

# TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION DAWSON, GEORGIA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014 (Including Independent Auditor's Reports)



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February 26, 2016

Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor Members of the General Assembly Members of the State Board of Education and Superintendent and Members of the Terrell County Board of Education

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information (Exhibits A through I) of the Terrell County Board of Education, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Opinions

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Terrell County Board of Education, as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2014 the Terrell County Board of Education adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities.* The School District restated beginning Net Position for the cumulative effect of this accounting change. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual, as presented on page 27, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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 regarding 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.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Terrell County Board of Education's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, consisting of Schedules 2 through 5, is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is 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 U. S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations,* and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 26, 2016, on our consideration of the Terrell County Board of Education'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 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 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 Terrell County Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A copy of this report has been filed as a permanent record in the office of the State Auditor and made available to the press of the State, as provided for by Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 50-6-24.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

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#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2014

	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,504,388.74
Accounts Receivable, Net	
Taxes	798,423.88
State Government	3,479,108.38
Federal Government Other	463,008.73
Other Inventories	8,445.13 20,239.09
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable	20,239.09 15,757,443.01
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable Capital Assets, Depreciable (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	14,775,278.71
Capital Assets, Depreciable (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	14,115,216.11
Total Assets	40,806,335.67
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Loss on Refunding of Debt	167,603.66
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	198,258.56
Salaries and Benefits Payable	1,442,674.18
Payroll Withholdings Payable	100,000.79
Contracts Payable	802,228.31
Retainages Payable	723,861.00
Long-Term Liabilities	
Due Within One Year	797,331.55
Due in More Than One Year	6,694,889.28
Total Liabilities	10,759,243.67
NET POSITION	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	24,469,695.38
Restricted for	
Continuation of Federal Programs	80,023.22 633,875.00
Debt Service Capital Projects	278,424.14
Unrestricted	4,752,677.92
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Total Net Position	\$30,214,695.66

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	_	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	
Instruction	\$	9,079,427.31 \$	33,287.00	
Support Services				
Pupil Services		472,681.82		
Improvement of Instructional Services		978,716.04		
Educational Media Services		328,280.45		
General Administration		214,703.69		
School Administration		730,082.80		
Business Administration		398,286.34		
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		1,445,320.73		
Student Transportation Services		978,578.47		
Other Support Services		69,193.58		
Operations of Non-Instructional Services		,		
Food Services		990,440.31	10,048.65	
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Term Debt		153,783.51	-,	
Total Governmental Activities	\$	15,839,495.05 \$	43,335.65	

General Revenues Taxes Property Taxes For Maintenance and Operations Railroad Cars Sales Taxes Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax For Capital Projects Other Sales Tax Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Specific Programs Investment Earnings Miscellaneous Extraordinary Item Insurance Proceeds for Replacement of Building

Total General Revenues

Change in Net Position

Net Position - Beginning of Year (Restated)

Net Position - End of Year

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

	PROGRAM REVENUES				NET (EXPENSES)
	OPERATING		CAPITAL		REVENUES
	GRANTS AND		GRANTS AND		AND CHANGES IN
	CONTRIBUTIONS		CONTRIBUTIONS		NET POSITION
				-	
\$	5,794,022.82	\$	7,284,801.91	\$	4,032,684.42
	46,382.45				-426,299.37
	555,610.14				-423,105.90
	175,905.00		156,254.43		3,878.98
	416,963.29				202,259.60
	511,387.44				-218,695.36
	5,050.64				-393,235.70
	432,271.92				-1,013,048.81
	358,839.30		77,220.00		-542,519.17
	72,450.03				3,256.45
	975,105.01		28,957.12		23,670.47
			20,001.12	_	-153,783.51
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\$	9,343,988.04	Ф	7,547,233.46	-	1,095,062.10

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883,665.88 49,649.88 325,884.00 43,209.09 367,422.34 4,477,428.00

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11,194,899.84

19,019,795.82

\$ 30,214,695.66

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2014

	-	GENERAL FUND	DISTRICT- WIDE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	TOTAL
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents Accounts Receivable, Net Taxes State Government Federal Government Other Inventories	\$	4,605,424.45 \$ 725,731.77 811,800.32 463,008.73 8,445.13 20,239.09	264,589.29 72,692.11 2,667,308.06	\$ 634,375.00	\$ 5,504,388.74 798,423.88 3,479,108.38 463,008.73 8,445.13 20,239.09
Total Assets	\$ _	6,634,649.49 \$	3,004,589.46	\$ 634,375.00	\$ 10,273,613.95
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable Salaries and Benefits Payable Payroll Withholdings Payable Contracts Payable Retainages Payable	\$	175,196.08 \$ 1,442,674.18 100,000.79	22,562.48 802,228.31 723,861.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 198,258.56 1,442,674.18 100,000.79 802,228.31 723,861.00
Total Liabilities	-	1,717,871.05	1,548,651.79	500.00	3,267,022.84
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes	-	523,484.24			523,484.24
FUND BALANCES					
Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned	_	20,239.09 59,784.13 45,151.35 4,268,119.63	1,455,937.67	633,875.00	20,239.09 2,149,596.80 45,151.35 4,268,119.63
Total Fund Balances	-	4,393,294.20	1,455,937.67	633,875.00	6,483,106.87
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$_	6,634,649.49 \$	3,004,589.46	\$ 634,375.00	\$ 10,273,613.95

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2014

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (Exhibit "C")			\$	6,483,106.87
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:				
Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. These assets consist of:				
Land Construction in Progress Land Improvements Buildings Equipment Accumulated Depreciation	\$	596,505.69 15,160,937.32 80,097.66 19,714,149.33 1,683,443.00 -6,702,411.28		
Total Capital Assets Taxes that are not available to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the governmental funds.	-			30,532,721.72
Property Taxes				523,484.24
Some costs associated with Losses on Early Retirement of debt are amortized over the life of the Bonds in the District-wide Statements.				
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Loss on Refunding of Debt				167,603.66
Long-Term Liabilities, including Bonds Payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-Term Liabilities at year-end consist of:				
Bonds Payable Bond Premiums, Net of Amortization Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$ _	-7,260,000.00 -232,220.83		-7,492,220.83
Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit "A")			\$_	30,214,695.66

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	_	GENERAL FUND	DISTRICT- WIDE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	TOTAL
REVENUES					
Property Taxes Sales Taxes State Funds Federal Funds Charges for Services Investment Earnings Miscellaneous	\$	4,620,806.06 49,649.88 \$ 6,950,374.89 2,796,747.15 43,335.65 18,901.35 367,422.34	883,665.88 7,470,013.46 21,192.68 \$	\$ 3,115.06	4,620,806.06 933,315.76 14,420,388.35 2,796,717.15 43,335.65 43,209.09 367,422.34
Total Revenues	_	14,847,207.32	8,374,872.02	3,115.06	23,225,194.40
EXPENDITURES	_	, ,			
Current					
Instruction		8,618,479.54	1,087.99		8,619,567.53
Support Services Pupil Services Improvement of Instructional Services Educational Media Services General Administration School Administration Business Administration Maintenance and Operation of Plant Student Transportation Services Other Support Services Food Services Operation Capital Outlay		463,905.78 973,902.24 296,649.75 214,703.69 730,082.80 389,118.62 1,450.363.70 918,657.40 69,193.58 988,532.52	8,776.04 4,813.80 21,336.12 9,167.72 33,920.82 198,681.00 13,541,457.24		472,681.82 978,716.04 317,985.87 214,703.69 730,082.80 398,286.34 1,484,284.52 1,117,338.40 69,193.58 988,532.52 13,541,457.24
Debt Services Principal Dues and Fees Interest	_			540,000.00 900.00 155,778.91	540,000.00 900.00 155,778.91
Total Expenditures		15,113,589.62	13,819,240.73	696,678.91	29,629,509.26
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures		-266,382.30	-5,444,368.71	-693,563.85	-6,404,314.86
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Insurance Proceeds Transfers In Transfers Out		_	4,477,428.00	710,534.94	4,477,428.00 710,534.94 -710,534.94
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)			3,766,893.06	710,534.94	4,477,428.00
Net Change in Fund Balances		-266,382.30	-1,677,475.65	16,971.09	-1,926,886.86
Fund Balances - Beginning	_	4,659,676.50	3,133,413.32	616,903.91	8,409,993.73
Fund Balances - Ending	\$	4,393,294.20 \$	1,455,937.67 \$	633,875.00 \$	6,483,106.87

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2014

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (Exhibit "E")				\$	-1,926,886.86
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:					
Capital Outlays are reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of Capital Assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:					
Capital Outlay	\$	13,817,3			
Depreciation Expense	_	-570,2	39.43		
Excess of Capital Outlay over Depreciation Expense					13,247,118.81
Taxes reported in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current					000 007 54
financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.					-668,227.51
Deferred gains/losses on refundings and similar items when debt					
is first issued are reported as an expenditure in Governmental Funds,					
but are reported as deferred charges on the Statement of Net Position					
and amortized over the term of the debt, using the straight-line method.					
The details of this difference in the current period are as follows:					
Amortization of Deferred Gain on Refunding of Bonds					-39,436.15
Repayment of Long-Term Debt is reported as an expenditure in Governmental					
Funds, but the repayment reduces Long-Term Liabilities in the Statement of					
Net Position. In the current year, these amounts consist of:					
Bond Principal Retirements	\$	540,0	00.00		
Amortization of Bond Premium		42,3	31.55		
Total Long-Term Debt Repayments	-				582,331.55
				_	<u> </u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit "R")				\$	11 194 899 84

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit "B")

\$ 11,194,899.84

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2014

	_	PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUSTS	 AGENCY FUNDS
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$_	1,405.00	\$ 21,203.23
LIABILITIES			
Funds Held for Others			\$ 21,203.23
NET POSITION			
Held in Trust for Private Purposes	\$	1,405.00	

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

ADDITIONS	PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUSTS
Contributions Donors	\$650.00
DEDUCTIONS	
Scholarships	1,000.00
Change in Net Position	-350.00
Net Position - Beginning	1,755.00
Net Position - Ending	\$1,405.00

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#### NOTE 1: DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

#### **REPORTING ENTITY**

The Terrell County Board of Education (School District) was established under the laws of the State of Georgia and operates under the guidance of a school board elected by the voters and a Superintendent appointed by the Board. The Board is organized as a separate legal entity and has the power to levy taxes and issue bonds. Its budget is not subject to approval by any other entity. Accordingly, the School District is a primary government and consists of all the organizations that compose its legal entity.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The School District's basic financial statements are collectively comprised of the District-wide financial statements, fund financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements of the Terrell County Board of Education.

#### District-wide Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the financial activities of the overall School District, 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 School 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. Indirect expenses (expenses of the School District related to the administration and support of the School District's programs, such as office and maintenance personnel and accounting) are not allocated to programs.
- Program revenues include (a) 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 School District's funds. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Separate statements for each category (governmental and fiduciary) are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The School District reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
- District-wide Capital Projects Fund accounts for and reports financial resources including Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), Bond Proceeds, and grants from Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission that are restricted, committed or assigned to the expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

• Debt Service Fund accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned including taxes (sales) legally restricted for the payment of general long-term principal and interest.

The School District reports the following fiduciary fund types:

- Private Purpose Trust funds report trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit a student scholarship.
- Agency funds account for assets held by the School District as an agent for various funds or individuals.

## **BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are reported on the financial statements. The District-wide governmental and fiduciary financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, sales taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from sales taxes is recognized in the fiscal year in which the underlying transaction (sale) takes place. Revenue from grants and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in the fiscal y

The School District uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

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 School District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if they are collected within sixty days after year-end. The School District considers all intergovernmental revenues to be available if they are collected within 120 days after year-end. Property taxes, sales taxes and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term liabilities are reported as other financing sources.

The School District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program costs are incurred, both restricted and unrestricted resources are available to finance the program. It is the School District's policy to first apply grant resources to such programs, followed by cost-reimbursement grants, then general revenues.

#### **RESTATEMENT OF PRIOR YEAR NET POSITION**

For fiscal year 2014, the School District made several prior period adjustments due to the adoption of GASB Statement No. 65, as described in "New Accounting Pronouncements" below, which require the restatement of the June 30, 2013, net position in Governmental Activities. The result is a decrease in Net Position at July 1, 2013 of \$215,329.43. This change is in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Net Position, July 1, 2013, as previously reported	\$	19,235,125.25
Reclassification of Bond Issuance Costs	_	215,329.43
Net Position, July 1, 2013, as restated	\$	19,019,795.82

#### **NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In fiscal year 2014, the School District adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. The provisions of this Statement establish accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. As noted above the School District restated beginning Fund Balance and beginning Net Position for the cumulative effect of this accounting change.

#### **FUTURE ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In fiscal year 2015, the School District will adopt Governmental Account Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*. The provisions of this Statement establish accounting and financial reporting standards for pensions that are provided to the employees of state and local governmental employers through pension plans that are administered through trusts. Implementation of this Statement will require the School District to record a liability for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability of pension plans in which it participates. Based on information provided by the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS), the School District's liability for the unfunded portion of the pension plan administered through TRS is estimated to be \$9.0 million at June 30, 2015.

#### **CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

#### **Composition of Deposits**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition in authorized financial institutions. Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 45-8-14 authorizes the School District to deposit its funds in one or more solvent banks, insured Federal savings and loan associations or insured chartered building and loan associations.

#### RECEIVABLES

Receivables consist of amounts due from property and sales taxes, grant reimbursements due on Federal, State or other grants for expenditures made but not reimbursed and other receivables disclosed from information available. Receivables are recorded when either the asset or revenue recognition criteria has been met. Receivables recorded on the basic financial statements do not include any amounts which would necessitate the need for an allowance for uncollectible receivables.

#### **PROPERTY TAXES**

The Terrell County Board of Commissioners adopted the property tax levy for the 2013 tax digest year (calendar year) on November 18, 2013 (levy date) based on property values as of January 1, 2013. Taxes were due on January 17, 2014 (lien date). Taxes collected within the current fiscal year or within 60 days after year-end on the 2013 tax digest are reported as revenue in the governmental funds for fiscal year 2014. The Terrell County Tax Commissioner bills and collects the property taxes for the School District, withholds 2.5% of taxes collected as a fee for tax collection and remits the balance of taxes collected to the School District. Property tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, for maintenance and operations amounted to \$4,438,113.69.

The tax millage rate levied for the 2013 tax year (calendar year) for the Terrell County Board of Education was as follows (a mill equals \$1 per thousand dollars of assessed value):

School Operations 16.484 mills

Additionally, Title Ad Valorem Tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, amounted to \$166,739.01

during fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

## SALES TAXES

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, at the fund reporting level, during the year amounted to \$883,665.88 and is to be used for capital outlay for educational purposes or debt service. This sales tax was authorized by local referendum and the sales tax must be re-authorized at least every five years.

#### INVENTORIES

#### **Food Inventories**

On the basic financial statements, inventories of donated food commodities used in the preparation of meals are reported at their Federally assigned value and purchased foods inventories are reported at cost (first-in first-out (FIFO). The School District uses the consumption method to account for inventories whereby donated food commodities are recorded as an asset and as revenue when received, and expenses/expenditures are recorded as the inventory items are used. Purchased foods are recorded as the inventory items are recorded as the inventory items are used.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets purchased, including capital outlay costs, are recorded as expenditures in the fund financial statements at the time of purchase (including ancillary charges). On the District-wide financial statements, all purchased capital assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value on the date donated. Disposals are deleted at depreciated recorded cost. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of assets or materially extend the useful lives of the assets is not capitalized. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. The School District does not capitalize book collections or works of art. During the fiscal year under review, no events or changes in circumstances affecting a capital asset that may indicate impairment were known to the School District.

Capitalization thresholds and estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the District-wide statements are as follows:

		Capitalization	Estimated
	_	Policy	Useful Life
	-		
Land		Any Amount	N/A
Land Improvements	\$	50,000.00	1 to 80 years
Buildings and Improvements	\$	50,000.00	15 to 80 years
Equipment	\$	50,000.00	5 to 25 years
Intangible Assets	\$	100,000.00	10 to 20 years

Depreciation is used to allocate the actual or estimated historical cost of all capital assets over estimated useful lives, with the exception of intangible assets which are amortized.

Amortization of intangible assets such as water, timber, and mineral rights, easements, patents, trademarks, copyrights and internally generated software is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 10 to 20 years.

#### **DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position and/or the balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School District has only one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The deferred charge on refunded debt resulting from the difference in the carrying value of the refunded debt and its reacquisition price is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position and/or the balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School District has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from property taxes and grants and these amounts are deferred and will be recognized as an inflow of resources in the period in which the amounts become available.

#### **GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

The School District issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. In the District-wide financial statements, bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bond issuance costs are recognized as an outflow of resources in the fiscal year in which the bonds are issued.

In the fund financial statements, the School District recognizes bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs during the fiscal year bonds are issued. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures. In addition, general obligation bonds have been issued to refund existing general obligation bonds. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the government. The outstanding amount of these bonds is recorded in the Statement of Net Position.

## **NET POSITION**

The School District's net position in the District-wide Statements is classified as follows:

**Net investment in capital assets** - This represents the School District's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.

**Restricted net position** - This represents resources for which the School District is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources for continuation of Federal Programs, debt service and capital projects in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties.

**Unrestricted net position** - Unrestricted net position represents resources derived from property taxes, sales taxes, grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs, charges for services, and miscellaneous revenues. These resources are used for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the School District, and may be used at the discretion of the Board to meet current expenses for those purposes.

#### FUND BALANCES

The School District's fund balances are classified as follows:

**Nonspendable** – Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

**Restricted** – Constraints are placed on the use of resources are either (1) externally imposed conditions by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

**Committed** – Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Education. The Board of Education is the School District's highest level of decision-making authority, and the formal action that is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment is a resolution approved by the Board. Committed fund balance also should incorporate contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

**Assigned** – Amounts that are constrained by the School District's *intent* to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The intent should be expressed by (1) the Board of Education or (2) the budget or finance committee, or the Superintendent, or designee, to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.

**Unassigned** – The residual classification for the General Fund. This classification represents fund balances that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund.

Fund Balances of the Governmental Funds at June 30, 2014, are as follows:

Nonspendable				
Inventories			\$	20,239.09
Restricted				
Continuation of Federal Programs	\$	59,784.13		
Capital Projects		1,455,937.67		
Debt Service	_	633,875.00	_	2,149,596.80
Assigned	_		-	
School Activity Accounts				45,151.35
Unassigned				4,268,119.63
Fund Balance, June 30, 2014			\$	6,483,106.87

When multiple categories of fund balance are available for expenditure, the School District will start with the most restricted category and spend those funds first before moving down to the next category with available funds.

#### **USE OF ESTIMATES**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE 3: BUDGETARY DATA

The budget is a complete financial plan for the School District's fiscal year, and is based upon careful estimates of expenditures together with probable funding sources. The budget is legally adopted each year for the general, debt service, and capital projects funds. There is no statutory prohibition regarding over expenditure of the budget at any level. The budget for all governmental funds, except the various school activity (principal) accounts, is prepared and adopted by fund, function and object. The legal level of budgetary control was established by the Board at the aggregate function level. The budget for the General Fund was prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary process begins with the School District's administration presenting an initial budget for the Board's review. The administration makes revisions as necessary based on the Board's guidelines and a tentative budget is approved. After approval of this tentative budget by the Board, such budget is advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality, as well as the School District's website. At the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board after advertisement, the Board receives comments on the tentative budget, makes revisions as necessary and adopts a final budget. The approved budget is then submitted, in accordance with provisions of Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 20-2-167(c), to the Georgia Department of Education. The Board may increase or decrease the budget at any time during the year. All unexpended budget authority lapses at fiscal year-end.

See Schedule 1 – General Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget to Actual for a detail of any over/under expenditures during the fiscal year under review.

#### NOTE 4: DEPOSITS

#### **COLLATERALIZATION OF DEPOSITS**

Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) Section 45-8-12) provides that there shall not be on deposit at any time in any depository for a time longer than ten days a sum of money which has not been secured by surety bond, by guarantee of insurance, or by collateral. The aggregate of the face value of such surety bond and the market value of securities pledged shall be equal to not less than 110 percent of the public funds being secured after the deduction of the amount of deposit insurance. If a depository elects the pooled method (O.C.G.A. Section 45-8-13.1) the aggregate of the market value of the securities pledged to secure a pool of public funds shall be not less than 110 percent of the daily pool balance.

Acceptable security for deposits consists of any one of or any combination of the following:

1. Surety bond signed by a surety company duly qualified and authorized to transact business within the State of Georgia,

- 2. Insurance on accounts provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
- 3. Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other direct obligations of the United States or of the State of Georgia,
- 4. Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other obligations of the counties or municipalities of the State of Georgia,
- 5. Bonds of any public authority created by the laws of the State of Georgia, providing that the statute that created the authority authorized the use of the bonds for this purpose,
- 6. Industrial revenue bonds and bonds of development authorities created by the laws of the State of Georgia, and
- 7. Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness, or other obligations of a subsidiary corporation of the United States government, which are fully guaranteed by the United States government both as to principal and interest or debt obligations issued by or securities guaranteed by the Federal Land Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank, the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, the Central Bank for Cooperatives, the Farm Credit Banks, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association, and the Federal National Mortgage Association.

#### **CATEGORIZATION OF DEPOSITS**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2014, the School District had deposits with a carrying amount of \$5,526,996.97 and a bank balance of \$6,495,689.00. The bank balances insured by Federal depository insurance were \$395,866.87, and the bank balances collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution or by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the School District's name were \$6,099,822.13.

#### **NOTE 5: NON-MONETARY TRANSACTIONS**

The School District receives food commodities from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for school breakfast and lunch programs. These commodities are recorded at their Federally assigned value. See Note 2 - Inventories.

## **NOTE 6: CAPITAL ASSETS**

## The following is a summary of changes in the Capital Assets during the fiscal year:

	-	Balances July 1, 2013	-	Increases	Decreases	_	Balances June 30, 2014
Governmental Activities							
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated:							
Land	\$	596,505.69			\$ 0.00	\$	596,505.69
Construction in Progress	-	1,619,480.08	\$.	13,541,457.24		-	15,160,937.32
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	-	2,215,985.77		13,541,457.24	0.00	-	15,757,443.01
Capital Assets Being Depreciated							
Buildings and Improvements		19,714,149.33			0.00		19,714,149.33
Equipment		1,407,542.00		275,901.00			1,683,443.00
Land Improvements		80,097.66					80,097.66
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:							
Buildings and Improvements		5,371,746.84		445,967.48			5,817,714.32
Equipment		680,327.35		124,271.95			804,599.30
Land Improvements	-	80,097.66				-	80,097.66
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	-	15,069,617.14	•	-294,338.43	0.00	-	14,775,278.71
Governmental Activity Capital Assets - Net	\$	17,285,602.91	\$	13,247,118.81	\$ 0.00	\$	30,532,721.72

Current year depreciation expense by function is as follows:

Instruction			\$ 434,910.16
Support Services			
Educational Media Services	\$	9,328.55	
Student Transportation Services		124,271.95	133,600.50
Food Services	-		1,728.77

\$ 570,239.43

#### **NOTE 7: INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2014, consisted of the following:

	-	Transfers From
		District-wide
Transfers to		Capital Projects
	_	
Debt Service Fund	\$	710,534.94

Transfers are used to move sales tax revenues collected by District-wide Capital Projects Fund to the Debt Service Fund to pay current year bond principal and interest as required in bond resolution.

#### NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors or omissions; job related illness or injuries to employees; acts of God. and unemployment compensation.

The School District has obtained commercial insurance for risk of loss associated with torts, assets, and errors or omissions. The School District has neither significantly reduced coverage for these risks nor incurred losses (settlements) which exceeded the School District's insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

The School District has elected to self-insure for all losses related to acts of God. The School District has not experienced any losses related to this risk in the past three years.

The School District is self-insured with regard to unemployment compensation claims. The School District accounts for claims within the General Fund with expenses/expenditures and liability being reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated.

Changes in the unemployment compensation claims liability during the last two fiscal years are as follows:

	Beginning	Claims and					
	of Year	Changes in		Claims		End of Year	
	Liability	Estimates		Paid		Liability	
2013 \$	0.00 \$	14,272.86	\$	14,272.86	\$	0.00	
2014 \$	0.00 \$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	

The School District participates in the Georgia Education Workers' Compensation Trust, a public entity risk pool organized on December 1, 1991, to develop, implement and administer a program of workers' compensation self-insurance for its member organizations. The School District pays an annual premium to the Trust for its general worker's compensation insurance coverage. Specific excess of loss insurance coverage is provided through an agreement by the Trust with the Safety National Casualty Company to provide coverage for potential losses sustained by the Trust in excess of \$1 million loss per occurrence, up to the statutory limit. Employers' Liability insurance coverage is also provided with limits of \$2 million. The Trust covers the first \$1 million of each Employers liability

claim with Safety National providing additional Employers Liability limits up to a \$2 million per occurrence maximum. Safety National Casualty Company also provides \$2 million in aggregate coverage to the Trust, attaching at 110% of the loss fund and based on the Fund's annual normal premium.

The School District has purchased surety bonds to provide additional insurance coverage as follows:

Position Covered	_	Amount
	_	
Superintendent	\$	10,000.00
Each Principal	\$	10,000.00
All Employees	\$	50,000.00

## **NOTE 9: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

#### **GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT OUTSTANDING**

General Obligation Bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Purpose	Interest Rates	Amount
General Government - Refunding - Series 2012 General Government - Series 2013	2.0% - 3.0% \$ 2.00%	2,980,000.00 4,280,000.00
	\$	7,260,000.00

The changes in Long-Term Liabilities during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, were as follows:

	Governmental Activities					
	-	Balance			Balance	Due Within One
		July 1, 2013	Additions	Deductions	June 30, 2014	Year
G.O. Bonds	\$	7,800,000.00 \$	0.00 \$	540,000.00 \$	7,260,000.00 \$	755,000.00
On Refunding (1)	-	(1)			0.00	
Total G. O. Bonds		7,800,001.00	0.00	540,000.00	7,260,000.00	755,000.00
Bond Premiums Amortized	-	274,552.38		42,331.55	232,220.83	42,331.55
	\$	8,074,553.38 \$	0.00 \$	582,331.55 \$	7,492,220.83 \$	797,331.55

(1) Deferred amounts on refunding bonds were restated as Deferred Outflows of Resoures due to the implementation of GASB 65 as described in Note 2.

At June 30, 2014, payments due by fiscal year which includes principal and interest for these items are as follows:

		General Obligation Debt				Unamortized Bond
Fiscal Year Ended June 30:	_	Principal		Interest	_	Premium
2015	\$	755.000.00	\$	152.200.00	\$	42,331.55
2016	Ŧ	780,000.00	Ŧ	136,850.00	Ŧ	42,331.55
2017		790,000.00		121,150.00		42,331.55
2018		815,000.00		102,025.00		42,331.55
2019		840,000.00		79,200.00		42,331.55
2020 - 2024		3,280,000.00		200,600.00		20,563.08
	-		-		-	
Total Principal and Interest	\$	7,260,000.00	\$	792,025.00	\$_	232,220.83

## NOTE 10: ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

The School District has recognized revenues and costs in the amount of \$599,199.86 for health insurance and retirement contributions paid on the School District's behalf by the following State Agencies.

Georgia Department of Education

Paid to the Georgia Department of Community Health For Health Insurance of Certificated Personnel In the amount of \$561,408.00

Paid to the Teachers' Retirement System of Georgia For Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) Employer's Cost In the amount of \$4,575.86

Office of the State Treasurer

Paid to the Public School Employees' Retirement System For Public School Employees' Retirement (PSERS) Employer's Cost In the amount of \$33,216.00

Funds paid to the Georgia Department of Community Health by the Georgia Department of Education on behalf of the School District are reported as part of the Quality Basic Education revenue allotments on Schedule 3 – Schedule of State Revenue.

#### NOTE 11: SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

The following is an analysis of significant outstanding construction or renovation contracts executed by the School District as of June 30, 2014, together with funding available:

Project		Unearned Executed Contracts		Funding Available From State	
14ALW-735-001 and 14LW-735-012	\$	1,585,782.72	\$	2,237,629.54	

The amounts described in this note are not reflected in the basic financial statements.

#### NOTE 12: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received or receivable principally from the Federal government are subject to audit and review by grantor agencies. This could result in requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for any costs which are disallowed under grant terms. The School District believes that such disallowances, if any, will be immaterial to its overall financial position.

#### NOTE 13: POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### **GEORGIA SCHOOL PERSONNEL POST-EMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT FUND**

**Plan Description.** The Georgia School Personnel Post-employment Health Benefit Fund (School OPEB Fund) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan that covers eligible former employees of public school systems, libraries and regional educational service agencies. The School OPEB Fund provides health insurance benefits to eligible former employees and their qualified beneficiaries through the State Employees Health Benefit Plan administered by the Department of Community Health. The Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions of the group health plans, including benefits for retirees, to the Board of Community Health (Board). The Department of Community Health, which includes the School OPEB Fund, issues a separate stand alone financial audit report and a copy can be obtained from the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts.

Funding Policy. The contribution requirements of plan members and participating employers are established by the Board in accordance with the current Appropriations Act and may be amended by the Board. Contributions of plan members or beneficiaries receiving benefits vary based on plan election, dependent coverage, and Medicare eligibility and election. For members with fewer than five years of service as of January 1, 2012, contributions also vary based on years of service. On average, members with five years or more of service as of January 1, 2012, pay approximately 25 percent of the cost of the health insurance coverage. In accordance with the Board resolution dated December 8, 2011, for members with fewer than five years of service as of January 1, 2012, the State provides a premium subsidy in retirement that ranges from 0% for fewer than 10 years of service to 75% (but no greater than the subsidy percentage offered to active employees) for 30 or more years of service. The subsidy for eligible dependents ranges from 0% to 55% (but no greater than the subsidy percentage offered to dependents of active employees minus 20%). No subsidy is available to Medicare eligible members not enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Option. The Board of Community Health sets all member premiums by resolution and in accordance with the law and applicable revenue and expense projections. Any subsidy policy adopted by the Board may be changed at any time by Board resolution and does not constitute a contract or promise of any amount of subsidy.

Participating employers are statutorily required to contribute in accordance with the employer contribution rates established by the Board. The contribution rates are established to fund all benefits due under the health insurance plans for both active and retired employees based on projected "pay-as-you-go" financing requirements. Contributions are not based on the actuarially calculated annual required contribution (ARC) which represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years.

The combined active and retiree contribution rates established by the Board for employers participating in the School OPEB Fund were as follows for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014:

For certificated teachers, librarians and regional educational service agencies and certain other eligible participants:

July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 \$945.00 per member per month

For non-certificated school personnel:

July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 \$596.20 per member per month

No additional contribution was required by the Board for fiscal year 2014 nor contributed to the School OPEB Fund to prefund retiree benefits. Such additional contribution amounts are determined annually by the Board in accordance with the School plan for other post-employment benefits and are subject to appropriation.

The School District's combined active and retiree contributions to the health insurance plans, which equaled the required contribution, for the current fiscal year and the preceding two fiscal years were as follows:

Fiscal Year	Percentage Contributed	Required Contribution
2014	100%	\$ 1,645,125.60
2013	100%	\$ 1,436,964.94
2012	100%	\$ 1,565,352.17

#### **NOTE 14: RETIREMENT PLANS**

#### **TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA (TRS)**

**Plan Description.** The TRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan created in 1943 by an act of the Georgia General Assembly to provide retirement benefits for qualifying employees in educational service. A Board of Trustees comprised of active and retired members and ex-officio State employees is ultimately responsible for the administration of TRS. The Teachers' Retirement System of Georgia issues a separate stand alone financial audit report and a copy can be obtained from the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts.

On October 25, 1996, the Board created the Supplemental Retirement Benefits Plan of the Georgia Teachers' Retirement System (SRBP-TRS). SRBP-TRS was established as a qualified excess benefit plan in accordance with Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) as a portion of TRS. The purpose of SRBP-TRS is to provide retirement benefits to employees covered by TRS whose benefits are otherwise limited by IRC Section 415. Beginning July 1, 1997, all members and retired former members in TRS are eligible to participate in the SRBP-TRS whenever their benefits under TRS exceed the IRC Section 415 imposed limitation on benefits.

TRS provides service retirement, disability retirement, and survivor's benefits. The benefit structure of TRS is defined and may be amended by State statute. A member is eligible for normal service retirement after 30 years of creditable service, regardless of age, or after 10 years of service and attainment of age 60. A member is eligible for early retirement after 25 years of creditable service.

Normal retirement (pension) benefits paid to members are equal to 2% of the average of the member's two highest paid consecutive years of service, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service up to 40 years. Early retirement benefits are reduced by the lesser of one-twelfth of 7% for each month the member is below age 60 or by 7% for each year or fraction thereof by which the member has less

than 30 years of service. It is also assumed that certain cost-of-living adjustments, based on the Consumer Price Index, will be made in future years. Retirement benefits are payable monthly for life. A member may elect to receive a partial lump-sum distribution in addition to a reduced monthly retirement benefit. Death, disability and spousal benefits are also available.

**Funding Policy.** TRS is funded by member and employer contributions as adopted and amended by the Board of Trustees. Members become fully vested after 10 years of service. If a member terminates with less than 10 years of service, no vesting of employer contributions occurs, but the member's contributions may be refunded with interest. Member contributions are limited by State law to not less than 5% or more than 6% of a member's earnable compensation. Member contributions as adopted by the Board of Trustees for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, were 6.00% of annual salary. Employer contributions required for fiscal year 2014 were 12.28% of annual salary as required by the June 30, 2011, actuarial valuation.

Employer contributions for the current fiscal year and the preceding two fiscal years are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Percentage Contributed	Required Contribution
2014	100%	\$ 895,009.88
2013	100%	\$ 818,765.44
2012	100%	\$ 722,239.56

#### PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PSERS)

Bus drivers, lunchroom personnel, and maintenance and custodial personnel are members of the Public School Employees' Retirement System of Georgia. The System is funded by contributions by the employees and by the State of Georgia. The School District makes no contribution to this plan.

#### NOTE 15: EXTRAORDINARY ITEM

In August 2011, a fire destroyed an entire building of the former high school facility. Insurance proceeds of \$4,477,428.00 were received in fiscal year 2014 and are recorded as an extraordinary item in the District-wide financial statements and as an other financing source in the Governmental Fund financial statements.

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#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		NONAPPROPRIATED BUDGETS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE
	_	ORIGINAL (1)	FINAL (1)	AMOUNTS	OVER/UNDER
REVENUES					
Property Taxes	\$	3,940,000.00 \$	3,940,000.00 \$	4,620,806.06 \$	680,806.06
Sales Taxes				49,649.88	49,649.88
State Funds		6,936,292.23	6,963,161.23	6,950,374.89	-12,786.34
Federal Funds		3,040,926.33	2,983,850.86	2,796,717.15	-187,133.71
Charges for Services		13,260.00	13,260.00	43,335.65	30,075.65
Investment Earnings		41,635.00	41,635.00	18,901.35	-22,733.65
Miscellaneous		255,000.00	255,000.00	367,422.34	112,422.34
Total Revenues		14,227,113.56	14,196,907.09	14,847,207.32	650,300.23
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
Instruction		8,620,386.83	8,825,755.41	8,618,479.54	207,275.87
Support Services					
Pupil Services		449,433.58	360,484.52	463,905.78	-103,421.26
Improvement of Instructional Services		1,078,197.69	1,026,955.41	973,902.24	53,053.17
Educational Media Services		301,167.66	301,148.78	296,649.75	4,499.03
General Administration		454,182.26	276,945.59	214,703.69	62,241.90
School Administration		763,278.86	763,278.86	730,082.80	33,196.06
Business Administration		310,258.50	310,258.50	389,118.62	-78,860.12
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		1,113,577.45	1,113,735.45	1,450,363.70	-336,628.25
Student Transportation Services		791,867.65	961,061.30	918,657.40	42,403.90
Other Support Services		87,922.34	84,202.00	69,193.58	15,008.42
Food Services Operation		808,055.34	808,055.34	988,532.52	-180,477.18
Total Expenditures		14,778,328.16	14,831,881.16	15,113,589.62	-281,708.46
Net Change in Fund Balances		-551,214.60	-634,974.07	-266,382.30	368,591.77
Fund Balances - Beginning		4,986,415.27	4,986,415.27	4,659,676.50	-326,738.77
Adjustments			10,903.71		-10,903.71
Fund Balances - Ending	\$	4,435,200.67 \$	4,362,344.91 \$	4,393,294.20 \$	30,949.29

Notes to the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual

(1) Original and Final Budget amounts do not include the actual revenues (\$195,468.10) or expenditures (\$191,855.39) of the various principal accounts.

The accompanying schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances budget and actual is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is the basis of accounting used in the presentation of the fund financial statements.

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

FUNDING AGENCY PROGRAM/GRANT		CFDA NUMBER	PASS- THROUGH ENTITY ID NUMBER	EXPENDITURES IN PERIOD
Agriculture, U. S. Department of				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
Food Services				
School Breakfast Program		10.553	N/A	(2)
National School Lunch Program		10.555	N/A	\$ 962,961.98 (1)
Education, U. S. Department of				
Special Education Cluster				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
Special Education				
Grants to States	*	84.027	N/A	320,209.68
Preschool Grants	*	84.173	N/A	17,142.00
Total Special Education Cluster				337,351.68
Other Programs				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education				
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States		84.048	N/A	21,283.74
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants		84.367	N/A	157,976.03
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	*	84.010	N/A	1,242,235.15
Total Other Programs				1,421,494.92
Total U.S. Department of Education				1,758,846.60
Labor, U. S. Department of				
Workforce Investment Act Cluster				
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Labor				
Workforce Investment Act Youth Activities		17.259	N/A	99,239.79
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				\$2,821,048.37
N/A = Not Available				
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#### Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

- (1) Includes the Federally assigned value of donated commodities for the Food Donation Program in the amount of \$33,460.45.
- (2) Expenditures for the funds earned on the School Breakfast Program (\$249,581.54) were not maintained separately and are included in the 2014 National School Lunch Program.

Major Programs are identified by an asterisk (\*) in front of the CFDA number.

The School District did not provide Federal Assistance to any Subrecipient.

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of Federal awards includes the Federal grant activity of the Terrell County Board of Education and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is the basis of accounting used in the presentation of the fund financial statements.

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF STATE REVENUE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		
NCY/FUNDING	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL
	FUND	FUND	TUTAL
RANTS			
Bright From the Start:			
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning			
Pre-Kindergarten Program	\$ 347,899.79	\$	347,899
Education, Georgia Department of			
Quality Basic Education (1)			
Direct Instructional Cost			
Kindergarten Program	481,092.00		481,092
Kindergarten Program - Early Intervention Program	28,227.00		28,227
Primary Grades (1-3) Program	1,048,525.00		1,048,525
Primary Grades - Early Intervention (1-3) Program	98,484.00		98,484
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program	459,999.00		459,999
Upper Elementary Grades - Early Intervention (4-5) Program	30,894.00		30,894
Middle School (6-8) Program	908,908.00		908,908
High School General Education (9-12) Program	567,364.00		567,364
Vocational Laboratory (9-12) Program	382,555.00		382,555
Students with Disabilities	1,059,039.00		1,059,039
Gifted Student - Category VI	106,171.00		106,171
Remedial Education Program	141,281.00		141,281
Alternative Education Program	55,804.00		55,804
Media Center Program	148,107.00		148,107
20 Days Additional Instruction	45,839.00		45,839
Staff and Professional Development	29.865.00		29,865
Indirect Cost	20,000.00		20,000
Central Administration	326,639.00		326,639
School Administration	427,188.00		427,188
Facility Maintenance and Operations	354,359.00		354,359
Amended Formula Adjustment	-934,648.00		-934,648
Categorical Grants	-334,048.00		-334,040
Pupil Transportation	260 212 00		260.217
Regular	260,212.00		260,212
Nursing Services	27,121.00		27,122
Education Equalization Funding Grant	325,884.00		325,884
Other State Programs	05 040 00		05.044
Food Services	25,942.00		25,942
Math and Science Supplements	5,187.23		5,187
Preschool Handicapped Program	25,078.00		25,078
Pupil Transportation - State Bonds	77,220.00		77,220
Teachers' Retirement	4,575.86		4,575
Technology To Support Digital Learning Bonds	19,000.00		19,000
Vocational Education	33,347.01		33,347
Georgia State Financing and Investment			
Commission			
Reimbursement on Construction Projects		7,470,013.46	7,470,013
Office of the State Treasurer			
Public School Employees Retirement	33,216.00		33,216
	\$ 6,950,374.89	\$ 7,470,013.46 \$	14,420,388

(1) Payments to the Georgia Department of Community Health by the Georgia Department of Education on behalf of the School District in the amount of \$561,408.00 are included as part of the Quality Basic Education revenue allotments above.

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

PROJECT	ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST (1)	CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS (2)	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN CURRENT YEAR (3)	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN PRIOR YEARS (3)	TOTAL COMPLETION COST	EXCESS PROCEEDS NOT EXPENDED	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
SPLOST III Pay a portion of the debts service on the General Obligation School Bonds; equipping the School Property with fixtures and equipment; demolition of selected existing facilities and renovation of the School Property located at 488 Crawford Street, NE, Dawson, Georgia; acquiring and installing technology improvements and surveillance equipment in existing schools and facilities, and acquiring school buses and related equipment for the transportation of students.	\$ <u>5,500,000.00</u> \$	s <u>5,500,000.00</u>	\$272,969.69_	\$1,528,531.64	\$0.00_	\$0.00_	June 30, 2015
SPLOST IV (1) Constructing and equipping a new elementary							
school		14,500,000.00	13,348,631.46	983,155.22			June 30, 2015
<ul> <li>(2) Improving school facilities and athletic facilities</li> <li>(3) Renovating and equipping existing school facilities for use as the central and administrative</li> </ul>		2,000,000.00	142,188.19	623,998.61			June 30, 2015
offices (4) Constructing and equipping a transportation		300,000.00	65,240.72				June 30, 2015
facility		240,000.00					December 31, 2018
<ul> <li>(5) Purchasing school buses</li> <li>(6) Acquiring instructional and administrative technology, textbooks, and safety and security</li> </ul>		325,000.00					December 31, 2018
equipment (7) Paying expenses incident to accomplishing the		250,000.00	4,813.80				December 31, 2018
foregoing		500,000.00		209,160.00			June 30, 2019
	6,000,000.00	18,115,000.00	13,560,874.17	1,816,313.83	0.00	0.00	
	\$ 11,500,000.00	23,615,000.00	\$ 13,833,843.86	\$ 3,344,845.47	\$ 0.00	\$	

(1) The School District's original cost estimate as specified in the resolution calling for the imposition of the Local Option Sales Tax.

(2) The School District's current estimate of total cost for the projects. Includes all cost from project inception to completion.

(3) The voters of Terrell County approved the imposition of a 1% sales tax to fund the above projects and retire associated debt. Amounts expended for these projects may include sales tax proceeds, state, local property taxes and/or other funds over the life of the projects.

#### TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND - QUALITY BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS (QBE) ALLOTMENTS AND EXPENDITURES - BY PROGRAM YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		ALLOTMENTS FROM GEORGIA						
	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (1) (2)		ELIGIBLE QBE PROGRAM COSTS				STS	
DESCRIPTION			-	SALARIES OPERA		OPERATIONS	ONS TOTAL	
Direct Instructional Programs								
Kindergarten Program	\$	556,309.00	\$	417,300.79	\$	27,793.39	\$	445,094.18
Kindergarten Program-Early Intervention Program		48,062.00		96,744.55				96,744.55
Primary Grades (1-3) Program		1,215,356.00		972,438.99		98,922.65		1,071,361.64
Primary Grades-Early Intervention (1-3) Program		165,217.00		389,708.14				389,708.14
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program		533,256.00		596,505.84		45,142.13		641,647.97
Upper Elementary Grades-Early Intervention (4-5)								
Program		82,407.00		159,557.23				159,557.23
Middle School (6-8) Program		1,063,670.00		915,601.83		47,996.30		963,598.13
High School General Education (9-12) Program		678,608.00		1,211,799.59		84,618.68		1,296,418.27
Vocational Laboratory (9-12) Program		455,397.00		436,513.05		28,373.74		464,886.79
Students with Disabilities		1,260,477.00						
Category II				547,393.14		21,468.48		568,861.62
Category III				386,071.58				386,071.58
Gifted Student - Category VI		127,626.00		83,506.89				83,506.89
Remedial Education Program		154,966.00		100,360.51				100,360.51
Alternative Education Program	_	68,756.00	_	78,510.43	_			78,510.43
TOTAL DIRECT INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS		6,410,107.00		6,392,012.56		354,315.37		6,746,327.93
Media Center Program		176,490.00		254,707.92		5,441.83		260,149.75
Staff and Professional Development	_	34,027.00	_	3,796.61	_	37,738.79		41,535.40
TOTAL QBE FORMULA FUNDS	\$	6,620,624.00	\$	6,650,517.09	\$	397,495.99	\$	7,048,013.08

(1) Comprised of State Funds plus Local Five Mill Share.

(2) Allotments do not include the impact of the State amended formula adjustment.

SECTION II

COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL REPORTS



# **DEPARTMENT OF AUDITS AND ACCOUNTS**

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Greg S. Griffin STATE AUDITOR (404) 656-2174

February 26, 2016

Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor Members of the General Assembly Members of the State Board of Education and Superintendent and Members of the Terrell County Board of Education

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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*

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Terrell County Board of Education as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Terrell Board of Education's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 26, 2016.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Terrell County Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Terrell Board of Education's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Terrell Board of Education'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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity'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 weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item FS-2014-001, that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

# **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

We noted certain matters that we have reported to management of Terrell County Board of Education in a separate letter dated February 26, 2016.

# Terrell Board of Education's Response to Findings

Terrell County Board of Education's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Terrell County Board of Education's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

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# **DEPARTMENT OF AUDITS AND ACCOUNTS**

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February 26, 2016

Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor Members of the General Assembly Members of the State Board of Education and Superintendent and Members of the Terrell County Board of Education

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Ladies and Gentlemen:

# Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Terrell County Board of Education's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2014. Terrell County Board of Education's major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Terrell County Board of Education's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Terrell County Board of Education's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Terrell County Board of Education's compliance.

# **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, the Terrell County Board of Education complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2014.

# Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of Terrell County Board of Education is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Terrell County Board of Education's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Terrell County Board of Education's 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 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 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 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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 OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

SECTION III

AUDITEE'S RESPONSE TO PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

# TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITEE'S RESPONSE SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

### FINDING CONTROL NUMBER AND STATUS

FS-7351 -12-01	Further Action Not Warranted (1)
FS-7351- 12-02	Previously Reported Corrective Action Implemented
FS-7351-13-01	Unresolved – See Corrective Action/Responses
FS-7351- 13-02	Previously Reported Corrective Action Implemented

(1) Finding was repeated in fiscal years 2013 and 2014.

# CORRECTIVE ACTION/RESPONSES

REVENUES/RECEIVABLES/RECEIPTS EXPENDITURES/LIABILITIES/DISBURSEMENTS Inadequate Internal Control Procedures over School Activity Accounts Finding Control Number: FS-7351-13-01

We concur with this finding. Procedures will be developed and implemented to ensure adequate documentation is maintained to support receipts and expenditures recorded on the general ledger. These changes will be put in place during fiscal year 2015.

# PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

SECTION IV

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

# TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

# I SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

# **Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's report issue: Governmental Activities; General Fu Service Fund; Aggregate Remaining		Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness identified? Significant deficiency identified?		No Yes
Noncompliance material to financial sta	tements noted:	No
Federal Awards		
<ul> <li>Internal Control over major programs:</li> <li>Material weakness identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiency identified?</li> </ul>		No None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compl All major programs	iance for major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are rea accordance with OMB Circular A-133, Se		No
Identification of major programs:		
CFDA Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster	
84.010 84.027, 84.173	Title I, Part A Special Education Cluster	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish betw	veen Type A and Type B programs:	\$300,000.00
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	No	

# TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

# II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FS 2014-001	Inadequate Internal Control Procedures over School Activity Accounts
Control Category:	Revenues/Receivables/Receipts
	Expenditures/Liabilities/Disbursements
Internal Control Impact:	Significant Deficiency

### **Description:**

This is a repeat finding (FS-7351-13-01, FS-7351-12-01 and FS-7351-11-01) from the years ended June 30, 2013, June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011, respectively. The accounting procedures of the School District were insufficient to provide for adequate internal controls over the school activity accounts.

### Criteria:

The School District's management is responsible for designing and maintaining internal controls that provide reasonable assurance transactions are processed according to established procedures.

### Condition:

The following deficiencies were noted with the School District's school activity accounts:

#### Revenues/Receipts/Receivables

 During a test of ten receipts, it was noted that none of the receipts had adequate receipt documentation. In addition, auditor was unable to determine if these receipts were properly coded.

Expenditures/Liabilities/Disbursements

- During a test of ten disbursements, the following problems were noted:
- Three expenditures did not have adequate documentation.
- Two expenditures were not approved.
- Four expenditures did not have evidence of receipt of goods or services.

#### Questioned Cost:

None

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#### Cause:

In discussing this condition with the Terrell County Board of Education officials, they stated that the issue occurred due to a failure of personnel to follow established policies and procedures.

#### Effect or Potential Effect:

Errors and/or irregularities may be detected in a timely manner.

#### **Recommendation:**

The School District should implement necessary procedures to ensure that disbursements and receipts of funds within the school activity accounts are adequately documented and recorded in the financial records. The School District should also establish a monitoring process to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are processed according to established procedures.

# TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

# II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

# Views of Responsible Officials and Corrective Action Plans:

We concur with this finding. Procedures will be developed and implemented to ensure adequate documentation is maintained to support receipts and expenditures recorded on the general ledger. These changes will be put in place during fiscal year 2015.

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### III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.