

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Dated: August 7, 2025

**Rating: S&P:.....“AAA”
.....Underlying : “A”
PSF Guarantee: Conditional Approval
Received (See “OTHER INFORMATION
- Ratings” and “APPENDIX D - THE
PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND
GUARANTEE PROGRAM” herein)**

NEW ISSUE - Book-Entry Only

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, assuming the accuracy of certain representations and certifications, and continuing compliance with certain tax covenants, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Interest on the Bonds included in the adjusted financial statement income of certain corporations is not excluded from the federal corporate alternative minimum tax. See “TAX MATTERS” herein for a description of certain other federal tax consequences of ownership of the Bonds.

THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN DESIGNATED AS “QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS” FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

**\$38,040,000
BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Navarro County, Texas)
UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS
SERIES 2025**

Dated Date: August 1, 2025

Due: August 15, as shown on the inside cover page

Blooming Grove Independent School District (the “District”) is issuing its \$38,040,000 Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”). The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the “State”), including particularly Chapter 45, Texas Education Code, as amended, and an election held in the District on May 3, 2025 authorizing the issuance of unlimited tax bonds and an order (the “Order”) adopted by the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the District on August 7, 2025. The Bonds, when issued, will be direct obligations of the District. The Bonds are payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax levied, without legal limit as to rate or amount, on all taxable property located within the District, as provided in the Order (see “THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance”). Additionally, the District has received conditional approval of the Bonds to be guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas (see “APPENDIX D - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM”).

Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of their delivery and will be payable on August 28, 2025 (a one-time special interest payment date) and thereafter on February 15 and August 15 of each year, until stated maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds will be issued in principal denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a stated maturity. Interest accruing on the Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months (see “THE BONDS – Description of the Bonds”).

The District intends to use the Book-Entry Only System of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), but use of such system could be discontinued. Principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds will be payable to Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, by UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas, as the initial Paying Agent/Registrar (the “Paying Agent/Registrar”) for the Bonds. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the beneficial owners thereof. Such Book-Entry Only System will affect the method and timing of payment and the method of transfer of the Bonds (see “THE BONDS – Book-Entry Only System”).

Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used (i) for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion and equipment of school buildings (with priority given to improvements that provide additional classroom spaces and improvements that enhance the District’s career technical education and agricultural sciences programs) and (ii) to pay the costs incurred in the issuance of the Bonds. (See “THE BONDS – Purpose” and “THE BONDS – Sources and Uses of Funds”).

The District reserves the right to redeem at its option the Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2035, in whole or from time to time in part, in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, before their respective scheduled maturity dates, on February 15, 2035 or on any date thereafter, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The Bonds are offered for delivery when, as, and if issued and received by the underwriters listed below (the “Underwriters”) and subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of Texas and the legal opinions of Leon Alcala, PLLC, Austin, Texas, as Bond Counsel, as to the validity of the Bonds under the Constitution and the general laws of the State of Texas, and the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (see “APPENDIX C – FORM OF BOND COUNSEL’S OPINION”). Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by Jackson Walker, LLP, Houston, Texas, as counsel to the Underwriters.

It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery through DTC on or about August 22, 2025.

RAYMOND JAMES

FROST BANK

STEPHENS INC.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, MATURITIES, INTEREST RATES AND YIELDS

\$38,040,000 Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025

(Interest accrues from date of delivery)

\$16,485,000 SERIAL BONDS^(a)

Maturity (8/15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Initial Reoffering Yield^(b)	CUSIP No.^(c) (094275)
2026	640,000	5.000%	2.480%	GG3
2027	605,000	5.000%	2.520%	GH1
2028	635,000	5.000%	2.560%	GJ7
2029	665,000	5.000%	2.570%	GK4
2030	700,000	5.000%	2.720%	GL2
2031	735,000	5.000%	2.920%	GM0
2032	770,000	5.000%	3.110%	GN8
2033	810,000	5.000%	3.240%	GP3
2034	850,000	5.000%	3.420%	GQ1
2035	890,000	5.000%	3.600% ^(d)	GR9
2036	935,000	5.000%	3.790% ^(d)	GS7
2037	980,000	5.000%	3.960% ^(d)	GT5
2038	1,030,000	5.000%	4.100% ^(d)	GU2
2039	1,080,000	5.000%	4.210% ^(d)	GV0
2040	1,135,000	5.000%	4.320% ^(d)	GW8
2041	1,195,000	5.000%	4.440% ^(d)	GX6
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2044	1,380,000	5.000%	4.720% ^(d)	GZ1
2045	1,450,000	5.000%	4.770% ^(d)	HA5

\$21,555,000 TERM BONDS^(a)

\$2,570,000 5.000% Term Bonds due August 15, 2043, Priced to Yield 4.650%^(d), CUSIP No. ^(c) 094275 GY4

\$8,375,000 4.750% Term Bonds due August 15, 2050, Priced to Yield 4.930%, CUSIP No. ^(c) 094275 HB3

\$10,610,000 5.000% Term Bonds due August 15, 2055, Priced to Yield 4.970%^(d), CUSIP No. ^(c) 094275 HC1

- (a) The District reserves the right to redeem at its option the Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2035, in whole or from time to time in part, in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, before their respective scheduled maturity dates, on February 15, 2035 or on any date thereafter, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. (See “THE BONDS – Optional Redemption”). Additionally, the Bonds maturing on August 15 in the years 2043, 2050 and 2055 (the “Term Bonds”) are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (see “THE BONDS – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption”).
- (b) The initial yields are established by, and are the sole responsibility of, the Underwriters and may subsequently be changed.
- (c) CUSIP numbers are included solely for the convenience of the owners of the Bonds. CUSIP is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by CUSIP Global Services, managed by FactSet Research Systems Inc. on behalf of The American Bankers Association. This data is not intended to create a database and does not serve in any way as a substitute for the CUSIP Services. Neither the Underwriters, the District, nor the Financial Advisor is responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP numbers set forth herein. Further, CUSIP numbers are subject to being changed after the issuance of the Bonds as a result of various subsequent actions including, but not limited to, a partial defeasance of the Bonds.
- (d) Yield calculated based on the assumption that the Bonds denoted and sold at a premium will be redeemed on February 15, 2035, the first optional call date for such Bonds, at a redemption price of par, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

USE OF INFORMATION IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement is not to be used in connection with an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

No dealer, broker, salesman, or other person has been authorized by the District or the Underwriters to give any information or to make any representation with respect to the Bonds, other than as contained in this Official Statement, and if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by either of the foregoing.

Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of the Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District or other matters described herein since the date hereof. See “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION” for a description of the District’s undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

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

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

Neither the District, the Financial Advisor nor the Underwriters makes any representation or warranty with respect to the information contained in this Official Statement regarding The Depository Trust Company or its Book-Entry Only System or the affairs of the Texas Education Agency described under “APPENDIX D - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM”.

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

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information set forth in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, their responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but none of the Underwriters guarantees the accuracy or completeness of such information.

THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT CONTAINS “FORWARD-LOOKING” STATEMENTS. SUCH STATEMENTS MAY INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE THE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS TO BE DIFFERENT THAN THE FUTURE RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. INVESTORS ARE CAUTIONED THAT ACTUAL RESULTS COULD DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE SET FORTH IN THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. SEE “OTHER INFORMATION – Forward Looking Statements” HEREIN.

References to web site addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only and may be in the form of a hyperlink solely for the reader’s convenience. Unless otherwise specified, such web sites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not a part of, this Official Statement.

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The cover page hereof, this page, the appendices included herein and any addenda, supplement, or amendment hereto, are part of the Official Statement.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

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

The District	The Blooming Grove Independent School District (the “District”) is a political subdivision located in Navarro County, Texas. The District is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees (the “Board”). Policy-making and supervisory functions are the responsibility of, and are vested in, the Board. The Board delegates administrative responsibilities to the Superintendent of Schools who is the chief administrative officer of the District. Consultants and advisors supply support services. See “INTRODUCTION – Description of the District.”
Authority for Issuance	The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the “State”), including particularly Chapter 45, Texas Education Code, as amended, an election held in the District on May 3, 2025, and the order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds adopted by the Board of Trustees of the District on August 7, 2025 (the “Order”) (see “THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance”).
The Bonds	The District’s Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”) shall mature on the dates and in the amounts set forth on the inside cover page of this Official Statement (see “THE BONDS – Description of the Bonds”).
Payment of Interest	Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of their delivery and will be payable on August 28, 2025 (a one-time special interest payment date) and thereafter on February 15 and August 15 of each year, until stated maturity or prior redemption. (See “THE BONDS – Description of the Bonds”).
Paying Agent/Registrar	The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas (see “THE BONDS – Paying Agent/Registrar”). Initially, the District intends to use the Book-Entry Only System of The Depository Trust Company (see “THE BONDS – Book-Entry Only System”).
Security For The Bonds	The Bonds are direct obligations of the District, payable from an ad valorem tax levied, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property located within the District. (See “THE BONDS – Security and Source of Payment”). In addition, the District has received conditional approval for payment of the Bonds to be guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas (see “APPENDIX D - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM”).
Redemption	The District reserves the right to redeem at its option the Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2035, in whole or from time to time in part, in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, before their respective scheduled maturity dates, on February 15, 2035 or on any date thereafter, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption (see “THE BONDS – Optional Redemption”). Additionally, the Bonds maturing on August 15 in the years 2043, 2050 and 2055 (the “Term Bonds”) are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (see “THE BONDS – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption”).
Tax Exemption	In the opinion of Bond Counsel, assuming the accuracy of certain representations and certifications, and continuing compliance with certain tax covenants, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Interest on the Bonds included in the adjusted financial statement income of certain corporations is not excluded from the federal corporate alternative minimum tax. See “TAX MATTERS” herein for a description of certain other federal tax consequences of ownership of the Bonds.

The District has NOT designate the Bonds as “Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations” for financial institutions.

Use of Proceeds	Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used (i) for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion and equipment of school buildings (with priority given to improvements that provide additional classroom spaces and improvements that enhance the District’s career technical education and agricultural sciences programs) and (ii) to pay the costs incurred in the issuance of the Bonds. (See “THE BONDS – Purpose” and “THE BONDS – Sources and Uses of Funds”).
Book-Entry Only System	The definitive Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC pursuant to the Book-Entry Only System described herein. The Bonds will be issued in principal denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a maturity. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the beneficial owners thereof. The principal of the Bonds at maturity or on a prior redemption date and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. (See “THE BONDS – Book-Entry Only System”).
Permanent School Fund Guarantee....	A Permanent School Fund application has been submitted to the Texas Education Agency for the payment of the Bonds to be guaranteed under the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program, which guarantee will automatically become effective when the Attorney General of Texas approves the Bonds. (See “APPENDIX D - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM”).
Ratings.....	S&P Global Ratings, Inc. (“S&P”) has assigned its municipal bond rating of “AAA” to the Bonds by virtue of the guarantee by the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas of the repayment of principal and interest of the Bonds. In addition, S&P has assigned its underlying unenhanced rating of “A” to the Bonds. An explanation of the significance of such ratings may be obtained from S&P (See “OTHER INFORMATION – Ratings”).
Payment Record	The District has never defaulted on the payment of its bonded indebtedness.

\$38,040,000
BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS,
SERIES 2025

SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Fiscal Year Ended 8/31	Estimated Population⁽¹⁾	Taxable Assessed Valuation⁽²⁾	Taxable Assessed Valuation Per Capita	Tax Supported Debt Outstanding	Ratio of Tax Supported Debt to Assessed Valuation	Tax Supported Debt Per Capita
2021	4,330	\$278,595,470	\$ 64,341	\$ 795,000	0.29%	\$ 184
2022	4,478	301,897,533	67,418	640,000	0.21%	143
2023	4,635	472,762,742 ⁽³⁾	101,998	480,000	0.10%	104
2024	4,737	495,692,670 ⁽³⁾	104,643	315,000	0.06%	66
2025	4,672	515,108,968 ⁽³⁾	110,254	38,355,000 ⁽⁴⁾	7.45%	8,210

⁽¹⁾ Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

⁽²⁾ Established by Navarro Central Appraisal District, subject to change during the ensuing year. Taxable assessed valuations for these fiscal years do not reflect the impact of a potential increase in mandatory homestead exemptions. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Session" herein for a discussion of a potential increase in the general State mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and a potential increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000. The District's 2025/26 net taxable assessed valuation including frozen values is \$555,789,226; such valuation includes an increase in the State-mandated general residence homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and an increase in the State-mandated residence homestead exemption for persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000 pursuant to constitutional amendments which will be submitted to voters at a statewide election to be held on November 4, 2025. If voters do not approve the constitutional amendments authorizing such residence homestead exemption increases, the District's 2025/26 taxable assessed valuation including frozen values is \$516,848,924.

⁽³⁾ Reflects assessed valuation for Debt Service tax rate only. The assessed valuation for M&O purposes is limited pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Tax Code for economic development. As a result, the District, in effect, has two tax values, one for Debt Service taxes and one for M&O taxes.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes the Bonds.

GENERAL FUND CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT SUMMARY

For Fiscal Year Ended August 31,

	2024*	2023	2022	2021	2020
Beginning Balance	\$ 6,277,559	\$ 5,183,171	\$ 4,311,303	\$ 3,521,800	\$ 2,957,338
Total Revenue	11,857,400	12,005,960	10,836,617	10,751,826	10,850,685
Total Expenditures	21,116,806	10,933,429	10,115,133	13,116,457	10,188,796
Excess/(Deficiency) of Revenues	(9,259,406)	1,072,531	721,484	(2,364,631)	661,889
Net Transfers/Adjustments	10,061,768	21,857	150,384	3,154,134	(97,427)
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 7,079,921</u>	<u>\$ 6,277,559</u>	<u>\$ 5,183,171</u>	<u>\$ 4,311,303</u>	<u>\$ 3,521,800</u>

Source: The District's audited financial statements.

* During the 2024 fiscal year, the District was involved in a hailstorm and sustained substantial damage to its facilities. Insurance recovery proceeds in the amount of \$10,061,768 were recognized by the District in the year to compensate for losses sustained and allow for the restoration of damaged property. See "Note P – Extraordinary Item" in the District's audited financial statements attached hereto as APPENDIX B.

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DISTRICT OFFICIALS, STAFF, AND CONSULTANTS

Elected Officials

Board of Trustees	Length of Service	Term Expires	Occupation
Valerie Richards, President	6 Years	May, 2028	Legal Assistant
Lee Grounds, Vice President	4 Years	May, 2027	Insurance Agent
Danika Watson, Secretary	4 Years	May, 2027	Nurse Practitioner
Terri Gillen, Member	2 Years	May, 2026	Office Manager
Jordan Golden, Member	2 Years	May, 2026	Skilled Nursing Facility Director
Shane Richards, Member	4 Years	May, 2027	Landscaping Business Owner
Derek Weaver, Member	3 Years	May, 2028	Banking Center President

Selected Administrative Staff

Name	Position	Length of Service Within District	Total Industry Experience
John Griggs	Superintendent	2 Years	17 Years
Alyssa Karhan	Business Manager	2 Years	2 Years

Consultants and Advisors

Auditors Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C.
 Corsicana, Texas

Bond Counsel Leon Alcala, PLLC
 Austin, Texas

Financial Advisor Government Capital Securities Corporation
 Southlake, Texas

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT
RELATING TO

\$38,040,000
BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2025**

INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, which includes APPENDICES A, B, C, and D hereto, provides certain information regarding the issuance of the \$38,040,000 Blooming Grove Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”). Capitalized terms used in this Official Statement have the same meanings assigned to such terms in the order adopted by the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the Blooming Grove Independent School District (the “District”) authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the “Order”), except as otherwise indicated herein.

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

Included in this Official Statement are descriptions of the Bonds, the Order, and certain other information about the District and its finances. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document. Copies of such documents may be obtained by writing the Blooming Grove Independent School District, 212 West Grady Street, Blooming Grove, Texas 76626, and, during the offering period, from the District’s Financial Advisor, Government Capital Securities Corporation, 559 Silicon Drive, Suite 102, Southlake, Texas 76092, upon payment of reasonable copying, mailing, and handling charges.

This Official Statement speaks only as to its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. Copies of the Official Statement will be deposited with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the “MSRB”) and will be available through its Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) System. See “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION” for a description of the District’s undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

Description of the District

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Navarro County, Texas. The District is governed by the Board. Policymaking and supervisory functions are the responsibility of, and are vested in, the Board. The Board delegates administrative responsibilities to the Superintendent of Schools who is the chief administrative officer of the District. Support services are supplied by consultants and advisors.

THE BONDS

Description of the Bonds

The Bonds shall be dated August 1, 2025. Interest will accrue on the Bonds from the date of delivery thereof and will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds will mature on the dates and in the principal amounts set forth on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. The Bonds will be issued in principal denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a stated maturity. Interest on the Bonds is payable on August 28, 2025 (a one-time special interest payment date) and thereafter on February 15 and August 15 of each year, until stated maturity or prior redemption. The paying agent, registrar and transfer agent (the “Paying Agent/Registrar”) for the Bonds is initially UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas.

Initially, the Bonds will be registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) pursuant to the Book-Entry Only System described below. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the beneficial owners. Principal of, premium, if any, and accrued interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will distribute the amounts paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See “THE BONDS - Book-Entry Only System” for a more complete description of such system.

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

Optional Redemption

The District reserves the right to redeem at its option the Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2035, in whole or from time to time in part, in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, before their respective scheduled maturity dates, on February 15, 2035 or on any date thereafter, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption

The Bonds maturing August 15, 2043, 2050 and 2055 (the “Term Bonds”) are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in part prior to their stated maturity, and will be redeemed by the District at the redemption prices equal to the principal amounts thereof plus interest accrued thereon to the redemption dates, on the dates and in the principal amounts shown in the following schedule:

\$2,570,000 Term Bond (maturing August 15, 2043):

Date (Aug. 15)	Principal Amount
2042	\$1,255,000
2043*	\$1,315,000
*final maturity	

\$8,375,000 Term Bond (maturing August 15, 2050):

Date (Aug. 15)	Principal Amount
2046	\$1,525,000
2047	\$1,595,000
2048	\$1,670,000
2049	\$1,750,000
2050*	\$1,835,000
*final maturity	

\$10,610,000 Term Bond (maturing August 15, 2055):

Date (Aug. 15)	Principal Amount
2051	\$1,920,000
2052	\$2,015,000
2053	\$2,115,000
2054	\$2,225,000
2055*	\$2,335,000
*final maturity	

The particular Term Bonds to be mandatorily redeemed shall be selected by lot or other customary random selection method. The principal amount of the Term Bonds to be mandatorily redeemed on such mandatory redemption date

shall be reduced by the principal amount of such Term Bond which, by the 45th day prior to such mandatory redemption date, either has been acquired by the District or optionally redeemed and which, in either case, has not previously been made the basis for a reduction under this sentence.

Selection of Bonds for Redemption

If less than all of the Bonds are to be redeemed, the District shall determine the maturities and the principal amount thereof to be redeemed and shall direct the Paying Agent/Registrar (or DTC while the Bonds are in Book-Entry-Only form) to call by lot or any other customary random selection method such Bonds, or portions thereof, within such maturity for redemption. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed, the Paying Agent/Registrar (or DTC while the Bonds are in Book-Entry-Only form) shall determine by lot the Bonds, or portions thereof, within such maturity to be redeemed. If a Bond (or any portion of the principal sum thereof) shall have been called for redemption and notice of such redemption shall have been given, such Bond (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) shall become due and payable on such redemption date and interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, provided funds for the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest thereon are held by the Paying Agent/Registrar on the redemption date.

Notice of Redemption

At least thirty (30) days prior to a redemption date, a notice of redemption will be sent by U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, in the name of the District to each registered owner of a Bond to be redeemed in whole or in part at the address of the registered owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing such notice.

ANY NOTICE SO MAILED SHALL BE CONCLUSIVELY PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN DULY GIVEN WHETHER OR NOT THE REGISTERED OWNER RECEIVES SUCH NOTICE. UPON THE GIVING OF THE NOTICE OF REDEMPTION AND THE DEPOSIT OF THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO REDEEM SUCH BONDS, THE AMOUNTS SO REDEEMED SHALL BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE FUNDS PROVIDED FOR REDEMPTION, AND INTEREST WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE ACCRUE ON THE BONDS OR PORTIONS THEREOF CALLED FOR REDEMPTION SHALL TERMINATE ON THE DATE FIXED FOR REDEMPTION.

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

The Paying Agent/Registrar and the District, so long as a Book-Entry Only System is used for the Bonds, will send any notice of redemption, notice of proposed amendment to the Order or other notices with respect to the Bonds only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC participant, or of any DTC participant or indirect participant to notify the beneficial owner, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of the Bonds called for redemption or any other action premised on any such notice. Redemption of portions of the Bonds by the District will reduce the outstanding principal amount of such Bonds held by DTC.

In such event, DTC may implement, through its Book-Entry Only System, a redemption of such Bonds held for the account of DTC participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with DTC participants and then DTC participants and indirect participants may implement a redemption of such Bonds from the beneficial owners.

Any such selection of Bonds to be redeemed will not be governed by the Order and will not be conducted by the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Neither the District nor the Paying Agent/Registrar will have any responsibility to DTC participants, indirect participants, or the persons for whom DTC participants act as nominees, with respect to the payments on the Bonds or the providing of notice to DTC participants, indirect participants, or beneficial owners of the selection of portions of the Bonds for redemption (see "THE BONDS – Book-Entry Only System").

Authority for Issuance

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to authority conferred by the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas, including particularly Chapter 45, Texas Education Code, as amended, an election held in the District on May 3, 2025, and the Order. Capitalized terms used herein have the same meanings, respectively, assigned to such terms in the Order, except as otherwise indicated.

Purpose

Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used (i) for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion and equipment of school buildings (with priority given to improvements that provide additional classroom spaces and improvements that enhance the District's career technical education and agricultural sciences programs); and (ii) to pay the costs incurred in the issuance of the Bonds.

Sources and Uses of Funds

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

Sources of Funds:

Par Amount of the Bonds	\$38,040,000.00
Plus: Net Original Issue Premium	<u>1,048,559.60</u>
Total Sources of Funds	\$39,088,559.60

Uses of Funds:

Project Fund	\$38,500,000.00
Underwriters' Discount and Issuance Costs ⁽¹⁾	<u>586,722.84</u>
Additional Proceeds	<u>1,836.76</u>
Total Uses of Funds	\$39,088,559.60

⁽¹⁾ Includes, among other things, Underwriters' discount, consultant fees and other costs of issuing the Bonds.

Security and Source of Payment

The Bonds are direct and voted obligations of the District, payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax levied, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property located within the District, as provided in the Order. In addition, the District has received approval, subject to certain conditions, for the Bonds to be guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund of The State of Texas. See "APPENDIX D - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM," "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS," and "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" herein.

Permanent School Fund Guarantee

In connection with the sale of the Bonds, the District has submitted an application to the Texas Education Agency for the payment of the Bonds to be guaranteed under the Guarantee Program for School District Bonds (Chapter 45, Subchapter C, of the Texas Education Code). Subject to satisfying certain conditions, the payment of the Bonds will be guaranteed by the corpus of the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas. In the event of default, registered owners will receive all payments due on the Bonds from the Permanent School Fund, and the Charter District Bond Guarantee Reserve would be the first source to pay debt service if a charter school was unable to make such payment. See "APPENDIX D – THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM" for pertinent information regarding the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program. The disclosure regarding the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program in Appendix D is incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Legality

The Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued, and subject to the approval of legality by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the opinions of the District's Bond Counsel, Leon Alcala, PLLC, Austin, Texas ("Bond Counsel") (see "OTHER INFORMATION – Legal Matters", "APPENDIX C – FORM OF BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION")

Amendments to the Order

The District, may, without the consent of or notice to any holders of the Bonds, from time to time and at any time, amend the Order in any manner not detrimental to the interests of the holders of the Bonds, including the curing of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or formal defect or omission therein. In addition, the District may, with the written consent of holders of the Bonds holding a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then outstanding, amend, add to, or rescind any of the provisions of the Order; provided, however, that, without the consent of all holders of outstanding Bonds, no such amendment, addition, or rescission shall (1) extend the time or times of payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon, or in any other way modify the terms of payment of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds, (2) give any preference to any Bond over any other Bond, or (3) reduce the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be held by holders for consent to any such amendment, addition, or rescission.

Defeasance

The Order provides that the District may defease the provisions of the Order and discharge its obligation to the owners of any or all of the Bonds to pay the principal of and interest thereon in any manner now or hereafter permitted by law, including when the payment of the principal of and premium, if any, on such Bonds, plus interest thereon to the due date thereof (whether such due date be by reason of maturity, redemption, or otherwise), is provided by irrevocably depositing with the Paying Agent/Registrar, or other authorized escrow agent, in trust (i) cash in an amount equal to the principal amount of and interest on such bond to the date of maturity or earlier redemption or (ii) pursuant to an escrow or trust agreement, cash and/or (A) direct noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America; (B) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the Board adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent; and (C) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding obligations to refund the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, which, in the case of (A) (B) or (C), may be in book-entry form, and the principal of and interest on which will, when due or redeemable at the option of the holder, without further investment or reinvestment of either the principal amount thereof or the interest earnings thereon, provide money in an amount which, together with other moneys, if any, held in such escrow at the same time and available for such purpose, will be sufficient to provide for the timely payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds to the date of maturity or earlier redemption; provided, however, that if any of the Bonds are to be redeemed prior to their dates of maturity, provision will have been made for giving notice of redemption as provided in the Order.

Upon such deposit such Bonds shall no longer be considered as outstanding or unpaid. After firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Bonds have been made as described above, all rights of the District to initiate proceedings to call the Bonds for redemption or take any other action amending the terms of the Bonds are extinguished; provided, however, the District has the option, to be exercised at the time of the defeasance of the Bonds, to call for redemption at an earlier date those Bonds which have been defeased to their maturity date, if the District (i) in the proceedings providing for the firm banking and financial arrangements, expressly reserves the right to call the Bonds for redemption, (ii) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Bonds immediately following the making of the firm banking and financial arrangements, and (iii) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes. Any surplus amounts not required to accomplish such defeasance shall be returned to the District.

The Order does not contractually limit defeasance investments to those described above. As a result, the holders of the Bonds may be deemed to have consented to other defeasance investments in the event that Texas law is changed to allow for such other defeasance investments.

Book-Entry Only System

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

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

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

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

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

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of

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

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

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

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

Payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar, on the payment date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC [nor its nominee], the Paying Agent/Registrar, or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) are the responsibility of the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

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

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but neither the District or the Financial Advisor take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of This Official Statement

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

Effect of Termination of Book-Entry-Only System

In the event that the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by DTC or the use of the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by the District, printed physical Bond certificates will be issued to the respective holders and the Bonds

will be subject to transfer, exchange and registration provisions as set forth in the Order and summarized under the caption "Transfer, Exchange, and Registration " below.

Paying Agent/Registrar

UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas has been named to serve as initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. In the Order, the District retains the right to replace the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the District replaces the Paying Agent/Registrar, such Paying Agent/Registrar shall, promptly upon the appointment of a successor, deliver the Paying Agent/Registrar's records to the successor Paying Agent/Registrar, and the successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any successor Paying Agent/Registrar selected by the District shall be a commercial bank; a trust company organized under applicable law; or other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve and perform the duties of the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds, the District agrees to promptly cause a written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Bonds by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, which notice shall also give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

In the event the Book-Entry Only System should be discontinued, interest on the Bonds will be paid to the registered owners appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date (hereinafter defined), and such interest will be paid (i) by check sent United States mail, first class postage prepaid to the address of the registered owner recorded in the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar or (ii) by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar requested by, and at the risk and expense of, the registered owner. Principal and redemption payments of the Bonds will be paid to the registered owner at the stated maturity or earlier redemption upon presentation to the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the date for the payment of the principal or interest on the Bonds is a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day when banking institutions in the city where the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized to close, then the date for such payment will be the next succeeding day which is not such a day, and payment on such date will have the same force and effect as if made on the date payment was due. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, principal, interest, and redemption payments on the Bonds will be made as described in "- Book-Entry Only System" above.

Transfer, Exchange, and Registration

In the event the Book-Entry Only System should be discontinued, the Bonds may be transferred and exchanged on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar and such transfer or exchange shall be without expense or service charge to the registered owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration, exchange and transfer. Bonds may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the respective Bonds or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Bonds will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar, in lieu of the Bonds being transferred or exchanged, at the principal office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the new registered owner or his designee. To the extent possible, new Bonds issued in an exchange or transfer of Bonds will be delivered to the registered owner or assignee of the registered owner in not more than three business days after the receipt of the Bonds to be canceled, and the written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Bonds registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in any integral multiple of \$5,000 for any one maturity and for a like aggregate principal amount as the Bonds surrendered for exchange or transfer. See "THE BONDS - Book-Entry Only System" for a description of the system to be utilized initially in regard to ownership and transferability of the Bonds.

Neither the District nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to transfer or exchange Bonds (i) during a period beginning at the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the next interest payment date or (ii) with respect to any Bond or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date provided, however, such limitation of transfer shall not be applicable to an exchange by the registered owner of the uncalled balance of a Bond.

Record Date for Interest Payment

The record date (“Record Date”) for determining the registered owner entitled to receive a payment of interest on any Bond is (a) with respect to an Interest Payment Date that occurs on the fifteenth day of any month, the close of business on the last Business Day of the month next preceding such Interest Payment Date, (b) with respect to an Interest Payment Date that occurs on the first day of any month, the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding such Interest Payment Date, and (c) with respect to an Interest Payment Date on any date other than as described in (a) and (b), the close of business on the Business Day immediately preceding such Interest Payment Date.

In the event of a non-payment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for 30 days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a “Special Record Date”) will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the District. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due payment (“Special Payment Date”), which shall be 15 days after the Special Record Date, shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the address of each registered owner of a Bond appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

Owners’ Remedies

The Order does not provide for the appointment of a trustee to represent the interests of the Bondholders upon any failure of the District to perform in accordance with the terms of the Order or upon any other condition and, in the event of any such failure to perform, the registered owners would be responsible for the initiation and cost of any legal action to enforce performance of the Order. Furthermore, the Order does not establish specific events of default with respect to the Bonds and, under State law, there is no right to the acceleration of maturity of the Bonds upon the failure of the District to observe any covenant under the Order. A registered owner of Bonds could seek a judgment against the District if a default occurred in the payment of principal of or interest on any such Bonds; however, such judgment could not be satisfied by execution against any property of the District and a suit for monetary damages could be vulnerable to the defense of sovereign immunity. A registered owner’s only practical remedy, if a default occurs, is a mandamus or mandatory injunction proceeding to compel the District to levy, assess, and collect an annual ad valorem tax sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds as it becomes due or perform other material terms and covenants contained in the Order. In general, Texas courts have held that a writ of mandamus may be issued to require a public official to perform legally imposed ministerial duties necessary for the performance of a valid contract, and Texas law provides that, following their approval by the Attorney General and issuance, the Bonds are valid and binding obligations for all purposes according to their terms. However, the enforcement of any such remedy may be difficult and time consuming and a registered owner could be required to enforce such remedy on a periodic basis. The District is also eligible to seek relief from its creditors under Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (“Chapter 9”). Although Chapter 9 provides for the recognition of a security interest represented by a specifically pledged source of revenues, the pledge of taxes in support of a general obligation of a bankrupt entity is not specifically recognized as a security interest under Chapter 9. Chapter 9 also includes an automatic stay provision that would prohibit, without Bankruptcy Court approval, the prosecution of any other legal action by creditors or Bondholders of an entity which has sought protection under Chapter 9. Therefore, should the District avail itself of Chapter 9 protection from creditors, the ability to enforce would be subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court (which could require that the action be heard in Bankruptcy Court instead of other federal or state court); and the Bankruptcy Code provides for broad discretionary powers of a Bankruptcy Court in administering any proceeding brought before it. The opinions of Bond Counsel will note that all opinions relative to the enforceability of the Order and the Bonds are qualified with respect to the customary rights of debtors relative to their creditors, including rights afforded to creditors under the Bankruptcy Code.

STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS

Litigation Relating to the Texas Public School Finance System

On seven occasions in the last thirty years, the Texas Supreme Court (the “Court”) has issued decisions assessing the constitutionality of the Texas public school finance system (the “Finance System”). The litigation has primarily focused on whether the Finance System, as amended by the Texas Legislature (the “Legislature”) from time to time (i) met the requirements of article VII, section 1 of the Texas Constitution, which requires the Legislature to “establish

and make suitable provision for the support and maintenance of an efficient system of public free schools,” or (ii) imposed a statewide ad valorem tax in violation of article VIII, section 1-e of the Texas Constitution because the statutory limit on property taxes levied by school districts for maintenance and operation purposes had allegedly denied school districts meaningful discretion in setting their tax rates. In response to the Court’s previous decisions, the Legislature enacted multiple laws that made substantive changes in the way the Finance System is funded in efforts to address the prior decisions declaring the Finance System unconstitutional.

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

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

Possible Effects of Changes in Law on District Bonds

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

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

CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM

Overview

The following language constitutes only a summary of the public school finance system as it is currently structured. The information contained under the captions “CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM” and “TAX RATE LIMITATIONS” is subject to change, and only reflects the District’s understanding based on information available to the District as of the date of this Official Statement. Certain of the information provided below is contingent on voter approval of certain constitutional amendments that will be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 4, 2025. See “– 2025 Legislative Session,” below. For a more complete description of school finance and fiscal management in the State, reference is made to Chapters 43 through 49 of the Texas Education Code, as amended. Additionally, prospective investors are encouraged to review the Property Tax Code (as defined herein) for definitive requirements for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes and the calculation of the defined tax rates.

Local funding for school districts is derived from collections of ad valorem taxes levied on property located within each school district's boundaries. School districts are authorized to levy two types of property taxes: a maintenance and operations ("M&O") tax to pay current expenses and an interest and sinking fund ("I&S") tax to pay debt service on bonds. School districts may not increase their M&O tax rate for the purpose of creating a surplus in M&O tax revenues to pay the district's debt service on bonds. Prior to 2006, school districts were authorized to levy their M&O tax at a voter-approved rate, generally up to \$1.50 per \$100 of taxable value. Since 2006, the State Legislature has enacted various legislation that has compressed the voter-approved M&O tax rate, as described below. Current law also requires school districts to demonstrate their ability to pay debt service on outstanding bonded indebtedness through the levy of an I&S tax at a rate not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 of taxable value at the time bonds are issued. Once bonds are issued, however, school districts generally may levy an I&S tax sufficient to pay debt service on such bonds unlimited as to rate or amount (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – I&S Tax Rate Limitations" herein). Because property values vary widely among school districts, the amount of local funding generated by school districts with the same I&S tax rate and M&O tax rate is also subject to wide variation; however, the public school finance funding formulas are designed to generally equalize local funding generated by a school district's M&O tax rate.

2025 Legislative Session

The Texas Legislature (the "Legislature") convened in regular session (the "89th Regular Session") on January 14, 2025 and concluded on June 2, 2025. The Legislature meets in regular session in odd numbered years for 140 days. When the Legislature is not in regular session, the Governor may call one or more special sessions, at the Governor's direction, each lasting no more than thirty (30) days, and for which the Governor sets the agenda (such special sessions, together with the 89th Regular Session collectively referred to as the "2025 Legislative Sessions" herein).

During the 89th Regular Session, the Legislature considered a general appropriations act and legislation affecting the Finance System and ad valorem taxation procedures and exemptions, and investments, among other legislation affecting school districts and the administrative agencies that oversee school districts. Contingent on voter approval at a Statewide election to be held on November 4, 2025, legislation passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor would increase: (1) effective January 1, 2025, the State mandated general homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000, (2) effective January 1, 2025, the additional exemption on the residence homesteads of those at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000, and (3) effective January 1, 2026, the exemption for tangible personal property used in the "production of income" from \$2,499 to \$125,000. Additionally, legislation passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor, would authorize roughly \$8.5 billion in funding for public schools and would provide districts with a \$55 per-student increase to their base funding beginning September 1, 2025, as well as provide districts with additional funding for teacher and staff salaries, educator preparation, special education, safety requirements and early childhood learning. Finally, legislation passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor will create an education savings account program (commonly referred to as vouchers) for students that attend private schools or home school. The legislation becomes effective September 1, 2025, when the state fiscal biennium begins for purposes of this program, and the amount spent for purposes of the program for the 2026-2027 biennium may not exceed \$1 billion. The legislation applies beginning with the 2026-2027 school year. Beginning on September 1, 2027, the legislation requires that the amount appropriated for purposes of the program for a state fiscal biennium must be established by the Legislature by appropriation for that biennium. Such program could impact attendance in the District by incentivizing students to homeschool or attend private schools, which could negatively affect the District's attendance based funding.

The District is still in the process of reviewing legislation passed during the 89th Regular Session. At this time, the District cannot make any representations as to the full impact of such legislation. The Governor has called a special session that began on July 21, 2025. The Governor has identified eighteen (18) agenda items for this special session. Such items include legislation "reducing the property tax burden on Texans and legislation imposing spending limits on entities authorized to impose property taxes" and legislation that would replace certain standardized testing currently used by Texas school districts. However, the District can make no representations or predictions regarding

the scope of legislation that may be considered in any special session or the potential impact of such legislation at this time. The District does intend to monitor applicable legislation related thereto.

2023 Legislative Session

The regular session of the 88th Texas Legislature (the “88th Regular Session”) began on January 10, 2023 and adjourned on May 29, 2023. The Governor called and the Legislature concluded four special sessions during the 88th Texas Legislature (such special sessions, together with the 88th Regular Session, the “2023 Legislative Sessions”).

During the 88th Regular Session, the Legislature considered a general appropriations act and legislation affecting the Finance System and ad valorem taxation procedures and exemptions, and investments, among other legislation affecting school districts and the administrative agencies that oversee school districts. Legislation enacted by the Legislature fully-funded the Foundation School Program for the 2024-2025 State fiscal biennium and increased the state guaranteed yield on the first \$0.08 cents of tax effort beyond a school district’s Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (as defined herein) to \$126.21 per penny of tax effort per student in WADA (as defined herein) in 2024 (from \$98.56 in 2023) and \$129.52 per penny of tax effort per student in WADA in 2025. See “– State Funding for School Districts – Tier Two.” The Legislature also provided for an increase in funding for the school safety allotment to \$10.00 (from \$9.72 in the prior year) per ADA (as defined herein) and \$15,000 per campus. The Legislature set aside approximately \$4,000,000,000 in additional funding for public education contingent on certain legislation passing in future special sessions. However, the Legislature did not take action on such funding during either the first, second, third or fourth called special sessions of the 88th Texas Legislature.

During the second called special session, legislation was passed, and at an election held in the State on November 7, 2023, voters approved a State constitutional amendment that (i) reduced the Maximum Compressed Tax Rate for school districts by approximately \$0.107 for the 2023-2024 school year; (ii) increased the amount of the mandatory school district general residential homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation from \$40,000 to \$100,000 and held districts harmless from certain M&O and I&S tax revenue losses associated with the increase in the mandatory homestead exemption (in connection with the Bonds, the District will not be held harmless for I&S tax revenue losses associated with the increased homestead exemption); (iii) adjusted the amount of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes imposed on the residence homesteads of those at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled to reflect increases in exemption amounts; (iv) prohibited school districts, cities and counties from repealing or reducing a general optional homestead exemption that was granted in tax year 2022 (the prohibition expires on December 31, 2027); (v) established a three-year pilot program limiting growth in the taxable assessed value of non-residence homestead property valued at \$5,000,000 or less to 20 percent (school districts are not held harmless for any negative revenue impacts associated with such limits); (vi) excepted certain appropriations to pay for ad valorem tax relief from the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations; and (vii) expanded the size of the governing body of an appraisal district in a county with a population of more than 75,000 by adding elected directors and authorizing the Legislature to provide for a four-year term of office for a member of the board of directors of certain appraisal districts. This legislation reduces the amount of property taxes paid by homeowners and businesses and increases the State’s share of the cost of funding public education.

During the fourth called special session, the Legislature considered (i) “legislation relating to primary and secondary education, including the establishment of an education savings account program, the certification, compensation, and health coverage of certain public school employees, the public school finance system, special education in public schools, measures to support the education of public school students that include certain educational grant programs, reading instruction, and early childhood education, the provision of virtual education, and public school accountability;” and (ii) “legislation related to school safety measures and related state funding mechanisms”; however, no such legislation was passed regarding either of these measures.

During any additional called special session, the Legislature may enact laws that materially change current law as it relates to the funding of public schools, including the District. The District can make no representations or predictions regarding the scope of additional legislation that may be considered during any additional called special sessions or the potential impact of such legislation at this time.

Local Funding for School Districts

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

State Compression Percentage. The "State Compression Percentage" (the "SCP") is a statutorily defined percentage of the rate of \$1.00 per \$100 that is used to determine a school district's Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (described below). The SCP is the lesser of three alternative calculations: (1) 93% or a lower percentage set by appropriation for a school year; (2) a percentage determined by formula if the estimated total taxable property value of the State (as submitted annually to the State Legislature by the State Comptroller) has increased by at least 2.5% over the prior year; and (3) the prior year SCP. For any year, the maximum SCP is 93%. For the State fiscal year ending in 2024, the SCP is set at 68.80%. For the State fiscal year ending in 2025, the SCP is set at 68.55%. For the State fiscal year ending in 2026, the SCP is set at 63.22%.

Maximum Compressed Tax Rate. The Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (the "MCR") is the tax rate per \$100 of valuation of taxable property at which a school district must levy its Tier One Tax Rate to receive the full amount of the Tier One funding to which the school district is entitled. The MCR is equal to the lesser of two alternative calculations: (1) the "State Compression Percentage" (as discussed above) multiplied by 100; or (2) a percentage determined by formula if the school district experienced a year-over-year increase in property value of at least 2.5% (if the increase in property value is less than 2.5%, then MCR is equal to the prior year MCR). However, each year the TEA shall evaluate the MCR for each school district in the State, and for any given year, if a school district's MCR is calculated to be less than 90% of any other school district's MCR for the current year, then the school district's MCR is instead equal to the school district's prior year MCR, until TEA determines that the difference between the school district's MCR and any other school district's MCR is not more than 10%. These compression formulas are intended to more closely equalize local generation of Tier One funding among districts with disparate tax bases and generally reduce the Tier One Tax Rates of school districts as property values increase. For the 2024-2025 school year, \$0.6855 is the maximum rate and \$0.6169 is the floor. For the 2025-2026 school year, \$0.6322 is the maximum rate and \$0.5689 is the floor; provided, however, that MCRs for such year may be adjusted as set forth in the next two paragraphs.

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

If the increase in the residence homestead exemption as proposed by constitutional amendment does not take effect, beginning on September 1, 2025, and up until September 1, 2029, the Commissioner may adjust school districts' MCRs for the 2025-2026 school year accordingly. Before making an adjustment, the Commissioner shall notify and must receive approval from the Legislative Budget Board and the office of the Governor.

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

Enrichment Tax Rate. The Enrichment Tax Rate is the number of cents a school district levies for M&O in excess of the Tier One Tax Rate, up to an additional \$0.17. The Enrichment Tax Rate is divided into two components: (i)

“Golden Pennies” which are the first \$0.08 of tax effort in excess of a school district’s Tier One Tax Rate; and (ii) “Copper Pennies” which are the next \$0.09 in excess of a school district’s Tier One Tax Rate plus Golden Pennies.

School districts may levy an Enrichment Tax Rate at a level of their choice, subject to the limitations described under “TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate”; however to levy any of the Enrichment Tax Rate in a given year, a school district must levy a Tier One Tax Rate equal to the school district’s MCR for such year. Additionally, a school district’s levy of Copper Pennies is subject to compression if the guaranteed yield (i.e., the guaranteed level of local tax revenue and State aid generated for each cent of tax effort) of Copper Pennies is increased from one year to the next (see “CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts – Tier Two”).

State Funding for School Districts

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

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

The current public school finance system also provides an Existing Debt Allotment (“EDA”) to subsidize debt service on eligible outstanding school district bonds, an Instructional Facilities Allotment (“IFA”) to subsidize debt service on newly issued bonds, and a New Instructional Facilities Allotment (“NIFA”) to subsidize operational expenses associated with the opening of a new instructional facility. IFA primarily addresses the debt service needs of property-poor school districts. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, the State Legislature appropriated funds in the amount of \$1,072,511,740 for the EDA, IFA, and NIFA.

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

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

The Basic Allotment for a school district with a Tier One Tax Rate equal to the school district’s MCR, is \$6,160 plus the guaranteed yield increment adjustment (the “GYIA”) for each student in ADA and is revised downward for a school district with a Tier One Tax Rate lower than the school district’s MCR. For each year of the 2026-2027 fiscal biennium, the GYIA is set at \$55. In subsequent biennia, the TEA will calculate the GYIA, which will be determined

as the estimated cost to the State to maintain the guaranteed Golden Pennies yield of State and local funds per weighted student per cent of tax effort at the 96th percentile. Effectively, the Legislature has adopted a policy change so that the Basic Allotment will automatically increase in future biennia, at a rate akin to the level of property values increases across the State.

The Basic Allotment is then supplemented for all school districts by various weights to account for differences among school districts and their student populations. Such additional allotments include, but are not limited to, increased funds for students in ADA who: (i) attend a qualified special education program, (ii) are diagnosed with dyslexia or a related disorder, (iii) are economically disadvantaged, or (iv) have limited English language proficiency. Additional allotments to mitigate differences among school districts include, but are not limited to: (i) a transportation allotment for mileage associated with transporting students who reside two miles or more from their home campus, (ii) a fast growth allotment (for school districts in the top 25% of enrollment growth relative to other school districts), and (iii) a college, career and military readiness allotment to further Texas' goal of increasing the number of students who attain a post-secondary education or workforce credential, and (iv) a teacher compensation incentive allotment to increase teacher retention in disadvantaged or rural school districts. A school district's total Tier One funding, divided by the district's Basic Allotment, is a school district's measure of students in "Weighted Average Daily Attendance" ("WADA"), which serves to calculate Tier Two funding.

For the 2023-2024 school year, the fast growth allotment weights are 0.48 for districts in the top 40% of school districts for growth, 0.33 for districts in the middle 30% of school districts for growth and 0.18 for districts in the bottom 30% of school districts for growth. The fast growth allotment is limited to \$320 million for each year of the 2026-2027 state fiscal biennium.

Beginning with the 2026-2027 fiscal biennium, school districts will also receive an annual allotment of \$106 per enrolled student. The funds under this allotment may only be used for specific operational costs related to transportation, hiring retired teachers, providing health insurance and employee benefits and paying for payroll taxes, contributions and other costs related to member contributions under the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, utilities, and property and casualty insurance.

Tier Two. Tier Two supplements Tier One funding and provides two levels of enrichment with different guaranteed yields (i.e., Golden Pennies and Copper Pennies) depending on the school district's Enrichment Tax Rate. Golden Pennies generate a guaranteed yield equal to the Basic Allotment multiplied by 0.02084. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, school districts are guaranteed a yield on each Golden Penny levied of \$129.52 per student in WADA. Copper Pennies generate a guaranteed yield per student in WADA equal to the school district's Basic Allotment multiplied by 0.008. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, school districts are guaranteed a yield on each Copper Penny levied of \$49.72 per student in WADA. For any school year in which the guaranteed yield of Copper Pennies per student in WADA exceeds the guaranteed yield of Copper Pennies per student in WADA for the preceding school year, a school district is required to reduce its Copper Pennies levied so as to generate no more revenue per student in WADA than was available to the school district for the preceding year.

Existing Debt Allotment, Instruction Facilities Allotment, and New Instructional Facilities Allotment. The Foundation School Program also includes facilities funding components consisting of the IFA and the EDA, subject to legislative appropriation each State fiscal biennium. To the extent funded for a biennium, these programs assist school districts in funding facilities by, generally, equalizing a school district's I&S tax effort. The IFA guarantees each awarded school district a specified amount per student (the "IFA Yield") in State and local funds for each cent of I&S tax levied to pay the principal of and interest on eligible bonds issued to construct, acquire, renovate or improve instructional facilities. The IFA Yield has been \$35 since this program first began in 1997. New awards of IFA are only available if appropriated funds are allocated for such purpose by the State Legislature. To receive an IFA award, in years where new IFA awards are available, a school district must apply to the Commissioner in accordance with rules adopted by the TEA before issuing the bonds to be paid with IFA State assistance. The total amount of debt service assistance over a biennium for which a school district may be awarded is limited to the lesser of (1) the actual debt service payments made by the school district in the biennium in which the bonds are issued; or (2) the greater of (a) \$100,000 or (b) \$250 multiplied by the number of students in ADA. The IFA is also available for lease-purchase agreements and refunding bonds meeting certain prescribed conditions. Once a school district receives an IFA award for bonds, it is entitled to continue receiving State assistance for such bonds without reapplying to the Commissioner. A school district may use additional state aid received from an IFA award only to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds for which the district received the aid. The guaranteed level of State and local funds per student per cent of local tax

effort applicable to the bonds may not be reduced below the level provided for the year in which the bonds were issued. For the 2024-2025 State fiscal biennium, the State Legislature did not appropriate any funds for new IFA awards; however, awards previously granted in years the State Legislature did appropriate funds for new IFA awards will continue to be funded.

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

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

A school district may also qualify for a NIFA allotment, which provides assistance to school districts for operational expenses associated with opening new instructional facilities or a renovated portion of an instructional facility to be used for the first time to provide high-cost and undersubscribed career and technology education programs, as determined by the Commissioner. In the 2025 Legislative Sessions, the Legislature appropriated funds in the amount of \$150,000,000 for each fiscal year of the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium for NIFA allotments.

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

If voters approve of the increased homestead exemptions described herein, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, school districts will be held harmless and entitled to additional state aid to the extent that state and local revenue used to service eligible debt is less than the state and local revenue that would have been available to the district under state law as it existed on January 1, 2025, if any increase in the general homestead exemption or the elderly/disabled homestead exemption had not occurred.

Local Revenue Level in Excess of Entitlement

A school district that has sufficient property wealth to generate local revenues in excess of the school district’s Tier One state and local entitlement and whose Copper Pennies generate local funds in excess of the school district’s Tier II guarantee as previously discussed (a “Chapter 49 school district”), is subject to the local revenue reduction provisions contained in Chapter 49 of the Texas Education Code, as amended (“Chapter 49”). Additionally, in years in which the amount of State funds appropriated specifically excludes the amount necessary to provide the guaranteed yield for Golden Pennies, local revenues generated on a school district’s Golden Pennies in excess of the school district’s respective funding entitlement are subject to the local revenue reduction provisions of Chapter 49. To reduce local revenue, Chapter 49 school districts are generally subject to a process known as “recapture”, which requires a Chapter 49 school district to exercise certain options to remit local M&O tax revenues collected in excess of the Chapter 49 school district’s funding entitlements to the State (for redistribution to other school districts) or otherwise expending the respective M&O tax revenues for the benefit of students in school districts that are not Chapter 49 school districts, as described in the subcaption “Options for Local Revenue Levels in Excess of Entitlement”. Chapter

49 school districts receive their allocable share of funds distributed from the constitutionally prescribed Available School Fund but are generally not eligible to receive State aid under the Foundation School Program (except for their Golden Pennies, if applicable), although they may continue to receive State funds for certain competitive grants and certain programs that remain outside the Foundation School Program.

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

Options for Local Revenue Levels in Excess of Entitlement. Under Chapter 49, a school district has six (6) options to reduce local revenues to a level that does not exceed the school district’s respective entitlements: (1) a school district may consolidate by agreement with one or more school districts to form a consolidated school district; all property and debt of the consolidating school districts vest in the consolidated school district; (2) a school district may detach property from its territory for annexation by a property-poor school district; (3) a school district may purchase attendance credits from the State; (4) a school district may contract to educate nonresident students from a property-poor school district by sending money directly to one or more property-poor school districts; (5) a school district may execute an agreement to provide students of one or more other school districts with career and technology education through a program designated as an area program for career and technology education; or (6) a school district may consolidate by agreement with one or more school districts to form a consolidated taxing school district solely to levy and distribute either M&O taxes or both M&O taxes and I&S taxes. A Chapter 49 school district may also exercise any combination of these remedies. Options (3), (4) and (6) require prior approval by the Chapter 49 school district’s voters. A district that enters into an agreement to exercise an option to reduce the district’s local revenue level in excess of entitlement under options (3), (4), or (5) for the 2025-2026 school year and that has not previously held an election to exercise said options may request and may receive approval from the Commissioner to delay the date of the election otherwise required to be ordered before September 1.

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

School Finance System as Applied to the District

For the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the District has not been designated as an “excess local revenue” district by the TEA. Accordingly, the District has not been required to exercise one of the permitted wealth equalization options.

A district’s local revenue levels must be tested for each future school year and, if local revenues exceed the district’s entitlements, the district must reduce its wealth per student by the exercise of one of the permitted wealth equalization options. Accordingly, if the District’s local revenues should exceed its entitlements in future school years, it will be required to exercise one or more of the permitted options to reduce local revenues.

A district’s status of any excess local revenue in Tier I and its wealth per student for Copper Penny purposes in Tier II must be tested for each future school year and, if it exceeds the maximum permitted levels, the excess must be reduced by exercising one of the permitted wealth equalization options. If the District were to consolidate (or consolidate its tax base for all purposes) with a property-poor district, the outstanding debt of each district could become payable from the consolidated district’s combined property tax base, and the District’s ratio of taxable property to debt could become diluted. If the District were to detach property voluntarily, a portion of its outstanding debt (including the Bonds) could be assumed by the district to which the property is annexed, in which case timely payment of the Bonds could become dependent in part on the financial performance of the annexing district.

AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES

The following is a summary of certain provisions of State law as it relates to ad valorem taxation and is not intended to be complete. Prospective investors are encouraged to review Title I of the Texas Tax Code, as amended (the

“Property Tax Code”), for identification of property subject to ad valorem taxation, property exempt or which may be exempted from ad valorem taxation if claimed, the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes, and the procedures and limitations applicable to the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes.

Valuation of Taxable Property

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

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

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

Effective January 1, 2024, an appraisal district may only increase the appraised value of real property during the 2025 tax year on certain non-homestead properties (the “Subjected Property”) whose appraised values are not more than \$5.16 million (the “maximum property value”) to an amount not to exceed the lesser of: (1) the market value of the Subjected Property for the most recent tax year that the market value was determined by the appraisal office or (2) the sum of: (a) 20 percent of the appraised value of the Subjected Property for the preceding tax year; (b) the appraised value of the Subjected Property for the preceding tax year; and (c) the market value of all new improvements to the Subjected Property (collectively, the “Appraisal Cap”). After the 2024 tax year, through December 31, 2026 unless extended by future legislation, the maximum property value may be increased or decreased by the product of the preceding State fiscal year’s increase or decrease in the consumer price index, as applicable, to the maximum property value.

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

State Mandated Homestead Exemptions

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

See “CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Sessions” herein for a discussion of a potential increase in the general State mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and a potential

increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000.

Local Option Homestead Exemptions

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

Cities, counties and school districts are prohibited from repealing or reducing a general optional homestead exemption that was granted in tax year 2022 through December 31, 2027.

State Mandated Freeze on School District Taxes

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

The total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes of the residence homestead of a person who is at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled may be adjusted to reflect any statutory reduction from the preceding tax year in the maximum compressed rate of the maintenance and operations taxes imposed for those purposes on the homestead.

Personal Property

Tangible personal property (furniture, machinery, supplies, inventories, etc.) used in the “production of income” is taxed based on the property’s market value. Taxable personal property includes income-producing equipment and inventory. Most intangibles such as goodwill, accounts receivable, and proprietary processes are not taxable under current law unless the governing body of a taxing unit elects to tax such property. Tangible personal property not held or used for production of income, such as household goods, automobiles or light trucks, and boats, is exempt from ad valorem taxation unless the governing body of a taxing unit elects to tax such property. House Bill 9 approved by the 89th Legislature increases the exemption for tangible property used in the “production of income” from the current \$2,500 to \$125,000. This would provide a person to an exemption from taxation by a taxing unit of \$125,000 of the appraised value of the tangible personal property the person owns that is held or used for the production of income and has taxable situs at the same location in the taxing unit. A person who leases tangible personal property is also entitled to a tax exemption of \$125,000, regardless of where the property is located in the taxing unit. Contingent on the passage of a Constitutional amendment at the November 2025 State-wide Constitutional election, this legislation is effective January 1, 2026. See “CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Sessions” herein for a discussion of a potential increase in the exemption for tangible personal property used in the “production of income” from \$2,500 to \$125,000.

Freeport Exemptions

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

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

A taxpayer may receive only one of the Goods-in-Transit or Freeport Property exemptions for items of personal property.

Other Exempt Property

Other major categories of exempt property include property owned by the State or its political subdivisions if used for public purposes, property exempt by federal law, property used for pollution control, farm products owned by producers, property of nonprofit corporations used for scientific research or educational activities benefitting a college or university, designated historic sites, solar and wind-powered energy devices, and certain classes of intangible personal property. Effective January 1, 2026, all intangible personal property will be exempt from taxation.

Temporary Exemption for Qualified Property Damaged by a Disaster

The Property Tax Code entitles the owner of certain qualified (i) tangible personal property used for the production of income, (ii) improvements to real property, and (iii) manufactured homes located in an area declared by the governor to be a disaster area following a disaster and is at least 15 percent damaged by the disaster, as determined by the chief appraiser, to an exemption from taxation of a portion of the appraised value of the property. The amount of the exemption ranges from 15 percent to 100 percent based upon the damage assessment rating assigned by the chief appraiser. The governing body of the taxing unit is not required to take any action in order for the taxpayer to be eligible for the exemption. If a taxpayer qualifies for the exemption after the beginning of the tax year, the amount of the exemption is prorated based on the number of days left in the tax year following the day on which the governor declares the area to be a disaster area. Under Section 11.35, Property Tax Code, property is only “damaged” if it has sustained physical damage. For more information on the exemption, reference is made to Section 11.35 of the Property Tax Code, as amended.

Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones

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

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

Tax Limitation Agreements

The Texas Economic Development Act (former Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code, as amended), previously allowed school districts to grant limitations on appraised property values to certain entities to encourage economic development within the school district. Generally, during a ten-year period during the term of a tax limitation agreement, a school

district may only levy and collect M&O taxes on the agreed-to limited appraised property value. For the purposes of calculating its Tier One and Tier Two entitlements, the portion of a school district's property that is not fully taxable is excluded from the school district's taxable property values. Therefore, a school district will not be subject to a reduction in Tier One or Tier Two State funds as a result of lost M&O tax revenues due to entering into a tax limitation agreement (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts"). The 87th Texas Legislature did not vote to extend this program, which expired by its terms on December 31, 2022.

During the Regular Session of the 88th Texas Legislature, House Bill 5 (codified as Chapter 403, Texas Government Code, Subchapter T, Texas Jobs, Energy, Technology and Innovation Act ("Chapter 403")) was enacted into law. Chapter 403 is intended as a replacement of former Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code ("Chapter 313"), but it contains significantly different provisions than the prior program under Chapter 313. Under Chapter 403, a school district may offer a 50% abatement on taxable value for maintenance and operations property taxes for certain eligible projects, except that projects in a federally designated economic opportunity zone receive a 75% abatement. Chapter 403 also provides a 100% abatement of maintenance and operations taxes for eligible property during a project's construction period. **Taxable valuation for purposes of the debt service taxes securing the Bonds cannot be abated under Chapter 403.** Eligible projects must relate to manufacturing, provision of utility services, dispatchable electric generation (such as non-renewable energy), development of natural resources, critical infrastructure, or research and development for high-tech equipment or technology, and projects must create and maintain jobs and meet certain minimum investment requirements. The District does not expect that Chapter 403 will have any material adverse effect on its ability to repay the Bonds or its finances or operations more generally. For a discussion of how the various exemptions described above are applied by the District, see "THE PROPERTY TAX CODE AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT" herein.

District and Taxpayer Remedies

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

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

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

Levy and Collection of Taxes

The District is responsible for the collection of its taxes, unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. Taxes are due October 1, or when billed, whichever comes later, and generally become delinquent after January 31 of the following year. A delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. If the tax is not paid by July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent, the tax incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) regardless of the number of months the tax has been delinquent and incurs an additional penalty of up to twenty percent (20%) if imposed by the District. The delinquent tax also accrues interest at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month it remains unpaid. The Property Tax Code also makes provision for the split payment of taxes, discounts for early payment and the postponement of the delinquency date of taxes for certain taxpayers. Furthermore, the District may provide, on a local option basis, for the split payment, partial payment, and discounts for early payment of taxes under certain circumstances. The Property Tax Code permits taxpayers owning homes or certain businesses located in a disaster area and damaged as a direct result of the declared disaster to pay taxes imposed in the year

following the disaster in four equal installments without penalty or interest, commencing on February 1 and ending on August 1. See “AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES – Temporary Exemption for Qualified Property Damaged by a Disaster” for further information related to a discussion of the applicability of this section of the Property Tax Code.

District’s Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies

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

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

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

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

TAX RATE LIMITATIONS

M&O Tax Rate Limitations

A school district is authorized to levy maintenance and operation (“M&O”) taxes subject to approval of a proposition submitted to district voters. The maximum M&O tax rate that may be levied by a district cannot exceed the voted maximum rate or the maximum rate described in the next succeeding paragraph. The District is authorized to levy an M&O tax rate as approved by the voters at an election held on November 28, 1961, in the District pursuant to Article 2784e-1, Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated, as amended. See “APPENDIX A - Table 1 - Valuation, Exemptions and Tax Supported Debt” herein.

The maximum M&O tax rate per \$100 of taxable value that may be adopted by a school district is the sum of \$0.17 and the school district’s MCR. A school district’s MCR is, generally, inversely proportional to the change in taxable property values both within the school district and the State, and is subject to recalculation annually. For any year, the highest possible MCR for a school district is \$0.93 (see “TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate” and “CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – Local Funding for School Districts” herein).

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

I&S Tax Rate Limitations

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

Section 45.0031, Texas Education Code, as amended (“Section 45.0031”), requires a school district to demonstrate to the Texas Attorney General that it has the prospective ability to pay its maximum annual debt service on a proposed issue of bonds and all previously issued bonds, other than bonds approved by district voters at an election held on or before April 1, 1991 and issued before September 1, 1992 (or debt issued to refund such bonds, collectively, “exempt bonds”), from a tax levied at a rate of \$0.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation before bonds may be issued. In demonstrating the ability to pay debt service at a rate of \$0.50, a district may take into account EDA and IFA allotments to the district, which effectively reduces the district’s local share of debt service, and may also take into account Tier One funds allotted to the district. The District is required to deposit any State allotments provided solely for payment of debt service into the District’s interest and sinking fund upon receipt of such amounts. In addition, the District must, prior to levying an I&S fund tax rate that exceeds \$0.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation, credit to the interest and sinking fund other State assistance, including Tier One funds that may be used for either operating purposes or for payment of debt service, in an amount equal to the amount needed to demonstrate compliance with the threshold tax rate test and which is received or to be received in that year. Once the prospective ability to pay such tax has been shown and the bonds are issued, a district may levy an unlimited tax to pay debt service. Taxes levied to pay refunding bonds issued pursuant to Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code (except refunding bonds issued to refund commercial paper notes), are not subject to the \$0.50 tax rate test; however, taxes levied to pay debt service on such bonds (other than bonds issued to refund exempt bonds) are included in maximum annual debt service for calculation of the \$0.50 threshold tax rate test when applied to subsequent bond issues. The Bonds are issued for school building purposes pursuant to Chapter 45, Texas Education Code as new debt and are subject to the 50-cent Test.

Under current law, a district may demonstrate its ability to comply with the \$0.50 threshold tax rate test by applying the \$0.50 tax rate to an amount equal to 90% of projected future taxable value of property in the district, as certified by a registered professional appraiser, anticipated for the earlier of the tax year five years after the current tax year or the tax year in which the final payment for the bonds is due. However, if a district uses projected future taxable values to meet the \$0.50 threshold tax rate test and subsequently imposes a tax at a rate greater than \$0.50 per \$100 of valuation to pay for bonds subject to the test, then for subsequent bond issues, the Attorney General must find that the district has the projected ability to pay principal and interest on the proposed bonds and all previously issued bonds subject to the \$0.50 threshold tax rate test from a tax rate of \$0.45 per \$100 of valuation. The District has not used State assistance or projected property values to satisfy this threshold test.

Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

THE PROPERTY TAX CODE AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT

The District grants the state-mandated homestead exemption of \$100,000 to all qualified property owners for their primary residence. An additional \$10,000 exemption is available to property owners who qualify for either the Over-65 exemption or the Disabled Person exemption; however, individuals eligible for both may receive only one of the two. It is important to note that proposed constitutional amendments currently under consideration may increase the general homestead exemption to \$140,000 and the Over-65/Disabled Person exemption to \$60,000, pending voter approval in November, 2025.

Further, while the District does not offer early payment discounts, taxpayers who are 65 years of age or older may elect to pay their taxes in four equal installments, with the first installment due by February 1st and the final installment due by August 1st. In accordance with state law, the full value of the homestead may be exempt from taxation for

certain individuals, including 100% disabled veterans as determined by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, as well as the surviving spouses of armed service members and first responders killed in the line of duty.

The District does not levy ad valorem taxes on the exempt portion of residence homestead value for bonded debt. Pursuant to Tax Code 11.13, state-mandated homestead exemptions reduce taxable value, and under Education Code 48.259, the state reimburses school districts for resulting revenue loss.

The District does not tax non-business personal property and the Navarro County Tax Assessor's Office collects taxes for the District. However, personal property used for the production of income, such as business equipment, inventory, or furnishings, is subject to ad valorem taxation in accordance with state law. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Sessions" herein for a discussion of a potential increase in the exemption for tangible personal property used in the "production of income" from \$2,500 to \$125,000.

The District taxes freeport property and Goods-in-Transit.

The District does not participate in any tax abatement agreements under Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code or in any tax increment reinvestment zones established under Chapter 311. The District also does not have a value limitation agreement under Chapter 403. However, the District does have an active Chapter 313 value limitation agreement with the Briar Creek Solar Farm. Under this agreement, the property's appraised value is limited for the purpose of calculating maintenance and operations tax liability, while the full appraised value remains subject to taxation for interest and sinking purposes. Although Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code expired for new applications at the end of 2022, existing agreements remain in effect for the duration of their approved term.

EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT PLANS

The District's employees participate in a retirement plan (the "Plan") with the State of Texas. The Plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas ("TRS"). State contributions are made to cover costs of the TRS retirement plan up to certain statutory limits. The District is obligated for a portion of TRS, costs relating to employee salaries that exceed the statutory limit. (See "APPENDIX B – BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT.") In addition to the TRS retirement plan, the District provides health care coverage for its employees.

Please see APPENDIX B for additional detail regarding the District's net pension liability and net other-post employment benefits (OPEB) liability.

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

INVESTMENTS

The District may invest its investable funds (including bond proceeds and money pledged to the payment of or as security for bonds or other indebtedness issued by the District or obligations under a lease, installment sale, or other agreement of the District) in investments authorized by State law in accordance with investment policies approved by the governing body of the District. Both State law and the District's investment policies are subject to change.

Legal Investments

Under State law, the District is authorized to invest in (1) obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including the Federal Home Loan Banks; (2) direct obligations of the State or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by, or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State or the United States or their respective agencies and

instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States; (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than “A” or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor, or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor; (8) interest-bearing banking deposits other than those described by clause (7) if (A) the funds invested in the banking deposits are invested through: (i) a broker with a main office or branch office in this State that the District selects from a list the governing body of the District or designated investment committee of the District adopts as required by Section 2256.025, Texas Government Code; or (ii) a depository institution with a main office or branch office in the State that the District selects; (B) the broker or depository institution selected as described by (A) above arranges for the deposit of the funds in the banking deposits in one or more federally insured depository institutions, regardless of where located, for the District’s account; (C) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of the banking deposits is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and (D) the District appoints as the District’s custodian of the banking deposits issued for the District’s account: (i) the depository institution selected as described by (A) above; (ii) an entity described by Section 2257.041(d), Texas Government Code; or (iii) a clearing broker dealer registered with the SEC and operating under SEC Rule 15c3-3; (9) (i) certificates of deposit or share certificates meeting the requirements of Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code (the “Public Funds Investment Act”), that are issued by an institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State and are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, or their respective successors, and are secured as to principal by obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) or in any other manner and provided for by law for District deposits, or (ii) certificates of deposits where (a) the funds are invested by the District through (A) a broker that has its main office or a branch office in the State and is selected from a list adopted by the District as required by law, or (B) a depository institution that has its main office or branch office in the State that is selected by the District, (b) the broker or the depository institution selected by the District arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the District, (c) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States, and (d) the District appoints the depository institution selected under (a) above, a custodian as described by Section 2257.041(d), Texas Government Code, or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the SEC and operating pursuant to SEC Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3) as custodian for the District with respect to the certificates of deposit; (10) fully collateralized repurchase agreements as defined in the Public Funds Investment Act, that have a defined termination date, are secured by a combination of cash and obligations described in clauses (1) or (13) in this paragraph, require the securities being purchased by the District or cash held by the District to be pledged to the District, held in the District’s name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or with a third party selected and approved by the District, and are placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve, or a financial institution doing business in the State; (11) securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations that are described in clauses (1) through (8) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than “A” or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, clauses (13) through (15) below, or an authorized investment pool; (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the District, held in the District’s name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or a third party designated by the District; (iii) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State; and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less; (12) certain bankers’ acceptances with stated maturity of 270 days or less, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank or its parent are rated not less than “A-1” or “P-1” or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency; (13) commercial paper with a stated maturity of 365 days or less that is rated not less than “A-1” or “P-1” or the equivalent by either (a) two nationally recognized credit rating agencies or (b) one nationally recognized credit rating agency if the paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a United States or state bank; (14) no-load money market mutual funds registered with and regulated by the SEC that provide the District with a prospectus and other information required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Investment Company Act of 1940 and that comply with federal SEC Rule 2a-7 (17 C.F.R. Section 270.2a-7), promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80a-1 et seq.); and (15) no-load mutual funds registered with the SEC that have an average weighted maturity of less than two years, and have either (a) a duration of one year or more and invest exclusively in obligations described in under this heading, or (b) a duration of less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities, excluding asset-backed

securities. In addition, bond proceeds may be invested in guaranteed investment contracts that have a defined termination date and are secured by obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, other than the prohibited obligations described below, in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract.

A political subdivision such as the District may enter into securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations that are described in clauses (1) through (8) above, other than the prohibited obligations described below, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than A or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, clauses (13) through (15) above, or an authorized investment pool; (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the District, held in the District's name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or a third party designated by the District; (iii) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State; and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less.

The District may invest in such obligations directly or through government investment pools that invest solely in such obligations provided that the pools are rated no lower than "AAA" or "AAAm" or an equivalent by at least one nationally recognized rating service. The District may also contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of its public funds or other funds under its control for a term up to two years, but the District retains ultimate responsibility as fiduciary of its assets. In order to renew or extend such a contract, the District must do so by order, ordinance, or resolution.

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

Investment Policies

Under Texas law, the District is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity; that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management; and that include a list of authorized investments for District funds, the maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment and the maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed for pooled fund groups, methods to monitor the market price of investments acquired with public funds, a requirement for settlement of all transactions, except investment pool funds and mutual funds, on a delivery versus payment basis, and procedures to monitor rating changes in investments acquired with public funds and the liquidation of such investments consistent with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act. All District funds must be invested consistent with a formally adopted "Investment Strategy Statement" that specifically addresses each fund's investment. Each Investment Strategy Statement will describe its objectives concerning: (1) suitability of investment type, (2) preservation and safety of principal, (3) liquidity, (4) marketability of each investment, (5) diversification of the portfolio, and (6) yield.

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

Additional Provisions

Under Texas law, the District is additionally required to: (1) annually review its adopted policies and strategies, (2) require any investment officers with personal business relationships or family relationships with firms seeking to sell securities to the District to disclose the relationship and file a statement with the Texas Ethics Commission and the District, (3) require the registered principal of firms seeking to sell securities to the District to: (a) receive and review the District's investment policy, (b) acknowledge that reasonable controls and procedures have been implemented to preclude imprudent investment activities, and (c) deliver a written statement attesting to these requirements; (4) in conjunction with its annual financial audit, perform a compliance audit of the management controls on investments and adherence to the District's investment policy, (5) restrict reverse repurchase agreements to not more than 90 days and restrict the investment of reverse repurchase agreement funds to no greater than the term of the reverse repurchase agreement, (6) restrict the investment in non-money market mutual funds in the aggregate to no more than 15% of the District's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service, (7) require local government investment pools to conform to the new disclosure, rating, net asset value, yield calculation, and advisory board requirements and (8) provide specific investment training for the Treasurer, the chief financial officer (if not the Treasurer) and the investment officer.

TAX MATTERS

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), includes requirements which the District must continue to meet after the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest on the Bonds be and remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District's failure to meet these requirements may cause the interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The District has covenanted in the Order to take the actions required by the Code in order to maintain the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds.

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, assuming the accuracy of certain representations and certifications of the District and continuing compliance by the District with the tax covenants referred to above, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences under present law or any proposed legislation regarding the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the status of interest on the Bonds under the tax laws of any state.

Interest on the Bonds included in the adjusted financial statement income of certain corporations is not excluded from the federal corporate alternative minimum tax.

Except as described above, Bond Counsel will express no opinion regarding the federal income tax consequences resulting from the receipt or accrual of the interest on the Bonds, or the ownership or disposition of the Bonds. The accrual or receipt of interest on the Bonds may otherwise affect the federal income tax liability of the owners of the Bonds. The extent of these other tax consequences will depend upon such owner's particular tax status and other items of income or deduction. Purchasers of the Bonds, particularly purchasers that are corporations (including S corporations, foreign corporations operating branches in the United States of America, and certain corporations subject to the alternative minimum tax imposed on corporations), property or casualty insurance companies, banks, thrifts or other financial institutions, certain recipients of social security or railroad retirement benefits, taxpayers entitled to claim the earned income credit, taxpayers entitled to claim the refundable credit in Section 36B of the Code for coverage under a qualified health plan or taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, should consult their tax advisors as to the tax consequences of purchasing or owning the Bonds. Bond Counsel's opinions are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on factual representations made to Bond Counsel as of the date thereof. Bond Counsel assumes no duty to update or supplement its opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to Bond Counsel's attention, or to reflect any changes in law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, Bond Counsel's opinions are not a guarantee of a particular result, and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") or the courts; rather, such opinions represent Bond Counsel's professional judgment based on its review of existing law, and in reliance on the representations and covenants that it deems relevant to such opinion.

The IRS has initiated an expanded program for auditing tax-exempt bond issues, including both random and targeted audits. It is possible that the Bonds will be selected for audit by the IRS. Under existing procedures relating to audits of tax-exempt obligations such as the Bonds by the IRS, owners of the Bonds would have little, if any, right to participate in the audit examination process. It is also possible that the market value of the Bonds might be adversely affected as a result of such an audit of the Bonds (or by an audit of similar bonds). No assurance can be given that in the course of an audit, as a result of an audit, or otherwise, Congress or the IRS might not change the Code (or interpretation thereof) subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds to the extent that it adversely affects the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds or their market value.

Original Issue Premium and Discount

Certain of the Bonds (“Premium Bonds”) may be offered and sold to the public at a price in excess of their stated redemption price at maturity (or earlier for certain Premium Bonds callable prior to maturity). That excess constitutes bond premium. For federal income tax purposes, bond premium is amortized over the period to maturity of a Premium Bond, based on the yield to maturity of that Premium Bond (or, in the case of a Premium Bond callable prior to its stated maturity, the amortization period and yield may be required to be determined on the basis of an earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on that Premium Bond), compounded semiannually (or over a shorter permitted compounding interval selected by the owner). No portion of that bond premium is deductible by the owner of a Premium Bond. For purposes of determining the owner’s gain or loss on the sale, redemption (including redemption at maturity), or other disposition of a Premium Bond, the owner’s tax basis in the Premium Bond is reduced by the amount of bond premium that amortizes during the period of ownership. As a result, an owner may realize taxable gain for federal income tax purposes from the sale or other disposition of a Premium Bond for an amount equal to or less than the amount paid by the owner for that Premium Bond.

Certain of the Bonds (“Discount Bonds”) may be offered and sold to the public at an original issue discount (“OID”). OID is the excess of the stated redemption price at maturity over the “issue price” of a Discount Bond determined under Code Section 1273 or 1274 (i.e., for obligations issued for money in a public offering, the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses and brokers) at which a substantial amount of the obligation of the same maturity is sold pursuant to that offering). For federal income tax purposes, OID accrues to the owner of a Discount Bond over the period to maturity based on the constant yield method, compounded semiannually (or over a shorter permitted compounding interval selected by the owner). The portion of OID that accrues during the period of ownership of a Discount Bond (i) is interest excludable from the owner’s gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent, and subject to the same considerations discussed above, as other interest on the Bonds, and (ii) is added to the owner’s tax basis for purposes of determining gain or loss on the maturity, redemption, prior sale or other disposition of that Discount Bond.

Owners of Discount and Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisers as to the determination for federal income tax purposes of the amount of OID or bond premium properly accruable or amortizable in any period with respect to the Discount or Premium Bonds and as to other federal tax consequences, and the treatment of OID and bond premium for purposes of state and local taxes on, or based on, income.

Changes in Tax Law

From time to time, there are legislative proposals suggested, debated, introduced or pending that, if enacted into law, could alter or amend one or more of the tax matters described above including, without limitation, the excludability from gross income of interest on the Bonds, adversely affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds, or otherwise prevent the holders from realizing the full current benefit of the status of the interest thereon. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposal may be enacted, or whether, if enacted, any such proposal would affect the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to the impact of any proposed or pending legislation.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Interest paid on tax-exempt bonds such as the Bonds is subject to information reporting to the IRS in a manner similar to interest paid on taxable obligations. This reporting requirement does not affect the excludability of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. However, in conjunction with that information reporting requirement, the Code subjects certain non-corporate owners of Bonds, under certain circumstances, to “backup

withholding” at the rates set forth in the Code, with respect to payments on the Bonds and proceeds from the sale of Bonds. Any amount so withheld would be refunded or allowed as a credit against the federal income tax of such owner of Bonds. This withholding generally applies if the owner of Bonds (i) fails to furnish the payor such owner’s social security number or other taxpayer identification number (“TIN”), (ii) furnished the payor an incorrect TIN, (iii) fails to properly report interest, dividends, or other “reportable payments” as defined in the Code, or (iv) under certain circumstances, fails to provide the payor or such owner’s securities broker with a certified statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that the TIN provided is correct and that such owner is not subject to backup withholding. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds may also wish to consult with their tax advisors with respect to the need to furnish certain taxpayer information in order to avoid backup withholding.

Future and Proposed Legislation

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

WEATHER

The District is located in North Central Texas. Land located in this area is susceptible to severe thunderstorms, heavy rain, hail, high winds, and tornadic activity. If a future weather event significantly damaged all or part of the properties comprising the tax base within the District, the assessed value of property within the District could be substantially reduced, which could result in a decrease in tax revenues and/or necessitate an increase the District’s tax rate. Texas law allows school districts to increase property tax rates without voter approval upon the occurrence of certain disasters such as floods and upon a gubernatorial or presidential declaration of disaster. See “TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate”. There can be no assurance that a casualty loss to taxable property within the District will be covered by insurance (or that property owners will even carry flood or other casualty insurance), that any insurance company will fulfill its obligation to provide insurance proceeds, or that insurance proceeds will be used to rebuild or repair any damaged improvements within the District or be sufficient for such purposes. Even if insurance proceeds are available and improvements are rebuilt, there could be a lengthy period in which assessed values within the District could be adversely affected.

CONCENTRATION OF TAX BASE AND EXPOSURE TO SOLAR AND UTILITIES INDUSTRIES

As shown in “Table 5 – Ten Largest Taxpayers” of APPENDIX A, the top ten taxpayers in the District currently account for, in the aggregate, over 33% of the District’s tax base and the top taxpayer alone accounts for over 18% of the District’s tax base. The valuation of solar facilities, pipelines and other utility facilities within the State (such as those comprising a portion of the District’s tax base), as determined by respective appraisal districts, have been subject to litigation related to the taxable value of such property. Taxpayers in the solar and alternative energy sector have also increasingly challenged their property tax values on the basis that intangible property values have been inappropriately included in the taxable value of their projects within the State. Further, electric utilities are also subject to transfer and sole ownership by another entity, including local governments whose property is fully exempt from ad valorem taxation. Accordingly, the District makes no representation regarding the continued valuation of any of top ten taxpayers or the generation of future tax revenues therefrom. If any major taxpayer (or a combination of taxpayers) were to default in the payment of taxes, the ability of the District to timely pay debt service on the Bonds will be dependent on its ability to enforce and liquidate its tax lien (which, in the event of bankruptcy, certain laws may preclude until the automatic stay is lifted). Such process is time-consuming and can only occur annually; in the alternative, the District may sell tax anticipation notes until such amounts could be collected, if ever. See “THE BONDS – Owners’ Remedies” and “THE PROPERTY TAX CODE AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT.” Bondholders may become reliant upon the Permanent School Fund Guarantee in the event of a payment default by the District. See “APPENDIX D - THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM.”

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

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

Annual Reports

The District will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB annually in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the District of the general type included in APPENDIX A of this Official Statement under Tables numbered one through five and seven through eleven, and in APPENDIX B. The District will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year.

The District may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”). The updated information will include audited financial statements, if the District commissions an audit and it is completed by the required time. Any financial statements to be provided shall be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles prescribed by the Texas State Board of Education or such other accounting principles as the District may be required to employ, from time to time, by State law or regulation, and (ii) audited, if the District commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within 12 months after any such fiscal year end, then the District shall file unaudited financial statements within such 12-month period and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year, when and if the audit report on such statements becomes available.

The District’s current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, it must provide updated information by the last day of February in each year following the end of its fiscal year, unless the District changes its fiscal year. If the District changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change.

Event Notices

The District will file with the MSRB notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds in a timely manner (not more than 10 business days after occurrence of the event): (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material; (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the District, which shall occur as described below; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material, (15) incurrence of a financial obligation of the District (as defined by the Rule, which includes certain debt, debt-like, and debt-related obligations), if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of any such financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of any such financial obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

Neither the Bonds nor the Order make any provision for debt service reserves, credit enhancement, or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide information, data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under “Annual Reports”. The District will provide each notice described in this paragraph to the MSRB.

For these purposes, any event described in clause (12) in the immediately preceding paragraph is considered to occur when any of the following occur; the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District. The term “financial obligation” used in clauses (15) and (16) of the immediately preceding paragraph means a: (A) debt obligation; (B) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (C) a guarantee or either (A) or (B). The term “financial obligation” shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

Availability of Information

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

Limitations and Amendments

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

The continuing disclosure agreement may be amended by the District from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the District, but only if (1) the provisions, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell the Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds in compliance with Rule 15c2-12 taking into account any amendments or interpretations of Rule 15c2-12 to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (2) either (a) the registered owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of the Order that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Bonds consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the District (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interests of the registered owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The District may also amend or repeal the agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of Rule 15c2-12 or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of Rule 15c2-12 are invalid, and the District also may amend the agreement in its discretion in any other manner or circumstance, but in any case only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not have prevented an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds, giving effect to (a) such provisions as so amended and (b) any amendments or interpretations of Rule 15c2-12. If the District so amends the continuing disclosure agreement, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with the agreement an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided.

Compliance with Prior Undertakings

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

OTHER INFORMATION

Ratings

S&P has assigned the rating of “AAA” to the Bonds based on the Permanent School Fund Guarantee. S&P generally rates all bond issues guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund of the State of Texas “AAA.” The underlying unenhanced rating of the Bonds by S&P is “A.” Such ratings reflect only the views of S&P and any desired explanation of the significance of any such rating should be obtained from S&P. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings on the information and materials furnished to them and on investigations, studies and assumptions of their own. There is no assurance that any such rating, once issued, will continue for any given period of time or that such rating will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency, if, in the judgment of such agency, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

No Litigation Certificate

The District is not a party to any litigation or other proceeding pending or to its knowledge, threatened, in any court, agency, or other administrative body (either state or federal) which, if decided adversely to the District, would have a material adverse effect on the financial statements or operations of the District. At the time of the initial delivery of the Bonds, the District will provide the Underwriters with a certificate substantially to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending challenging the issuance of the Bonds or that affects the payment and security of the Bonds or in any other manner questioning the issuance, sale, or delivery of said Bonds.

Legal Investments and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas

Under the Texas Public Security Procedures Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 1201), the Bonds (1) are negotiable instruments, (2) are investment securities to which Chapter 8 of the Texas Uniform Commercial Code applies, and (3) are legal and authorized investments for (A) an insurance company, (B) a fiduciary or trustee, or (C) a sinking fund of a municipality or other political subdivision or public agency of the State of Texas. The Bonds are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies, and political subdivisions, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their market value. For political subdivisions in Texas which have adopted investment policies and guidelines in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code, Chapter 2256), the Bonds may have to be assigned a rating of “A” or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency before such Bonds are eligible investments for sinking funds and other public funds. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Bonds are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with at least \$1 million of capital and savings and loan associations.

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

Registration and Qualification of Bonds for Sale

No registration statement relating to the Bonds has been filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the federal Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemption provided thereunder by Section 3(a)(2); and the Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Bonds been registered or qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction. The District assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Bonds under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction in which the Bonds may be offered, sold, or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration and qualification for sale or other disposition of the Bonds shall not be

construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions in such other jurisdictions.

Legal Matters

The District will furnish a complete transcript of proceedings incident to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds, including the unqualified approving legal opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Texas to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District, and based upon examination of such transcript of proceedings, the legal opinion of Leon Alcala, PLLC with respect to the Bonds being issued in compliance with the provisions of applicable law and with respect to the interest on the Bonds being excludable from gross income for purposes of federal income tax. The form of Leon Alcala, PLLC's opinion is attached hereto as APPENDIX C – FORM OF BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION.

Leon Alcala, PLLC, Austin, Texas ("Bond Counsel") was engaged by, and only represents, the District. Except as noted below, Bond Counsel did not take part in the preparation of the Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained herein except that in its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information appearing under the following captions or subcaptions, as applicable: "THE BONDS" (except under the subcaptions "Sources and Uses of Funds", "Permanent School Fund Guarantee", "Owners' Remedies", and "Book-Entry Only System"), "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS" (except "Possible Effects of Litigation and Changes in Law on District Bonds", as to which no opinion is expressed), "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM", "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS" (excluding the last sentence of the second paragraph under the subcaption "I&S Tax Rate Limitations" and the subcaption "Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate," in each case as to which no opinion is expressed), "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except under the subcaption "Compliance with Prior Undertakings"), "TAX MATTERS", "OTHER INFORMATION – Legal Investments and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas", "OTHER INFORMATION – Registration and Qualification of Bonds for Sale", and "OTHER INFORMATION – Legal Matters" (insofar as such section relates to the legal opinion of Bond Counsel), excluding any material that may be treated as included under such captions or subcaptions by cross-reference or reference to other documents or sources and further excluding all information regarding DTC and its book-entry-only system and information regarding the Permanent School Fund Guarantee, and such firm is of the opinion that the information relating to the Bonds and legal matters contained under such captions and subcaptions is an accurate and fair description of the laws and legal issues addressed therein and, with respect to the Bonds, such information conforms to the Order. Bond Counsel has not independently verified factual information contained in this Official Statement, nor has such firm conducted an investigation of the affairs of the District for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon such firm's limited participation as an assumption of responsibility for, or an expression of opinion of any kind with regard to the accuracy or completeness of any of the other information contained herein. The legal fees to be paid to Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. The legal opinion of Bond Counsel may accompany the Bonds deposited with DTC or may be printed on the definitive Bonds in the event of the discontinuance of the Book-Entry Only System. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, Jackson Walker, LLP, Houston, Texas. The legal fee of such firm is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Though it represents the Underwriters from time to time in matters unrelated to the Bonds, Bond Counsel has been engaged by and only represents the District with respect to the issuance of the Bonds.

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

Financial Advisor

In its role as Financial Advisor, Government Capital Securities Corporation has relied on the District for certain information concerning the District and the Bonds. The fee of the Financial Advisor for services with respect to the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor is not obligated to undertake,

and has not undertaken to make, an independent verification or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information in this Official Statement.

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

Forward Looking Statements

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

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

Use of Audited Financial Statements

Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C. the District's independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C. also has not performed any procedures relating to this Official Statement.

Underwriting

Raymond James & Co., Inc., Frost Bank and Stephens Inc. (together, the "Underwriters") have agreed, subject to certain conditions, to purchase the Bonds from the District, at the respective prices indicated on the inside front cover of this Official Statement, less an underwriting discount of \$236,132.84, and no accrued interest. The Underwriters' obligation is subject to certain conditions precedent. The Underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the Bonds if any Bonds are purchased. Subject to certain hold-the-offering price restrictions in the purchase agreement related to the Bonds that are of limited duration, the Bonds to be offered to the public may be offered and sold to certain dealers (including the Underwriters and other dealers depositing Bonds into investment trusts) at prices lower than the public offering prices of such Bonds, and such public offering prices may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriters.

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

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities, which may include credit default swaps) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and

for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve securities and instruments of the District.

The Underwriters and their respective affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire, long and/or short positions in such assets, securities and instruments.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information set forth in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

Cybersecurity

The District, like other school districts in the State, utilize technology in conducting its operations. As a user of technology, the District potentially faces cybersecurity threats (e.g., hacking, phishing, viruses, malware and ransomware) on its technology systems. Accordingly, the District may be the target of a cyber-attack on its technology systems that could result in adverse consequences to the District. The District employs a multi-layered approach to combating cybersecurity threats. While the District deploys layered technologies and requires employees to receive cybersecurity training, as required by State law, among other efforts, cybersecurity breaches could cause material disruptions to the District's finances or operations. The costs of remedying such breaches or protecting against future cyber-attacks could be substantial and there is no assurance that these costs will be covered by insurance. Further, cybersecurity breaches could expose the District to litigation and other legal risks, which could cause the District to incur other costs related to such legal claims or proceedings.

Miscellaneous

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

Concluding Statement

The information set forth herein has been obtained from the District's records, audited financial statements, and other sources which are considered to be reliable. There is no guarantee that any of assumptions or estimates contained herein will ever be realized. All of the summaries of the statutes, documents, and the Order contained in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such statutes, documents, and the Order. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such summarized documents for further information. Reference is made to official documents in all respects. The Order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds also approved the form and content of this Official Statement and any addenda, supplement, or amendment thereto and authorize its further use in the re-offering of the Bonds by the Underwriters. This Official Statement has been approved by the Board for distribution in accordance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12.

ATTEST:

/S/ Danika Watson
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Blooming Grove Independent School District

/S/ Valerie Richards
President, Board of Trustees
Blooming Grove Independent School District

APPENDIX A

FINANCIAL INFORMATION REGARDING BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TABLE 1 - VALUATION, EXEMPTIONS, AND TAX SUPPORTED DEBT

District Direct Debt

2024/25 Certified Net Taxable Assessed Valuation ⁽¹⁾	\$515,108,968
Outstanding Debt	315,000
Plus: The Bonds	38,040,000
Total Direct Debt	<u>\$38,355,000</u>
As a % of 2024/25 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	7.45%

⁽¹⁾ Certified 2024-2025 Valuations provided by Navarro Central Appraisal District. Reflects assessed valuation for Debt Service tax rate only. The assessed valuation for M&O purposes are limited pursuant to Chapter 313 of the tax code for economic development. As a result, the District, in effect, has two tax values, one for Debt Service and one for M&O taxes. Taxable valuations listed within Appendix A do not reflect potential increase in homestead exemptions. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Session" herein for a discussion of a potential increase in the general State mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and a potential increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000. The District's 2025/26 net taxable assessed valuation including frozen values is \$555,789,226; such valuation includes an increase in the State-mandated general residence homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and an increase in the State-mandated residence homestead exemption for persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000 pursuant to constitutional amendments which will be submitted to voters at a statewide election to be held on November 4, 2025. If voters do not approve the constitutional amendments authorizing such residence homestead exemption increases, the District's 2025/26 taxable assessed valuation including frozen values is \$516,848,924.

TABLE 2 - TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATIONS BY CATEGORY

	<u>Tax Year</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>Tax Year</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>Tax Year</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>Tax Year</u> <u>2021</u>	<u>Tax Year</u> <u>2020</u>
Gross Value	\$1,302,399,488	\$1,313,320,979	\$966,463,050	\$660,027,269	\$597,521,538
Less Exemptions	<u>787,290,520</u>	<u>817,628,309</u>	<u>493,700,308</u>	<u>358,129,736</u>	<u>318,926,068</u>
Net Taxable Value	<u>\$515,108,968</u>	<u>\$ 495,692,670</u>	<u>\$472,762,742</u>	<u>\$301,897,533</u>	<u>\$278,595,470</u>

TABLE 3 - VALUATION AND TAX SUPPORTED DEBT HISTORY

Fiscal Year Ended 8/31	Estimated Population ⁽¹⁾	Taxable Assessed Valuation ⁽²⁾	Taxable Assessed Valuation Per Capita	Tax Supported Debt Outstanding	Ratio of Tax Supported Debt to Assessed Valuation	Tax Supported Debt Per Capita
2021	4,330	\$278,595,470	\$ 64,341	\$ 795,000	0.29%	\$ 184
2022	4,478	301,897,533	67,418	640,000	0.21%	143
2023	4,635	472,762,742 ⁽³⁾	101,998	480,000	0.10%	104
2024	4,737	495,692,670 ⁽³⁾	104,643	315,000	0.06%	66
2025	4,672	515,108,968 ⁽³⁾	110,254	38,355,000 ⁽⁴⁾	7.45%	8,210

⁽¹⁾ Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

⁽²⁾ Established by Navarro Central Appraisal District, subject to change during the ensuing year.

⁽³⁾ Reflects assessed valuation for Debt Service tax rate only. The assessed valuation for M&O purposes is limited pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Tax Code for economic development. As a result, the District, in effect, has two tax values, one for Debt Service taxes and one for M&O taxes.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes the Bonds.

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TABLE 4 - TAX RATE, LEVY, AND COLLECTION HISTORY

Fiscal Year Ended 8/31	Tax Year	Taxable Assessed Valuation⁽¹⁾	Tax Rate	Tax Levy⁽³⁾	Percent Collected	
					Current	Total
2021	2020	\$278,595,470	\$0.9587	\$ 2,588,673	97.53%	99.37%
2022	2021	301,897,533	0.9601	2,794,682	96.83%	99.03%
2023	2022	472,762,742 ⁽²⁾	0.9243	3,312,689	96.76%	96.76%
2024	2023	495,692,670 ⁽²⁾	0.7431	2,542,179	98.38%	98.38%
2025	2024	515,108,968 ⁽²⁾	0.7408	3,148,031	(In process of collection)	

⁽¹⁾ Net of exemptions. Assessed valuations do not include adjustments in supplemental rolls made after the end of each fiscal year.

⁽²⁾ Certified Valuations provided by Navarro County Appraisal District reflects assessed valuation for Debt Service tax rate only. The assessed valuation for M&O purposes is limited pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Tax Code for economic development. As a result, the District, in effect, has two tax values, one for Debt Service taxes and one for M&O taxes.

⁽³⁾ Excludes penalties and interest.

TABLE 5 - TEN LARGEST TAXPAYERS

Taxpayers	Type of Property	2024/25 Net Taxable Assessed Valuations⁽¹⁾	% of Total 2024/25 Assessed Valuation
1. Briar Creek Solar LLC	Solar Energy Plant	\$ 94,069,740	18.26%
2. Grand Prix Pipeline LLC	Pipeline	24,010,100	4.66%
3. Permian Express Partners	Oil & Gas	16,072,590	3.12%
4. Oncor Electric Delivery Co. LLC	Electric Utility	10,207,080	1.98%
5. Lone Star Transmission	Electric Utility	6,343,510	1.23%
6. BNSF Railway Co.	Railroad	6,330,450	1.23%
7. Atmos Energy/Mid-Tex Pipeline	Pipeline	4,096,760	0.80%
8. Magellan Pipeline Co. LP	Pipeline	3,442,920	0.67%
9. Oneok Arbuckle Pipeline LLC	Pipeline	2,895,280	0.56%
10. DCP Southern Hills Pipeline	Pipeline	2,779,440	0.54%
Total		\$170,247,870	33.05%

⁽¹⁾ Reflects assessed valuation for Debt Service tax rate only. The assessed valuation for M&O purposes is limited pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Tax Code for economic development. As a result, the District, in effect, has two tax values, one for Debt Service taxes and one for M&O taxes. As shown in the table above, the ten largest taxpayers in the District currently account for over 33% of the District's tax base, with the majority of such property comprised of utilities and related business activities. Adverse developments in economic conditions, especially in the solar and utility industries, could adversely impact the businesses that own such properties in the District and the tax values in the District, resulting in less local tax revenue. Further, electric utilities are also subject to transfer and sole ownership by another entity, including local governments whose property is fully exempt from ad valorem taxation. If any major taxpayer were to default in the payment of taxes, the ability of the District to make timely payment of debt service on the Bonds will be dependent on its ability to enforce and liquidate its tax lien, which is a time-consuming process, or, perhaps, to sell tax anticipation notes until such amounts could be collected, if ever. Bondholders may become reliant upon the Permanent School Fund Guarantee in the event of a payment default by the District. See "APPENDIX D – THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE" and "CONCENTRATION OF TAX BASE AND EXPOSURE TO SOLAR AND UTILITIES INDUSTRIES."

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TABLE 6 - ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT

Expenditures of the various taxing entities within the territory of the District are paid out of ad valorem taxes levied by such entities on properties within the District. Such entities are independent of the District and may incur borrowings to finance their expenditures. This statement of direct and estimated overlapping ad valorem tax debt ("Tax Debt") was developed from information contained in "Texas Municipal Reports" published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas. Except for the amounts relating to the District, the District has not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of such information, and no person should rely upon such information as being accurate or complete. Furthermore, certain of the entities listed may have issued additional Tax Debt since the date hereof, and such entities may have programs requiring the issuance of substantial amounts of additional Tax Debt, the amount of which cannot be determined. The following table reflects the estimated share of overlapping Tax Debt of the District.

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>As Of</u>	<u>Total Debt^(a)</u>	<u>Estimated % Overlapping</u>	<u>Overlapping Debt</u>
Navarro Co	5/31/25	\$4,412,000	7.34%	<u>\$ 323,841</u>
Estimated (Net) Overlapping Debt				\$ 323,841
Blooming Grove ISD ^(b)		\$38,355,000		38,355,000
Total Direct & Estimated Overlapping Debt				<u>\$38,678,841</u>
As a % of Certified 2024/25 Taxable Assessed Valuation				7.51%

^(a) Gross Debt

^(b) Includes the Bonds.

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DEBT INFORMATION

TABLE 7 - TAX SUPPORTED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED 8/31	OUTSTANDING DEBT ⁽¹⁾	PLUS: THE BONDS		TOTAL DEBT SERVICE
		PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	
2025	\$174,725	\$ -	\$ 31,351.04	\$ 206,076.04
2026	149,350	640,000	1,813,135.24	2,602,485.24
2027		605,000	1,849,062.50	2,454,062.50
2028		635,000	1,818,812.50	2,453,812.50
2029		665,000	1,787,062.50	2,452,062.50
2030		700,000	1,753,812.50	2,453,812.50
2031		735,000	1,718,812.50	2,453,812.50
2032		770,000	1,682,062.50	2,452,062.50
2033		810,000	1,643,562.50	2,453,562.50
2034		850,000	1,603,062.50	2,453,062.50
2035		890,000	1,560,562.50	2,451,062.50
2036		935,000	1,516,062.50	2,451,062.50
2037		980,000	1,469,312.50	2,449,312.50
2038		1,030,000	1,420,312.50	2,450,312.50
2039		1,080,000	1,368,812.50	2,448,812.50
2040		1,135,000	1,314,812.50	2,449,812.50
2041		1,195,000	1,258,062.50	2,453,062.50
2042		1,255,000	1,198,312.50	2,453,312.50
2043		1,315,000	1,135,562.50	2,450,562.50
2044		1,380,000	1,069,812.50	2,449,812.50
2045		1,450,000	1,000,812.50	2,450,812.50
2046		1,525,000	928,312.50	2,453,312.50
2047		1,595,000	855,875.00	2,450,875.00
2048		1,670,000	780,112.50	2,450,112.50
2049		1,750,000	700,787.50	2,450,787.50
2050		1,835,000	617,662.50	2,452,662.50
2051		1,920,000	530,500.00	2,450,500.00
2052		2,015,000	434,500.00	2,449,500.00
2053		2,115,000	333,750.00	2,448,750.00
2054		2,225,000	228,000.00	2,453,000.00
2055		2,335,000	116,750.00	2,451,750.00
	\$324,075	\$38,040,000	\$35,539,423.78	\$73,903,498.78

Average Annual Debt Service Requirements	\$2,383,983.83
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement.....	\$2,602,485.24

⁽¹⁾ The District expects to authorize the redemption of all outstanding debt with funds currently in the interest and sinking fund prior to closing on the Bonds.

TABLE 8 – AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED UNLIMITED TAX BONDS

After the issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$0 in authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds. The District does not anticipate issuing additional debt this fiscal year.

TABLE 9 – SCHEDULE OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND EXPENDITURE HISTORY**For Fiscal Year Ended August 31st**

	<u>2024*</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
REVENUES:					
Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 3,514,008	\$ 4,365,235	\$ 2,837,915	\$ 2,770,423	\$ 2,454,969
State Program Revenues	8,295,798	7,349,527	7,710,834	7,765,005	8,162,151
Federal Program Revenues	<u>47,594</u>	<u>291,198</u>	<u>287,868</u>	<u>216,398</u>	<u>233,565</u>
Total Revenues	<u>11,857,400</u>	<u>12,005,960</u>	<u>10,836,617</u>	<u>10,751,826</u>	<u>10,850,685</u>
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
Instruction	5,820,342	5,479,150	5,533,650	5,459,065	5,481,235
Instructional Resources and Media Services	75,864	76,875	74,795	74,991	77,158
Curriculum and Staff Development	104,562	99,682	96,931	87,665	133,159
Instructional Leadership	71,239	15,229	-	-	-
School Leadership	772,655	759,726	719,882	646,168	712,599
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	252,173	243,026	239,218	218,711	232,503
Health Services	145,387	140,864	147,720	128,079	134,563
Student Transportation	531,253	571,813	516,858	496,498	519,276
Food Service	-	-	-	-	-
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	416,084	428,145	424,248	389,051	410,008
General Administration	733,471	741,636	645,685	621,858	616,902
Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,048,253	1,742,756	1,149,570	1,071,738	1,071,398
Security and Monitoring Services	168,971	216,448	224,771	77,100	75,069
Data Processing Services	200,231	226,332	155,282	189,475	154,703
Principal on Long-term Debt	43,765	36,114	1,688	13,315	12,464
Interest on Long-term Debt	3,156	3,159	206	908	1,759
Bond Issuance Costs and Fees	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	10,571,416	-	50,000	3,366,469	254,432
Payments to Shared Service Arrangements	100,087	95,966	89,160	233,919	252,329
Other Intergovernmental Charges	<u>57,897</u>	<u>56,508</u>	<u>45,469</u>	<u>41,447</u>	<u>49,239</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>21,116,806</u>	<u>10,933,429</u>	<u>10,115,133</u>	<u>13,116,457</u>	<u>10,188,796</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(9,259,406)</u>	<u>1,072,531</u>	<u>721,484</u>	<u>(2,364,631)</u>	<u>661,889</u>
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):					
Issuance of Non-Current Debt	-	21,857	-	-	-
Issuance of Right to Use Leased Assets	-	-	122,345	-	-
Other Resources – Insurance Proceeds	-	-	28,039	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	(17,524)	(97,427)
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	-	<u>21,857</u>	<u>150,384</u>	<u>(17,524)</u>	<u>(97,427)</u>
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM:					
Insurance Recovery Proceeds	<u>10,061,768</u>	-	-	<u>3,171,658</u>	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	802,362	1,094,388	871,868	789,503	564,462
Fund Balances – Beginning	<u>6,277,559</u>	<u>5,183,171</u>	<u>4,311,303</u>	<u>3,521,800</u>	<u>2,957,338</u>
Fund Balances – Ending	<u>\$ 7,079,921</u>	<u>\$ 6,277,559</u>	<u>\$ 5,183,171</u>	<u>\$ 4,311,303</u>	<u>\$ 3,521,800</u>

Source: The District's audited financial statements.

* During the 2024 fiscal year, the District was involved in a hailstorm and sustained substantial damage to its facilities. Insurance recovery proceeds in the amount of \$10,061,768 were recognized by the District in the year to compensate for losses sustained and allow for the restoration of damaged property. See "Note P – Extraordinary Item" in the District's audited financial statements attached hereto as APPENDIX B.

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TABLE 10 - GENERAL OPERATING FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET^(a)

	Fiscal Years Ended August 31st				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
ASSETS:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,513,043	\$ 904,770	\$ 3,807,203	\$ 3,171,350	\$ 2,090,713
Current Investments	3,079,030	5,478,281	1,418,821	1,414,048	1,406,262
Taxes Receivable, Net	177,378	149,580	1344,595	109,921	144,065
Due from Other Governments	766,283	464,426	225,642	161,555	339,518
Due from Other Funds	3,198	5,669	283,922	62,998	165,963
Other Receivables	<u>3,290,655</u>	<u>642</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>925</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$11,829,587</u>	<u>\$ 7,003,368</u>	<u>\$ 5,870,183</u>	<u>\$ 4,920,797</u>	<u>\$ 4,146,521</u>
LIABILITIES:					
Current Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 4,110,355	\$ 156,775	\$ 66,453	\$ 112,596	\$ 75,937
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings	82,746	-	-	-	-
Accrued Wages Payable	366,403	405,798	470,855	371,736	386,787
Due to Other Funds	4,986	4,855	4,629	6,851	9,827
Accrued Expenditures	7,798	8,801	10,480	8,390	8,105
Unearned Revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 4,572,288</u>	<u>576,229</u>	<u>552,417</u>	<u>499,573</u>	<u>480,656</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:					
Unavailable Revenue – Property Taxes	<u>177,378</u>	<u>149,580</u>	<u>134,595</u>	<u>109,921</u>	<u>144,065</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>177,378</u>	<u>149,580</u>	<u>134,595</u>	<u>109,921</u>	<u>144,065</u>
FUND BALANCES:					
Restricted Fund Balances:					
Federal/State Funds Grant Restrictions	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement of Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned Fund Balances:					
Other Assigned Fund Balance-Campus Activity	-	-	-	-	-
Other Assigned Fund Balance-Capital Projects	-	450,000	450,000	-	-
Other Assigned Fund Balance	-	-	-	900,000	900,000
Unassigned	<u>7,079,921</u>	<u>5,827,559</u>	<u>4,733,171</u>	<u>3,411,303</u>	<u>2,621,800</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>7,079,921</u>	<u>6,277,559</u>	<u>5,183,171</u>	<u>4,311,303</u>	<u>3,521,800</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflow of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$11,829,587</u>	<u>\$ 7,003,368</u>	<u>\$ 5,870,183</u>	<u>\$ 4,920,797</u>	<u>\$ 4,146,521</u>

^(a) Source: The District's audited financial reports.

TABLE 11 - CURRENT INVESTMENTS

As of May 31, 2025, the District's investable funds amounted to \$4,343,370. The following summary itemizes the District's investment portfolio by type of security:

	Percent	Book Value	Market Value
Investment Pools	100.00%	\$4,343,370	\$4,343,370
Total	100.00%	\$4,343,370	\$4,343,370

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APPENDIX B

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

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BLOOMING GROVE
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

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Introductory Section

CERTIFICATE OF BOARD

Blooming Grove Independent School District
Name of School District

Navarro
County

175-902
Co.-Dist. Number

We, the undersigned, certify that the attached annual financial reports of the above named school district were reviewed and (check one) ☒ approved ☐ disapproved for the year ended August 31, 2024, at a meeting of the board of trustees of such school district on the 21st day of JANUARY, 2025.



Signature of Board Secretary



Signature of Board President

If the board of trustees disapproved of the auditors' report, the reason(s) for disapproving it is (are):
(attach list as necessary)

Financial Section

ANDERSON, MARX & BOHL, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

**FRANK MARX, III, CPA
DORI BOHL, CPA & CFE
CALEB MARX, CPA**

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Trustees
Blooming Grove Independent School District
212 West Grady
Blooming Grove, Texas 76626

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Blooming Grove Independent School District ("the District"), as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Blooming Grove Independent School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Blooming Grove Independent School District, as of August 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (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 Blooming Grove Independent School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' 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.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, and required supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Blooming Grove Independent School District's basic financial statements. The introductory section and combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information, except for that portion labeled "unaudited" on which

we express no opinion, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information Included in the Annual Report

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information as identified in the table of contents comprises the information included in the annual report but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic 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 financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the 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 January 21, 2025 on our consideration of Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,



Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C.

Corsicana, Texas
January 21, 2025

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of Blooming Grove Independent School District's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the year ended August 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

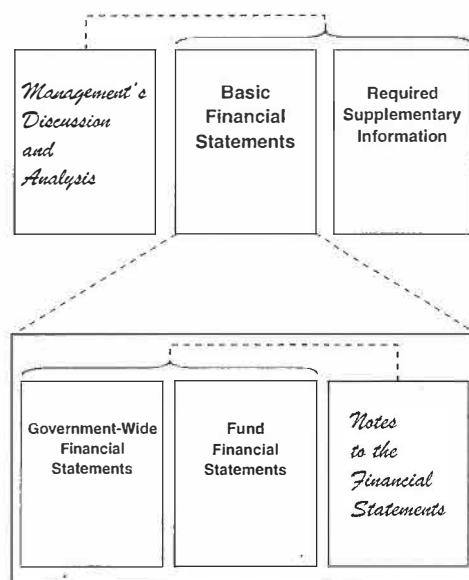
- The District's total combined net position on financial statement exhibit A-1 was \$19,606,226 on August 31, 2024.
- During the year, the District's primary government expenses on financial statement exhibit B-1 were \$10,261,127 less than the \$22,339,194 generated in taxes and other revenues for governmental activities.
- The total cost of the District's programs on financial statement exhibit C-2 increased \$9,952,858 from last year. Increases in capital outlay and school leadership costs over the prior year accounted for a substantial portion of this increase.
- The general fund reported a fund balance this year on financial statement exhibit C-1 of \$7,079,921. The District began the current year with a fund balance in the amount of \$6,277,559.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts—*management's discussion and analysis* (this section), the *basic financial statements*, and *required supplementary information*. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are *government-wide financial statements* that provide both *long-term* and *short-term* information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on *individual parts* of the government, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
- *The governmental funds* statements tell how *general government* services were financed in the *short term* as well as what remains for future spending.
- *Fiduciary fund* statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the District acts solely as a *trustee* or *custodian* for the benefit of others, to whom the resources in question belong.

Figure A-1, Required Components of the District's Annual Financial Report



The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of *required supplementary information* that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. Figure A-1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.

Summary  Detail

Government-wide Statements

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the government's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid. The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how it has changed. Net position—the difference between the District's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows—is one way to measure the District's financial health or *position*.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District, one needs to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the District's tax base.

The government-wide financial statements of the District include the *Governmental activities*. Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as instruction, extracurricular activities, curriculum and staff development, health services and general administration. Property taxes and grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's most significant *funds*—not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Some funds are required by State law and by bond covenants.
- The Board of Trustees establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain taxes and grants.

The District has the following kinds of funds:

- *Governmental funds*—Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how *cash and other financial assets* that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed *short-term* view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statement, or on the subsequent page, that explain the relationship (or differences) between them.
- *Fiduciary funds*—The District is the trustee, or *fiduciary*, for certain funds. It is also responsible for other assets that—because of a trust arrangement—can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net position and a statement of changes in fiduciary net position. We exclude these activities from the District's government-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net position. The District's combined net position was \$19.606 million on August 31, 2024. (See Table A-1).

Table A-1
Blooming Grove Independent School District's Net position
(In million dollars)

	Governmental Activities		Total Percentage Change
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024-2023</u>
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5.083	\$ 1.077	372
Investments	3.145	5.541	-43
Due from other governments	.855	.894	-4
Due from other funds	.002	.002	0
Other receivables	3.479	.158	2102
Debt Issuance Costs-Net	.000	.000	**
Total current assets:	<u>12.564</u>	<u>7.672</u>	64
Noncurrent assets:			
Land, furniture and equipment	23.305	17.177	36
Less accumulated depreciation	(5.913)	(8.902)	34
Total noncurrent assets	<u>17.392</u>	<u>8.275</u>	110
Total Assets	<u>29.956</u>	<u>15.947</u>	88
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1.936	2.171	-11
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4.624	.655	606
Claims payable	.000	.000	**
Due to other funds	.029	.000	**
Unearned revenue	.043	.006	617
Total current liabilities	<u>4.696</u>	<u>.661</u>	610
Long-term liabilities:			
Noncurrent liabilities due in one year	.216	.209	3
Noncurrent liabilities due more than 1 yr	.225	.472	-52
Net Pension Liability	2.834	2.612	8
Net OPEB Liability	1.475	1.740	-15
Total Liabilities	<u>9.446</u>	<u>5.694</u>	66
Deferred Inflows of Resources	2.840	3.079	-8
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	16.969	7.620	123
Restricted	.459	.434	6
Unrestricted	2.177	1.291	69
Total Net Position	<u>\$19.606</u>	<u>\$ 9.345</u>	110

The District has \$459,379 in restricted net position that represents \$184,690 proceeds from federal and state programs and \$274,689 proceeds from debt service. These proceeds when spent are restricted for the above purposes. The \$2,177,560 of unrestricted net position represents resources to be available to fund the programs of the District next year.

Changes in net position. The District's total revenues were \$22,339,194. A significant portion, 13 percent, of the District's revenue comes from taxes. (See Figure A-3.) 34 percent comes from state aid – formula grants, while less than 1 percent relates to charges for services.

The total cost of all programs and services was \$12,078,067; 89 percent of these costs are for governmental activities associated with instructional and student services.

Governmental Activities

- Property tax rates decreased and even with increased valuations, tax revenues decreased overall by \$530,999 or 15.8%.

Table A-2
Changes in Blooming Grove Independent School District's Net Position
(In million dollars)

	Governmental Activities		Total % Change
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
Program Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$.084	\$.113	-26
Operating Grants and Contributions	1.974	2.565	-23
Capital Grants and Contributions	.000	.000	**
General Revenues			
Property Taxes	2.823	3.354	-16
State Aid – Formula	7.631	6.374	20
Investment Earnings	.339	.171	98
Other	.639	1.043	-39
Total Revenues	<u>13.490</u>	<u>13.620</u>	-1
Instruction	6.407	6.078	5
Instructional Resources and Media Services	.081	.078	4
Curriculum Dev. And Instructional Staff Dev.	.131	.124	6
Instructional Leadership	.144	.082	76
School Leadership	.800	.764	5
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	.261	.243	7
Health Services	.151	.141	7
Student (Pupil) Transportation	.336	.463	-27
Food Services	.701	.665	5
Curricular/Extracurricular Activities	.525	.488	8
General Administration	.763	.755	1
Plant Maintenance & Oper.	1.044	1.406	-26
Security & Monitoring Svcs.	.175	.220	-20
Data Processing Services	.208	.261	-20
Community Services	.000	.000	**
Debt Services	(.006)	.001	700
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	.000	.000	**
Capital Outlay	.010	.000	**
Contracted Instr. Services Between Public Schools	.000	.000	**
Increment Costs Associated Chapter 41 (WADA)	.000	.000	**
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Dist. - SSA	.289	.276	5
Public Education Grant Progr.	.000	.000	**
Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Program	.000	.000	**
Payments to Charter Schools	.000	.000	**
Other	.058	.057	2
Total Expenses	<u>12.078</u>	<u>12.102</u>	0
Excess (Deficiency) Before Other Resources,			
Uses & Transfers	1.412	1.518	-7
Other Resources (Uses)	.000	.000	**
Transfers In (Out)	.000	.000	**
Extraordinary Item	8.849	.000	**
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	<u>\$10.261</u>	<u>\$1.518</u>	576

Table A-3 presents the cost of each of the District's largest functions as well as each function's net cost (total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid). The net cost reflects what was funded by state revenues as well as local tax dollars.

- The cost of all *governmental* activities this year was \$12.078 million.
- However, the amount that our taxpayers paid for these activities through property taxes was only \$2.823 million.

- Some of the cost was paid by those who directly benefited from the programs \$0.084 million, or
- By grants and contributions \$1.974 million.

Table A-3
Net Cost of Selected District Functions
(in millions of dollars)

	Total Cost of Services		% Change	Net Cost of Services		% Change
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
Instruction	6.407	6.078	5	5.596	4.966	13
School administration	.763	.755	1	.733	.705	4
Plant Maintenance & Operations	1.044	1.406	-26	1.004	1.129	-11
Debt Service – Interest & Fiscal Charges	(.006)	.001	700	(.011)	(.014)	21

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

Revenues from governmental fund types totaled \$13.562 million, while the previous year it was \$13.945 million. The decrease in local revenues is mainly due to decreased valuations and Chapter 313 value limitation agreement revenues. The increase in state revenues is a result of student population changes and changes in state funding formulas. The change in federal revenues is due to grant funding formulas distributed through other agencies.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the District revised its budget six times. Actual expenditures were \$3,074,843 below final budget amounts in the General Fund.

On the other hand, resources available were \$899,492 above the final budgeted amount with local revenue being over budget by \$529,172.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of 2024, the District had invested \$23,304,450 in a broad range of capital and right of use assets, including land, buildings, equipment, and right-to-use assets. (See Table A-4.) This amount represents a net increase (including additions and deductions) of \$6,127,434 or 18% percent over last year.

Table A-4
District's Capital Assets
(In millions of dollars)

	Governmental Activities		Total Percentage Change 2024-2023
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
Land	.299	.221	35
Construction in progress	8.463	.000	**
Buildings and improvements	11.457	13.515	-15
Equipment	2.942	3.297	-11
Right-to-use asset	.144	.144	0
Totals at historical cost	23.305	17.177	36
Total accumulated depreciation	(5.913)	(8.902)	34
Net capital assets	17.392	8.275	110

The District's fiscal year 2025 capital budget does not indicate any major expenditures other than completion of storm damage restoration. More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

Long Term Debt

At year-end the District had \$4.731 million in bonds, right of use liabilities, and pension and OPEB liability outstanding as shown in Table A-5. More detailed information about the District's debt is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

Table A-5
District's Long-Term Debt
(In millions of dollars)

	Governmental Activities		Total Percentage Change 2024-2023
	2024	2023	
Right of use lease liability	.063	.106	-41
Bonds payable	.315	.480	-34
Net Pension liability	2.834	2.612	8
Net OPEB liability	1.475	1.740	-15
Bond premiums	.062	.094	-34
Deferred amount on refunding	(.018)	(.027)	33
Total bonds & notes payable	4.731	5.005	-5

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

- Appraised value used for the 2025 budget preparation is \$425,262,966, an increase of 8% from 2024.
- General operating fund spending per student increased in the 2025 budget from \$13,363 to \$13,628. This is a 2 percent increase.
- The District's 2025 refined average daily attendance is expected to be 840.

These indicators were considered when adopting the general fund budget for 2025. Amounts available for appropriation in the general fund budget are \$11,447,945, a decrease of 5 percent from the final 2024 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the District's budgetary general fund fund balance is not expected to change appreciably by the close of 2025.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Blooming Grove Independent School District's Business Services Department at 212 West Grady, Blooming Grove, Texas 76626 or phone number 903-695-2541.

Basic Financial Statements

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes		1	Governmental Activities
ASSETS:			
1110	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	5,083,293
1120	Current Investments		3,145,395
1225	Property Taxes Receivable (Net)		187,583
1240	Due from Other Governments		855,167
1267	Due from Fiduciary		2,305
1290	Other Receivables (Net)		3,290,655
Capital and Right to Use Assets:			
1510	Land		298,395
1520	Buildings and Improvements, Net		7,524,579
1530	Furniture and Equipment, Net		1,047,836
1550	Right to Use Assets, Net		57,627
1580	Construction in Progress		8,463,045
1000	Total Assets		<u>29,955,880</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
	Deferred Outflow Related to Bond Refunding		18,377
	Deferred Outflow Related to Pensions		1,140,486
	Deferred Outflow Related to OPEB		777,240
1700	Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		<u>1,936,103</u>
LIABILITIES:			
2110	Accounts Payable		4,145,301
2165	Accrued Liabilities		479,093
2177	Due to Fiduciary		28,668
2300	Unearned Revenue		42,997
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
2501	Due Within One Year		215,831
2502	Due in More Than One Year		224,741
2540	Net Pension Liability		2,833,646
2545	Net OPEB Liability		1,475,641
2000	Total Liabilities		<u>9,445,918</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
	Deferred Inflow Related to Pensions		248,226
	Deferred Inflow Related to OPEB		2,591,613
2600	Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		<u>2,839,839</u>
NET POSITION:			
3200	Net Investment in Capital Assets		16,969,287
Restricted For:			
3820	Federal and State Programs		184,690
3850	Debt Service		274,689
3900	Unrestricted		2,177,560
3000	Total Net Position	\$	<u>19,606,226</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	Functions/Programs	1 Expenses	3 Charges for Services	4 Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
				Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	
	Governmental Activities:					
11	Instruction	\$ 6,406,512	\$ 7,800	\$ 808,962	\$	(5,589,750)
12	Instructional Resources and Media Services	81,304	--	7,041		(74,263)
13	Curriculum and Staff Development	131,444	--	29,006		(102,438)
21	Instructional Leadership	144,348	--	68,477		(75,871)
23	School Leadership	799,735	--	58,338		(741,397)
31	Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	260,829	--	19,452		(241,377)
33	Health Services	150,603	--	10,880		(139,723)
34	Student Transportation	335,781	--	21,399		(314,382)
35	Food Service	701,423	52,898	647,010		(1,515)
36	Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	525,473	23,756	16,057		(485,660)
41	General Administration	762,817	--	30,813		(732,004)
51	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,043,769	--	41,053		(1,002,716)
52	Security and Monitoring Services	175,235	--	12,286		(162,949)
53	Data Processing Services	208,398	--	9,485		(198,913)
72	Interest on Long-term Debt	(16,166)	--	4,262		20,428
73	Bond Issuance Costs and Fees	9,891	--	--		(9,891)
81	Capital Outlay	10,054	--	48		(10,006)
93	Payments Related to Shared Services Arrangements	288,720	--	189,168		(99,552)
99	Other Intergovernmental Charges	57,897	--	--		(57,897)
TG	Total Governmental Activities	12,078,067	84,454	1,973,737		(10,019,876)
TP	Total Primary Government	\$ 12,078,067	\$ 84,454	\$ 1,973,737		(10,019,876)
	General Revenues:					
MT	Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes					2,622,879
DT	Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service					200,123
IE	Investment Earnings					339,451
SF	State Aid-Formula Grants					7,630,825
MI	Miscellaneous					638,641
	Special and Extraordinary Items:					
E1	Net Extraordinary Gain Related to Property Damage					8,849,084
TR	Total General Revenues					20,281,003
CN	Change in Net Position					10,261,127
NB	Net Position - Beginning					9,345,099
NE	Net Position - Ending					\$ 19,606,226

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	onmf Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS:			
1110 <i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 4,513,043	\$ 570,250	\$ 5,083,293
1120 <i>Current Investments</i>	3,079,030	66,365	3,145,395
1225 <i>Taxes Receivable, Net</i>	177,378	10,205	187,583
1240 <i>Due from Other Governments</i>	766,283	88,884	855,167
1260 <i>Due from Other Funds</i>	3,198	4,629	7,827
1290 <i>Other Receivables</i>	3,290,655	--	3,290,655
1000 Total Assets	<u>\$ 11,829,587</u>	<u>\$ 740,333</u>	<u>\$ 12,569,920</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Current Liabilities:			
2110 <i>Accounts Payable</i>	\$ 4,110,355	\$ 34,946	\$ 4,145,301
2150 <i>Payroll Deductions and Withholdings</i>	82,746	--	82,746
2160 <i>Accrued Wages Payable</i>	366,403	20,575	386,978
2170 <i>Due to Other Funds</i>	4,986	29,204	34,190
2200 <i>Accrued Expenditures</i>	7,798	1,571	9,369
2300 <i>Unearned Revenue</i>	--	42,997	42,997
2000 Total Liabilities	<u>4,572,288</u>	<u>129,293</u>	<u>4,701,581</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
<i>Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes</i>	177,378	10,205	187,583
2600 Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>177,378</u>	<u>10,205</u>	<u>187,583</u>
FUND BALANCES:			
Restricted Fund Balances:			
3450 <i>Federal/State Funds Grant Restrictions</i>	--	184,690	184,690
3480 <i>Retirement of Long-Term Debt</i>	--	264,484	264,484
Assigned Fund Balances:			
3590 <i>Other Assigned Fund Balance-Campus Activities</i>	--	151,589	151,589
3590 <i>Other Assigned Fund Balance-Textbooks</i>	--	72	72
3600 Unassigned	<u>7,079,921</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>7,079,921</u>
3000 Total Fund Balances	<u>7,079,921</u>	<u>600,835</u>	<u>7,680,756</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflow of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 11,829,587</u>	<u>\$ 740,333</u>	<u>\$ 12,569,920</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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

Total fund balances - governmental funds balance sheet	\$ 7,680,756
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position
are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported in the funds.	17,391,482
Property taxes receivable unavailable to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the funds.	187,583
Payables for bond principal which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(315,000)
Payables for right-to-use leases which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(62,635)
Recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability is not reported in the funds.	(2,833,646)
Deferred Resource Inflows related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	(248,226)
Deferred Resource Outflows related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	1,140,486
Deferred Resource Outflows related to loss on refunding bonds is not reported in the funds.	18,377
Bond premiums are amortized in the SNP but not in the funds.	(62,937)
Recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability is not reported in the funds.	(1,475,641)
Deferred Resource Inflows related to the OPEB plan are not reported in the funds.	(2,591,613)
Deferred Resource Outflows related to the OPEB plan are not reported in the funds.	777,240

Net position of governmental activities - Statement of Net Position	\$ <u>19,606,226</u>
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BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
 IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	onmf Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 3,514,008	\$ 340,426	\$ 3,854,434
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	8,295,798	68,502	8,364,300
5900 <i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	47,594	1,296,069	1,343,663
5020 <i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>11,857,400</u>	<u>1,704,997</u>	<u>13,562,397</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
0011 <i>Instruction</i>	5,820,342	408,905	6,229,247
0012 <i>Instructional Resources and Media Services</i>	75,864	2,816	78,680
0013 <i>Curriculum and Staff Development</i>	104,562	22,716	127,278
0021 <i>Instructional Leadership</i>	71,239	68,155	139,394
0023 <i>School Leadership</i>	772,655	5,087	777,742
0031 <i>Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services</i>	252,173	1,533	253,706
0033 <i>Health Services</i>	145,387	1,017	146,404
0034 <i>Student Transportation</i>	531,253	2,064	533,317
0035 <i>Food Service</i>	--	699,355	699,355
0036 <i>Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities</i>	416,084	90,404	506,488
0041 <i>General Administration</i>	733,471	3,044	736,515
0051 <i>Facilities Maintenance and Operations</i>	1,048,253	7,240	1,055,493
0052 <i>Security and Monitoring Services</i>	168,971	1,035	170,006
0053 <i>Data Processing Services</i>	200,231	1,017	201,248
0071 <i>Principal on Long-term Debt</i>	43,765	165,000	208,765
0072 <i>Interest on Long-term Debt</i>	3,156	14,400	17,556
0073 <i>Bond Issuance Costs and Fees</i>	--	700	700
0081 <i>Capital Outlay</i>	10,571,416	--	10,571,416
0093 <i>Payments to Shared Service Arrangements</i>	100,087	188,633	288,720
0099 <i>Other Intergovernmental Charges</i>	57,897	--	57,897
6030 <i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>21,116,806</u>	<u>1,683,121</u>	<u>22,799,927</u>
1100 <i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)</i>			
1100 <i>Expenditures</i>	<u>(9,259,406)</u>	<u>21,876</u>	<u>(9,237,530)</u>
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM:			
7919 <i>Insurance Recovery Proceeds</i>	10,061,768	--	10,061,768
1200 <i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	<u>802,362</u>	<u>21,876</u>	<u>824,238</u>
0100 <i>Fund Balances - Beginning</i>	6,277,559	578,959	6,856,518
3000 <i>Fund Balances - Ending</i>	<u>\$ 7,079,921</u>	<u>\$ 600,835</u>	<u>\$ 7,680,756</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 824,238
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities ("SOA") are different because:	
Capital outlays are not reported as expenses in the SOA.	10,841,913
The depreciation of capital assets used in governmental activities is not reported in the funds.	(513,241)
The disposal of capital assets related to extraordinary items is not reported in the funds.	(1,212,684)
Certain property tax revenues are deferred in the funds. This is the change in these amounts this year.	31,115
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	165,000
Repayment of right-to-use lease principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	43,765
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest from beginning of period to end of period.	2,253
The amortization of bond premiums is not reported in the funds.	31,469
The amortization of loss on refunding of bonds is not reported in the funds.	(9,191)
Implementing GASB 68 required certain expenditures to be de-expended and recorded as deferred resource outflows.	(261,735)
Implementing GASB 75 required certain expenditures to be de-expended and recorded as deferred resource outflows.	318,225
Change in net position of governmental activities - Statement of Activities	\$ <u>10,261,127</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT*STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**AUGUST 31, 2024*

Data Control Codes		Custodial Funds
		Student Activity
	ASSETS:	
1110	<i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 16,577
1260	<i>Due from Other Funds</i>	28,668
1000	Total Assets	<u>45,245</u>
	LIABILITIES:	
	Current Liabilities:	
2170	<i>Due to Other Funds</i>	2,305
2000	Total Liabilities	<u>2,305</u>
	NET POSITION:	
3800	<i>Restricted for Indiv., Org., and Other Gov.</i>	42,940
3000	Total Net Position	<u>\$ 42,940</u>

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BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

	Custodial Funds	Student Activity
ADDITIONS:		
Student Group Fundraising Activities	\$ 84,685	
Total Additions	<u>84,685</u>	
DEDUCTIONS:		
Benefits to Student Groups	95,693	
Total Deductions	<u>95,693</u>	
Change in Fiduciary Net Position		(11,008)
Net Position-Beginning of the Year	53,948	
Net Position-End of the Year	<u>\$ 42,940</u>	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of Blooming Grove Independent School District (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") applicable to governmental units in conjunction with the Texas Education Agency's Financial Accountability System Resource Guide ("Resource Guide"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

1. Reporting Entity

The Board of School Trustees ("Board"), a seven-member group, has governance responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary education within the jurisdiction of the District. The Board is elected by the public and has the exclusive power and duty to govern and oversee the management of the public schools of the District. All powers and duties not specifically delegated by statute to the Texas Education Agency ("TEA") or to the State Board of Education are reserved for the Board, and the TEA may not substitute its judgment for the lawful exercise of those powers and duties by the Board. The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the requirements of those funding entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity and there are no component units included within the District's reporting entity.

2. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

a. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. The District does not allocate indirect expenses in the statement of activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, with separate statements presented for each fund category. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund: This is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

In addition, the District reports the following fund types:

Special Revenue Funds: These funds account for the resources restricted or committed for specific purposes. Federal revenues are generally accounted for in special revenue funds, as is some state assistance. Amounts unspent may be returned to the grantor agency at the close of the applicable project period.

Capital Projects Funds: These funds are used to account for significant, ongoing capital projects of the District.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Debt Service Fund: This fund accounts for all dedicated revenues for bonded debt along with the corresponding debt payments.

Custodial Funds: These funds are used to report student activity funds and other resources held in a purely custodial capacity. Custodial funds typically involve only the receipt, temporary investment, and remittance of the fiduciary resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Fiduciary funds are reported in the fiduciary fund financial statements. However, because their assets are held in a trustee or custodial capacity and are therefore not available to support District programs, these funds are not included in the government-wide statements.

b. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting

Government-wide and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements: These financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. They are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements: Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. Revenues from local sources consist primarily of property taxes. Property tax revenues and revenues received from the State are recognized under the susceptible-to-accrual concept. Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenue when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned, since they are both measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under lease contracts and subscription-based information technology arrangements are reported as other financing sources.

When the District incurs an expenditure or expense for which both restricted and unrestricted resources may be used, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources.

3. Financial Statement Amounts

a. Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied by October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed. Property tax revenues are considered available (1) when they become due or past due and receivable within the current period and (2) when they are expected to be collected during a 60-day period after the close of the fiscal year.

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Allowances for uncollectible tax receivables within the General and Debt Service Funds are based upon historical experience in collecting property taxes. Uncollectible personal property taxes are periodically reviewed and written off, but the District is prohibited from writing off real property taxes without specific statutory authority from the Texas Legislature. For the current fiscal year, an allowance of \$52,907 is included in the financial statements.

b. Inventories and Prepaid Items

The District records purchases of supplies as expenditures, utilizing the purchase method of accounting for inventory in accordance with the Resource Guide.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

c. Capital and Right of Use Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated acquisition value at the date of the donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. A capitalization threshold of \$5,000 is used.

Capital assets are being depreciated/amortized using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Infrastructure	40
Buildings	40
Building Improvements	40
Vehicles	5
Furniture and Equipment	5-15
Right-to-use Lease Assets	2-5
Right-to-use Subscription Assets	2-5

d. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position (the government-wide Statement of Net Position and governmental funds balance sheet) will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position and/or fund balance that applies to one or more future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to one or more future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

e. Receivable and Payable Balances

The District believes that sufficient detail of receivable and payable balances is provided in the financial statements to avoid the obscuring of significant components by aggregation. Therefore, no disclosure is provided which disaggregates those balances.

There are no significant receivables which are not scheduled for collection within one year of year end.

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f. Interfund Activity

Interfund activity results from loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers between funds. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures or expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers In and Transfers Out are netted and presented as a single "Transfers" line on the government-wide statement of activities. Similarly, interfund receivables and payables are netted and presented as a single "Internal Balances" line of the government-wide statement of net position.

g. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain assets, deferred resource outflows, liabilities, deferred resource inflows, revenues, and expenditures, expenses, and other disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

h. Data Control Codes

Data Control Codes appear in the rows and above the columns of certain financial statements. The TEA requires the display of these codes in the financial statements filed with TEA in order to ensure accuracy in building a statewide database for policy development and funding plans.

i. Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

Fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance - represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid insurance) or legally required to remain intact (such as notes receivable or principal of a permanent fund).

Restricted Fund Balance - represents amounts that are constrained by external parties, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance - represents amounts that can only be used for a specific purpose because of a formal action by the District's Board of Trustees. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Trustees removes those constraints by taking the same type of formal action. Committed fund balance amounts may be used for other purposes with appropriate due process by the Board of Trustees. Commitments are typically done through adoption and amendment of the budget. Committed fund balance amounts differ from restricted balances in that the constraints on their use do not come from outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

Assigned Fund Balance - represents amounts which the District intends to use for a specific purpose, but that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Intent may be stipulated by the Board of Trustees or by an official or body to which the Board of Trustees delegates the authority. Specific amounts that are not restricted or committed in a special revenue, capital projects, debt service or permanent fund are assigned for purposes in accordance with the nature of their fund type or the fund's primary purpose. Assignments within the general fund convey that the intended use of those amounts is for a specific purpose that is narrower than the general purposes of the District itself.

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Unassigned Fund Balance - represents amounts which are unconstrained in that they may be spent for any purpose. Only the general fund reports a positive unassigned fund balance. Other governmental funds might report a negative balance in this classification because of overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed or assigned.

j. Net Position

Net position in the government-wide financial statements is classified as Net Investment in Capital Assets, Restricted, and Unrestricted. Net Investment in Capital Assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt attributed to the acquisition of these assets. Restricted Net Position consists of assets, net of any related liabilities, which have had restrictions imposed on them by external creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or laws through constitutional provisions or enabling legislations. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first then unrestricted resources, as they are needed. Unrestricted Net Position consists of amounts that do not meet the definition of Net Investment in Capital Assets or Restricted Net Position.

k. Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

l. Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

4. Pensions

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

5. Other Post-Employment Benefits

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

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6. Implementation of New Standards

In the current fiscal year, the District implemented the following new standards. The applicable provisions of the new standards are summarized below. Implementation is reflected in the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*

The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The practice issues addressed by this Statement are as follows:

- Classification and reporting of derivative instruments that do not meet the definition of either an investment or a hedge
- Guidance clarification for short-term leases when there is a modification of terms
- Considerations for public-private partnerships (PPP) terminology as well as recognizing installment payments and transferring underlying PPP assets
- Clarifications of subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA) terms, and liability measurement and recognition
- Disclosures related to nonmonetary transactions
- Certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 34
- Pledges of future revenues when resources are not received by the pledging government
- Terminology updates related to deferred inflows and outflows of resources and net position
- Resource flows statements terminology related to GASB Statement No. 53
- Accounting for SNAP distributions
- Requirements related to the extension of the use of LIBOR

The requirements of GASB Statement No. 99 that relate to the extension of the use of LIBOR, accounting for SNAP distributions, disclosures for nonmonetary transactions, pledges of future revenues by pledging governments, clarifications of certain provisions in Statement 34, and terminology updates took effect upon issuance.

The requirements related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter.

The requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter. The District implemented this Statement during the current year, with no significant impact.

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*

The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability.

This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated. Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is effected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). For periods that are earlier than those included in the basic financial statements, information presented in RSI or SI should be restated for error corrections, if practicable, but not for changes in accounting principles.

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The requirements of this Statement are effective for accounting changes and error corrections made in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter. The District implemented Statement No. 100 for the current year, with no significant impact.

Future Implementation of New Standards

The District is currently evaluating the impact related to the implementation of the following GASB Statements:

GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences

This Statement requires that liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not yet paid in cash or settled through noncash means. A liability for certain types of compensated absences - including parental leave, military leave, and jury duty leave - should not be recognized until the leave commences. A liability for specific types of compensated absences should not be recognized until the leave is used.

This Statement also establishes guidance for measuring a liability for leave that has not been used, generally using an employee's pay rate as of the date of the financial statements. A liability for leave that has been used but not yet paid or settled should be measured at the amount of the cash payment or noncash settlement to be made. Certain salary-related payments that are directly and incrementally associated with payments for leave also should be included in the measurement of the liabilities. With respect to financial statements prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus, this Statement requires that expenditures be recognized for the amount that normally would be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

This Statement amends the existing requirement to disclose the gross increases and decreases in a liability for compensated absences to allow governments to disclose only the net change in the liability (as long as they identify it as a net change). In addition, governments are no longer required to disclose which governmental funds typically have been used to liquidate the liability for compensated absences.

The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and for all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 102, Certain Risk Disclosures

This Statement requires a government to assess whether a concentration or constraint makes the primary government reporting unit or other reporting units that report a liability for revenue debt vulnerable to the risk of a substantial impact. Additionally, this Statement requires a government to assess whether an event or events associated with a concentration or constraint that could cause the substantial impact have occurred, have begun to occur, or are more likely than not to begin to occur within 12 months of the date the financial statements are issued.

If a government determines that those criteria for disclosure have been met for a concentration or constraint, it should disclose information in notes to the financial statements in sufficient detail to enable users of financial statements to understand the nature of the circumstances disclosed and the government's vulnerability to the risk of a substantial impact. The disclosure should include descriptions of the following:

- The concentration or constraint
- Each event associated with the concentration or constraint that could cause a substantial impact if the event had occurred or had begun to occur prior to the issuance of the financial statements
- Actions taken by the government prior to the issuance of the financial statements to mitigate the risk

The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, and for all reporting periods thereafter.

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B. Compliance and Accountability

1. Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures," violations of finance-related legal and contractual provisions, if any, are reported below, along with actions taken to address such violations:

<u>Violation</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
None reported	Not applicable

2. Deficit Fund Balance or Fund Net Position of Individual Funds

Following are funds having deficit fund balances or fund net position at year end, if any, along with remarks which address such deficits:

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Deficit Amount</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
None reported	Not applicable	Not applicable

C. Deposits and Investments

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

1. Cash Deposits:

At August 31, 2024, the carrying amount of the District's deposits (cash, certificates of deposit, and interest-bearing savings accounts included in temporary investments) was \$5,099,870 and the bank balance was \$5,191,458. The District's cash deposits at August 31, 2024 and during the year ended August 31, 2024, were entirely covered by FDIC insurance or by pledged collateral held by the District's agent bank in the District's name.

2. Investments:

The District is required by Government Code Chapter 2256, The Public Funds Investment Act, to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return, (6) maximum allowable stated maturity of portfolio investments, (7) maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio, (8) investment staff quality and capabilities, and (9) bid solicitation preferences for certificates of deposit.

The Public Funds Investment Act ("Act") requires an annual audit of investment practices. Audit procedures in this area conducted as a part of the audit of the basic financial statements disclosed that in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate policies, the District adhered to the requirements of the Act. Additionally, investment practices of the District were in accordance with local policies.

The Act determines the types of investments which are allowable for the District. These include, with certain restrictions, 1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas, 2) certificates of deposit, 3) certain municipal securities, 4) securities lending program, 5) repurchase agreements, 6) bankers acceptances, 7) mutual funds, 8) investment pools, 9) guaranteed investment contracts, and 10) commercial paper.

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

<u>Investment or Investment Type</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Texpool	N/A	\$ 243,961
Texas Range	N/A	2,901,434
Total Investments		<u>\$ 3,145,395</u>

3. Analysis of Specific Deposit and Investment Risks

GASB Statement No. 40 requires a determination as to whether the District was exposed to the following specific investment risks at year end and if so, the reporting of certain related disclosures:

a. Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The ratings of securities by nationally recognized rating agencies are designed to give an indication of credit risk. At year end, the District was not significantly exposed to credit risk.

b. Custodial Credit Risk

Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

At year end, the District was not exposed to custodial credit risk.

c. Concentration of Credit Risk

This risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. At year end, the District was not exposed to concentration of credit risk.

d. Interest Rate Risk

This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to interest rate risk.

e. Foreign Currency Risk

This is the risk that exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to foreign currency risk.

Investment Accounting Policy

The District's general policy is to report money market investments and short-term participating interest-earning investment contracts at amortized cost and to report nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts using a cost-based measure. However, if the fair value of an investment is significantly affected by the impairment of the credit standing of the issuer or by other factors, it is reported at fair value. All other investments are reported at fair value unless a legal contract exists which guarantees a higher value. The term "short-term" refers to investments which have a remaining term of one year or less at time of purchase. The term "nonparticipating" means that the investment's value does not vary with market interest rate changes. Nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are examples of nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts.

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Public Funds Investment Pools

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

The District's investments in Pools are reported at an amount determined by the fair value per share of the pool's underlying portfolio.

TexPool

The District invests in the Texas Local Government Investment Pool (TexPool), which is a local government investment pool that was established in conformity with the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, and operates under the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. The State Comptroller of Public Accounts oversees TexPool. Federated Investors, Inc. is the administrator and investment manager of TexPool under a contract with the State Comptroller. In accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act, the State Comptroller has appointed the TexPool Investment Advisory Board to advise with respect to TexPool. The board is composed equally of participants in TexPool Portfolios and other persons who do not have a business relationship with TexPool Portfolios and are qualified to advise in respect to TexPool Portfolios. The Advisory Board members review the investment policy and management fee structure. TexPool is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's and operates in a manner consistent with the Investment Company Act of 1940. All investments are stated at amortized cost, which usually approximates the market value of the securities. The stated objective of TexPool is to maintain a stable average \$1.00 per unit net asset value; however, the \$1.00 net asset value is not guaranteed or insured. The financial statements can be obtained from the Texas Trust Safekeeping Trust Company website at www.ttstc.org.

Texas Range

The Texas Range Investment Program (Texas Range) is a local government investment pool organized under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code, and the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code. Texas Range is administered by PFM Asset Management LLC, which also serves as the investment advisor. The reported value of the program is the same as the fair value of the pool shares. Investment options include TexasDAILY, a money market portfolio, which is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's, and TexasTERM CD Purchase Program, a fixed rate, fixed-term investment option enabling investors to invest in FDIC insured CDs from banks throughout the United States.

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D. Capital Assets

Capital and right of use asset activity for the year ended August 31, 2024, was as follows:

	Beginning Balances	Increases	Transfers & Decreases	Ending Balances
<u>Governmental activities:</u>				
<i>Capital assets not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$ 221,359	\$ 77,036	\$ --	\$ 298,395
Construction in progress	--	8,463,045	--	8,463,045
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>221,359</u>	<u>8,540,081</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>8,761,440</u>
<i>Capital assets being depreciated/amortized:</i>				
Buildings and improvements	13,514,566	2,030,547	(4,088,239)	11,456,874
Equipment	3,296,889	271,285	(626,240)	2,941,934
Right-to-Use Asset	144,202	--	--	144,202
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	<u>16,955,657</u>	<u>2,301,832</u>	<u>(4,714,479)</u>	<u>14,543,010</u>
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization for:				
Buildings and improvements	(6,600,019)	(216,882)	2,884,606	(3,932,295)
Equipment	(2,259,803)	(251,484)	617,189	(1,894,098)
Right-to-Use Asset	(41,700)	(44,875)	--	(86,575)
Total accumulated depreciation/amort.	<u>(8,901,522)</u>	<u>(513,241)</u>	<u>3,501,795</u>	<u>(5,912,968)</u>
Total capital assets being deprec/amort, net	<u>8,054,135</u>	<u>1,788,591</u>	<u>(1,212,684)</u>	<u>8,630,042</u>
Governmental activ. capital & right-to-use assets, net	<u>\$ 8,275,494</u>	<u>\$ 10,328,672</u>	<u>\$ (1,212,684)</u>	<u>\$ 17,391,482</u>

Depreciation/amortization was charged to functions as follows:

Instruction	\$ 280,370
Instructional Resources and Media Services	3,558
Curriculum and Staff Development	5,752
Instructional Leadership	6,317
School Leadership	34,999
Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services	11,415
Health Services	6,591
Student Transportation	14,695
Food Services	30,697
Extracurricular Activities	22,996
General Administration	33,383
Plant Maintenance and Operations	45,679
Security and Monitoring Services	7,669
Data Processing Services	9,120
	<u>\$ 513,241</u>

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E. Interfund Balances and Activities

1. Due To and From Other Funds

Balances due to and due from other funds at August 31, 2024, consisted of the following:

Due To Fund	Due From Fund	Amount	Purpose
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 893	Short-term loans
Fiduciary Fund	General Fund	357	Short-term loans
Fiduciary Fund	Other Governmental Funds	28,311	Short-term loans
General Fund	Fiduciary Fund	2,305	Short-term loans
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	4,629	Short-term loans
	Total	<u>\$ 36,495</u>	

All amounts due are scheduled to be repaid within one year.

2. Transfers To and From Other Funds

There were no transfers to and from other funds during the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024.

F. Long-Term Obligations

1. Long-Term Obligation Activity

Long-term obligations include debt and other long-term liabilities. Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended August 31, 2024, are as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
<u>Governmental activities:</u>					
General obligation bonds	\$ 480,000	\$ --	\$ (165,000)	\$ 315,000	\$ 170,000
Premium on Bonds Sold	94,406	--	(31,469)	62,937	--
Loss on Refunding Bond	(27,568)	--	9,191	(18,377)	--
Right of Use Lease Activities	106,400	--	(43,765)	62,635	45,831
Net Pension Liability *	2,612,150	221,496	--	2,833,646	--
Net OPEB Liability *	1,739,724	--	(264,083)	1,475,641	--
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 5,005,112</u>	<u>\$ 221,496</u>	<u>\$ (495,126)</u>	<u>\$ 4,731,482</u>	<u>\$ 215,831</u>

* Other long-term liabilities

The funds typically used to liquidate other long-term liabilities in the past are as follows:

Liability	Activity Type	Fund
Net Pension Liability	Governmental	General Fund
Net OPEB Liability	Governmental	General Fund

Bonds

In 2012, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds were issued in the amount of \$1,624,503 and were used to reduce the balance on the 2003 bonds. The Bonds carry an interest rate of 3.512% to 5.37% and mature in 2026 with annual payments of approximately \$175,000 and the balance at August 31, 2024 is \$315,000.

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2. Debt Service Requirements

Debt service requirements on long-term debt at August 31, 2024, are as follows:

<u>Year Ending August 31.</u>	<u>Governmental Activities-Bonds</u>		
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 170,000	\$ 9,450	\$ 179,450
2026	145,000	4,350	149,350
Totals	<u>\$ 315,000</u>	<u>\$ 13,800</u>	<u>\$ 328,800</u>

G. Leases

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

The District entered into a sixty-month leasing arrangement for copier/printer/scanner equipment which was valued at \$26,265 on May 1, 2022 under GASB 87, payable in monthly installments of \$474 at an interest rate of 3.25 percent. There are no variable payments not included in the measurement of the leases. The balance at August 31, 2024 was \$14,498.

Future lease payment maturity schedule is as follows:

<u>Year ended August 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 5,290	\$ 393	\$ 5,683
2026	5,465	218	5,683
2027	3,743	45	3,788
	<u>\$ 14,498</u>	<u>\$ 656</u>	<u>\$ 15,154</u>

The District entered into a thirty-six month leasing arrangement for copier/printer/scanner equipment which was valued at \$96,080 on July 18, 2022 under GASB 87, payable in yearly advanced installments of \$33,590 at an interest rate of 3.30 percent. There are no variable payments not included in the measurement of the leases. The balance at August 31, 2024 was \$32,997.

Future lease payment maturity schedule is as follows:

<u>Year ended August 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 32,997	\$ 593	\$ 33,590
	<u>\$ 32,997</u>	<u>\$ 593</u>	<u>\$ 33,590</u>

The District entered into a 3 year leasing arrangement for copier/printer/scanner equipment which was valued at \$21,857 on May 8, 2023 under GASB 87, payable in yearly installments of \$7,648 at an interest rate of 3.50 percent. There are no variable payments not included in the measurement of the leases. The balance at August 31, 2024 was \$15,140.

Future lease payment maturity schedule is as follows:

<u>Year ended August 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 7,544	\$ 104	\$ 7,648
2026	7,596	52	7,648
	<u>\$ 15,140</u>	<u>\$ 156</u>	<u>\$ 15,296</u>

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H. Risk Management

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

I. Pension Plan

1. Plan Description

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

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

2. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

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

3. Benefits Provided

TRS provides service and disability retirement, as well as death and survivor benefits, to eligible employees (and their beneficiaries) of public and higher education in Texas. The pension formula is calculated using 2.3 percent (multiplier) times the average of the five highest annual creditable salaries times years of credited service to arrive at the annual standard annuity, except for members who are grandfathered where the three highest annual salaries are used. The normal service retirement is at age 65 with 5 years of credited service or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals 80 or more years. Early retirement is at age 55 with 5 years of service credit or earlier than 55 with 30 years of service credit. There are additional provisions for early retirement if the sum of the member's age and years of service credit total at least 80, but the member is less than age 60 or 62 depending on date of employment, or if the member was grandfathered in under a previous rule. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs). Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes, including ad hoc COLAs can be granted by the Texas Legislature as previously noted in the Plan description in (1) above.

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

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4. Contributions

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

Employee contribution rates are set in state statute, Texas Government Code 825.402. The TRS Pension Reform Bill (Senate Bill 12) of the 86th Texas Legislature amended Texas Government Code 825.402 for member contributions and increased employee and employer contribution rates for fiscal years 2020 thru 2025.

	<u>Contribution Rates</u>	
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Member	8.0%	8.25%
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	8.0%	8.25%
Employers	8.0%	8.25%
District's 2024 Employer Contributions	\$	234,329
District's 2024 Member Contributions	\$	578,988
2023 NECE On-Behalf Contributions (State)	\$	422,839

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

As the non-employer contributing entity for public education and junior colleges, the State of Texas contributes to the retirement system an amount equal to the current employer contribution rate times the aggregate annual compensation of all participating members of the pension trust fund during that fiscal year reduced by the amounts described below which are paid by the employers. Employers (public school, junior college, other entities or the State of Texas as the employer for senior universities and medical schools) are required to pay the employer contribution rate in the following instances:

- On the portion of a member's salary that exceeds the statutory minimum for members entitled to the statutory minimum under Section 21.402 of the Texas Education Code.
- During a new member's first 90 days of employment.
- When any or all of an employee's salary is paid by federal, private, local or non-educational and general funds
- When the employing district is a public junior college or junior college district, the employer shall contribute to the retirement system an amount equal to 50 percent of the state contribution rate for certain instructional or administrative employees and 100 percent of the state contribution rate for all other employees.

Employers are also required to pay surcharges in the following cases:

- All public schools, charter schools and regional educational service centers must contribute 1.8 percent of the member's salary beginning in fiscal year 2023, gradually increasing to 2 percent in fiscal year 2025.
- When employing a retiree of the TRS, the employer shall pay an amount equal to the member contribution and the state contribution as an employment after retirement surcharge.

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5. Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial valuation was performed as of August 31, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to August 31, 2023.

Valuation Date	August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal
Asset Valuation Method	Fair Value
Single Discount Rate	7.00%
Long-term expected Investment Rate of Return	7.00%
Municipal Bond Rate as of August 2022	4.13% *
Last year ending August 31 in Projection Period	2022
Inflation	2.30%
Salary Increases including inflation	2.95% to 8.95%
Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes	None

* The source for the rate is the Fixed Income Market Data/Yield Curve/Data Municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index"

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

6. Discount Rate

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

Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.00 percent. The long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of August 31, 2023 are summarized below:

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Asset Class	Target Allocation **	Long-Term Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return ***	Expected Contribution to Long-Term Portfolio Returns
Global Equity			
USA	18.0%	4.0%	1.0%
Non-U.S. Developed	13.0%	4.5%	0.9%
Emerging Markets	9.0%	4.8%	0.7%
Private Equity *	14.0%	7.0%	1.5%
Stable Value			
Government Bonds	16.0%	2.5%	0.5%
Absolute Return *	0.0%	3.6%	0.0%
Stable Value Hedge Funds	5.0%	4.1%	0.2%
Real Return			
Real Estate	15.0%	4.9%	1.1%
Energy, Natural Resources and Infrastructure	6.0%	4.8%	0.4%
Commodities	0.0%	4.4%	0.0%
Risk Parity	8.0%	4.5%	0.4%
Asset Allocation Leverage			
Cash	2.0%	3.7%	0.0%
Asset Allocation Leverage	(6.0%)	4.4%	(0.1)%
Inflation Expectation			2.3%
Volatility Drag ****			(0.9)%
Expected Return	100.0%		8.0%

* Absolute Return includes Credit Sensitive Investments.
** Target allocations are based on the FY2023 policy model.
*** Capital Market Assumptions come from Aon Hewitt (as of 06/30/2023)
**** The volatility drag results from the conversion between arithmetic and geometric mean returns.

7. Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

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

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (8.00%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability:	\$ 4,236,458	\$ 2,833,646	\$ 1,667,207

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

At August 31, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$2,833,646 for its proportionate share of the TRS net pension liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State pension support provided to the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District are as follows:

District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability	\$ 2,833,646
State's proportionate share that is associated with District	<u>5,650,512</u>
Total	<u>\$ 8,484,158</u>

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

At the measurement date of August 31, 2023 the employer's proportion of the collective net pension liability was 0.0041252461 percent which was an increase (decrease) of -0.0002747261percent from its proportion measured as of August 31, 2022.

9. Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation

There were no changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date.

For the year ended August 31, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$1,349,242 and revenue of \$853,178 for support provided by the State.

At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between Expected and Actual Actuarial Experience	\$ 100,964	\$ 34,312
Changes in Actuarial Assumptions	268,007	65,588
Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings	412,365	--
Changes in Proportion and Difference between District's Contributions and the Proportionate Share of Contributions	124,821	148,326
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date of the Net Pension Liability (to be calculated by employer)	234,329	--
Total	<u>\$ 1,140,486</u>	<u>\$ 248,226</u>

The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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Year ended August 31,	Pension Expense Amount
2025	\$ 139,539
2026	\$ 78,503
2027	\$ 348,647
2028	\$ 95,582
2029	\$ (4,339)
Thereafter	\$ --

J. Defined Other Post-Employment Benefit Plans

1. Plan Description

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

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

2. OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

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

3. Benefits Provided

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

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

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

TRS-Care Monthly Premium Rates		
	Medicare	Non-Medicare
Retiree or Surviving Spouse	\$ 135	\$ 200
Retiree and Spouse	529	689
Retiree or Surviving Spouse and Children	468	408
Retiree and Family	1,020	999

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4. Contributions

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

Section 1575.202 of the Texas Insurance Code establishes the State's contribution rate which is 1.25 percent of the employee's salary. Section 1575.203 establishes the active employee's rate which is 0.65 percent of Salary. Section 1575.204 establishes a public school contribution rate of not less than 0.25 percent or not more than 0.75 percent of the salary of each active employee of the employer. The actual public school contribution rate is prescribed by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act, which is 0.75 percent of each active employee's pay for fiscal year 2023. The following table shows contributions to the TRS-Care plan by type of contributor.

Contribution Rates		
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Active Employee	0.65%	0.65%
Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State)	1.25%	1.25%
Employers	0.75%	0.75%
Federal/Private Funding remitted by Employers	1.25%	1.25%

The contribution amounts for the District's fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

District's 2024 Employer Contributions	\$	57,816
District's 2024 Member Contributions	\$	45,618
2023 NECE On-Behalf Contributions (state)	\$	69,771

All employers whose employees are covered by the TRS pension plan are also required to pay a surcharge of \$535 per month when employing a retiree of TRS. The TRS-Care surcharges for fiscal year 2023 totaled \$14,548,344.

A supplemental appropriation was received in 2023 for \$21.3 million provided by Rider 14 of the Senate Bill GAA of the 87th Legislature. These amounts were re-appropriated from amounts received by the pension and TRS-Care funds in excess of the state's actual obligation and then transferred to TRS-Care.

5. Actuarial Assumptions

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

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The actuarial valuation of the OPEB plan offered through TRS-Care is similar to the actuarial valuation performed for the pension plan, except that the OPEB valuation is more complex. The following assumptions used for the valuation of the TRS-Care OPEB liability are identical to the assumptions employed in the August 31, 2022 TRS pension actuarial valuation that was rolled forward to August 31, 2023:

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

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

The following methods and additional assumptions were used in the TRS-Care OPEB valuation:

Valuation Date	August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry-Age Normal
Inflation	2.30%
Single Discount Rate	4.13% as of August 31, 2023
Aging Factors	Based on plan specific experience
Expenses	Third-party administrative expenses related to the delivery of health care benefits are included in the the age-adjusted claims costs.
Salary Increases	2.95% to 8.95%, including inflation
Election Rates	Normal Retirement - 65% participation rate prior to age 65 and 40% participation rate after age 65. Pre-65 retirees - 25% are assumed to discontinue coverage at age 65.
Ad Hoc Post-Employment Benefit Changes	None

The initial medical trend rates were 7.75 percent for Medicare retirees and 7.00 percent for non-Medicare retirees. The initial prescription drug trend rate was 7.75 percent for all retirees. The initial trend rates decrease to an ultimate trend rate of 4.25 percent over a period of 12 years.

6. Discount Rate

A single discount rate of 4.13 percent was used to measure the Total OPEB Liability. This was an increase of 0.22 percent in the discount rate since the previous year. Since the plan is a pay-as-you-go plan, the single discount rate is equal to the prevailing municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from active members and those of the contributing employers and the non-employer contributing entity are made at the statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to not be able to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was used for the long-term rate of return and was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The source for the municipal bond rate is the Fixed Income Municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in the Fidelity "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index", as of August 31, 2023.

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7. Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if the discount rate used was 1 percentage point lower than and 1 percentage point higher than the discount rate that was used (4.13%) in measuring the Net OPEB Liability.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (3.13%)	Current Single Discount Rate (4.13%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (5.13%)
District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability:	\$ 1,737,998	\$ 1,475,641	\$ 1,261,551

8. OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs

At August 31, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$1,475,641 for its proportionate share of the TRS' Net OPEB liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State OPEB support provided to the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the Net OPEB Liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 1,475,641
State's proportionate share that is associated with the District	<u>1,780,587</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,256,228</u>

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

At August 31, 2023 the District's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability was 0.0066655543 percent which was an increase (decrease) of -0.0006002479 percent from its proportion measured as of August 31, 2022.

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if a healthcare trend rate that is 1 percent less than and 1 percent greater than the health trend rates assumed.

	1% Decrease in Healthcare Trend Rate	Current Single Healthcare Trend Rate	1% Increase in Healthcare Trend Rate
District's proportionate share of Net OPEB Liability:	\$ 1,215,116	\$ 1,475,641	\$ 1,810,806

9. Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation

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

- The discount rate was changed from 3.91 percent as of August 31, 2022 to 4.13 percent as of August 31, 2023. This change decreased the Total OPEB Liability.

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

The amount of OPEB expense recognized by the District in the reporting period was \$(641,061).

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At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS' deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 66,762	\$ 1,241,472
Changes in actuarial assumptions	201,414	903,574
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	638	--
Changes in proportion and difference between the District's contributions and the proportionate share of contributions	450,610	446,567
Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date	57,816	--
Total	<u>\$ 777,240</u>	<u>\$ 2,591,613</u>

The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended August 31:	OPEB Expense Amount
2025	\$ (383,234)
2026	\$ (315,553)
2027	\$ (223,924)
2028	\$ (272,434)
2029	\$ (214,471)
Thereafter	\$ (462,574)

For the year ended August 31, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$(641,061) and revenue of \$(380,652) for support provided by the State.

10. Medicare Part D Subsidies

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, which was effective January 1, 2006, established prescription drug coverage for Medicare beneficiaries known as Medicare Part D. One of the provisions of Medicare Part D allows for the Texas Public School Retired Employee Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care) to receive retiree drug subsidy payments from the federal government to offset certain prescription drug expenditures for eligible TRS-Care participants. For the fiscal years ended August 31, 2024, 2023, and 2022, the subsidy payments received by TRS-Care on behalf of the District were \$37,909, \$36,489, and \$26,949.

K. Employee Health Care Coverage

During the year ended August 31, 2024, employees of the District were covered by a health insurance plan (the Plan). The District paid premiums of \$378 per month per employee to the Plan. Employees, at their option, authorized payroll withholdings to pay premiums for dependents. All premiums were paid to a third party administrator, acting on behalf of the licensed insurer. The Plan was authorized by Article 3.51-2, Texas Insurance Code and was documented by contractual agreement.

The contract between the District and the third party administrator is renewable September 1, 2024, and terms of coverage and premium costs are included in the contractual provisions.

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Latest financial statements for the TRS Active Care are available for the year ended December 31, 2023, have been filed with the Texas State Board of Insurance, Austin, Texas, and are public records.

L. Commitments and Contingencies

1. Contingencies

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

2. Litigation

No reportable litigation was pending against the District at August 31, 2024.

M. Chapter 313 Value Limitation Agreement

The District's Board of Trustees approved Agreements with companies (the "Agreement Holders") for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, as amended. Each Agreement Holder qualified for a tax limitation agreement under Texas Tax Code Section 313.024(b)(5), as a renewable energy electric generation project.

Value limitation agreements are a part of a state program, originally created in 2001, which allows school districts to limit the taxable value of an approved project for Maintenance and Operations (M&O) for a period of years specified in the statute. The project under the Chapter 313 agreement must be consistent with the State's goal to "encourage large scale capital investments in this state." Chapter 313 of the Tax Code grants eligibility to companies engaged in manufacturing, research and development, renewable electric energy production, clean coal projects, nuclear power generation, and data centers.

In order to qualify for a value limitation agreement, each applicant has been required to meet a series of capital investment, job creation, and wage requirements specified by state law. At the time of the application's approval, each of the agreements were deemed to have done so by both the District's Board of Trustees and the Texas Comptroller's Office, which recommended approval of the projects. The application, the agreement, and state reporting requirement documentation can be viewed at the Texas Comptroller's website:

<https://comptroller.texas.gov/economy/local/ch313/agreement-docs.php>

After approval, the Agreement Holders must maintain a viable presence in the District for the entire period of the value limitation plus a period of years thereafter. In addition, there are specific reporting requirements, which are monitored on an annual and biennial basis in order to ensure that relevant job, wage, and operational requirements are being met.

In the event that an entity terminates an Agreement without the consent of the District, or in the event that the Agreement Holder or its successor-in-interest fails to comply in any material respect with the terms of this Agreement or to meet any material obligation under this Agreement, then the District shall be entitled to the recapture of all ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the Agreement together with the payment of penalty and interest, on that recaptured ad valorem tax revenue. Penalties on said amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in Texas Tax Code Section 33.01(a), or its successor statute. Interest on said amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in Texas Tax Code Section 33.01(c), or its successor statute. The Agreement provides an administrative procedure to determine any company liability. Ultimately, enforcement of any payment obligation is through the local state district court.

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During the current fiscal year, the District was a party to a solar project. The District incurred reduced property tax revenues under this agreement in the current fiscal year, with an expected value of the project limited to \$20 million for M&O tax purposes and remaining limited through fiscal year 2037. The full value of the project will be taxable for debt service purposes using the I&S tax rate in all years of the agreement and during the current fiscal year, the District recognized \$33,820 in I&S tax collections revenue related to this agreement. The District previously recognized \$899,280 in revenue related to the agreement. The total M&O related revenue related to the agreement that was recognized in the financial statements by the District during the current year was \$290,054.

Project Value	Project's Value Limitation Agreement	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Paid	Amount of Applicant's M&O Taxes Reduced	Company Revenue Loss Payment to ISD	Company Supplemental Payment to ISD	Net Benefit (Loss) to the ISD
\$100,769,634	\$20,000,000	\$176,920	\$3,745,356	\$1,174,334	\$15,000	\$1,366,254

The above table related to the net District benefit of the project does not include any interest and sinking impact.

N. Shared Services Arrangements

Shared Services Arrangement - Membership

The District participates in a shared services arrangement ("SSA") for IDEA-B and Career and Technology Education with the following school districts:

Member Districts

Frost ISD	Dew ISD
Dawson ISD	Fairfield ISD
Mildred ISD	Kerens ISD
Rice ISD	Wortham ISD

The District does not account for revenues or expenditures in this program and does not disclose them in these financial statements. The District neither has a joint ownership interest in fixed assets purchased by the fiscal agent, Freestone-Navarro Bi-County Coop, nor does the District have a net equity interest in the fiscal agent. The fiscal agent is neither accumulating significant financial resources nor fiscal exigencies that would give rise to a future additional benefit or burden to the District. The fiscal agent manager is responsible for all financial activities of the SSA.

Shared Services Arrangement - Membership

The District participates in a shared services arrangement ("SSA") for Math and Science with the following school districts:

Member Districts

Other Central Texas School Districts

The District does not account for revenues or expenditures in this program and does not disclose them in these financial statements. The District neither has a joint ownership interest in fixed assets purchased by the fiscal agent, Region 12 Service Center, nor does the District have a net equity interest in the fiscal agent. The fiscal agent is neither accumulating significant financial resources nor fiscal exigencies that would give rise to a future additional benefit or burden to the District. The fiscal agent manager is responsible for all financial activities of the SSA.

Shared Services Arrangement - Membership

The District participates in a shared services arrangement ("SSA") for Alternative Education Program with the following school districts:

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Member Districts

Frost ISD	Hubbard ISD
Dawson ISD	Kerens ISD
Mildred ISD	Wortham ISD
Rice ISD	

The District does not account for revenues or expenditures in this program and does not disclose them in these financial statements. The District neither has a joint ownership interest in fixed assets purchased by the fiscal agent, Dawson ISD, nor does the District have a net equity interest in the fiscal agent. The fiscal agent is neither accumulating significant financial resources nor fiscal exigencies that would give rise to a future additional benefit or burden to the District. The fiscal agent manager is responsible for all financial activities of the SSA.

O. Accumulated Vacation and Personal Leave Benefits

At August 31, 2024, the District had no liability for accrued sick leave or vacation leave. District employees accumulate personal leave at the rate of 10 days per year with no accumulation limit. The District has non vested sick and personal leave benefits at August 31, 2024 which are not recorded on the financial statements in the amount of \$700,705. These benefits are recorded as expenditures as used.

P. Extraordinary Item

During the current fiscal year, the District was involved in a hail storm and sustained substantial damage to its facilities. Insurance recovery proceeds in the amount of \$10,061,768 were recognized by the District in the current year to compensate for losses sustained and allow for the restoration of damaged property. These proceeds were reported on Exhibit C-2. Capital assets in the amount of \$4,714,479 were considered impaired and removed from the books at their net book value of \$1,212,684, leaving a current fiscal year net gain of \$8,849,084 reported on Exhibit B-1. Additionally, an Other Receivable in the amount of \$3,290,655 is included in Exhibits A-1 and C-1 to reflect payments that are due but have not yet been received as of August 31, 2024. This restoration process and any applicable additional related insurance proceeds will continue into fiscal year 2025.

Required Supplementary Information

Required supplementary information includes financial information and disclosures required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board but not considered a part of the basic financial statements.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

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Data Control Codes		1	2	3	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
		Budgeted Amounts		Actual	
		Original	Final		
	REVENUES:				
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 2,984,836	\$ 2,984,836	\$ 3,514,008	\$ 529,172
5800	State Program Revenues	7,923,072	7,923,072	8,295,798	372,726
5900	Federal Program Revenues	50,000	50,000	47,594	(2,406)
5020	Total Revenues	10,957,908	10,957,908	11,857,400	899,492
	EXPENDITURES:				
	Current:				
	Instruction and Instructional Related Services:				
0011	Instruction	5,894,332	5,894,332	5,820,342	73,990
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	83,696	78,696	75,864	2,832
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	103,735	105,735	104,562	1,173
	Total Instruction and Instr. Related Services	6,081,763	6,078,763	6,000,768	77,995
	Instructional and School Leadership:				
0021	Instructional Leadership	84,939	74,939	71,239	3,700
0023	School Leadership	781,550	781,550	772,655	8,895
	Total Instructional and School Leadership	866,489	856,489	843,894	12,595
	Student Support Services:				
0031	Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	264,639	264,639	252,173	12,466
0033	Health Services	147,950	147,950	145,387	2,563
0034	Student Transportation	577,715	658,110	531,253	126,857
0036	Extracurricular Activities	503,718	493,718	416,084	77,634
	Total Student Support Services	1,494,022	1,564,417	1,344,897	219,520
	Administrative Support Services:				
0041	General Administration	656,626	756,626	733,471	23,155
	Total Administrative Support Services	656,626	756,626	733,471	23,155
	Support Services:				
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,208,358	1,208,358	1,048,253	160,105
0052	Security and Monitoring Services	158,507	171,507	168,971	2,536
0053	Data Processing Services	249,373	234,373	200,231	34,142
	Total Support Services	1,616,238	1,614,238	1,417,455	196,783
	Debt Service:				
0071	Principal on Long-Term Debt	65,000	90,000	43,765	46,235
0072	Interest on Long-Term Debt	1,000	1,000	3,156	(2,156)
	Total Debt Service	66,000	91,000	46,921	44,079
	Capital Outlay:				
0081	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	--	13,058,346	10,571,416	2,486,930
	Total Capital Outlay	--	13,058,346	10,571,416	2,486,930
	Intergovernmental Charges:				
0093	Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Dist.-SSA	108,770	103,770	100,087	3,683
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	68,000	68,000	57,897	10,103
	Total Intergovernmental Charges	176,770	171,770	157,984	13,786
6030	Total Expenditures	10,957,908	24,191,649	21,116,806	3,074,843

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GENERAL FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

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Data Control Codes		1	2	3	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
		Budgeted Amounts		Actual	
		Original	Final		
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)				
1100	Expenditures	--	(13,233,741)	(9,259,406)	3,974,335
	EXTRAORDINARY ITEM:				
7919	Insurance Recovery Proceeds	--	6,712,709	10,061,768	3,349,059
1200	Net Change in Fund Balance	--	(6,521,032)	802,362	7,323,394
0100	Fund Balance - Beginning	6,277,559	6,277,559	6,277,559	--
3000	Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 6,277,559	\$ (243,473)	\$ 7,079,921	\$ 7,323,394

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE
SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	Measurement Year Ended August 31,									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.003%	0.002%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 2,833,646	\$ 2,612,150	\$ 1,071,127	\$ 2,113,734	\$ 2,199,122	\$ 2,299,767	\$ 1,317,397	\$ 1,402,559	\$ 1,233,244	\$ 478,107
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the District	5,650,512	4,959,771	2,344,364	5,141,344	4,491,754	4,693,408	2,598,876	2,910,384	2,758,718	2,400,378
Total	<u>\$ 8,484,158</u>	<u>\$ 7,571,921</u>	<u>\$ 3,415,491</u>	<u>\$ 7,255,078</u>	<u>\$ 6,690,876</u>	<u>\$ 6,993,175</u>	<u>\$ 3,916,273</u>	<u>\$ 4,312,943</u>	<u>\$ 3,991,962</u>	<u>\$ 2,878,485</u>
District's covered payroll	\$ 6,741,453	\$ 6,343,409	\$ 6,164,159	\$ 6,141,733	\$ 5,597,142	\$ 5,211,788	\$ 4,793,509	\$ 4,261,809	\$ 4,026,109	\$ 3,907,688
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	42.03%	41.18%	17.38%	34.42%	39.29%	44.13%	27.48%	32.91%	30.63%	12.24%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	73.15%	75.62%	88.79%	75.54%	75.24%	73.74%	82.17%	78.00%	78.43%	83.25%

* The amounts presented are determined as of the Plan's measurement year which was as of August 31 in each prior calendar year from the District's fiscal year end.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	Fiscal Year Ended August 31,									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 234,329	\$ 212,047	\$ 204,735	\$ 179,491	\$ 162,839	\$ 148,021	\$ 140,215	\$ 138,698	\$ 119,529	\$ 36,729
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(234,329)	(212,047)	(204,735)	(179,491)	(162,839)	(148,021)	(140,215)	(138,698)	(119,529)	(36,729)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
District's covered payroll	\$ 7,368,747	\$ 6,741,453	\$ 6,343,409	\$ 6,164,159	\$ 6,141,733	\$ 5,597,142	\$ 5,211,788	\$ 4,793,509	\$ 4,261,809	\$ 4,026,109
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	3.18%	3.15%	3.23%	2.91%	2.65%	2.64%	2.69%	2.89%	2.80%	0.91%

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE
SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY
TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS *

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
	Measurement Year August 31,									
District's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability	0.007%	0.007%	0.007%	0.007%	0.006%	0.006%	0.006%	--	--	--
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 1,475,641	\$ 1,739,724	\$ 2,865,284	\$ 2,712,937	\$ 3,016,824	\$ 3,318,416	\$ 2,757,051	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
State proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability associated with the District	1,780,587	2,122,190	3,838,843	3,645,537	4,008,685	4,547,183	3,822,211	--	--	--
Total	\$ 3,256,228	\$ 3,861,914	\$ 6,704,127	\$ 6,358,474	\$ 7,025,509	\$ 7,865,599	\$ 6,579,262	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
District's covered payroll	\$ 6,741,453	\$ 6,343,409	\$ 6,164,159	\$ 6,141,733	\$ 5,597,142	\$ 5,211,788	\$ 4,793,509	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	21.89%	27.43%	46.48%	44.17%	53.90%	63.67%	57.52%	--	--	--
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	14.94%	11.52%	6.18%	4.99%	2.66%	1.57%	0.91%	--	--	--

* This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this schedule provides the information only for those years for which information is available.

** The amounts presented are determined as of the Plan's measurement year which was as of August 31 in each prior calendar year from the District's fiscal year end.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS
TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF TEXAS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS *

	Fiscal Year Ended August 31,									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Statutorily or contractually required District contribution	\$ 57,816	\$ 57,822	\$ 63,399	\$ 58,029	\$ 54,243	\$ 45,263	\$ 45,870	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
Contributions recognized by OPEB in relation to statutorily or contractually required contribution	(57,816)	(57,822)	(63,399)	(58,029)	(54,243)	(45,263)	(45,870)	--	--	--
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
District's covered payroll	\$ 7,368,747	\$ 6,741,453	\$ 6,343,409	\$ 6,164,159	\$ 6,141,733	\$ 5,597,142	\$ 5,211,788	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.78%	0.86%	1.00%	0.94%	0.88%	0.81%	0.88%	--	--	--

* This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this schedule provides the information for those years for which information is available.

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Budget

The official budget was prepared for adoption for the General Fund, National School Breakfast and Lunch Program, and Debt Service Fund. The budget was prepared in accordance with accounting practices generally accepted in the United States of America. The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data.:

- a. Prior to August 21 of the preceding fiscal year, the District prepares a budget for the next succeeding fiscal year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. A meeting of the Board is then called for the purpose of adopting the proposed budget after ten days' public notice of the meeting has been given.
- c. Prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution by the board.

Once a budget is approved, it can be amended at function and fund level only by approval of a majority of the members of the Board. Amendments are presented to the Board at its regular meetings.

Each amendment must have Board approval. Such amendments are made before the fact, are reflected in the official minutes of the Board and are not made after fiscal year end as required by law.

Each amendment is controlled by the budget coordinator at the revenue and expenditure function/object level. Budgeted amounts are as amended by the Board. All budget appropriations lapse at year end.

Encumbrances for goods or purchased services are documented by purchase orders or contracts. Under Texas law, appropriations lapse at August 31, and encumbrances outstanding at that time are to be either cancelled or appropriately provided for in the subsequent year's budget. There were no end-of-year outstanding encumbrances that were provided for in the subsequent year's budget.

Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Other Post-Benefit Plans

The following factors significantly affect trends in the amounts reported for the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and net OPEB liability:

Changes in actuarial assumptions and inputs

<u>Measurement Date August 31,</u>	<u>Net Pension Liability</u>		<u>Net OPEB Liability</u>
	<u>Discount Rate</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Rate of Return</u>	<u>Discount Rate</u>
2023	7.00%	7.00%	4.13%
2022	7.25%	7.00%	3.91%
2021	7.25%	7.25%	1.95%
2020	7.25%	7.25%	2.33%
2019	7.25%	7.25%	2.63%
2018	6.91%	7.25%	3.69%
2017	8.00%	8.00%	3.42%
2016	8.00%	8.00%	--
2015	8.00%	8.00%	--
2014	8.00%	8.00%	--

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Changes in demographic and economic assumptions

For measurement date August 31, 2018 - Net Pension Liability and Net OPEB Liability:

Demographic assumptions including post-retirement mortality, termination rates, and rates of retirement and economic assumptions, including rates of salary increase for individual participants were updated based on the experience study performed for TRS for the period ending August 31, 2017.

For measurement date August 31, 2020 - Net OPEB Liability:

The participant rate for pre-65 retirees was lowered from 50% to 40%. This change decreased the total OPEB liability.

The ultimate health care trend assumption was lowered from 4.50% to 4.25% as a result of Congress' repeal of the excise (Cadillac) tax on high-cost employer health plans in December 2019. This change decreased the total OPEB liability.

Supplementary Information

This supplementary information includes financial statements and schedules not required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, nor a part of the basic financial statements, but are presented for purposes of additional analysis.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	Special Revenue Funds	Debt Service Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds (See Exhibit C-1)
ASSETS:			
1110 <i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 310,752	\$ 259,498	\$ 570,250
1120 <i>Current Investments</i>	66,365	--	66,365
1225 <i>Taxes Receivable, Net</i>	--	10,205	10,205
1240 <i>Due from Other Governments</i>	88,527	357	88,884
1260 <i>Due from Other Funds</i>	--	4,629	4,629
1000 <i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$ 465,644</u>	<u>\$ 274,689</u>	<u>\$ 740,333</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Current Liabilities:			
2110 <i>Accounts Payable</i>	\$ 34,946	\$ --	\$ 34,946
2160 <i>Accrued Wages Payable</i>	20,575	--	20,575
2170 <i>Due to Other Funds</i>	29,204	--	29,204
2200 <i>Accrued Expenditures</i>	1,571	--	1,571
2300 <i>Unearned Revenue</i>	42,997	--	42,997
2000 <i>Total Liabilities</i>	<u>129,293</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>129,293</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:			
<i>Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes</i>			
	--	10,205	10,205
2600 <i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<u>--</u>	<u>10,205</u>	<u>10,205</u>
FUND BALANCES:			
Restricted Fund Balances:			
3450 <i>Federal/State Funds Grant Restrictions</i>	184,690	--	184,690
3480 <i>Retirement of Long-Term Debt</i>	--	264,484	264,484
Assigned Fund Balances:			
3590 <i>Other Assigned Fund Balance-Campus Activities</i>	151,589	--	151,589
3590 <i>Other Assigned Fund Balance-Textbooks</i>	72	--	72
3000 <i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>336,351</u>	<u>264,484</u>	<u>600,835</u>
4000 <i>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflow of Resources and Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$ 465,644</u>	<u>\$ 274,689</u>	<u>\$ 740,333</u>

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	Special Revenue Funds	Debt Service Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds (See Exhibit C-2)
REVENUES:			
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 143,620	\$ 196,806	\$ 340,426
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	64,240	4,262	68,502
5900 <i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	1,296,069	--	1,296,069
5020 Total Revenues	<u>1,503,929</u>	<u>201,068</u>	<u>1,704,997</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
0011 <i>Instruction</i>	408,905	--	408,905
0012 <i>Instructional Resources and Media Services</i>	2,816	--	2,816
0013 <i>Curriculum and Staff Development</i>	22,716	--	22,716
0021 <i>Instructional Leadership</i>	68,155	--	68,155
0023 <i>School Leadership</i>	5,087	--	5,087
0031 <i>Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services</i>	1,533	--	1,533
0033 <i>Health Services</i>	1,017	--	1,017
0034 <i>Student Transportation</i>	2,064	--	2,064
0035 <i>Food Service</i>	699,355	--	699,355
0036 <i>Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities</i>	90,404	--	90,404
0041 <i>General Administration</i>	3,044	--	3,044
0051 <i>Facilities Maintenance and Operations</i>	7,240	--	7,240
0052 <i>Security and Monitoring Services</i>	1,035	--	1,035
0053 <i>Data Processing Services</i>	1,017	--	1,017
0071 <i>Principal on Long-term Debt</i>	--	165,000	165,000
0072 <i>Interest on Long-term Debt</i>	--	14,400	14,400
0073 <i>Bond Issuance Costs and Fees</i>	--	700	700
0093 <i>Payments to Shared Service Arrangements</i>	188,633	--	188,633
6030 Total Expenditures	<u>1,503,021</u>	<u>180,100</u>	<u>1,683,121</u>
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)			
1100 Expenditures	908	20,968	21,876
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>908</u>	<u>20,968</u>	<u>21,876</u>
0100 Fund Balances - Beginning	335,443	243,516	578,959
3000 Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 336,351</u>	<u>\$ 264,484</u>	<u>\$ 600,835</u>

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	211 ESEA Title I Improving Basic Programs	240 National School Breakfast/Lunch Program	255 ESEA Title II Training & Recruiting
ASSETS:			
1110 <i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ (37,184)	\$ 244,508	\$ (900)
1120 <i>Current Investments</i>	--	--	--
1240 <i>Due from Other Governments</i>	50,505	17,043	900
1000 Total Assets	<u>\$ 13,321</u>	<u>\$ 261,551</u>	<u>\$ --</u>
LIABILITIES:			
Current Liabilities:			
2110 <i>Accounts Payable</i>	\$ --	\$ 24,146	\$ --
2160 <i>Accrued Wages Payable</i>	11,933	8,642	--
2170 <i>Due to Other Funds</i>	--	893	--
2200 <i>Accrued Expenditures</i>	1,388	183	--
2300 <i>Unearned Revenue</i>	--	42,997	--
2000 Total Liabilities	<u>13,321</u>	<u>76,861</u>	<u>--</u>
FUND BALANCES:			
Restricted Fund Balances:			
3450 <i>Federal/State Funds Grant Restrictions</i>	--	184,690	--
Assigned Fund Balances:			
3590 <i>Other Assigned Fund Balance-Campus Activities</i>	--	--	--
3590 <i>Other Assigned Fund Balance-Textbooks</i>	--	--	--
3000 Total Fund Balances	<u>--</u>	<u>184,690</u>	<u>--</u>
4000 Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 13,321</u>	<u>\$ 261,551</u>	<u>\$ --</u>

EXHIBIT H-3

270 ESEA, Title V Pt. B, Subpart 2 Rural School	289 Federally Funded Special Revenue Funds	410 State Textbook Fund	461 Campus Activity Funds	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds (See Exhibit H-1)
\$ --	\$ (4,654)	\$ (4,553)	\$ 113,535	\$ 310,752
--	--	--	66,365	66,365
10,800	4,654	4,625	--	88,527
<u>\$ 10,800</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 72</u>	<u>\$ 179,900</u>	<u>\$ 465,644</u>
\$ 10,800	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 34,946
--	--	--	--	20,575
--	--	--	28,311	29,204
--	--	--	--	1,571
--	--	--	--	42,997
<u>10,800</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>28,311</u>	<u>129,293</u>
--	--	--	--	184,690
--	--	--	151,589	151,589
--	--	72	--	72
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>151,589</u>	<u>336,351</u>
<u>\$ 10,800</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 72</u>	<u>\$ 179,900</u>	<u>\$ 465,644</u>

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Data Control Codes	211 ESEA Title I Improving Basic Programs	240 National School Breakfast/Lunch Program	255 ESEA Title II Training & Recruiting	270 ESEA, Title V Pt. B, Subpart 2 Rural School
REVENUES:				
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ --	\$ 52,898	\$ --	\$ --
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	--	19,071	--	--
5900 <i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	230,648	623,323	37,109	26,923
5020 <i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>230,648</u>	<u>695,292</u>	<u>37,109</u>	<u>26,923</u>
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
0011 <i>Instruction</i>	161,203	--	14,902	26,923
0012 <i>Instructional Resources and Media Services</i>	1,799	--	--	--
0013 <i>Curriculum and Staff Development</i>	--	--	22,207	--
0021 <i>Instructional Leadership</i>	67,646	--	--	--
0023 <i>School Leadership</i>	--	--	--	--
0031 <i>Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services</i>	--	--	--	--
0033 <i>Health Services</i>	--	--	--	--
0034 <i>Student Transportation</i>	--	--	--	--
0035 <i>Food Service</i>	--	694,702	--	--
0036 <i>Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities</i>	--	--	--	--
0041 <i>General Administration</i>	--	--	--	--
0051 <i>Facilities Maintenance and Operations</i>	--	--	--	--
0052 <i>Security and Monitoring Services</i>	--	--	--	--
0053 <i>Data Processing Services</i>	--	--	--	--
0093 <i>Payments to Shared Service Arrangements</i>	--	--	--	--
6030 <i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>230,648</u>	<u>694,702</u>	<u>37,109</u>	<u>26,923</u>
1100 <i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)</i>				
1100 <i>Expenditures</i>	--	590	--	--
1200 <i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	--	590	--	--
0100 <i>Fund Balances - Beginning</i>	--	184,100	--	--
3000 <i>Fund Balances - Ending</i>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 184,690</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>

EXHIBIT H-4

282 ESSER Fund III of the American Rescue Plan Act	289 Federally Funded Special Revenue Funds	410 State Textbook Fund	461 Campus Activity Funds	Total Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds (See Exhibit H-2)
\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 90,722	\$ 143,620
--	--	45,169	--	64,240
357,307	20,759	--	--	1,296,069
<u>357,307</u>	<u>20,759</u>	<u>45,169</u>	<u>90,722</u>	<u>1,503,929</u>
139,949	20,759	45,169	--	408,905
1,017	--	--	--	2,816
509	--	--	--	22,716
509	--	--	--	68,155
5,087	--	--	--	5,087
1,533	--	--	--	1,533
1,017	--	--	--	1,017
2,064	--	--	--	2,064
4,653	--	--	--	699,355
--	--	--	90,404	90,404
3,044	--	--	--	3,044
7,240	--	--	--	7,240
1,035	--	--	--	1,035
1,017	--	--	--	1,017
188,633	--	--	--	188,633
<u>357,307</u>	<u>20,759</u>	<u>45,169</u>	<u>90,404</u>	<u>1,503,021</u>
--	--	--	318	908
--	--	--	318	908
--	--	72	151,271	335,443
<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 72</u>	<u>\$ 151,589</u>	<u>\$ 336,351</u>

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT TAXES RECEIVABLE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Year Ended August 31	1		2		3		10	
	Tax Rates				Assessed/Appraised Value For School Tax Purposes		Beginning Balance 9/1/23	
	Maintenance		Debt Service					
2015 and Prior Years	\$	Various	\$	Various	\$	Various	\$	25,077
2016		1.04		.09		157,075,487		2,781
2017		1.04		.09		165,952,430		3,183
2018		1.08		.05		186,612,706		3,567
2019		1.08		.05		206,342,350		6,455
2020		1.01		.0662		226,542,692		8,785
2021		.9047		.054		270,019,088		16,292
2022		.902		.0581		291,082,387		27,119
2023		.8846		.0397		358,391,991		107,341
2024 (School Year Under Audit)		.6992		.0439	*	381,778,679		--
1000 Totals							\$	<u>200,600</u>

8000 - Total Taxes Refunded under Section 26.1115, Tax Code

9000 - Portion of Row 1000 for Taxes Paid into Tax Increment Zone Under Chapter 311, Tax Code

* The District has entered into Chapter 313 value limitation agreements and the M&O taxable value has been reduced to \$20,000,000 for these entities. The unlimited taxable value related to these agreements for 2024 which was used for I&S was \$77,109,130.

20 Current Year's Total Levy	31 Maintenance Collections	32 Debt Service Collections	40 Entire Year's Adjustments	50 Ending Balance 8/31/24	99 Total Taxes Refunded Under Sect. 26.1115(c)
\$ --	\$ 561	\$ 23	\$ (2,525)	\$ 21,968	
--	243	21	(373)	2,144	
--	373	32	(373)	2,405	
--	770	36	(348)	2,413	
--	1,120	52	(385)	4,898	
--	1,289	85	(504)	6,907	
--	3,892	232	(601)	11,567	
--	3,082	199	(7,818)	16,020	
--	(16,693)	(750)	(82,115)	42,669	
2,836,845	2,547,542	193,624	33,820	129,499	
<u>\$ 2,836,845</u>	<u>\$ 2,542,179</u>	<u>\$ 193,554</u>	<u>\$ (61,222)</u>	<u>\$ 240,490</u>	
					\$
	\$				

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FUND BALANCE AND CASH FLOW CALCULATION WORKSHEET (UNAUDITED)
GENERAL FUND
AS OF AUGUST 31, 2024

EXHIBIT J-2

Data Control Codes	Explanation	Amount
1	Total General Fund Fund Balance as of August 31, 2024 (Exhibit C-1 object 3000 for the General Fund only)	\$ 7,079,921
2	Total General Fund Nonspendable Fund Balance (from Exhibit C-1 - total of object 341X-344X for the General Fund only)	--
3	Total General Fund Restricted Fund Balance (from Exhibit C-1 - total of object 345X-349X for the General Fund only)	--
4	Total General Fund Committed Fund Balance (from Exhibit C-1 - total of object 351X-354X for the General Fund only)	--
5	Total General Fund Assigned Fund Balance (from Exhibit C-1 - total of object 355X-359X for the General Fund only)	--
6	Estimated amount needed to cover fall cash flow deficits in the General Fund (net of borrowed funds and funds representing deferred revenues)	--
7	Estimate of two months' average cash disbursements during the fiscal year	3,000,000
8	Estimate of delayed payments from state sources (58XX)	--
9	Estimate of underpayment from state sources equal to variance between Legislative Payment Estimate (LPE) and District Planning Estimate (DPE) or District's calculated earned state aid amount	--
10	Estimate of delayed payments from federal sources (59XX)	--
11	Estimate of expenditures to be reimbursed to General Fund from Capital Projects Fund (uses of General Fund cash after bond referendum and prior to issuance of bonds)	--
12	General Fund Optimum Fund Balance and Cash Flow (Lines 2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9+10+11)	3,000,000
13	Excess (Deficit) Unassigned General Fund Fund Balance (1-12)	\$ 4,079,921

Amount to be used for future capital expenditures.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
USE OF FUNDS REPORT - SELECT STATE ALLOTMENT PROGRAM
AS OF AUGUST 31, 2024

<u>Data Control Codes</u>		<u>Responses</u>
<u>Section A: Compensatory Education Programs</u>		
AP1	Did your LEA expend any state compensatory education program state allotment funds during the district's fiscal year?	Yes
AP2	Does the LEA have written policies and procedures for its state compensatory education program?	Yes
AP3	List the total state allotment funds received for state compensatory education programs during the district's fiscal year.	\$ 848,078
AP4	List the actual direct program expenditures for state compensatory education programs during the LEA's fiscal year. (PICs 24, 26, 28 29, 30)	\$ 652,873
<u>Section B: Bilingual Education Programs</u>		
AP5	Did your LEA expend any bilingual education program state allotment funds during the LEA's fiscal year?	Yes
AP6	Does the LEA have written policies and procedures for its bilingual education program?	Yes
AP7	List the total state allotment funds received for bilingual education programs during the LEA's fiscal year.	\$ 94,619
AP8	List the actual direct program expenditures for bilingual education programs during the LEA's fiscal year. (PICs 25)	\$ 72,438

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

EXHIBIT J-4

Data Control Codes		1	2	3
		Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	REVENUES:			
5700	<i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 92,371	\$ 52,898	\$ (39,473)
5800	<i>State Program Revenues</i>	22,000	19,071	(2,929)
5900	<i>Federal Program Revenues</i>	538,080	623,323	85,243
5020	Total Revenues	<u>652,451</u>	<u>695,292</u>	<u>42,841</u>
	EXPENDITURES:			
	Current:			
	Student Support Services:			
0035	<i>Food Services</i>	702,451	694,702	7,749
	Total Student Support Services	<u>702,451</u>	<u>694,702</u>	<u>7,749</u>
6030	Total Expenditures	<u>702,451</u>	<u>694,702</u>	<u>7,749</u>
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)			
1100	Expenditures	(50,000)	590	50,590
1200	Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>590</u>	<u>50,590</u>
0100	Fund Balance - Beginning	184,100	184,100	--
3000	Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 134,100</u>	<u>\$ 184,690</u>	<u>\$ 50,590</u>

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**DEBT SERVICE FUND****BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE****FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024****EXHIBIT J-5**

Data Control Codes	1 Budget	2 Actual	3 Variance Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:			
5700 <i>Local and Intermediate Sources</i>	\$ 184,300	\$ 196,806	\$ 12,506
5800 <i>State Program Revenues</i>	--	4,262	4,262
5020 <i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>184,300</u>	<u>201,068</u>	<u>16,768</u>
EXPENDITURES:			
Debt Service:			
0071 <i>Principal on Long-Term Debt</i>	165,000	165,000	--
0072 <i>Interest on Long-Term Debt</i>	14,400	14,400	--
0073 <i>Bond Issuance Costs and Fees</i>	800	700	100
<i>Total Debt Service</i>	<u>180,200</u>	<u>180,100</u>	<u>100</u>
6030 <i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>180,200</u>	<u>180,100</u>	<u>100</u>
1100 <i>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)</i>			
1100 <i>Expenditures</i>	4,100	20,968	16,868
1200 <i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	<u>4,100</u>	<u>20,968</u>	<u>16,868</u>
0100 <i>Fund Balance - Beginning</i>	243,516	243,516	--
3000 <i>Fund Balance - Ending</i>	<u>\$ 247,616</u>	<u>\$ 264,484</u>	<u>\$ 16,868</u>

*Overall Compliance, Internal Control Section
and Federal Awards*

ANDERSON, MARX & BOHL, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

**FRANK MARX, III, CPA
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CALEB MARX, CPA**

**Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and
On Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements
Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards**

Board of Trustees
Blooming Grove Independent School District
212 West Grady
Blooming Grove, Texas 76626

Members of the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Blooming Grove Independent School District, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Blooming Grove Independent School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 21, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Blooming Grove Independent School 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 Blooming Grove Independent School District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Blooming Grove Independent School District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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*.

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 Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C.".

Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C.

Corsicana, Texas
January 21, 2025

ANDERSON, MARX & BOHL, P.C.

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**Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and
Report on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

Board of Trustees
Blooming Grove Independent School District
212 West Grady
Blooming Grove, Texas 76626

Members of the Board of Trustees:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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

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

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (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 Blooming Grove Independent School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Blooming Grove Independent School District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the

compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Blooming Grove Independent School District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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 Blooming Grove Independent School 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 Blooming Grove Independent School District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Blooming Grove Independent School District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C.".

Anderson, Marx & Bohl, P.C.

Corsicana, Texas
January 21, 2025

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

A. Summary of Auditors' Results

1. Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

One or more material weaknesses identified? Yes X No

One or more significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? Yes X None Reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? Yes X No

2. Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

One or more material weaknesses identified? Yes X No

One or more significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? Yes X None Reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Version of compliance supplement used in audit: May 2024

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, para. 200.516(a)?? Yes X No

Identification of major programs:

<u>Assistance Listing Number(s)</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
84.425	COVID-19 ESSER Funds

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

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? X Yes No

B. Financial Statement Findings

NONE

C. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

NONE

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT***SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024***

<u>Finding/Recommendation</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Management's Explanation If Not Implemented</u>
None noted		

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

None noted so none required.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXHIBIT K-1

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

(1)	(2)	(2A)		(3)
Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal ALN Number	Pass- Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER:				
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Passed Through Texas Department of Agriculture:				
<i>School Breakfast Program</i>	10.553	175-902	\$ --	\$ 175,490
<i>National School Lunch Program</i>	10.555	175-902	--	386,862
<i>National School Lunch Program (Non-cash)</i>	10.555	175-902	--	32,106
<i>National School Lunch Program-Supply Chain Assistance</i>	10.555	NT4XL1YGLGC5	--	6,234
Total ALN Number 10.555			--	425,202
Total Passed Through Texas Department of Agriculture			--	600,692
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture			--	600,692
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			--	600,692
OTHER PROGRAMS:				
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>				
Passed Through State Department of Education:				
<i>ESEA Title I Part A - Improving Basic Programs</i>	84.010A	24610101175902	--	230,648
<i>ESEA, Title V, Part B, Subpart 2-Rural & Low Inc. School Grant</i>	84.358B	24696001175902	--	26,923
<i>Title II, Part A - Teacher & Principal Training & Recruiting</i>	84.367A	24694501175902	--	37,109
<i>Title IV, Part A, Subpart I</i>	84.424A	24680101175902	--	20,759
<i>COVID-19 ESSER Fund III of the Amer. Resc. Plan Act of 2021</i>	84.425D	21528001175902	--	357,307
Total Passed Through State Department of Education			--	672,746
Total U. S. Department of Education			--	672,746
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>				
Passed Through Texas Department of Agriculture:				
<i>Local Food for Schools (LFS) Cooperative</i>	10.185	NT4XL1YGLGC5	--	21,682
<i>State Administrative Expenses</i>	10.560	175-902	--	949
Total Passed Through Texas Department of Agriculture			--	22,631
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture			--	22,631
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ --	\$ 1,296,069

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards ("the Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of Blooming Grove Independent School District. The information in the 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"). Therefore, some amounts may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. These 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. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule, if any, represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

Blooming Grove Independent School District has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Reconciliation of Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards to Exhibit C-2:

Total Expenditures of Federal Awards per Exhibit K-1	\$	1,296,069
SHARS Program		47,594
Total per Exhibit C-2	\$	<u>1,343,663</u>

Other Information

BLOOMING GROVE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

*SCHEDULE OF REQUIRED RESPONSES TO SELECTED SCHOOL FIRST INDICATORS
AS OF AUGUST 31, 2024*

<u>Data Control Codes</u>		<u>Responses</u>
SF1	Was there an unmodified opinion in the Annual Financial Report on the financial statements as a whole?	Yes
SF2	Were there any disclosures in the Annual Financial Report and/or other sources of information concerning nonpayment of any terms of any debt agreement at fiscal year-end?	No
SF3	Did the school district make timely payments to the Teacher Retirement System (TRS), Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and other government agencies? (If the school district was issued a warrant hold and the warrant hold was not cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued, the school district is considered to not have made timely payments.) Payments to the TRS and TWC are considered timely if a warrant hold that was issued in connection to the untimely payment was cleared within 30 days from the date the warrant hold was issued. Payments to the IRS are considered timely if a penalty or delinquent payment notice was cleared within 30 days from the date the notice was issued.	Yes
SF4	Was the school district issued a warrant hold? Even if the issue surrounding the initial warrant hold was resolved and cleared within 30 days, the school district is considered to have been issued a warrant hold.	No
SF5	Did the Annual Financial Report disclose any instances of material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting and compliance for local, state or federal funds?	No
SF6	Was there any disclosure in the Annual Financial Report of material noncompliance for grants, contracts and laws related to local, state, or federal funds?	No
SF7	Did the school district post the required financial information on its website in accordance with Government Code, Local Government code, Texas Education Code, Texas Administrative Code and other statutes, laws and rules that were in effect at the school district's fiscal year-end?	Yes
SF8	Did the school board members discuss the school district's property values at a board meeting within 120 days before the school district adopted its budget?	Yes
SF9	Total accumulated accretion on CABs included in government-wide financial statements at fiscal year-end	\$ --

APPENDIX C

FORM OF BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION

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LEON | ALCALA

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

August 22, 2025

Re: Blooming Grove Independent School District
Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to the captioned issuer (the “District”) in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, which are being issued in the aggregate original principal amount of \$38,040,000. The Bonds are authorized by an order adopted by the Board of Trustees of the District on August 7, 2025 (the “Order”). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Order.

We have acted as Bond Counsel for the sole purpose of rendering an opinion with respect to the legality and validity of the Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and the excludability of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. In such capacity, we have reviewed a transcript of certain certified proceedings pertaining to the issuance of the Bonds, including the Order and the federal tax certificate of the District related to the Bonds (the “Tax Certificate”); certain certifications and representations and other material facts within the knowledge and control of the District, upon which we rely; the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and the regulations, rulings, and judicial decisions relevant to the opinions set forth in paragraph (3) below; and certain other customary documents and instruments authorizing and relating to the issuance of the Bonds. As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials and others furnished to us without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

The opinions expressed herein are based on an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions and cover certain matters not directly addressed by such authorities. Such opinions may be affected by actions taken or omitted or events occurring after the date hereof. We have not undertaken to determine, or to inform any person, whether any such actions are taken or omitted or events do occur or any other matters come to our attention after the date hereof. Accordingly, this letter speaks only as of its date and is not intended to, and may not, be relied upon or otherwise used in connection with any such actions, events or matters. Our engagement with respect to the Bonds has concluded with their issuance, and we disclaim any obligation to update this letter. We have assumed the genuineness of all documents and signatures presented to us (whether as originals or as copies) and the due and legal execution and delivery thereof by, and validity against, any parties other than the District. We have assumed, without undertaking to verify, the accuracy of the factual matters represented, warranted or certified in the documents referred to in the second paragraph hereof. Furthermore, we have assumed compliance with all covenants and agreements contained in the Order and the Tax Certificate, including (without limitation) covenants and agreements compliance with which is necessary to assure that future actions, omissions or events will not cause

interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes. We call attention to the fact that the rights and obligations under the Bonds, the Order and the Tax Certificate and their enforceability may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium and other laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights, to the application of equitable principles, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases, and to the limitations on legal remedies against issuers in the State of Texas. We express no opinion with respect to any indemnification, contribution, liquidated damages, penalty (including any remedy deemed to constitute a penalty), right of set-off, arbitration, choice of law, choice of forum, choice of venue, non-exclusivity of remedies, waiver or severability provisions contained in the foregoing documents. Our services did not include financial or other non-legal advice. We have not assumed any responsibility with respect to the financial condition or capabilities of the District or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Bonds. Finally, our role in connection with the District's Official Statement, if any, prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Bonds has been limited as described therein.

Based on and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, as of the date hereof, we are of the following opinions:

- (1) The transcript of certified proceedings evidences complete legal authority for the issuance of the Bonds in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas presently in effect. The Bonds constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the District, and the Bonds have been authorized and delivered in accordance with law.
- (2) The Bonds are payable, both as to principal and interest, from the receipts of an annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon taxable property located within the District, which taxes have been pledged irrevocably to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.
- (3) Under existing laws, regulations, rulings, and judicial decisions, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. We observe that interest on the Bonds included in adjusted financial statement income of certain corporations is not excluded from the federal corporate alternative minimum tax. We express no opinion regarding other tax consequences related to the ownership or disposition of, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon | Alcala, PLLC

APPENDIX D

THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM

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The following is incorporated into the offering document to which it is attached.

THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM

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

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

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

History and Purpose

The PSF supports the State’s public school system in two major ways: distributions to the constitutionally established Available School Fund (the “ASF”), as described below, and the guarantee of school district and charter district issued bonds through the Guarantee Program. The PSF was created in 1845 and received its first significant funding with a \$2,000,000 appropriation by the Legislature in 1854 expressly for the benefit of the public schools of Texas, with the sole purpose of assisting in the funding of public education for present and future generations. The Constitution of 1876 described that the PSF would be “permanent,” and stipulated that certain lands and all proceeds from the sale of these lands should also constitute the PSF. Additional acts later gave more public domain land and rights to the PSF. In 1953, the U.S. Congress passed the Submerged Lands Act that relinquished to coastal states all rights of the U.S. navigable waters within state boundaries. If the State, by law, had set a larger boundary prior to or at the time of

admission to the Union, or if the boundary had been approved by Congress, then the larger boundary applied. After three years of litigation (1957-1960), the U.S. Supreme Court on May 31, 1960, affirmed Texas' historic three marine leagues (10.35 miles) seaward boundary. Texas proved its submerged lands property rights to three leagues into the Gulf of Mexico by citing historic laws and treaties dating back to 1836. All lands lying within that limit belong to the PSF. The proceeds from the sale and the mineral-related rental of these lands, including bonuses, delay rentals and royalty payments, become the corpus of the Fund. Prior to the approval by the voters of the State of an amendment to the constitutional provision under which the Fund was established and administered, which occurred on September 13, 2003 (the "Total Return Constitutional Amendment"), and which is further described below, only the income produced by the PSF could be used to complement taxes in financing public education, which primarily consisted of income from securities, capital gains from securities transactions, and royalties from the sale of oil and natural gas. The Total Return Constitutional Amendment provides that interest and dividends produced by Fund investments will be additional revenue to the PSF.

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

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

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

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

Audited financial information for the PSF is provided annually through the PSF Corporation's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (the "Annual Report"), which is filed with the Municipal

Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”). The Texas School Land Board’s (the “SLB”) land and real assets investment operations, which are part of the PSF as described below, are also included in the annual financial report of the Texas General Land Office (the “GLO”) that is included in the annual comprehensive report of the State of Texas. The Annual Report includes the Message From the Chief Executive Officer of the PSF Corporation (the “Message”) and the Management’s Discussion and Analysis (“MD&A”). The Annual Report for the year ended August 31, 2024, as filed with the MSRB in accordance with the PSF undertaking and agreement made in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 (“Rule 15c2-12”) of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), as described below, is hereby incorporated by reference into this disclosure. Information included herein for the year ended August 31, 2024, is derived from the audited financial statements of the PSF, which are included in the Annual Report as it is filed and posted. Reference is made to the Annual Report for the complete Message and MD&A for the year ended August 31, 2024, and for a description of the financial results of the PSF for the year ended August 31, 2024, the most recent year for which audited financial information regarding the Fund is available. The 2024 Annual Report speaks only as of its date and the PSF Corporation has not obligated itself to update the 2024 Annual Report or any other Annual Report. The PSF Corporation posts (i) each Annual Report, which includes statistical data regarding the Fund as of the close of each fiscal year, (ii) the most recent disclosure for the Guarantee Program, (iii) the PSF Corporation’s Investment Policy Statement (the “IPS”), and (iv) monthly updates with respect to the capacity of the Guarantee Program (collectively, the “Web Site Materials”) on the PSF Corporation’s web site at <https://texaspsf.org> and with the MSRB at www.emma.msrb.org. Such monthly updates regarding the Guarantee Program are also incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes. In addition to the Web Site Materials, the Fund is required to make quarterly filings with the SEC under Section 13(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such filings, which consist of a list of the Fund’s holdings of securities specified in Section 13(f), including exchange-traded (*e.g.*, NYSE) or NASDAQ-quoted stocks, equity options and warrants, shares of closed-end investment companies and certain convertible debt securities, are available from the SEC at www.sec.gov/edgar. A list of the Fund’s equity and fixed income holdings as of August 31 of each year is posted to the PSF Corporation’s web site and filed with the MSRB. Such list excludes holdings in the Fund’s securities lending program. Such list, as filed, is incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Management and Administration of the Fund

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Corporation, but such authorization does not affect the State Auditor's authority to conduct an audit of the PSF Corporation in accordance with State laws.

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

The Total Return Constitutional Amendment

The Total Return Constitutional Amendment requires that PSF distributions to the ASF be determined using a "total-return-based" approach that provides that the total amount distributed from the Fund to the ASF: (1) in each year of a State fiscal biennium must be an amount that is not more than 6% of the average of the market value of the Fund, excluding real property (the "Distribution Rate"), on the last day of each of the sixteen State fiscal quarters preceding the Regular Session of the Legislature that begins before that State fiscal biennium, in accordance with the rate adopted by: (a) a vote of two-thirds of the total membership of the SBOE, taken before the Regular Session of the Legislature convenes or (b) the Legislature by general law or appropriation, if the SBOE does not adopt a rate as provided by clause (a); and (2) over the ten-year period consisting of the current State fiscal year and the nine preceding State fiscal years may not exceed the total return on all investment assets of the Fund over the same ten-year period (the "Ten Year Total Return"). In April 2009, the Attorney General issued a legal opinion, Op. Tex. Att'y Gen. No. GA-0707 (2009) ("GA-0707"), with regard to certain matters pertaining to the Distribution Rate and the determination of the Ten Year Total Return. In GA-0707 the Attorney General opined, among other advice, that (i) the Ten Year Total Return should be calculated on an annual basis, (ii) a contingency plan adopted by the SBOE, to permit monthly transfers equal in aggregate to the annual Distribution Rate to be halted and subsequently made up if such transfers temporarily exceed the Ten Year Total Return, is not prohibited by State law, provided that such contingency plan applies only within a fiscal year time basis, not on a biennium basis, and (iii) the amount distributed from the Fund in a fiscal year may not exceed 6% of the average of the market value of the Fund or the Ten Year Total Return. In accordance with GA-0707, in the event that the Ten Year Total Return is exceeded during a fiscal year, transfers to the ASF will be halted. However, if the Ten Year Total Return subsequently increases during that biennium, transfers may be resumed, if the SBOE has provided for that contingency, and made in full during the remaining period of the biennium, subject to the limit of 6% in any one fiscal year. Any shortfall in the transfer that results from such events from one biennium may not be paid over to the ASF in a subsequent biennium as the SBOE would make a separate payout determination for that subsequent biennium.

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

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

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

Annual Distributions to the Available School Fund¹

<u>Fiscal Year Ending</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023²</u>	<u>2024</u>
PSF(CORP) Distribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,076	\$2,156
PSF(SBOE) Distribution	839	1,056	1,056	1,236	1,236	1,102	1,102	1,731	-	-
PSF(SLB) Distribution	-	-	-	-	300	600	600 ³	415	115	-
Per Student Distribution	173	215	212	247	306	347	341	432	440	430

¹ In millions of dollars. Source: Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

² Reflects the first fiscal year in which distributions were made by the PSF Corporation.

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

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

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

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

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

PSF Corporation Strategic Asset Allocation

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

- Generate distributions for the benefit of public schools in Texas;
- Maintain the purchasing power of the Fund, after spending and inflation, in order to maintain intergenerational equity with respect to distributions from the Fund;
- Provide a maximum level of return consistent with prudent risk levels, while maintaining sufficient liquidity needed to support Fund obligations; and
- Maintain a AAA credit rating, as assigned by a nationally recognized securities rating organization.

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

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

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

Comparative Investment Schedule – PSF(CORP)

Fair Value (in millions) August 31, 2024 and 2023				
<u>ASSET CLASS</u>	August 31, <u>2024</u>	August 31, <u>2023</u>	Amount of Increase (Decrease)	Percent Change
EQUITY				
Domestic Small Cap	\$3,651.3	\$ 2,975.1	\$ 676.2	22.7%
Domestic Large Cap	<u>8,084.6</u>	<u>7,896.5</u>	<u>188.1</u>	<u>2.4%</u>
Total Domestic Equity	11,735.9	10,871.6	864.3	8.0%
International Equity	<u>4,131.1</u>	<u>7,945.5</u>	<u>(3,814.4)</u>	<u>-48.0%</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	15,867.0	18,817.1	(2,950.1)	-15.7%
FIXED INCOME				
Domestic Fixed Income	-	5,563.7	-	-
US Treasuries	-	937.5	-	-
Core Bonds	8,151.6	-	-	-
Bank Loans	2,564.1	-	-	-
High Yield Bonds	2,699.5	1,231.6	1,467.9	119.2%
Emerging Market Debt	-	<u>869.7</u>	-	-
TOTAL FIXED INCOME	13,415.2	8,602.5	4,812.7	55.9%
ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS				
Absolute Return	3,106.0	3,175.8	(69.8)	-2.2%
Real Estate	6,101.0	6,525.2	(424.2)	-6.5%
Private Equity	8,958.8	8,400.7	558.1	6.6%
Emerging Manager Program	-	134.5	-	-
Real Return	-	1,663.7	-	-
Private Credit	2,257.9	-	-	-
Real Assets	<u>4,648.1</u>	<u>4,712.1</u>	<u>(64.0)</u>	<u>-1.4%</u>
TOT ALT INVESTMENTS	25,071.8	24,612.0	459.8	1.9%
UNALLOCATED CASH	<u>2,583.2</u>	<u>348.2</u>	<u>2,235</u>	<u>641.9%</u>
TOTAL PSF(CORP) INVESTMENTS	56,937.2	\$ 52,379.8	\$ 4,557.4	8.7%

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

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

Investment Schedule - PSF(SLB)¹

Fair Value (in millions) August 31, 2024

As of

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

¹ Unaudited figures from Table 5 in the FY 2024 Unaudited Annual Financial Report of the Texas General Land Office and Veterans Land Board.

² Historical Cost of investments at August 31, 2024 was: Sovereign Lands \$838,730.24; Discretionary Internal Investments \$318,902,420.97; Other Lands \$37,290,818.76; and Minerals \$13,437,063.73.

³ Includes an estimated 1,000,000.00 acres in freshwater rivers.

⁴ Includes an estimated 1,747,600.00 in excess acreage.

⁵ Cash in State Treasury is managed by the Treasury Operations Division of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

⁶ Future Net Revenues discounted at 10% and then adjusted for risk factors. A mineral reserve report is prepared annually by external third-party petroleum engineers.

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

The School District Bond Guarantee Program

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

In the event of default, holders of guaranteed school district bonds will receive all payments as and when may become due from the corpus of the PSF. Following a determination that a school district will be or is unable to pay maturing or matured principal or interest on any guaranteed bond, the Act requires the school district to notify the Education Commissioner not later than the fifth day

before the stated maturity date of such bond or interest payment. Immediately following receipt of such notice, the Education Commissioner must cause to be transferred from the appropriate account in the PSF to the Paying Agent/Registrar an amount necessary to pay the maturing or matured principal and interest, as applicable. Upon receipt of funds for payment of such principal or interest, the Paying Agent/Registrar must pay the amount due and forward the canceled bond or evidence of payment of the interest to the State Comptroller of Public Accounts (the "Comptroller"). The Education Commissioner will instruct the Comptroller to withhold the amount paid, plus interest, from the first State money payable to the school district. The amount withheld pursuant to this funding "intercept" feature will be deposited to the credit of the PSF. The Comptroller must hold such canceled bond or evidence of payment of the interest on behalf of the PSF. Following full reimbursement of such payment by the school district to the PSF with interest, the Comptroller will cancel the bond or evidence of payment of the interest and forward it to the school district. The Act permits the Education Commissioner to order a school district to set a tax rate sufficient to reimburse the PSF for any payments made with respect to guaranteed bonds, and also sufficient to pay future payments on guaranteed bonds, and provides certain enforcement mechanisms to the Education Commissioner, including the appointment of a board of managers or annexation of a defaulting school district to another school district.

If a school district fails to pay principal or interest on a bond as it is stated to mature, other amounts not due and payable are not accelerated and do not become due and payable by virtue of the district's default. The School District Bond Guarantee Program does not apply to the payment of principal and interest upon redemption of bonds, except upon mandatory sinking fund redemption, and does not apply to the obligation, if any, of a school district to pay a redemption premium on its guaranteed bonds. The guarantee applies to all matured interest on guaranteed school district bonds, whether the bonds were issued with a fixed or variable interest rate and whether the interest rate changes as a result of an interest reset provision or other bond order provision requiring an interest rate change. The guarantee does not extend to any obligation of a school district under any agreement with a third party relating to guaranteed bonds that is defined or described in State law as a "bond enhancement agreement" or a "credit agreement," unless the right to payment of such third party is directly as a result of such third party being a bondholder.

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

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

<https://tea.texas.gov/finance-and-grants/state-funding/facilities-funding-and-standards/bond-guarantee-program>.

The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program

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

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

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

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

The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program does not apply to the payment of principal and interest upon redemption of bonds, except upon mandatory sinking fund redemption, and does not apply to the obligation, if any, of a charter district to pay a redemption premium on its guaranteed bonds. The guarantee applies to all matured interest on guaranteed charter district bonds, whether

the bonds were issued with a fixed or variable interest rate and whether the interest rate changes as a result of an interest reset provision or other bond resolution provision requiring an interest rate change. The guarantee does not extend to any obligation of a charter district under any agreement with a third party relating to guaranteed bonds that is defined or described in State law as a “bond enhancement agreement” or a “credit agreement,” unless the right to payment of such third party is directly as a result of such third party being a bondholder.

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

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

The CDBG Rules provide that an open-enrollment charter holder applying for charter district designation and a guarantee of its bonds under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program satisfy various provisions of the regulations, including the following: It must (i) have operated at

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

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

Capacity Limits for the Guarantee Program

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

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

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

<u>Changes in SBOE-determined multiplier for State Capacity Limit</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Multiplier</u>
Prior to May 2010	2.50
May 2010	3.00
September 2015	3.25
February 2017	3.50
September 2017	3.75
February 2018 (current)	3.50

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

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

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

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

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

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

2017 Legislative Changes to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program

The CDBGP Capacity is established by the Act. During the 85th Texas Legislature, which concluded on May 29, 2017, Senate Bill 1480 (“SB 1480”) was enacted. SB 1480 amended the Act to modify how the CDBGP Capacity is established effective as of September 1, 2017, and made other substantive changes to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. Prior to the

enactment of SB 1480, the CDBGP Capacity was calculated as the Capacity Limit less the amount of outstanding bond guarantees under the Guarantee Program multiplied by the percentage of charter district scholastic population relative to the total public school scholastic population. SB 1480 amended the CDBGP Capacity calculation so that the Capacity Limit is multiplied by the percentage of charter district scholastic population relative to the total public school scholastic population prior to the subtraction of the outstanding bond guarantees, thereby increasing the CDBGP Capacity.

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

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

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

Charter District Risk Factors

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

by a charter district, and may be affected by the State's economic performance and other budgetary considerations and various political considerations.

Other than credit support for charter district bonds that is provided to qualifying charter districts by the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, State funding for charter district facilities construction is limited to a program established by the Legislature in 2017, which provides \$60 million per year for eligible charter districts with an acceptable performance rating for a variety of funding purposes, including for lease or purchase payments for instructional facilities. Since State funding for charter facilities is limited, charter schools generally issue revenue bonds to fund facility construction and acquisition, or fund facilities from cash flows of the school. Some charter districts have issued non-guaranteed debt in addition to debt guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, and such non-guaranteed debt is likely to be secured by a deed of trust covering all or part of the charter district's facilities. In March 2017, the TEA began requiring charter districts to provide the TEA with a lien against charter district property as a condition to receiving a guarantee under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. However, charter district bonds issued and guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program prior to the implementation of the new requirement did not have the benefit of a security interest in real property, although other existing debts of such charter districts that are not guaranteed under the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program may be secured by real property that could be foreclosed on in the event of a bond default.

As a general rule, the operation of a charter school involves fewer State requirements and regulations for charter holders as compared to other public schools, but the maintenance of a State-granted charter is dependent upon on-going compliance with State law and regulations, which are monitored by TEA. TEA has a broad range of enforcement and remedial actions that it can take as corrective measures, and such actions may include the loss of the State charter, the appointment of a new board of directors to govern a charter district, the assignment of operations to another charter operator, or, as a last resort, the dissolution of an open-enrollment charter school. Charter holders are governed by a private board of directors, as compared to the elected boards of trustees that govern school districts.

As described above, the Act includes a funding "intercept" function that applies to both the School District Bond Guarantee Program and the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. However, school districts are viewed as the "educator of last resort" for students residing in the geographical territory of the district, which makes it unlikely that State funding for those school districts would be discontinued, although the TEA can require the dissolution and merger into another school district if necessary to ensure sound education and financial management of a school district. That is not the case with a charter district, however, and open-enrollment charter schools in the State have been dissolved by TEA from time to time. If a charter district that has bonds outstanding that are guaranteed by the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program should be dissolved, debt service on guaranteed bonds of the district would continue to be paid to bondholders in accordance with the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program, but there would be no funding available for reimbursement of the PSF by the Comptroller for such payments. As described under "The Charter District Bond Guarantee Program," the Act established the Charter District Reserve Fund, to serve as a reimbursement resource for the PSF.

Ratings of Bonds Guaranteed Under the Guarantee Program

Moody's Investors Service, Inc., S&P Global Ratings, and Fitch Ratings, Inc. rate bonds guaranteed by the PSF "Aaa," "AAA" and "AAA," respectively. Not all districts apply for multiple ratings on their bonds, however. See the applicable rating section within the offering document to which this is attached for information regarding a district's underlying rating and the enhanced rating applied to a given series of bonds.

Valuation of the PSF and Guaranteed Bonds

Permanent School Fund Valuations		
Fiscal Year Ended 8/31	Book Value⁽¹⁾	Market Value⁽¹⁾
2020	\$36,642,000,738	\$46,764,059,745
2021	38,699,895,545	55,582,252,097
2022	42,511,350,050	56,754,515,757
2023	43,915,792,841	59,020,536,667
2024 ⁽²⁾	46,276,260,013	56,937,188,265

⁽¹⁾ SLB managed assets are included in the market value and book value of the Fund. In determining the market value of the PSF from time to time during a fiscal year, the current, unaudited values for PSF investment portfolios and cash held by the SLB are used. With respect to SLB managed assets shown in the table above, market values of land and mineral interests, internally managed real estate, investments in externally managed real estate funds and cash are based upon information reported to the PSF Corporation by the SLB. The SLB reports that information to the PSF Corporation on a quarterly basis. The valuation of such assets at any point in time is dependent upon a variety of factors, including economic conditions in the State and nation in general, and the values of these assets, and, in particular, the valuation of mineral holdings administered by the SLB, can be volatile and subject to material changes from period to period.

⁽²⁾ At August 31, 2024, mineral assets, sovereign lands, other lands, and discretionary internal investments, had book values of approximately \$13.4 million, \$0.8 million, \$37.2 million, and \$318.9 million, respectively, and market values of approximately \$4,540.6 million, \$277.4 million, \$153.1 million, and \$457.0 million, respectively.

Permanent School Fund Guaranteed Bonds	
At 8/31	Principal Amount⁽¹⁾
2020	\$90,336,680,245
2021	95,259,161,922
2022	103,239,495,929
2023	115,730,826,682
2024	125,815,981,603 ⁽²⁾

⁽¹⁾ Represents original principal amount; does not reflect any subsequent accretions in value for compound interest bonds (zero coupon securities). The amount shown excludes bonds that have been refunded and released from the Guarantee Program. The TEA does not maintain records of the accreted value of capital appreciation bonds that are guaranteed under the Guarantee Program.

⁽²⁾ At August 31, 2024 (the most recent date for which such data is available), the TEA expected that the principal and interest to be paid by school districts and charter districts over the remaining life of the bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program was \$196,294,405,488, of which \$70,478,423,885 represents interest to be paid. As shown in the table above, at August 31, 2024, there were \$125,815,981,603 in principal amount of bonds guaranteed under the Guarantee Program. Using the State Capacity Limit of \$169,961,518,160 (the State Capacity Limit is currently the Capacity Limit), net of the Capacity Reserve, as of January 31, 2025, 7.69% of the Guarantee Program's capacity was

available to the Charter District Bond Guarantee Program. As of January 31, 2025, the amount of outstanding bond guarantees represented 76.33% of the Capacity Limit (which is currently the State Capacity Limit). January 31, 2025 values are based on unaudited data, which is subject to adjustment.

Permanent School Fund Guaranteed Bonds by Category⁽¹⁾

Fiscal Year Ended <u>8/31</u>	<u>School District Bonds</u>		<u>Charter District Bonds</u>		<u>Totals</u>	
	No. of <u>Issues</u>	Principal <u>Amount (\$)</u>	No. of <u>Issues</u>	Principal <u>Amount (\$)</u>	No. of <u>Issues</u>	Principal <u>Amount (\$)</u>
2020	3,296	87,800,478,245	64	2,536,202,000	3,360	90,336,680,245
2021	3,346	91,951,175,922	83	3,307,986,000	3,429	95,259,161,922
2022	3,348	99,528,099,929	94	3,711,396,000	3,442	103,239,495,929
2023	3,339	111,647,914,682	102	4,082,912,000	3,441	115,730,826,682
2024 ⁽²⁾	3,330	121,046,871,603	103	4,769,110,000	3,433	125,815,981,603

⁽¹⁾ Represents original principal amount; does not reflect any subsequent accretions in value for compound interest bonds (zero coupon securities). The amount shown excludes bonds that have been refunded and released from the Guarantee Program.

⁽²⁾ At January 31, 2025 (based on unaudited data, which is subject to adjustment), there were \$129,723,799,121 in principal amount of bonds guaranteed under the Guarantee Program, representing 3,437 school district issues, aggregating \$124,794,149,121 in principal amount and 109 charter district issues, aggregating \$4,929,650,000 in principal amount. At January 31, 2025 the projected guarantee capacity available was \$39,780,221,830 (based on unaudited data, which is subject to adjustment).

Discussion and Analysis Pertaining to Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024

The following discussion is derived from the Annual Report for the year ended August 31, 2024, including the Message from the Chief Executive Officer of the Fund, the Management's Discussion and Analysis, and other schedules contained therein. Reference is made to the Annual Report, as filed with the MSRB, for the complete Message and MD&A. Investment assets managed by the PSF Corporation are referred to throughout this MD&A as the PSF(CORP). The Fund's non-financial real assets are managed by the SLB and these assets are referred to throughout as the PSF(SLB) assets.

At the end of fiscal year 2024, the PSF(CORP) net position was \$57.3 billion. During the year, the PSF(CORP) continued implementing the long-term strategic asset allocation, diversifying the investment mix to strengthen the Fund. The asset allocation is projected to increase returns over the long run while reducing risk and portfolio return volatility. The PSF(CORP) is invested in global markets and liquid and illiquid assets experience volatility commensurate with the related indices. The PSF(CORP) is broadly diversified and benefits from the cost structure of its investment program. Changes continue to be researched, crafted, and implemented to make the cost structure more effective and efficient. The PSF(CORP) annual rates of return for the one-year, five-year, and ten-year periods ending August 31, 2024, net of fees, were 10.12%, 7.31%, and 6.32%, respectively (total return takes into consideration the change in the market value of the Fund during the year as well as the interest and dividend income generated by the Fund's investments). See "Comparative Investment Schedule - PSF(CORP)" for the PSF(CORP) holdings as of August 31, 2024.

Effective February 1, 2024, Texas PSF transitioned into a new strategic asset allocation. The new allocation of the PSF Corporation updated the strategic asset allocation among public equities, fixed income, and alternative assets, as discussed herein. Alternative assets now include private credit, absolute return, private equity, real estate, natural resources, and infrastructure. For a description of the accrual basis of accounting and more information about performance, including comparisons to established benchmarks for certain periods, please see the 2024 Annual Report which is included by reference herein.

PSF Returns Fiscal Year Ended 8-31-2024¹

<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Return</u>	<u>Benchmark Return²</u>
Total PSF(CORP) Portfolio	10.12	9.28
Domestic Large Cap Equities	27.30	27.14
Domestic Small/Mid Cap Equities	18.35	18.37
International Equities	18.82	18.08
Private Credit	1.41	0.93
Core Bonds	7.08	7.30
Absolute Return	11.50	8.87
Real Estate	(6.42)	(7.22)
Private Equity	4.62	4.23
High Yield	12.03	12.53
Natural Resources	12.36	6.42
Infrastructure	4.41	3.63
Bank Loans	3.02	3.23
Short Term Investment Portfolio	2.42	2.28

¹ Time weighted rates of return adjusted for cash flows for the PSF(CORP) investment assets. Does not include SLB managed real estate or real assets. Returns are net of fees. Source: Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

² Benchmarks are as set forth in the Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2024.

The SLB is responsible for the investment of money in the Real Estate Special Fund Account (RESFA) of the PSF (also referred to herein as the PSF(SLB)). Pursuant to applicable law, money in the PSF(SLB) may be invested in land, mineral and royalty interest, and real property holdings. For more information regarding the investments of the PSF(SLB), please see the 2024 Unaudited Annual Financial Report of the Texas General Land Office and Veterans Land Board.

The Fund directly supports the public school system in the State by distributing a predetermined percentage of its asset value to the ASF. In fiscal year 2024, \$2.2 billion was distributed to the ASF, \$600 million of which was distributed by the PSF(CORP) on behalf of the SLB.

Other Events and Disclosures

State ethics laws govern the ethics and disclosure requirements for financial advisors and other service providers who advise certain State governmental entities, including the PSF. The SBOE code of ethics provides ethical standards for SBOE members, the Education Commissioner, TEA staff, and persons who provide services to the SBOE relating to the Fund. The PSF Corporation developed its own ethics policy that provides basic ethical principles, guidelines, and standards of conduct relating to the management and investment of the Fund in accordance with the requirements of §43.058 of the Texas Education Code, as amended. The SBOE code of ethics is codified in the Texas Administrative Code at 19 TAC sections 33.4 et seq. and is available on the

TEA web site at <https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/ch033a.pdf>. The PSF Corporation's ethics policy is posted to the PSF Corporation's website at texaspsf.org.

In addition, the SLB and GLO have established processes and controls over the administration of real estate transactions and are subject to provisions of the Texas Natural Resources Code and internal procedures in administering real estate transactions for Fund assets it manages.

As of August 31, 2024, certain lawsuits were pending against the State and/or the GLO, which challenge the Fund's title to certain real property and/or past or future mineral income from that property, and other litigation arising in the normal course of the investment activities of the PSF. Reference is made to the Annual Report, when filed, for a description of such lawsuits that are pending, which may represent contingent liabilities of the Fund.

PSF Continuing Disclosure Undertaking

As of March 1, 2023, the TEA's undertaking pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 (the "TEA Undertaking") pertaining to the PSF and the Guarantee Program, is codified at 19 TAC 33.8, which relates to the Guarantee Program and is available at <https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/ch033a.pdf>.

Through the codification of the TEA Undertaking and its commitment to guarantee bonds, the TEA has made the following agreement for the benefit of the issuers, holders, and beneficial owners of guaranteed bonds. The TEA (or its successor with respect to the management of the Guarantee Program) is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains an "obligated person," within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12, with respect to guaranteed bonds. Nothing in the TEA Undertaking obligates the TEA to make any filings or disclosures with respect to guaranteed bonds, as the obligations of the TEA under the TEA Undertaking pertain solely to the Guarantee Program. The issuer or an "obligated person" of the guaranteed bonds has assumed the applicable obligation under Rule 15c2-12 to make all disclosures and filings relating directly to guaranteed bonds, and the TEA takes no responsibility with respect to such undertakings. Under the TEA Undertaking, the TEA is obligated to provide annually certain updated financial information and operating data, and timely notice of specified material events, to the MSRB.

The MSRB has established the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system, and the TEA is required to file its continuing disclosure information using the EMMA system. Investors may access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB at www.emma.msrb.org, and the continuing disclosure filings of the TEA with respect to the PSF can be found at <https://emma.msrb.org/IssueView/Details/ER355077> or by searching for "Texas Permanent School Fund Bond Guarantee Program" on EMMA.

Annual Reports

The PSF Corporation, on behalf of the TEA, and the TEA will annually provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the Guarantee Program and

the PSF of the general type included in this offering document under the heading “THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE PROGRAM.” The information also includes the Annual Report. The PSF Corporation will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year.

The TEA and the PSF Corporation may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly-available documents, as permitted by Rule 15c2-12. The updated information includes audited financial statements of, or relating to, the State or the PSF, when and if such audits are commissioned and available. In the event audits are not available by the filing deadline, unaudited financial statements will be provided by such deadline, and audited financial statements will be provided when available. Financial statements of the State will be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to state governments, as such principles may be changed from time to time, or such other accounting principles as the State Auditor is required to employ from time to time pursuant to State law or regulation. The financial statements of the Fund are required to be prepared to conform to U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

The Fund is composed of two primary segments: the financial assets (PSF(CORP)) managed by PSF Corporation, and the non-financial assets (PSF(SLB)) managed by the SLB. Each of these segments is reported separately und different bases of accounting.

The PSF Corporation reports as a special-purpose government engaged in business-type activities and reports to the State of Texas as a discretely presented component unit accounted for on an economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Measurement focus refers to the definition of the resource flows measured. Under the accrual basis of accounting, all revenues reported are recognized in the period they are earned or when the PSF Corporation has a right to receive them. Expenses are recognized in the period they are incurred, and the subsequent amortization of any deferred outflows. Additionally, costs related to capital assets are capitalized and subsequently depreciated over the useful life of the assets. Both current and long-term assets and liabilities are presented in the statement of net position.

The SLB manages the Fund’s non-financial assets (PSF(SLB)), is classified as a governmental permanent fund and accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, amounts are recognized as revenues in the period in which they are available to finance expenditures of the current period and are measurable. Amounts are considered measurable if they can be estimated or otherwise determined. Expenditures are recognized in the period in which the related liability is incurred, if measurable.

The State’s current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, the TEA and the PSF Corporation must provide updated information by the last day of February in each year, unless the State changes its fiscal year. If the State changes its fiscal year, the TEA and PSF Corporation will notify the MSRB of the change.

Event Notices

The TEA and the PSF Corporation will also provide timely notices of certain events to the MSRB. Such notices will be provided not more than ten business days after the occurrence of the event. The TEA or the PSF Corporation will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Guarantee Program: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the IRS of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Guarantee Program, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Guarantee Program; (7) modifications to rights of holders of bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (8) bond calls, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (11) rating changes of the Guarantee Program; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the Guarantee Program (which is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the Guarantee Program in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Guarantee Program, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Guarantee Program); (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Guarantee Program or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (14) the appointment of a successor or additional trustee with respect to the Guarantee Program or the change of name of a trustee, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (15) the incurrence of a financial obligation of the Guarantee Program, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the Guarantee Program, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the Guarantee Program, any of which reflect financial difficulties. (Neither the Act nor any other law, regulation or instrument pertaining to the Guarantee Program make any provision with respect to the Guarantee Program for bond calls, debt service reserves, credit enhancement, liquidity enhancement, early redemption, or the appointment of a trustee with respect to the Guarantee Program.) In addition, the TEA or the PSF Corporation will provide timely notice of any failure

by the TEA or the PSF Corporation to provide information, data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under “Annual Reports.”

Availability of Information

The TEA and the PSF Corporation have agreed to provide the foregoing information only to the MSRB and to transmit such information electronically to the MSRB in such format and accompanied by such identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB. The information is available from the MSRB to the public without charge at www.emma.msrb.org.

Limitations and Amendments

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

The continuing disclosure agreement is made only with respect to the PSF and the Guarantee Program. The issuer of guaranteed bonds or an obligated person with respect to guaranteed bonds may make a continuing disclosure undertaking in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 with respect to its obligations arising under Rule 15c2-12 pertaining to financial information and operating data concerning such entity and events notices relating to such guaranteed bonds. A description of such undertaking, if any, is included elsewhere in this offering document.

This continuing disclosure agreement may be amended by the TEA or the PSF Corporation from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the TEA or the PSF Corporation, but only if (1) the provisions, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell guaranteed bonds in the primary offering of such bonds in compliance with Rule 15c2-12, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of Rule 15c2-12 since such offering as well as such changed circumstances and (2) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the TEA or the PSF Corporation (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interest of the holders and beneficial owners of the bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program. The TEA or the PSF Corporation may also amend or repeal the provisions of its continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provision of Rule 15c2-12 or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of Rule 15c2-12

are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling bonds guaranteed by the Guarantee Program in the primary offering of such bonds.

Compliance with Prior Undertakings

Except as stated below, during the last five years, the TEA and the PSF Corporation have not failed to substantially comply with their previous continuing disclosure agreements in accordance with Rule 15c2-12. On April 28, 2022, TEA became aware that it had not timely filed its 2021 Annual Report with EMMA due to an administrative oversight. TEA took corrective action and filed the 2021 Annual Report with EMMA on April 28, 2022, followed by a notice of late filing made with EMMA on April 29, 2022. TEA notes that the 2021 Annual Report was timely filed on the TEA website by the required filing date and that website posting has been incorporated by reference into TEA's Bond Guarantee Program disclosures that are included in school district and charter district offering documents. On March 31, 2025, the TEA and the PSF Corporation became aware that the 2022 operating data was not timely filed with EMMA due to an administrative oversight. TEA and PSF Corporation took corrective action and filed a notice of late filing with EMMA on April 4, 2025. The annual operating data was previously posted to EMMA on March 31, 2023.

SEC Exemptive Relief

On February 9, 1996, the TEA received a letter from the Chief Counsel of the SEC that pertains to the availability of the "small issuer exemption" set forth in paragraph (d)(2) of Rule 15c2-12. The letter provides that Texas school districts which offer municipal securities that are guaranteed under the Guarantee Program may undertake to comply with the provisions of paragraph (d)(2) of Rule 15c2-12 if their offerings otherwise qualify for such exemption, notwithstanding the guarantee of the school district securities under the Guarantee Program. Among other requirements established by Rule 15c2-12, a school district offering may qualify for the small issuer exemption if, upon issuance of the proposed series of securities, the school district will have no more than \$10 million of outstanding municipal securities.

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