

# **Forrest City School District No. 7**

**St. Francis County, Arkansas**

## **Regulatory Basis Financial Statements and Other Reports**

**June 30, 2022**



FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
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## LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Forrest City School District No. 7 and School Board Members  
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 Forrest City School District No. 7 (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.

### ***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 June 15, 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.

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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

Forrest City School District No. 7 and School Board Members  
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 Forrest City School District No. 7 (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 June 15, 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 regulatory basis financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the 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 June 15, 2023.

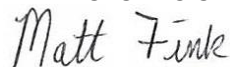
### **District's Response to Findings**

*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  
Deputy Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas  
June 15, 2023

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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

Forrest City School District No. 7 and School Board Members  
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

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

##### ***Qualified and Unmodified Opinions***

We have audited the Forrest City School District No. 7'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 84.010A Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies*

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 84.010A Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies 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 84.010A Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies*

As described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, the District did not comply with requirements regarding AL 84.010A Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies as described in finding number 2022-001 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.

### **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 2022-001 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 finding 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

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Deputy Legislative Auditor

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## LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

### MANAGEMENT LETTER

Forrest City School District No. 7 and School Board Members  
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. The District could not document that procedures were followed to select a construction manager for construction of multiple projects around campus as set forth in Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of Construction Management as a Project Delivery Method as promulgated pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 19-11-801 - 19-11-805. The construction manager was paid \$726,416 for nine projects during fiscal year 2022.
2. During our examination of payroll records, we noted the following discrepancies:
  - Three employees were underpaid \$666, \$367, and \$360, and three employees were overpaid \$2,668, \$775, and 358, respectively, due to clerical errors.
  - Timesheets provided for two employees totaling \$3,902 and \$4,022, respectively, were not properly documented.
  - Contract addendums for four employees were not approved by the Board of Education:
    - \$11,276 for the Payroll Preparer.
    - \$8,171 for the District Treasurer.
    - \$6,202 and \$4,000 for two certified employees.
  - Stipends paid to four employees serving in additional roles were not included in the employees' contracts:
    - \$2,500 to an Assistant Principal (Parental Involvement Facilitator).
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    - \$1,555 to the District Treasurer (Sr. High Cheerleader Sponsor).
    - \$1,555 to one classified employee (Jr. High Cheerleader Sponsor).
3. The District did not solicit bids for multiple construction projects, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 22-9-203:
  - Additions and renovations to Central and Stewart Elementary schools - \$7,308,978.
  - Industrial Arts Building - \$1,722,433.
  - Parking lot rehabilitation and restoration - \$1,500,000.
  - Mustang Arena HVAC - \$1,193,895.
  - Flooring within various buildings - \$293,958.

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

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FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS  
JUNE 30, 2022

Exhibit A

	Governmental Funds		
	Major		
	General	Special Revenue	Other Aggregate
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash	\$ 3,382,943		\$ 2,425,432
Accounts receivable	10,726	\$ 2,225,646	
Due from other funds	467,660	99,916	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 3,861,329</b>	<b>\$ 2,325,562</b>	<b>\$ 2,425,432</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 154,858	\$ 628,705	
Due to other funds	99,916	467,660	
Total Liabilities	254,774	1,096,365	
Fund Balances:			
Restricted	582,255	1,229,197	
Assigned	308,654		\$ 2,425,432
Unassigned	2,715,646		
Total Fund Balances	3,606,555	1,229,197	2,425,432
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 3,861,329</b>	<b>\$ 2,325,562</b>	<b>\$ 2,425,432</b>

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

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
ST. FRANCIS 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	
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property taxes (including property tax relief trust distribution)	\$ 6,605,320		
State assistance	14,603,381	\$ 8,106	\$ 466,160
Federal assistance	13,678	16,741,802	
Activity revenues	117,665		
Meal sales		50,497	
Investment income	1,762		
Other revenues	192,252		
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>21,534,058</b>	<b>16,800,405</b>	<b>466,160</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Regular programs	7,640,755	1,642,370	
Special education	1,494,563	1,067,051	
Career education programs	287,928	68	
Compensatory education programs		1,587,745	
Other instructional programs	615,456	27,382	
Student support services	1,049,434	1,551,623	
Instructional staff support services	862,942	3,050,194	
General administration support services	658,532	169,012	
School administration support services	1,027,905	19,651	
Central services support services	646,341	603,026	
Operation and maintenance of plant services	2,588,750	536,001	
Student transportation services	878,010	561,826	
Other support services	76,013		
Food services operations	32,561	2,140,858	
Community services operations	21,777	20,106	
Facilities acquisition and construction services	741,477	2,424,593	1,977,032
Non-programmed costs		252,934	
Activity expenditures	88,449		
Debt Service:			
Principal retirement			665,000
Interest and fiscal charges			241,456
Net debt issuance costs			32,144
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>18,710,893</b>	<b>15,654,440</b>	<b>2,915,632</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,823,165</b>	<b>1,145,965</b>	<b>(2,449,472)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
Transfers in			2,669,791
Transfers out	(2,669,791)		
Refund to grantor		(572)	
Proceeds from refunding bond issue			7,185,000
Payment to refunding bond escrow agent			(7,149,285)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(2,669,791)</b>	<b>(572)</b>	<b>2,705,506</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES</b>	<b>153,374</b>	<b>1,145,393</b>	<b>256,034</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - JULY 1</b>	<b>3,453,181</b>	<b>83,804</b>	<b>2,169,398</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30</b>	<b>\$ 3,606,555</b>	<b>\$ 1,229,197</b>	<b>\$ 2,425,432</b>

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

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
ST. FRANCIS 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)
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Property taxes (including property tax relief trust distribution)	\$ 6,452,600	\$ 6,605,320	\$ 152,720			
State assistance	14,225,718	14,603,381	377,663	\$ 11,000	\$ 8,106	\$ (2,894)
Federal assistance		13,678	13,678	32,612,903	16,741,802	(15,871,101)
Activity revenues		117,665	117,665			
Meal sales				38,000	50,497	12,497
Investment income		1,762	1,762			
Other revenues	25,660	192,252	166,592	15,000		(15,000)
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>20,703,978</b>	<b>21,534,058</b>	<b>830,080</b>	<b>32,676,903</b>	<b>16,800,405</b>	<b>(15,876,498)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Regular programs	7,724,521	7,640,755	83,766	4,298,031	1,642,370	2,655,661
Special education	1,927,381	1,494,563	432,818	1,332,128	1,067,051	265,077
Career education programs	319,204	287,928	31,276	100	68	32
Compensatory education programs	600		600	3,980,125	1,587,745	2,392,380
Other instructional programs	624,210	615,456	8,754	30,250	27,382	2,868
Student support services	1,141,969	1,049,434	92,535	2,924,070	1,551,623	1,372,447
Instructional staff support services	985,872	862,942	122,930	5,492,782	3,050,194	2,442,588
General administration support services	714,086	658,532	55,554	185,448	169,012	16,436
School administration support services	1,224,882	1,027,905	196,977	22,282	19,651	2,631
Central services support services	612,206	646,341	(34,135)	840,238	603,026	237,212
Operation and maintenance of plant services	2,923,628	2,588,750	334,878	795,598	536,001	259,597
Student transportation services	1,110,448	878,010	232,438	894,300	561,826	332,474
Other support services	30,900	76,013	(45,113)			
Food services operations	8,500	32,561	(24,061)	1,780,558	2,140,858	(360,300)
Community services operations	24,999	21,777	3,222	64,788	20,106	44,682
Facilities acquisition and construction services	409,400	741,477	(332,077)	9,258,379	2,424,593	6,833,786
Non-programmed costs				275,248	252,934	22,314
Activity expenditures		88,449	(88,449)			
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>19,782,806</b>	<b>18,710,893</b>	<b>1,071,913</b>	<b>32,174,325</b>	<b>15,654,440</b>	<b>16,519,885</b>

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
ST. FRANCIS 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	\$ 921,172	\$ 2,823,165	\$ 1,901,993	\$ 502,578	\$ 1,145,965	\$ 643,387
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	23,163,588		(23,163,588)	277,793		(277,793)
Transfers out	(24,118,642)	(2,669,791)	21,448,851	(310,746)		310,746
Refund to grantor					(572)	(572)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(955,054)	(2,669,791)	(1,714,737)	(32,953)	(572)	32,381
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(33,882)	153,374	187,256	469,625	1,145,393	675,768
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	3,403,101	3,453,181	50,080	87,776	83,804	(3,972)
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	<u>\$ 3,369,219</u>	<u>\$ 3,606,555</u>	<u>\$ 237,336</u>	<u>\$ 557,401</u>	<u>\$ 1,229,197</u>	<u>\$ 671,796</u>

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

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2022

**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Reporting Entity**

The Board of Education, a seven member group, is the level of government, which has responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the Forrest City School District (District). 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. 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.

**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.

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.



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2022

**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

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	10-50
Buildings	10-50
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.

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.

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2022

**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

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 District's Board of Education has not formally set aside amounts for use in emergency situations or when revenue shortages or budgetary imbalances arise.

K. Minimum Fund Balance Policies

The District's Board of 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 District's Board of Education has not adopted a formal policy addressing this authorization.

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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JUNE 30, 2022

**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

L. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures (Continued)

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)	\$ 528,411	\$ 530,716
Collateralized:		
Collateral held by the District's agent, pledging bank or pledging bank's trust department or agent in the District's name	4,828,715	5,966,430
Total Deposits	\$ 5,357,126	\$ 6,497,146

The above total deposits do not include cash of \$451,249, which was held in the St. Francis County Treasury.

**3: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

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

Description	Governmental Funds	
	Major	
	General	Special Revenue
Federal assistance		\$ 2,225,646
Other	\$ 10,726	
Totals	\$ 10,726	\$ 2,225,646

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**4: COMMITMENTS**

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

A. Construction Contracts

Project Name	Completion Date	Contract Balance
Industrial Arts Building	October 31, 2022	\$ 141,483
HVAC Mustang Arena	October 31, 2022	88,370
Central Elementary Additions and Renovations	March 31, 2023	3,452,978
Stewart Elementary Additions and Renovations	March 31, 2023	3,521,337
Parking Lot Rehabilitation	March 31, 2023	1,173,034

B. 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
<b><u>Bonds</u></b>					
2/1/06	2/1/27	3.75%	\$ 785,000	\$ 245,000	\$ 540,000
8/15/12	2/1/23	1.5%	1,920,000	200,000	1,720,000
8/6/20	2/1/39	0.6 - 1.75%	4,290,000	4,220,000	70,000
2/22/22	2/1/39	1 - 5%	7,185,000	7,185,000	
Total Long-Term Debt			<u>\$ 14,180,000</u>	<u>\$ 11,850,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,330,000</u>

Changes in Long-term Debt

	Balance July 1, 2021	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2022
Bonds payable	<u>\$ 12,450,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,185,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,785,000</u> *	<u>\$ 11,850,000</u>

\* Includes \$7,120,000 early retirement of debt – See Note 6.

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**4: COMMITMENTS (Continued)**

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

Future Principal and Interest Payments

Year Ended June 30,	Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 545,000	\$ 205,113	\$ 750,113
2024	640,000	203,732	843,732
2025	675,000	181,857	856,857
2026	690,000	158,277	848,277
2027	710,000	150,003	860,003
2028-2032	3,385,000	624,119	4,009,119
2033-2037	3,650,000	353,425	4,003,425
2035-2039	1,555,000	44,713	1,599,713
Totals	<u>\$ 11,850,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,921,239</u>	<u>\$ 13,771,239</u>

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**

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

Description	Governmental Funds	
	Major	
	General	Special Revenue
Vendor payables	<u>\$ 154,858</u>	<u>\$ 628,705</u>

**6: DEBT REFUNDING**

On February 22, 2022, the District issued refunding bonds of \$7,185,000 with interest rates of 1 to 5 percent to refund \$7,120,000 of outstanding bonds dated November 10, 2016. The interest rates of the bonds refunded were 1.2 to 3 percent. Net bond proceeds of \$7,149,285 were remitted to an escrow agent to provide all future debt service payments for the bonds refunded. These bonds were called on March 25, 2022. The remaining proceeds of \$3,571 (after payment of \$32,144 net bond issuance costs) will be utilized for subsequent debt payments. The issuance of these bonds will result in a savings of \$349,055 to the District over the life of the bonds.

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**7: INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

The District transferred \$2,669,791 from the general fund to other aggregate funds for debt related payments of \$902,886 and to supplement future capital expenditures by \$1,766,905.

**8: 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](http://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 \$2,181,529, 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 \$11,316,226.

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](http://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 \$5,392, equal to the required contributions.

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JUNE 30, 2022

**8: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)**

Arkansas Public Employees 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 \$10,265.

**9: PLEDGED REVENUES**

The District has pledged a portion of its property taxes to retire bonds of \$14,180,000 issued from February 1, 2006 to February 22, 2022. The bonds were issued for various capital projects. Total principal and interest remaining on the bonds is \$13,771,239, payable through February 1, 2039. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total property taxes pledged for debt service were \$904,879 and \$1,539,890, respectively. The percentage of property taxes pledged for the current year for principal and interest payments was 58.76 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 accident coverage.

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.

Additionally, the District participates in the Arkansas School Boards Association – Risk Management Program (the Association), a self-insurance program voluntarily established on February 1, 1984, pursuant to state law. The Association is responsible for obtaining and administering insurance coverage for property and vehicles for its members, as well as obtaining reinsurance coverage for those claims that exceed the standard policy limits. In its administrative capacity, the Association is responsible for monitoring, negotiating, and settling claims that have been filed against member districts. The District pays an annual premium for its coverage of buildings, contents, and vehicles.

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.

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 \$371,798 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

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

Description	Governmental Funds		
	Major		
	General	Special Revenue	Other Aggregate
Fund Balances:			
Restricted for:			
Alternative learning environment	\$ 70,054		
Enhanced student achievement funding	270,803		
English-language learners	1,368		
Professional development	29,853		
Child nutrition programs		\$ 482,891	
Medical services		53,291	
Special education programs	132,051		
Title I programs		74,529	
Education stabilization fund (COVID-19)		135,562	
ARPA stabilization grants		262,000	
DHS childcare		99,915	
Rehabilitation services		54,752	
Other purposes	78,126	66,257	
Total Restricted	<u>582,255</u>	<u>1,229,197</u>	
Assigned to:			
Capital projects			\$ 2,425,432
Student activities	281,128		
Other purposes	27,526		
Total Assigned	<u>308,654</u>		<u>2,425,432</u>
Unassigned	<u>2,715,646</u>		
Totals	<u>\$3,606,555</u>	<u>\$1,229,197</u>	<u>\$ 2,425,432</u>



FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
 ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022  
 (Unaudited)

Schedule 1

	Balance June 30, 2022
Nondepreciable capital assets:	
Land	\$ 650,070
Construction in progress	4,358,738
Total nondepreciable capital assets	5,008,808
Depreciable capital assets:	
Buildings	23,784,465
Improvements/infrastructure	7,972,663
Equipment	9,312,394
Total depreciable capital assets	41,069,522
Less accumulated depreciation for:	
Buildings	12,386,730
Improvements/infrastructure	2,328,691
Equipment	6,879,341
Total accumulated depreciation	21,594,762
Total depreciable capital assets, net	19,474,760
Capital assets, net	\$ 24,483,568

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
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
<b>CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER</b>				
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Arkansas Department of Education - School Breakfast Program	10.553	6201		\$ 620,357
National School Lunch Program (Note 3)	10.555			49,498
Arkansas Department of Education - National School Lunch Program	10.555	6201		1,286,389
Arkansas Department of Human Services - National School Lunch Program (Note 4)	10.555	6201000		90,310
Total for National School Lunch Program				<u>1,426,197</u>
Arkansas Department of Education - Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	6201		85,444
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture				<u>2,131,998</u>
TOTAL CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER				<u>2,131,998</u>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUSTER (IDEA)</b>				
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Arkansas Department of Education - Special Education - Grants to States	84.027A	6201		723,043
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - Special Education Grants to States	84.027X	6201		63,016
Arkansas Department of Education - Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173A	6201		42,554
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 American Rescue Plan - Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173X	6201		14,520
Total U. S. Department of Education				<u>843,133</u>
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUSTER (IDEA)				<u>843,133</u>
<b>OTHER PROGRAMS</b>				
<u>Federal Communications Commission</u>				
Emergency Connectivity Fund Program - COVID-19	32.009			232,179
Total Federal Communications Commission				<u>232,179</u>
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425D	6201		5,909,221
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	84.425U	6201		2,425,069
Arkansas Department of Education - COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief - Homeless Children and Youth	84.425W	6201		2,600
Total Education Stabilization Fund				<u>8,336,890</u>
Arkansas Department of Education - Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	6201		3,233,673
Arkansas Department of Education - Migrant Education - State Grant Program	84.011A	6201		18,113
Arkansas Department of Education - Rural Education	84.358B	6201		388,359
Arkansas Department of Education - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367A	6201		143,077
Total U. S. Department of Education				<u>12,120,112</u>
TOTAL OTHER PROGRAMS				<u>12,352,291</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 0	<u>\$ 15,327,422</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
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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 Forrest City School District No. 7 (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 District has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.
- Note 6: During the year ended June 30, 2022, the District received Medicaid funding of \$185,109 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 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:

<input checked="" type="radio"/> Material weakness(es) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	no
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	no

FEDERAL AWARDS

Internal control over major federal programs:

<input checked="" type="radio"/> Material weakness(es) identified?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	no
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	none reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: unmodified for all major programs except Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies, which was qualified.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	no
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Identification of major federal programs:

AL Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
10.553, 10.555, and 10.582 84.027A, 84.027X, 84.173A, and 84.173X 84.425D, 84.425U, and 84.425W 84.010A	Child Nutrition Cluster Special Education Cluster (IDEA) COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

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

\$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	no
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**SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

No matters were reported.

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**SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

MATERIAL WEAKNESS

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PASSED THROUGH ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
TITLE I GRANTS TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES - AL NUMBER 84.010A  
PASS-THROUGH NUMBER 6201  
AUDIT PERIOD - YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

2022-001. Allowable Costs/Cost Principles

Criteria or specific requirement: Office of Management and Budget (OMB) 2 CFR part 200, subpart E - Cost Principles establish principles for determining the allowable costs incurred by the District under Federal awards. Such costs are to be necessary and reasonable for the performance of the Federal Award and be adequately documented.

Condition: The District paid three vendors for professional and consulting services before services were rendered. These vendors were paid \$269,600, \$186,400, and \$36,800, respectively, from Title I federal awards.

Cause: Lack of internal controls and management oversight over program expenditures.

Effect or potential effect: Unallowable costs were paid from the Title I program for professional and consultant services.

Questioned costs: The amount of questioned costs was unable to be determined.

Context: An examination of contracts totaling \$492,800 for professional and consulting services.

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.

Views of responsible officials: All services prepaid were rendered and properly documented, i.e., sign in sheets and agendas. It should be noted that the district believes it received approval from the pass-through entity to prepay based on verbal and email guidance of the Public-School Program Manager from DESE public school accountability department. The purpose of prepayment was to avoid returning funds as advised. (Email Documentation can be provided)

In addition, Solution Tree, a state approved partner, sent an email as recently as April 3, 2023 outlining districts options to "Pre-pay years of PD with federal funds". (Documentation can be provided). While Solution Tree is not the pass-through agency it is a highly recommended partner for professional development in the state.

As a result, the district is scheduled to meet with DESE prior to the publishing of the audit given a final determination must be made by DESE.

However, the district will review payments to vendors in the future to ensure that services have been rendered prior to payment regardless of additional guidance.

# FORREST CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
625 Irving St Forrest City, AR 72335

Schedule 4

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

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

2021 - Finding #21-001: Segregation of Duties

2020 - Finding #20-001: Segregation of Duties

Condition: The Forrest City School District No. 7 does not have enough employees for the appropriate segregation of duties necessary for effective internal controls.

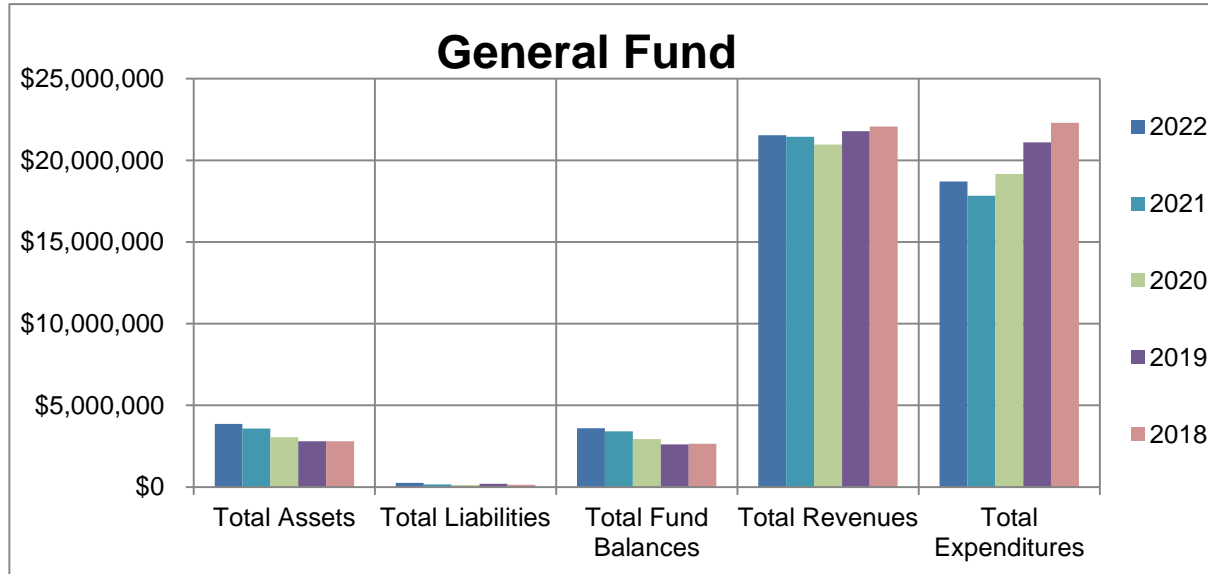
Current Status: Corrective action was taken. Duties have been adequately segregated.

### **FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

There were no findings in the prior audit.

FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7  
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 SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - REGULATORY BASIS  
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 (Unaudited)

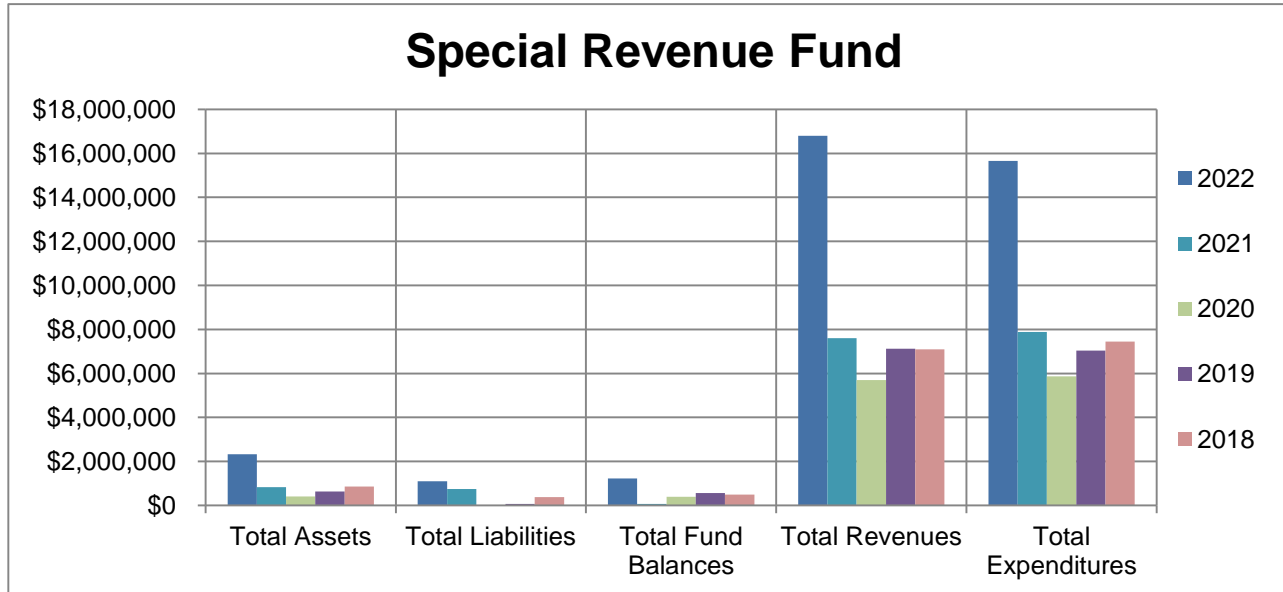
<u>General Fund</u>	Year Ended June 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 3,861,329	\$ 3,581,719	\$ 3,058,765	\$ 2,807,718	\$ 2,812,340
Total Liabilities	254,774	164,180	119,765	194,987	152,080
Total Fund Balances	3,606,555	3,417,539	2,939,000	2,612,731	2,660,260
Total Revenues	21,534,058	21,434,713	20,961,074	21,781,780	22,070,801
Total Expenditures	18,710,893	17,831,320	19,153,232	21,100,527	22,297,340
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(2,669,791)	(3,124,854)	(1,481,573)	(728,782)	(748,515)



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<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	Year Ended June 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 2,325,562	\$ 824,271	\$ 402,739	\$ 628,695	\$ 863,215
Total Liabilities	1,096,365	751,227	7,203	65,734	371,554
Total Fund Balances	1,229,197	73,044	395,536	562,961	491,661
Total Revenues	16,800,405	7,595,431	5,695,455	7,115,347	7,099,282
Total Expenditures	15,654,440	7,886,645	5,862,880	7,044,047	7,440,953
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(572)	(31,278)			





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<u>Other Aggregate Funds</u>	Year Ended June 30,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Assets	\$ 2,425,432	\$ 2,169,398	\$ 788,390	\$ 821,771	\$ 2,618,567
Total Liabilities					15,000
Total Fund Balances	2,425,432	2,169,398	788,390	821,771	2,603,567
Total Revenues	466,160			2,715	4,888
Total Expenditures	2,915,632	1,786,292	1,514,954	2,513,293	1,051,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	2,705,506	3,167,300	1,481,573	728,782	840,652

