

Pine Bluff School District No. 3

Jefferson County, Arkansas

Regulatory Basis Financial Statements and Other Reports

June 30, 2022



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JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Pine Bluff School District No. 3 and Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Pine Bluff School District No. 3 (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's regulatory basis financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Unmodified Opinions on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective regulatory basis financial position of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2022, and the respective regulatory basis changes in financial position thereof and the respective regulatory basis budgetary comparison for the general and special revenue funds for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-413(c) as provided in Act 2201 of 2005 described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the accompanying financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District as of June 30, 2022, or the changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Basis for Opinions

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

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the District on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-413(c) as provided in Act 2201 of 2005, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the State of Arkansas. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 15, a federal award for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 was identified subsequent to the previously issued audit report dated November 29, 2022. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-413(c) as provided in Act 2201 of 2005, as described in Note 1, to meet the requirements of the State of Arkansas. Management is also responsible 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 Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's regulatory basis financial statements. 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*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the regulatory basis 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 regulatory basis financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the regulatory basis financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the regulatory basis financial statements or to the regulatory basis financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the regulatory basis financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the report. The other information comprises The Schedule of Capital Assets and the Schedule of Selected Information for the Last Five Years – Regulatory Basis but does not include the regulatory basis financial statements, supplementary information, and our auditor’s report thereon. Our opinions on the regulatory basis financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the regulatory basis financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the regulatory basis financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 29, 2022, except as to Note 15, which is as of February 17, 2023, on our consideration of the District’s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District’s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT



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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Pine Bluff School District No. 3 and Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

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 each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Pine Bluff School District No. 3 (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's regulatory basis financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 29, 2022, except as to Note 15 which is dated February 17, 2023. We issued an adverse opinion because the District prepared the financial statements on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Arkansas Code, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive. However, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective regulatory basis financial position of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2022, and the respective regulatory basis changes in financial position thereof and the respective regulatory basis budgetary comparison for the general and special revenue funds for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the regulatory basis financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the regulatory basis 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2022-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated November 29, 2022.

District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the finding identified in our audit, excluding the management letter findings, and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the regulatory basis financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of This Report

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

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT



Matt Fink, CPA
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Little Rock, Arkansas
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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE **ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT**

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Pine Bluff School District No. 3 and Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the Pine Bluff School District No. 3's (the "District") compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Qualified Opinion on AL 84.425 COVID-19 – Education Stabilization Fund

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on AL 84.425 COVID-19 – Education Stabilization Fund for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Unmodified Opinion on Each of the Other Major Federal Programs

In our opinion, the 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 other major federal programs identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

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

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

Matter Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion on AL 84.425 COVID-19 – Education Stabilization Fund

As described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, the District did not comply with requirements regarding AL 84.425 COVID-19 Education Stabilization as described in finding number 2022-002 for Allowable Costs/Cost Principles.

Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for the District to comply with the requirements applicable to that program.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the 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 the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. 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 the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

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

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

Other Matters

This report replaces a previously issued report dated November 29, 2022. Subsequent to the previously issued audit report, an additional direct federal award was identified and required to be tested as a major program. As a result, the following changes occurred from the previously issued audit report:

- Federal assistance revenues and corresponding expenditures increased \$1,278,540 in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis (Exhibit B)
- Federal assistance actual revenues and corresponding actual expenditures increased \$1,278,540 in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General and Special Revenue Funds – Regulatory Basis (Exhibit C)
- Federal expenditures increased \$1,278,540 in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule 2)
- The Emergency Connectivity Fund federal award was identified as a major program in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 3)
- Total revenues and total expenditures increased \$1,278,540 for the Special Revenue Fund in 2022 on the Schedule of Selected Information for the Last Five Years – Regulatory Basis (Schedule 5)

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

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. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2022-002, to be a material weakness.

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 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.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT



Matt Fink, CPA
Deputy Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas

November 29, 2022, except as to the Emergency Connectivity Fund major program, which is as of February 17, 2023

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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

MANAGEMENT LETTER

Pine Bluff School District No. 3 and Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We would like to communicate the following items that came to our attention during this audit. The purpose of such comments is to provide constructive feedback and guidance, in an effort to assist management to maintain a satisfactory level of compliance with the state constitution, laws and regulations, and to improve internal control. These matters were discussed previously with District officials during the course of our audit fieldwork and at the exit conference.

1. During our examination of 12 payroll records, we noted the following discrepancies:
 - A contract was not provided for the payroll preparer.
 - Six employees were paid a total amount of \$6,250 for additional and overtime hours without proper documentation.
 - One employee retired in fiscal year 2021, but received a \$963 payment in fiscal year 2022.
 - One employee did not meet the criteria for the \$1,500 Attendance Incentive received.
2. The Arkansas Department of Education and proper accounting procedures require that capital asset records be properly maintained. The District did not update its capital asset records for additions, deletions, or depreciation occurring during the audit year. Upon inquiry of District personnel, it was determined the capital asset records were not reconciled with a physical inventory.

This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, the local school board and District management, state executive and oversight management, federal regulatory and oversight bodies, the federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matt Fink".

Matt Fink, CPA
Deputy Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas
November 29, 2022

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS
JUNE 30, 2022

Exhibit A

	Governmental Funds			
	Major			Fiduciary Fund Types
	General	Special Revenue	Other Aggregate	
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 11,345,196	\$ 300	\$ 5,468,703	\$ 1,973
Investments	6,565			
Accounts receivable	14,820	1,904,058		
Due from other funds	33,212		725,843	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 11,399,793	\$ 1,904,358	\$ 6,194,546	\$ 1,973
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 349,806	\$ 75,053	\$ 406,179	
Due to other funds	725,843	33,212		
Total Liabilities	1,075,649	108,265	406,179	
Fund Balances:				
Restricted	2,036,184	1,796,093	906,060	\$ 1,973
Assigned	1,007,005		4,882,307	
Unassigned	7,280,955			
Total Fund Balances	10,324,144	1,796,093	5,788,367	1,973
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 11,399,793	\$ 1,904,358	\$ 6,194,546	\$ 1,973

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Exhibit B

	Major		Other Aggregate
	General	Special Revenue	
REVENUES			
Property taxes (including property tax relief trust distribution)	\$ 19,718,789		\$ 725,843
State assistance	23,603,938	\$ 13,524	
Federal assistance		19,836,944	
Activity revenues	166,501		
Meal sales		6,802	
Investment income	29,741		
Other revenues	196,561	1,300	3,068
TOTAL REVENUES	43,715,530	19,858,570	728,911
EXPENDITURES			
Regular programs	12,473,959	5,620,837	
Special education	2,924,152	864,438	
Career education programs	1,061,117	31,147	
Compensatory education programs	716,988	1,429,549	
Other instructional programs	1,870,188	83,588	
Student support services	1,740,891	1,896,746	
Instructional staff support services	1,860,014	5,432,422	
General administration support services	1,378,443	32,287	
School administration support services	2,645,917	136,820	
Central services support services	1,928,544	588,050	
Operation and maintenance of plant services	6,298,317	778,099	331,198
Student transportation services	2,251,538	346,309	2,561
Other support services	12,390		
Food services operations		2,814,198	
Community services operations		7,553	
Facilities acquisition and construction services	750		1,296,373
Activity expenditures	148,408		
Debt Service:			
Principal retirement			1,855,000
Interest and fiscal charges			1,020,960
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	37,311,616	20,062,043	4,506,092
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	6,403,914	(203,473)	(3,777,181)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in			2,872,893
Transfers out	(2,872,893)		
Annexation of Dollarway School District	1,248,787	513,251	652,847
Federal grant revenues passed through from a cooperative		112,616	
Sale of capital assets			240,388
Program funding return	(116,650)		
Compensation for loss of capital assets	363,037		11,243
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(1,377,719)	625,867	3,777,371
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	5,026,195	422,394	190
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	5,297,949	1,373,699	5,788,177
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 10,324,144	\$ 1,796,093	\$ 5,788,367

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

Exhibit C

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	General			Special Revenue		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES						
Property taxes (including property tax relief trust distribution)	\$ 21,036,291	\$ 19,718,789	\$ (1,317,502)			
State assistance	22,301,681	23,603,938	1,302,257		\$ 13,524	\$ 13,524
Federal assistance				\$ 39,016,372	19,836,944	(19,179,428)
Activity revenues		166,501	166,501			
Meal sales				400,000	6,802	(393,198)
Investment income		29,741	29,741			
Other revenues		196,561	196,561		1,300	1,300
TOTAL REVENUES	43,337,972	43,715,530	377,558	39,416,372	19,858,570	(19,557,802)
EXPENDITURES						
Regular programs	12,669,775	12,473,959	195,816	7,845,064	5,620,837	2,224,227
Special education	3,101,755	2,924,152	177,603	879,982	864,438	15,544
Career education programs	1,090,648	1,061,117	29,531		31,147	(31,147)
Compensatory education programs	777,212	716,988	60,224	2,166,569	1,429,549	737,020
Other instructional programs	1,528,471	1,870,188	(341,717)	76,336	83,588	(7,252)
Student support services	1,898,417	1,740,891	157,526	1,808,298	1,896,746	(88,448)
Instructional staff support services	1,833,625	1,860,014	(26,389)	7,393,388	5,432,422	1,960,966
General administration support services	946,725	1,378,443	(431,718)	14,049	32,287	(18,238)
School administration support services	2,574,668	2,645,917	(71,249)		136,820	(136,820)
Central services support services	2,435,285	1,928,544	506,741	1,060,407	588,050	472,357
Operation and maintenance of plant services	5,736,993	6,298,317	(561,324)	12,937,162	778,099	12,159,063
Student transportation services	2,598,010	2,251,538	346,472	1,292,140	346,309	945,831
Other support services	20,000	12,390	7,610			
Food services operations				3,701,724	2,814,198	887,526
Community services operations				7,553	7,553	
Facilities acquisition and construction services	1,500	750	750	675,000		675,000
Non-programmed costs				4,717		4,717
Activity expenditures	273	148,408	(148,135)			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	37,213,357	37,311,616	(98,259)	39,862,389	20,062,043	19,800,346

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Exhibit C

	General			Special Revenue		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ 6,124,615	\$ 6,403,914	\$ 279,299	\$ (446,017)	\$ (203,473)	\$ 242,544
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	45,497,382		(45,497,382)			
Transfers out	(47,791,921)	(2,872,893)	44,919,028			
Annexation of Dollarway School District		1,248,787	1,248,787		513,251	513,251
Federal grant revenues passed through from a cooperative Program funding return		(116,650)	(116,650)		112,616	112,616
Compensation for loss of capital assets		363,037	363,037			
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(2,294,539)	(1,377,719)	916,820		625,867	625,867
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	3,830,076	5,026,195	1,196,119	(446,017)	422,394	868,411
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	6,135,585	5,297,949	(837,636)	1,170,741	1,373,699	202,958
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 9,965,661	\$ 10,324,144	\$ 358,483	\$ 724,724	\$ 1,796,093	\$ 1,071,369

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The Pine Bluff School District (District), as of September 13, 2018, is under the control of the Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education. The local school board was dissolved as of that date. There are no component units.

B. Description of Funds

Major governmental funds (per the regulatory basis of accounting) are defined as General and Special Revenue.

General Fund - The General Fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Special Revenue Fund - The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Special Revenue Fund includes federal revenues and related expenditures, restricted for specific educational programs or projects, including the District's food services operations. The Special Revenue Fund also includes required matching for those federal programs, program income required to be used to further the objectives of those programs, and transfers from the general fund to supplement such programs.

Other governmental funds, presented in the aggregate, consist of the following:

Capital Projects Fund – The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Capital Projects Fund excludes those types of capital-related outflows financed by proprietary funds or for assets that will be held in trust for individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Debt Service Fund – The Debt Service Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

Fiduciary Fund types include the following:

Private-purpose Funds – Private-purpose funds are used to report all other arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting (RBA). This basis of accounting is prescribed by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-413(c) and requires that financial statements be presented on a fund basis with, as a minimum, the general fund and special revenue fund presented separately and all other funds included in the audit presented in the aggregate. The law also stipulates that the financial statements consist of a balance sheet; a statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances; a comparison of the final adopted budget to the actual expenditures for the general fund and special revenue funds of the entity; notes to financial statements; and a supplemental schedule of capital assets, including land, buildings, and equipment. The law further stipulates that the State Board of Education shall promulgate the rules necessary to administer the regulatory basis of presentation.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

The RBA is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP require that basic financial statements present government-wide financial statements. Additionally, GAAP require the following major concepts: Management’s Discussion and Analysis, accrual basis of accounting for government-wide financial statements, including depreciation expense, modified accrual basis of accounting for fund financial statements, separate financial statements for fiduciary fund types and other requirements for fiduciary fund types, separate identification of special and extraordinary items, inclusion of capital assets, leases, and debt in the financial statements, inclusion of the net pension liability in the financial statements, specific procedures for the identification of major governmental funds, and applicable note disclosures. The RBA does not require government-wide financial statements or the previously identified concepts.

The accompanying financial statements are presented on a fund basis. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, which are segregated for purposes of recording specific activities or attaining certain objectives. Major governmental funds are defined as general and special revenue, and such funds are presented separately in the financial statements. All other governmental funds are presented in the aggregate. Fiduciary fund types are presented in a separate column in the Balance Sheet – Regulatory Basis. Revenues are reported by major sources and expenditures are reported by major function. Other transactions, which are not reported as revenues or expenditures, are reported as other financing sources and uses. Transactions related to the recording of installment contracts and financed purchases are reported as other financing sources. Changes in private-purpose funds will be reflected in the notes to financial statements.

D. Revenue Recognition Policies

Revenues are recognized when they become susceptible to accrual in accordance with the RBA, except for property taxes (see Note 1 F below).

E. Capital Assets

Information on capital assets and related depreciation is reported at Schedule 1. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if actual data is not available. Capital assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the applicable fund at the time of purchase. Donated capital assets are reported at acquisition value when received. The District maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 for capitalizing equipment. Library holdings are not capitalized.

No salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land and construction in progress, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Life in Years
Improvements/infrastructure	20
Buildings	50
Equipment	5-20

F. Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied (tax rates are established) in November of each year based on property assessment (real and personal) that occurred within a specific period of time beginning January 1 of the same year. Property taxes are collectible beginning the first business day of March of the year following the levy date and are considered delinquent after October 15 of the same calendar year.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

F. Property Taxes (Continued)

Amendment no. 74 to the Arkansas Constitution established a uniform minimum property tax millage rate of 25 mills for maintenance and operation of public schools. Ark. Code Ann. § 26-80-101 provides the uniform rate of tax (URT) shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as other school property taxes, but the net revenues from the URT shall be remitted to the State Treasurer and distributed by the State to the county treasurer of each county for distribution to the school districts in that county. For reporting purposes, URT revenues are considered property taxes.

G. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Interfund receivables and payables result from services rendered from one fund to another or from interfund loans.

H. Fund Balance Classifications

1. Restricted fund balance – represents amounts that are restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through bond covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
2. Assigned fund balance – represents amounts that are constrained by the District's *intent* to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.
3. Unassigned fund balance – represents amounts that have not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. This classification can also include negative amounts in other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

I. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The District is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. The annual budget is prepared on a fiscal year basis. The District does not prepare and submit amended budgets during the fiscal year. The State Department of Education's regulations allow for the cash basis or the modified accrual basis. However, the majority of the school districts employ the cash basis method.

The District budgets intra-fund transfers. Significant variances may result in the comparison of transfers at the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General and Special Revenue Funds – Regulatory Basis because only interfund transfers are reported at the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis. Additionally, the District routinely budgets restricted federal programs as part of the special revenue fund.

Budgetary perspective differences are not considered to be significant, because the structure of the information utilized in preparing the budget and the applicable fund financial statements is essentially the same.

J. Stabilization Arrangements

The Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education has not formally set aside amounts for use in emergency situations or when revenue shortages or budgetary imbalances arise.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

K. Minimum Fund Balance Policies

The Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education has not formally adopted a minimum fund balance policy.

L. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures

The Superintendent, in conjunction with other management and accounting personnel, is authorized to assign amounts to a specific purpose. The Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education has not adopted a formal policy addressing this authorization.

The District's revenues, expenditures, and fund balances are tracked in the accounting system by numerous sources of funds. The fund balances of these sources of funds are combined to derive the District's total fund balances by fund. It is uncommon for an individual source of funds to contain restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) funds. The District does not have a policy addressing whether it considers restricted or unrestricted amounts to have been spent when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available. District personnel decide which resources (source of funds) to use at the time expenditures are incurred. For classification of fund balance amounts, restricted resources are considered spent before unrestricted. The District does not have a policy addressing which resources to use within the unrestricted fund balances when committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

M. Encumbrances

The District does not utilize encumbrance accounting.

2: CASH DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Cash deposits are carried at cost (carrying value). A comparison of the bank balance and carrying value is as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance
Insured (FDIC)	\$ 564,221	\$ 564,236
Collateralized:		
Collateral held by the District's agent, pledging bank or pledging bank's trust department or agent in the District's name	16,258,516	18,441,311
Total Deposits	\$ 16,822,737	\$ 19,005,547

The above total deposits include certificates of deposit of \$6,565 reported as investments and classified as nonparticipating contracts.

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JUNE 30, 2022

3: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2022, were comprised of the following:

Description	Governmental Funds	
	Major	
	General	Special Revenue
State assistance	\$ 14,820	
Federal assistance		\$ 1,904,058
Totals	\$ 14,820	\$ 1,904,058

4: COMMITMENTS

The District was contractually obligated for the following at June 30, 2022:

A. Construction Contract

Project Name	Completion Date	Contract Balance
McFadden Gym Repairs	October 2022	\$ 178,602

B. Lease (lease of nonfinancial assets with initial noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year)

General description of lease and leasing arrangements: On July 26, 2017, the District executed a lease for five buses. The agreement stipulated five payments of \$83,884 and one payment of \$75,000.

1. Future minimum lease payments (aggregate) at June 30, 2022: \$75,000
2. Future minimum lease payments for the succeeding years:

Year Ended June 30,	Amount
2023	\$ 75,000

Lease payments for the lease described above were approximately \$83,884 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

4: COMMITMENTS (Continued)

C. Long-term Debt Issued and Outstanding

The District is presently paying on the following long-term debt:

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2022	Maturities To June 30, 2022
<u>Bonds</u>					
11/1/15	2/1/36	2 - 3.625%	\$ 31,400,000	\$ 25,505,000	\$ 5,895,000
7/1/20	6/1/38	.6 - 1.75%	6,320,000	6,120,000	200,000
2/1/21	6/1/38	.4 - 1.4%	6,730,000	6,590,000	140,000
Total Bonds			<u>\$ 44,450,000</u>	<u>\$ 38,215,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,235,000</u>

Changes in Long-term Debt

	Balance July 1, 2021	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2022
Bonds payable	<u>\$ 27,020,000</u> *	<u>\$ 13,050,000</u> **	<u>\$ 1,855,000</u>	<u>\$ 38,215,000</u>

* The long-term debt balance at July 1, 2021, decreased by \$148,415 due to the reclassification of leases for GASB Statement No. 87.

** Comprised of debt assumed as the result of the annexation of Dollarway School District.

Future Principal and Interest Payments

Year Ended June 30,	Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 2,275,000	\$ 971,517	\$ 3,246,517
2024	2,330,000	921,501	3,251,501
2025	2,310,000	869,646	3,179,646
2026	2,375,000	793,396	3,168,396
2027	2,430,000	763,151	3,193,151
2028-2032	13,035,000	2,910,501	15,945,501
2033-2037	12,585,000	1,025,434	13,610,434
2038	875,000	13,739	888,739
Totals	<u>\$ 38,215,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,268,885</u>	<u>\$ 46,483,885</u>

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

4: COMMITMENTS (Continued)

C. Long-term Debt Issued and Outstanding (Continued)

Security for Debt Payments

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-1204 specifies procedures to be followed if a school district is delinquent in a payment to the paying agent for bonded debt. As additional security, any delinquent payment for bonded debt will be satisfied by the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). Depending on the date of the bond issue, DESE will recover the full amount of any delinquency payment through the withholding of a school district's state funding or a direct payment from the school district. There were no delinquent bond payments incurred by the District during the audit period.

5: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities at June 30, 2022 were comprised of the following:

Description	Governmental Funds		
	Major		Other Aggregate
	General	Special Revenue	
Vendor payables	\$ 340,080	\$ 75,053	\$ 406,179
Payroll withholdings and matching	9,726		
Totals	<u>\$ 349,806</u>	<u>\$ 75,053</u>	<u>\$ 406,179</u>

6: INTERFUND TRANSFERS

The District transferred \$2,872,893 from the general fund to the other aggregate funds for debt related payments.

7: RETIREMENT PLANS

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

Plan Description

The District contributes to the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers employees of schools and education-related agencies, except certain non-teaching school employees. ATRS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Teacher Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for ATRS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, 1400 West Third Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, by calling 1-800-666-2877, or by visiting the ATRS website at www.artrs.gov.

Funding Policy

ATRS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 6.75% of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate is 14.75% of covered salaries. The District's contributions to ATRS for the year ended June 30, 2022, were \$4,291,984, equal to the required contributions.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

7: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (Continued)

Net Pension Liability

The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education has stipulated that, under the regulatory basis of accounting, the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 68 would be limited to disclosure of the District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability. The District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability at June 30, 2021, (actuarial valuation date and measurement date) was \$22,780,618.

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description

The District contributes to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers certain non-teaching school employees. APERS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for APERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, 124 West Capitol Avenue, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, by calling 1-800-682-7377, or by visiting the APERS website at www.apers.org.

Funding Policy

APERS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 5% of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate for school districts is 4% of covered salaries. The District's contributions to APERS for the year ended June 30, 2022, were \$5,040, equal to the required contributions.

Net Pension Liability

The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education has stipulated that, under the regulatory basis of accounting, the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 68 would be limited to disclosure of the District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability. The District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability at June 30, 2021, (actuarial valuation date and measurement date) was \$15,235.

8: CHANGES IN PRIVATE-PURPOSE FUNDS

ADDITIONS		
Donations	\$	1,300
FUND BALANCE - JULY 1		673
FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30	\$	1,973

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

9: PLEDGED REVENUES

The District has pledged a portion of its property taxes to retire bonds of \$44,450,000 issued from November 1, 2015 to February 1, 2021. The bonds were issued for various capital projects. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds is \$46,483,885, payable through June 1, 2038. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total property taxes pledged for debt service were \$2,873,726 and \$7,391,008, respectively. The percentage of property taxes pledged for the current year for principal and interest payments was 38.88 percent.

10: 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.

The District carries commercial insurance for board liability and student accidents.

The District participates in the Arkansas School Boards Association – Workers' Compensation Trust (the Trust), a self-insurance trust voluntarily established on July 1, 1994 pursuant to state law. The Trust is responsible for obtaining and administering workers' compensation insurance coverage for its members, as well as obtaining reinsurance coverage for those claims that exceed the standard policy limits. In its administrative capacity, the Trust is responsible for monitoring, negotiating and settling claims that have been filed on behalf of and against member districts. The District contributes annually to this program.

The District participates in the Arkansas Fidelity Bond Trust Fund administered by the Governmental Bonding Board. This program provides coverage for actual losses sustained by its members through fraudulent or dishonest acts committed by officials or employees. Each loss is limited to \$300,000 with a \$2,500 deductible. Premiums for coverage are paid by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State of Arkansas from funds withheld from the Public School Fund.

The District participates in the Arkansas Public School Insurance Trust Fund Program administered by the Risk Management Division of the Arkansas Insurance Department. The program's general objectives are to formulate, develop, and administer, on behalf of member districts, a program of insurance to obtain lower costs for property and vehicles coverage, and to develop a comprehensive loss control program. The fund uses a reinsurance policy to reduce exposure to large losses on insured events. The District pays an annual premium for its coverage of buildings, contents, and vehicles.

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year in the major categories of risk.

11: ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

The allocation of the health insurance premiums paid by the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education to the Employee Benefits Division, on-behalf of the District's employees, totaled \$798,726 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

12: DETAILS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATIONS DISPLAYED IN THE AGGREGATE

Description	Governmental Funds		
	Major		Other Aggregate
	General	Special Revenue	
Fund Balances:			
Restricted for:			
Professional development	\$ 62,009		
Enhanced student achievement funding	745,231		
Enhanced student achievement match grant	636,984		
English-language learners	55,613		
Broadband project	71,646		
Capital projects			\$ 906,060
Child nutrition programs		\$ 1,037,125	
Child care		427,286	
Medical services		156,557	
Special education programs	424,670	20	
Epidemiology and laboratory capacity- COVID supplies		112,616	
ROTC		59,973	
Other purposes	40,031	2,516	
Total Restricted	<u>2,036,184</u>	<u>1,796,093</u>	<u>906,060</u>
Assigned to:			
Capital projects	705,377		4,882,307
E-rate funding	57,717		
Student activities	188,336		
Other purposes	55,575		
Total Assigned	<u>1,007,005</u>		<u>4,882,307</u>
Unassigned	<u>7,280,955</u>		
Totals	<u>\$ 10,324,144</u>	<u>\$ 1,796,093</u>	<u>\$ 5,788,367</u>

13: FISCAL DISTRESS

On September 13, 2018, the State Board of Education classified the District in fiscal distress and the Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) assumed control of the District and removed the interim Superintendent. Under the authority of Ark. Code Ann § 6-20-1909, DESE dissolved the local school board and appointed a superintendent to direct the District's operations in coordination with DESE.

14: COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF CAPITAL ASSETS

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the District received insurance proceeds of \$374,280 for school property damage and losses incurred on vehicles and buses.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

15: SUBSEQUENTLY DISCOVERED FACTS

Subsequent to the previously issued audit report dated November 29, 2022, an additional \$1,278,540 direct federal award titled the Emergency Connectivity Fund from the Federal Communications Commission was identified for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. This federal award was required to be tested as a major program. In response to this subsequent discovery, additional audit procedures were performed and sufficient appropriate audit evidence was obtained for this major program.

As a result, the following changes occurred from the previously issued audit report:

- Federal assistance revenues and corresponding expenditures increased \$1,278,540 in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis (Exhibit B)
- Federal assistance actual revenues and corresponding actual expenditures increased \$1,278,540 in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General and Special Revenue Funds – Regulatory Basis (Exhibit C)
- Federal expenditures increased \$1,278,540 in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule 2)
- The Emergency Connectivity Fund federal award was identified as a major program in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 3)
- Total revenues and total expenditures increased \$1,278,540 for the Special Revenue Fund in 2022 on the Schedule of Selected Information for the Last Five Years – Regulatory Basis (Schedule 5)

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
 JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022
 (Unaudited)

Schedule 1

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2022</u>
Nondepreciable capital assets:	
Land	<u>\$ 2,519,481</u>
Depreciable capital assets:	
Buildings	68,450,679
Improvements/infrastructure	1,631,811
Equipment	<u>14,688,333</u>
Total depreciable capital assets	<u>84,770,823</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:	
Buildings	36,370,333
Improvements/infrastructure	954,551
Equipment	<u>12,864,734</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>50,189,618</u>
Total depreciable capital assets, net	<u>34,581,205</u>
Capital assets, net	<u><u>\$ 37,100,686</u></u>

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Schedule 2

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Provided to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER				
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Arkansas Department of Education - School Breakfast Program	10.553	3505		\$ 703,678
National School Lunch Program (Note 3)	10.555			67,413
Arkansas Department of Education - National School Lunch Program	10.555	3505		1,864,157
Arkansas Department of Human Services - National School Lunch Program (Note 4)	10.555	3505000		121,191
Total for National School Lunch Program				<u>2,052,761</u>
Arkansas Department of Education - Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	3505		39,336
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture				<u>2,795,775</u>
TOTAL CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER				<u>2,795,775</u>
SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUSTER (IDEA)				
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Arkansas Department of Education - Special Education - Grants to States	84.027A	3505		1,370,845
Arkansas Department of Education - Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173A	3505		39,373
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173X	3505		25,504
Total U. S. Department of Education				<u>1,435,722</u>
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUSTER (IDEA)				<u>1,435,722</u>
OTHER PROGRAMS				
<u>U. S. Department of Defense</u>				
ROTC (Note 5)	12.AR050061			46,513
Total U. S. Department of Defense				<u>46,513</u>
<u>Federal Communications Commission</u>				
Emergency Connectivity Fund Program - COVID-19	32.009			1,278,540
Total Federal Communications Commission				<u>1,278,540</u>
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	3505		6,851,792
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425U	3505		103,054
Total Education Stabilization Fund				<u>6,954,846</u>
Arkansas Department of Education - Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3505		6,537,948
Arkansas Department of Education - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367A	3505		197,247
Arkansas Department of Education - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424A	3505		152,715
Total U. S. Department of Education				<u>13,842,756</u>
<u>U. S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>				
Arkansas Department of Career Education - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	3505		302
Total U. S. Department of Health and Human Services				<u>302</u>
TOTAL OTHER PROGRAMS				<u>15,168,111</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 19,399,608</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Schedule 2

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

- Note 1: Basis of Presentation - The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of Pine Bluff School District No. 3 (District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2022. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in financial position of the District.
- Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the regulatory basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.
- Note 3: Nonmonetary assistance is reported at the approximate value as provided by the U. S. Department of Defense through an agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture.
- Note 4: Nonmonetary assistance is reported at the approximate value as provided by the Arkansas Department of Human Services.
- Note 5: The Federal Assistance Listing Number was not available. An alternative identifying number was utilized.
- Note 6: The District has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.
- Note 7: During the year ended June 30, 2022, the District received Medicaid funding of \$67,382 from the Arkansas Department of Human Services. Such payments are not considered Federal awards expended, and therefore, are not included in the above Schedule.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
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Schedule 3

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Types of auditor's reports issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with:

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) - adverse
Regulatory basis - unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? yes no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? yes none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? yes no

FEDERAL AWARDS

Internal control over major federal programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? yes no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? yes none reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: unmodified for all major programs except COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund, which was qualified.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? yes no

Identification of major federal programs:

AL Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
84.027A, 84.173A, and 84.173X 32.009 84.425D, 84.425U 84.367A	Special Education Cluster Emergency Connectivity Fund Program COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? yes no

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SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

MATERIAL WEAKNESS

2022-001. Misstatements not Detected by Internal Control System

Criteria: Financial accounting records should be accurate to ensure the preparation of reliable financial statements that are fairly presented, in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting.

Condition: The District's internal control system did not prevent or detect material errors in the financial accounting records, which are utilized to prepare the District's financial statements. The District failed to transfer dedicated maintenance and operation millage revenues of \$725,843 from the general fund to the capital projects fund which is included in the other aggregate funds. The financial statements were subsequently corrected by adjusting entries during audit fieldwork.

Cause: Financial records were not properly monitored.

Effect: Material misstatements were not detected by the District's internal control system.

Recommendation: To achieve reliable financial reporting, the District should exercise due care to ensure applicable general ledger accounts are properly stated.

Views of responsible officials: The District concurs with this finding. The District has debriefed internally and established a plan complete with appropriate action steps and safeguards to ensure that the dedicated maintenance and operation millage revenues are transferred from the general fund to the capital project fund in a timely manner. The District will ensure due care is exercised to ensure accurate and reliable financial reporting.

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

MATERIAL WEAKNESS

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PASSED THROUGH ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
COVID-19 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND - AL NUMBER 84.425D
PASS-THROUGH NUMBER 3505
AUDIT PERIOD - YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

2022-002. Allowable Cost/Cost Principles

Criteria or specific requirement: Office of Management and Budget (OMB) 2 CFR section 200.430 established principles for determining the allowable costs incurred by the District under Federal awards. Such costs are to conform to the established written policy of the non-federal entity consistently applied to both federal and non-Federal activities.

Condition: In our sample of payroll expenditures, we identified undocumented compensation of \$7,685 and improperly awarded incentive pay of \$4,700 paid from Federal funds without proper documentation or requirements.

Cause: Lack of internal controls over program expenditures.

Effect or potential effect: Unallowable costs of \$12,385 were paid from COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funds for additional hours and incentive pay.

Questioned costs: The amount of questioned costs was \$12,385.

Context: An examination of COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund payroll expenditures for 25 employees totaling \$121,905 from a population of 609 employees totaling \$3,869,314.

Recommendation: The District should contact the Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education for guidance regarding this matter and implement proper controls over program expenditures.

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SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (Continued)

Views of responsible officials: The District acknowledges the finding and would take this opportunity to explain the circumstances surrounding this material weakness. While not an excuse, it in part explains the conditions under which these instances of undocumented compensation occurred. The District has been impacted by multiple staff changes in the Business Office. The District has employed and/or contracted for payroll services with four (4) persons and for the role of Business Manager with three (3) persons just during this calendar year alone. The District has taken steps to stabilize the workforce in the Business Office.

In addition to addressing the human capital issues, the District will provide additional monitoring support to ensure the implementation of the existing internal controls over program expenditures. The District has already taken steps to recoup compensation that was improperly awarded and paid. As recommended, the District will contact Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary (DESE) for guidance regarding this matter.



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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Schedule 4

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

There were no findings in the prior audit.

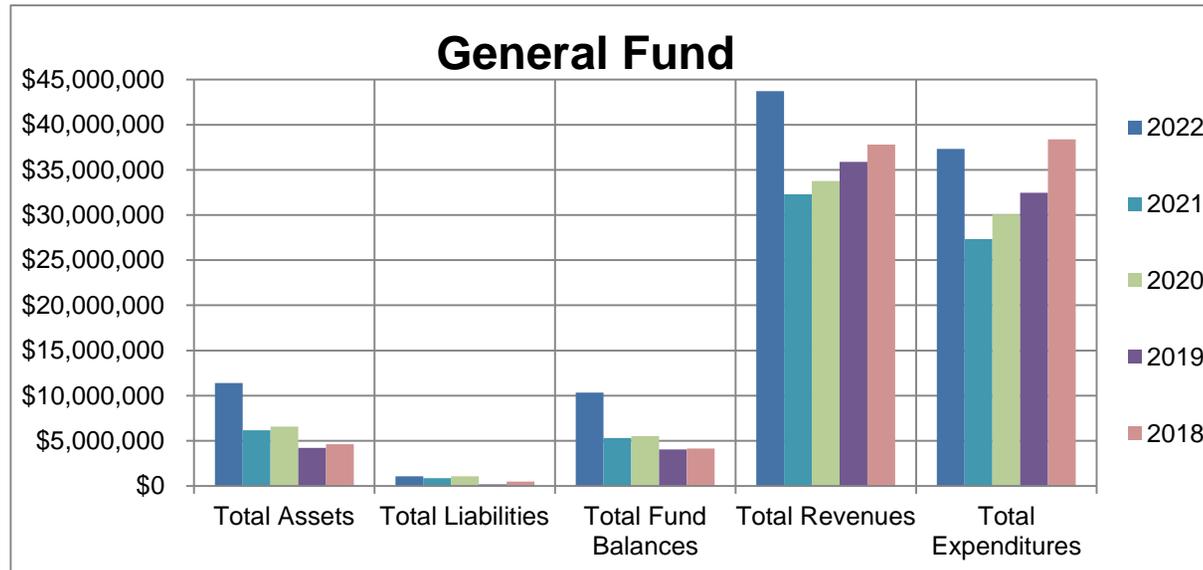
FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no findings in the prior audit.

PINE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
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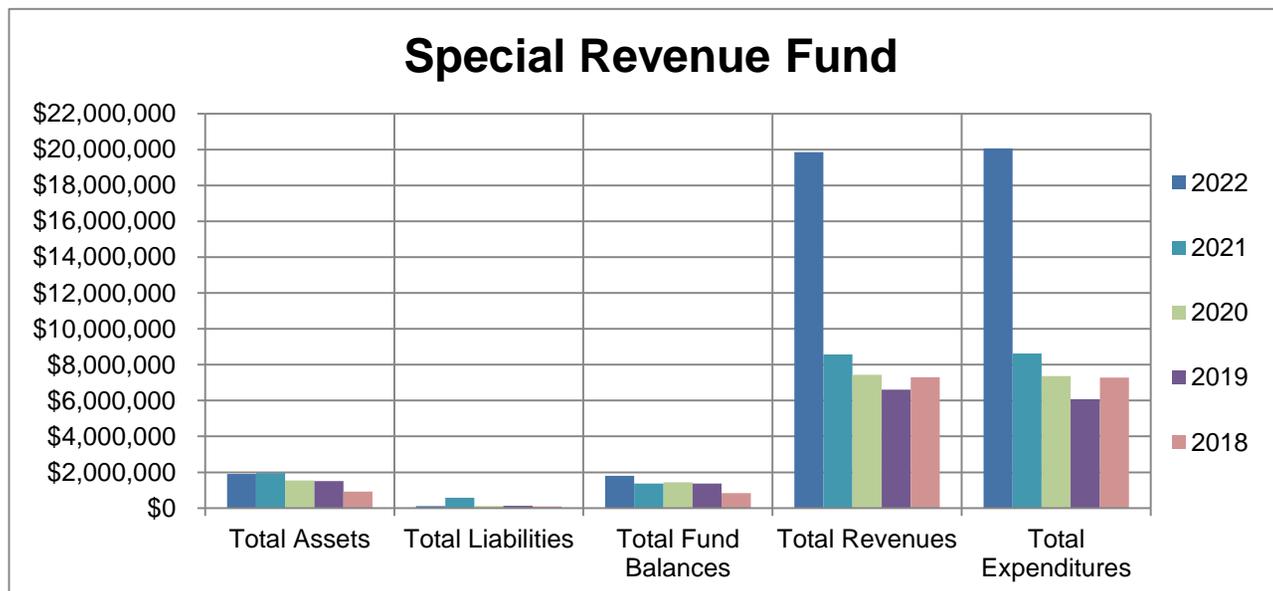
SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - REGULATORY BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022
(Unaudited)

General Fund	Year Ended June 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 11,399,793	\$ 6,168,721	\$ 6,578,898	\$ 4,211,339	\$ 4,638,604
Total Liabilities	1,075,649	870,772	1,070,400	175,287	487,260
Total Fund Balances	10,324,144	5,297,949	5,508,498	4,036,052	4,151,344
Total Revenues	43,715,530	32,294,005	33,747,545	35,889,290	37,796,889
Total Expenditures	37,311,616	27,340,109	30,062,098	32,452,316	38,396,872
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,377,719)	(5,263,828)	(2,216,268)	(3,552,266)	(2,218,224)



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(Unaudited)

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	Year Ended June 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 1,904,358	\$ 1,958,216	\$ 1,544,837	\$ 1,512,444	\$ 928,808
Total Liabilities	108,265	584,517	112,205	136,687	90,155
Total Fund Balances	1,796,093	1,373,699	1,432,632	1,375,757	838,653
Total Revenues	19,858,570	8,565,359	7,441,606	6,612,703	7,293,340
Total Expenditures	20,062,043	8,624,292	7,375,498	6,075,599	7,289,842
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	625,867		(9,233)		(13,730)



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SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - REGULATORY BASIS
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(Unaudited)

Other Aggregate Funds	Year Ended June 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 6,194,546	\$ 5,834,652	\$ 3,372,934	\$ 4,714,908	\$ 2,697,065
Total Liabilities	406,179	46,475	340,693	109,943	
Total Fund Balances	5,788,367	5,788,177	3,032,241	4,604,965	2,697,065
Total Revenues	728,911	756,693	707,191	700,366	731,450
Total Expenditures	4,506,092	3,628,215	4,938,793	2,690,521	2,755,069
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	3,777,371	5,627,458	2,658,878	3,898,055	2,514,199

