor.

The District does not allow split payments and does not give discounts for early payment of taxes.

The District does not participate in a tax increment financing zone. The District has not granted any tax abatements.

The District does not grant any portion of the additional local option exemption of up to 20% of the market value of residence homesteads.

The District has not granted the freeport exemption. The District has not taken action to tax goods-in-transit.

# **EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS AND OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

The District's employees participate in a retirement plan (the "Plan") with the State of Texas. The Plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas ("TRS"). State contributions are made to cover costs of the Plan up to certain statutory limits. The District is obligated for a portion of TRS costs relating to employee salaries that exceed the statutory limit. For fiscal year ended August 31, 2024, the District made a contribution to TRS on a portion of their employee's salaries that exceeded the statutory minimum. For a discussion of the Plan, see "Note 11. – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN" to the audited financial statements of the District that are attached hereto as Appendix D (the "Financial Statements").

In addition to its participation in TRS, the District contributes to the Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program (the "TRS-Care Retired Plan"), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care plan. The TRS-Care Retired Plan provides health care coverage for certain persons (and their dependents) who retired under the Teacher Retirement System of Texas. Contribution requirements are not actuarially determined but are legally established each biennium by the Texas Legislature. For more detailed information concerning the District's funding policy and contributions in connection with the TRS-Care Retired Plan, see "Note 12. – DEFINED OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS" in the audited financial statements of the District that are attached hereto as Appendix D (the "Financial Statements").

During the year ended August 31, 2024, employees of the District were covered by a fully-insured health insurance plan (the "Health Care Plan"). The District contributed \$245 per month per employee to the Health Care Plan. Employees, at their option, authorize payroll withholdings to pay premiums for dependents. See "Note 13. – HEALTH CARE" of the Financial Statements

Formal collective bargaining agreements relating directly to wages and other conditions of employment are prohibited by State law, as are strikes by teachers. There are various local, state and national organized employee groups who engage in efforts to better terms and conditions of employment of school employees. Some districts have adopted a policy to consult with employer groups with respect to certain terms and conditions of employment. Some examples of these groups are the Texas State Teachers Association, the Texas Classroom Teachers Association, the Association of Texas Professional Educators and the National Education Association.

# **RATING**

The Bonds are rated "Aaa" by Moody's Ratings ("Moody's") based upon the Texas Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program. (See "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" herein). The District's underlying, unenhanced rating, including the Bonds, is "Aa3" by Moody's. A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

An explanation of the significance of such ratings may be obtained from the company furnishing the rating. The rating reflects only the view of such organization and the District makes no representation as to the appropriateness of the rating. There is no assurance that such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that such ratings will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating company, if in the judgment of such company, the circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such ratings, may have an adverse effect on the market price or marketability of the Bonds.

Periodically, rating agencies will evaluate and, on occasion as a result of these evaluations revise, their rating methodologies and criteria for municipal issuers such as the District. A revision in a rating agency's rating methodology could result in a positive or negative change in a rating assigned by that agency, even if the rated entity has experienced no material change in financial condition or operation. Any of the rating agencies at any time while the Bonds remain outstanding could undertake such an evaluation process.

# **LEGAL MATTERS**

The delivery of the Bonds is subject to the approval of the Attorney General of Texas who will deliver its opinion to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District, and based upon examination of such transcript of proceedings, the approving legal opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel to the District ("Bond Counsel"), to like effect. The form of Bond Counsel's opinion is attached hereto as Appendix C. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, Bracewell LLP, Dallas, Texas. The legal fee to be paid to counsel to the Underwriters for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon the sale of the delivery of the Bonds.

Though it represents the Financial Advisor and the Underwriters from time to time in matters unrelated to the issuance of the Bonds, Bond Counsel has been engaged by and only represents the District in the issuance of the Bonds. McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. also advises the TEA in connection with its disclosure obligations under the federal securities laws, but such firm has not passed upon any TEA disclosures contained in this Official Statement. Except as noted below, Bond Counsel was not requested to participate, and did not take part in the preparation of this Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained herein except that in its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information appearing under the captions or subcaptions "THE BONDS" (except under the subcaptions "Permanent School Fund Guarantee", "Payment Record", and "Sources and Uses of Funds", as to which no opinion is expressed), "REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE", "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS", "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM", "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – M&O Tax Rate Limitations" (first paragraph only) "LEGAL MATTERS" (except for the last two sentences of the first paragraph thereunder), "TAX MATTERS", "LEGAL INVESTMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY TO SECURE PUBLIC FUNDS IN TEXAS", "REGISTRATION AND QUALIFICATION OF BONDS FOR SALE" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except under the subcaption "Compliance with Prior Undertakings," as to which no opinion will be expressed) and such firm is of the opinion that the information relating to the Bonds and the Order contained under such captions is a fair and accurate summary of the information purported to be shown and that the information and descriptions contained under such captions relating to the provisions of applicable state and federal laws are correct as to matters of law.

The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds express the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinions as to the legal issues explicitly addressed therein. In rendering a legal opinion, the attorney does not become an insurer or guarantor of the expression of professional judgment, of the transaction opined upon, or of the future performance of the parties to the transaction. Nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction.

#### **TAX MATTERS**

# Opinion

On the date of initial delivery of the Bonds, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel to the District, will render its opinion that, in accordance with statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date thereof ("Existing Law"), (1) interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes will be excludable from the "gross income" of the holders thereof and (2) the Bonds will not be treated as "specified private activity bonds" the interest on which would be included as an alternative minimum tax preference item under section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). Except as stated above, Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds. See Appendix C – Form of Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel.

In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel will rely upon (a) the District's federal tax certificate; (b) covenants of the District with respect to arbitrage, the application of the proceeds to be received from the issuance and sale of the Bonds and certain other matters; (c) the certificate with respect to arbitrage by the Commissioner of Education regarding the allocation and investment of certain investments in the Permanent School Fund and (d) the Report of Public Finance Partners LLP relating to the refunding of the Refunded Bonds. Failure by the District to observe the aforementioned representations or covenants could cause the interest on the Bonds to become taxable retroactively to the date of issuance.

The Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder contain a number of requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order for interest on the Bonds to be, and to remain, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The opinion of Bond Counsel is conditioned on compliance by the District with such requirements, and Bond Counsel has not been retained to monitor compliance with these requirements subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds.

Bond Counsel's opinion represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the reliance on the aforementioned information, representations and covenants. Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result. Existing Law is subject to change by the Congress and to subsequent judicial and administrative interpretation by the courts and the Department of the Treasury. There can be no assurance that Existing Law or the interpretation thereof will not be changed in a manner which would adversely affect the tax treatment of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds.

A ruling was not sought from the Internal Revenue Service by the District with respect to the Bonds or the property financed or refinanced with proceeds of the Bonds or the Refunded Bonds. No assurances can be given as to whether the Internal Revenue Service will commence an audit of the Bonds, or as to whether the Internal Revenue Service would agree with the opinion of Bond Counsel. If an Internal Revenue Service audit is commenced, under current procedures the Internal Revenue Service is likely to treat the District as the taxpayer and the Bondholders may have no right to participate in such procedure. No additional interest will be paid upon any determination of taxability.

# Federal Income Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Discount

The initial public offering price to be paid for one or more maturities of the Bonds may be less than the maturity amount thereof or one or more periods for the payment of interest on the Bonds may not be equal to the accrual period or be in excess of one year (the "Original Issue Discount Bonds"). In such event, the difference between (i) the "stated redemption price at maturity" of each Original Issue Discount Bond, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount Bond would constitute original issue discount. The "stated redemption price at maturity" means the sum of all payments to be made on the Bonds less the amount of all periodic interest payments. Periodic interest payments are payments which are made during equal accrual periods (or during any unequal period if it is the initial or final period) and which are made during accrual periods which do not exceed one year.

Under Existing Law, any owner who has purchased such Original Issue Discount Bond in the initial public offering is entitled to exclude from gross income (as defined in section 61 of the Code) an amount of income with respect to such Original Issue Discount Bond equal to that portion of the amount of such original issue discount allocable to the accrual period. For a discussion of certain collateral federal tax consequences, see the discussion set forth below.

In the event of the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bond prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Original Issue Discount Bond in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Original Issue Discount Bond was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income.

Under Existing Law, the original issue discount on each Original Issue Discount Bond is accrued daily to the stated maturity thereof (in amounts calculated as described below for each six-month period ending on the date before the semiannual anniversary dates of the date of the Bonds and ratably within each such six-month period) and the accrued amount is added to an initial owner's basis for such Original Issue Discount Bond for purposes of determining the amount of gain or loss recognized by such owner upon the redemption, sale or other disposition thereof. The amount to be added to basis for each accrual period is equal to (a) the sum of the issue price and the amount of original issue discount accrued in prior periods multiplied by the yield to stated maturity (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period) less (b) the amounts payable as current interest during such accrual period on such Original Issue Discount Bond.

The federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, redemption, sale or other disposition of Original Issue Discount Bonds which are not purchased in the initial offering at the initial offering price may be determined according to rules which differ from those described above. All owners of Original Issue Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state and local income tax purposes of the treatment of interest accrued upon redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bonds and with respect to the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bonds.

# **Collateral Federal Income Tax Consequences**

The following discussion is a summary of certain collateral federal income tax consequences resulting from the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds. This discussion is based on Existing Law, which is subject to change or modification, retroactively.

The following discussion is applicable to investors, other than those who are subject to special provisions of the Code, such as financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, life insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals allowed an earned income credit, certain S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits, foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax, taxpayers qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase tax-exempt obligations.

THE DISCUSSION CONTAINED HEREIN MAY NOT BE EXHAUSTIVE. INVESTORS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL PROVISIONS OF THE CODE, SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE TAX TREATMENT WHICH MAY BE ANTICIPATED TO RESULT FROM THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS BEFORE DETERMINING WHETHER TO PURCHASE THE BONDS.

Interest on the Bonds may be includable in certain corporations' "adjusted financial statement income" determined under section 56A of the Code to calculate the alternative minimum tax imposed by section 55 of the Code.

Under section 6012 of the Code, holders of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, may be required to disclose interest received or accrued during each taxable year on their returns of federal income taxation.

Section 1276 of the Code provides for ordinary income tax treatment of gain recognized upon the disposition of a tax-exempt obligation, such as the Bonds, if such obligation was acquired at a "market discount" and if the fixed maturity of such obligation is equal to, or exceeds, one year from the date of issue. Such treatment applies to "market discount bonds" to the extent such gain does not exceed the accrued market discount of such bonds; although for this purpose, a de minimis amount of market discount is ignored. A "market discount bond" is one which is acquired by the holder at a purchase price which is less than the stated redemption price at maturity or, in the case of a bond issued at an original issue discount, the "revised issue price" (i.e., the issue price plus accrued original issue discount). The "accrued market discount" is the amount which bears the same ratio to the market discount as the number of days during which the holder holds the obligation bears to the number of days between the acquisition.

# State, Local and Foreign Taxes

Investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the tax implications of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds under applicable state or local laws. Foreign investors should also consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences unique to investors who are not United States persons.

# Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Subject to certain exceptions, information reports describing interest income, including original issue discount, with respect to the Bonds will be sent to each registered holder and to the IRS. Payments of interest and principal may be subject to backup withholding under section 3406 of the Code if a recipient of the payments fails to furnish to the payor such owner's social security number or other taxpayer identification number ("TIN"), furnishes an incorrect TIN, or otherwise fails to establish an exemption from the backup withholding tax. Any amounts so withheld would be allowed as a credit against the recipient's federal income tax. Special rules apply to partnerships, estates and trusts, and in certain circumstances, and in respect of Non-U.S. Holders, certifications as to foreign status and other matters may be required to be provided by partners and beneficiaries thereof.

# **Future and Proposed Legislation**

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the Federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds under federal or state law and could affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds. Any such proposal could limit the value of certain deductions and exclusions, including the exclusion for tax-exempt interest. The likelihood of any such proposal being enacted cannot be predicted. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

# LEGAL INVESTMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY TO SECURE PUBLIC FUNDS IN TEXAS

Section 1201.041 of the Public Securities Procedures Act (Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code, as amended) provides that the Bonds are negotiable instruments, investment securities governed by Chapter 8, Texas Business and Commerce Code, and are legal and authorized investments for insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for the sinking funds of municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State of Texas. With respect to investment in the Bonds by municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State of Texas, the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, as amended (the "PFIA"), requires that the Bonds be assigned a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency. See "RATING" herein. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Bonds are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with at least \$1 million of capital, and savings and loan associations. The Bonds are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies, and its political subdivisions, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their market value.

The District has made no investigation of other laws, rules, regulations or investment criteria which might apply to such institutions or entities or which might limit the suitability of the Bonds for any of the foregoing purposes or limit the authority of such institutions or entities to purchase or invest in the Bonds for such purposes. The District has made no review of laws in other states to determine whether the Bonds are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

#### **INVESTMENT POLICIES**

#### Investments

The District invests its funds in investments authorized by Texas law in accordance with investment policies approved by the Board of the District. Both State law and the District's investment policies are subject to change.

#### Legal Investments

Available District funds are invested as authorized by State law and in accordance with investment policies approved by the Board of Trustees. Both State law and the District's investment policies are subject to change. Under Texas law, the District is authorized of rustees. Both State law and the District's investment policies are subject to change. Under Texas law, the District is authorized to invest in: (1) obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including the Federal Home Loan Banks; (2) direct obligations of the State or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by, or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State or the United States or their respective agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States; (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed, or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (the "NCUSIF") or their respective guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (the "NCUSIF") or their respective successors; (8) interest-bearing banking deposits, other than those described in clause (7), that (i) are invested through a broker or institution with a main office or branch office in this state and selected by the District in compliance with the Public Funds Investment Act (Chapter 2256, Government Code) as amended (the "PFIA"), (ii) the broker or institution arranges for the deposit of the funds in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the District's account, (iii) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of the banking deposits is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States, and (iv) the District appoints as its custodian of the banking deposits, in compliance with the PFIA, the institution in clause (8)(i) above, a bank, or a broker-dealer; (9) certificates of deposit and share certificates meeting the requirements of the PFIA (i) that are issued by an institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State and are guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or their respective successors, or are secured as to principal by obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) or the NCUSIF, or their respective successors, or are secured as to principal by obligations described in clauses (1) through (8), above, or secured in accordance with Chapter 2257, Texas Government Code, or in any other manner and amount provided by law for District deposits, or (ii) where (a) the funds are invested by the District through a broker or institution that has a main office or branch office in the State and selected by the District in compliance with the PFIA, (b) the broker or institution arranges for the deposit of the funds in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the District, (c) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and (d) the District appoints, in compliance with the PFIA, the institution in clause (9)(ii)(a) above, a bank, or broker-dealer as custodian for the District with respect to the certificates of deposit; (10) fully collateralized repurchase agreements that have a defined termination date, are secured by a combination of cash and obligations described by clause (1) above, clause (12) below, or, if applicable, which are pledged to the District, held in the District's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or with a third party selected and approved by the District, and are placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve, or a financial institution doing business in the State; (11) certain bankers' acceptances with a stated maturity of 270 days or less, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank, or of the holding company of which the bank is the largest subsidiary, are rated not less than "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency; (12) commercial paper with a stated maturity of 365 days or less that is rated at least "A-1" or "P-1" or an equivalent by either (i) two nationally recognized credit rating agencies, or (ii) one nationally recognized credit rating agency if the commercial paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a United States or state bank; (13) no-load money market mutual funds registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission and complies with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a-7; (14) no-load mutual funds that are registered and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission that have a weighted maturity of less than two years and either (i) have a duration of one year or more and are invested exclusively in obligations approved in this paragraph, or (ii) have a duration of less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities, excluding asset backed securities; (15) guaranteed investment contracts that have a defined termination date and are secured by obligations described in clause (1), excluding obligations which the District is explicitly prohibited from investing in, and in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract; (16) securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, including accrued income, (ii) a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time, (iii) a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than "A" or its equivalent, or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, clauses (12) through (14) above, or an authorized investment pool, (iv) the terms of a loan made under the program require that the securities being held as collateral be pledged to the District held in the District's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District collateral be pledged to the District, held in the District's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or with a third party designated by the District, (v) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State, and (vi) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less and (17) aggregate repurchase agreement transactions entered into by an investing entity in conformity with the provisions of subsections (a-1), (f), and (g) of Section 2256.011 of the Public Funds Investment Act.

The District may invest in such obligations directly or through government investment pools that invest solely in such obligations provided that the pools are rated no lower than "AAA" or "AAAm" or an equivalent by at least one nationally recognized rating service.

The District is specifically prohibited from investing in: (1) obligations whose payment represents the coupon payments on the outstanding principal balance of the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and pays no principal; (2) obligations whose payment represents the principal stream of cash flow from the underlying mortgage-backed security and bears no interest; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations that have a stated final maturity of greater than 10 years; and (4) collateralized mortgage obligations the interest rate of which is determined by an index that adjusts opposite to the changes in a market index.

Under State law, the District may contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of its public funds or other funds under its control for a term of up to two years, but the District retains ultimate responsibility as fiduciary of its assets. In order to renew or extend such a contract, the District must do so by order, ordinance or resolution. The District has not contracted with, and has no present intention of contracting with, any such investment management firm or the Texas Securities Board to provide such services.

As a school district that qualifies as an "issuer" under Chapter 1371, the District is also authorized to purchase, sell, and invest its funds in corporate bonds, but only if the District has formally amended its investment policy to authorize such investments. Texas law defines "corporate bonds" as senior secured debt obligations issued by a domestic business entity and rated not lower than "AA-" or the equivalent by a nationally recognized investment rating firm. The term does not include a bond that is convertible into stocks or shares in the entity issuing the bond (or an affiliate or subsidy thereof) or any unsecured debt. Corporate bonds must finally mature not later than 3 years from their date of purchase by the school district. A school district may not (1) invest more than 15% of its monthly average fund balance (excluding bond proceeds, reserves, and other funds held for the payment of debt service) in corporate bonds; or (2) invest more than 25% of the funds invested in corporate bonds in any one domestic business entity (including subsidiaries and affiliates thereof). Corporate bonds held by a school district must be sold if they are at any time downgraded below "AA-" (or the equivalent thereof) or, with respect to a corporate bond rated "AA-" (or the equivalent thereof), such corporate bond is placed on negative credit watch.

# **Investment Policies**

Under State law, the District is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity; that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management; and that includes a list of authorized investments for District funds, maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment owned by the District and the maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed for pooled fund groups. All District funds must be invested consistent with a formally adopted "Investment Strategy Statement" that specifically addresses each fund's investment. Each Investment Strategy Statement will describe its objectives concerning: (1) suitability of investment type, (2) preservation and safety of principal, (3) liquidity, (4) marketability of each investment, (5) diversification of the portfolio, and (6) yield.

State law also requires that District investments must be made "with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived". At least quarterly the investment officers of the District shall submit an investment report detailing: (1) the investment position of the District, (2) that all investment officers jointly prepared and signed the report, (3) the beginning market value, any additions and changes to market value and the ending value of each pooled fund group, (4) the book value and market value of each separately listed asset at the beginning and end of the reporting period, (5) the maturity date of each separately invested asset, (6) the account or fund or pooled fund group for which each individual investment was acquired, and (7) the compliance of the investment portfolio as it relates to: (a) adopted investment strategy statements and (b) State law. No person may invest District funds without express written authority from the Board.

#### **Additional Provisions**

Under State law, the District is additionally required to: (1) annually review its adopted policies and strategies, (2) adopt a rule, order, ordinance or resolution stating that it has reviewed its investment policy and investment strategies and records any changes made to either its investment policy or investment strategy in the respective rule, order, ordinance or resolution, (3) require any investment officers with personal business relationships or relatives with firms seeking to sell securities to the entity to disclose the relationship and file a statement with the Texas Ethics Commission and the Board; (4) require the qualified représentative of firms offering to engage in an investment transaction with the District to: (a) receive and review the District's investment policy, (b) acknowledge that reasonable controls and procedures have been implemented to preclude investment transactions conducted between the District and the business organization that are not authorized by the District's investment policy (except to the extent that this authorization is dependent on an analysis of the makeup of the District's entire portfolio or requires an interpretation of subjective investment standards), and (c) deliver a written statement in a form acceptable to the District and the business organization attesting to these requirements; (5) perform an annual audit of the management controls on investments and adherence to the District's investment policy; (6) provide specific investment training for the Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and investment officers; (7) restrict reverse repurchase agreements to not more than 90 days and restrict the investment of reverse repurchase agreement funds to no greater than the term of the reverse purchase agreement; (8) restrict the investment in no-load mutual funds in the aggregate to no more than 15% of the District's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service; (9) require local government investment pools to conform to the new disclosure, rating, net asset value, yield calculation, and advisory board requirements, and (10) at least annually review, revise, and adopt a list of qualified brokers that are authorized to engage in investment transactions with the District.

# **Current Investments**

As of August 31, 2025, the District had approximately \$247,144,748 (unaudited) invested in Lone Star Investment Pool and approximately \$113,811,010 (unaudited) invested in TexPool (both of which are government investment pools that generally have the characteristics of a money-market mutual fund). The market value of such investments (as determined by the District by reference to published quotations, dealer bids, and comparable information) is approximately 100% of the book value. No funds of the District are invested in derivative securities; i.e., securities whose rate of return is determined by reference to some other instrument, index, or commodity.

# REGISTRATION AND QUALIFICATION OF BONDS FOR SALE

No registration statement relating to the Bonds has been filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemption provided thereunder by Section 3(a)(2). The Bonds have not been approved or disapproved by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, nor has the United States Securities and Exchange Commission passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of the Official Statement. The Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Bonds been registered or qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction. The District assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Bonds may be sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Bonds shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions.

It is the obligation of the Underwriters to register or qualify the sale of the Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction which so requires. The District agrees to cooperate, at the Underwriters' written request and sole expense, in registering or qualifying the Bonds or in obtaining an exemption from registration or qualification in any state where such action is necessary; provided, however, that the District shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to execute a general or special consent to service of process in any jurisdiction.

# CYBERSECURITY RISK MANAGEMENT

The District's operations are increasingly dependent on information technologies and services, which are exposed to cybersecurity risks and cyber incidents or attacks. While the District continually assesses and monitors its cybersecurity risks, the District may

be subject to cyber-attacks from time to time. In response to such assessments and monitoring, the District takes actions it deems appropriate in response to cybersecurity risks, including, but not limited to, implementing cybersecurity training programs, obtaining technology improvements to mitigate cybersecurity risks, and taking other similar measures. To date, the District has not been the victim of any cyber-attack that has had a material adverse effect on its operations or financial condition. However, no assurance can be given that the District will fully prevent or successfully remediate the operational and/or financial impact of any cybersecurity incursions or incidents arising from events wholly or partially beyond the District's control, including electrical telecommunications outages, natural disasters or cyber-attacks initiated by criminal activities of individuals or organizations. Any such occurrence could materially and adversely affect the District's operations and/or financial condition.

# **FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

SAMCO Capital Markets Inc. is employed as Financial Advisor to the District to assist in the issuance of the Bonds. In this capacity, the Financial Advisor has compiled certain data relating to the Bonds that is contained in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has not independently verified any of the data contained herein or conducted a detailed investigation of the affairs of the District to determine the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. Because of its limited participation, the Financial Advisor assumes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of any of the information contained herein. The fee of the Financial Advisor for services with respect to the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Bonds. In the normal course of business, the Financial Advisor may from time to time sell investment securities to the District for the investment of bond proceeds or other funds of the District upon the request of the District.

The Financial Advisor has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the District and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In the Order, the District has made the following agreement for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The District is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Bonds. Under the agreement, the District will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually and timely notice of specified events to the MSRB. The information provided to the MSRB will be available to the public free of charge via the EMMA system at www.emma.msrb.org. See "APPENDIX E - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" for a description of the TEA's continuing disclosure undertaking to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually with respect to the Permanent School Fund and the State, as the case may be, and to provide timely notice of certain specified events related to the guarantee, to the MSRB.

# **Annual Reports**

The District will provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually to the MSRB. The information to be updated includes financial information and operating data with respect to the District of the general type included in this Official Statement in Appendix A (such information being the "Annual Operating Report"). The District will additionally provide financial statements of the District (the "Financial Statements"), that will be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Appendix D or such other accounting principles as the District may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to State law or regulation and shall be in substantially the form included in Appendix D and (ii) audited, if the District commissions an audit of such Financial Statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. The District will update and provide the Annual Operating Report within six months after the end of each fiscal year and the Financial Statements within 12 months of the end of each fiscal year, in each case beginning with the fiscal year ending in and after 2025. The District may provide the Financial Statements earlier, including at the time it provides its Annual Operating Report, but if the audit of such Financial Statements is not complete within 12 months after any such fiscal year end, then the District shall file unaudited Financial Statements within such 12-month period and audited Financial Statements for the applicable fiscal year, when and if the audit report on such Financial Statements becomes available.

The District may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by Rule 15c2-12.

The District's current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, the Annual Operating Report must be provided by the last day of February in each year, and the Financial Statements must be provided by August 31 of each year, unless the District changes its fiscal year. If the District changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change.

# **Notice of Certain Events**

The District will also provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds to the MSRB in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event): (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material; events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) medifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) medifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the District, which shall occur as described below; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material; (15) incurrence of a financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of accelerati

For these purposes, (a) any event described in clause (12) of the immediately preceding paragraph is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed

by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District. For the purposes of the above described event notices (15) and (16), the term "financial obligation" means a (i) debt obligation, (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (iii) a guarantee of (i) or (ii); provided however, that a "financial obligation" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement (as defined in Rule 15c2-12) has been provided to the MSRB consistent with Rule 15c2-12.

# **Availability of Information**

All information and documentation filing required to be made by the District in accordance with its undertaking made for the Bonds will be filed with the MSRB in electronic format in accordance with MSRB guidelines. Access to such filings will be provided, without charge to the general public, by the MSRB at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

The District has agreed to update information and to provide notices of specified events only as described above. The District has not agreed to provide other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of its financial results of operations, condition, or prospects or agreed to update any information that is provided, except as described above. The District makes no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date. The District disclaims any contractual or tort liability for damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its continuing disclosure agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although holders of Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the District to comply with its agreement.

The District may amend its continuing disclosure agreement to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the District, if (i) the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the offering described herein in compliance with Rule 15c2-12, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of Rule 15c2-12 to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (ii) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds consent to the amendment or (b) any qualified person unaffiliated with the District (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the registered owners of the Bonds. The District may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of Rule 15c2-12 or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of Rule 15c2-12 are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds. If the District so amends the agreement, it has agreed to include with the next financial information and operating data provided in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports" an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information and operating data so provided.

#### **Compliance with Prior Undertakings**

During the past five years, the District has complied in all material respects with all continuing disclosure agreements made by it in accordance with Rule 15c2-12.

#### **LITIGATION**

In the opinion of District officials, the District is not a party to any litigation or other proceeding pending or to their knowledge threatened, in any court, agency or other administrative body (either state or federal) which, if decided adversely to the District, would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or operations of the District.

At the time of the initial delivery of the Bonds, the District will provide the Underwriters with a certificate to the effect that except as disclosed in the Official Statement, no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending challenging the issuance of the Bonds or that affects the payment and security of the Bonds or in any other manner questioning the issuance, sale or delivery of the Bonds.

# FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

The statements contained in this Official Statement, and in any other information provided by the District, that are not purely historical, are forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the District's expectations, hopes, intentions, or strategies regarding the future. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to the District on the date hereof, and the District assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. It is important to note that the District's actual results could differ materially from those in such forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond the control of the District. Any of such assumptions could be inaccurate and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement would prove to be accurate.

# **VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS**

Public Finance Partners LLC will deliver to the District, on or before the settlement date of the Bonds, the Report indicating that it has verified the mathematical accuracy of (a) the mathematical computations of the adequacy of the cash and the maturing principal of and interest on the Defeasance Securities, to pay, when due, the maturing principal of, interest on and related call premium requirements, if any, of the Refunded Bonds and (b) the mathematical computations of yield used by Bond Counsel to support its opinion that interest on the Bonds will be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Public Finance Partners LLC relied on the accuracy, completeness and reliability of all information provided to it by, and on all decisions and approvals of, the District. In addition, Public Finance Partners LLC has relied on any information provided to it by the District's retained advisors, consultants or legal counsel.

# UNDERWRITING

The Underwriters have agreed, subject to certain customary conditions, to purchase the Bonds at a price equal to the initial offering prices to the public, as shown on the inside cover page hereof, less an Underwriters' discount of \$158,977.70. The Underwriters' obligations are subject to certain conditions precedent, and the Underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the Bonds, if any Bonds

are purchased. The Bonds may be offered and sold to certain dealers and others at prices lower than such public offering prices, and such public prices may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriters.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information in this Official Statement pursuant to their respective responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

Wells Fargo Securities is the trade name for certain securities-related capital markets and investment banking services of Wells Fargo & Company and its subsidiaries, including Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, which conducts its municipal securities sales, trading and underwriting operations through the Wells Fargo Bank, NA Municipal Finance Group, a separately identifiable department of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a municipal securities dealer pursuant to Section 15B(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, acting through its Municipal Finance Group ("WFBNA"), the senior underwriter of the Bonds, has entered into an agreement (the "WFA Distribution Agreement") with its affiliate, Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC (which uses the trade name "Wells Fargo Advisors") ("WFA"), for the distribution of certain municipal securities offerings, including the Bonds. Pursuant to the WFA Distribution Agreement, WFBNA will share a portion of its underwriting or remarketing agent compensation, as applicable, with respect to the Bonds with WFA. WFBNA has also entered into an agreement (the "WFSLLC Distribution Agreement") with its affiliate Wells Fargo Securities, LLC ("WFSLLC"), for the distribution of municipal securities offerings, including the Bonds. Pursuant to the WFSLLC Distribution Agreement, WFBNA pays a portion of WFSLLC's expenses based on its municipal securities transactions. WFBNA, WFSLLC, and WFA are each wholly-owned subsidiaries of Wells Fargo & Company.

The Underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the Underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various investment banking services for the District for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (which may include bank loans and/or credit default swaps) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve securities and instruments of the District.

#### **CONCLUDING STATEMENT**

No person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Official Statement, and if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the District. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy in any state in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer of solicitation.

References to web site addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only and may be in the form of a hyperlink solely for the reader's convenience. Unless specified otherwise, such web sites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Official Statement for purposes of, and as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12.

The information set forth herein has been obtained from the District's records, audited financial statements and other sources which the District considers to be reliable. There is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will ever be realized. All of the summaries of the statutes, documents and the Order contained in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such statutes, documents, and the Order. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such summarized documents for further information. Reference is made to official documents in all respects.

The Bond Order authorized the Pricing Officer to approve the form and content of this Official Statement and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto and authorized its further use in the re-offering of the Bonds by the Underwriters. This Official Statement has been approved by the Pricing Officer of the District for distribution in accordance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12.

/s/ Ryan Kahlden
Pricing Officer

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Schedule I - Schedule of Refunded Bonds

# **Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013**

Maturities Being Redeemed	Original CUSIP	_ 0	Principal Amount utstanding	Interest Rate	 Principal Amount Being Refunded	Call Date	Am	ncipal nount funded
8/15/2034	944097RN6	\$	975,000.00	3.500%	\$ 975,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
8/15/2035	944097RP1		965,000.00	3.500%	965,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
8/15/2036	944097RQ9		955,000.00	3.500%	 955,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
			2 895 000 00		2 895 000 00		\$	_

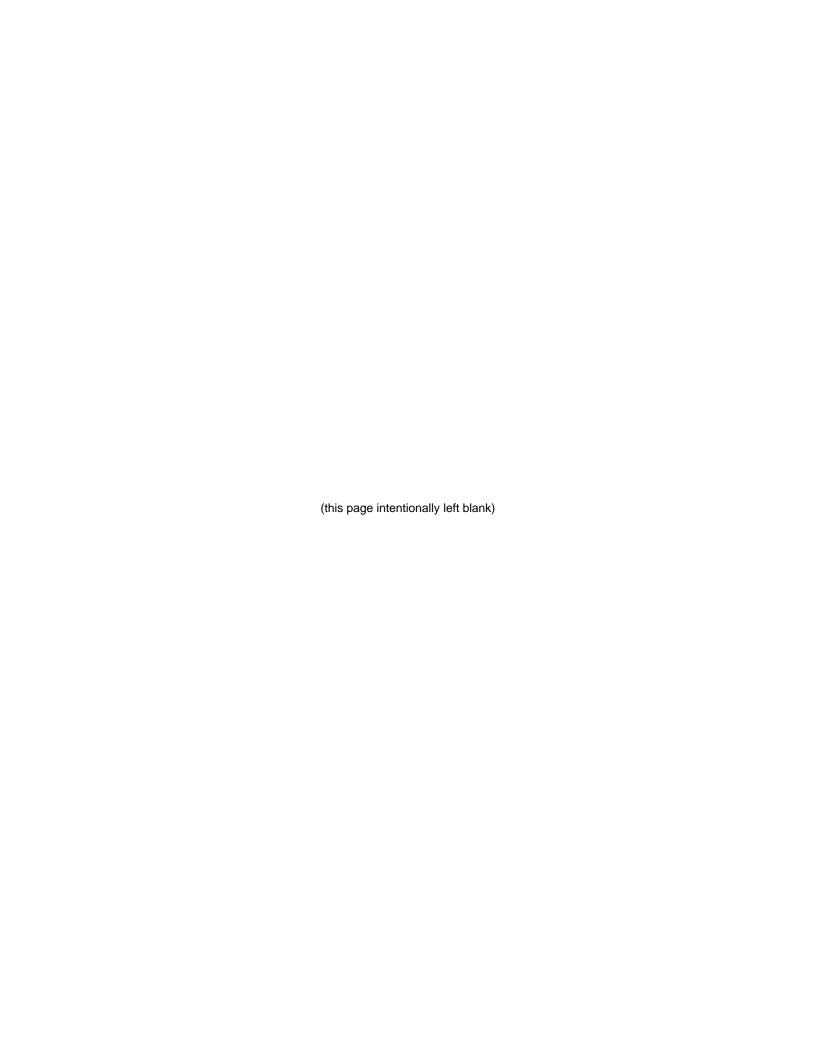
# **Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2015**

Maturities Being Redeemed	Original CUSIP	4	Principal Amount itstanding	Interest Rate		Principal Amount Being Refunded	Call Date	A	rincipal mount refunded
8/15/2029	944097UJ1	\$	940,000.00	3.150%	\$	940,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
8/15/2030	944097UK8		970,000.00	3.250%		970,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2031	944097UL6		955,000.00	3.250%		955,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2032	944097UM4		980,000.00	3.500%		980,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2033	944097UN2		1,020,000.00	3.500%		1,020,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2034	944097UP7		1,055,000.00	3.625%		1,055,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2035	944097UQ5		1,095,000.00	3.625%		1,095,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2036	944097UR3		1,130,000.00	3.750%		1,130,000.00	February 15, 2026		
8/15/2037	944097US1		1,170,000.00	3.750%		1,170,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
8/15/2038	944097UT9	(	6,280,000.00	4.000%		6,280,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
		1:	5,595,000.00		· <del></del>	15,595,000.00		\$	-

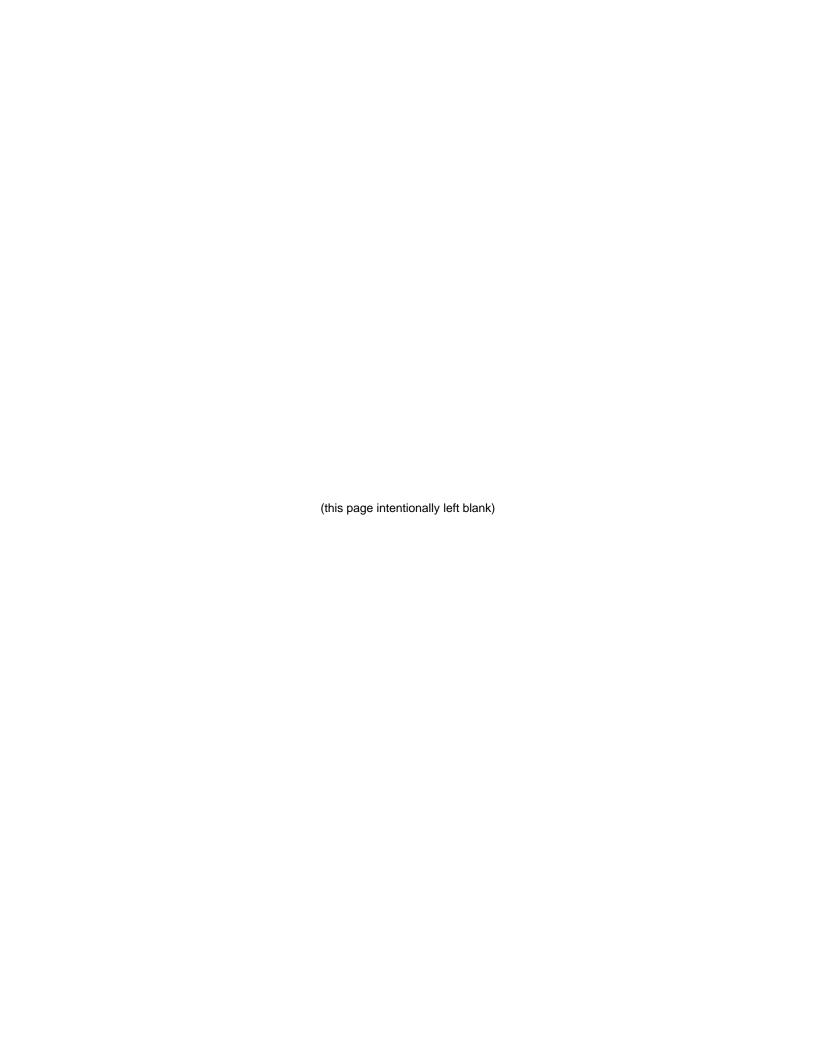
# **Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2016**

Maturities Being Redeemed	Original CUSIP		Principal Amount Outstanding	Interest Rate	 Principal Amount Being Refunded	Call Date	An	ncipal nount ifunded
2/15/2027	944097VM3	\$	805,000.00	4.000%	\$ 805,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
2/15/2028	944097VN1		840,000.00	4.000%	840,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
2/15/2029	944097VP6		875,000.00	4.000%	875,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
2/15/2030	944097VQ4		910,000.00	4.000%	910,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
2/15/2031	944097VR2		945,000.00	4.000%	945,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
2/15/2032	944097VS0		995,000.00	5.000%	995,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
2/15/2033	944097VT8		1,040,000.00	5.000%	1,040,000.00	February 15, 2026		
2/15/2034	944097VU5		1,090,000.00	4.000%	1,090,000.00	February 15, 2026		
2/15/2036	(1)	)	1,175,000.00	5.000%	1,175,000.00	February 15, 2026		
2/15/2037	(1)	)	1,235,000.00	5.000%	1,235,000.00	February 15, 2026		
2/15/2038	(1)	)	3,140,000.00	5.000%	3,140,000.00	February 15, 2026		
2/15/2039	944097VZ4 <sup>(1)</sup>	)	3,305,000.00	5.000%	3,305,000.00	February 15, 2026		-
		\$	16,355,000.00		\$ 16,355,000.00		\$	-

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents a mandatory sinking fund redemption of the term bond outstanding in the principal amount of \$8,855,000 that matures February 15, 2039.



# APPENDIX A FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE DISTRICT



# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Financial Information

# ASSESSED VALUATION (1)

2025/26 Total Valuation		\$ 13,766,824,232
Less Exemptions & Deductions (2):		
State Homestead Exemption	\$ 2,020,827,642	
State Over-65 Exemption	276,286,962	
Disabled Homestead Exemption Loss	195,762,271	
Local Option Over-65 Exemption	20,889,285	
Veterans Exemption Loss	5,664,891	
Veterans Survivng Spouse Exemption Loss	6,509,032	
First Responder Survivng Spouse Exemption Loss	343,636	
Freeport Exemption	108,790,772	
Pollution Control Exemption Loss	13,249,947	
Solar/Wind Exemption Loss	3,674,194	
Prorations & Other Partial Exemptions	5,456,131	
Productivity Loss	1,701,231,789	
Homestead Cap Loss	338,080,232	
Non-Homestead (23.231) Cap Loss	78,751,315	
	\$ 4,775,518,099	
2025/26 Certified Net Taxable Valuation		\$ 8,991,306,133

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Certified values from the Ellis Appraisal District as of July 25, 2025. The 2025/26 Certified Values reflect the increased homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM - 2025 Legislative Sessions" in this Official Statement for a discussion of the increase in the general State mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and the increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled from mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and the increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons 65 years of age or older \$10,000 to \$60,000.

#### **VOTED GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT**

Unlimited Tax Bonds Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup> Less: The Refunded Bonds Plus: The Bonds Total Unlimited Tax Bonds <sup>(1)</sup>		\$ 675,890,981 (34,845,000) 31,580,000 672,625,981
Less: Interest & Sinking Fund Balance (As of August 31, 2025) (2)  Net General Obligation Debt		\$ (16,380,000) 656,245,981
Ratio of Net G.O. Debt to Net Taxable Valuation (3)	7.30%	
2025 Population Estimate <sup>(4)</sup> Per Capita Net Taxable Valuation Per Capita Net G.O. Debt	64,357 \$139,710 \$10,197	

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes interest accreted on outstanding capital appreciation bonds.

# PROPERTY TAX RATES AND COLLECTIONS

		Net					
		Taxable		% Co	llectio	ns <sup>(7)</sup>	
Fiscal Year		Valuation	Tax Rate	Current (8)		Total (8)	_
2006/07	\$	2,308,358,606 (1)	\$ 1.5973 <sup>(9)</sup>	97.87%		100.19%	
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2007/08		2,540,670,654 (1)	1.3600 <sup>(9)</sup>	98.16%		100.75%	
2008/09		2,752,384,833 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.3600	98.05%		100.69%	
2009/10		2,825,334,510 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.3600	98.37%		100.65%	
2010/11		2,795,858,079 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.4289	98.82%		100.57%	
2011/12		2,779,853,164 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.4289	98.97%		100.32%	
2012/13		2,792,877,813 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.4289	99.02%		99.86%	
2013/14		2,828,279,744 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.4289	99.20%		100.14%	
2014/15		2,989,791,312 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.4289	99.25%		99.91%	
2015/16		3,158,322,088 (1)(2	1.5539	99.18%		99.84%	
2016/17		3,423,459,543 <sup>(1) (2</sup>	1.5539	99.36%		99.53%	
2017/18		3,768,788,597 (1)(2	1.5539	99.47%		100.63%	
2018/19		4,128,558,166 (1)(2	1.5539	99.29%		99.45%	
2019/20		4,718,496,763 <sup>(1) (2</sup>	) 1.4522 <sup>(10)</sup>	99.19%		99.83%	
2020/21		5,309,902,817 <sup>(1) (2</sup>	1.3654	99.24%		100.02%	
2021/22		5,921,448,605 <sup>(1) (2</sup>	1.3442	99.24%		99.86%	
2022/23		7,447,515,807 <sup>(1) (3</sup>	1.3268	98.88%		99.25%	
2023/24		8,349,933,665 <sup>(1) (4</sup>	1.170-	98.87%		99.63%	
2024/25		8,913,831,137 <sup>(1) (4</sup>	) 1.1681	98.74%	(11)	99.07%	(11)
2025/26		8,991,306,133 <sup>(5) (6</sup>					

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts - Property Tax Division. See the Assessed Valuation section in this Appendix for additional infor (2) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 3, 2015 increased the homestead exemption from \$15,000 to \$25,000. (3) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on May 7, 2022 increased the homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

<sup>(2)</sup> Source: Waxahachie ISD Estimate.
(3) See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" in this Official Statement and "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS" in this appendix and see the "Audited Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024" in Appendix D for more information relative to the District's outstanding obligations
(4) Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

<sup>(3)</sup> The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on May 7, 2022 increased the homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

(4) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 7, 2023 increased the homestead exemption from \$40,000 to \$100,000.

(5) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 4, 2025 increased the homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000.

(6) Source: Certified values from the Ellis Appraisal District as of July 25, 2025.

(7) Source: Waxahachie ISD Audited Financial Statements.

(8) Excludes penalties and interest.

(9) The declines in the District's Maintenance & Operation Tax for the 2006/07 and 2007/08 fiscal years are a function of House Bill 1 adopted by the Texas Legislature in May 2006. See "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS" and "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" in this Official Statement.

(10) The decline in the District's Maintenance & Operation Tax from the 2018/19 fiscal year to the 2020/21 fiscal year is a function of House Bill 3 adopted by the Texas Legislature in June 2019. See "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS" and "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" in this Official Statement.

(11) Source: Waxahachie ISD Estimate.

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Maintenance & Operations (2)	\$0.9603	\$0.9429	\$0.7575	\$0.7552	\$0.7552
Debt Service	\$0.3839	\$0.3839	\$0.4129	\$0.4129	\$0.4129
Total Tax Rate	\$1.3442	\$1.3268	\$1.1704	\$1.1681	\$1.1681

# **VALUATION AND FUNDED DEBT HISTORY**

Fiscal Year	Net Taxable Valuation	Bond Debt Outstanding (1)	Ratio  Debt to A.V. (2)
2006/07	\$ 2,308,358,606	\$ 103,002,289	4.46%
2007/08	2,540,670,654	99,297,290	3.91%
2008/09	2,752,384,833	97,616,118	3.55%
2009/10	2,825,334,510	95,823,734	3.39%
2010/11	2,795,858,079	120,084,284	4.30%
2011/12	2,779,853,164	118,413,379	4.26%
2012/13	2,792,877,813	116,419,295	4.17%
2013/14	2,828,279,744	114,597,537	4.05%
2014/15	2,989,791,312	186,480,473	6.24%
2015/16	3,158,322,088	229,920,693	7.28%
2016/17	3,423,459,543	227,183,180	6.64%
2017/18	3,768,788,597	224,252,560	5.95%
2018/19	4,128,558,166	241,644,828	5.85%
2019/20	4,718,496,763	238,037,940	5.04%
2020/21	5,309,902,817	230,688,709	4.34%
2021/22	5,921,448,605	221,457,001	3.74%
2022/23	7,447,515,807	408,762,772	5.49%
2023/24	8,349,933,665	590,061,701	7.07%
2024/25	8,913,831,137	675,890,981	7.58%
2025/26	8,991,306,133 <sup>(3)</sup>	662,385,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	7.37%
2023/20	0,331,300,133	002,303,000	1.31/0

# **ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT**

Taxing Body		Amount	Percent Overlapping	Amount Overlapping		
Ellis County	\$	21,260,000	27.73%	\$	5,895,398	
City of Ennis		68,778,117	56.00%		38,515,745	
Midlothian Municipal Management District #2		22,505,000	23.96%		5,392,198	
City of Midlothian		155,941,590	1.23%		1,918,082	
City of Red Oak		75,222,074	1.37%		1,030,542	
City of Waxahachie		115,045,057	98.90%		113,779,561	
Total Overlapping Debt <sup>(1)</sup>				\$	166,531,526	
Waxahachie Independent School District (2)					656,245,981	
Total Direct & Overlapping Debt (1) (2)				\$	822,777,507	
Ratio of Net Direct & Overlapping Debt to Net Taxab Per Capita Direct & Overlapping Debt	le Valu	ation	9.15% \$12,785			

Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas. The District has not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of such information (except for the amounts relating to the District), and no person should rely upon such information as being accurate or complete.

<sup>(1)</sup> On September 6, 2014, the District successfully held a tax ratification election at which the voters of the District approved a maintenance and operations tax not to exceed \$1.17.
(2) The decline in the District's Maintenance & Operations Tax from the 2018/19 fiscal year to the 2025/26 fiscal year is a function of House Bill 3 adopted by the Texas Legislature in June 2019.

<sup>(1)</sup> At fiscal year end. Excludes interest accreted on outstanding capital appreciation bonds.
(2) See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" in this Official Statement and "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS" in this Appendix and see the "Audited Financial Report Fiscal Year

<sup>(2)</sup> See CORRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE STSTEM IN this Official statement and DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS In this Appendix and see the Addited Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024" in Appendix and see the Addited Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024" in Appendix Brown the Ellis Appraisal District as of July 25, 2025. The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 4, 2025 increased the homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000.

(4) Includes the Bonds and excludes the Refunded Bonds.

<sup>(1)</sup> Equals gross-debt less self-supporting debt.
(2) Includes the Bonds and excludes the Refunded Bonds. Includes the Bonds and excludes the Refunded Bonds. Excludes interest accreted on outstanding capital appreciation bonds.

# 2025/26 Top Ten Taxpayers (1)

			% of Net
Name of Taxpayer	Type of Business	Taxable Value	Valuation
Dartco of Texas	Styrofoam Manufacturing	\$ 113,027,454	1.26%
Oncor Electric Delivery	Electric Utility	106,290,800	1.18%
Owens Corning Insulating System	Fiberglass Manufacturer	91,779,148	1.02%
Walgreen Company	Distribution Center	64,952,688	0.72%
James Hardie Building Products	Fiber Cement Plant	57,286,887	0.64%
289 BSL Waxahachie LLC	Commercial Land	52,441,147	0.58%
North Grove 12.5 LLC Series 1	Commercial Land	45,508,200	0.51%
Crystal Living Village	Apartments	41,143,642	0.46%
Oxford at Crossroads LP	Apartments	37,400,000	0.42%
SPE SW Villas LLC	Apartments	36,210,000	0.40%
		\$ 646.039.966	7.19%

# 2024/25 Top Ten Taxpayers (2)

				% of Net
Name of Taxpayer	Type of Business	T	Valuation	
Owens Corning Insulating System	Fiberglass Manufacturer	\$	96,970,678	1.09%
Oncor Electric Delivery	Electric Utility		89,947,200	1.01%
Dartco of Texas	Styrofoam Manufacturing		74,290,889	0.83%
Walgreen Company	Distribution Center		0.77%	
James Hardie Building Products	Fiber Cement Plant		51,543,112	0.58%
North Grove 12.5 LLC Series 1	Commercial Land		42,412,581	0.48%
Oxford at Crossroads LP	Apartments		39,300,000	0.44%
SPE SW Villas LLC	Apartments		38,157,479	0.43%
The Mark on Conquest Phase II Owner LLC	Apartments		36,800,000	0.41%
Cardinal CG Company	Coated Glass Manufacturing		35,664,955	0.40%
		\$	573,590,721	6.43%

# 2023/24 Top Ten Taxpayers (2)

			% of Net
Name of Taxpayer	Type of Business	Taxable Value	Valuation
Walgreen Company	Distribution Center	1.28%	
Owens Corning Insulating System	Fiberglass Manufacturer	90,849,849	1.09%
Oncor Electric Delivery	Electric Utility	81,229,500	0.97%
Dartco of Texas	Styrofoam Manufacturing	69,281,82	0.83%
James Hardie Building Products	Fiber Cement Plant	52,911,95	0.63%
Waxahachie Gala Holdings LLC	Apartments	39,658,222	0.47%
SPE SW Villas LLC	Apartments	37,688,350	0.45%
Oxford at Crossroads LP	Apartments	37,602,579	0.45%
Cardinal CG Company	Coated Glass Manufacturing	36,132,37	0.43%
The Mark on Conquest Phase II Owner LLC	Apartments	34,050,214	0.41%
		\$ 586,541,31	7.02%

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Ellis Appraisal District.(2) Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts - Property Tax Division.

			% of			% of			% of
Category		2025/26 (1)	<u>Total</u>		2024/25 (2)	<u>Total</u>		2023/24 (2)	<u>Total</u>
Real, Residential, Single-Family	\$	7,139,673,402	51.86%	\$	6,563,458,962	50.50%	\$	6,779,490,353	52.99%
Real, Residential, Multi-Family		772,725,061	5.61%		738,235,310	5.68%		645,587,867	5.05%
Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts		309,491,111	2.25%		284,954,777	2.19%		241,565,005	1.89%
Real, Qualified Land & Improvements		1,751,175,079	12.72%		1,715,618,480	13.20%		1,649,396,546	12.89%
Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements		474,429,075	3.45%		604,713,197	4.65%		637,115,756	4.98%
Real, Commercial & Industrial		1,853,101,834	13.46%		1,694,433,542	13.04%		1,529,993,122	11.96%
Oil & Gas		-	0.00%		-	0.00%		-	0.00%
Utilities		224,353,036	1.63%		194,392,076	1.50%		179,342,923	1.40%
Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial		1,000,396,425	7.27%		998,437,300	7.68%		933,349,654	7.30%
Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other		37,628,349	0.27%		38,150,443	0.29%		32,803,691	0.26%
Tangible Personal, Residential Inventory		178,257,622	1.29%		155,977,735	1.20%		143,600,634	1.12%
Tangible Personal, Special Inventory		25,593,238	0.19%	_	8,457,928	0.07%		21,421,729	0.17%
Total Appraised Value	\$	13,766,824,232	100.00%	\$	12,996,829,750	100.00%	\$	12,793,667,280	100.00%
Less:									
Homestead Cap Adjustment	\$	338,080,232		\$	526,088,964		\$	1,171,120,043	
Non-Homestead (23.231) Cap Adjustment		78,751,315			74,783,195			-	
Productivity Loss		1,701,231,789			1,663,784,426			1,604,969,990	
Exemptions		2,657,454,763	(3)	_	1,818,342,028	(4)	_	1,667,643,582	(4)
Total Exemptions/Deductions (7)	\$	4,775,518,099		\$	4,082,998,613		\$	4,443,733,615	
Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$	8,991,306,133		\$	8,913,831,137		\$	8,349,933,665	
			% of			% of			% of
Category		2022/23 <sup>(2)</sup>	% of		2021/22 <sup>(2)</sup>	% of		2020/21 <sup>(2)</sup>	% of
Category		<u>2022/23</u> <sup>(2)</sup>	% of <u>Total</u>		<u>2021/22</u> <sup>(2)</sup>	% of <u>Total</u>		<u>2020/21</u> <sup>(2)</sup>	% of <u>Total</u>
	\$		<u>Total</u>	\$		<u>Total</u>	\$		<u>Total</u>
Real, Residential, Single-Family	\$	5,176,837,399		\$	3,802,374,766		\$	3,361,381,107	
	\$		<u>Total</u> 52.90%	\$		<b>Total</b> 52.85%	\$		<u>Total</u> 51.45%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859	<b>Total</b> 52.90% 5.13%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739	Total 52.85% 5.37%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402	Total 51.45% 4.72%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127	Total 52.90% 5.13% 2.24%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761	Total 52.85% 5.37% 1.26%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699	Total 52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070	Total 52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095	Total 52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756	Total 52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095	Total 52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142	Total 52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142 - 151,641,635 793,036,758	Total 52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537	51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142 - 151,641,635 793,036,758 23,673,642	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953 13,858,309	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420 9,257,307	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142 - 151,641,635 793,036,758	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10% 0.24%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12% 0.19%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420	Total 51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09% 0.14%
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Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other Tangible Personal, Residential Inventory Tangible Personal, Special Inventory	-	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142 - 151,641,635 793,036,758 23,673,642 111,547,634 22,863,925	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10% 0.24% 1.14% 0.23%	_	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953 13,858,309 101,204,237 20,940,910	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12% 0.19% 1.41% 0.29%	<u> </u>	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420 9,257,307 94,185,599 19,337,010	51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09% 0.14% 1.44% 0.30%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other Tangible Personal, Residential Inventory Tangible Personal, Special Inventory  Total Appraised Value	-	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142 - 151,641,635 793,036,758 23,673,642 111,547,634 22,863,925	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10% 0.24% 1.14% 0.23%	_	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953 13,858,309 101,204,237 20,940,910	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12% 0.19% 1.41% 0.29%	<u> </u>	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420 9,257,307 94,185,599 19,337,010 6,533,202,399	51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09% 0.14% 1.44% 0.30%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other Tangible Personal, Residential Inventory Tangible Personal, Special Inventory  Total Appraised Value  Less: Homestead Cap Adjustment	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142 	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10% 0.24% 1.14% 0.23%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953 13,858,309 101,204,237 20,940,910 7,194,904,360	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12% 0.19% 1.41% 0.29%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420 9,257,307 94,185,599 19,337,010	51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09% 0.14% 1.44% 0.30%
Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other Tangible Personal, Residential Inventory Tangible Personal, Special Inventory  Total Appraised Value  Less:	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10% 0.24% 1.14% 0.23%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953 13,858,309 101,204,237 20,940,910 7,194,904,360 - 150,804,860 -	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12% 0.19% 1.41% 0.29%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420 9,257,307 94,185,599 19,337,010 6,533,202,399	51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09% 0.14% 1.44% 0.30%
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Real, Residential, Single-Family Real, Residential, Multi-Family Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts Real, Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Non-Qualified Land & Improvements Real, Commercial & Industrial Oil & Gas Utilities Tangible Personal, Commercial & Industrial Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes & Other Tangible Personal, Residential Inventory Tangible Personal, Special Inventory  Total Appraised Value  Less: Homestead Cap Adjustment Non-Homestead (23.231) Cap Adjustment Productivity Loss	\$	5,176,837,399 501,707,859 218,878,127 1,003,517,699 452,416,095 1,329,349,142	Total  52.90% 5.13% 2.24% 10.26% 4.62% 13.58% 0.00% 1.55% 8.10% 0.24% 1.14% 0.23%  100.00%	\$	3,802,374,766 386,192,739 90,778,761 614,847,070 317,949,756 982,800,179 - 135,647,680 728,309,953 13,858,309 101,204,237 20,940,910  7,194,904,360  150,804,860 - 583,177,915	Total  52.85% 5.37% 1.26% 8.55% 4.42% 13.66% 0.00% 1.89% 10.12% 0.19% 1.41% 0.29%	\$	3,361,381,107 308,068,402 82,743,628 593,999,155 300,741,121 919,835,537 - 119,335,113 724,318,420 9,257,307 94,185,599 19,337,010 6,533,202,399 169,111,585 - 561,758,307	51.45% 4.72% 1.27% 9.09% 4.60% 14.08% 0.00% 1.83% 11.09% 0.14% 1.44% 0.30%

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Certified values from the Ellis Appraisal District as of July 25, 2025. The 2025/26 Certified Values reflect the increased homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM - 2025 Legislative Sessions" in this Official Statement for a discussion of the increase in the general State mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and the increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000.

(2) Source: Comptroller of Public Accounts - Property Tax Division.

(3) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 4, 2025 increased the homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000.

(4) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 7, 2023 increased the homestead exemption from \$40,000 to \$100,000.

(5) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on May 7, 2022 increased the homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

(6) The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 3, 2015 increased the homestead exemption from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

(7) Excludes values on which property taxes are frozen for persons 65 years of age or older and disabled taxpayers.

Fiscal Year Ending 8/31	Outstanding Bonds <sup>(1)</sup>	Less: The Refunded Bonds	Plus: The Bonds	Total <sup>(1)</sup>	Bonds Unpaid At Year End <sup>(1)</sup>	Percent of Principal Retired
2026	\$ 9,905,981.10	\$ -	\$ 335,000.00	\$ 10,240,981.10	\$ 662,385,000.00	1.52%
2027	11,550,000.00	805,000.00	465,000.00	11,210,000.00	651,175,000.00	3.19%
2028	13,225,000.00	840,000.00	490,000.00	12,875,000.00	638,300,000.00	5.10%
2029	14,930,000.00	1,815,000.00	1,480,000.00	14,595,000.00	623,705,000.00	7.27%
2030	15,595,000.00	1,880,000.00	1,555,000.00	15,270,000.00	608,435,000.00	9.54%
2031	16,220,000.00	1,900,000.00	1,585,000.00	15,905,000.00	592,530,000.00	11.91%
2032	17,015,000.00	1,975,000.00	1,670,000.00	16,710,000.00	575,820,000.00	14.39%
2033	17,830,000.00	2,060,000.00	1,755,000.00	17,525,000.00	558,295,000.00	17.00%
2034	18,675,000.00	3,120,000.00	2,845,000.00	18,400,000.00	539,895,000.00	19.73%
2035	19,555,000.00	2,060,000.00	1,805,000.00	19,300,000.00	520,595,000.00	22.60%
2036	20,410,000.00	3,260,000.00	3,025,000.00	20,175,000.00	500,420,000.00	25.60%
2037	21,320,000.00	2,405,000.00	2,165,000.00	21,080,000.00	479,340,000.00	28.74%
2038	22,500,000.00	9,420,000.00	9,310,000.00	22,390,000.00	456,950,000.00	32.06%
2039	23,580,000.00	3,305,000.00	3,095,000.00	23,370,000.00	433,580,000.00	35.54%
2040	24,700,000.00	-	-	24,700,000.00	408,880,000.00	39.21%
2041	25,850,000.00	-	-	25,850,000.00	383,030,000.00	43.05%
2042	27,060,000.00	-	-	27,060,000.00	355,970,000.00	47.08%
2043	28,285,000.00	-	-	28,285,000.00	327,685,000.00	51.28%
2044	29,570,000.00	-	-	29,570,000.00	298,115,000.00	55.68%
2045	30,920,000.00	-	-	30,920,000.00	267,195,000.00	60.28%
2046	28,575,000.00	-	-	28,575,000.00	238,620,000.00	64.52%
2047	29,910,000.00	-	-	29,910,000.00	208,710,000.00	68.97%
2048	31,305,000.00	-	-	31,305,000.00	177,405,000.00	73.63%
2049	32,470,000.00	-	-	32,470,000.00	144,935,000.00	78.45%
2050	33,910,000.00	-	-	33,910,000.00	111,025,000.00	83.49%
2051	35,410,000.00	-	-	35,410,000.00	75,615,000.00	88.76%
2052	36,985,000.00	-	-	36,985,000.00	38,630,000.00	94.26%
2053	38,630,000.00			38,630,000.00	-	100.00%
Total	\$ 675,890,981.10	\$ 34,845,000.00	\$ 31,580,000.00	\$ 672,625,981.10		

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes the accreted value of outstanding capital appreciation bonds.

Fiscal Year	3				Less: Refunded		Plus: The Bonds <sup>(3)</sup>		Combined
Ending 8/31		Debt Service (1)	F	ay Subsidy <sup>(2)</sup>	 Debt Service	 Principal	 Interest	 Total	 Total (1) (2) (3) (4)
2026	\$	42,080,116.42	\$	104,908.75	\$ 1,441,750.00	\$ 335,000.00	\$ 1,105,697.22	\$ 1,440,697.22	\$ 41,974,154.89
2027		41,205,150.00		, -	2,230,650.00	465,000.00	1,550,625.00	2,015,625.00	40,990,125.00
2028		42,374,375.00		-	2,232,750.00	490,000.00	1,526,750.00	2,016,750.00	42,158,375.00
2029		43,466,400.00		-	3,173,450.00	1,480,000.00	1,477,500.00	2,957,500.00	43,250,450.00
2030		43,462,875.00		-	3,173,375.00	1,555,000.00	1,401,625.00	2,956,625.00	43,246,125.00
2031		43,461,075.00		-	3,124,750.00	1,585,000.00	1,323,125.00	2,908,125.00	43,244,450.00
2032		43,462,337.50		-	3,124,937.50	1,670,000.00	1,241,750.00	2,911,750.00	43,249,150.00
2033		43,464,437.50		-	3,124,762.50	1,755,000.00	1,156,125.00	2,911,125.00	43,250,800.00
2034		43,461,612.50		-	4,101,262.50	2,845,000.00	1,041,125.00	3,886,125.00	43,246,475.00
2035		43,465,318.76		-	2,947,093.76	1,805,000.00	924,875.00	2,729,875.00	43,248,100.00
2036		43,463,300.00		-	4,044,250.00	3,025,000.00	804,125.00	3,829,125.00	43,248,175.00
2037		43,464,175.00		-	3,053,200.00	2,165,000.00	674,375.00	2,839,375.00	43,250,350.00
2038		43,572,575.00		-	9,914,950.00	9,310,000.00	387,500.00	9,697,500.00	43,355,125.00
2039		43,573,500.00		-	3,387,625.00	3,095,000.00	77,375.00	3,172,375.00	43,358,250.00
2040		43,575,575.00		-	-	-	-	-	43,575,575.00
2041		43,571,850.00		-	-	-	-	-	43,571,850.00
2042		43,573,450.00		-	-	-	-	-	43,573,450.00
2043		43,572,050.00		-	-	-	-	-	43,572,050.00
2044		43,572,650.00		-	-	-	-	-	43,572,650.00
2045		43,572,475.00		-	-	-	-	-	43,572,475.00
2046		39,728,875.00		-	-	-	-	-	39,728,875.00
2047		39,729,631.25		-	-	-	-	-	39,729,631.25
2048		39,726,962.50		-	-	-	-	-	39,726,962.50
2049		39,468,050.00		-	-	-	-	-	39,468,050.00
2050		39,467,918.75		-	-	-	-	-	39,467,918.75
2051		39,463,431.25		-	-	-	-	-	39,463,431.25
2052		39,466,587.50		-	-	-	-	-	39,466,587.50
2053		39,469,206.25		-	 	 -	 	 -	 39,469,206.25
	\$	1,181,935,960.18	\$	104,908.75	\$ 49,074,806.26	\$ 31,580,000.00	\$ 14,692,572.22	\$ 46,272,572.22	\$ 1,179,028,817.39

# TAX ADEQUACY WITH RESPECT TO THE DISTRICT'S BONDS

Projected Maximum Debt Service Requirement <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 43,575,575.00
Projected State Financial Assistance for Hold Harmless of Increased Homestead Exemption (2)	8,035,000.00
Projected Net Debt Service Requirement	\$ 35,540,575.00
\$0.39927 Tax Rate @ 99% Collections Produces	\$ 35,540,575.00
2025/26 Certified Net Taxable Valuation (3)	\$ 8,991,306,133

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the Bonds and excludes the Refunded Bonds.

# **AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED BONDS**

The District has \$74,356,144 (\$42,284,113 in Proposition A and \$32,072,031 in Proposition B) authorized but unissued ad valorem tax bonds from the May 6, 2023 election. The District may issue a portion of the remaining authorized but unissued bonds within the next twelve months. The District may incur other financial obligations payable from its collection of taxes and other sources of revenue, including public property finance contractual obligations, delinquent tax notes, and leases for various purposes payable from State appropriations and surplus maintenance taxes.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the accreted value of outstanding capital appreciation bonds.
(2) Assumes the Federal Subsidy Payment (defined below) is deposited and applied to the Interest and Sinking Fund Budget. The amount of the original Federal Subsidy for the District's Unlimited Tax Qualified School Construction Bonds Series 2011 (Direct Subsidy) (the "2011 Bonds") has been reduced by 5.7% in 2020/21 by the United States government. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA") authorized the issuance of "Qualified School Construction Bonds", which permitted issuers to elect to receive payments equal to 100% of each interest payment payable on the "Qualified School Construction Bonds (the "Federal Subsidy"). Under the program, the District should receive payments from the United States government with respect to the Series 2011 Bonds equal to 100% of each interest payment. Under the Budget Control Act of 2011, the Federal Subsidy were reduced. The sequestration reduction rate is set at 5.7% for payments processed on or after October 1, 2025, and on or before Sept. 30, 2026, at which time the rate will again be subject to change. Such reductions in Federal Subsidy for 2026 will not materially or adversely affect the financial condition of the District. At this time, the District can make no representations as to the effect or the amount of any reduction in the Federal Subsidy in any future years. (3) Includes accrued interest in the amount of \$96,494,44.

<sup>(4)</sup> Based on it's wealth per student, the District does not expect to receive state financial assistance for the payment of debt service for the fiscal year 2025/26. The amount of state financial assistance for debt service, if any, may differ substantially each year depending on a variety of factors, including the amount, if any, appropriated for that purpose by the state legislature and a school district's wealth per student. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" in this Official Statement.

<sup>(2)</sup> The amount of state financial assistance for debt service, if any, may differ substantially each year depending on a variety of factors, including the amount, if any, appropriated for that purpose by the state legislature and a school district's wealth per student. The District will not receive any Instructional Facilities Allotment nor Existing Debt Allotment state aid in 2025/26, but will receive additional state aid for the increase in the homestead exemption which took effect in 2015/16, 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2025/26.

<sup>(3)</sup> Source: Certified values from the Ellis Appraisal District as of July 25, 2025. The passage of a Texas constitutional amendment on November 4, 2025 increased the homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000

	Fiscal Year Ended August 31									
		2020		2021		2022		2023		2024
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	28,588,494	\$	27,846,795	\$	26,346,414	\$	24,461,439	\$	28,892,169
Revenues:										
Local and Intermediate Sources	\$	50,290,393	\$	51,049,829	\$	56,511,970	\$	69,002,110	\$	60,902,644
State Sources		44,445,965		49,063,270		43,385,906		42,325,346		60,369,930
Federal Sources & Other		1,849,316		1,978,391		4,225,420		2,685,302		266,496
Total Revenues	\$	96,585,674	\$	102,091,490	\$	104,123,296	\$	114,012,758	\$	121,539,070
Expenditures:										
Instruction	\$	54,984,219	\$	61,426,954	\$	61,075,652	\$	66,610,729	\$	68,195,880
Instructional Resources & Media Services		1,262,223		1,344,281		1,307,345		1,357,737		1,360,428
Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development		1,287,512		1,464,454		1,660,608		1,731,579		1,752,238
Instructional Leadership		2,012,167		2,533,537		2,642,981		2,697,960		3,112,678
School Leadership		5,564,156		5,925,830		6,208,130		6,663,114		6,971,549
Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services		2,766,027		2,770,109		2,983,279		3,131,845		3,090,339
Health Services		1,217,793		1,359,006		1,360,117		1,368,970		1,468,244
Student (Pupil) Transportation		3,353,209		3,197,053		3,089,025		3,933,247		5,563,264
Food Services		22,753		82,271		24,677		30,982		32,917
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities		3,694,089		4,314,276		4,466,701		4,912,226		5,470,715
General Administration		3,102,880		3,124,318		3,347,708		3,646,030		3,489,698
Plant Maintenance and Operations		8,696,568		8,379,451		9,140,009		8,895,573		12,036,475
Security and Monitoring Services		1,391,311		1,676,874		1,721,032		2,372,131		2,662,028
Data Processing Services		1,719,280		1,854,045		2,553,540		1,883,646		2,024,976
Community Services		256,380		295,670		238,611		260,694		255,859
Facilities Acquisition and Construction		5,869,152		2,994,493		3,961,842		1,567,224		440,960
Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Prg.		-		-		51,948		27,195		48,300
Other Intergovernmental Charges		474,259		543,072		573,248		667,079		891,476
Total Expenditures	\$	97,673,978	\$	103,285,694	\$	106,406,453	\$	111,757,961	\$	118,868,024
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues										
over Expenditures	\$	(1,088,304)	\$	(1,194,204)	\$	(2,283,157)	\$	2,254,797	\$	2,671,046
Other Resources and (Uses):										
Sale of Property	\$	346,605	\$	54,853	\$	406,929	\$	10,251	\$	22,453
Transfers In		-		-		-		2,165,682		-
Transfers Out (Use)		-		(361,030)		(8,747)		-		-
Special Item: Bad Debt - SHARS								-		(2,536,762)
Total Other Resources (Uses)	\$	346,605	\$	(306,177)	\$	398,182	\$	2,175,933	\$	(2,514,309)
Excess (Deficiency) of										
Revenues and Other Sources										
over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$	(741,699)	\$	(1,500,381)	\$	(1,884,975)	\$	4,430,730	\$	156,737
Ending Fund Balance <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	27,846,795	\$	26,346,414	\$	24,461,439	\$	28,892,169	\$	29,048,906

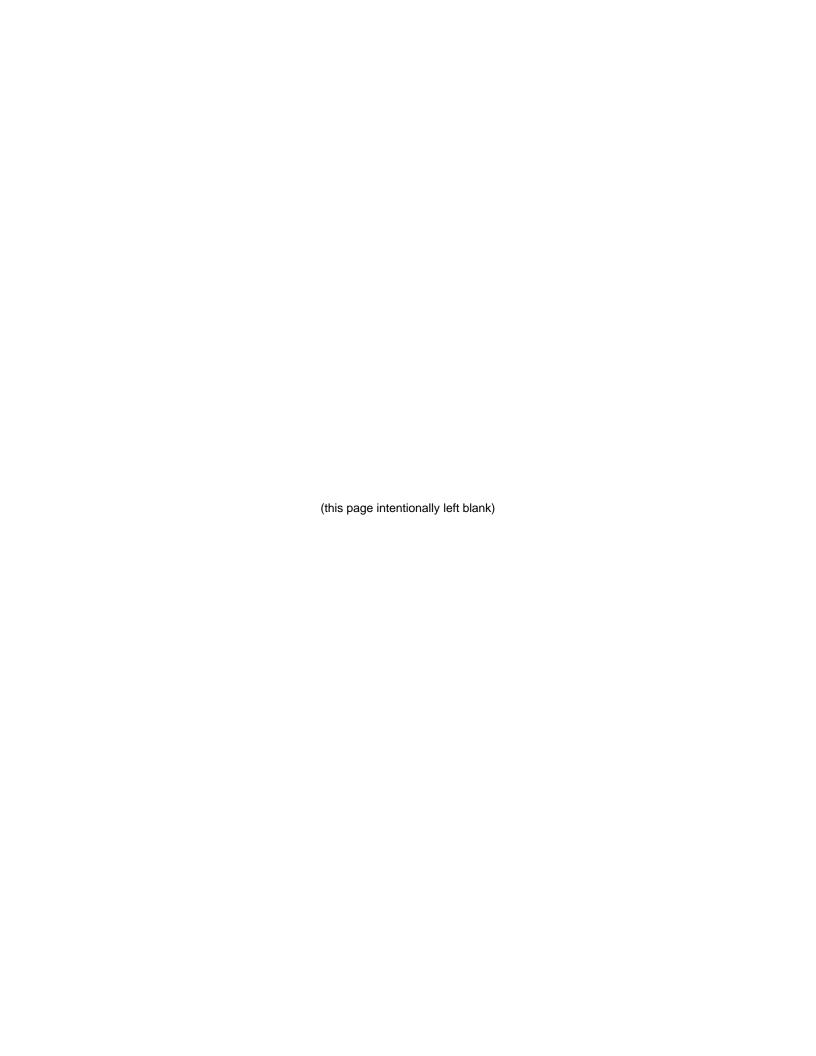
<sup>(1)</sup> See "MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS" in Appendix D hereto for a discussion of the 2025/26 budget and "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM - Possible Effects of Wealth Transfer Provisions on the District's Financial Condition" in this Official Statement.
(2) The District anticipates that the General Fund balance as of August 31, 2025 will equal approximately \$28,900,000.

	Fiscal Year Ended August 31									
		2020		2021		2022		2023		2024
Revenues:										
Program Revenues:										
Charges for Services	\$	2,283,352	\$	1,843,697	\$	2,506,227	\$	3,553,879	\$	4,002,340
Operating Grants and Contributions		16,785,757		16,762,652		17,955,070		14,375,939		12,862,230
General Revenues:										
Property Taxes Levied for General Purposes		48,369,821		49,968,620		55,214,427		67,187,874		61,342,324
Property Taxes Levied for Debt Service		17,381,701		19,553,928		22,004,735		27,307,913		32,926,936
State Aid - Formula Grants		39,295,822		43,741,776		39,713,805		-		-
Grants and Contributions not Restricted		304,120		79,222		8,271,354		45,920,467		50,808,109
Investment Earnings		740,609		44,848		224,832		3,773,846		15,175,142
Miscellaneous		2,056,320		1,352,597		1,190,327		1,086,760		2,200,598
Total Revenue	\$	127,217,502	\$	133,347,340	\$	147,080,777	\$	163,206,678	\$	179,317,679
Expenses:										
Instruction	\$	68,054,492	\$	71,041,759	\$	73,336,604	\$	78,413,588	\$	80,758,034
Instruction Resources & Media Services		1,601,283		1,519,049		1,501,779		1,408,450		1,486,280
Curriculum & Staff Development		1,664,893		1,971,390		2,344,542		2,410,738		3,104,541
Instructional Leadership		2,217,004		2,632,367		2,859,915		3,084,882		3,547,527
School Leadership		6,336,396		6,439,860		7,001,917		7,072,912		6,975,769
Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services		4,388,091		4,378,111		4,849,826		4,944,340		5,387,908
Health Services		1,336,004		1,407,457		1,485,376		1,371,540		1,469,329
Student Transportation		3,472,902		3,648,292		3,450,354		4,030,858		4,713,421
Food Service		795,472		684,847		72,378		792,945		921,665
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities		4,671,994		5,614,122		4,943,790		6,285,034		5,862,643
General Administration		3,394,284		3,358,390		3,626,406		3,748,323		3,596,212
Plant Maintenance & Operations		9,344,452		9,533,371		10,700,414		11,317,020		12,112,792
Security and Monitoring Services		1,649,529		1,729,080		1,799,468		2,511,476		2,989,282
Data Processing Services		2,091,610		2,317,411		2,038,437		1,884,837		1,985,667
Community Services		309,648		317,021		319,006		262,346		244,964
Interest on Long-term Debt		7,489,737		9,519,579		8,486,301		6,610,477		17,861,751
Bond Issuance Costs and Fees		144,800		145,682		4,536		1,509,736		1,544,447
Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Prg.		-		-		51,948		27,195		48,300
Enterprise Fund - National School Breakfast & Lunch		4,363,904		4,686,650		5,033,274		5,871,735		6,033,505
Enterprise Fund - Childcare Fund		432,769		399,268		593,153		678,082		613,625
Enterprise Fund - Lighthouse for Learning		9,935		7,624		12,314		12,548		219
Other Intergovernmental Charges		474,259		543,072		573,248		667,079		891,476
Total Expenditures	\$	124,243,458	\$	131,894,402	\$	135,084,986	\$	144,916,141	\$	162,149,357
Change in Net Position	\$	2,974,044	\$	1,452,938	\$	11,995,791	\$	18,290,537	\$	17,168,322
Beginning Net Position	\$	(16,944,868)	\$	(13,970,822)	\$	(12,517,884)	\$	(522,093)	\$	17,768,444
Ending Net Position	\$	(13,970,824)	\$	(12,517,884)	\$	(522,093)	\$	17,768,444	\$	34,936,766

<sup>(1)</sup> The foregoing information represents government-wide financial information provided in accordance with GASB 34, which the District adopted for the 2002 fiscal year.

#### **APPENDIX B**

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE DISTRICT AND ITS ECONOMY



#### **WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### **General and Economic Information**

Waxahachie Independent School District (the "District") is an industrial area that includes the City of Waxahachie, Texas. Waxahachie is located 30 miles south of Dallas, Texas, 40 miles southeast of Fort Worth, Texas and 65 miles north of Waco, Texas on Interstate Highway 35E and U.S. Highway 287. The current estimated population of the District is 64,357.

Ellis County (the "County") located in northeast Texas, was created in 1849 from Navarro County and named after the president of the Convention of 1836, Richard Ellis. The county is traversed by Interstate Highways 35E and 45 and bordered by the Trinity River to the east. The county seat is Waxahachie.

Source: Texas Municipal Report for Waxahachie ISD and Ellis County

#### **Enrollment Statistics**

Year Ending 8/31	<b>Enrollment</b>
2015	7,997
2016	8,129
2017	8,406
2018	8,518
2019	8,937
2020	9,481
2021	9,600
2022	10,080
2023	10,851
2024	11,061
2025	11,195
Current	11,204

#### **District Staff**

Teachers		790
Auxiliary Personnel		376
Teachers' Aides & Secretaries		343
Administrators		69
Other Professional Staff		173
	Total	1,751

#### **Facilities**

		Current			
<u>Campus</u>	<u>Grades</u>	Enrollment*	<u>Capacity</u>	Year Built	Year of Addition/ Renovation
Marvin Biomedical Academy	K-5	485	600	2002	2014
Clift Elementary	K-5	463	650	2008	2011, 2025
Dunaway Elementary	K-5	506	650	1987	1988, 2024
Felty Elementary	K-5	419	650	2008	2024
Northside Elementary	K-5	425	600	1952	1962, 1973, 1986, 1995
Simpson Elementary	K-5	571	650	2020	N/A
Shackleford Elementary	K-5	407	650	1988	1998
Wedgeworth Elementary	K-5	599	800	1999	2025
Ray Elementary	K-5	418	800	2024	N/A
Wilemon STEAM Academy	K-5	636	800	2024	N/A
Turner Pre-K Academy	PK	217	320	1952	2017
Finley Junior High School	6-8	844	1,050	1985	2011, 2017
Howard Junior High School	6-8	982	950	2008	2011
Coleman Junior High School	6-8	782	1,200	2002	2025
Waxahachie Global High	9-12	366	425	1917	1990, 2006, 2007, 2018
Waxahachie Challenge Academy	K-12	*	100	1970	1973, 1982, 1985, 1988, 1995,
					1999, 2002, 2004, 2005
Waxahachie High School of Choice	9-12	41	196	1970	N/A
Waxahachie High School	9-12	3,043	3,200	2018	N/A

## Principal Employers within the District (Employers with 250-1,000 Employees)

Name of Company Type of Business

Baylor Medical Center
Waxahachie ISD
Public Education
Dart Container Corp.
Ellis County
Walgreen Company
Cardinal IG
Hospital
Public Education
Insulated Foam Cups
Local Government
Distribution Center
Insulated Glass

Cardinal IG Insulated Glass
City of Waxahachie Local Government

Owens-Corning Fiberglass Insulation

UNIVAR Chemical Blending

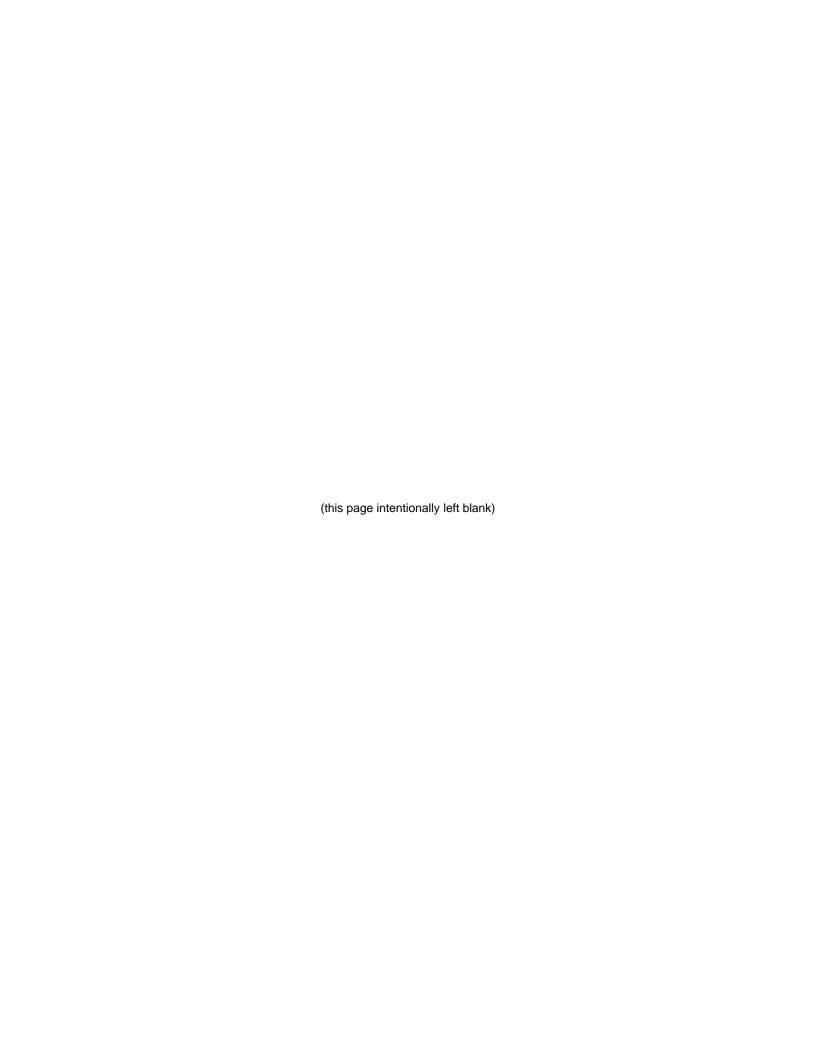
#### **Unemployment Rates**

	August	August	August
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Ellis County	3.8%	4.0%	4.3%
State of Texas	4.3%	4.4%	4.7%

Source: Texas Workforce Commission

## APPENDIX C

FORM OF LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL







#### **Proposed Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel**

An opinion in substantially the following form will be delivered by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, upon the delivery of the Bonds, assuming no material changes in facts or law.

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2025

IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$31,580,000

AS BOND COUNSEL for the Waxahachie Independent School District (the "Issuer"), the issuer of the Bonds described above (the "Bonds"), we have examined into the legality and validity of the Bonds, which bear interest from the dates specified in the text of the Bonds, at the rates and payable on the dates as stated in the text of the Bonds, maturing, unless redeemed prior to maturity in accordance with the terms of the Bonds, all in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in the text of the Bonds.

WE HAVE EXAMINED the applicable and pertinent provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and a transcript of certified proceedings of the Issuer, and other pertinent instruments authorizing and relating to the issuance of the Bonds, including executed Bond Numbered T-1.

BASED ON SAID EXAMINATION, IT IS OUR OPINION that the Bonds have been authorized and issued and the Bonds delivered concurrently with this opinion have been duly delivered and that, assuming due authentication, Bonds issued in exchange therefore will have been duly delivered, in accordance with law, and that the Bonds, except as may be limited by laws applicable to the Issuer relating to bankruptcy, reorganization and other similar matters affecting creditors' rights generally, and by general principles of equity and sovereign immunity of political subdivisions which permit the exercise of judicial discretion, constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer, and ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds have been levied and pledged for such purpose, without limit as to rate or amount.

IT IS FURTHER OUR OPINION, except as discussed below, that the interest on the Bonds is excludable from the gross income of the owners for federal income tax purposes under the statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date of this opinion. We are further of the opinion that the Bonds are not "specified private activity bonds" and that, accordingly, interest on the Bonds will not be included as an individual or corporate alternative minimum tax preference item under section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). Except as stated above, we express no opinion as to any other federal, state, or local tax consequences of acquiring, carrying, owning, or disposing of the Bonds.

IN EXPRESSING THE AFOREMENTIONED OPINIONS, we have relied on and assume continuing compliance with, certain representations contained in the federal tax certificate of the Issuer and covenants set forth in the order adopted by the Issuer to authorize the issuance of the Bonds, relating to, among other matters, the use of the project being refinanced and the investment and expenditure of the proceeds and certain other amounts used to pay or to secure the payment of debt service on the Bonds, the verification report certifying as to the sufficiency of the deposit of cash and maturing investments in the escrow fund, and the certificate with respect to arbitrage by the Commissioner of Education regarding the allocation and investment of certain



investments in the Permanent School Fund, the accuracy of which we have not independently verified. We call your attention to the fact that if such representations are determined to be inaccurate or if the Issuer fails to comply with such covenants, interest on the Bonds may become includable in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

**EXCEPT AS STATED ABOVE**, we express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences of acquiring, carrying, owning or disposing of the Bonds. We express no opinion as to any insurance policies issued with respect to the payments due for the principal of and interest on the Bonds, nor as to any such insurance policies issued in the future.

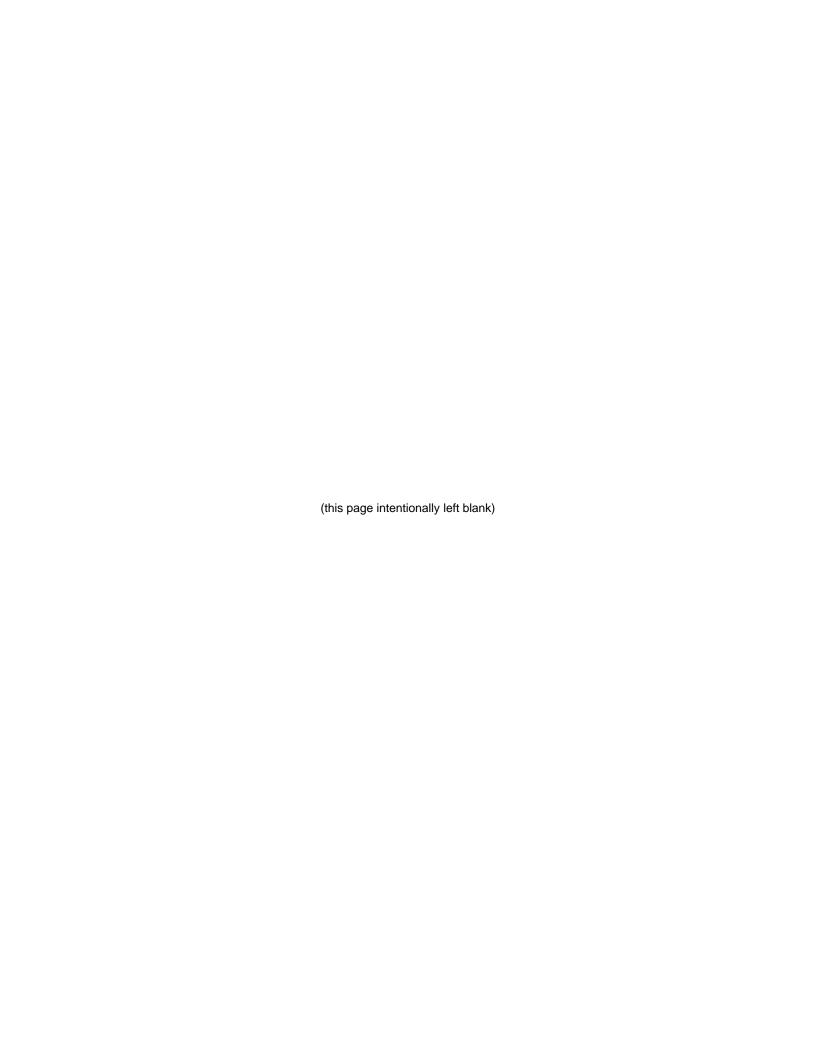
WE CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT that the interest on tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, may be includable in a corporation's adjusted financial statement income for purposes of determining the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations by section 55 of the Code.

OUR OPINIONS ARE BASED ON EXISTING LAW, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"); rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that we deem relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures the Service is likely to treat the Issuer as the taxpayer. We observe that the Issuer has covenanted not to take any action, or omit to take any action within its control, that if taken or omitted, respectively, may result in the treatment of interest on the Bonds as includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

OUR SOLE ENGAGEMENT in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is as Bond Counsel for the Issuer, and, in that capacity, we have been engaged by the Issuer for the sole purpose of rendering our opinions with respect to the legality and validity of the Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and with respect to the exclusion from gross income of the interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes, and for no other reason or purpose. The foregoing opinions represent our legal judgment based upon a review of existing legal authorities that we deem relevant to render such opinions and are not a guarantee of a result. We have not been requested to investigate or verify, and have not independently investigated or verified, any records, data, or other material relating to the financial condition or capabilities of the Issuer, or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Bonds and have not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto. We express no opinion and make no comment with respect to the marketability of the Bonds and have relied solely on certificates executed by officials of the Issuer as to the current outstanding indebtedness of and assessed valuation of taxable property within the Issuer. Our role in connection with the Issuer's Official Statement prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Bonds has been limited as described therein.

#### APPENDIX D

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024



# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024



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#### CERTIFICATE OF BOARD

Waxahachie Independent School District Name of School District	Ellis County	<u>070-912</u> Co Dist. Number
We, the undersigned, certify that the attached annumere reviewed and (check one) approved meeting of the Board of Trustees of such school d	disapproved for the	e year ended August 31, 2024, at a
Signature of Board Secretary		Signature of Board President

#### Members: AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC **ACCOUNTANTS** TEXAS SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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## CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

#### Independent Auditor's Report

Board of School Trustees Waxahachie Independent School District Waxahachie, Texas

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Waxahachie Independent School District (the "District) as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the 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 District as of August 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financials section of our report. We are required to be independent of the 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 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 Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 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 the Teacher Retirement System schedules 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 Ysleta Independent School District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, the required TEA schedules listed in the table of contents, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, the required TEA schedules, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 6, 2024, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of the compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Denton, Texas December 6, 2024

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024 (UNAUDITED)

As management of Waxahachie Independent 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 year ended August 31, 2024. Please read this narrative in conjunction with the independent auditors' report and the District's Basic Financial Statements.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total assets and deferred outflows of resources of the District's governmental activities exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$29,800,020 (net position).
- The District's total net position increased by \$17,168,322 during the current fiscal year from the result of the current year's operations.
- The District's governmental funds reported total fund balances of \$348,257,783. Approximately 8.40% of this total amount, \$28,476,135, is unassigned and available for use within the District's fund balance policies.
- The District's general fund balance was \$29,048,906; the unassigned portion of the general fund balance is \$28,476,135, or 98% is available for use within the District's fund balance policies.
- The District's business type activities are modest as compared to its governmental activities. Business type assets total \$7,204,056 at the end of the fiscal year. Revenues and expenses during the fiscal year totaled \$7,496,070 and \$6,647,349, respectively.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities (on pages 13 and 14). These provide information about the activities of the District as a whole and present a longer-term view of the District's property and debt obligations and other financial matters. They reflect the flow of total economic resources in a manner similar to the financial reports of a business enterprise.

Fund financial statements (starting on page 16) report the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the District's most significant funds. For governmental activities, these statements tell how services are financed in the short term as well as what resources remain for future spending. They reflect the flow of current financial resources and supply the basis for tax levies and appropriation budgets. For proprietary activities, fund financial statements show how goods or services of the District are provided to departments within the District or to external customers and whether the revenues covered the expenses for those goods or services. The remaining statements, fiduciary statements, provide financial information about activities for which the District acts solely as a trustee or agents on behalf of those outside of the District.

The notes to the financial statements (starting on page 29) provide narrative explanations or additional data needed for full disclosure in the government-wide statements and the fund financial statements.

The combining statements for nonmajor funds contain even more information about the District's individual funds. The sections labeled TEA Required Schedules and Federal Awards Section contain data used by TEA and regulatory agencies to monitor compliance with funding requirements.

#### Reporting the District as a Whole

#### The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

The presentation of the District's overall financial condition and operations is shown on the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities (starting on page 13). Their primary purpose is to show whether the District is better or worse off as a result of the year's activities. The Statement of Net Position includes all the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources at the end of the year while the Statement of Activities includes all revenues and expenses generated by the District's operations during the year. These statements use the accrual basis of accounting (the basis used by private sector companies).

All current year revenues and expenses of the District are included in the government-wide financial statements regardless of when cash is received or paid. The District's revenues are reported separately for revenues provided by outside parties who share the costs of some programs, such as user charges or grants provided by the U.S. Department of Education to assist children with disabilities or from disadvantaged backgrounds (program revenues), and for general revenues provided by taxpayers or the TEA through equalization funding processes. All District assets and deferred inflows of resources are reported whether they serve the current year or future years. Liabilities and deferred outflows of resources are included regardless of whether they must be paid in the current or future years.

These two statements report the District's net position and changes in net position. The District's net position provides one measure of the District's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are one indicator of whether the District's financial health is improving or deteriorating. To fully assess the overall health of the District, however, you should consider nonfinancial factors as well, such as changes in the District's average daily attendance, its property tax base, and the condition of the District's facilities.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, we divide the District into two kinds of activities:

- · Governmental activities. Most of the District's basic services are reported here, including instruction, counseling, co-curricular activities, food services, transportation, maintenance, community services, and general administration. Property taxes, tuition, fees, and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business-type activities. The District has programs that charge a fee to "customers" to help cover all or most of the cost of services provided by the programs.

#### Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds of the Districtnot the District as a whole. Laws and contracts require the District to establish funds, such as funds for grants received from the U.S. Department of Education. The District's administration establishes other funds to help identify, manage, and control money for particular purposes (like campus activities). The District's three types of funds – governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary – use different accounting approaches.

· Governmental funds—most of the District's basic services are reported in governmental funds. These funds use modified accrual accounting (a method that focuses on current financial resources) and report balances that are available for current spending. The governmental fund statements provide a short-term view of the District's general operations and the basic services it provides. We describe the differences between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in reconciliation schedules that are included in these financial statements.

- · Proprietary funds—the District reports the activities for which it charges users (whether outside customers or users within the District) in proprietary funds using the same accounting methods employed in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Enterprise funds provide services to outside customers; internal service funds provide services to internal users.
- · Fiduciary funds—the District is the custodian for money raised by student activities. The District's custodial activity is reported separately in a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. We exclude these resources in the government-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its own operations. The District is only responsible for ensuring that these assets are reported in fiduciary funds and are used for their intended purposes.

#### **GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The analysis below presents both current and prior year financial information and discusses significant changes in the accounts. Our analysis focuses on the District's net position (Table I) and changes in net position (Table II) of the District's governmental and business type activities.

Net position of the District's governmental activities increased from \$13,480,419 to \$29,800,020. Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements – was (\$349,655,844) at August 31, 2024.

Table I NET POSITION

	Governmen	tal Activities	Business-ty	pe Activities	Total		
	August 31	August 31	August 31	August 31	August 31	August 31	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	
Current and other assets	\$ 372,548,985	\$ 246,566,026	\$ 6,607,595	\$ 5,294,379	\$ 379,156,580	\$ 251,860,405	
Capital assets, net	359,763,778	267,611,488	596,461	769,987	360,360,239	268,381,475	
Total assets	732,312,763	514,177,514	7,204,056	6,064,366	739,516,819	520,241,880	
Deferred outflows of resources	36,502,221	47,294,299	798,641	1,147,944	37,300,862	48,442,243	
Total assets and deferred outflows							
of resources	768,814,984	561,471,813	8,002,697	7,212,310	776,817,681	568,684,123	
Current liabilities	23,162,252	29,083,052	446,855	460,617	23,609,107	29,543,669	
Long-term liabilities	687,286,721	476,052,646	1,695,398	1,530,744	688,982,119	477,583,390	
Total liabilities	710,448,973	505,135,698	2,142,253	1,991,361	712,591,226	507,127,059	
Deferred inflows of resources	28,565,991	42,982,538	723,698	932,924	29,289,689	43,915,462	
Total liabilities and deferred inflows							
of resources	739,014,964	548,118,236	2,865,951	2,924,285	741,880,915	551,042,521	
Net position:							
Net investments in capital assets	46,617,202	22,525,707	596,461	769,987	47,213,663	23,295,694	
Restricted	332,838,662	208,401,304	4,540,285		337,378,947	208,401,304	
Unrestricted	(349,655,844)	(217,446,592)		3,518,038	(349,655,844)	(213,928,554)	
Total net position	\$ 29,800,020	\$ 13,480,419	\$ 5,136,746	\$ 4,288,025	\$ 34,936,766	\$ 17,768,444	

At the end of the fiscal year, the District reports positive balances in net investment in capital assets and restricted net position for its governmental activities. Unrestricted net position is negative. The District's net position increased by \$17,168,322 during the fiscal year.

Table II CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Programme-wenues:		Governmental Activities		Business Tv	pe Activities	Total			
Charges for services         \$ 369,404         \$ 335,634         \$ 3,632,936         \$ 3,218,245         \$ 4,002,340         \$ 3,553,879           Operating grants and contributions         8,999,096         10,151,761         3,863,134         4,224,178         12,862,230         14,375,939           Ceneral reverses         Property taxes         94,269,260         94,495,787         63,977,813         45,920,467         63,977,813         45,920,467         63,977,813         45,920,467				-	•	2024	2023		
Charges for services         \$ 369,404         \$ 335,634         \$ 3,632,936         \$ 3,218,245         \$ 4,002,340         \$ 3,553,879           Operating grants and contributions         8,999,096         10,151,761         3,863,134         4,224,178         12,862,230         14,375,939           Ceneral reverses         Property taxes         94,269,260         94,495,787         63,977,813         45,920,467         63,977,813         45,920,467         63,977,813         45,920,467									
Operating grants and contributions         8,999,096         10,151,761         3,863,134         4,224,178         12,862,230         14,375,999           Ceneral revenues:         Property taxes         94,269,260         94,495,787         -         94,269,260         94,495,787           State aid - formula grants         63,977,813         45,920,467         -         63,977,813         45,920,467           Investment earnings         2,005,488         3,773,846         -         -         2,005,498         1,788,760           Cher         2,200,598         1,086,760         -         -         2,200,598         1,086,760           Total revenues         171,821,609         155,764,255         7,496,070         7,442,423         179,317,679         163,206,678           Expenses:         Instructional resources and media services         1,486,280         1,488,450         -         -         1,496,280         1,408,450         -         -         1,496,280         1,408,450         -         -         1,496,280         1,408,450         -         -         3,547,527         3,084,882         -         -         1,496,280         1,408,450         -         -         3,547,527         3,084,882         -         -         3,547,527         3,084,88	Program revenues:								
Property taxes	Charges for services	\$ 369,404	\$ 335,634	\$ 3,632,936	\$ 3,218,245	\$ 4,002,340			
Property taxes	Operating grants and contributions	8,999,096	10,151,761	3,863,134	4,224,178	12,862,230	14,375,939		
State aid- formula grants         63,977,813         45,920,467         -         63,977,813         45,920,467           Investment earnings         2,005,438         3,773,846         -         2,005,438         3,773,846           Other         2,200,598         1,086,760         -         2,200,598         1,086,760           Total revenues         171,821,609         155,764,255         7,496,070         7,442,423         179,317,679         163,206,678           Expenses:         1         1,486,260         1,408,450         -         9,786,200         1,408,450           Instructional resources and media services         1,486,280         1,408,450         -         1,486,200         1,408,450           Curriculum and instructional staff development         3,104,541         2,410,738         -         3,104,541         2,410,738           Instructional leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Calidance, counseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         1,469,329         3,71,540         -         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         1,469,329         3,71,540         -         1,469,329         3,71,540	General revenues:								
Investment earnings	Property taxes	94,269,260	94,495,787	-	-	94,269,260	94,495,787		
Other         2,200,598         1,086,760         -         -         2,200,598         1,086,760           Total revenues         171,821,609         155,764,255         7,496,070         7,442,423         179,317,679         163,206,678           Expenses:         Instruction         80,758,034         78,413,588         -         -         80,758,034         78,413,588           Instructional resources and media services         1,486,280         1,408,450         -         -         1,486,280         1,408,450           Curricultum and instructional staff development         3,104,541         2,410,738         -         -         3,104,541         2,410,738           Instructional leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Chidance, counseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Sudent transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505	State aid - formula grants	63,977,813	45,920,467	-	-	63,977,813	45,920,467		
Expenses:	Investment earnings	2,005,438	3,773,846	-	-	2,005,438	3,773,846		
Expenses:	Other	2,200,598	1,086,760		_	2,200,598	1,086,760		
Instruction         80,758,034         78,413,588         -         -         80,758,034         78,413,588           Instructional resources and media services         1,486,280         1,408,450         -         -         1,486,280         1,408,450           Curriculum and instructional staff development         3,104,541         2,410,738         -         -         3,104,541         2,410,738           Instructional leadership         3,547,527         3,084,882         -         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           School leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Guidance, courseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Student transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,800           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         5,862,433	Total revenues	171,821,609	155,764,255	7,496,070	7,442,423	179,317,679	163,206,678		
Instruction         80,758,034         78,413,588         -         -         80,758,034         78,413,588           Instructional resources and media services         1,486,280         1,408,450         -         -         1,486,280         1,408,450           Curriculum and instructional staff development         3,104,541         2,410,738         -         -         3,104,541         2,410,738           Instructional leadership         3,547,527         3,084,882         -         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           School leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Guidance, courseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Student transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,800           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         5,862,433	Fynenses								
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Curriculum and instructional staff development Instructional leadership         3,104,541         2,410,738         -         -         3,104,541         2,410,738           Instructional leadership         3,547,527         3,084,882         -         -         3,547,527         3,084,882           School leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Guidance, counseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Student transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,680           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         12,112,792         11,317,020         -				_	-	1,486,280	1,408,450		
Instructional leadership         3,547,527         3,084,882         -         -         3,547,527         3,084,882           School leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Guidance, counseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Student transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,680           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         <				_	_	3,104,541	2,410,738		
School leadership         6,975,769         7,072,912         -         -         6,975,769         7,072,912           Guidance, counseling and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Student transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,680           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Foundities maintenance and operations         12,112,792         11,317,020         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         <				_	_	3,547,527	3,084,882		
Guidance, counseling, and evaluation services         5,387,908         4,944,340         -         -         5,387,908         4,944,340           Health services         1,469,329         1,371,540         -         -         1,469,329         1,371,540           Student transportation         4,713,421         4,030,858         -         -         4,713,421         4,030,858           Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,680           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         3,596,212         3,748,323           Facilities maintenance and operations         12,112,792         11,317,020         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         1,985,667         1,884,837           Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         2	•			-	_	6,975,769	7,072,912		
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Food services         921,665         792,945         6,033,505         5,871,735         6,955,170         6,664,680           Extracurricular activities         5,862,643         6,285,034         -         -         5,862,643         6,285,034           General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         3,596,212         3,748,323           Facilities maintenance and operations         12,112,792         11,317,020         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         1,985,667         1,884,837           Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         244,964         262,346           Interest on long-term debt         17,861,751         6,610,477         -         -         17,861,751         6,610,477           Debt issuance costs and fees         1,544,447         1,509,736         -         -         1,544,447         1,509,736           Payments to Juvenile Justice         48,300         27,195         -         -         48,300 <td>Student transportation</td> <td></td> <td>• •</td> <td>-</td> <td>_</td> <td>4,713,421</td> <td>4,030,858</td>	Student transportation		• •	-	_	4,713,421	4,030,858		
General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         3,596,212         3,748,323           Facilities maintenance and operations         12,112,792         11,317,020         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         1,985,667         1,884,837           Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         244,964         262,346           Interest on long-term debt         17,861,751         6,610,477         -         -         17,861,751         6,610,477           Debt issuance costs and fees         1,544,447         1,509,736         -         -         1,544,447         1,509,736           Payments to Juvenile Justice         48,300         27,195         -         -         48,300         27,195           Other intergovernmental charges         891,476         667,079         613,844         690,630         1,505,320         1,357,709           Total expenses         155,502,008         138,353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365	•	921,665	792,945	6,033,505	5,871,735	6,955,170	6,664,680		
General administration         3,596,212         3,748,323         -         -         3,596,212         3,748,323           Facilities maintenance and operations         12,112,792         11,317,020         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         1,985,667         1,884,837           Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         244,964         262,346           Interest on long-term debt         17,861,751         6,610,477         -         -         17,861,751         6,610,477           Debt issuance costs and fees         1,544,447         1,509,736         -         -         1,544,447         1,509,736           Payments to Juvenile Justice         48,300         27,195         -         -         48,300         27,195           Other intergovernmental charges         891,476         667,079         613,844         690,630         1,505,320         1,357,709           Total expenses         155,502,008         13,8353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365	Extracurricular activities	5,862,643	6,285,034	-	_	5,862,643	6,285,034		
Facilities maintenance and operations         12,112,792         11,317,020         -         -         12,112,792         11,317,020           Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         1,985,667         1,884,837           Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         244,964         262,346           Interest on long-term debt         17,861,751         6,610,477         -         -         17,861,751         6,610,477           Debt issuance costs and fees         1,544,447         1,509,736         -         -         1,544,447         1,509,736           Payments to Juvenile Justice         48,300         27,195         -         -         48,300         27,195           Other intergovernmental charges         891,476         667,079         613,844         690,630         1,505,320         1,357,709           Total expenses         155,502,008         138,353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365         162,149,357         144,916,141           Change in net position         16,319,601         17,410,479         848,721	General administration	3,596,212		_	_	3,596,212	3,748,323		
Security and montoring services         2,989,282         2,511,476         -         -         2,989,282         2,511,476           Data processing services         1,985,667         1,884,837         -         -         1,985,667         1,884,837           Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         244,964         262,346           Interest on long-term debt         17,861,751         6,610,477         -         -         17,861,751         6,610,477           Debt issuance costs and fees         1,544,447         1,509,736         -         -         1,544,447         1,509,736           Payments to Juvenile Justice         48,300         27,195         -         -         48,300         27,195           Other intergovernmental charges         891,476         667,079         613,844         690,630         1,505,320         1,357,709           Total expenses         155,502,008         138,353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365         162,149,357         144,916,141           Change in net position         16,319,601         17,410,479         848,721         880,058         17,168,322         18,290,537           Net position - beginning of period         13,480,419         (3,930,060)         4,288,025	Facilities maintenance and operations		11,317,020	-	-	12,112,792	11,317,020		
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Community services         244,964         262,346         -         -         244,964         262,346           Interest on long-term debt         17,861,751         6,610,477         -         -         17,861,751         6,610,477           Debt issuance costs and fees         1,544,447         1,509,736         -         -         1,544,447         1,509,736           Payments to Juvenile Justice         48,300         27,195         -         -         48,300         27,195           Other intergovernmental charges         891,476         667,079         613,844         690,630         1,505,320         1,357,709           Total expenses         155,502,008         138,353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365         162,149,357         144,916,141           Change in net position         16,319,601         17,410,479         848,721         880,058         17,168,322         18,290,537           Net position - beginning of period         13,480,419         (3,930,060)         4,288,025         3,407,967         17,768,444         (522,093)	, ,			-	-	1,985,667	1,884,837		
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Other intergovernmental charges         891,476         667,079         613,844         690,630         1,505,320         1,357,709           Total expenses         155,502,008         138,353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365         162,149,357         144,916,141           Change in net position         16,319,601         17,410,479         848,721         880,058         17,168,322         18,290,537           Net position - beginning of period         13,480,419         (3,930,060)         4,288,025         3,407,967         17,768,444         (522,093)	9	1,544,447	1,509,736	-	-	1,544,447	1,509,736		
Total expenses         155,502,008         138,353,776         6,647,349         6,562,365         162,149,357         144,916,141           Change in net position         16,319,601         17,410,479         848,721         880,058         17,168,322         18,290,537           Net position - beginning of period         13,480,419         (3,930,060)         4,288,025         3,407,967         17,768,444         (522,093)	Payments to Juvenile Justice	48,300	27,195	-	-	48,300	27,195		
Change in net position         16,319,601         17,410,479         848,721         880,058         17,168,322         18,290,537           Net position - beginning of period         13,480,419         (3,930,060)         4,288,025         3,407,967         17,768,444         (522,093)	Other intergovernmental charges	891,476	667,079	613,844	690,630	1,505,320	1,357,709		
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	Net position - end of period	\$ 29,800,020	\$ 13,480,419	\$ 5,136,746	\$ 4,288,025				

Total revenues increased from \$163,206,678 to \$179,317,679. Local tax revenues decreased due to a compressed tax rate. State Foundation revenue increased to compensate for the additional compressed tax rate. Other items that affected the District's fiscal 2024 activities were:

- Weighted average daily attendance decreased.
- Student transportation costs increased.
- Facilities maintenance and operations increased.
- Interest on long term debt increased.

The cost of all governmental activities for the current fiscal year was \$155,502,008 as compared to \$138,353,776 for the previous year.

During the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following measures were taken to enable the District to maintain a sound financial position.

- The District's average daily attendance (ADA) increased by 204.476, or approximately 2.04%. Total state aid increased by 53% due to changes in student enrollment and a reduced M&O tax rate.
- The District's General Fund expenditures increased by 6.4% due primarily to increases in personnel costs due to increased positions required by higher enrollment, salary increases and an increase in maintenance and operation costs.
- The District's maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate decreased from \$0.9429 per \$100 in valuation to \$0.7575 per \$100 in valuation. The interest and sinking (I&S) tax rate increased to 0.4129 from \$0.3839 per \$100 in valuation. The District's taxable property valuation increased approximately 11.5%, net of an increase in the homestead exemption from \$40,000 to \$100,000.

The cost of all governmental activities for the current fiscal year was \$155,502,008. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities, the amount that our taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities through District taxes was \$94,269,260 because some of the costs were paid by those who directly benefited from the programs (\$369,404) or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (\$8,999,096).

#### THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on page 16, reported a combined fund balance of \$348,257,783, which is \$110,288,210 more than last year's total of \$237,969,573. Included in this year's total change in fund balance is an increase of \$156,737 in the General fund, a (\$578,929) decrease in the Debt Service Fund, and a \$110,618,535 increase in the Capital Project fund as a result of issuing bonds to finance construction.

Over the course of the year, the Board of Trustees revised the District's budget several times. These budget amendments fall into three categories. The first category includes amendments and supplemental appropriations that were approved shortly after the beginning of the year and reflect the actual beginning balances. The second category includes changes that the Board made during the year to reflect new information regarding revenue sources and expenditure needs. These included increases in personnel costs and maintenance costs throughout the year. The third category involves amendments moving funds from programs that did not need all the resources originally appropriated to them to programs with resource needs.

The District's General Fund balance of \$29,048,906 reported on pages 16 and 20 differs from the General Fund's budgetary fund balance of \$22,600,146 reported in the budgetary comparison schedule on page 23. This is principally due to increased state revenues and reduced expenditures.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

#### Capital Assets

At August 31, 2024, the District's governmental activities had \$359,763,778 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including facilities and equipment for instruction, transportation, athletics, administration, and maintenance. This amount represents a net increase of \$94,142,290 from the prior year.

#### Debt Administration

At year-end, the District had \$625,216,389 in bonds payable outstanding (including accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds) versus \$444,710,091 in the prior year, an increase of \$180,506,298. The District's general obligation bond rating is AAA (as a result of guarantees of the Texas Permanent School Fund) according to national rating agencies. Additional information about the District's capital assets and long-term liabilities is presented on Notes 7 and 8 of the notes to the financial statements.

#### ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

Total state aid is expected to increase slightly due to increased enrollment for the fall 2024 semester, provided that student attendance is better than the forecasted attendance rate of 94.50%.

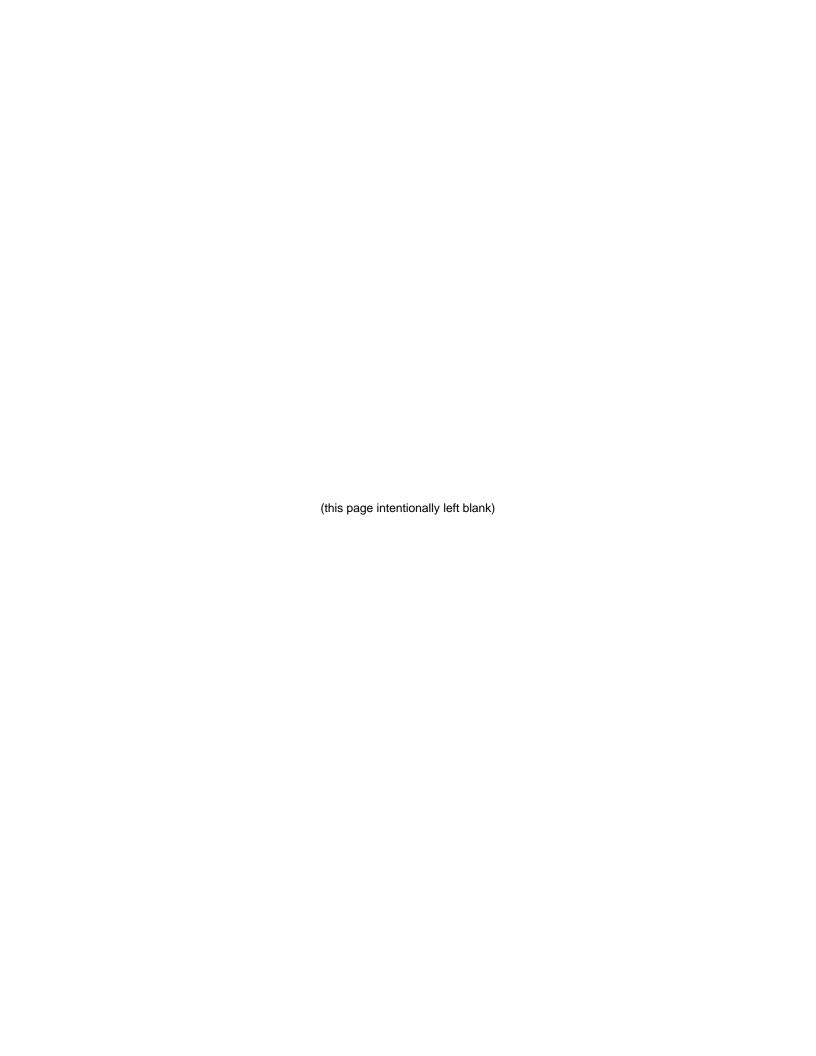
Expenditures are projected to rise approximately 4.15% due to higher personnel costs from salary increases and new positions added to accommodate enrollment growth and inflationary pressure across all departments.

The Maintenance and Operations (M&O) tax rate decreased from \$0.7575 per \$100 in valuation to \$0.7552 per \$100 in valuation as a result in legislative action. The adopted debt service (I&S) tax rate remained unchanged.

The 2024-2025 general fund budget has revenues of \$123,803,375 and expenditures of \$123,803,375, which should leave fund balance unchanged.

#### CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide 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, please contact the District's business office at Waxahachie Independent School District, 411 N Gibson Street, Waxahachie, Texas 75165, or at (972) 923-4631.



BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

AUGUST 31, 2024

			1		2		3
Data				Prir	nary Government		
Data					Business		
Contro		4	Governmental		Type		
Codes			Activities		Activities		Total
ASSE	TS						
1110	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	357,979,404	\$	6,044,440	\$	364,023,844
1220	Property Taxes - Delinquent	-	2,424,589	,	-	_	2,424,589
1230	Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes		(48,492)		-		(48,492)
1240	Due from Other Governments		8,754,009		272,940		9,026,949
1267	Due from Fiduciary Funds		516,496		· -		516,496
1290	Other Receivables, Net		190,208		-		190,208
1300	Inventories		-		290,215		290,215
1410	Prepayments		572,771		-		572,771
	Capital Assets:						
1510	Land		15,762,929		-		15,762,929
1520	Buildings, Net		270,817,900		-		270,817,900
1530	Furniture and Equipment, Net		8,041,090		596,461		8,637,551
1580	Construction in Progress		65,141,859		-		65,141,859
1800	Restricted Assets		2,160,000		-		2,160,000
1000	Total Assets		732,312,763		7,204,056		739,516,819
DEFE	RRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
1701	Deferred Charge for Refunding		5,226,911		_		5,226,911
1705	Deferred Outflow Related to TRS Pension		19,161,786		489,312		19,651,098
1706	Deferred Outflow Related to TRS OPEB		12,113,524		309,329		12,422,853
1700	Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		36,502,221		798,641		37,300,862
LIAB	ILITIES						
2110	Accounts Payable		14,942,396		55,462		14,997,858
2140	Interest Payable		1,247,144				1,247,144
2150	Payroll Deductions and Withholdings		395,573		-		395,573
2160	Accrued Wages Payable		6,577,139		278,607		6,855,746
2300	Unearned Revenue		-		112,786		112,786
	Noncurrent Liabilities:						
2501	Due Within One Year: Loans, Note, Leases, etc. Due in More than One Year:		12,430,000		-		12,430,000
2502	Bonds, Notes, Loans, Leases, etc.		612,786,389		-		612,786,389
2540	Net Pension Liability (District's Share)		43,494,610		1,201,764		44,696,374
2545	Net OPEB Liability (District's Share)		18,575,722		493,634		19,069,356
2000	Total Liabilities		710,448,973		2,142,253		712,591,226
DEFE	RRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
2605	Deferred Inflow Related to TRS Pension		1,536,294		39,472		1,575,766
2606	Deferred Inflow Related to TRS OPEB		27,029,697		684,226		27,713,923
2600	Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	28,565,991		723,698		29,289,689
	NO CYTYONI						
3200	POSITION  Net Investment in Capital Assets and Right-to-Use Lease		46,617,202		596,461		47,213,663
3820	Restricted: Restricted for Federal and State Programs				4,540,285		4,540,285
3850	Restricted for Pederal and State Programs  Restricted for Debt Service		16,059,110		7,270,202		16,059,110
3860	Restricted for Capital Projects		316,779,552		~		316,779,552
3900	Unrestricted		(349,655,844)		_		(349,655,844)
3000	Total Net Position	\$	29,800,020	\$	5,136,746	\$	34,936,766
5000		Ψ	27,000,020			-	

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

				Program	n Reve	nues
Data		1		3		4
Control						Operating
Codes				Charges for		Grants and
Codes		Expenses		Services	C	Contributions
Primary Government:						
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:						
11 Instruction	\$	80,758,034	\$	102,875	\$	5,091,266
2 Instructional Resources and Media Services	Ф	1,486,280	Ф	102,873	Ф	7,621
3 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development		3,104,541		_		1,298,074
21 Instructional Leadership		3,547,527		-		9,163
3 School Leadership		6,975,769		-		51,250
I Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services		5,387,908		_		1,939,676
2 Social Work Services		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		-		8,656
3 Health Services		1,469,329		-		33,147
4 Student (Pupil) Transportation		4,713,421		-		37,137
5 Food Services		921,665		-		2,544
6 Extracurricular Activities		5,862,643		195,301		12,718
1 General Administration		3,596,212		· -		61,375
1 Facilities Maintenance and Operations		12,112,792		71,228		432,214
2 Security and Monitoring Services		2,989,282				6,113
3 Data Processing Services		1,985,667		-		8,142
1 Community Services		244,964		-		-
2 Debt Service - Interest on Long-Term Debt		17,861,751		-		-
3 Debt Service - Bond Issuance Cost and Fees		1,544,447		_		-
5 Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Prg.		48,300		-		-
9 Other Intergovernmental Charges		891,476		-		-
[TG] Total Governmental Activities:		155,502,008		369,404		8,999,096
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:						
Enterprise Fund - National School Breakfast&Lunch		6,033,505		3,059,208		3,863,134
1 WISD Child Care Center		613,625		569,355		-
2 Lighthouse for Learning	_	219		4,373		-
[TB] Total Business-Type Activities:	_	6,647,349		3,632,936		3,863,134
[TP] TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:	\$	162,149,357	\$	4,002,340	\$	12,862,230
Data	=					
Contro	General Revenues					
Codes	Taxes:					
MT		waa Tarii-de C	`a===	1 Dum c		
DT		ixes, Levied for C				
GC		exes, Levied for I				
IE			Cestric	ieu		
MI	Investment Ea	ırnıngs s Local and Interi	madiat	a Davianua		
TR	Total General Rev		псига	e Kevenue		
CN		ge in Net Positio	n			
NB		-	11			
	Net Position - Beg					

Net Position - Ending

NE

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

		CII	anges in Net Positio	711	
	6	D.	7		8
_		Pri	mary Government		
(	Governmental		Business-type		
	Activities		Activities		Total
\$	(75,563,893)	\$	-	\$	(75,563,893)
	(1,478,659)		-		(1,478,659)
	(1,806,467)		-		(1,896,467)
	(3,538,364)		-		(3,538,364)
	(6,924,519)		-		(6,924,519)
	(3,448,232)		-		(3,448,232)
	8,656		-		8,656
	(1,436,182)		-		(1,436,182)
	(4,676,284)		•		(4,676,284)
	(919,121)		-		(919,121)
	(5,654,624)		-		(5,654,624)
	(3,534,837)		-		(3,534,837)
	(11,609,350)		-		(11,609,350)
	(2,983,169)		*		(2,983,169)
	(1,977,525)		-		(1,977,525)
	(244,964)		-		(244,964)
	(17,861,751)		-		(17,861,751)
	(1,544,447)		-		(1,544,447)
	(48,300)		-		(48,300)
	(891,476)		-		(891,476)
	(146,133,508)		-		(146,133,508)
			000.027		000 027
	-		888,837		888,837
	-		(44,270)		(44,270)
	-		4,154		4,154
	•	_	848,721		848,721
	(146,133,508)		848,721		(145,284,787)
	61,342,324		-		61,342,324
	32,926,936		_		32,926,936
	50,808,109		-		50,808,109
	15,175,142		-		15,175,142
	2,200,598		-		2,200,598
	162,453,109		•		162,453,109
	16,319,601	_	848,721		17,168,322
	13,480,419		4,288,025		17,768,444
\$	29,800,020	\$	5,136,746	\$	34,936,766

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

Data			10		50		60
Contro	ol .		General		Debt Service		Capital
Codes			Fund		Fund		Projects
AS	SSETS						
1110	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	26,565,666	\$	13,843,485	\$	316,779,552
1220	Property Taxes - Delinquent		1,694,211		730,378		-
1230	Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes		(33,884)		(14,608)		-
1240	Due from Other Governments		6,300,696		-		-
1260	Due from Other Funds		2,679,191		-		-
1290	Other Receivables		134,583		55,625		-
1410	Prepayments		572,771		-		-
1800	Restricted Assets		-		2,160,000		-
1000	Total Assets	\$	37,913,234	\$	16,774,880	\$	316,779,552
LL	ABILITIES						
2110	Accounts Payable	\$	479,904	\$	-	\$	14,397,757
2150	Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable		394,942		-		-
2160	Accrued Wages Payable		6,329,158		-		-
2170	Due to Other Funds		<u> </u>		-		-
2000	Total Liabilities		7,204,004		-		14,397,757
DF	FERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
2601	Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes		1,660,324		715,770		-
2600	Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	1,660,324		715,770		_
ICI I						_	
FU	ND BALANCES						
3430	Nonspendable Fund Balance: Prepaid Items		572,771				
3430	Restricted Fund Balance:		3/2,//1		-		-
3470	Capital Acquisition and Contractural Obligation				_		302,381,795
3480	Retirement of Long-Term Debt		-		16,059,110		502,501,755
3700	Committed Fund Balance:		_		10,037,110		
3545	Other Committed Fund Balance		_		_		_
3600	Unassigned Fund Balance		28,476,135		_		-
				_	16.050.110	_	202 201 705
3000	Total Fund Balances	===	29,048,906		16,059,110		302,381,795
4000	Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows & Fund Balances	\$	37,913,234	Ф	16,774,880	ď	316,779,552

Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 790,701	\$ 357,979,404 2,424,589 (48,492)
2,453,313	8,754,009 2,679,191 190,208
 -	 572,771 2,160,000
\$ 3,244,014	\$ 374,711,680
\$ 64,735 631 247,981 2,162,695 2,476,042	\$ 14,942,396 395,573 6,577,139 2,162,695 24,077,803
-	2,376,094
 ·	 2,376,094
-	572,771
-	302,381,795 16,059,110
767,972 -	 767,972 28,476,135
 767,972	 348,257,783
\$ 3,244,014	\$ 374,711,680

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### EXHIBIT C-2

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AUGUST 31, 2024

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 348,257,783
1 Capital assets and Right-to-Use Lease Assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in governmental funds. At the beginning of the year, the cost of these assets was \$402,102,163 and the accumulated depreciation was (\$136,480,675). In addition, long-term liabilities, including bonds payable of (\$420,304,319), are not due and payable in the current period, and, therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. The net effect of including the beginning balances for capital assets (net of depreciation) and long-term debt in the governmental activities is to decrease net position.	(154,682,831)
<sup>2</sup> Current year capital outlays and long-term debt principal payments are expenditures in the fund financial statements, but they should be shown as increases in capital assets and reductions in long-term debt in the government-wide financial statements. The net effect of including the capital outlays and debt principal payments is to increase net position. Similarly, the principal payments on Right-to-Use Lease Assets and SBITA Assets are not expenses, rather they are decreases in the Right-to-Use Lease Liabilities and the SBITA Liabilities. These payments must be reclassified and shown as reductions to these liabilities increasing Net Position.	123,367,629
Included in the items related to debt is the recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability required by GASB 68. At the beginning of the year, the net position related to TRS was a Deferred Resource Outflow in the amount of \$28,605,226, a Deferred Resource Inflow in the amount of \$13,073,030 and a net pension liability in the amount of \$36,089,348. The impact of this on Net Position is (\$20,557,152). Changes from the current year reporting of the TRS plan resulted in a decrease in net position in the amount of (\$5,493,572). The combination of the beginning of the year amounts and the changes during the year resulted in a difference between the ending fund balance and the ending net position in the amount of (\$26,050,724).	(26,050,724)
4 The District participates in the TRS-Care plan for retirees through TRS. The District's share of the TRS plan resulted in a net OPEB liability of \$18,575,722, a deferred outflow of \$12,125,430 and a deferred inflow of \$27,102,717. This resulted in a difference between the ending fund balance and the ending net position of (\$36,359,800).	(36,359,800)
5 The current year depreciation expense increases accumulated depreciation by \$9,040,339. The net effect of the current year's depreciation and issuance of bond decreases net position.	(9,040,339)
6 Various other reclassifications and eliminations are necessary to convert from the modified accrual basis of accounting to accrual basis of accounting. These include recognizing unavailable revenue from property taxes as revenue, reclassifying the proceeds of bond sales as an increase in bonds payable, and recognizing the liabilities associated with maturing long-term debt and interest. The net effect of these reclassifications and recognitions is to increase(decrease) net position.	(215,691,698)
29 Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 29,800,020

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

5500         State Program Revenues         03,06,930         3,555,423           5000         Total Revenues         121,539,070         37,093,009         11,2           EXPENDITURES:           Current:           0011         Instruction         68,195,880         -         1,2           0112         Instructional Resources and Media Services         1,360,428         -         -           0112         Instructional Resources and Media Services         1,360,428         -         -           012         Instructional Leadership         3,11,678         -         -           012         Instructional Leadership         6,971,549         -         -           013         Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development         1,752,238         -         -           014         Guidance, Courseling, and Evaluation Services         3,090,339         -         -           015         School Leadership         6,971,549         -         -           021         Instructional Leadership         6,971,549         -         -           031         Feather Services         3,2917         -         -           040         General Administration         3,489,698         -	Data Control Codes			10 General Fund	50 Debt Service Fund	60 Capital Projects
Total Revenues   121,539,070   37,093,009   11,22	5700 Total Local at 5800 State Program	n Revenues	\$	60,369,930	3,555,423	\$ 11,295,935
EXPENDITURES:   Current:	-					 11,295,935
Current:     Instruction   Instruction   Instruction   Instruction   Instruction   Instruction   Instructional Resources and Media Services   1,360,428   -				121,339,070		 11,293,933
0011         Instruction         68,195,880         -         1,2           0012         Instructional Resources and Media Services         1,360,428         -           013         Curiculum and Instructional Staff Development         1,752,238         -           0021         Instructional Leadership         3,112,678         -           0023         School Leadership         6,971,549         -           0031         Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services         3,090,339         -           0032         School Leadership         5,563,264         -           0034         Student (Pupil) Transportation         5,563,264         -           0035         Food Services         32,917         -           0036         Extracurricular Activitites         3,489,698         -           0036         Extracurricular Activities         3,489,698         -           0036         Extracurricular Activities         3,489,698         -           0051         Facilities Maintenance and Operations         12,036,475         -           0052         Security and Monitoring Services         2,024,976         -           0053         Data Processing Services         2,0224,976         -           054		ES:				
	0011 Instruction 0012 Instructiona 0013 Curriculum	and Instructional Staff Development		1,360,428 1,752,238	- - -	1,246,186 75,448
0033   Health Services         1,468,244   -	0023 School Lead	dership			-	-
0035   Food Services         32,917 - 0           0036   Extracurricular Activities         5,470,715 - 0           0041   General Administration         3,489,698 - 0           0051   Facilities Maintenance and Operations         12,036,475 - 0           0052   Security and Monitoring Services         2,662,028 - 0           0053   Data Processing Services         2024,976 - 0           0061   Community Services	0033 Health Serv	rices		1,468,244	-	-
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations         12,036,475 country and Monitoring Services         - 2,662,028 country and Monitoring Services         - 2,662,028 country and Monitoring Services         - 2,024,976 country and Monitoring Services         - 2,024,976 country and Monitoring Services         - 255,859 country and Monitoring Services         - 21,725,318 country and Services cou	0035 Food Service 0036 Extracurries	ces ular Activities		32,917 5,470,715	-	15,175 -
0053 Data Processing Services Community Services Debt Service:         2,024,976         -         <	0051 Facilities M	faintenance and Operations		12,036,475	- -	92,526
Interest on Long-Term Liabilities   -   21,725,318   1,5     Bond Issuance Cost and Fees   -   5,550   1,5     Capital Outlay:   -   5,550   1,5     Facilities Acquisition and Construction Intergovernmental:   -   99,9     Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Prg.   48,300   -     O099	0053 Data Proces 0061 Community	ssing Services Services		2,024,976	-	-
Intergovernmental:	0072 Interest on 0073 Bond Issua	Long-Term Liabilities ance Cost and Fees			21,725,318	1,538,897
0099         Other Intergovernmental Charges         891,476         -           6030         Total Expenditures         118,868,024         37,671,938         102,9           1100         Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures         2,671,046         (578,929)         (91,6           0THER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):         ***         -         -         197,4           7911         Capital Related Debt Issued         -         -         197,4           7912         Sale of Real and Personal Property         22,453         -           7916         Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds         -         -         4,8           7080         Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)         22,453         -         202,2           SPECIAL ITEMS:         **         -         -         -         -           7918         Bad Debt-SHARS         (2,536,762)         -         -           1200         Net Change in Fund Balances         156,737         (578,929)         110,6           0100         Fund Balance - September I (Beginning)         28,892,169         16,638,039         191,7				440,960	-	99,937,908
1100   Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)   2,671,046   (578,929)   (91,6					-	 -
Expenditures OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):  7911 Capital Related Debt Issued 7912 Sale of Real and Personal Property 22,453 7916 Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds 7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) 22,453 7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) 22,453 7080 SPECIAL ITEMS: 7918 Bad Debt-SHARS 7080 Net Change in Fund Balances 7919 Padd Debt-SHARS 7080 SPECIAL ITEMS: 7910 Net Change in Fund Balances 7911 Sale of Real and Personal Property 22,453 7080 Country Support S	6030 Tota	al Expenditures		118,868,024	37,671,938	102,906,140
7911 Capital Related Debt Issued         -         -         197,4           7912 Sale of Real and Personal Property         22,453         -           7916 Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds         -         -         4,8           7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)         22,453         -         202,2           SPECIAL ITEMS:         -	Expenditu	ires	_	2,671,046	(578,929)	 (91,610,205)
7912 Sale of Real and Personal Property       22,453       -         7916 Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds       -       -       4,8         7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)       22,453       -       202,2         SPECIAL ITEMS:         7918 Bad Debt-SHARS       (2,536,762)       -       -         1200 Net Change in Fund Balances       156,737       (578,929)       110,6         0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)       28,892,169       16,638,039       191,7					_	197,410,000
SPECIAL ITEMS:         7918 Bad Debt-SHARS       (2,536,762)       -         1200 Net Change in Fund Balances       156,737       (578,929)       110,6         0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)       28,892,169       16,638,039       191,7	7912 Sale of Real a	nd Personal Property		22,453	- - -	4,818,740
SPECIAL ITEMS:         7918 Bad Debt-SHARS       (2,536,762)       -         1200 Net Change in Fund Balances       156,737       (578,929)       110,6         0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)       28,892,169       16,638,039       191,7	7080 Tota	al Other Financing Sources (Uses)		22,453	=	202,228,740
7918 Bad Debt-SHARS       (2,536,762)       -         1200 Net Change in Fund Balances       156,737       (578,929)       110,6         0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)       28,892,169       16,638,039       191,7			****			 
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances       156,737       (578,929)       110,6         0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)       28,892,169       16,638,039       191,7				(2,536.762)	_	_
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning) 28,892,169 16,638,039 191,7			_		(578,929)	 110,618,535
	_					191,763,260
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending) \$ 29,048,906 \$ 16,059,110 \$ 302,3			<u>\$</u>			\$ 302,381,795

	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$	862,317 3,290,649 5,705,891	\$ 106,545,419 67,216,002 6,025,450
	9,858,857	179,786,871
	5,457,734 67,835 1,305,205 9,163 51,250 1,939,676 8,656 33,147 37,137 261,822 87,521 61,375 432,214 6,113 8,142	74,899,800 1,503,711 3,057,443 3,121,841 7,022,799 5,030,015 1,476,900 5,596,411 85,229 5,732,537 3,577,219 12,190,376 3,094,242 2,031,089 264,001
	- - -	15,941,070 21,725,318 1,544,447
	-	100,378,868
	<u>-</u>	48,300 891,476
	9,766,990	269,213,092
	91,867	(89,426,221)
		197,410,000 22,453 4,818,740 202,251,193
	91,867	(2,536,762) 110,288,210
\$	676,105 767,972	237,969,573 \$ 348,257,783
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# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT EXHIBIT C-4 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 110,288,210
Current year capital outlays and long-term debt principal payments are expenditures in the fund financial statements, but they should be shown as increases in capital assets and reductions in long-term debt in the government-wide financial statements. The net effect of removing the current year capital outlays and debt principal payments is to decrease the change net position. Similarly, current year principal payments on Right-to-Use Leases and SIBTAs are also reclassified as reductions to the Right-To-Use Lease Liability and the SBITA liability which will result in a decrease in the change in Net Position.	123,367,629
Depreciation is not recognized as an expense in governmental funds since it does not require the use of current financial resources. The net effect of the current year's depreciation is to decrease the change in net position.	(9,040,339)
Various other reclassifications and eliminations are necessary to convert from the modified accrual basis of accounting to accrual basis of accounting. These include recognizing unavailable revenue from property taxes as revenue, adjusting current year revenue to show the revenue earned from the current year's tax levy, reclassifying the proceeds of bond sales, and recognizing the liabilities associated with maturing long-term debt and interest. The net effect of these reclassifications and recognitions is to decrease the change in net position.	(205,632,163)
Current year changes due to GASB 68 increased expenditures in the amount of \$5,493,572. The net effect on the change in the ending net position was a decrease in the amount of \$5,493,572.	(5,493,572)
Current year changes due to GASB 75 decreased expenditures in the amount of \$2,829,836. The net effect on the change in the ending net position was an increase in the amount of \$2,829,836.	2,829,836
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 16,319,601

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes		Budgeted Amounts			Actual Amounts (GAAP BASIS)		Variance With Final Budget	
		Original		Final			Positive or (Negative)	
REVENUES:								
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources 5800 State Program Revenues 5900 Federal Program Revenues	\$	62,993,497 54,335,548 2,000,000		60,571,303 54,081,540 1,000,000	\$ 60,902,644 60,369,930 266,496	\$	331,341 6,288,390 (733,504)	
Total Revenues		119,329,045		115,652,843	 121,539,070		5,886,227	
EXPENDITURES:					 			
Current:								
<ul> <li>Instruction</li> <li>Instructional Resources and Media Services</li> <li>Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development</li> </ul>		70,567,598 1,417,523 1,765,761		68,735,580 1,425,211 1,799,281	68,195,880 1,360,428 1,752,238		539,700 64,783 47,043	
0021 Instructional Leadership		2,867,576		3,121,725	3,112,678		9,047	
0023 School Leadership		6,947,041		6,983,081	6,971,549		11,532	
Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services		3,118,966		3,178,812	3,090,339		88,473	
0033 Health Services 0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation		1,486,871		1,496,540	1,468,244		28,296	
0035 Food Services		4,070,619		5,947,448 33,099	5,563,264 32,917		384,184 182	
0036 Extracurricular Activities		5,080,856		5,666,516	5,470,715		195,801	
0041 General Administration		3,735,228		3,757,824	3,489,698		268,126	
Facilities Maintenance and Operations		11,404,898		12,654,446	12,036,475		617,971	
O052 Security and Monitoring Services		2,148,770		2,677,801	2,662,028		15,773	
Data Processing Services		1,936,246		2,055,428	2,024,976		30,452	
Community Services Capital Outlay:		259,812		258,524	255,859		2,665	
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Intergovernmental:		825,000		518,250	440,960		77,290	
0091 Contracted Instructional Services Between School	ols	-		700,000	_		700,000	
Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Prg		40,000		40,300	48,300		(8,000)	
Other Intergovernmental Charges		655,000		895,000	 891,476		3,524	
Total Expenditures		118,327,765		121,944,866	118,868,024		3,076,842	
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		1,001,280		(6,292,023)	 2,671,046		8,963,069	
7912 Sale of Real and Personal Property SPECIAL ITEMS:		-		-	22,453		22,453	
7918 Bad Debt-SHARS		-		-	 (2,536,762)		(2,536,762)	
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances		1,001,280		(6,292,023)	 156,737		6,448,760	
100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)		28,892,169		28,892,169	 28,892,169		-	
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$	29,893,449	\$	22,600,146	\$ 29,048,906	\$	6,448,760	

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds					
	Child Nutrition Program	Nonmajor Enterprise Funds	Total Enterprise Funds			
ASSETS						
Current Assets:						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,397,454	\$ 646,986	\$ 6,044,440			
Due from Other Governments	272,940	-	272,940			
Inventories	290,215	-	290,215			
Total Current Assets	5,960,609	646,986	6,607,595			
Noncurrent Assets:	<del></del>					
Capital Assets:						
Furniture and Equipment. Net	532,696	63,765	596,461			
Total Noncurrent Assets	532,696	63,765	596,461			
Total Assets	6,493,305	710,751	7,204,056			
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred Outflow Related to TRS OPEB	309,329	_	309,329			
Deferred Outflow Related to TRS Pensions	489,312	_	489,312			
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	798,641		798,641			
LIABILITIES						
Current Liabilities:						
Accounts Payable	55,462		55,462			
Accrued Wages Payable	221,518	57,089	278,607			
Unearned Revenues	110,795	1,991	112,786			
Total Current Liabilities	387,775	59,080	446,855			
NonCurrent Liabilities:		*				
Net Pension Liability	1,201,764	_	1,201,764			
Net OPEB Liability	493,634	_	493,634			
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	1,695,398	-	1,695,398			
Total Liabilities	2,083,173	59,080	2,142,253			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<del></del>					
Deferred Inflow Related to TRS OPEB	39,472		39,472			
Deferred Inflow Related to TRS Pensions	684,226	_	684,226			
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Total Deferred Inflows of Resources NET POSITION	723,698		723,698			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	532,696	63,765	596,461			
Restricted for Federal and State Programs	3,952,379	587,906	4,540,285			
Total Net Position	\$ 4,485,075	\$ 651,671	\$ 5,136,746			

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Business-7	Γvpe	Activities	<ul> <li>Enter</li> </ul>	rprise	Funds	,

	Child Nutrition Program	Nonmajor Enterprise Funds	Total Enterprise Funds			
OPERATING REVENUES:						
Local and Intermediate Sources State Program Revenues	\$ 2,506,388 552,820	\$ 532,835 40,893	\$ 3,039,223 593,713			
Total Operating Revenues	3,059,208	573,728	3,632,936			
OPERATING EXPENSES:						
Payroll Costs Professional and Contracted Services	2,823,116 99,273	525,995 5,499	3,349,111 104,772			
Supplies and Materials	2,950,190	52,429	3,002,619			
Other Operating Costs	8,655	8,666	17,321			
Depreciation Expense	152,271	21,255	173,526			
Total Operating Expenses	6,033,505	613,844	6,647,349			
Operating Income (Loss)	(2,974,297)	(40,116)	(3,014,413)			
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):						
National School Breakfast Program	729,159	-	729,159			
National School Lunch Program	2,807,746	-	2,807,746			
Donated Commodities (USDA)	326,229	-	326,229			
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	3,863,134	-	3,863,134			
Change in Net Position	888,837	(40,116)	848,721			
Total Net Position - September 1 (Beginning)	3,596,238	691,787	4,288,025			
Total Net Position - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 4,485,075	\$ 651,671	\$ 5,136,746			

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Business-Type Activities						
	Child Nutrition Program		Nonmajor Enterprise Funds			Total Enterprise Funds	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		1108.411		7 41140			
Cash Received from User Charges Cash Received from State	\$	2,506,388 578,893	\$	532,835 40,893	\$	3,039,223 619,786	
Cash Payments to Employees for Services Cash Payments for Suppliers		(2,525,684) (3,054,303)		(527,618) (57,928)		(3,053,302) (3,112,231)	
Cash Payments for Other Operating Expenses Net Cash Used for Operating	_	(8,655)		(8,666)	_	(17,321)	
Activities		(2,503,361)		(20,484)	_	(2,523,845)	
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities: Cash Received from Federal Programs		3,863,134		-		3,863,134	
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year		1,359,773 4,037,681		(20,484) 667,470		1,339,289 4,705,151	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$	5,397,454	\$	646,986	\$	6,044,440	
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash  Used for Operating Activities: Operating Income (Loss): Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Used for Operating Activities:	\$	(2,974,297)	\$	(40,116)	\$	(3,014,413)	
Depreciation Effect of Increases and Decreases in Current Assets and Liabilities:		152,271		21,255		173,526	
Decrease (increase) in Receivables Increase (decrease) in Accounts Payable		26,073 (4,840)		(1,623)		26,073 (6,463)	
Increase (decrease) in Accrued Wages Payable Increase (decrease) in Pension Increase (decrease) in OPEB		(7,299) 16,908 287,823		-		(7,299) 16,908 287,823	
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	\$	(2,503,361)	\$	(20,484)	\$	(2,523,845)	

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

	Private	Total
	Purpose	Custodial
	Trust Fund	Funds
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 982,863	\$ 772,880
Due from Student Groups	-	75
Total Assets	982,863	\$ 772,955
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	-	2,231
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable	-	45,969
Due to Other Funds	-	516,496
Due to Student Groups		7,031
Total Liabilities		571,727
NET POSITION		
Unrestricted Net Position	982,863	201,228
Total Net Position	\$ 982,863	\$ 201,228

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Private Purpose Trust Fund		Total Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS:			
Miscellaneous Revenue - Student Activities	\$ -	\$	328,189
Earnings from Temporary Deposits	53,003		-
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	19,100		-
Miscellaneous Additions	6		-
Total Additions	 72,109		328,189
DEDUCTIONS:			
Other Deductions	36,500		316,421
Total Deductions	 36,500		316,421
Change in Fiduciary Net Position	35,609		11,768
Fotal Net Position - September 1 (Beginning)	 947,254		189,460
Total Net Position - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 982,863	\$	201,228

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Waxahachie Independent School District (the "District") is a public educational agency operating under the applicable rules and regulations of the State of Texas. It is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees (the "Board") elected by registered voters of the District. The District prepares its basic financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), and it complies with the requirements of the appropriate version of the Financial Accountability System Resource Guide (the Resource Guide) and the requirements of contracts and grants of agencies from which it receives funds.

#### A. REPORTING ENTITY

The Board is elected by the public and has the authority to make decisions, appoint administrators and managers, and significantly influence operations. It also has the primary accountability for fiscal matters. Therefore, the District is a financial reporting entity as defined by the GASB in Statement No.14, "The Financial Reporting Entity", as amended by Statements No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units", and No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus – An Amendment of GASBS Statements No. 14 and No. 34". There are no component units within the reporting entity.

#### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all the non-fiduciary activities of the District. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely, to a significant extent, on fees and charges for support. The District had no business-type activities.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Program revenues include 1) charges for services or privileges provided, and 2) capital grants and contributions. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds. The fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Government-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 provider have been met.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only current assets, current liabilities, deferred inflows and outflows of resources, and fund balances are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present net increases and decreases in current assets (i.e., revenues and other financing sources and expenditures and other financing uses) of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized at the time the liability is incurred.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual; i.e., when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The District considers property taxes as available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. A one-year availability period is used for recognition of all other Governmental Fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

The fiduciary net position of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to/deductions from TRS's fiduciary net position. Benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The fiduciary net position of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) TRS-Care Plan has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits, OPEB expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to/deductions from TRS-Care's fiduciary net position. Benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. There are no investments as this is a pay-as-you-go plan and all cash is held in a cash account.

The revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, charges for services, interest income and intergovernmental revenues. All other Governmental Fund Type revenues are recognized when received.

Revenues from state and federal grants are recognized as earned when the related program expenditures are incurred. Funds received but unearned are reflected as deferred revenues, and funds expended but not yet received are shown as receivables.

Revenue from investments, including governmental external investment pool, is based upon fair value. Fair value is the amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. Most investments are reported at amortized cost when the investments have remaining maturities of one year of less at time of purchase. External investment pools are permitted to report short-term debt investments at amortized cost, provided that the fair value of those investments is not significantly affected by the impairment of the credit standing of the issuer, or other factors. For that purpose, a pool's short-term investments are those with remaining maturities of up to ninety days.

In accordance with the FAR, the District has adopted and installed an accounting system which exceeds the minimum requirements prescribed by the State Board of Education and approved by the State Auditor. Specifically, the District's accounting system uses codes and the code structure presented in the Accounting Code Section of the FAR.

#### D. BUDGETARY CONTROL

Formal budgetary accounting is employed for all required Governmental Fund Types, as outlined in TEA's FAR module, and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. The budget is prepared and controlled at the function level within each organization to which responsibility for controlling operations is assigned.

The official school budget is prepared for adoption for required Governmental Fund Types prior to August 20 of the preceding fiscal year for the subsequent fiscal year beginning September 1. The budget is formally adopted by the Board of Trustees at a public meeting held at least ten days after public notice has been given. The budget is prepared by fund, function, object, and organization. The budget is controlled at the organizational level by the appropriate department head or campus principal within Board allocations. Therefore, organizations may transfer appropriations as necessary without the approval of the board unless the intent is to cross fund, function or increase the overall budget allocations. Control of appropriations by the Board of Trustees is maintained within Fund Groups at the function code level and revenue object code level.

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund, the Food Service Fund, and the Debt Service Fund. The special revenue funds adopt project-length budgets which do not correspond to the District's fiscal year. Each annual budget is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The budget is amended throughout the year by the Board of Trustees. Such amendments are reflected in the official minutes of the Board.

A reconciliation of fund balances for both appropriated budget and nonappropriated budget special revenue funds is as follows:

August 31, 2024 Fund Balance

Appropriated Budget Funds Nonappropriated Budget Funds

767,972

All Special Revenue Funds

\$767,972

## E. ENCUMBRANCE ACCOUNTING

The District employs encumbrance accounting, whereby encumbrances for goods or purchased services are documented by purchase orders and contracts. An encumbrance represents a commitment of Board appropriation related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. The issuance of a purchase order or the signing of a contract creates an encumbrance but does not represent an expenditure for the period, only a commitment to expend resources. Appropriations lapse at August 31 and encumbrances outstanding at that time are either canceled or appropriately provided for in the subsequent year's budget. The District had no material encumbrances outstanding at August 31, 2024.

#### F. INVENTORIES

The District records purchases of supplies as expenditures in the Governmental Funds. In the proprietary fund-types, the consumption method is used to account for inventories of food and other supplies. Under this method, these items are carried in an inventory account of the respective fund at cost, using the first-in, first-out method of accounting, and are subsequently charged to expenditures when consumed.

#### G. PREPAID ITEMS

Prepaid balances are for payments made by the District in the current year to provide services occurring in the subsequent fiscal year, and the nonspendable fund balance has been recognized to signify that a portion of fund balance is not available for other subsequent expenditures.

#### H. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Short-term amounts owed between funds are classified as "Due to/from other funds". Interfund loans are classified as "Advances to/from other funds" and are offset by a fund balance reserve account. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances" and "internal advances".

#### I. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the governmental activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated assets are valued at their fair market value on the date donated. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as expenses. Renewals and betterments are capitalized. Interest has not been capitalized during the construction period on property, plant and equipment.

Assets capitalized have an original cost of \$5,000 or more and over one-year of useful life. Depreciation has been calculated on each class of depreciable property using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings & Improvements 15-50 Years Furniture and Equipment 3-15 Years

#### J. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources are reported in the statement of financial position as described below:

A deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of a government's net assets (a decrease in assets in excess of any related decrease in liabilities or an increase in liabilities in excess of any related increase in assets) by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. The District has three items that qualify for reporting in this category:

**Deferred outflows of resources for refunding** - Reported in the government-wide statement of net position, the deferred charge on bond refundings results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The amount of deferred outflows reported in the governmental activities for the deferred charge on bond refundings at August 31, 2024 was \$5,226,911.

Deferred outflows of resources for pensions - Reported in the government-wide financial statement of net position, this deferred outflow results from pension plan contributions made after the measurement date of the net pension liability and the results of differences between expected and actual actuarial experiences. The 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 next fiscal year. The other pension related deferred outflows will be amortized over the expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive

employees) that are provided with pensions through the pension plan which is currently approximately 5.6705 years.

The total amount of deferred outflows reported in the government-wide financial statement for deferred pension expenses at August 31, 2024 was \$19,651,098.

**Deferred outflows of resources for OPEB-** Reported in the government-wide financial statement of net position, this deferred outflow results from OPEB plan contributions made after the measurement date of the net OPEB liability and the results of differences between expected and actual investment earnings and changes in proportionate share. The 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 next fiscal year. The other OPEB related deferred outflows will be amortized over the expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive employees) that are provided with OPEB through the OPEB plan which is currently approximately 9.2215 years. The total amount of deferred outflows reported for deferred OPEB expense at August 31, 2024 was \$12,422,853.

A deferred inflow of resources is an acquisition of a government's net assets (an increase in assets in excess of any related increase in liabilities or a decrease in liabilities in excess of any related decrease in assets) by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. The District has three items that qualify for reporting in this category:

**Deferred inflows of resources for unavailable revenues** - Reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet, unavailable revenues from property taxes arise under the modified accrual basis of accounting. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The District reported property taxes that are unavailable as deferred inflows of resources in the fund financial statements. The amount of deferred inflows of resources reported in the governmental funds at August 31, 2024 was \$2,376,094.

**Deferred inflows of resources for pensions** - Reported in the government-wide financial statement of net position, these deferred inflows result primarily from differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments and other actuarial and other assumption differences. These amounts will be amortized over a closed 5-year period. In fiscal year 2024, the District reported total deferred inflows of resources for pensions in the amount of \$1,575,766.

**Deferred inflows of resources for OPEB** - Reported in the government-wide financial statement of net position, these deferred inflows result primarily from differences between expected and actual experience and from changes in assumptions. These amounts will be amortized over the average expected remaining service life (AERSL) of all members (9.2215 years for the 2023 measurement year). In fiscal year 2024, the District reported total deferred inflows of resources for OPEB in the amount of \$27,713,923.

#### K. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave since the District does not have a policy to pay any amounts when employees separate from service with the District. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

#### L. NET POSITION

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources; less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through the enabling legislations adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

When both restricted and unrestricted net position is available, restricted net position is expended before unrestricted net position if such use is consistent with the restricted purpose.

#### M. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are expensed as incurred.

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

#### O. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the District purchased commercial insurance to cover general liabilities. There were no significant reductions in coverage in the past fiscal year, and there were no settlements exceeding insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

#### P. ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### O. DATA CONTROL CODES

The Data Control Codes refer to the account code structure prescribed by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) in the *Financial Accountability System Resources Guide*. TEA requires school districts to display these codes in the financial statements filed with the Agency to ensure accuracy in building a statewide data base for policy development and funding plans.

#### NOTE 2. FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION

Net position on the government-wide Statement of Net Position includes the following:

<u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> reports the difference between capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and the outstanding balance of debt, excluding unspent bond proceeds that is directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those capital assets.

<u>Restricted for Federal and State Grant Programs</u> is the component of net position restricted to be spent for specific purposes prescribed by federal and state granting agencies.

<u>Restricted for Debt Service</u> is the component of net position that is restricted for payment of debt service by constraints established by the bond covenants.

<u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> is the residual difference between assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows that is not invested in capital assets or restricted for specific purposes.

It is the District's policy to spend funds available from restricted sources prior to unrestricted sources.

<u>Fund Balance Classification</u>: The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- Nonspendable: This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted: This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Debt service resources are to be used for future servicing of the District's bonded debt and are restricted through debt covenants. Food Service fund balance and Scholarship fund balance are restricted because the use is restricted pursuant to the mandates of the respective grants and donors.
- Committed: This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District's Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by passage of a resolution. This can also be done through adoption and amendment of the budget. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements. The Board of Trustees have committed resources as of August 31, 2024 for campus activities.
- Assigned: This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent can be expressed by the Board of Trustees or through the Board of Trustees delegating this responsibility to other individuals in the District. Under the District's adopted policy, only the Board of Trustees may assign amounts for specific purposes. This classification also includes the remaining positive fund balance for all governmental funds except for the General Fund. The Board of Trustees has no assigned fund balance as of August 31, 2024.
- <u>Unassigned</u>: This classification includes all amounts not included in other spendable classifications, including the residual fund balance/deficit for the General Fund.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless

the Board of Trustees has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

#### NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The District's funds are required to be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract. The depository bank deposits for safekeeping and trust, with the District's agent bank, approved pledged securities in an amount sufficient to protect District funds on a day-to-day basis during the period of the contract. The pledge of approved securities is waived only to the extent of the depository bank's dollar amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance.

# 1. Cash Deposits:

At August 31, 2024, the carrying amount of the District's deposits (checking accounts and interest-bearing demand accounts) was \$364,023,844 and the bank balance was \$370,563,726. The District's cash deposits at August 31, 2024 were entirely covered by FDIC insurance or by pledged collateral held by the District's agent bank in the District's name.

#### 2. Investments:

The Public Funds Investment Act (Government Code Chapter 2256) contains specific provisions in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate policies. Among other things, it requires the District to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return, (6) maximum allowable stated maturity of portfolio investments, (7) maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio, (8) investment staff quality and capabilities, (9) and bid solicitation preferences for certificates of deposit. Statutes authorize the District to invest in (1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, certain U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas; (2) certificates of deposit, (3) certain municipal securities, (4) money market savings accounts, (5) repurchase agreements, (6) bankers acceptances, (7) Mutual Funds, (8) Investment pools, (9) guaranteed investment contracts, (10) and common trust funds. The Act also requires the District to have independent auditors perform test procedures related to investment practices as provided by the Act. The District is in substantial compliance with the requirements of the Act and with local policies.

In compliance with the Public Funds Investment Act, the District has adopted a deposit and investment policy. That policy addresses the following risks:

- a. Custodial Credit Risk Deposits: In the case of deposits, this is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. As of August 31, 2024, the District's cash deposits totaled \$364,023,844. This entire amount was either collateralized with securities held by the District's agent or covered by FDIC insurance. Thus, the District's deposits were not exposed to custodial credit risk as of August 31, 2024.
- b. Custodial Credit Risk Investments: For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At August 31, 2024, the District held investments in two public funds investment pools. The District is not exposed to custodial credit risk for its certificates of deposit as they are collateralized by securities held by the District's agent or covered by FDIC insurance. Investments in external investment pools are considered unclassified as to custodial credit risk because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

- c. Credit Risk: This is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will be unable to fulfill its obligations. The rating of securities by nationally recognized rating agencies is designed to give an indication of credit risk. The credit quality rating for Lone Star Investment Pool at year-end was AAAm (Standard & Poor's). The credit quality rating for TexPool Investment Pool at year-end was AAAm (Standard & Poor's).
- d. Interest Rate Risk: This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The District manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investment portfolio to less than one year from the time of purchase. The weighted average maturity for the District's investment in external investment pools is less than 90 days. Additionally, all investments in bank certificates of deposit are covered by the District's depository pledge or FDIC insurance.
- e. Foreign Currency Risk: This is the risk that exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At August 31, 2024, the District was not exposed to foreign currency risk.
- f. Concentration of Credit Risk: This is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the District's investment in a single issuer (i.e., lack of diversification). Concentration risk is defined as positions of 5 percent or more in the securities of a single issuer. Investment pools are excluded from the 5 percent disclosure requirement.

Public funds investment pools in Texas ("Pools") are established under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 79 of the Texas Government Code, and are subject to the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act (the "Act"), Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. In addition to other provisions of the Act designed to promote liquidity and safety of principal, the Act requires Pools to: 1) have an advisory board composed of participants in the pool and other persons who do not have a business relationship with the pool and are qualified to advise the pool; 2) maintain a continuous rating of no lower than AAA or AAA-m or an equivalent rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service; and 3) maintain the market value of its underlying investment portfolio within one half of one percent of the value of its shares.

The District's investments in Pools are reported at an amount determined by the fair value per share of the pool's underlying portfolio, unless the pool is 2a7-like, in which case they are reported at share value. A 2a7-like pool is one which is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as an investment company, but nevertheless has a policy that it will, and does, operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

The District's investments at August 31, 2024, are shown below:

Description	Ca	Carrying Amount		Fair Value
Lone Star Investment Pool	\$	225,012,384	\$	225,012,384
TexPool Investment Pool		83,643,583		83,643,583
	\$	308,655,967	\$	308,655,967

## NOTE 5. DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The District participates in a variety of federal and state programs from which it receives grants to partially or fully finance certain activities. In addition, the District receives entitlements from the State through the School Foundation Program and Available School Fund.

Total receivables due from other governments for the District's governmental activities and business-type activities as of August 31, 2024 are as follows:

	State				
Entitlements		Federal Grants			Total
\$	6,300,696	\$	-	\$	6,300,696
	-		2,453,313		2,453,313
	272,940		-		272,940
\$	6,573,636	\$	2,453,313	\$	9,026,949
	\$ \$	\$ 6,300,696 - 272,940	Entitlements Fee \$ 6,300,696 \$ - 272,940	Entitlements         Federal Grants           \$ 6,300,696         \$ -           -         2,453,313           272,940         -	Entitlements Federal Grants \$ 6,300,696 \$ - \$  - 2,453,313  272,940 -

#### NOTE 6. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Inter-fund balances at August 31, 2024 consisted of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

Receivable Fund	Receivable Fund Payable Fund		Amount
General	Custodial Fund	\$	516,496
General	Special Revenue Funds		2,162,695
		\$	2,679,191

All interfund balances represent transactions between the General Fund and other funds. These amounts are short-term advances and are expected to be repaid in less than one year.

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# NOTE 7. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended August 31, 2024, was as follows:

		Beginning				Ending
	_	Balances	Additions	Retirements	Reclassifications	Balances
Business-type Activities:						
Furniture & Equipment	\$	2,809,135 \$	- \$	-	\$ - \$	2,809,135
Less accumulated depreciation		(2,039,148)	(173,526)	-	-	(2,212,674)
Total Capital Assets for Business-type	_					
Activities capital assets, net	\$	769,987 \$	(173,526) \$ =	-	\$\$	596,461
		Beginning				Ending
Governmental Activities		Balances	Additions	Retirements	Reclassifications	Balances
Capital assets not being depreciated	-					
Land	\$	15,762,929 \$	- \$		\$	15,762,929
Construction in Progress		6,948,262	90,437,024		(32,243,427)	65,141,859
		22,711,191	90,437,024	-	(32,243,427)	80,904,788
Capital assets being depreciated						
Buildings & Improvements		355,871,427	8,984,612		32,243,427	397,099,466
Furniture & Equipment	_	23,519,545	3,760,993		_	27,280,538
		379,390,972	12,745,605	_	32,243,427	424,380,004
Less accumulated depreciation for						
Buildings & Improvements		(118,477,093)	(7,804,473)			(126,281,566)
Furniture & Equipment		(18,003,582)	(1,235,866)			(19,239,448)
		(136,480,675)	(9,040,339)	-		(145,521,014)
Total Capital Assets for Governmental				-		
Activities, net	\$	265,621,488 \$	94,142,290 \$		\$\$	359,763,778

Depreciation expense was charged as direct expense to programs of the District as follows:

	Governmental		Bu	Business-type		Total
	Activities		A	Activities		
Instruction	\$	6,120,271		-	\$	6,120,271
Instructional Leadership		377,142		-	\$	377,142
Student transportation		414,565		-	\$	414,565
Food services		754,283		173,526	\$	927,809
Extracurricular activities		1,065,923		-	\$	1,065,923
General Administration		34,361		~	\$	34,361
Facilities Maintenance and Operations		214,909		-	\$	214,909
Security and Monitoring Services		58,171		-	\$	58,171
Community Services		714			\$	714
Total depreciation expense	\$	9,040,339	\$	173,526	\$	9,213,865

#### **Construction Commitments**

At August 31, 2024, the District was obligated under major contracts for construction of new facilities and renovations or repairs of various existing facilities. A summary of the status of these projects and the related binding contracts with contractors is as follows:

Project	Costs Incurred	Budgeted Costs
Jimmy Ray Elementary	\$ 35,446,613	\$ 41,841,867
Frankilou Jett Elementary	1,696,850	41,841,867
Wilemon STEAM Academy	36,908,441	53,638,648
Outdoor Seating Area - WHS	57,273	57,273
Hancock Expansion	14,150,705	29,420,520
Creek High School	5,965,928	22,475,000

## NOTE 8. LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the changes in the District's Long-term Debt for the year ended August 31, 2024:

Issuance	Original Issue	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
				Additions			
2002 Building & Ref Bonds	\$ 34,224,0	017 5,13-5,96%	\$ 181,070		- \$ 181,070	) \$ -	\$ -
2011 Ref Bonds	28,621,	701 2 00-5 00%	4,966,701		-	4,966,701	2,565.720
2011 QSCB Bonds *	2,500,0	000 4.45%	2,500,000		-	2,500,000	-
2013 Ref Bonds	5,915,0	2.00-3.50%	5,840,000		-	5,840,000	-
2014 Ref Bonds	8,595,0	000 2.00-3.60%	8.435,000		-	8,435,000	*
2015 Ref Bonds	40,990,0	000 4 00-5 50%	37,450,000		- 545,000	36,905,000	565,000
2015 Building Bonds	75,000,0	3 00-5 00%	70,865,000		- 600,000	70,265,000	630,000
2016 Building Bonds	46,545,0	2.00-5.00%	42,680,000		- 715,000	41,965,000	745,000
2018 Building Bonds	21,005,0	3 00-5 00%	19,040,000		- 420,000	18,620,000	440,000
2020 Ref Bonds	18,825,0	3 00-5 00%	16,545,000		- 830,000	15,715,000	880,000
2021 Ref Bonds	17,625,0	2.00-3.00%	11,610,000		-	11,610,000	-
2023 Building Bonds	190,640,0	00 4,00-5.00%	190,640,000		- 12,650,000	177,990,000	1,640,000
2024 Building Bonds	197,410,0	00 5 00%		197,410,00	0	197,410,000	2,945,000
			410,752,771	197,410,00	0 15,941,070	592,221,701	10.410,720
	Bond Premium		25,754,271	4,818,73	9 2,170,941	28,402,069	
	Accreted Intere	st	8,203,049	633,49	9 4,243,929	4,592,619	2,019,280
			\$ 444,710,091	\$ 202,862,23	8 \$ 22,355,940	\$ 625,216,389	\$ 12,430,000

General Obligation Bonds are direct obligations issued on a pledge of the general taxing power for the payment of the debt obligations of the District. General Obligation Bonds require the District to compute, at the time taxes are levied, the rate of tax required to provide (in each year bonds are outstanding) a fund to pay interest and principal at maturity. The District is in compliance with this requirement.

There are a number of limitations and restrictions contained in the various general obligation bonds indentures. The District is in compliance with all significant limitations and restrictions at August 31, 2024.

The District's Unlimited Tax Qualified School Construction Bonds-Series 2011 require the District to make sinking fund deposits into a sinking fund restricted to payment of the bond principal when the bonds become due in 2026. Sinking fund deposits of \$170,000 are required in fiscal years 2022 through 2026. The balance in the sinking fund account as of August 31, 2024 was \$2,160,000 and is shown in the financial statements as restricted cash in the Debt Service Fund.

The District has two (2) bond series that include capital appreciation bonds (CAB), which are bonds bearing no interest that is sold at a significant discount but matures at a stated value. Accreted interest is the obligation associated with CABs and reflects period increases in the obligation to reflect the bond at stated

value at maturity. CAB premiums represent premium received on the issuance of these bonds which must also be paid back at maturity. The current year accreted interest expense recognized in the government-wide financial statements was \$633,499, and \$4,243,929 of outstanding accreted interest was paid off during the year. Total accreted interest on CABs at August 31, 2024 is \$4,592,619, which is reported as long-term liabilities in the government-wide financial statements.

Presented below is a summary of general obligation bond requirements to maturity:

Year Ending August			Total
31,	Principal	Interest	Requirements
2025	10,410,720	29,783,867	40,194,587
2026	10,040,981	27,459,806	37,500,787
2027	11,855,000	24,810,663	36,665,663
2028	13,545,000	24,289,638	37,834,638
2029	14,145,000	23,688,663	37,833,663
2030-2034	79,280,000	109,888,075	189,168,075
2035-2039	100,030,000	89,132,456	189,162,456
2040-2044	125,665,000	63,501,888	189,166,888
2045-2049	120,560,000	34,801,900	155,361,900
2050-2053	106,690,000	8,988,019	115,678,019
\	592,221,701	436,344,974	1,028,566,675

#### NOTE 9. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are considered available when collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The District levies its taxes on October 1 on the assessed (appraised) value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property located in the District in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due upon receipt of the tax bill and are past due and subject to interest if not paid by February 1 of the year following the October 1 levy date. The assessed value of the property tax roll upon which the levy for the 2023-2024 fiscal year was based was \$8,114,223,294. Taxes are delinquent if not paid by June 30. Delinquent taxes are subject to both penalty and interest charges plus 15 % delinquent collection fees for attorney costs.

The tax rates assessed for the year ended August 31, 2024 to finance General Fund operations and the payment of principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt were \$0.7575 and \$0.3839 per \$100 valuation, respectively, for a total of \$1.1414 per \$ 100 valuation.

Current tax collections for the year ended August 31, 2024 were 99.24% of the year-end adjusted tax levy. Delinquent taxes are prorated between maintenance and debt service based on rates adopted for the year of the levy. Allowances for uncollectible taxes within the General and Debt Service Funds are based on historical experience in collecting taxes. Uncollectible personal property taxes are periodically reviewed and written off, but the District is prohibited from writing off real property taxes without specific statutory authority from the Texas Legislature. As of August 31, 2024, property taxes receivable, net of allowances for uncollectible taxes, totaled \$1,660,327 and \$715,770 for the General and Debt Service Funds, respectively.

Property taxes are recorded as receivable and unavailable revenues at the time the taxes are assessed. Revenues are recognized as the related ad valorem taxes are collected.

#### NOTE 10. REVENUES FROM LOCAL AND INTERMEDIATE SOURCES

Revenues from local and intermediate sources for the year ended August 31, 2024 consisted of the following:

		Capital Project	Debt Service		
	General Fund	Funds	Fund	Other Funds	Total
Property Taxes	\$ 57,738,854	\$ -	\$ 31,432,950	\$ -	\$ 89,171,804
Food Sales	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income	2,005,438	11,295,935	1,839,077	34,692	15,175,142
Tax Related Income	454,765	-	212,496	-	667,261
Co-curricular Student Activities	195,301	-	-	=	195,301
Other	508,286			827,625	1,335,911
Total	60,902,644	\$ 11,295,935	\$ 33,484,523	\$ 862,317	\$ 106,545,419

#### NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Plan Description. Waxahachie Independent School District participates in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension that has a special funding situation. The plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). TRS's defined benefit pension plan is established and administered in accordance with the Texas Constitution, Article XVI, Section 67 and Texas Government Code, Title 8, Subtitle C. The pension trust fund is a qualified pension trust under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Texas Legislature establishes benefits and contribution rates within the guidelines of the Texas Constitution. The pension's Board of Trustees does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms.

All employees of public, state-supported educational institutions in Texas who are employed for one-half or more of the standard work load and who are not exempted from membership under Texas Government Code, Title 8, Section 822.002 are covered by the system.

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position.** Detailed information about the Teacher Retirement System's fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at https://trs.texas.gov/pages/aboutpublications.aspx, by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX, 78701-2698, or by calling (512)542-6592.

Benefits Provided. TRS provides service and disability retirement, as well as death and survivor benefits, to eligible employees (and their beneficiaries) of public and higher education in Texas. The pension formula is calculated using 2.3 percent (multiplier) times the average of the five highest annual creditable salaries times years of credited service to arrive at the annual standard annuity except for members who are grandfathered, the three highest annual salaries are used. The normal service retirement is at age 65 with 5 years of credited service or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals 80 or more years. Early retirement is at age 55 with 5 years of service credit or earlier than 55 with 30 years of service credit. There are additional provisions for early retirement if the sum of the member's age and years of service credit total at least 80, but the member is less than age 60 or 62 depending on date of employment, or if the member was grandfathered under a previous rule. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes, including automatic COLAs. Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes, including ad hoc COLAs can be granted by the Texas Legislature as noted in the Plan description above.

Texas Government Code section 821.006 prohibits benefit improvements, if, as a result of the particular action, the time required to amortize TRS' unfunded actuarial liabilities would be increased to a period that exceeds 31 years, or, if the amortization period already exceeds 31 years, the period would be increased by such action. Actuarial implications of the funding provided in this manner are determined by the System's actuary.

**Contributions.** Contribution requirements are established or amended pursuant to Article 16, section 67 of the Texas Constitution which requires the Texas legislature to establish a member contribution rate of not less than 6% of the member's annual compensation and a state contribution rate of not less than 6% and not more than 10% of the aggregate annual compensation paid to members of the system during the fiscal year.

Employee contribution rates are set in state statute, Texas Government Code 825.402. The TRS Pension Reform Bill (Senate Bill 12) of the 86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature amended Texas Government Code 825.402 for member contributions and increased employee and employer contribution rates for fiscal years 2019 thru 2025.

# 2023 8.00%

Member	8.00%	8.25%
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	8.00%	8.25%
Employers	8.00%	8.25%
Waxahachie ISD FY2024 Employer Contributions	;	\$ 3,358,397
Waxahachie ISD FY2024 Member Contributions		\$ 7,261,213
Waxahachie ISD FY2024 NECE On-Behalf Contri	ibutions	\$ 5,309,183

**Contribution Rates** 

Contributors to the plan include members, employers and the State of Texas as the only non-employer contributing entity. The State is the employer for senior colleges, medical schools and state agencies including the TRS. In each respective role, the State contributes to the plan in accordance with state statutes and the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

As the non-employer contributing entity for public education, the State of Texas contributes to the retirement system an amount equal to the current employer contribution rate times the aggregate annual compensation of all participating members of the pension trust fund during that fiscal year reduced by the amounts described below which are paid by the employers. Employers, including public schools, are required to pay the employer contribution rate in the following instances:

- On the portion of the member's salary that exceeds the statutory minimum for members entitled to the statutory minimum under Section 21.402 of the Texas Education Code.
- During a new member's first 90 days of employment.
- When any part or all of an employee's salary is paid by federal funding source or a privately sponsored source, from non-educational and general, or local funds.
- All public schools must contribute 1.8 percent of the member's salary beginning in fiscal year 2023, gradually increasing to 2 percent in fiscal year 2025.

In addition to the employer contributions listed above, there are additional surcharges an employer is subject to.

• When employing a retiree of the Teacher Retirement System the employer shall pay both the member contribution and the state contribution as an employment after retirement surcharge.

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the August 31, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Valuation Date

August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023

Actuarial Cost Method

Asset Valuation Method

Asset Valuation Method

August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023

Individual Entry Age Normal

Fair Value

Single Discount Rate	7.00%
Long-term expected Investment Rate of Return	7.00%
Municipal Bond Rate as of August 2023	4.13%
Inflation	2.30%
Salary Increases Including Inflation	2.95% to 8.95%
Benefit Changes During the Year	None
Ad hoc Post Employment Benefit Changes	None

The actuarial methods and assumptions are used in the determination of the total pension liability are the same assumptions used in the actuarial valuation as of August 31, 2022. For a full description of these assumptions please see the actuarial valuation report dated November 22, 2022.

Discount Rate. A single discount rate of 7.00 percent was used to measure the total pension liability. The single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on plan investments of 7.00 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that contributions from active members, employers and the non-employer contributing entity will be made at the rates set by the legislature during the 2019 session. It is assumed that future employer and state contributions will be 9.50 percent of payroll in fiscal year 2024 gradually increasing to 9.56 percent in fiscal year 2025 and thereafter. This includes all employer and state contributions for active and rehired retirees.

Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all 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.

The long-term rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.00%.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimates 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 geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Systems target asset allocation as of August 31, 2023 are summarized below:

		Long-Term	
		Expected	Expected Contribution
	Target	Arithmetic Real	To Long-Term
Asset Class	Allocation <sup>1</sup>	Rate of Return <sup>2</sup>	Portfolio Returns
Global Equity			
U.S.	18%	4.0%	1.00%
Non-U.S. Developed	13%	4.5%	0.90%
Emerging Markets	9%	4.8%	0.70%
Private Equity	14%	7.0%	1.50%
Stable Value			
Government Bonds	16%	2.5%	0.50%
Absolute Return <sup>4</sup>	0%	3.6%	0.00%
Stable Value Hedge Funds	5%	4.1%	0.20%
Real Return			
Real Estate	15%	4.9%	1.10%
Energy, Natural Resources	6%	4.8%	0.40%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Target allocations are based on the FY23 policy model.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capital Market Assumptions come from Aon Hewitt (as of 06/30/2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The volatility drag results from the conversion between arithmetic and geometric mean returns.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Absolute Return includes credit sensitive investments.

Commodities	0%	4.4%	0.00%
Risk Parity			
Risk Parity	8%	4.5%	0.40%
Leverage			
Cash	2%	3.7%	0.00%
Asset Allocation Leverage	-6%	4.4%	-0.10%
Inflation Expectation	-		2.30%
Volatility Drag <sup>3</sup>			-0.90%
Total	100%		8.00%

Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis. The following table presents the Net Pension Liability of the plan using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, and what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.00 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (8.00%)
Waxahachie ISD's proportionate share of the net pension liability:	\$66,823,495	\$44,696,374	\$26,297,609

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions. At June 30, 2024, Waxahachie Independent School District reported a liability of \$44,696,374 for its proportionate share of the TRS's net pension liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State pension support provided to Waxahachie Independent School District. The amount recognized by Waxahachie Independent School District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with Waxahachie Independent School District were as follows:

District's Proportionate share of the collective net pension liability	\$ 44,696,374
State's proportionate share that is associated with the District	61,532,998
Total	\$106,229,372

The net pension liability was measured as of August 31, 2022 and rolled forward to August 31, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The employer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer's contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2023.

At August 31, 2023 the employer's proportion of the collective net pension liability was 0.0650693631%, an increase of 4.11% from its proportionate share of 0.0625000000% at August 31, 2022.

#### Changes in Assumptions and Benefits Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation.

The actuarial assumptions and methods are the same as used in the determination of the prior year's net pension liability.

The Texas 2023 Legislature passed legislation that provides a one-time stipend to certain retired teachers. The stipend was paid to retirees beginning in September of 2023. The Legislature appropriated funds to pay for this one-time stipend so there will be no impact on the net pension liability of TRS. In addition, the Legislature also provided for a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to retirees which was approved during the November 2023 elections which will be paid in January, 2024. Therefore, this contingent liability was not reflected as of August 31, 2023.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, Waxahachie Independent School District recognized pension expense of \$8,992,925 and revenue of \$9,290,950 for support by the State.

At August 31, 2024, Waxahachie Independent School District reported its proportionate share of the TRS's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources (The amounts shown below will be the cumulative layers from the current and prior years combined.):

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 1,592,547	\$ 541,224
Changes in actuarial assumptions	4,227,401	1,034,542
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	6,504,408	-
Changes in proportion and difference between the employer's contributions and the proportionate share of contributions	3,968,345	
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date	3,358,397	-
Total	\$19,651,098	\$1,575,766

The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources (not including the deferred contribution paid subsequent to the measurement date) related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	Pension Expense Amount		*		Outflov	of Deferred vs (Deferred flows)
2025	\$	3,493,762	\$	11,223,353		
2026		2,367,207		8,856,146		
2027		6,339,596		2,516,550		
2028		2,212,307		304,243		
2029		304,243		-		
Thereafter		-		-		

#### NOTE 12. DEFINED OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS

*Plan Description.* The District participates in the Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program (TRS- Care). It is a multiple-employer, cost-sharing defined Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. The TRS-Care program was established in 1986 by the Texas Legislature.

The TRS Board of Trustees administers the TRS-Care program and the related fund in accordance with Texas Insurance Code Chapter 1575. The Board of Trustees is granted the authority to establish basic and optional group insurance coverage for participants as well as to amend benefit terms as needed under Chapter 1575.052. The Board may adopt rules, plans, procedures, and orders reasonably necessary to administer the program, including minimum benefits and financing standards.

*OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position.* Detail information about the TRS-Care's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at http://www.trs.texas.gov/pages/aboutpublications.aspx; by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX, 78701-2698; or by calling (512) 542-6592.

**Benefits Provided.** TRS-Care provides health insurance coverage to retirees from public schools, charter schools, regional education service centers and other educational districts who are members of the TRS pension plan. Optional dependent coverage is available for an additional fee.

Eligible non-Medicare retirees and their dependents may enroll in TRS-Care Standard, a high-deductible health plan. Eligible Medicare retirees and their dependents may enroll in the TRS-Care Medicare Advantage medical plan and the TRS-Care Medicare Rx prescription drug plan. To qualify for TRS-Care coverage, a retiree must have at least 10 years of service credit in the TRS pension system. There are no automatic postemployment benefit changes, including automatic COLAs.

The premium rates for retirees are reflected in the following table:

TRS-Care Monthly for Retirees							
	<u>Medicare</u>	Non-Medicare					
Retiree*	\$ 135	\$ 200					
Retiree and Spouse	529	689					
Retiree* and Children	468	408					
Retiree and Family	1,020	999					

<sup>\*</sup> or surviving spouse

Contributions. Contribution rates for the TRS-Care plan are established in state statute by the Texas Legislature, and there is no continuing obligation to provide benefits beyond each fiscal year. The TRS-Care plan is currently funded on a pay-as-you-go basis and is subject to change based on available funding. Funding for TRS-Care is provided by retiree premium contributions and contributions from the state, active employees, and school districts based upon active employee compensation. The TRS Board of trustees does not have the authority to set or amend contribution rates.

Texas Insurance Code, section 1575.202 establishes the state's contribution rate which is 1.25% of the employee's salary. Section 1575.203 establishes the active employee's rate which is .65% of salary. Section 1575.204 establishes an employer contribution rate of not less than 0.25 percent or not more than 0.75 percent of the salary of each active employee of the public school. The actual employer contribution rate is prescribed by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act, which is 0.75 percent of each active employee's pay for fiscal year 2023. The following table shows contributions to the TRS-Care plan by type of contributor.

<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
0.65%	0.65%
1.25%	1.25%
0.75%	0.75%
1.25%	1.25%
\$728,115	
\$572,099	
\$1,055,189	
	0.65% 1.25% 0.75% 1.25% \$728,115 \$572,099

In addition to the employer contributions listed above, there is an additional surcharge all TRS employers are subject to, regardless of whether or not they participate in the TRS Care OPEB program. When hiring a TRS retiree, employers are required to pay to TRS Care, a monthly surcharge of \$535 per retiree.

TRS-Care received supplemental appropriations from the State of Texas as the Non-Employer Contributing Entity in the amount of \$21.3 million in fiscal year 2023 provided by Rider 14 of the Senate Bill GAA of the 87<sup>th</sup> Legislature. These amounts were re-appropriated from amounts received by the pension and TRS-Care funds in excess of the state's actual obligation and then transferred to TRS-Care.

Actuarial Assumptions. The actuarial valuation was performed as of August 31, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the Total OPEB Liability to August 31, 2023.

The actuarial valuation of the OPEB plan offered through TRS-Care is similar to the actuarial valuation performed for the pension plan, except that the OPEB valuation is more complex. The demographic assumptions were updated based on the experience study performed for TRS for the period ending August 31, 2021.

The following assumptions and other inputs used for members of TRS-Care are based on an established pattern of practice and are identical to the assumptions used in the August 31, 2022 TRS pension actuarial valuation that was rolled forward to August 31, 2023:

Rates of Mortality General Inflation
Rates of Retirement Wage Inflation
Rates of Termination Rates of Disability

The active mortality rates were based on PUB (2010), Amount-Weighted, Below-Median Income, Teacher male and female tables (with a two-year set forward for males). The post-retirement mortality rates for healthy lives were based on the 2021 TRS of Texas Healthy Pensioner Mortality Tables. The rates were projected on a fully generational basis using the ultimate improvement rates from the mortality projection scale MP-2021.

#### Additional Actuarial Methods and Assumptions:

Valuation Date August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023

Actuarial Cost Method Individual Entry Age Normal

Inflation 2.30% Single Discount Rate 4.13%

Aging Factors Based on specific plan experience

Expenses Third-party administrative expenses related to the

delivery of health care benefits are included in the

age-adjusted claim costs

Projected Salary Increases 2.95% to 8.95%, including inflation

Election Rates Normal Retirement: 62% participation prior to age 65

and 25% participation after age 65

Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes None

**Discount Rate.** A single discount rate of 4.13% was used to measure the total OPEB liability. There was an increase of 0.22 percent in the discount rate since the previous year. Because the investments are held in cash and there is no intentional objective to advance fund the benefits, the single discount rate is equal to the prevailing municipal bond rate.

The source of the municipal bond rate is the Fidelity "20-year Municipal GO AA Index" as of August 31, 2023, using the fixed-income market data/yield curve/data municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds.

**Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis.** The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if the discount rate used was 1% less than and 1% greater than the discount rate that was used (4.13%) in measuring the Net OPEB Liability.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (3.13%)	Current Single Discount Rate (4.13%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (5.13%)
District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB			
Liability:	\$22,459,730	\$19,069,356	\$16,302,730

Healthcare Cost Trend Rates Sensitivity Analysis - The following schedule shows the impact of the net OPEB liability if a healthcare trend rate that is one-percentage less than or one-percentage point greater than the health trend rates is assumed.

	1% Decrease in	Current Single	1% Increase in
	Healthcare Trend Rate	Healthcare	Healthcare Trend Rate
		Trend Rate	
District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB			
Liability:	\$15,702,660	\$19,069,356	\$23,400,621

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expenses, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs. At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$19,069,356 for its proportionate share of the TRS's Net OPEB Liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State OPEB support provided to the District.

The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's Proportionate share of the collective Net OPEB Liability	\$ 19,069,356
State's proportionate share that is associated with the District	\$ 23,010,109
Total	<u>\$ 42,079,465</u>

The Net OPEB Liability was measured as of August 31, 2022, and rolled forward to August 31, 2023, and the Total OPEB Liability used to calculate the Net OPEB Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The employer's proportion of the Net OPEB Liability was based on the employer's contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023.

At August 31, 2023 the employer's proportion of the collective Net OPEB Liability was 0.0861373780%, an increase of 2.88% compared to the August 31, 2022 proportionate share of 0.0837300000%.

Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation – The following were changes to the actuarial assumptions or other inputs that affected measurement of the Total OPEB liability since the prior measurement period:

• The discount rate changed from 3.91 percent as of August 31, 2022 to 4.13 percent as of August 31, 2023, accompanied by revised demographic and economic assumptions based on the TRS experience study.

Changes of Benefit Terms Since the Prior Measurement Date – There were no changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement date.

For the year ended August 31, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$(2,169,639) and revenue of \$(4,919,076) for support provided by the State.

At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits related to OPEB from the following sources (the amounts shown below will be the cumulative layers for the current and prior years combined.):

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 862,744	\$16,043,251
Changes in actuarial assumptions	2,602,828	11,676,672
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	8,239	-
Changes in proportion and difference between the employer's		
contributions and the proportionate share of contributions	8,220,927	
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date	728,115	-
Total	\$12,422,853	\$27,719,923

The net amounts of the employer's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources (not including the deferred contribution paid subsequent to the measurement date) related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	OPEB Expense Amount	Balance of Deferred Outflows (Deferred Inflows)
2025	\$(3,756,858)	\$(12,269,326)
2026	(2,882,238)	(9,386,088)
2027	(1,698,141)	(7,687,947)
2028	(2,371,459)	(5,316,488)
2029	(2,176,138)	(3,140,350)
Thereafter	(3,140,350)	-

#### NOTE 13. HEALTH CARE

During the year ended August 31, 2023, employees of Waxahachie Independent School District were covered by a health insurance plan (the Plan). The District contributed \$245 per month per employee to the Plan and employees, at their option, authorized payroll withholdings to pay any additional contributions. All contributions were paid to a fully insured plan (TRS ActiveCare).

#### NOTE 14. SCHOOL DISTRICT RETIREE HEALTH PLAN

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, which was effective January 1, 2006, established prescription drug coverage for Medicare beneficiaries known as Medicare Part D. One of the provisions of Medicare D allows for the Texas Public School Retired Employee Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care) to receive retiree drug subsidy payments from the federal government to offset certain prescription drug expenditures for eligible TRS-Care participants. These on-behalf payments are recognized as equal revenues and expenditures/expenses by the District. For the year ended August 31, 2024, the contribution made on behalf of the District was \$497,369.

## NOTE 15. WORKERS' COMPENSATION

During the year ended August 31, 2024, the District met its statutory workers' compensation obligations through participation in the TASB Risk Management Fund (the Fund). The Fund was created and is operated under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code. The Fund's workers' compensation program is authorized by Chapter 504, Texas Labor Code. All districts

participating in the Fund execute Interlocal Agreements that define the responsibilities of the parties. The Fund provides statutory worker's compensation benefits to its members and their injured employees.

The Fund and its members are protected against higher than expected claims costs through the purchase of stop loss-insured retention of \$2 million. The Fund uses the services of an independent actuary to determine reserve adequacy and fully fund those reserves. As of August 31, 2023, the Fund carries a discounted reserve of \$48,919,036 for future development on reported claims and claims that have been incurred but not yet reported. For the year ended August 31, 2023, the Fund anticipates no additional liability to members beyond their contractual obligations for payment of contributions.

The Fund engages the services of an independent auditor to conduct a financial audit after the close of each plan year on August 31st. The audit is accepted by the Fund's Board of Trustees in February of the following year. The Fund's audited financial statements as of August 31, 2023, are available on the TASB Risk Management Fund website and have been filed with the Texas State Board of Insurance in Austin.

#### NOTE 16. SHARED SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

The District is the fiscal agent for Shared Services Arrangements ("SSA'S) which provide deaf education to member districts. In addition to the District, other member districts include Milford, Maypearl, and Italy Independent School Districts.

All services are provided by the fiscal agent. According to guidance provided in TEA's Resource Guide, the District has accounted for the fiscal agent's activities of the SSA'S in Special Revenues Funds. Expenditures of the SSA'S are summarized below:

	F	und 315	Fund 435			
Waxahachie	\$	22,156	\$	55,561		
Palmer		2,215		5,076		
Milford		2,215		5,076		
Maypearl		1,106		2,541		
Italy		1,106		2,541_		
	\$	28,798	\$	70,795		

#### NOTE 17. LITIGATION AND CONTINGENCIES

The District participates in numerous state and Federal grant programs which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the District has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, if any, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivable at August 31, 2024 may be impaired. In the opinion of the District, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying combined financial statements for such contingencies.

#### NOTE 18. SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TCHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS

In May 202, GASB issued Statement No. 96 – Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA). This statement increases the usefulness of government's financial statements by requiring recognition of certain right-to-use subscription assets and corresponding subscription liabilities for SBITA's that were previously recognized as outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. The Statement is effective for years beginning after June 15, 2022.

Per review of the information technology arrangements identified by the District as potential SBITA's, the arrangements were determined to either not meet the definition of a SBITA or were immaterial to the financial statements.

## NOTE 19. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has reviewed events subsequent to August 31, 2024 through December 6, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. On October 15, 2024, the District issued \$43.2 million in Series 2024 unlimited tax refunding bonds.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Pl.	FY 2024 an Year 2023	Pl	FY 2023 an Year 2022	Pl	FY 2022 an Year 2021
District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)		0.0651%		0.0625%		0.056322076%
District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	44,696,374	\$	37,102,038	\$	14,343,240
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) Associated with the District		61,532,998		54,229,701		25,160,957
Total	\$	106,229,372	\$	91,331,739	\$	39,504,197
District's Covered Payroll	\$	88,014,706	\$	85,111,576	\$	79,427,936
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		50.78%		43.59%		18.07%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		73.15%		75.62%		88.79%

Note: GASB Codification, Vol. 2, P20.183 requires that the information on this schedule be data from the period corresponding with the periods covered as of the measurement dates of August 31, 2023 for year 2024, August 31, 2022 for year 2023, August 31, 2021 for year 2022, August 31, 2020 for year 2021, August 31, 2019 for year 2020, August 31, 2018 for year 2019, August 31, 2017 for year 2018, August 31, 2016 for year 2017, August 31, 2015 for year 2016 and August 31, 2014 for year 2015.

FY 2021 Plan Year 2020	Pl	FY 2020 an Year 2019	Р	FY 2019 lan Year 2018	F	FY 2018 Plan Year 2017	F	FY 2017 Plan Year 2016	_]	FY 2016 Plan Year 2015	F	FY 2015 Plan Year 2014
0.053039324%		0.0523144%		0.0498397%		0.0459862%		0.0441213%		0.0450521%		-
\$ 28,406,780	\$	27,194,675	\$	27,432,958	\$	14,703,907	\$	16,672,778	\$	15,925,318	\$	6,220,974
51,136,922		45,308,051		44,810,363		26,646,736		31,513,766		28,595,115		24,125,762
\$ 79,543,702	\$	72,502,726	\$	72,243,321	\$	41,350,643	\$	48,186,544	\$	44,520,433	\$	30,346,736
\$ 69,059,529	\$	61,492,949	\$	55,658,471	\$	52,352,753	\$	49,822,143	\$	46,306,390	\$	41,908,789
41.13%		44.22%		49.29%		28.09%		33.46%		34.39%		15.00%
75.54%		75.24%		73.74%		82.17%		78.00%		78.43%		83.00%

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PENSIONS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	***	2024	2023	2022
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	3,358,397 \$	3,344,028 \$	2,916,270
Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		(3,358,397)	(3,344,028)	(2,916,270)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	- \$	- \$	•
District's Covered Payroll	\$	88,014,706 \$	85,111,576 \$	79,427,936
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		3.82%	3.93%	3.67%

Note: GASB Codification, Vol. 2, P20.183 requires that the data in this schedule be presented as of the District's respective fiscal years as opposed to the time periods covered by the measurement dates ending August 31 of the preceding year.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$ 2,403,017 \$	2,147,911 \$	1,831,806 \$	1,678,999 \$	1,506,070 \$	1,406,647 \$	1,334,006
(240,317)	(2,147,911)	(1,831,806)	(1,678,999)	(1,506,070)	(1,406,647)	(1,334,006)
\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
\$ 74,627,359 \$	69,059,529 \$	61,492,949 \$	55,655,595 \$	52,352,753 \$	49,822,143 \$	46,309,390
3.22%	3.11%	2.98%	3.02%	2.88%	2.82%	2.88%

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Pla	FY 2024 an Year 2023	FY 2023 Plan Year 2022		FY 2022 Plan Year 2021	
District's Proportion of the Net Liability (Asset) for Other Postemployment Benefits		0.086137%	0.08373%		0.079195661%	
District's Proportionate Share of Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$	19,069,356	\$ 20,050,191	\$	30,549,307	
State's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) Associated with the District		23,010,109	24,458,083		40,929,263	
Total	\$	42,079,465	\$ 44,508,274	\$	71,478,570	
District's Covered Payroll	\$	88,014,706	\$ 85,111,576	\$	79,427,936	
District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		21.67%	23.56%		38.46%	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability		14.94%	11.52%		6.18%	

Note: GASB Codification, Vol. 2, P50.238 states that the information on this schedule should be determined as of the measurement date. The amounts for FY 2024 are for the measurement date of August 31, 2023. The amounts for FY 2023 are for the measurement date of August 31, 2021. The amounts reported for FY 2021 are for the measurement date of August 31, 2020. The amounts for FY 2020 are for the measurement date August 31, 2019. The amounts for FY 2019 are for the measurement date August 31, 2017 measurement date.

This schedule shows only the years for which this information is available. Additional information will be added until 10 years of data are available and reported.

P	FY 2021 Plan Year 2020	Pl	FY 2020 an Year 2019	Pl	FY 2019 an Year 2018	_Pla	FY 2018 an Year 2017
	0.075857368%		0.0723712%		0.067525%		0.062862%
\$	28,836,811	\$	34,225,213	\$	33,715,852	\$	27,336,306
	38,749,762		45,477,654		47,367,980		41,295,841
\$	67,586,573	\$	79,702,867	\$	81,083,832	\$	68,632,147
\$	69,059,529	\$	61,492,949	\$	55,658,471	\$	52,352,753
	41.76%		55.66%		60.58%		52.22%
	4.99%		2.66%		1.57%		0.91%

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	2024	2023		2022
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 728,115	\$ 742,885	\$	595,712
Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	(728,115)	(742,885)		(595,712)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ •	\$ •	\$ ====	_
District's Covered Payroll	\$ 88,014,706	\$ 85,111,576	\$	79,427,936
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	0.83%	0.87%		0.75%

Note: GASB Codification, Vol. 2, P50.238 requires that the data in this schedule be presented as of the District's respective fiscal years as opposed to the time periods covered by the measurement dates ending August 31 of the preceding year.

Information in this schedule should be provided only for the years where data is available. Eventually 10 years of data should be presented.

2021	 2020	2019	 2018
\$ 618,698	\$ 569,073	\$ 513,826	\$ 459,947
(618,698)	(569,073)	(513,826)	(459,947)
\$	\$ •	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 74,627,359	\$ 69,059,529	\$ 61,492,949	\$ 55,655,595
0.83%	0.82%	0.84%	0.83%

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

#### PENSION LIABILITY:

Changes of benefit terms.

The Texas 2023 Legislature passed legislation that provides a one-time stipend to certain retired teachers. The stipend was paid to retirees beginning in September of 2023. The Legislature appropriated funds to pay for this one-time stipend so there will be no impact on the net pension liability of TRS. In addition, the Legislature also provided for a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) to retirees that was approved during the November 2023 elections, which will be paid in January 2024.

Changes of assumptions:

The actuarial assumptions and methods are the same as used in the determination of the prior year's net pension liability.

#### OPEB LIABILITY:

Changes of benefit terms:

There were no changes to benefit terms that affected measurement of the total OPEB liability during the measurement period.

Changes of assumptions:

The following were changes to the actuarial assumptions or other inputs that affected measurement of the Total OPEB liability since the prior measurement period:

 The discount rate changed from 3.91% as of August 31, 2022, to 4.13% as of August 31, 2023, accompanied by revised demographic and economic assumptions based on the TRS experience study. COMBINING SCHEDULES

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

_			211		224		225		244
Data		ES	SEA I, A	ID	EA - Part B	II	DEA - Part B		Career and
Contro		In	nproving		Formula		Preschool		Technical -
Codes		Basi	c Program						Basic Grant
A	ASSETS								
1110	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
1240	Due from Other Governments		76,073		162,490		2,103		14,810
1000	Total Assets	\$	76,073	\$	162,490	\$	2,103	\$	14,810
I	LIABILITIES								
2110	Accounts Payable	\$	2,967	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
2150	Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable		257		345		5		-
2160	Accrued Wages Payable		59,370		162,145		2,098		-
2170	Due to Other Funds		13,479		-		-		14,810
2000	Total Liabilities	***************************************	76,073		162,490		2,103		14,810
F	FUND BALANCES								
	Committed Fund Balance:								
3545	Other Committed Fund Balance		-		-		-		-
3000	Total Fund Balances		-		-		-	_	-
4000	Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	76,073	\$	162,490	\$	2,103	\$	14,810

	255		263		279		282		289		315		385		397
	ESEA II,A		Title III, A		ESSER III		ESSER III		Other Federal		SSA		Visually		Advanced
	Training and	Е	nglish Lang.		TCLAS		ARP Act		Special		IDEA, Part B		Impaired		Placement
_	Recruiting	_	Acquisition		ARP Act			I	Revenue Funds		Discretionary		SSVI		Incentives
\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	S -	\$	-	\$	5,044
	18,049		13,671		139,218		-		184		-		-		-
\$	18,049	\$	13,671	\$	139,218	\$		- \$ = \$	184	\$	-	\$	M	\$	5,044
\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	S -	\$	_	\$	_
-	-	•	18		-	*	_	*	-	-	_	-	_		_
	-		2,904		-		-		-		-		-		-
	18,049		10,749		139,218		•		184		-		-		-
_	18,049		13,671	_	139,218		•		184	_	-		-	-	
	-		_		_		_		-		-		-		5,044
_	-	_	-		-	_	-		-		•		-		5,044
\$	18,049	\$	13,671	\$	139,218	\$	-	\$	184	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,044

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

		410		429		435	461
Data		State	C	ther State		SSA	Campus
Control	I	nstructional		Special	R	egional Day	Activity
Codes		Materials	Rev	venue Funds	So	chool - Deaf	Funds
ASSETS							
1110 Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	-	\$	-	\$	21,470	\$ 732,774
1240 Due from Other Governments		1,736,176		290,539		-	-
1000 Total Assets	\$	1,736,176	\$	290,539	\$	21,470	\$ 732,774
LIABILITIES							
2110 Accounts Payable	\$	-	\$	60,509	\$	-	\$ 1,259
2150 Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable		-		-		6	-
2160 Accrued Wages Payable		-		_		21,464	-
2170 Due to Other Funds		1,736,176		230,030		-	-
2000 Total Liabilities		1,736,176		290,539		21,470	 1,259
FUND BALANCES							
Committed Fund Balance:							
Other Committed Fund Balance		-		-		-	731,515
3000 Total Fund Balances		•		-		-	 731,515
4000 Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	1,736,176	\$	290,539	\$	21,470	\$ 732,774

	462	463		464		Total
	Metro	Voc Ag		Voc Ag II		Nonmajor
Le	eague UIL				(	Governmental
						Funds
\$	7,304	\$ 5,105	\$	19,004	\$	790,701
	-	_		-	•	2,453,313
\$	7,304	\$ 5,105	\$	19,004	\$	3,244,014
\$	_	\$ _	\$	_	\$	64,735
	_	_		-	•	631
	-	-		-		247,981
	-	-		-		2,162,695
	-	 _	_	-	_	2,476,042
	7,304	5,105		19,004		767,972
	7,304	 5,105		19,004		767,972
\$	7,304	\$ 5,105	\$	19,004	\$	3,244,014

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data		211	224	225	244
Control		ESEA I, A	IDEA - Part B	IDEA - Part B	Career and
Codes		mproving	Formula	Preschool	Technical -
Codes	Bas	sic Program			Basic Grant
REVENUES:					
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5800 State Program Revenues		-	-	-	-
5900 Federal Program Revenues		1,503,257	1,992,082	24,107	91,945
Total Revenues		1,503,257	1,992,082	24,107	91,945
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
0011 Instruction		1,187,865	99,426	-	86,945
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services		-	-	-	-
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development		309,403	-	-	5,000
0021 Instructional Leadership		-	-	-	-
0023 School Leadership		5,989	-	-	-
Outline, Counseling, and Evaluation Services		-	1,892,656	24,107	-
0033 Health Services		-	-	-	-
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation		-	-	-	-
0035 Food Services		-	-	-	-
0036 Extracurricular Activities		-	-	-	-
0041 General Administration		-	-	-	~
O051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations		-	-	-	-
O052 Security and Monitoring Services		-	-	-	-
0053 Data Processing Services		-	-	-	-
0061 Community Services		-	<u> </u>	·	
Total Expenditures		1,503,257	1,992,082	24,107	91,945
1200 Net Change in Fund Balance		-	-	-	-
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)		-	-	-	
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

255 ESEA II,A Training and Recruiting	263 Title III, A English Lang. Acquisition	279 ESSER III TCLAS ARP Act	282 ESSER III ARP Act	289 Other Federal Special Revenue Funds	315 SSA IDEA, Part B Discretionary	385 Visually Impaired SSVI	397 Advanced Placement Incentives
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$		
-	-	-	-	-	-	2,325	204
222,209			1,355,162	121,797	28,798	-	-
222,209	81,690	284,844	1,355,162	121,797	28,798	2,325	204
7,000	) 63,794	104,359	897,284	42,320	28,798	2,325	•
-	-	-	7,621	-	,	-	-
215,210	17,896	180,485	181,156	79,477	-	_	**
	· -		9,163	-	-	-	-
	-	-	45,261	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	22,913	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	8,656	-	-	-	-
••	-	-	33,147	-	-	-	-
-	-	~	37,137	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	2,544	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	12,718	-	-	-	-
-	•	-	61,375	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	21,932	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	6,113	-		-	-
222,210	81,690	284,844	8,142 1,355,162	121,797	28,798	2,325	
222,210			1,333,102	121,797	20,770	2,323	
(1	) -	-	-	-	-	-	204
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,840
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - \$	- \$	5,044

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Dete		410	429	435	461
Data		State	Other State	SSA	Campus
Control	In	structional	Special	Regional Day	Activity
Codes	Î	Materials	Revenue Funds	School - Deaf	Funds
REVENUES:					
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$		-	\$ - \$	757,416
5800 State Program Revenues		1,920,969	1,296,356	70,795	-
5900 Federal Program Revenues		-	·		-
5020 Total Revenues		1,920,969	1,296,356	70,795	757,416
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
0011 Instruction		1,923,722	576,633	70,795	366,468
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services		-	-	-	60,214
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development		-	309,447	-	7,131
0021 Instructional Leadership		-	-	<u>.</u>	-
0023 School Leadership		-	-	-	-
0031 Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services		-	-	-	-
0033 Health Services		•	-	-	2
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation		-	-	-	-
0035 Food Services		-	-	-	<del>-</del>
0036 Extracurricular Activities		-	~	-	161,740
0041 General Administration		-	-	-	74,803
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations		-	<b>-</b>	-	-
0052 Security and Monitoring Services		-	410,282	-	-
0053 Data Processing Services		-	-	-	-
0061 Community Services		-	_		-
Total Expenditures		1,923,722	1,296,362	70,795	670,356
1200 Net Change in Fund Balance		(2,753)	(6)	-	87,060
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)		2,753	6	-	644,455
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$	_	\$ -	\$ - \$	731,515

	462	463		464	Total
	Metro	Voc Ag		Voc Ag II	Nonmajor
	League UIL				Governmental
	C				Funds
_					7 47140
\$	26,681 \$	_	\$	78,220	\$ 862,317
	-	-		-	3,290,649
	-	-		-	5,705,891
	26,681	-		78,220	9,858,857
	-	-		-	5,457,734
	-	-		_	67,835
	-	-		_	1,305,205
	-	-		-	9,163
	~	-		-	51,250
	-	-		-	1,939,676
	-	-		-	8,656
	-	-		-	33,147
	-	-		-	37,137
	22,097	-		75,441	261,822
	-	-		-	87,521
	-	-		-	61,375
	-	-		-	432,214
	-	-		-	6,113
	-	-		-	8,142
	22,097			75,441	9,766,990
	4,584	-		2,779	91,867
	2,720	5,105		16,225	676,105
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\$	7,304 \$	5,105	Ф	19,004	\$ 767,972

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

	С	863 Payroll learing ccount	Fun	865 Justodial ad Student Livity Acct	Em Su	899 nployee nshine Fund	Total ustodial Funds
ASSETS							
Cash and Cash Equivalents  Due from Student Groups	\$	562,992	\$	202,857 75	\$	7,031	\$ 772,880 75
Total Assets		562,992		202,932		7,031	 772,955
LIABILITIES							
Accounts Payable		-		1,704		-	1,704
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable		45,969		-		-	45,969
Due to Other Funds		517,023		-		-	517,023
Due to Student Groups		-		-		7,031	7,031
Total Liabilities		562,992		1,704		7,031	571,727
NET POSITION							
Unrestricted Net Position		-		201,228		-	201,228
Total Net Position	\$		\$	201,228	\$	-	\$ 201,228

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION CUSTODIAL FUNDS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

		863 Payroll Clearing		865 Custodial		899 ployee		Total Total
				ınd Student	Sunshine		Custodial	
	Ac	count	A	ctivity Acct	F	fund		Funds
ADDITIONS:								
Miscellaneous Revenue - Student Activities	\$	-	\$	328,189	\$	-	\$	328,189
Total Additions		-		328,189		-	_	328,189
DEDUCTIONS:								
Other Deductions		-		316,421		-		316,421
Total Deductions		-		316,421		-		316,421
Change in Net Position		-		11,768		-		11,768
Net Position - September 1 (Beginning)	<del></del>	-		189,460		-	<del>-</del>	189,460
Net Position - August 31 (Ending)	\$	-	\$	201,228	\$	-	\$	201,228

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING BALANCE SHEET CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

	A	UGUST	31,	2024			
	6.	27		627	628	629	Total
Data							
Control				2023	2023	2023	
Codes			Р	roposition A	Proposition B	Proposition C	
ASSETS							
1110 Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	6	\$	78,377,239	\$ 188,970,124	\$ 49,432,183	\$ 316,779,552
1240 Due from Other Governments							
1000 Total Assets	_\$	6		78,377,239	\$ 188,970,124	\$ 49,432,183	\$ 316,779,552
LIABILITIES							
2110 Accounts Payable			\$	12,947,449	\$ 833,785	\$ 616,523	\$ 14,397,757
2150 Payroll Deductions and Withholdings Payable				-			-
2160 Accrued Wages Payable				-			-
2170 Due to Other Funds				-			-
2180 Due to Other Governments							
2000 Total Liabilities		-		12,947,449	833,785	616,523	14,397,757
FUND BALANCES							
Restricted Fund Balance							202 201 207
3470 Capital Acquisition and Contractural Obligation	-	6	_	65,429,790	188,136,339	48,815,660	302,381,795
3000 Total Fund Balances		6		65,429,790	188,136,339	48,815,660	302,381,795
4000 Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	6	_\$_	78,377,239	\$ 188,970,124	\$ 49,432,183	\$ 316,779,552

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### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

	6	526	627	628	629	Total
Data						
Control			2023	2023	2023	
Codes			Proposition A	Proposition B	Proposition C	
REVENUES:						
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$	-	\$ 5,631,913	\$ 3,986,915	\$ 1,677,107	\$ 11,295,935
5800 State Program Revenues		-	-	-	•	-
5900 Federal Program Revenues		-	-		-	-
5020 Total Revenues		-	5,631,913	3,986,915	1,677,107	11,295,935
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
0011 Instruction		-	1,246,186	-		1,246,186
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services		_	75,448	-	-	75,448
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development		-	-	-	-	
0023 School Leadership		-	-	-	-	-
0031 Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services		-	-	_	_	-
0035 Food Services		-	15,175	-	-	15,175
0036 Extracurricular Activities		-	-	_	•	-
0041 General Administration		_	-	_	-	_
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations		-	59,388	_	33,138	92,526
0052 Security and Monitoring Services		_			,	-,
Debt Service.		_	_	_	_	-
9072 Interest on Long-Term Liabilities		_	-	_	_	_
0073 Bond Issuance Cost and Fees		_	153,361	1,150,205	235,331	1,538,897
Capital Outlay		_	-	-,,		-
0081 Facilities Acquisition and Construction		_	82,942,705	5,955,178	11,040,025	99,937,908
5030 Total Expenditures		-	84,492,263	7,105,383	11,308,494	102,906,140
1100 F (D.Clane ) . CD			(70.000.250)	(2.110.460)	(0.421.207)	(01, (10, 205)
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		-	(78,860,350)	(3,118,468)	(9,631,387)	(91,610,205)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
7911 Capital Related Debt Issued		_	19,673,143	147,548,573	30,188,284	197,410,000
916 Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds		_	480,218	3,601,632	736,890	4,818,740
911 Transfers Out (Use)			100,210	5,001,032	750,070	1,010,740
080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)			20,153,361	151,150,205	30,925,174	202,228,740
200 Net Change in Fund Balance		_	(58,706,989)	148,031,737	21,293,787	110,618,535
100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)		6	124,136,779	40,104,602	27,521,873	191,763,260
000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$	6	\$ 65,429,790	\$ 188,136,339	\$ 48,815,660	\$ 302,381,795

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REQUIRED T.E.A. SCHEDULES

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT TAXES RECEIVABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Tax I	(1) (2) Tax Rates					
Maintenance	Debt Service	Value for School Tax Purposes				
Various	Various	\$ Various				
1.170000	0.383900	3,147,980,202				
1.170000	0.383900	3,423,459,544				
1.170000	0.383900	3,423,459,544				
1.170000	0.383900	3,758,297,257				
1.068300	0.383900	3,974,454,148				
0.981500	0.383900	5,142,861,140				
0.960300	0.383900	5,726,344,347				
0.942900	0.383900	7,279,064,190				
0.757500	0.412900	8,114,223,294				
	Various  1.170000  1.170000  1.170000  1.170000  1.068300  0.981500  0.960300  0.942900	Maintenance         Debt Service           Various         Various           1.170000         0.383900           1.170000         0.383900           1.170000         0.383900           1.170000         0.383900           1.068300         0.383900           0.981500         0.383900           0.960300         0.383900           0.942900         0.383900				

8000 Total Taxes Refunded Under Section 26.1115, Tax Code

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	(10)	(20)	(31)	(32)	(40)	(50)	(99)
	Beginning	Current			Entire	Ending	Taxes Refunde
	Balance	Year's	Maintenance	Debt Service	Year's	Balance	Under Section
	9/1/2023	Total Levy	Collections	Collections	Adjustments	8/31/2024	26.1115c
5	185,941 \$	- \$	5,648 \$	1,692 \$	- \$	178,601	
	30,679	-	1,152	378	-	29,149	
	38,227	-	1,347	442	-	36,438	
	49,745	-	(10,644)	(3,492)	(17,824)	46,057	
	111,076	-	35,562	11,668	(7,903)	55,943	
	159,796	-	47,509	17,072	(17,905)	77,310	
	194,265	-	58,213	22,769	58,403	171,686	
	280,176	-	7,416	2,966	(40,650)	229,144	
	1,046,628	-	96,327	39,220	(329,529)	581,552	
	-	91,977,803	57,496,323	31,340,235	(2,122,536)	1,018,709	
<u> </u>	2,096,533 \$	91,977,803 \$	57,738,853 \$	31,432,950 \$	(2,477,944) \$	2,424,589	

\$ 90,808

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts (GAAP BASIS)	Variance With Final Budget Positive or	
Codes	Original	Final		(Negative)	
REVENUES:					
<ul><li>Total Local and Intermediate Sources</li><li>State Program Revenues</li></ul>	\$ 1,572,000 314,678	\$ 1,572,000 314,678	\$ 2,506,388 552,820	\$ 934,388 238,142	
5020 Total Revenues EXPENDITURES:	1,886,678	1,886,678	3,059,208	1,172,530	
Current:  0035 Food Services  0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	5,102,544 79,572	6,010,950 80,572	5,953,315 80,190	57,635 382	
Total Expenditures	5,182,116	6,091,522	6,033,505	58,017	
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):	(3,295,438)	(4,204,844)	(2,974,297)	1,230,547	
<ul> <li>7952 National School Breakfast Program</li> <li>7953 National School Lunch Program</li> <li>7954 Donated Commodities (USDA)</li> </ul>	415,000 2,675,000	415,000 2,675,000 326,225	729,159 2,807,746 326,229	314,159 132,746 4	
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	3,090,000	3,416,225	3,863,134	446,909	
1200 Change in Net Position	(205,438)	(788,619)	888,837	1,677,456	
0100 Total Net Position - September 1	3,596,238	3,596,238	3,596,238	-	
3000 Total Net Position - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 3,390,800	\$ 2,807,619	\$ 4,485,075	\$ 1,677,456	

# WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - DEBT SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control		Budgeted Amounts			Actual Amounts (GAAP BASIS)		Variance With Final Budget	
Codes	Original Final			2		Positive or (Negative)		
REVENUES:								
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources 5800 State Program Revenues	\$	33,699,502	\$	33,186,442 3,555,423	\$	33,484,523 3,555,423	\$	298,081
5900 Federal Program Revenues		100,000		100,000		53,063		(46,937)
5020 Total Revenues EXPENDITURES:		33,799,502		36,841,865		37,093,009		251,144
Debt Service:								
<ul> <li>Principal on Long-Term Liabilities</li> <li>Interest on Long-Term Liabilities</li> <li>Bond Issuance Cost and Fees</li> </ul>		6,000,000 31,836,388 6,500		20,185,000 17,651,388 6,500		15,941,070 21,725,318 5,550		4,243,930 (4,073,930) 950
Total Expenditures		37,842,888		37,842,888		37,671,938		170,950
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances		(4,043,386)		(1,001,023)		(578,929)		422,094
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	_	16,638,039		16,638,039		16,638,039		<u>-</u>
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$	12,594,653	\$	15,637,016	\$	16,059,110	\$	422,094

## WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATE COMPENSATORY EDUCATION AND BILINGUAL EDUCATION PROGRAM EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Section A: Compensatory Education Programs	
AP1	Did your district expend any state compensatory education program state allotment funds during the district's fiscal year?	Yes
AP2	Does the district have written policies and procedures for its state compensatory education program?	Yes
AP3	Total state allotment funds received for state compensatory education programs during the district's fiscal year.	\$8,465,935
AP4	Actual direct program expenditures for state compensatory education programs during the district's fiscal year. (PICs 24,26,28,29,30)	\$2,667,330
	Section B: Bilingual Education Programs	
AP5	Did your district expend any bilingual education program state allotment funds during the district's fiscal year?	Yes
AP6	Does the district have written policies and procedures for its bilingual education program?	Yes
AP7	Total state allotment funds received for bilingual education programs during the district's fiscal year.	\$721,677
AP8	Actual direct program expenditures for bilingual education programs during the district's fiscal year. (PIC 25)	\$801,821

FEDERAL AWARDS SECTION

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Trustees Waxahachie Independent School District Waxahachie, Texas

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Waxahachie Independent School District, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Waxahachie Independent School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report dated December 6, 2024.

#### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

#### Purpose of this Report

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

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

To the Board of Trustees Waxahachie Independent School District Waxahachie, Texas

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Waxahachie Independent School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Waxahachie Independent School District's major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2024. Waxahachie Independent School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Waxahachie Independent School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2024.

#### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

#### Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Waxahachie Independent School District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when

it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Waxahachie Independent School District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

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

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

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

#### Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

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

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Denton, Texas

December 6, 2024

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

- I. Summary of Auditor's Results
  - 1. Type of auditor's report issued on the financial statements: Unmodified.
  - 2. Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified: None

Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material

weaknesses: None reported

- 3. Noncompliance which is material to the financial statements: None
- 4. Internal controls over major federal programs:

Material weakness(es) identified: None

Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material

weaknesses: None reported

- 5. Type of auditor's report on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified.
- 6. Did the audit disclose findings which are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?: No
- 7. Major programs include:

FALN 84.365A ESEA Title III, Part A, English Language Acquisition Grants

FALN 84.367A ESEA, Title II, Part A, Teaching Principal Training

FALN 84.425U ESSER III, ESSER III (TCLAS)

- 8. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$750,000.
- 9. Low risk auditee: Yes
- II. Findings Related to the Financial Statements

None

III. Findings and Questioned Costs Related to Federal Awards

None

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF STATUS OF PRIOR FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

There were no prior year findings.

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
FEDERAL GRANTOR/	Federal	Pass-Through	
PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/	Assistance	Entity Identifying	Federal
PROGRAM or CLUSTER TITLE	Listing No.	Number	Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  Passed Through Texas Education Agency			
ESEA, Title I, Part A - Improving Basic Programs ESEA, Title I, Part A - Improving Basic Programs ESEA, Title I, Part A - Focused Support Grant	84.010 A 84.010 A 84.010 A	24610101070912 24610101070912 246101397110090	\$ 133,350 1,219,259 150,649
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.010			1,503,258
*IDEA - Part B, Formula *SSA - IDEA - Part B, Preschool *SSA - IDEA - Part B, Deaf	84.027 A 84.027 A 84.027 A	246600010709126600 246610010709126610 246600110709126673	1,992,083 28,798 35,126
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.027			2,056,007
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)			2,056,007
Career and Technical - Basic Grant	84.048 A	24420006070912	91,945
Title III, Part A - English Language Acquisition Title III, Part A - Immigrant	84.365 A 84.365 A	24671001057950 24671003057950	77,226 4,990
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.365			82,216
ESEA, Title II, Part A, Teacher Principal Training	84.367 A	24694501070912	222,210
Title IV, Part A Subpart 1 Title IV, Part A Subpart 1	84.424 A 84.424 A	24680101070912 24680101070912	4,742 117,056
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.424			121,798
COVID 19 - ESSER III - School Emergency Relief COVID 19 - Learning Supports - (TCLAS) ESSER III	84.425 U 84.425 U	21528001070912 21528042070912	1,355,163 284,844
Total Assistance Listing Number 84.425			1,640,007
Total Passed Through Texas Education Agency			5,717,441
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			5,717,441
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  Passed Through the Texas Department of Agriculture			
*School Breakfast Program	10.553	71402401	729,159
*National School Lunch Program - Cash Assistance *National School Lunch Prog Non-Cash Assistance	10.555 10.555	71402401 71402401	2,807,746 326,229
Total Assistance Listing Number 10.555			3,133,975
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			3,863,134
Total Passed Through the Texas Department of Agriculture			3,863,134
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			3,863,134
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS *Clustered Programs			\$ 9,580,575

#### WAXAHACHIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES ON ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

- For all Federal programs, the District uses the fund types specified in Texas Education Agency's *Financial Accountability System Resource Guide*.
  - General Fund is used to account for among other things, revenues from School Health and Related Services (SHARS) and indirect cost reimbursements.
  - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for resources restricted to or designated for specific purposes by a grantor. Federal and state financial assistance generally is accounted for in a Special Revenue Fund. Generally, unused balances are returned to the grantor at the close of specified project periods.
- The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The Governmental Fund types are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. All Federal grant funds were accounted for in a Special Revenue Fund or, in some instances, in the General Fund which are Governmental Fund type funds.

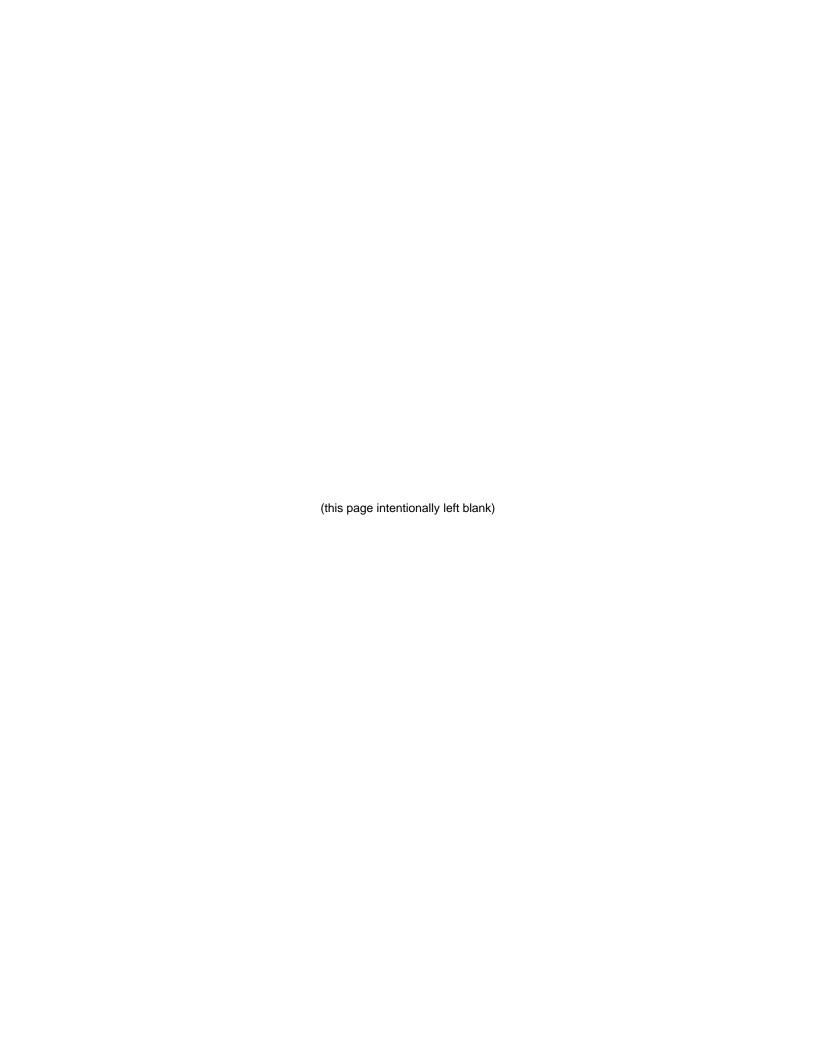
With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities and the fund balance are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases and decreases in net current assets. The modified accrual basis of accounting is used in the Governmental Fund types. This basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the accounting period in which they become susceptible to accrual, i.e., both measurable and available, and expenditures in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on General Long-Term Debt, which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments, which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. Federal grant funds are considered to be earned to the extent of expenditures made under the provisions of the grant, and, accordingly, when such funds are received, they are recorded as unearned revenues until earned.

- The period of performance for federal grant funds for the purpose of liquidation of outstanding obligations made on or before the ending date of the federal project period extended 90 days beyond the federal project period ending date, in accordance with provisions in Section H, Period of Performance of Federal Funds, 3 CFR Section 200.343 (b).
- ALN numbers for commodity assistance are the ALN numbers of the programs under which USDA donated the commodities.
- The District also received \$266,496 of School Health and Related Services (SHARS) payments recorded in the General Fund and \$53,063 of interest subsidy payments on its Qualified School Construction Bonds recorded in the Debt Service Fund. These payments are not considered Federal awards for purposes of The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards but are included in federal revenue on Exhibit C-3.

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#### APPENDIX E

THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM



### THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM

This disclosure statement provides information relating to the program (the "Guarantee Program") administered by the Texas Education Agency (the "TEA") with respect to the Texas Permanent School Fund guarantee of tax-supported bonds issued by Texas school districts and the guarantee of revenue bonds issued by or for the benefit of Texas charter districts. The Guarantee Program was authorized by an amendment to the Texas Constitution in 1983 and is governed by Subchapter C of Chapter 45 of the Texas Education Code, as amended (the "Act"). While the Guarantee Program applies to bonds issued by or for both school districts and charter districts, as described below, the Act and the program rules for the two types of districts have some distinctions. For convenience of description and reference, those aspects of the Guarantee Program that are applicable to school district bonds and to charter district bonds are referred to herein as the "School District Bond Guarantee Program" and the "Charter District Bond Guarantee Program," respectively.

Some of the information contained in this Section may include projections or other forward-looking statements regarding future events or the future financial performance of the Texas Permanent School Fund (the "PSF" or the "Fund"). Actual results may differ materially from those contained in any such projections or forward-looking statements.

The regular session of the 89th Texas Legislature (the "Legislature") convened on January 14, 2025, and is scheduled to conclude on June 2, 2025. As of the date of this disclosure, the regular session is underway. The Texas Governor may call one or more special sessions at the conclusion of the regular session. During this time, the Legislature may enact laws that materially change current law as it relates to the Guarantee Program, the TEA, the State Board of Education (the "SBOE"), the Permanent School Fund Corporation (the "PSF Corporation"), the Act, and Texas school finance generally. No representation is made regarding any actions the Legislature has taken or may take, but the TEA, SBOE, and PSF Corporation monitor and analyze legislation for any developments applicable thereto.

## **History and Purpose**

The PSF supports the State's public school system in two major ways: distributions to the constitutionally established Available School Fund (the "ASF"), as described below, and the guarantee of school district and charter district issued bonds through the Guarantee Program. The PSF was created in 1845 and received its first significant funding with a \$2,000,000 appropriation by the Legislature in 1854 expressly for the benefit of the public schools of Texas, with the sole purpose of assisting in the funding of public education for present and future generations. The Constitution of 1876 described that the PSF would be "permanent," and stipulated that certain lands and all proceeds from the sale of these lands should also constitute the PSF. Additional acts later gave more public domain land and rights to the PSF. In 1953, the U.S. Congress passed the Submerged Lands Act that relinquished to coastal states all rights of the U.S. navigable waters within state boundaries. If the State, by law, had set a larger boundary prior to or at the time of admission to the Union, or if the boundary had been approved by Congress, then the larger boundary applied. After three years of litigation (1957-1960), the U.S. Supreme Court on May 31, 1960, affirmed Texas' historic three marine leagues (10.35 miles) seaward boundary. Texas proved its submerged lands property rights to three leagues into the Gulf of Mexico by citing historic laws and treaties dating back to 1836. All lands lying within that limit belong to the PSF. The proceeds from the sale and the mineral-related rental of these lands, including bonuses, delay rentals and royalty payments, become the corpus of the Fund. Prior to the approval by the voters of the State of an amendment to the constitutional provision under which the Fund was established and administered, which occurred on September 13, 2003 (the "Total Return Constitutional Amendment"), and which is further described below, only the income produced by the PSF could be used to complement taxes in financi

On November 8, 1983, the voters of the State approved a constitutional amendment that provides for the guarantee by the PSF of bonds issued by school districts. On approval by the State Commissioner of Education (the "Education Commissioner"), bonds properly issued by a school district are fully guaranteed by the PSF. See "The School District Bond Guarantee Program."

In 2011, legislation was enacted that established the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program as a new component of the Guarantee Program. That legislation authorized the use of the PSF to guarantee revenue bonds issued by or for the benefit of certain open-enrollment charter schools that are designated as "charter districts" by the Education Commissioner. On approval by the Education Commissioner, bonds properly issued by a charter district participating in the Guarantee Program are fully guaranteed by the PSF. The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program became effective on March 3, 2014. See "The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program."

State law also permits charter schools to be chartered and operated by school districts and other political subdivisions, but bond financing of facilities for school district-operated charter schools is subject to the School District Bond Guarantee Program, not the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program.

While the School District Bond Guarantee Program and the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program relate to different types of bonds issued for different types of Texas public schools, and have different program regulations and requirements, a bond guaranteed under either part of the Guarantee Program has the same effect with respect to the guarantee obligation of the Fund thereto, and all guaranteed bonds are aggregated for purposes of determining the capacity of the Guarantee Program (see "Capacity Limits for the Guarantee Program"). The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program as enacted by State law has not been reviewed by any court, nor has the Texas Attorney General (the "Attorney General") been requested to issue an opinion, with respect to its constitutional validity.

Audited financial information for the PSF is provided annually through the PSF Corporation's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (the "Annual Report"), which is filed with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB"). The Texas School Land Board's (the "SLB") land and real assets investment operations, which are part of the PSF as described below, are also included in the annual financial report of the Texas General Land Office (the "GLO") that is included in the annual comprehensive report of the State of Texas. The Annual Report includes the Message From the Chief Executive Officer of the PSF Corporation (the "Message") and the Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A"). The Annual Report for the year ended August 31, 2024, as filed with the MSRB in accordance with the PSF undertaking and agreement made in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 ("Rule 15c2-12") of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as described below, is hereby incorporated by reference into this disclosure. Information included herein for the year ended August 31, 2024, is derived from the audited financial statements of the PSF, which are included in the Annual Report as it is filed and posted. Reference is made to the Annual Report for the complete Message and MD&A for the year ended August 31, 2024, and for a description of the financial results of the PSF for the year ended August 31, 2024, the most recent year for which audited financial information regarding the Fund is available. The 2024 Annual Report speaks only as of its date and the PSF Corporation has

not obligated itself to update the 2024 Annual Report or any other Annual Report. The PSF Corporation posts (i) each Annual Report, which includes statistical data regarding the Fund as of the close of each fiscal year, (ii) the most recent disclosure for the Guarantee Program, (iii) the PSF Corporation's Investment Policy Statement (the "IPS"), and (iv) monthly updates with respect to the capacity of the Guarantee Program (collectively, the "Web Site Materials") on the PSF Corporation's web site at https://texaspsf.org and with the MSRB at www.emma.msrb.org. Such monthly updates regarding the Guarantee Program are also incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes. In addition to the Web Site Materials, the Fund is required to make quarterly filings with the SEC under Section 13(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such filings, which consist of a list of the Fund's holdings of securities specified in Section 13(f), including exchange-traded (e.g., NYSE) or NASDAQ-quoted stocks, equity options and warrants, shares of closed-end investment companies and certain convertible debt securities, are available from the SEC at www.sec.gov/edgar. A list of the Fund's equity and fixed income holdings as of August 31 of each year is posted to the PSF Corporation's web site and filed with the MSRB. Such list excludes holdings in the Fund's securities lending program. Such list, as filed, is incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

## Management and Administration of the Fund

The Texas Constitution and applicable statutes delegate to the SBOE and the PSF Corporation the authority and responsibility for investment of the PSF's financial assets. The SBOE consists of 15 members who are elected by territorial districts in the State to four-year terms of office. The PSF Corporation is a special-purpose governmental corporation and instrumentality of the State entitled to sovereign immunity, and is governed by a nine-member board of directors (the "PSFC Board"), which consists of five members of the SBOE, the Land Commissioner, and three appointed members who have substantial background and expertise in investments and asset management, with one member being appointed by the Land Commissioner and the other two appointed by the Governor with confirmation by the Senate.

The PSF's non-financial real assets, including land, mineral and royalty interests, and individual real estate holdings, are held by the GLO and managed by the SLB. The SLB is required to send PSF mineral and royalty revenues to the PSF Corporation for investment, less amounts specified by appropriation to be retained by the SLB.

The Texas Constitution provides that the Fund shall be managed through the exercise of the judgment and care under the circumstances then prevailing which persons of ordinary prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not in regard to speculation, but in regard to the permanent disposition of their funds, considering the probable income therefrom as well as the probable safety of their capital (the "Prudent Person Standard"). In accordance with the Texas Constitution, the SBOE views the PSF as a perpetual endowment, and the Fund is managed as an endowment fund with a long-term investment horizon. For a detailed description of the PSFC Board's investment objectives, as well as a description of the PSFC Boards's roles and responsibilities in managing and administering the Fund, see the IPS and Board meeting materials (available on the PSF Corporation's website).

As described below, the Total Return Constitutional Amendment restricts the annual pay-out from the Fund to both (i) 6% of the average of the market value of the Fund, excluding real property, on the last day of each of the sixteen State fiscal quarters preceding the Regular Session of the Legislature that begins before that State fiscal biennium, and (ii) the total-return on all investment assets of the Fund over a rolling ten-year period.

By law, the Education Commissioner is appointed by the Governor, with Senate confirmation, and assists the SBOE, but the Education Commissioner can neither be hired nor dismissed by the SBOE. The PSF Corporation has also engaged outside counsel to advise it as to its duties with respect to the Fund, including specific actions regarding the investment of the PSF to ensure compliance with fiduciary standards, and to provide transactional advice in connection with the investment of Fund assets in non-traditional investments. TEA's General Counsel provides legal advice to the SBOE but will not provide legal advice directly to the PSF Corporation.

The Total Return Constitutional Amendment shifted administrative costs of the Fund from the ASF to the PSF, providing that expenses of managing the PSF are to be paid "by appropriation" from the PSF. In January 2005, the Attorney General issued a legal opinion, Op. Tex. Att'y Gen. No. GA-0293 (2005), stating that the Total Return Constitutional Amendment does not require the SBOE to pay from such appropriated PSF funds the indirect management costs deducted from the assets of a mutual fund or other investment company in which PSF funds have been invested.

The Act requires that the Education Commissioner prepare, and the SBOE approve, an annual status report on the Guarantee Program (which is included in the Annual Report). The State Auditor or a certified public accountant audits the financial statements of the PSF, which are separate from other financial statements of the State. Additionally, not less than once each year, the PSFC Board must submit an audit report to the Legislative Budget Board ("LBB") regarding the operations of the PSF Corporation. The PSF Corporation may contract with a certified public accountant or the State Auditor to conduct an independent audit of the operations of the PSF Corporation, but such authorization does not affect the State Auditor's authority to conduct an audit of the PSF Corporation in accordance with State laws.

For each biennium, beginning with the 2024-2025 State biennium, the PSF Corporation is required to submit a legislative appropriations request ("LAR") to the LBB and the Office of the Governor that details a request for appropriation of funds to enable the PSF Corporation to carry out its responsibilities for the investment management of the Fund. The requested funding, budget structure, and riders are sufficient to fully support all operations of the PSF Corporation in state fiscal years 2026 and 2027. As described therein, the LAR is designed to provide the PSF Corporation with the ability to operate as a stand-alone state entity in the State budget while retaining the flexibility to fulfill its fiduciary duty and provide oversight and transparency to the Legislature and Governor.

## **The Total Return Constitutional Amendment**

The Total Return Constitutional Amendment requires that PSF distributions to the ASF be determined using a "total-return-based" approach that provides that the total amount distributed from the Fund to the ASF: (1) in each year of a State fiscal biennium must be an amount that is not more than 6% of the average of the market value of the Fund, excluding real property (the "Distribution Rate"), on the last day of each of the sixteen State fiscal quarters preceding the Regular Session of the Legislature that begins before that State fiscal biennium, in accordance with the rate adopted by: (a) a vote of two-thirds of the total membership of the SBOE, taken before the Regular Session of the Legislature convenes or (b) the Legislature by general law or appropriation, if the SBOE does not adopt a rate as provided by clause (a); and (2) over the ten-year period consisting of the current State fiscal year and the nine preceding State fiscal years may not exceed the total return on all investment assets of the Fund over the same ten-year period (the "Ten Year Total Return"). In April

2009, the Attorney General issued a legal opinion, Op. Tex. Att'y Gen. No. GA-0707 (2009) ("GA-0707"), with regard to certain matters pertaining to the Distribution Rate and the determination of the Ten Year Total Return. In GA-0707 the Attorney General opined, among other advice, that (i) the Ten Year Total Return should be calculated on an annual basis, (ii) a contingency plan adopted by the SBOE, to permit monthly transfers equal in aggregate to the annual Distribution Rate to be halted and subsequently made up if such transfers temporarily exceed the Ten Year Total Return, is not prohibited by State law, provided that such contingency plan applies only within a fiscal year time basis, not on a biennium basis, and (iii) the amount distributed from the Fund in a fiscal year may not exceed 6% of the average of the market value of the Fund or the Ten Year Total Return. In accordance with GA-0707, in the event that the Ten Year Total Return is exceeded during a fiscal year, transfers to the ASF will be halted. However, if the Ten Year Total Return subsequently increases during that biennium, transfers may be resumed, if the SBOE has provided for that contingency, and made in full during the remaining period of the biennium, subject to the limit of 6% in any one fiscal year. Any shortfall in the transfer that results from such events from one biennium may not be paid over to the ASF in a subsequent biennium as the SBOE would make a separate payout determination for that subsequent biennium.

In determining the Distribution Rate, the SBOE has adopted the goal of maximizing the amount distributed from the Fund in a manner designed to preserve "intergenerational equity." The definition of intergenerational equity that the SBOE has generally followed is the maintenance of purchasing power to ensure that endowment spending keeps pace with inflation, with the ultimate goal being to ensure that current and future generations are given equal levels of purchasing power in real terms. In making this determination, the SBOE takes into account various considerations, and relies upon PSF Corporation and TEA staff and external investment consultants, which undertake analysis for long-term projection periods that includes certain assumptions. Among the assumptions used in the analysis are a projected rate of growth of student enrollment State-wide, the projected contributions and expenses of the Fund, projected returns in the capital markets and a projected inflation rate.

The Texas Constitution also provides authority to the GLO or another entity (described in statute as the SLB or the PSF Corporation) that has responsibility for the management of revenues derived from land or other properties of the PSF to determine whether to transfer an amount each year to the ASF from the revenue derived during the current year from such land or properties. The Texas Constitution limits the maximum transfer to the ASF to \$600 million in each year from the revenue derived during that year from the PSF from the GLO, the SBOE or another entity to the extent such entity has the responsibility for the management of revenues derived from such land or other properties. Any amount transferred to the ASF pursuant to this constitutional provision is excluded from the 6% Distribution Rate limitation applicable to SBOE transfers.

The following table shows amounts distributed to the ASF from the portions of the Fund administered by the SBOE (the "PSF(SBOE)"), the PSF Corporation (the "PSF(CORP)"), and the SLB (the "PSF(SLB)").

#### Annual Distributions to the Available School Fund<sup>1</sup>

Fiscal Year Ending	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<b>2023</b> <sup>2</sup>	<u>2024</u>
PSF(CORP) Distribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,076	\$2,156
PSF(SBOE) Distribution	839	1,056	1,056	1,236	1,236	1,102	1,102	1,731	-	-
PSF(SLB) Distribution	-	-	-	-	300	600	$600^{3}$	415	115	-
Per Student Distribution	173	215	212	247	306	347	341	432	440	430

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In millions of dollars. Source: Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

In November 2024, the SBOE approved a \$3.6 billion distribution to the ASF for State fiscal biennium 2026-2027. In making its determination of the 2026-2027 Distribution Rate, the SBOE took into account the planned distribution to the ASF by the PSF Corporation of \$1.2 billion for the biennium.

Efforts to achieve the intergenerational equity objective, as described above, result in changes in the Distribution Rate for each biennial period. The following table sets forth the Distribution Rates announced by the SBOE in the fall of each even-numbered year to be applicable for the following biennium.

State Fiscal Biennium	<u>2010-11</u>	2012-13	2014-15	2016-17	2018-19	2020-21	2022-23	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2026-27</u>
SBOE Distribution Rate <sup>1</sup>	2.5%	4.2%	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%	2.974%	4.18%	3.32%	3.45%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes only distributions made to the ASF by the SBOE; see the immediately preceding table for amounts of direct SLB distributions to the ASF. In addition, the PSF Corp approved transfers of \$600 million per year directly to the ASF for fiscal biennium 2026-27.

## **PSF Corporation Strategic Asset Allocation**

The PSFC Board sets the asset allocation policy for the Fund, including determining the available asset classes for investment and approving target percentages and ranges for allocation to each asset class, with the goal of delivering a long-term risk adjusted return through all economic and market environments. The IPS includes a combined asset allocation for all Fund assets (consisting of assets transferred for management to the PSF Corporation from the SBOE and the SLB). The IPS provides that the Fund's investment objectives are as follows:

- Generate distributions for the benefit of public schools in Texas; Maintain the purchasing power of the Fund, after spending and inflation, in order to maintain intergenerational equity with respect to distributions from the Fund;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reflects the first fiscal year in which distributions were made by the PSF Corporation.

<sup>3</sup> In September 2020, the SBOE approved a special, one-time transfer of \$300 million from the portion of the PSF managed by the SBOE to the portion of the PSF managed by the SLB, which amount is to be transferred to the ASF by the SLB in fiscal year 2021. In approving the special transfer, the SBOE determined that the transfer was in the best interest of the PSF due to the historic nature of the public health and economic circumstances resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on the school children of Texas.

- Provide a maximum level of return consistent with prudent risk levels, while maintaining sufficient liquidity needed to support Fund obligations; and
- Maintain a AAA credit rating, as assigned by a nationally recognized securities rating organization.

The table below sets forth the current strategic asset allocation of the Fund that was adopted September 2024 (which is subject to change from time to time):

	Strategic Asset	Range		
Asset Class	Allocation	Min	Max	
Cash	2.0%	0.0%	n/a	
Core Bonds	10.0%	5.0%	15.0%	
High Yield	2.0%	0.0%	7.0%	
Bank Loans	4.0%	0.0%	9.0%	
Treasury Inflation Protected Securities	2.0%	0.0%	7.0%	
Large Cap Equity	14.0%	9.0%	19.0%	
Small/Mid-Cap Equity	6.0%	1.0%	11.0%	
Non-US Developed Equity	7.0%	2.0%	12.0%	
Absolute Return	3.0%	0.0%	8.0%	
Real Estate	12.0%	7.0%	17.0%	
Private Equity	20.0%	10.0%	30.0%	
Private Credit	8.0%	3.0%	13.0%	
Natural Resources	5.0%	0.0%	10.0%	
Infrastructure	5.0%	0.0%	10.0%	

The table below sets forth the comparative investments of the PSF for the fiscal years ending August 31, 2023 and 2024, as set forth in the Annual Report for the 2024 fiscal year. As of January 1, 2023, the assets of the PSF(SBOE) and the PSF(SLB) were generally combined (referred to herein as the PSF(CORP)) for investment management and accounting purposes.

# Comparative Investment Schedule - PSF(CORP)

Fair	Value	(in	millions)	August :	31.	2024	and 2023

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ASSET CLASS EQUITY	August 31, 2024	August 31, 2023	Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent <u>Change</u>
•	¢2 (51 2	¢ 2.075 1	\$ 676.2	22.7%
Domestic Small Cap	\$3,651.3	\$ 2,975.1		
Domestic Large Cap	<u>8,084.6</u>	<u>7,896.5</u>	<u>188.1</u>	2.4%
Total Domestic Equity	11,735.9	10,871.6	864.3	8.0%
International Equity	<u>4,131.1</u>	7,945.5	(3,814.4)	<u>-48.0%</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	15,867.0	18,817.1	(2,950.1)	-15.7%
FIXED INCOME				
Domestic Fixed Income	-	5,563.7	-	-
US Treasuries	-	937.5	-	-
Core Bonds	8,151.6	-	-	-
Bank Loans	2,564.1	-	-	-
High Yield Bonds	2,699.5	1,231.6	1,467.9	119.2%
Emerging Market Debt	=	<u>869.7</u>	Ξ.	
TOTAL FIXED INCOME	13,415.2	8,602.5	4,812.7	55.9%
ALTERNATIVE INVESTME				
Absolute Return	3,106.0	3,175.8	(69.8)	-2.2%
Real Estate	6,101.0	6,525.2	(424.2)	-6.5%
Private Equity Emerging Manager	8,958.8	8,400.7	558.1	6.6%
Program	-	134.5	-	-
Real Return	-	1,663.7	-	-
Private Credit	2,257.9	-	-	-
Real Assets	4,648.1	4,712.1	<u>(64.0)</u>	-1.4%
TOT ALT INVESTMENTS	25,071.8	24,612.0	459.8	1.9%

UNALLOCATED CASH	<u>2,583.2</u>	348.2	<u>2,235</u>	641.9%
TOTAL PSF(CORP)				
INVESTMENTS	56.937.2	\$ 52.379.8	\$ 4.557.4	8.7%

Source: Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

The table below sets forth the investments of the PSF(SLB) for the year ended August 31, 2024.

## Investment Schedule - PSF(SLB)1

## Fair Value (in millions) August 31, 2024

	As of 8-31-24	
Investment Type		
Investments in Real Assets		
Sovereign Lands	\$ 277.47	
Discretionary Internal Investments	457.01	
Other Lands	153.15	
Minerals (2), (3)	<u>4,540.61</u>	(6)
Total Investments <sup>(4)</sup>	5,428.23	
Cash in State Treasury (5)	0	
Total Investments & Cash in State	¢ 5 428 22	
Treasury	\$ 5,428.23	

<sup>1</sup> Unaudited figures from Table 5 in the FY 2024 Unaudited Annual Financial Report of the Texas General Land Office and Veterans Land

Includes an estimated 1,000,000.00 acres in freshwater rivers.

<sup>4</sup> Includes an estimated 1,747,600.00 in excess acreage.

The asset allocation of the Fund's financial assets portfolio is subject to change by the PSF Corporation from time to time based upon a number of factors, including recommendations to the PSF Corporation made by internal investment staff and external consultants. Fund performance may also be affected by factors other than asset allocation, including, without limitation, the general performance of the securities markets and other capital markets in the United States and abroad, which may be affected by different levels of economic activity; decisions of political officeholders; significant adverse weather events; development of hostilities in and among nations; cybersecurity threats and events; changes in international trade policies or practices; application of the Prudent Person Standard, which may eliminate certain investment opportunities for the Fund; management fees paid to external managers and embedded management fees for some fund investments; and PSF operational limitations impacted by Texas law or legislative appropriation. The Guarantee Program could also be impacted by changes in State or federal law or regulations or the implementation of new accounting standards.

### The School District Bond Guarantee Program

The School District Bond Guarantee Program requires an application be made by a school district to the Education Commissioner for a guarantee of its bonds. If the conditions for the School District Bond Guarantee Program are satisfied, the guarantee becomes effective upon approval of the bonds by the Attorney General and remains in effect until the guaranteed bonds are paid or defeased, by a refunding or otherwise.

In the event of default, holders of guaranteed school district bonds will receive all payments as and when may become due from the corpus of the PSF. Following a determination that a school district will be or is unable to pay maturing or matured principal or interest on any guaranteed bond, the Act requires the school district to notify the Education Commissioner not later than the fifth day before the stated maturity date of such bond or interest payment. Immediately following receipt of such notice, the Education Commissioner must cause to be transferred from the appropriate account in the PSF to the Paying Agent/Registrar an amount necessary to pay the maturing or matured principal and interest, as applicable. Upon receipt of funds for payment of such principal or interest, the Paying Agent/Registrar must pay the amount due and forward the canceled bond or evidence of payment of the interest to the State Comptroller of Public Accounts (the "Comptroller"). The Education Commissioner will instruct the Comptroller withhold the amount paid, plus interest, from the first State money payable to the school district. The amount withheld pursuant to this funding "intercept" feature will be deposited to the credit of the PSF. The Comptroller must hold such canceled bond or evidence of payment of the interest on behalf of the PSF. Following full reimbursement of such payment by the school district to the PSF with interest, the Comptroller will cancel the bond or evidence of payment of the interest and forward it to the school district. The Act permits the Education Commissioner to order a school district to set a tax rate sufficient to reimburse the PSF for any payments made with respect to guaranteed bonds, and also sufficient to pay future payments on guaranteed bonds, and provides certain enforcement mechanisms to the Education Commissioner, including the appointment of a board of managers or annexation of a defaulting school district to another school district.

If a school district fails to pay principal or interest on a bond as it is stated to mature, other amounts not due and payable are not accelerated and do not become due and payable by virtue of the district's default. The School District Bond Guarantee Program does not apply to the payment of principal and interest upon redemption of bonds, except upon mandatory sinking fund redemption, and does not

Historical Cost of investments at August 31, 2024 was: Sovereign Lands \$838,730.24; Discretionary Internal Investments \$318,902,420.97; Other Lands \$37,290,818.76; and Minerals \$13,437,063.73.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Cash in State Treasury is managed by the Treasury Operations Division of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. <sup>6</sup> Future Net Revenues discounted at 10% and then adjusted for risk factors. A mineral reserve report is prepared annually by external third-party petroleum engineers.

apply to the obligation, if any, of a school district to pay a redemption premium on its guaranteed bonds. The guarantee applies to all matured interest on guaranteed school district bonds, whether the bonds were issued with a fixed or variable interest rate and whether the interest rate changes as a result of an interest reset provision or other bond order provision requiring an interest rate change. The guarantee does not extend to any obligation of a school district under any agreement with a third party relating to guaranteed bonds that is defined or described in State law as a "bond enhancement agreement" or a "credit agreement," unless the right to payment of such third party is directly as a result of such third party being a bondholder.

In the event that two or more payments are made from the PSF on behalf of a district, the Education Commissioner shall request the Attorney General to institute legal action to compel the district and its officers, agents and employees to comply with the duties required of them by law in respect to the payment of guaranteed bonds.

Generally, the regulations that govern the School District Bond Guarantee Program (the "SDBGP Rules") limit guarantees to certain types of notes and bonds, including, with respect to refunding bonds issued by school districts, a requirement that the bonds produce debt service savings. The SDBGP Rules include certain accreditation criteria for districts applying for a guarantee of their bonds, and limit guarantees to districts that have less than the amount of annual debt service per average daily attendance that represents the 90th percentile of annual debt service per average daily attendance for all school districts, but such limitation will not apply to school district hat have enrollment growth of at least 25% over the previous five school years. The SDBGP Rules are codified in the Texas Administrative Code at 19 TAC section 33.6 and are available at https://tea.texas.gov/finance-and-grants/state-funding/facilities-funding-and-standards/bond-guarantee-program.

#### The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program

The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program became effective March 3, 2014. The SBOE published final regulations in the Texas Register that provide for the administration of the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program (the "CDBGP Rules"). The CDBGP Rules are codified at 19 TAC section 33.7 and are available at https://tea.texas.gov/finance-and-grants/state-funding/facilities-funding-and-standards/bond-guarantee-program.

The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program has been authorized through the enactment of amendments to the Act, which provide that a charter holder may make application to the Education Commissioner for designation as a "charter district" and for a guarantee by the PSF under the Act of bonds issued on behalf of a charter district by a non-profit corporation. If the conditions for the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program are satisfied, the guarantee becomes effective upon approval of the bonds by the Attorney General and remains in effect until the guaranteed bonds are paid or defeased, by a refunding or otherwise.

Pursuant to the CDBGP Rules, the Education Commissioner annually determines the ratio of charter district students to total public school students, for the 2025 fiscal year, the ratio is 7.86%. At February 27, 2025, there were 188 active open-enrollment charter schools in the State and there were 1,222 charter school campuses authorized under such charters, though as of such date, 264 of such campuses are not currently serving students for various reasons; therefore, there are 958 charter school campuses actively serving students in Texas. Section 12.101, Texas Education Code, limits the number of charters that the Education Commissioner may grant to a total number of 305 charters. While legislation limits the number of charters that may be granted, it does not limit the number of campuses that may operate under a particular charter. For information regarding the capacity of the Guarantee Program, see "Capacity Limits for the Guarantee Program." The Act provides that the Education Commissioner may not approve the guarantee of refunding or refinanced bonds under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program in a total amount that exceeds one-half of the total amount available for the quarantee of charter district bonds under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program.

In accordance with the Act, the Education Commissioner may not approve charter district bonds for guarantee if such guarantees will result in lower bond ratings for public school district bonds that are guaranteed under the School District Bond Guarantee Program. To be eligible for a guarantee, the Act provides that a charter district's bonds must be approved by the Attorney General, have an unenhanced investment grade rating from a nationally recognized investment rating firm, and satisfy a limited investigation conducted by the TEA.

The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program does not apply to the payment of principal and interest upon redemption of bonds, except upon mandatory sinking fund redemption, and does not apply to the obligation, if any, of a charter district to pay a redemption premium on its guaranteed bonds. The guarantee applies to all matured interest on guaranteed charter district bonds, whether the bonds were issued with a fixed or variable interest rate and whether the interest rate changes as a result of an interest reset provision or other bond resolution provision requiring an interest rate change. The guarantee does not extend to any obligation of a charter district under any agreement with a third party relating to guaranteed bonds that is defined or described in State law as a "bond enhancement agreement" or a "credit agreement," unless the right to payment of such third party is directly as a result of such third party being a bondholder.

In the event of default, holders of guaranteed charter district bonds will receive all payments as and when they become due from the corpus of the PSF. Following a determination that a charter district will be or is unable to pay maturing or matured principal or interest on any guaranteed bond, the Act requires a charter district to notify the Education Commissioner not later than the fifth day before the stated maturity date of such bond or interest payment and provides that immediately following receipt of notice that a charter district will be or is unable to pay maturing or matured principal or interest on a guaranteed bond, the Education Commissioner is required to instruct the Comptroller to transfer from the Charter District Reserve Fund to the district's paying agent an amount necessary to pay the maturing or matured principal or interest, as applicable. If money in the Charter District Reserve Fund is insufficient to pay the amount due on a bond for which a notice of default has been received, the Education Commissioner is required to instruct the Comptroller to transfer from the PSF to the district's paying agent the amount necessary to pay the balance of the unpaid maturing or matured principal or interest, as applicable. If a total of two or more payments are made under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program on charter district bonds and the Education Commissioner determines that the charter district is acting in bad faith under the program, the Education Commissioner may request the Attorney General to institute appropriate legal action to compel the charter district and its officers, agents, and employees to comply with the duties required of them by law in regard to the guaranteed bonds. As is the case with the School District Bond Guarantee Program, the Act provides a funding "intercept" feature that obligates the Education Commissioner to instruct the Comptroller to withhold the amount paid with respect to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, plus interest, from the first State mon

The CDBGP Rules provide that the PSF may be used to guarantee bonds issued for the acquisition, construction, repair, or renovation of an educational facility for an open-enrollment charter holder and equipping real property of an open-enrollment charter school and/or to refinance promissory notes executed by an open-enrollment charter school, each in an amount in excess of \$500,000 the proceeds of which loans were used for a purpose described above (so-called new money bonds) or for refinancing bonds previously issued for the charter school that were approved by the Attorney General (so-called refunding bonds). Refunding bonds may not be guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program if they do not result in a present value savings to the charter holder.

The CDBGP Rules provide that an open-enrollment charter holder applying for charter district designation and a guarantee of its bonds under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program satisfy various provisions of the regulations, including the following: It must (i) have operated at least one open-enrollment charter school with enrolled students in the State for at least three years; (ii) agree that the bonded indebtedness for which the guarantee is sought will be undertaken as an obligation of all entities under common control of the open-enrollment charter holder, and that all such entities will be liable for the obligation if the open-enrollment charter holder defaults on the bonded indebtedness, provided, however, that an entity that does not operate a charter school in Texas is subject to this provision only to the extent it has received state funds from the open-enrollment charter holder; (iii) have had completed for the past three years an audit for each such year that included unqualified or unmodified audit opinions; and (iv) have received an investment grade credit rating within the last year. Upon receipt of an application for guarantee under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, the Education status of all open-enrollment charter schools operated under the charter, within the scope set forth in the CDBGP Rules. Such financial investigation must establish that an applying charter district has a historical debt service coverage ratio, based on annual debt service, of at least 1.1 for the most recently completed fiscal year, and a projected debt service coverage ratio, based on projected revenues and expenses and maximum annual debt service, of at least 1.2. The failure of an open-enrollment charter holder to comply with the Act or the applicable regulations, including by making any material misrepresentations in the charter holder's application of the open-enrollment charter holder's charter.

From time to time, TEA has limited new guarantees under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program to conform to capacity limits specified by the Act. The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program Capacity (the "CDBGP Capacity") is made available from the capacity of the Guarantee Program but is not reserved exclusively for the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. See "Capacity Limits for the Guarantee Program." Other factors that could increase the CDBGP Capacity include Fund investment performance, future increases in State Program multiplier, changes in State law that govern the calculation of the CDBGP Capacity, as described below, changes in State or federal law or regulations related to the Guarantee Program limit, growth in the relative percentage of students enrolled in open-enrollment charter schools to the total State scholastic census, legislative and administrative changes in funding for charter districts, changes in level of school district or charter district participation in the Guarantee Program, or a combination of such circumstances.

## **Capacity Limits for the Guarantee Program**

The capacity of the Fund to guarantee bonds under the Guarantee Program is limited to the lesser of that imposed by State law (the "State Capacity Limit") and that imposed by regulations and a notice issued by the IRS (the "IRS Limit", with the limit in effect at any given time being the "Capacity Limit"). From 2005 through 2009, the Guarantee Program twice reached capacity under the IRS Limit, and in each instance the Guarantee Program was closed to new bond guarantee applications until relief was obtained from the IRS. The most recent closure of the Guarantee Program commenced in March 2009 and the Guarantee Program reopened in February 2010 after the IRS updated regulations relating to the PSF and similar funds.

Prior to 2007, various legislation was enacted modifying the calculation of the State Capacity limit; however, in 2007, Senate Bill 389 ("SB 389") was enacted, providing for increases in the capacity of the Guarantee Program, and specifically providing that the SBOE may by rule increase the capacity of the Guarantee Program from two and one-half times the cost value of the PSF to an amount not to exceed five times the cost value of the PSF, provided that the increased limit does not violate federal law and regulations and does not prevent bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program from receiving the highest available credit rating, as determined by the SBOE. SB 389 further provided that the SBOE shall at least annually consider whether to change the capacity of the Guarantee Program. Additionally, on May 21, 2010, the SBOE modified the SDBGP Rules, and increased the State Capacity Limit to an amount equal to three times the cost value of the PSF. Such modified regulations, including the revised capacity rule, became effective on July 1, 2010. The SDBGP Rules provide that the Education Commissioner will estimate the available capacity of the PSF each month and may increase or reduce the State Capacity Limit multiplier to prudently manage fund capacity and maintain the AAA credit rating of the Guarantee Program but also provide that any changes to the multiplier made by the Education Commissioner are to be ratified or rejected by the SBOE at the next meeting following the change. See "Valuation of the PSF and Guaranteed Bonds" below.

Since September 2015, the SBOE has periodically voted to change the capacity multiplier as shown in the following table.

# Changes in SBOE-determined multiplier for State Capacity Limit

<u>Date</u>	<u>Multiplier</u>
Prior to May 2010	2.50
May 2010	3.00
September 2015	3.25
February 2017	3.50
September 2017	3.75
February 2018 (current)	3.50

Since December 16, 2009, the IRS Limit was a static limit set at 500% of the total cost value of the assets held by the PSF as of December 16, 2009; however, on May 10, 2023, the IRS released Notice 2023-39 (the "IRS Notice"), stating that the IRS would issue regulations amending the existing regulations to amend the calculation of the IRS limit to 500% of the total cost value of assets held by the PSF as of the date of sale of new bonds, effective as of May 10, 2023.

The IRS Notice changed the IRS Limit from a static limit to a dynamic limit for the Guarantee Program based upon the cost value of Fund assets, multiplied by five. As of January 31, 2025 the cost value of the Guarantee Program was \$48,560,433,760 (unaudited), thereby producing an IRS Limit of \$242,802,168,800 in principal amount of guaranteed bonds outstanding.

As of January 31, 2025, the estimated State Capacity Limit is \$169,961,518,160, which is lower than the IRS Limit, making the State Capacity Limit the current Capacity Limit for the Fund.

Since July 1991, when the SBOE amended the Guarantee Program Rules to broaden the range of bonds that are eligible for guarantee under the Guarantee Program to encompass most Texas school district bonds, the principal amount of bonds guaranteed under the Guarantee Program has increased sharply. In addition, in recent years a number of factors have caused an increase in the amount of bonds issued by school districts in the State. See the table "Permanent School Fund Guaranteed Bonds" below. Effective March 1, 2023, the Act provides that the SBOE may establish a percentage of the Capacity Limit to be reserved from use in guaranteeing bonds (the "Capacity Reserve"). The SDBGP Rules provide for a maximum Capacity Reserve for the overall Guarantee Program of 5% and provide that the amount of the Capacity Reserve may be increased or decreased by a majority vote of the SBOE based on changes in the cost value, asset allocation, and risk in the portfolio, or may be increased or decreased by the Education Commissioner as necessary to prudently manage fund capacity and preserve the AAA credit rating of the Guarantee Program (subject to ratification or rejection by the SBOE at the next meeting for which an item can be posted). The CDBGP Rules provide for an additional reserve of CDBGP Capacity determined by calculating an equal percentage as established by the SBOE for the Capacity Reserve, applied to the CDBGP Capacity. Effective March 1, 2023, the Capacity Reserve is 0.25%. The Capacity Reserve is noted in the monthly updates with respect to the capacity of the Guarantee Program on the PSF Corporation's web site at https://texaspsf.org/monthly-disclosures/, which are also filed with the MSRB.

Based upon historical performance of the Fund, the legal restrictions relating to the amount of bonds that may be guaranteed has generally resulted in a lower ratio of guaranteed bonds to available assets as compared to many other types of credit enhancements that may be available for Texas school district bonds and charter district bonds. However, the ratio of Fund assets to guaranteed bonds and the growth of the Fund in general could be adversely affected by a number of factors, including Fund investment performance, investment objectives of the Fund, an increase in bond issues by school districts in the State or legal restrictions on the Fund, changes in State laws that implement funding decisions for school districts and charter districts, which could adversely affect the credit quality of those districts, the implementation of the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, or significant changes in distributions to the ASF. The issuance of the IRS Notice and the Final IRS Regulations resulted in a substantial increase in the amount of bonds guaranteed under the Guarantee Program.

No representation is made as to how the capacity will remain available, and the capacity of the Guarantee Program is subject to change due to a number of factors, including changes in bond issuance volume throughout the State and some bonds receiving guarantee approvals may not close. If the amount of guaranteed bonds approaches the State Capacity Limit, the SBOE or Education Commissioner may increase the State Capacity Limit multiplier as discussed above.

#### 2017 Legislative Changes to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program

The CDBGP Capacity is established by the Act. During the 85th Texas Legislature, which concluded on May 29, 2017, Senate Bill 1480 ("SB 1480") was enacted. SB 1480 amended the Act to modify how the CDBGP Capacity is established effective as of September 1, 2017, and made other substantive changes to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. Prior to the enactment of SB 1480, the CDBGP Capacity was calculated as the Capacity Limit less the amount of outstanding bond guarantees under the Guarantee Program multiplied by the percentage of charter district scholastic population relative to the total public school scholastic population. SB 1480 amended the CDBGP Capacity calculation so that the Capacity Limit is multiplied by the percentage of charter district scholastic population relative to the total public school scholastic population prior to the subtraction of the outstanding bond guarantees, thereby increasing the CDBGP Capacity.

The percentage of the charter district scholastic population to the overall public school scholastic population has grown from 3.53% in September 2012 to 7.86% in February 2025. TEA is unable to predict how the ratio of charter district students to the total State scholastic population will change over time.

In addition to modifying the manner of determining the CDBGP Capacity, SB 1480 provided that the Education Commissioner's investigation of a charter district application for guarantee may include an evaluation of whether the charter district bond security documents provide a security interest in real property pledged as collateral for the bond and the repayment obligation under the proposed guarantee. The Education Commissioner may decline to approve the application if the Education Commissioner determines that sufficient security is not provided. The Act and the CDBGP Rules also require the Education Commissioner to make an investigation of the accreditation status and financial status for a charter district applying for a bond guarantee.

Since the initial authorization of the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, the Act has established a bond guarantee reserve fund in the State treasury (the "Charter District Reserve Fund"). Formerly, the Act provided that each charter district that has a bond guaranteed must annually remit to the Education Commissioner, for deposit in the Charter District Reserve Fund, an amount equal to 10% of the savings to the charter district that is a result of the lower interest rate on its bonds due to the guarantee by the PSF. SB 1480 modified the Act insofar as it pertains to the Charter District Reserve Fund. Effective September 1, 2017, the Act provides that a charter district that has a bond guaranteed must remit to the Education Commissioner, for deposit in the Charter District Reserve Fund, an amount equal to 20% of the savings to the charter district that is a result of the lower interest rate on the bond due to the guarantee by the PSF. The amount due shall be paid on receipt by the charter district of the bond proceeds. However, the deposit requirement will not apply if the balance of the Charter District Reserve Fund is at least equal to 3.00% of the total amount of outstanding guaranteed bonds issued by charter districts. At January 31, 2025, the Charter District Reserve Fund contained \$120,355,020, which represented approximately 2.44% of the guaranteed charter district bonds. The Reserve Fund is held and invested as a non-commingled fund under the administration of the PSF Corporation staff.

# **Charter District Risk Factors**

Open-enrollment charter schools in the State may not charge tuition and, unlike school districts, charter districts have no taxing power. Funding for charter district operations is largely from amounts appropriated by the Legislature. Additionally, the amount of State payments

a charter district receives is based on a variety of factors, including the enrollment at the schools operated by a charter district, and may be affected by the State's economic performance and other budgetary considerations and various political considerations.

Other than credit support for charter district bonds that is provided to qualifying charter districts by the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, State funding for charter district facilities construction is limited to a program established by the Legislature in 2017, which provides \$60 million per year for eligible charter districts with an acceptable performance rating for a variety of funding purposes, including for lease or purchase payments for instructional facilities. Since State funding for charter facilities is limited, charter schools generally issue revenue bonds to fund facility construction and acquisition, or fund facilities from cash flows of the school. Some charter districts have issued non-guaranteed debt in addition to debt guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, and such non-guaranteed debt is likely to be secured by a deed of trust covering all or part of the charter district's facilities. In March 2017, the TEA began requiring charter districts to provide the TEA with a lien against charter district property as a condition to receiving a guarantee under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. However, charter district bonds issued and guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program prior to the implementation of the new requirement did not have the benefit of a security interest in real property, although other existing debts of such charter districts that are not guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program may be secured by real property that could be foreclosed on in the event of a bond default.

As a general rule, the operation of a charter school involves fewer State requirements and regulations for charter holders as compared to other public schools, but the maintenance of a State-granted charter is dependent upon on-going compliance with State law and regulations, which are monitored by TEA. TEA has a broad range of enforcement and remedial actions that it can take as corrective measures, and such actions may include the loss of the State charter, the appointment of a new board of directors to govern a charter district, the assignment of operations to another charter operator, or, as a last resort, the dissolution of an open-enrollment charter school. Charter holders are governed by a private board of directors, as compared to the elected boards of trustees that govern school districts.

As described above, the Act includes a funding "intercept" function that applies to both the School District Bond Guarantee Program and the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. However, school districts are viewed as the "educator of last resort" for students residing in the geographical territory of the district, which makes it unlikely that State funding for those school districts would be discontinued, although the TEA can require the dissolution and merger into another school district if necessary to ensure sound education and financial management of a school district. That is not the case with a charter district, however, and open-enrollment charter schools in the State have been dissolved by TEA from time to time. If a charter district that has bonds outstanding that are guaranteed by the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program should be dissolved, debt service on guaranteed bonds of the district would continue to be paid to bondholders in accordance with the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, but there would be no funding available for reimbursement of the PSF by the Comptroller for such payments. As described under "The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program," the Act established the Charter District Reserve Fund, to serve as a reimbursement resource for the PSF.

## **Ratings of Bonds Guaranteed Under the Guarantee Program**

Moody's Investors Service, Inc., S&P Global Ratings, and Fitch Ratings, Inc. rate bonds guaranteed by the PSF "Aaa," "AAA" and "AAA," respectively. Not all districts apply for multiple ratings on their bonds, however. See the applicable rating section within the offering document to which this is attached for information regarding a district's underlying rating and the enhanced rating applied to a given series of bonds.

## Valuation of the PSF and Guaranteed Bonds

## **Permanent School Fund Valuations**

Fiscal Year		
Ended 8/31	Book Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Market Value <sup>(1)</sup>
2020	\$36,642,000,738	\$46,764,059,745
2021	38,699,895,545	55,582,252,097
2022	42,511,350,050	56,754,515,757
2023	43,915,792,841	59,020,536,667
$2024^{(2)}$	46,276,260,013	56,937,188,265

<sup>(1)</sup> SLB managed assets are included in the market value and book value of the Fund. In determining the market value of the PSF from time to time during a fiscal year, the current, unaudited values for PSF investment portfolios and cash held by the SLB are used. With respect to SLB managed assets shown in the table above, market values of land and mineral interests, internally managed real estate, investments in externally managed real estate funds and cash are based upon information reported to the PSF Corporation by the SLB. The SLB reports that information to the PSF Corporation on a quarterly basis. The valuation of such assets at any point in time is dependent upon a variety of factors, including economic conditions in the State and nation in general, and the values of these assets, and, in particular, the valuation of mineral holdings administered by the SLB, can be volatile and subject to material changes from period to period.

<sup>(2)</sup> At August 31, 2024, mineral assets, sovereign lands, other lands, and discretionary internal investments, had book values of approximately \$13.4 million, \$0.8 million, \$37.2 million, and \$318.9 million, respectively, and market values of approximately \$4,540.6 million, \$277.4 million, \$153.1 million, and \$457.0 million, respectively.

## **Permanent School Fund Guaranteed Bonds**

At 8/31	Principal Amount <sup>(1)</sup>
2020	\$90,336,680,245
2021	95,259,161,922
2022	103,239,495,929
2023	115,730,826,682
2024	125,815,981,603 <sup>(2)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents original principal amount; does not reflect any subsequent accretions in value for compound interest bonds (zero coupon securities). The amount shown excludes bonds that have been refunded and released from the Guarantee Program. The TEA does not maintain records of the accreted value of capital appreciation bonds that are guaranteed under the Guarantee Program.

# Permanent School Fund Guaranteed Bonds by Category<sup>(1)</sup>

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	School Dis	strict Bonds	Charter 1	District Bonds	<u>Totals</u>	
Fiscal						
Year						
Ended <u>8/31</u>	No. of	Principal	No. of	Principal	No. of	Principal
	<u>Issues</u>	Amount (\$)	<u>Issues</u>	Amount (\$)	<u>Issues</u>	Amount (\$)
2020	3,296	87,800,478,245	64	2,536,202,000	3,360	90,336,680,245
2021	3,346	91,951,175,922	83	3,307,986,000	3,429	95,259,161,922
2022	3,348	99,528,099,929	94	3,711,396,000	3,442	103,239,495,929
2023	3,339	111,647,914,682	102	4,082,912,000	3,441	115,730,826,682
$2024^{(2)}$	3,330	121,046,871,603	103	4,769,110,000	3,433	125,815,981,603

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents original principal amount; does not reflect any subsequent accretions in value for compound interest bonds (zero coupon

## Discussion and Analysis Pertaining to Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024

The following discussion is derived from the Annual Report for the year ended August 31, 2024, including the Message from the Chief Executive Officer of the Fund, the Management's Discussion and Analysis, and other schedules contained therein. Reference is made to the Annual Report, as filed with the MSRB, for the complete Message and MD&A. Investment assets managed by the PSF Corporation are referred to throughout this MD&A as the PSF(CORP). The Fund's non-financial real assets are managed by the SLB and these assets are referred to throughout as the PSF(SLB) assets.

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the PSF(CORP) net position was \$57.3 billion. During the year, the PSF(CORP) continued implementing the long-term strategic asset allocation, diversifying the investment mix to strengthen the Fund. The asset allocation is projected to increase returns over the long run while reducing risk and portfolio return volatility. The PSF(CORP) is invested in global markets and liliquid and illiquid and illiquid and strengthen the related to provide the post strengthen and benefits the post strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen and the post strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen and the post strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen and the post strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen and the post strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen are strengthen and the post strengthen are strengthen and the from the cost structure of its investment program. Changes continue to be researched, crafted, and implemented to make the cost structure more effective and efficient. The PSF(CORP) annual rates of return for the one-year, five-year, and ten-year periods ending August 31, 2024, net of fees, were 10.12%, 7.31%, and 6.32%, respectively (total return takes into consideration the change in the market value of the Fund during the year as well as the interest and dividend income generated by the Fund's investments). See "Comparative Investment Schedule - PSF(CORP)" for the PSF(CORP) holdings as of August 31, 2024.

Effective February 1, 2024, Texas PSF transitioned into a new strategic asset allocation. The new allocation of the PSF Corporation updated the strategic asset allocation among public equities, fixed income, and alternative assets, as discussed herein. Alternative assets now include private credit, absolute return, private equity, real estate, natural resources, and infrastructure. For a description of the accrual basis of accounting and more information about performance, including comparisons to established benchmarks for certain periods, please see the 2024 Annual Report which is included by reference herein.

<sup>(2)</sup> At August 31, 2024 (the most recent date for which such data is available), the TEA expected that the principal and interest to be paid by school districts and charter districts over the remaining life of the bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program was \$196,294,405,488, of which \$70,478,423,885 represents interest to be paid. As shown in the table above, at August 31, 2024, there were \$125,815,981,603 in principal amount of bonds guaranteed under the Guarantee Program. Using the State Capacity Limit of \$169,961,518,160 (the State Capacity Limit is currently the Capacity Limit), net of the Capacity Reserve, as of January 31, 2025, 7.69% of the Guarantee Program's capacity was available to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. As of January 31, 2025, the amount of outstanding bond guarantees represented 76.33% of the Capacity Limit (which is currently the State Capacity Limit). January 31, 2025 values are based on unaudited data, which is subject to adjustment.

securities). The amount shown excludes bonds that have been refunded and released from the Guarantee Program.

(2) At January 31, 2025 (based on unaudited data, which is subject to adjustment), there were \$129,723,799,121 in principal amount of bonds guaranteed under the Guarantee Program, representing 3,437 school district issues, aggregating \$124,794,149,121 in principal amount and 109 charter district issues, aggregating \$4,929,650,000 in principal amount. At January 31, 2025 the projected guarantee capacity available was \$39,780,221,830 (based on unaudited data, which is subject to adjustment).

## PSF Returns Fiscal Year Ended 8-31-2024<sup>1</sup>

		Benchmark
<u>Portfolio</u>	Return	Return <sup>2</sup>
Total PSF(CORP) Portfolio	10.12	9.28
Domestic Large Cap Equities	27.30	27.14
Domestic Small/Mid Cap Equities	18.35	18.37
International Equities	18.82	18.08
Private Credit	1.41	0.93
Core Bonds	7.08	7.30
Absolute Return	11.50	8.87
Real Estate	(6.42)	(7.22)
Private Equity	4.62	4.23
High Yield	12.03	12.53
Natural Resources	12.36	6.42
Infrastructure	4.41	3.63
Bank Loans	3.02	3.23
Short Term Investment Portfolio	2.42	2.28

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Time weighted rates of return adjusted for cash flows for the PSF(CORP) investment assets. Does not include SLB managed real estate or real assets. Returns are net of fees. Source: Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

The SLB is responsible for the investment of money in the Real Estate Special Fund Account (RESFA) of the PSF (also referred to herein as the PSF(SLB)). Pursuant to applicable law, money in the PSF(SLB) may be invested in land, mineral and royalty interest, and real property holdings. For more information regarding the investments of the PSF(SLB), please see the 2024 Unaudited Annual Financial Report of the Texas General Land Office and Veterans Land Board.

The Fund directly supports the public school system in the State by distributing a predetermined percentage of its asset value to the ASF. In fiscal year 2024, \$2.2 billion was distributed to the ASF, \$600 million of which was distributed by the PSF(CORP) on behalf of the SLB.

# Other Events and Disclosures

State ethics laws govern the ethics and disclosure requirements for financial advisors and other service providers who advise certain State governmental entities, including the PSF. The SBOE code of ethics provides ethical standards for SBOE members, the Education Commissioner, TEA staff, and persons who provide services to the SBOE relating to the Fund. The PSF Corporation developed its own ethics policy that provides basic ethical principles, guidelines, and standards of conduct relating to the management and investment of the Fund in accordance with the requirements of §43.058 of the Texas Education Code, as amended. The SBOE code of ethics is codified in the Texas Administrative Code at 19 TAC sections 33.4 et seq. and is available on the TEA web site at https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/ch033a.pdf. The PSF Corporation's ethics policy is posted to the PSF Corporation's website at texaspsf.org.

In addition, the SLB and GLO have established processes and controls over the administration of real estate transactions and are subject to provisions of the Texas Natural Resources Code and internal procedures in administering real estate transactions for Fund assets it manages.

As of August 31, 2024, certain lawsuits were pending against the State and/or the GLO, which challenge the Fund's title to certain real property and/or past or future mineral income from that property, and other litigation arising in the normal course of the investment activities of the PSF. Reference is made to the Annual Report, when filed, for a description of such lawsuits that are pending, which may represent contingent liabilities of the Fund.

### **PSF Continuing Disclosure Undertaking**

As of March 1, 2023, the TEA's undertaking pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 (the "TEA Undertaking") pertaining to the PSF and the Guarantee Program, is codified at 19 TAC 33.8, which relates to the Guarantee Program and is available at available at https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/ch033a.pdf.

Through the codification of the TEA Undertaking and its commitment to guarantee bonds, the TEA has made the following agreement for the benefit of the issuers, holders, and beneficial owners of guaranteed bonds. The TEA (or its successor with respect to the management of the Guarantee Program) is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains an "obligated person," within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12, with respect to guaranteed bonds. Nothing in the TEA Undertaking obligates the TEA to make any filings or disclosures with respect to guaranteed bonds, as the obligations of the TEA under the TEA Undertaking pertain solely to the Guarantee Program. The issuer or an "obligated person" of the guaranteed bonds has assumed the applicable obligation under Rule 15c2-12 to make all disclosures and filings relating directly to guaranteed bonds, and the TEA takes no responsibility with respect to such undertakings. Under the TEA Undertaking, the TEA is obligated to provide annually certain updated financial information and operating data, and timely notice of specified material events, to the MSRB.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benchmarks are as set forth in the Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

The MSRB has established the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system, and the TEA is required to file its continuing disclosure information using the EMMA system. Investors may access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB at www.emma.msrb.org, and the continuing disclosure filings of the TEA with respect to the PSF can be found at https://emma.msrb.org/lssueView/Details/ER355077 or by searching for "Texas Permanent School Fund Bond Guarantee Program" on EMMA.

#### **Annual Reports**

The PSF Corporation, on behalf of the TEA, and the TEA will annually provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the Guarantee Program and the PSF of the general type included in this offering document under the heading "THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM." The information also includes the Annual Report. The PSF Corporation will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year.

The TEA and the PSF Corporation may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly-available documents, as permitted by Rule 15c2-12. The updated information includes audited financial statements of, or relating to, the State or the PSF, when and if such audits are commissioned and available. In the event audits are not available by the filing deadline, unaudited financial statements will be provided by such deadline, and audited financial statements will be provided when available. Financial statements of the State will be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to state governments, as such principles may be changed from time to time, or such other accounting principles as the State Auditor is required to employ from time to time pursuant to State law or regulation. The financial statements of the Fund are required to be prepared to conform to U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

The Fund is composed of two primary segments: the financial assets (PSF(CORP)) managed by PSF Corporation, and the non-financial assets (PSF(SLB)) managed by the SLB. Each of these segments is reported separately und different bases of accounting.

The PSF Corporation reports as a special-purpose government engaged in business-type activities and reports to the State of Texas as a discretely presented component unit accounted for on an economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Measurement focus refers to the definition of the resource flows measured. Under the accrual basis of accounting, all revenues reported are recognized in the period they are earned or when the PSF Corporation has a right to receive them. Expenses are recognized in the period they are incurred, and the subsequent amortization of any deferred outflows. Additionally, costs related to capital assets are capitalized and subsequently depreciated over the useful life of the assets. Both current and long-term assets and liabilities are presented in the statement of net position.

The SLB manages the Fund's non-financial assets (PSF(SLB)), is classified as a governmental permanent fund and accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, amounts are recognized as revenues in the period in which they are available to finance expenditures of the current period and are measurable. Amounts are considered measurable if they can be estimated or otherwise determined. Expenditures are recognized in the period in which the related liability is incurred, if measurable.

The State's current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, the TEA and the PSF Corporation must provide updated information by the last day of February in each year, unless the State changes its fiscal year. If the State changes its fiscal year, the TEA and PSF Corporation will notify the MSRB of the change.

## **Event Notices**

The TEA and the PSF Corporation will also provide timely notices of certain events to the MSRB. Such notices will be provided not more than ten business days after the occurrence of the event. The TEA or the PSF Corporation will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Guarantee Program: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the IRS of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Guarantee Program, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Guarantee Program; (7) modifications to rights of holders of bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (8) bond calls, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (11) rating changes of the Guarantee Program; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the Guarantee Program (which is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the Guarantee Program in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Guarantee Program, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Guarantee Program); (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Guarantee Program or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (14) the appointment of a successor or additional trustee with respect to the Guarantee Program or the change of name of a trustee, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (15) the incurrence of a financial obligation of the Guarantee Program, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the Guarantee Program, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the Guarantee Program, any of which reflect financial difficulties. (Neither the Act nor any other law, regulation or instrument pertaining to the Guarantee Program make any provision with respect to the Guarantee Program for bond calls, debt service reserves, credit enhancement, liquidity enhancement, early redemption, or the appointment of a trustee with respect to the Guarantee Program.)

In addition, the TEA or the PSF Corporation will provide timely notice of any failure by the TEA or the PSF Corporation to provide information, data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports."

## **Availability of Information**

The TEA and the PSF Corporation have agreed to provide the foregoing information only to the MSRB and to transmit such information electronically to the MSRB in such format and accompanied by such identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB. The information is available from the MSRB to the public without charge at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

The TEA and the PSF Corporation have agreed to update information and to provide notices of material events only as described above. The TEA and the PSF Corporation have not agreed to provide other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of its financial results of operations, condition, or prospects or agreed to update any information that is provided, except as described above. The TEA and the PSF Corporation make no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell bonds at any future date. The TEA and the PSF Corporation disclaim any contractual or tort liability for damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its continuing disclosure agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although holders of Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the TEA and the PSF Corporation to comply with its agreement.

The continuing disclosure agreement is made only with respect to the PSF and the Guarantee Program. The issuer of guaranteed bonds or an obligated person with respect to guaranteed bonds may make a continuing disclosure undertaking in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 with respect to its obligations arising under Rule 15c2-12 pertaining to financial information and operating data concerning such entity and events notices relating to such guaranteed bonds. A description of such undertaking, if any, is included elsewhere in this offering document.

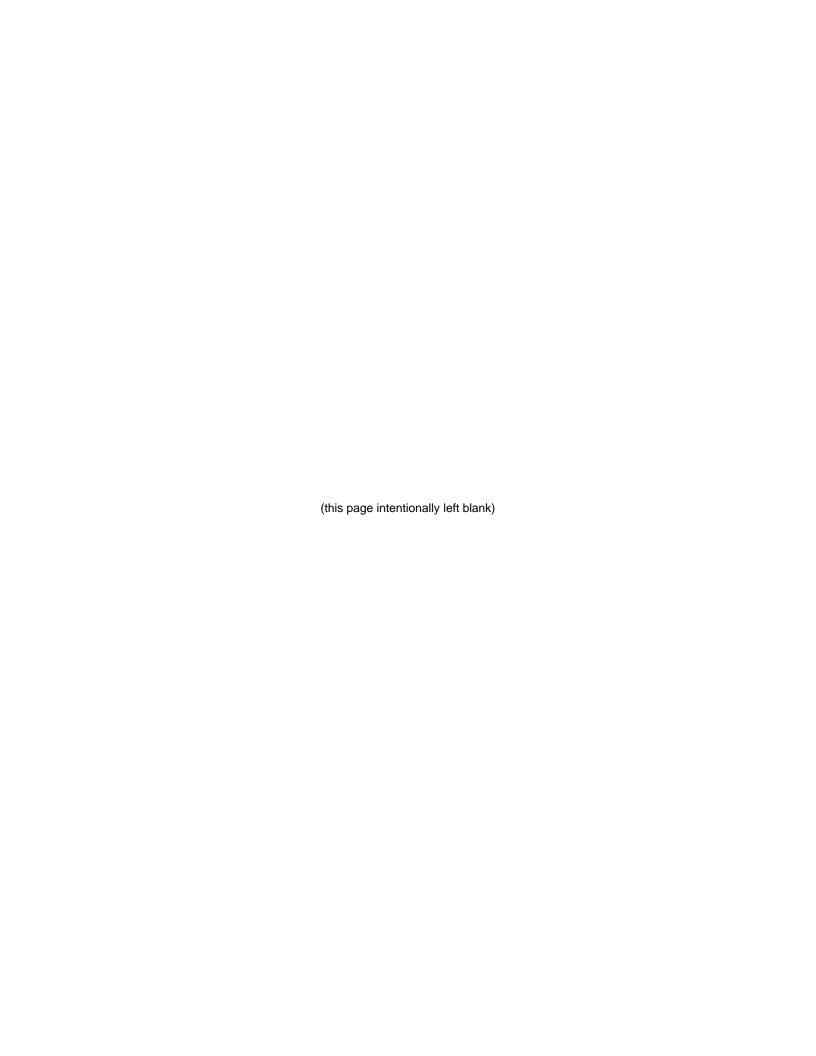
This continuing disclosure agreement may be amended by the TEA or the PSF Corporation from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the TEA or the PSF Corporation, but only if (1) the provisions, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell guaranteed bonds in the primary offering of such bonds in compliance with Rule 15c2-12, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of Rule 15c2-12 since such offering as well as such changed circumstances and (2) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the TEA or the PSF Corporation (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interest of the holders and beneficial owners of the bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program. The TEA or the PSF Corporation may also amend or repeal the provisions of its continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provision of Rule 15c2-12 or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of Rule 15c2-12 are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program in the primary offering of such bonds.

### **Compliance with Prior Undertakings**

Except as stated below, during the last five years, the TEA and the PSF Corporation have not failed to substantially comply with their previous continuing disclosure agreements in accordance with Rule 15c2-12. On April 28, 2022, TEA became aware that it had not timely filed its 2021 Annual Report with EMMA due to an administrative oversight. TEA took corrective action and filed the 2021 Annual Report with EMMA on April 28, 2022, followed by a notice of late filing made with EMMA on April 29, 2022. TEA notes that the 2021 Annual Report was timely filed on the TEA website by the required filing date and that website posting has been incorporated by reference into TEA's Bond Guarantee Program disclosures that are included in school district and charter district offering documents. On March 31, 2025, the TEA and the PSF Corporation became aware that the 2022 operating data was not timely filed with EMMA due to an administrative oversight. TEA and PSF Corporation took corrective action and filed a notice of late filing with EMMA on April 4, 2025. The annual operating data was previously posted to EMMA on March 31, 2023.

## **SEC Exemptive Relief**

On February 9, 1996, the TEA received a letter from the Chief Counsel of the SEC that pertains to the availability of the "small issuer exemption" set forth in paragraph (d)(2) of Rule 15c2-12. The letter provides that Texas school districts which offer municipal securities that are guaranteed under the Guarantee Program may undertake to comply with the provisions of paragraph (d)(2) of Rule 15c2-12 if their offerings otherwise qualify for such exemption, notwithstanding the guarantee of the school district securities under the Guarantee Program. Among other requirements established by Rule 15c2-12, a school district offering may qualify for the small issuer exemption if, upon issuance of the proposed series of securities, the school district will have no more than \$10 million of outstanding municipal securities.



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