

**PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED JULY 27, 2020**

**REFUNDING SERIAL BONDS**

**BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY BONDS  
RATING – S&P GLOBAL RATINGS: “ ”  
See “Bond Rating”, herein**

*In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York. See “Tax Matters” herein.*

*The District will NOT designate the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” pursuant to the provision of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.*

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK  
(the “District”)**

**\$10,655,000\* SCHOOL DISTRICT REFUNDING SERIAL BONDS – 2020  
(the “Bonds”)**

**See Bond Maturity Schedule Herein**

The Bonds are general obligations of the District and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the District for the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon and, unless paid from other sources, the Bonds are payable from ad valorem taxes which may be levied upon all the taxable real property within the District without limitation as to rate or amount.

The Bonds maturing February 1, 2028 and thereafter are subject to redemption, prior to maturity, at the option of the District, as a whole or in part, on any date on or after February 1, 2027. (See “Optional Redemption” under “THE BONDS,” herein).

The Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”) as book-entry bonds. DTC will act as the securities depository for the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. Bondholders will not receive certificates representing their respective interests in the Bonds purchased. Payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the District to DTC which will in turn remit such payment to its Participants for subsequent distribution to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds in accordance with standing instructions and customary practices. Payment to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of the DTC Participant or Indirect Participant and not of DTC or the District, subject to any statutory and regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. (See “Book-Entry-Only System” under “THE BONDS,” herein.)

Proposals for the Bonds will be received at 11:00 A.M. (Prevailing Time) on August 6, 2020 at the offices of Munistat Services, Inc., 12 Roosevelt Avenue, Port Jefferson Station, New York 11776.

*The Bonds are offered subject to the final approving opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, New York, New York, Bond Counsel, and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Bonds in book-entry form will be made through the facilities of DTC on or about August 26, 2020 in New York, New York.*

THIS PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT IS IN A FORM “DEEMED FINAL” BY THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12 (THE “RULE”). FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT’S AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE FOR THE BONDS, AS DESCRIBED IN THE RULE, SEE “DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING” HEREIN.

August , 2020

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\*Preliminary, subject to change.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK**

**\$10,655,000\* SCHOOL DISTRICT REFUNDING SERIAL BONDS – 2020**

**BOND MATURITY SCHEDULE**

**Dated: Date of Delivery**

**Principal Due: February 1, 2021-2032, inclusive  
Interest Due: February 1, 2021, August 1, 2021  
and semiannually thereafter on  
February 1 and August 1 in each  
year until maturity.**

<u>Amount**</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Price or Yield</u>	<u>CUSIP #</u>
\$ 40,000	February 1, 2021			
1,525,000	February 1, 2022			
1,555,000	February 1, 2023			
1,585,000	February 1, 2024			
1,625,000	February 1, 2025			
1,655,000	February 1, 2026			
1,685,000	February 1, 2027			
195,000	February 1, 2028***			
190,000	February 1, 2029***			
195,000	February 1, 2030***			
200,000	February 1, 2031***			
205,000	February 1, 2032***			

\*Preliminary, subject to change

\*\*Amounts are subject to adjustment by the District following the sale, pursuant to the terms of the Notice of Sale relating to the Bonds, to achieve substantial level or declining annual debt service as provided in Section 21.00 of the Local Finance Law and to effectuate the District's plan of refunding.

\*\*\*Subject to prior redemption.

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SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK**

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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

### EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

#### \$10,655,000\* SCHOOL DISTRICT REFUNDING SERIAL BONDS – 2020

This Official Statement and appendices hereto presents certain information relating to the Eastport-South Manor Central School District, in the County of Suffolk, in the State of New York (the "District", "County" and "State," respectively) in connection with the sale of \$10,655,000\* School District Refunding Serial Bonds - 2020 (the "Bonds").

All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State and acts and proceedings of the District contained herein do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilations thereof and all references to the Bonds and the proceedings of the District relating thereto are qualified in their entirety by reference to the definitive form of the Bonds and such proceedings.

This Official Statement should be read with the understanding that the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic has created prevailing economic conditions (at the global, national, State and local levels) that are highly uncertain, generally negative, and rapidly changing, and these conditions are expected to continue for an indefinite period of time. Accordingly, the District's overall economic situation and outlook (and all of the specific District-related information contained herein) should be carefully reviewed, evaluated and understood in the full light of this unprecedented world-wide event, the effects of which are extremely difficult to predict and quantify. See *"BONDHOLDERS RISKS AND MARKET AND FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCINGS OF THE STATE AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE STATE"* herein.

## THE BONDS

### Description of the Bonds

The Bonds will be dated the date of delivery, and will mature on February 1 in each of the years 2021 to 2032, inclusive, in the principal amounts as set forth on the inside cover page hereof. Interest on the Bonds will be payable February 1, 2021, August 1, 2021 and semiannually thereafter on February 1 and August 1 in each year until maturity.

The Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") as book-entry bonds. DTC will act as the securities depository for the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. Bondholders will not receive certificates representing their respective interests in the Bonds purchased. Payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the District to DTC which will in turn remit such payment to its Participants for subsequent distribution to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds in accordance with standing instructions and customary practices. Payment to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of the DTC Participant or Indirect Participant and not of DTC or the District, subject to any statutory and regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. (See *"Book-Entry-Only System"* under "THE BONDS," herein.)

The Record Date of the Bonds will be the fifteenth day of the month preceding each interest payment date.

The District will act as Paying Agent for the Bonds. The District's contact information is as follows: Timothy Laube, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations, Eastport-South Manor Central School District, 149 Dayton Avenue, Manorville, NY 11949, Phone (631) 801-3001, Fax (631) 874-6743 and email: laubet@esmonline.org.

### Optional Redemption

The Bonds maturing on or before February 1, 2027 will not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on February 1, 2028 and thereafter, will be subject to redemption, at the option of the District, prior to maturity, in whole or in part, and if in part, in any order of their maturity and in any amount within a maturity (selected by lot within a maturity), on any date on or after February 1, 2027, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

\*Preliminary, subject to change.

If less than all of the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed prior to maturity, the particular Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the District by lot in any customary manner of selection as determined by the District. Notice of such call for redemption shall be given by mailing such notice to the registered owner at least thirty (30) days prior to the date set for such redemption. Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the bonds so called for redemption shall, on the date for redemption set forth in such call for redemption, become due and payable together with interest to such redemption date. Interest shall cease to be paid thereon after such redemption date.

### **Description of Book-Entry System**

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

DTC is 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 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" and together with Direct Participant, the "Participants"). Effective August 9, 2011, Standard & Poor's assigns a rating of "AA+" to DTC. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) and [www.dtc.org](http://www.dtc.org).

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 or Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co., or such other DTC nominee do not affect 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 accounts 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 the Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them or 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 the Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to the 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.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to Issuer 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 the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest 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 on the payable date, in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC (nor its nominee) or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District, 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. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

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

Source: The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York.

The information contained in the above section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sample offering document language supplied by DTC, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof. In addition, the District will not have any responsibility or obligation to participants, to indirect participants or to any beneficial owner with respect to: (i) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC, and participant or any indirect participant; (ii) the payments by DTC or any participant or any indirect participant of any amount with respect to the principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on the bonds or (iii) any notice which is permitted or required to be given to Bondowners.

THE DISTRICT WILL NOT HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATIONS TO PARTICIPANTS, TO INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WITH RESPECT TO (I) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC, ANY PARTICIPANTS, OR ANY INDIRECT PARTICIPANT; (II) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OR ANY AMOUNT WITH RESPECT TO THE PRINCIPAL OF OR INTEREST ON THE BONDS; (III) ANY NOTICE WHICH IS PERMITTED OR REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN TO HOLDERS; OR (IV) THE SELECTION OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF ANY PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS; OR (V) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS HOLDER.

THE DISTRICT CANNOT AND DOES NOT GIVE ANY ASSURANCES THAT DTC WILL DISTRIBUTE TO DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR THAT DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS WILL DISTRIBUTE TO THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE BONDS (I) PAYMENTS OF THE PRINCIPAL OF OR INTEREST ON THE BONDS; (II) CONFIRMATION OF THEIR OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN THE BONDS; OR (III) REDEMPTION OR OTHER NOTICES SENT TO DTC OR CEDE & CO. AS NOMINEE, AS REGISTERED OWNER OF THE BONDS, OR THAT THEY WILL DO SO ON A TIMELY BASIS, OR THAT DTC, DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS WILL SO SERVE AND ACT IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

### **Certificated Bonds**

DTC may discontinue providing its services with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving notice to the District and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law, or the District may terminate its participation in the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC at any time. In the event that such book-entry-only system is discontinued, and a replacement book-entry securities depository is not appointed, the Bonds will be issued in registered form in denominations of \$5,000, or integral multiples thereof. Principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be payable at the principal corporate trust office of a bank or trust company to be named by the District as the fiscal agent; certificated Bonds may be transferred or exchanged at no cost to the owner of such bonds at any time prior to maturity at the corporate trust office of the fiscal agent for bonds of the same or any other authorized denomination or denominations in the same aggregate principal amount upon the terms set forth in the certificate of the President of the Board authorizing the sale of the Bonds and fixing the details thereof and in accordance with the Local Finance Law.

## Authorization and Purpose

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and statutes of the State of New York, including among others, the Education Law and the Local Finance Law, and the refunding bond resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education of the District on July 7, 2020 (the “Refunding Bond Resolution”), authorizing the refunding of all or a part of the School District Serial Bonds – 2011 (the “2011 Bonds”), maturing in each of the years 2021 to 2032. The Bonds will refund the 2011 Bonds maturing in each of the years 2021 through 2031, inclusive (the “Refunded Bonds”).

### Summary of Refunded Bonds\* (the “Refunded Bonds”)

<u>2011 Bonds Maturity Date</u>	<u>Par Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate (%)</u>	<u>Call Date</u>	<u>Call Price (%)</u>	<u>CUSIP Numbers</u>
08/01/2021	\$ 1,455,000	3.000%	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEP9
08/01/2022	1,500,000	3.000	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEQ7
08/01/2023	1,545,000	3.250	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TER5
08/01/2024	1,605,000	3.500	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TES3
08/01/2025	1,660,000	3.500	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TET1
08/01/2026	1,720,000	3.750	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEU8
08/01/2027	230,000	4.000	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEV6
08/01/2028	235,000	4.000	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEW4
08/01/2029	245,000	4.000	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEX2
08/01/2030	255,000	4.000	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEY0
08/01/2031	265,000	4.000	09/28/2020	100.00	27779TEZ7

The Refunding Bond Resolution authorizes the issuance of the Bonds to provide the funds necessary to effect the refunding of all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds.

\*Preliminary, subject to change.

For further information regarding bond authorizations of the District for capital purposes and other matters relating thereto. (See “*Indebtedness of the District*,” herein.)

### Refunding Financial Plan

Pursuant to the District’s Refunding Financial Plan, as referred to in the Refunding Bond Resolution, the Bonds are being issued to effect the refunding of the Refunded Bonds maturing on their principal payment dates as set forth above. The Refunding Financial Plan will permit the District to realize, as a result of the issuance of the Bonds, cumulative dollar and present-value debt service savings.

The net proceeds of the Bonds (after payment of the underwriting fee and other costs of issuance relating to the Bonds), will be used to purchase non-callable, direct obligations of or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America (the “Government Obligations”) which, together with remaining cash proceeds from the sale of the Bonds, will be placed in an irrevocable trust fund (the “Escrow Fund”) to be held by U.S. Bank Global Corporate Trust Services, New York (the “Escrow Holder”), a bank located and authorized to do business in the State, pursuant to the terms of an escrow contract by and between the District and the Escrow Holder, dated as of the delivery date of the Bonds (the “Escrow Contract”). The Government Obligations so deposited will mature in amounts which, together with the cash so deposited, will be sufficient to pay the principal of, interest on and applicable redemption premiums, if any, of the Refunded Bonds on the dates of their redemption. The Refunding Plan requires the Escrow Holder, pursuant to the Refunding Bond Resolution of the District and Escrow Contract, to pay the Refunded Bonds at maturity or at the earliest date on which the Refunded Bonds may be called for redemption prior to maturity.

The holders of the Refunded Bonds will have a first lien on all cash on deposit in the Escrow Fund. Upon payment by the Escrow Holder to the fiscal agent for the Refunded Bonds of amounts from the Escrow Fund adequate for the payment, in full, of the Refunded Bonds to be paid from the Escrow Fund, including interest and redemption premium, if any, payable with respect thereto, and payment of all expenses incidental to the issuance of the Bonds, such Escrow Contract shall terminate.

Under the Refunding Financial Plan, the Refunded Bonds will continue to be general obligations of the District and will continue to be payable from *ad valorem* taxes on all taxable real property in the District. However, inasmuch as the funds held in the Escrow Fund together with interest earnings thereon and cash held in the Escrow Fund shall be sufficient to meet all required payments of principal of, and interest on the Refunded Bonds, it is not anticipated that other sources of payment will be utilized.

**Sources and Uses of Bond Proceeds**

Sources:

Par Amount of Bonds .....	\$ _____
Original Issue Premium/Discount .....	_____
Total.....	\$ _____

Uses:

Escrow Deposit.....	\$ _____
Underwriter’s Discount .....	_____
Allowance for Costs of Issuance and Contingency .....	_____
Total.....	\$ _____

**Security and Source of Payment**

Each Bond when duly issued and paid for will constitute a contract between the District and the holder thereof.

The Bonds will be general obligations of the District and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the District for the payment of the principal of and interest thereon. For the payment of such principal and interest, the District has power and statutory authorization to levy *ad valorem* taxes on all real property in the District subject to taxation without limitation as to rate or amount.

Under the Constitution of the State, the District is required to pledge its faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and the State is specifically precluded from restricting the power of the District to levy taxes on real estate therefor. Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended, (the “Tax Levy Limit Law”) imposes a limitation on the power of local governments and school districts, including the District, to increase their annual tax levy above a certain specified amount. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law expressly provides an exception from the annual tax levy limitation for any taxes levied to pay debt service on bonds or notes issued to finance voter approved capital expenditures or the refinancing or refunding of such bonds or notes. As the Bonds are being issued to refinance bonds issued to finance voter-approved capital expenditures, the Bonds qualify for such exception to the Tax Levy Limit Law annual tax levy limitation. (See “*The Tax Levy Limit Law*,” herein.)

**VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS**

Causey Demgen & Moore Inc. will verify from the information provided to them, the mathematical accuracy, as of the date of the closing of the Bonds, of the computations contained in the provided schedules to determine that the anticipated receipts from the Government Obligations and cash deposits listed in the underwriter’s schedules, to be held in escrow, will be sufficient to pay, when due, the principal, interest and call premium requirements of the Refunded Bonds. Causey Demgen & Moore Inc. will express no opinion on the assumptions provided to them, nor as to the exclusion from taxation of the interest on the Bonds.

The accuracy of the mathematical computations regarding the adequacy of the cash as deposit in the Escrow Fund, to pay, when due, the principal of and interest on the Refunded Bonds on the applicable payment date(s) will be verified by Causey Demgen & Moore, P.C. Such verification of the accuracy of the mathematical computation will be based, in part, upon factual information supplied by the District and the Purchaser or the Municipal Advisor.

## REMEDIES UPON DEFAULT

Neither the Bonds, nor the proceedings with respect thereto, specifically provide any remedies which would be available to owners of the Bonds should the District default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, nor do they contain any provisions for the appointment of a trustee to enforce the interests of the owners of the Bonds upon the occurrence of any such default. The Bonds are general obligation contracts between the District and the owners for which the faith and credit of the District are pledged and while remedies for enforcement of payment are not expressly included in the District's contract with such owners, any permanent repeal by statute or constitutional amendment of a bondholder's and/or noteholder's remedial right to judicial enforcement of the contract should, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, be held unconstitutional.

Upon default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds at the suit of the owner, a Court has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to render judgment against the District. The present statute limits interest on the amount adjudged due to contract creditors to nine per centum per annum from the date due to the date of payment. As a general rule, property and funds of a municipal corporation serving the public welfare and interest have not been judicially subjected to execution or attachment to satisfy a judgment. A Court also has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to order payment of a judgment on such bonds or notes from funds lawfully available therefor or, in the absence thereof, to order the District to take all lawful action to obtain the same, including the raising of the required amount in the next annual tax levy. In exercising its discretion as to whether to issue such an order, the Court may take into account all relevant factors, including the current operating needs of the District and the availability and adequacy of other remedies. Upon any default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds, the owner of such Bonds could, among other remedies, seek to obtain a writ of mandamus from a Court ordering the governing body of the District to assess, levy and collect an ad valorem tax, upon all taxable property of the District subject to taxation by the District sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same shall come due and payable (and interest from the due date to date of payment) and otherwise to observe the covenants contained in the Bonds and the proceedings with respect thereto all of which are included in the contract with the owners of the Bonds. The mandamus remedy, however, may be impracticable and difficult to enforce. Further, the right to enforce payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws and equitable principles, which may limit the specific enforcement of certain remedies.

In 1976, the New York Court of Appeals, the State's highest court, held in *Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York*, 40 N.Y.2d 731 (1976), that the New York State legislation purporting to postpone the payment of debt service on New York City obligations was an unconstitutional moratorium in violation of the New York State constitutional faith and credit mandate included in all municipal debt obligations. While that case can be viewed as a precedent for protecting the remedies of Bondholders, there can be no assurance as to what a Court may determine with respect to future events, including financial crises as they may occur in the State and in municipalities of the State, that require the exercise by the State of its emergency and police powers to assure the continuation of essential public services. (See also, *Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York*, 40 N.Y.2d 1088 (1977), where the Court of Appeals described the pledge as a direct Constitutional mandate.)

As a result of the Court of Appeals decision, the constitutionality of that portion of Title 6-A of Article 2 of the Local Finance Law enacted at the 1975 Extraordinary Session of the State legislature authorizing any county, city, town or village with respect to which the State has declared a financial emergency to petition the State Supreme Court to stay the enforcement against such municipality of any claim for payment relating to any contract, debt or obligation of the municipality during the emergency period, is subject to doubt. In any event, no such emergency has been declared with respect to the District.

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2 of the State Constitution, the District is required to provide an annual appropriation of monies for the payment of due and payable principal of and interest on indebtedness. Specifically, this constitutional provision states: "If at any time the respective appropriating authorities shall fail to make such appropriations, a sufficient sum shall be set apart from the first revenues thereafter received and shall be applied to such purposes. The fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school district may be required to set aside and apply such revenues as aforesaid at the suit of any holder of obligations issued for any such indebtedness." This constitutes a specific non-exclusive constitutional remedy against a defaulting municipality or school district; however, it does not apply in a context in which monies have been appropriated for debt service but the appropriating authorities decline to use such monies to pay debt service. However, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State also provides that the fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school district may be required to set apart and apply such revenues at the suit of any holder of any obligations of indebtedness issued with the pledge of the faith of the credit of such political subdivision. In *Quirk v. Municipal Assistance Corp.*, 41 N.Y.2d 644 (1977), the Court of Appeals described this as a "first lien" on revenues, but one that does not give holders a right to any particular revenues. It should thus be noted that the pledge of the faith and credit of a political subdivision in the State is a pledge of an issuer of a general obligation bond or note to use its general revenue powers, including, but not limited to, its property tax levy, to pay debt service on such obligations, but that such pledge may or may not be interpreted by a court of competent jurisdiction to include a constitutional or statutory lien upon any particular revenues. The Constitutional provision providing for first revenue set asides does not apply to tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes or bond anticipation notes.

While the courts in the State have historically been protective of the rights of holders of general obligation debt of political subdivisions, it is not possible to predict what a future court might hold.

In prior years, certain events and legislation affecting a holder's remedies upon default have resulted in litigation. While courts of final jurisdiction have generally upheld and sustained the rights of bondholders and/or noteholders, such courts might hold that future events, including a financial crisis as such may occur in the State or in political subdivisions of the State, may require the exercise by the State or its political subdivisions of emergency and police powers to assure the continuation of essential public services prior to the payment of debt service.

#### **SECTION 99-B OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW APPLICABLE TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

Section 99-b of the State Finance Law (the "SFL") provides for a covenant between the State and the purchasers and the holders and owners from time to time of the bonds and notes issued by school districts in the State for school purposes that it will not repeal, revoke or rescind the provisions of Section 99-b of the SFL, or amend or modify the same so as to limit, impair or impede the rights and remedies granted thereby.

Said section provides that in the event a holder or owner of any bond or note issued by a school district for school purposes shall file with the State Comptroller, a verified statement describing such bond or note and alleging default in the payment thereof or the interest thereon or both, it shall be the duty of the State Comptroller to immediately investigate the circumstances of the alleged default and prepare and file in his office a certificate setting forth his determinations with respect thereto and to serve a copy thereof by registered mail upon the chief fiscal officer of the school district which issued the bond or note. Such investigation by the State Comptroller shall set forth a description of all such bonds and notes of the school district found to be in default and the amount of principal and interest thereon past due.

Upon the filing of such a certificate in the office of the State Comptroller, he shall thereafter deduct and withhold from the next succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such State aid or assistance due to such school district such amount thereof as may be required to pay (a) the school district's contribution to the State Teachers' Retirement System, and (b) the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes of such school district then in default. In the event such State aid or assistance initially so withheld shall be insufficient to pay said amounts in full, the State Comptroller shall similarly deduct and withhold from each succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such State aid or assistance due such school district such amount or amounts thereof as may be required to cure such default. Allotments, apportionments and payments of such State aid so deducted or withheld by the State Comptroller for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds and notes shall be forwarded promptly to the paying agent or agents for the bonds and notes in default of such school district for the sole purpose of the payment of defaulted principal of and interest on such bonds or notes. If any such successive allotments, apportionments or payment of such State aid so deducted or withheld shall be less than the amount of all principal and interest on the bonds and notes in default with respect to which the same was so deducted or withheld, then the State Comptroller shall promptly forward to each paying agent an amount in the proportion that the amount of such bonds and notes in default payable to such paying agent bears to the total amount of the principal and interest then in default on such bonds and notes of such school district. The State Comptroller shall promptly notify the chief fiscal officer of such school district of any payment or payments made to any paying agent or agents of defaulted bonds or notes pursuant to said section of the SFL.

Such 99-b of the SFL is applicable to the Bonds.

#### **NO PAST DUE DEBT**

No principal or interest payment on District indebtedness is past due. The District has never defaulted in the payment of the principal of and/or interest on any indebtedness.

## **BANKRUPTCY**

The Federal Bankruptcy Code (Chapter IX) allows public bodies, such as municipalities, recourse to the protection of a Federal Court for the purpose of adjusting outstanding indebtedness. Title 6-A of the Local Finance Law specifically authorizes any municipality in the State or its emergency control board to file a petition under any provision of Federal bankruptcy law for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness. While this Local Finance Law provision does not apply to school districts, there can be no assurance that it will not become applicable in the future. As such, the undertakings of the District should be considered with reference, specifically, to Chapter IX, and, in general, to other bankruptcy laws affecting creditors' rights and municipalities. Bankruptcy proceedings by the District if authorized by the State in the future could have adverse effects on bondholders and/or noteholders including (a) delay in the enforcement of their remedies, (b) subordination of their claims to those supplying goods and services to the District after the initiation of bankruptcy proceedings and to the administrative expenses of bankruptcy proceedings and (c) imposition without their consent of a reorganization plan reducing or delaying payment of the Bonds.

The above references to said Chapter IX are not to be construed as an indication that the State will consent in the future to the right of the District to file a petition with any United States district court or court of bankruptcy under any provision of the laws of the United States, now or hereafter in effect for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness or that the District is currently considering or expects to resort to the provisions of Chapter IX if authorized to do so in the future.

## **THE DISTRICT**

### **Description**

On December 21, 1998, the voters of the Eastport Union Free School District and the South Manor Union Free School District approved the establishment of a Central High School District to provide secondary education to the students of both districts. The Eastport – South Manor Central High School District commenced operations on July 1, 1999. At that point, the Central High School District became responsible for secondary education and both Eastport Union Free School District and South Manor Union Free School District became elementary districts with an obligation to provide elementary education to their resident students.

On December 10, 2003 the residents of the Eastport Union Free School District and the South Manor Union Free School District voted to merge their respective districts with the Eastport – South Manor Central High School District. The merged Eastport – South Manor Central School District (the "District") commenced operations on July 1, 2004. Upon merger all assets, liabilities, fund balances and outstanding commitments of the three districts became those of the District.

The District provides public education in grades K-12 to resident students. The District is located on the south shore of Long Island, approximately 75 miles east of New York City. It encompasses an area of approximately 34 square miles and has an estimated population of 19,136. It is situated in the Towns of Brookhaven and Southampton, with an additional minor portion located in the Town of Riverhead. The District is primarily residential in character, with the majority of the residences consisting of single-family homes. The District also includes two golf courses, the Long Island Game Farm and some smaller commercial enterprises.

The southern border of the District is adjacent to Moriches Bay, which provides recreational activities including boating, swimming and fishing, as well as, ancillary commercial activity.

### **District Organization**

Subject to the provisions of the State Constitution, the District operates pursuant to the Education Law, the Local Finance Law, other laws generally applicable to the District, and any special laws applicable to the District. Under such laws, there is no authority for the District to have a charter or adopt local laws.

The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education. Under current law, an election is held within the District boundaries on the third Tuesday of May each year to elect members of the Board of Education. They are generally elected for staggered terms of three years.

In early July of each year, the Board of Education meets for the purpose of reorganization. At that time the Board elects a President and Vice President, and appoints a District Clerk and District Treasurer.

## **Economy**

The District is primarily residential in nature. Commercial activity is located along the major thoroughfares, downtown retail centers, and along the waterfront. Employment opportunities are available to residents throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties, with some commuting to New York City. There is a significant amount of developable vacant land within the District which has led to residential and commercial growth.

## **Transportation**

The following transportation facilities are available to residents of the District:

The District is traversed by the Long Island Expressway (Interstate 495), New York State Routes 27 (Sunrise Highway) and 27A. Rail transportation is provided by the Long Island Railroad. Long Island MacArthur Airport is located approximately 25 miles west of the District.

## **Utilities and Services**

Water, electric, gas, and fire and police protection are provided to residents of the District as follows: Water service is provided by the Suffolk County Water Authority; gas and electric by PSEG Long Island and National Grid. Police protection is furnished by the Suffolk County Police Department, while fire protection is available from local volunteer units.

## **Enrollment History**

The following table presents the past and current school enrollment for the District.

<u>School Year</u>	<u>School Enrollment</u>
2016-2017	3,525
2017-2018	3,350
2018-2019	3,200
2019-2020	3,116
2020-2021	3,073

Source: District Officials.

## **Projected Future Enrollment**

The following table presents the projected future school enrollment for the District.

<u>School Year</u>	<u>School Enrollment</u>
2021-2022	2,940
2022-2023	2,118

Source: District Officials.

### District Facilities

The District operates six schools and offices; statistics relating to each are shown below.

<u>Name of School</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Date of Construction</u>	<u>Date of Most Recent Improvements</u>	<u>Capacity</u>
Eastport-South Manor Jr./Sr. High School	7-12	2003	2015	2,200
Dayton Avenue Elementary	3-6	1978	2018	560
South Street Elementary	K-2	1929	2018	415
Eastport Elementary	3-6	1928	2018	775
Central Administration Office	N/A	1946	2018	N/A
Tuttle Avenue School	K-2	2014	-	475

### Employees

The District provides services through approximately 552 employees who are represented by the following units of organized labor, plus non-union employees not represented.

<u>Name of Union</u>	<u>Expiration Date of Contract<sup>a</sup></u>	<u>Approx. No. of Members</u>
Teachers Association	06/30/2018	260
Teaching Assistants	06/30/2018	78
Teacher Aides & Monitors	06/30/2022	99
Administrators Association	06/30/2021	18
Clerical	06/30/2019	45
Nurses	06/30/2020	7
Custodial, Maintenance & Grounds	06/30/2019	45

a. Any contracts expired as of the date of this Official Statement are in negotiation.

## ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

### Population Trends

Population statistics are available for the District as such. The District is located within the Towns of Brookhaven (89.09%), Southampton (10.89%) and Riverhead (0.02%). The following table sets forth population statistics for the District, Town of Brookhaven and the County.

<u>Year</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Town of Brookhaven</u>	<u>Suffolk County</u>
1990	N/A	397,014	1,321,864
2000	N/A	448,248	1,419,369
2010	17,519	486,040	1,493,350
2013	18,707	486,868	1,495,803
2018	19,136	484,671	1,487,901

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census.

## Income Data

Income data is available for the District as such. The District is located within the Towns of Brookhaven (89.09%), Southampton (10.89%) and Riverhead (0.02%). The information set forth below with respect to such Town of Brookhaven, County and State is included for information purposes only. It should not be inferred from the inclusion of such data in this Official Statement that the District is necessarily representative of the Town, County or State or vice versa.

	Per Capita Money Income			
	1990	2000	2010	2018 <sup>a</sup>
District	N/A	N/A	\$38,202	\$41,370
Town of Brookhaven	\$16,726	\$24,191	32,663	39,827
County of Suffolk	18,481	26,577	35,411	43,905
State of New York	16,501	23,389	30,791	38,884

	Median Household Income			
	1990	2000	2010	2018 <sup>a</sup>
District	N/A	N/A	\$87,712	\$ 98,323
Town of Brookhaven	\$47,074	\$62,475	81,654	96,861
County of Suffolk	49,128	65,288	84,235	100,468
State of New York	32,965	43,393	54,148	67,844

Source: United States Bureau of the Census

a. Based on American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (2014-2018)

### Selected Listing of Larger Employers in the Town of Brookhaven<sup>a</sup> (As of 2020)

Largest employers are not available for the District as such. The District is located within the Towns of Brookhaven (89.09%), Southampton (10.89%) and Riverhead (0.02%). The following reflects the largest employers for the Town of Brookhaven only.

Name	Type of Business	Estimated Number of Employees
State University at Stony Brook	Education	14,000
Stony Brook University Medical Center	Medical Center	7,500
Brookhaven National Laboratory	Laboratory	3,000
John T. Mather Hospital	Hospital	1,967
Zebra Technologies	Commercial	1,800
Brookhaven Memorial Hospital	Hospital	1,730
St. Charles Hospital	Hospital	1,400
Three Village Central School District	Education	1,298
Quality King Distributors	Commercial	900
William Floyd Union Free School District	Education	860
Amneal Pharmaceuticals	Commercial	780

Source: Town Officials.

a. Not necessarily representative of the District.

## Unemployment Rate Statistics

Unemployment statistics are not available for the District as such. The District is located within the Towns of Brookhaven (89.09%), Southampton (10.89%) and Riverhead (0.02%). The information set forth below with respect to such Town, County and State is included for information purposes only. It should not be inferred from the inclusion of such data in this Official Statement that the District is necessarily representative of the Town, County or State or vice versa.

<u>Annual Averages:</u>	<u>Town of Brookhaven (%)</u>	<u>Suffolk County (%)</u>	<u>New York State (%)</u>
2015	5.5	4.8	5.3
2016	4.4	4.3	4.8
2017	4.5	4.5	4.7
2018	3.9	3.9	4.1
2019	3.7	3.7	4.4
2020 (5 Month Average) <sup>a</sup>	8.0	8.2	8.3

Source: Department of Labor, State of New York

a. Unemployment rates dramatically increased throughout the State in April and May due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## INDEBTEDNESS OF THE DISTRICT

### Constitutional and Statutory Requirements

The New York State Constitution and Local Finance Law limit the power of the District (and other municipalities and school districts of the State) to issue obligations and to contract indebtedness. Such constitutional and statutory limitations include the following, in summary form, and are generally applicable to the District and the Bonds:

**Purpose and Pledge.** The District shall not give or loan any money or property to or in aid of any individual, or private corporation or private undertaking or give or loan its credit to or in aid of any of the foregoing or any public corporation.

The District may contract indebtedness only for a District purpose and shall pledge its faith and credit for the payment of principal of and interest thereon.

**Payment and Maturity.** Except for certain short-term indebtedness contracted in anticipation of taxes or to be paid in one of the two fiscal years immediately succeeding the fiscal year in which such indebtedness was contracted, indebtedness shall be paid in annual installments commencing no later than two years after the date such indebtedness shall have been contracted and ending no later than the period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose determined by statute or in the alternative the weighted average maturity of the several objects or purposes for which indebtedness is to be contracted; no installment may be more than fifty per centum in excess of the smallest prior installment, unless the District has authorized the issuance of indebtedness having substantially level or declining annual debt service. The District is required to provide an annual appropriation for the payment of interest due during the year on its indebtedness and for the amounts required in such year for amortization and redemption of its serial bonds, bond anticipation notes and capital notes.

**General.** The District is further subject to constitutional limitation by the general constitutionally imposed duty on the State Legislature to restrict the power of taxation and contracting indebtedness to prevent abuses in the exercise of such power; however, the State Legislature is prohibited by a specific constitutional provision from restricting the power of the District to levy taxes on real estate for the payment of interest on or principal of indebtedness theretofore contracted. There is no constitutional limitation on the amount that may be raised by the District by tax on real estate in any fiscal year to pay principal of and interest on all indebtedness. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a statutory limitation on the power of the District to increase its annual tax levy. (See “*The Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein).

## Statutory Procedure

In general, the State Legislature has, by the enactment of the Local Finance Law, authorized the powers and procedure for the District to borrow and incur indebtedness subject, of course, to the constitutional provisions set forth above. The power to spend money, however, generally derives from other law, including the Education Law.

The District is generally required by such laws to submit propositions for the expenditure of money for capital purposes to the qualified electors of the District. Upon approval thereby, the Board of Education may adopt a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds and notes in anticipation of the bonds. With respect to certain school building construction projects, the District is not permitted to spend in excess of \$100,000 until the plans and specifications for such project have been approved by the Commissioner of Education of the State.

The Local Finance Law also provides a twenty-day statute of limitations after publication of a bond resolution, together with a statutory form of notice which, in effect, estops legal challenges to the validity of obligations authorized by such bond resolution except for alleged constitutional violations. The District has complied with such procedure with respect to the Bonds.

The Board of Education, as the finance board of the District, also has the power to authorize the sale and issuance of bonds and notes, including the Bonds. However, such finance board may delegate the power to sell the Bonds to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District, pursuant to the Local Finance Law.

**Debt Limit.** Pursuant to the Local Finance Law, the District has the power to contract indebtedness for any school district purpose authorized by the Legislature of the State of New York provided the aggregate principal amount thereof shall not exceed ten per centum of the full valuation of the taxable real estate of the District and subject to certain enumerated deductions such as State aid for building purposes. The constitutional and statutory method for determining full valuation is by taking the assessed valuation of taxable real estate for the last completed assessment roll and applying thereto the ratio (equalization rate) which such assessed valuation bears to the full valuation; such ratio is determined by the State Board of Real Property Services. The Legislature also is required to prescribe the manner by which such ratio shall be determined by such authority.

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The following table sets forth the computation of the debt limit of the District and its debt contracting margin:

**Computation of Debt Limit and Debt Contracting Margin**  
(As of July 27, 2020)

<u>In Town of (2019-2020)<sup>a</sup>:</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>State Equalization Rate (%)</u>	<u>Full Valuation</u>
Brookhaven	\$17,842,076	0.79	\$2,258,490,633
Southampton	276,075,981	100.00	276,075,981
Riverhead	63,100	12.35	510,931
	<u>\$293,981,157</u>		<u>\$2,535,077,545</u>
Debt Limit - 10% of Full Valuation			\$253,507,755
Inclusions: <sup>b</sup>			
Outstanding Bonds			\$95,130,000
Bond Anticipation Notes			<u>0</u>
Total Indebtedness			<u>\$95,130,000</u>
Exclusions (Estimated Building Aid) <sup>c</sup>			73,725,750
Total Net Indebtedness			<u>21,404,250</u>
Net Debt Contracting Margin			<u><u>\$232,103,505</u></u>
Per Cent of Debt Contracting Margin Exhausted			8.44%

- a. The latest completed assessment roll for which a State Equalization Rate has been established.
- b. Tax Anticipation Notes, Energy Performance Lease and Revenue Anticipation Notes are not included in computation of the debt contracting margin of the District.
- c. Represents estimate of moneys receivable by the District from the State as an apportionment for debt service for school building purposes, based on the most recent information received by the District from the State Department of Education. The amount shown is not necessarily the amount the District will ultimately receive. The District has not applied for a building aid exclusion certificate from the Commissioner of Education and therefore may not exclude such amount from its total indebtedness on the Debt Statement form required to be filed with the Office of the State Comptroller when bonds are to be issued.

**Details of Short-Term Indebtedness Outstanding**

As of the date of this Official Statement, the District has no short-term indebtedness outstanding. The District expects to issue tax anticipation notes on August 4, 2020 in the amount of \$15,200,000 that will mature on April 15, 2021. Such notes are expected to be paid in full at maturity with the District's tax levy from the current fiscal year.

**Trend of Outstanding Indebtedness**  
As at June 30:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Bonds	\$ 130,025,000	\$ 121,955,000	\$ 113,865,000	\$ 105,520,000	\$ 95,130,000
BANs	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$ <u>130,025,000</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>121,955,000</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>113,865,000</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>105,520,000</u></b>	<b>\$ <u>95,130,000</u></b>

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District.

**Debt Service Requirements - Outstanding Bonds<sup>a</sup>**

Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30:</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2021	\$ 8,725,000	\$ 3,717,109	\$ 12,442,109
2022	9,115,000	3,364,997	12,479,997
2023	9,470,000	2,980,000	12,450,000
2024	9,445,000	2,585,563	12,030,563
2025	9,335,000	2,188,575	11,523,575
2026	8,680,000	1,803,431	10,483,431
2027	7,045,000	1,430,513	8,475,513
2028	5,770,000	1,191,681	6,961,681
2029	5,985,000	982,088	6,967,088
2030	6,190,000	774,628	6,964,628
2031	1,420,000	575,903	1,995,903
2032	1,155,000	529,225	1,684,225
2033	925,000	491,788	1,416,788
2034	960,000	458,106	1,418,106
2035	995,000	423,138	1,418,138
2036	1,025,000	386,194	1,411,194
2037	1,065,000	346,984	1,411,984
2038	1,110,000	305,650	1,415,650
2039	1,150,000	262,413	1,412,413
2040	1,190,000	216,713	1,406,713
2041	1,240,000	168,375	1,408,375
2042	1,285,000	118,013	1,403,013
2043	1,335,000	65,813	1,400,813
2044	515,000	11,588	526,588
<b>Totals:</b>	<b><u>\$95,130,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$25,378,484</u></b>	<b><u>\$120,508,484</u></b>

a. Does not include payments made to date.

### Energy Performance Contract Lease<sup>a</sup>

The following is a summary of debt service requirements for the energy performance contract entered into by the District on October 15, 2014.

Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30:</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2021	\$ 480,486	\$ 139,246	\$ 619,732
2022	494,668	125,065	619,733
2023	509,268	110,465	619,733
2024	524,298	95,434	619,732
2025	539,773	79,959	619,732
2026	555,704	64,028	619,732
2027	572,105	47,627	619,732
2028	588,991	30,741	619,732
2029	606,375	13,357	619,732
	<u>\$4,871,668</u>	<u>\$705,922</u>	<u>\$5,577,590</u>

a. Does not include payments made to date.

### Operating Leases<sup>a</sup>

The District leases various equipment under non-cancelable operating leases.

Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	\$193,037
2022	138,697
2023	<u>23,116</u>
Total:	<u>\$354,850</u>

a. Does not include payments made to date.

### Tax Anticipation Notes

The District has generally found it necessary to borrow from time to time in anticipation of taxes, which borrowing is necessitated by the schedule of real property tax payments. The following is a history of such tax anticipation note borrowings for the five most recent fiscal years:

Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30:</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Maturity</u>
2017	\$20,250,000	08/25/2016	06/23/2017
2018	21,800,000	07/29/2017	06/22/2018
2019 (Series I)	10,300,000	07/26/2018	06/22/2018
2019 (Series II)	11,500,000	10/25/2018	06/25/2019
2020	16,500,000	08/27/2019	03/26/2020
2021	15,200,000	08/11/2020	04/15/2021

## Authorized and Unissued Debt

With the exception of the refunding bond resolution and the tax anticipation note resolution, the District has no authorized but unissued debt outstanding.

### Calculation of Estimated Overlapping and Underlying Indebtedness

<u>Overlapping Units</u>	<u>Date of Report</u>	<u>Percentage Applicable (%)</u>	<u>Applicable Total Indebtedness</u>	<u>Applicable Net Indebtedness</u>
County of Suffolk	03/26/2020	0.87	\$17,117,366	\$11,685,739
Town of Brookhaven	06/26/2020	3.83	21,621,832	21,023,253
Town of Southampton	06/26/2020	0.50	467,475	398,036
Town of Riverhead	12/31/2019	0.01	6,776	4,694
Eastport Fire District	12/31/2018	100.00	119,254	119,254
Manorville Fire District	12/31/2018	95.00	<u>59,450</u>	<u>59,450</u>
Totals			<u>\$39,392,154</u>	<u>\$33,290,425</u>

Sources: Annual Reports of the respective units for the most recently completed fiscal year on file with the Office of the State Comptroller or more recently published Official Statements.

### Debt Ratios (As of July 27, 2020)

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Per Capita<sup>a</sup></u>	<u>Percentage of Full Value (%)<sup>b</sup></u>
Total Direct Debt	\$ 95,130,000	\$4,971	3.75
Net Direct Debt	21,404,250	1,119	0.84
Total Direct & Applicable Total Overlapping Debt	134,522,154	7,030	5.31
Net Direct & Applicable Net Overlapping Debt	54,694,675	2,858	2.16

a. The current population of the District is 19,136.

b. The full valuation of taxable property is \$2,535,077,545.

## FINANCES OF THE DISTRICT

### Independent Audit

The financial affairs of the District are subject to periodic compliance review by the Office of the State Comptroller to ascertain whether the District has complied with the requirements of various state and federal statutes. The financial statements of the District are audited each year by an independent public accountant. The last such audit covers the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. A copy of such report is included herein as Appendix B.

### Investment Policy

Pursuant to State law, including Sections 10 and 11 of the GML, the District is generally permitted to deposit moneys in banks or trust companies located and authorized to do business in the State. All such deposits, including special time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit, in excess of the amount insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, are required to be secured in accordance with the provisions of and subject to the limitations of Section 10 of the GML.

The District may also temporarily invest moneys in: (1) obligations of the United States of America; (2) obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America; (3) obligations of the State of New York; (4) with the approval of the New York State Comptroller, in tax anticipation notes or revenue anticipation notes issued by any municipality, school district, or district corporation, other than those notes issued by the District, itself; (5) certificates of participation issued in connection with installment purchase agreements entered into by political subdivisions of the State pursuant to Section 109-b(10) of the GML; (6) obligations of a New York public benefit corporation which are made lawful investments for municipalities pursuant to the enabling statute of such public benefit corporation; or (7) in the case of moneys held in certain reserve funds established by the District pursuant to law, in obligations of the District.

All of the foregoing investments are required to be payable or redeemable at the option of the owner within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided and, in the case of obligations purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable in any event, at the option of the owner, within two years of the date of purchase. Unless registered or inscribed in the name of the District, such instruments and investments must be purchased through, delivered to and held in custody of a bank or trust company in the State pursuant to a written custodial agreement as provided by Section 10 of the GML.

The Board of Education of the District has adopted an investment policy and such policy conforms with applicable laws of the State governing the deposit and investment of public moneys. All deposits and investments of the District are made in accordance with such policy.

### **Fund Structure and Accounts**

The General Fund is the general operating fund for the District and is used to account for substantially all revenues and expenditures of the District. The District also maintains a special aid fund, school lunch fund and special purpose fund. In addition, a capital projects fund is used to record capital facility projects, while an agency fund accounts for assets received by the District in a fiduciary capacity.

### **Basis of Accounting**

The district-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported on the accrual basis of accounting using the economic resources measurement focus. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. Nonexchange transaction, in which the District gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include real property taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from real property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied and the related expenditures are incurred.

The fund statements are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting using the current financial resources measurement focus. Revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenue reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within 180 days after the end of the fiscal year, except for real property taxes, which are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year.

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 capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Source: Audited Financials of the District.

### **Budget Process**

The District's fiscal year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. Starting in the fall or winter of each year, the District's financial plan and enrollment projection are reviewed and updated and the first draft of the next year's proposed budget is developed by the central office staff. During the winter and early spring, the budget is developed and refined in conjunction with the school building principals and department supervisors. The District's budget is subject to the provisions of the Tax Levy Limit Law, which imposes a limitation on the amount of real property taxes that a school district may levy, and by law is submitted to voter referendum on the third Tuesday of May each year. (See "*The Levy Limit Law*" herein).

On June 9, 2020, a majority of the voters of the District approved the District's budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Summaries of the District's Adopted Budgets for the fiscal years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 may be found in Appendix A, herein.

## Revenues

The District receives most of its revenue from a real property tax on all non-exempt real property situated within the District and State aid. A summary of such revenues for the five most recently completed fiscal years may be found in Appendix A.

### *Real Property Taxes*

See "Tax Information" herein.

### *State Aid*

The District receives appropriations from the State of State aid for operating, building and other purposes at various times throughout its fiscal year, pursuant to formulas and payment schedules set forth by statute. While the State has a constitutional duty to maintain and support a system of free common schools that provides a "sound basic education" to children of the State, there can be no assurance that the State appropriation for State aid to school districts will be continued in future years, either pursuant to existing formulas or in any form whatsoever. State aid appropriated and apportioned to the school districts can be paid only if the State has such monies available for such payment.

The following table sets forth the percentage of the District's General Fund revenue comprised of State aid for each of the fiscal years 2015 through 2019, and the amounts budgeted for 2020 and 2021.

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30:</u>	<u>General Fund Total Revenue</u>	<u>State Aid</u>	<u>State Aid to Revenues (%)</u>
2015	\$86,841,142	\$34,370,517	39.58
2016	88,422,881	35,027,340	39.61
2017	88,822,512	35,075,504	39.49
2018	91,947,034	36,454,252	39.65
2019	93,745,919	37,021,612	39.49
2020 (Budgeted) <sup>a</sup>	96,551,702	37,619,123	38.96
2021 (Budgeted) <sup>a</sup>	97,108,005	37,689,758	38.81

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District and Adopted Budget of the District.

a. Budgeted revenues include the application of reserves and fund balance.

In addition to the amount of State Aid budgeted annually by the District, the State makes payments of STAR aid representing tax savings provided by school districts to their taxpayers under the STAR Program (See "STAR – School Tax Exemption" herein).

The amount of State aid to school districts is dependent in part upon the financial condition of the State. Currently, due the outbreak of COVID-19 the State has declared a state of emergency and the Governor has taken steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, including closing schools and non-essential businesses. The outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the State to address it have and are expected to continue to negatively impact the State's economy and financial condition. The full impact of COVID-19 upon the State is not expected to be known for some time; however, it is anticipated that the State will be required to take certain gap-closing actions. Such actions may include, but are not limited to: reductions in State agency operations and/or delays or reductions in payments to local governments or other recipients of State aid including school districts in the State. If this were to occur, reductions in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State, including the District.

The State's 2020-2021 Adopted Budget authorizes the State's Budget Director to make periodic adjustments to nearly all State spending, including State Aid, in the event that actual State revenues come in below 99% percent of estimates or if actual disbursements exceed 101% of estimates. Specifically, the legislation provides that the State Budget Director will determine whether the State's 2020-2021 budget is balanced during three "measurement periods": April 1 to April 30, May 1 to June 30, and July 1 to December 31. According to the legislation, if "a General Fund imbalance has occurred during any Measurement Period," the State's Budget Director will be empowered to "adjust or reduce any general fund and/or state special revenue fund appropriation ... and related cash disbursement by any amount needed to maintain a balanced budget," and "such adjustments or reductions shall be done uniformly across the board to the extent practicably or by specific appropriations as needed." The legislation further provides that prior to making any adjustments or reductions, the State's Budget Director must notify the Legislature in writing and the Legislature has 10 days following receipt of such notice to prepare and approve its own plan. If the Legislature fails to approve its own plan, the Budget Director's reductions take effect automatically.

It is anticipated that the State Budget Director's powers discussed herein will be activated and across-the-board and targeted reductions to local aid programs will be taken to close a substantial portion of the State fiscal year 2021 budget gap caused by the receipts shortfall. On April 25, 2020 the New York State Division of the Budget announced that the State fiscal year 2021 Enacted State Budget Financial Plan (the "Financial Plan"), projects a \$13.3 billion shortfall as a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, in the absence of Federal assistance, initial budget control actions are expected to significantly reduce State spending in several areas, including "aid-to-localities," a broad spending category that includes funding for health care, K-12 schools, and higher education as well as support for local governments, public transit systems, and not-for-profits. Reduced receipts are expected to carry through each subsequent year of the four year Financial Plan through State fiscal year 2024. Reductions or delays in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State. (See "*Event Affecting New York School Districts*" herein).

The State receives a substantial amount of federal aid for health care, education, transportation and other governmental purposes, as well as federal funding to respond to, and recover from, severe weather events and other disasters. Many of the policies that drive this federal aid may be subject to change under the federal administration and Congress. Current federal aid projections, and the assumptions on which they rely, are subject to revision in the future as a result of changes in federal policy, the general condition of the global and national economies and other circumstances, including the diversion of federal resources to address the current COVID-19 pandemic.

The federal government may enact budgetary changes or take other actions that adversely affect State finances. State legislation adopted with the State's 2019-2020 Enacted Budget continues authorization for a process by which the State would manage significant reductions in federal aid during Federal fiscal year 2020 should they arise. Specifically, the legislation allows the State Budget Director to prepare a plan for consideration by the State Legislature in the event that the federal government (i) reduces federal financial participation in Medicaid funding to the State or its subdivisions by \$850 million or more; or (ii) reduces federal financial participation of other federal aid funding to the State that affects the State Operating Funds financial plan by \$850 million or more, exclusive of any cuts to Medicaid. Each limit is triggered separately. The plan prepared by the State Budget Director must equally and proportionately reduce appropriations and cash disbursements in the State's General Fund and State Special Revenue Funds. Upon receipt of the plan, the State Legislature has 90 days to prepare its own corrective action plan, which may be adopted by concurrent resolution passed by both houses, or the plan submitted by the State Budget Director takes effect automatically.

There can be no assurance that the State's financial position will not change materially and adversely from current projections. If this were to occur, the State would be required to take additional gap-closing actions. Such actions may include, but are not limited to: reductions in State agency operations; delays or reductions in payments to local governments or other recipients of State aid including school districts in the State. Reductions in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State.

Should the District fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts and at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies or by a mid-year reduction in State aid, the District is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing in anticipation of the receipt of uncollected State aid.

*Litigation regarding apportionment of State aid.* In January 2001, the State Supreme Court issued a decision in *Campaign for Fiscal Equity* ("CFE") v. *State of New York* mandating that the system of apportionment of State aid to school districts within the State be restructured by the Governor and the State Legislature. On June 25, 2002, the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court reversed that decision. On June 26, 2003, the State Court of Appeals, the highest court in the State, reversed the Appellate Division, holding that the State must, by July 30, 2004, ascertain the actual cost of providing a sound basic education, enact reforms to the system of school funding and ensure a system of accountability for such reforms. The Court of Appeals further modified the decision of the Appellate Division by deciding against a Statewide remedy and instead limited its ruling solely to the New York City school system.

After further litigation in 2006, the Court of Appeals held that \$1.93 billion of additional funds for the New York City schools - as initially proposed by the Governor and presented to the State Legislature as an amount sufficient to provide a sound basic education - was reasonably determined. State legislative reforms enacted in the wake of the decision in *Campaign for Fiscal Equity* ("CFE") v. *State of New York*, included increased accountability for expenditure of State funds and collapsing over 30 categories of school aid into one classroom operating formula referred to as foundation aid. Foundation aid prioritizes funding distribution based upon student need.

Litigation is continuing however as a statewide lawsuit entitled *NYSER v. State of New York* has been filed recently on behalf of the State's public-school students. The lawsuit asserts that the State has failed to comply with the decision of the New York State Court of Appeals in *CFE v. State of New York*. The complaint asks the court for an order requiring the State to immediately discontinue the cap on State aid increases and the supermajority requirements regarding increases in local property tax levies. The complaint also asks the court to order the State to develop a new methodology for determining the actual costs of providing all students the opportunity for a sound basic education, revise the State funding formulas to ensure that all schools receive sufficient resources, and ensure a system of accountability that measures whether every school has sufficient resources and that all students are, in fact, receiving the opportunity to obtain a sound basic education. On June 27, 2017, the Court of Appeals ruled that NYSER's claims that students in New York City and Syracuse are being denied the opportunity for a sound basic education could go to trial and that NYSER could rely upon the CFE decision in its arguments. It is not possible to predict the outcome of this litigation.

## **RECENT OPERATING RESULTS**

### **2015-16 Results of Operations**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the audited financial statements show the total revenues in the General Fund were \$88,422,881 and the total expenditures were \$90,256,600, resulting in an operating deficit of \$1,877,081 after transfers. The total overall fund balance in the General Fund decreased from \$8,192,968 to \$6,315,887.

### **2016-17 Results of Operations**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the audited financial statements show the total revenues in the General Fund were \$88,822,512 and the total expenditures were \$89,822,502, resulting in an operating deficit of \$1,115,931 after transfers. The total overall fund balance in the General Fund decreased from \$6,315,887 to \$6,199,956.

### **2017-18 Results of Operations**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the audited financial statements show the total revenues in the General Fund were \$91,947,034 and the total expenditures were \$89,447,553, resulting in an operating surplus of \$2,360,476 after transfers. The total overall fund balance in the General Fund increased from \$5,199,956 to \$7,560,432.

### **2018-19 Results of Operations**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the audited financial statements show the total revenues in the General Fund were \$93,745,919 and the total expenditures were \$87,053,638, resulting in an operating surplus of \$6,524,930 after transfers. The total overall fund balance in the General Fund increased from \$7,560,432 to \$14,085,362.

### **2019-20 Budget**

The Adopted Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 was approved by the voters on June 18, 2019 after a revote. The budget was initially voted on May 21, 2019, but the State Education Department rejected the District's results, advising the budget as presented to the voters required a supermajority vote in order to pass. The budget includes a 2.62% property tax increase. A summary of the 2019-2020 Budget is attached in Appendix A.

### **2020-21 Budget**

The Adopted Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 was approved by the voters on June 9, 2020 and included a 2.20% property tax increase. A summary of the 2020-2021 Budget is attached in Appendix A.

## Recent Events Affecting State Aid to New York School Districts

Following a State budgetary crisis in 2009, State aid to school districts in the State decreased for a number of years with increases established in more recent years. However, as discussed below the COVID-19 pandemic has affected and is expected to continue to affect State aid to school district.

*School district fiscal year (2014-2015):* The State Legislature adopted the State budget on March 31, 2014. The State's 2014-2015 Budget included a \$1.1 billion or 5.3% increase in State aid to school districts for the 2014-2015 school year. High-need school districts received 70% of the State aid increase. The State's 2014-2015 Budget restored \$602 million of Gap Elimination Adjustment reductions that had been imposed on school districts from 2010-2011 to 2012-2013. The State's 2014-2015 Budget invested \$1.5 billion over five years to support the phase-in of a Statewide universal full-day pre-kindergarten program.

*School district fiscal year (2015-2016):* The State Legislature adopted the State budget on March 31, 2015. Said budget included an increase of \$1.4 billion in State aid for school districts that was tied to changes in the teacher evaluation and tenure process.

*School district fiscal year (2016-2017):* The State's 2016-2017 Budget included a school aid increase of \$991 million over 2015-2016, \$863 million of which consisted of traditional operating aid. In addition to full-funding of expense based aids (\$408 million), the State's 2016-2017 Budget included a \$266 million increase in Foundation Aid and an \$189 million restoration to the Gap Elimination Adjustment (the "GEA"). The majority of the remaining increase (\$100 million) related to Community Schools Aid, a newly adopted aid category, to support school districts that wish to create community schools. Such funds may only be used for certain purposes such as providing health, mental health and nutritional services to students and their families.

*School district fiscal year (2017-2018):* The State's 2017-2018 Budget provided for school aid of approximately \$25.8 billion, an increase of \$1.1 billion in school aid spending from the 2016-2017 school year. The majority of the increases were targeted to high need school districts. Expense-based aids to support school construction, pupil transportation, BOCES and special education were continued in full, as is the State's usual practice. Transportation aid increased by 5.5% and building aid increased by 4.8%. The State's 2017-18 Budget continued to link school aid increases for 2017-18 and 2018-19 to teacher and principal evaluation plans.

*School district fiscal year (2018-2019):* The State's 2018-2019 Budget provided for school aid of approximately \$26.7 billion, an increase of approximately \$1.0 billion in school aid spending from the 2017-2018 school year. The majority of the increases were targeted to high need school districts. Expense-based aids to support school construction, pupil transportation, BOCES and special education were continued in full, as is the State's usual practice. Transportation aid increased by 5.2% and building aid increased by 4.7%. The State 2018-2019 Budget continued to link school aid increases for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 to teacher and principal evaluation plans.

*School district fiscal year (2019-2020):* The State's 2019-2020 school year, the State's Enacted Budget include a total of \$27.9 billion for School Aid, a year-to-year funding increase of approximately \$1.2 billion. The majority of the increases have been targeted to high need school districts. Expense-based aids to support school construction, pupil transportation, BOCES and special education will continue in full, as is the State's usual practice. Transportation aid will increase by approximately 4.5% and building aid will increase by approximately 3.7%. The State 2019-2020 Enacted Budget continues to link school aid increases for 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 to teacher and principal evaluation plans approved by September 1 of the current year in compliance with Education Law Section 3012-d.

*School district fiscal year (2020-2021):* Due to the anticipated impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on State revenues, State aid in the State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget is 3.7 percent lower than in the State's 2019-2020 Enacted Budget but is offset in part with increased Federal support. This reduction in State Operating Funds support will be offset by approximately \$1.1 billion in funding provided to the State through the Federal CARES Act, including the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Education Relief Fund and the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund. With these Federal funds, State aid in the school district fiscal year 2020-2021 is expected to total \$27.9 billion, an annual increase of approximately \$100 million or 0.4 percent. The State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget continues prior year funding levels for existing programs, including Foundation Aid, Community Schools and Universal Prekindergarten. The 2020-2021 Enacted Budget also provides over \$200 million in support for competitive grant programs, including \$1 million for development of a new Civics Education curriculum and \$10 million for a Student Mental Health program. Funding for expense-based aids, such as Building Aid, Transportation Aid, and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) Aid is continued under existing aid formulas. Out-year growth in School Aid reflects current projections of the ten-year average growth in State personal income. The State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget authorizes the State's Budget Director to make periodic adjustments to State Aid, in the event that actual State revenues come in below 99% percent of estimates or if actual disbursements exceed 101% of estimates. See "*State Aid*" herein for a discussion of this provision set forth in the State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget and recent releases by the State regarding the projected revenue shortfalls in such budget.

The State provides annual State aid to school districts in the State, including the District, on the basis of various formulas. Due to the State's own budgetary crisis in 2009 and to assist the State in mitigating the impacts of its own revenue shortfall, the State reduced the allocation of State aid to school districts as part of a program known as the Gap Elimination Adjustment ("GEA"). The GEA was a negative number (funds that were deducted from the State aid originally due to the District under State aid formulas). The District's State aid was reduced as a result of the GEA program starting in 2009. Subsequent State budgets decreased the amount of the GEA deduction and the State's 2016-2017 Budget eliminated the remaining balance of the GEA.

The Smart Schools Bond Act was passed as part of the Enacted 2014-2015 State Budget. The Smart Schools Bond Act authorizes the issuance of \$2 billion of general obligation bonds by the State to finance improved educational technology and infrastructure to enhance learning and opportunity for students throughout the State. The District's estimated total allocation was \$2,279,065 of which \$148,895 has been used to date.

The District cannot predict at this time whether there will be any reductions in and/or delays in the receipt of State aid during the remainder of the current fiscal year. The District believes that it would mitigate the impact of any delays or the reduction in State aid by reducing expenditures, increasing revenues, appropriating other available funds on hand, and/or by any combination of the foregoing. (See also "*Market Factors Affecting Financings of the State and School Districts of the State*").

### **Expenditures**

The major categories of expenditure for the District are General Support, Instruction, Employee Benefits, Pupil Transportation and Debt Service. A summary of the expenditures for the five most recently completed fiscal years may be found in Appendix A.

### **The State Comptroller's Fiscal Stress Monitoring System and OSC Compliance Reviews**

The New York State Comptroller has reported that New York State's school districts and municipalities are facing significant fiscal challenges. As a result, the Office of the State Comptroller has developed a Fiscal Stress Monitoring System ("FSMS") to provide independent, objectively measured and quantifiable information to school districts and municipal officials, taxpayers and policy makers regarding the various levels of fiscal stress under which the State's school districts and municipalities are operating.

The fiscal stress scores are based on financial information submitted as part of each school ST-3 report filed with the State Education Department annually, and each municipality's annual report filed with the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). Using financial indicators that include year-end fund balance, cash position and patterns of operating deficits, the system creates an overall fiscal stress score which classifies whether a school district or municipality is in "significant fiscal stress", in "moderate fiscal stress," as "susceptible to fiscal stress" or "no designation". Entities that do not accumulate the number of points that would place them in a stress category will receive a financial score but will be classified in a category of "no designation." This classification should not be interpreted to imply that the entity is completely free of fiscal stress conditions. Rather, the entity's financial information, when objectively scored according to the FSMS criteria, did not generate sufficient points to place them in one of the three established stress categories.

The most current applicable report of OSC designates the District as "No Designation" (Fiscal Score: 6.7%; Environmental Score: 20.0%). More information on the FSMS may be obtained from the Office of the State Comptroller.

In addition, OSC helps local school district officials manage school district resources efficiently and effectively. The Comptroller oversees the fiscal affairs of local school district statewide, as well as compliance with relevant statutes and observance of good business practices. This fiscal oversight is accomplished, in part, through its audits, which identify opportunities for improving operations and governance. The most recent audit performed was released June 26, 2020. The purpose of such audit was to determine whether District officials proved effective oversight to ensure compliance with required building safety at the Junior-Senior High School for the period July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2019. The complete report, together with the District's response, may be found on the OSC's official website.

References to websites and/or website addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only and implies no warranty of accuracy of information therein. Unless specified otherwise, such websites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Statement.

## Employee Pension System

New York State Certified employees (teachers and administrators) are members of the New York State Teachers Retirement System (“TRS”). Employer pension payments to the TRS are generally deducted from State aid payments. All non-NYS certified/civil service employees of the District eligible for pension or retirement benefits under the Retirement and Social Security Law of the State of New York are members of the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement System (“ERS”). Both the TRS and ERS are non-contributory with respect to members hired prior to July 1, 1976. Other than as discussed below, all members of the respective systems hired on or after July 1, 1976 with less than 10 year’s full-time service contribute 3% of their gross annual salary toward the cost of retirement programs.

On December 10, 2009, the Governor signed in to law a new Tier 5. The law is effective for new ERS and TRS employees hired after January 1, 2010 and before March 31, 2012. ERS employees contribute 3% of their salaries and TRS employees contribute 3.5% of their salaries. There is no provision for these employee contributions to cease after a certain period of service.

On March 16, 2012, Governor Cuomo signed into law Chapter 18 of the Laws of 2012, which legislation provides for a new Tier 6 for employees hired after April 1, 2012. This new pension tier has progressive employee contribution rates between 3% and 6% and such employee contributions continue so long as the employee continues to accumulate pension credits; it increases the retirement age for new employees from 62 to 63 and includes provisions allowing early retirement with penalties. Under Tier 6, the pension multiplier is 1.75% for the first 20 years of service and 2% thereafter; vesting will occur after 10 years; the time period for calculation of final average salary is increased from three years to five years; and the amount of overtime to be used to determine an employee’s pension is capped at \$15,000, indexed for inflation, for civilian and non-uniform employees and at 15% of base pay for uniformed employees outside of New York City. It also includes a voluntary, portable, defined contribution plan option for new non-union employees with salaries of \$75,000 or more.

Under current law, the employer pension payments for a given fiscal year are based on the value of the pension fund on the prior April 1 thus enabling the District to more accurately include the cost of the employer pension payment in its budget for the ensuing year. In addition, the District is required to make a minimum contribution of 4.5% of payroll every year, including years in which the investment performance of the fund would make a lower payment possible. The annual employer pension payment is due on February 1 of each year.

Due to poor performance of the investment portfolio of TRS and ERS during the recent financial crisis, the employer contribution rates for required pension payments to the TRS and ERS increased substantially. To help mitigate the impact of such increases, various forms of legislation have been enacted that permitted school districts to amortize a portion of its annual employer pension payments. The District has not amortized any of its employer pension payments pursuant to such legislation and expects to continue to pay all payments in full when due.

The State’s 2019-2020 Enacted Budget, which was signed into law as Chapter 59 of the Laws of 2019, includes a provision that will allow school districts in the State to establish a reserve fund for the purpose of funding the cost of TRS contributions, as a sub-fund of retirement contribution reserve funds presently authorized for amounts payable to the ERS by a school district. School districts will be permitted to pay into such reserve fund during any particular fiscal year, an amount not to exceed two percent of the total compensation or salaries of all district-employed teachers who are members of the TRS paid during the immediately preceding fiscal year; provided that the balance of such fund may not exceed ten percent of the total compensation or salaries of all district-employed teachers who are members of the TRS paid during the immediately preceding fiscal year. The District established a TRS reserve fund in the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

The following chart represents the TRS and ERS required contributions for each of the last five completed fiscal years and the amounts budgeted for the 2021 fiscal year.

Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30:</u>	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>
2016	\$5,181,340	\$ 984,328
2017	4,494,842	862,879
2018	3,783,580	857,557
2019	3,783,971	903,365
2020	3,360,792	982,648
2021 (Budgeted)	3,767,850	1,094,401

Source: District Officials.

## Other Post-Employment Benefits

The District provides post-retirement healthcare benefits to various categories of former employees. These costs may be expected to rise substantially in the future. School districts and Boards of Cooperative Education Services, unlike other municipal units of government in the State, have been prohibited from reducing retiree health benefits or increasing health care contributions received or paid by retirees below the level of benefits or contributions afforded to or required from active employees. This protection from unilateral reduction of benefits had been extended annually by the New York State Legislature until recently when legislation was enacted to make permanent these health insurance benefit protections for retirees. Legislative attempts to provide similar protection to retirees of other local units of government in the State have not succeeded as of the date hereof. Nevertheless, many such retirees of all varieties of municipal units in the State do presently receive such benefits.

GASB Statement No. 75 ("GASB 75") of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"), requires state and local governments to account for and report their costs associated with post-retirement healthcare benefits and other non-pension benefits ("OPEB"). GASB 75 generally requires that employers account for and report the annual cost of the OPEB and the outstanding obligations and commitments related to OPEB in essentially the same manner as they currently do for pensions. Under previous rules, these benefits have generally been administered on a pay-as-you-go basis and have not been reported as a liability on governmental financial statements. Only current payments to existing retirees were recorded as an expense.

GASB 75 requires that state and local governments adopt the actuarial methodologies to determine annual OPEB costs. Annual OPEB cost for most employers will be based on actuarially determined amounts that, if paid on an ongoing basis, generally would provide sufficient resources to pay benefits as they come due.

During the year ended June 30, 2018, the District adopted GASB 75, which supersedes and eliminates GASB 45. Under GASB 75, based on actuarial valuation, an annual required contribution ("ARC") will be determined for each state or local government. The ARC is the sum of (a) the normal cost for the year (the present value of future benefits being earned by current employees) plus (b) amortization of the unfunded accrued liability (benefits already earned by current and former employees but not yet provided for), using an amortization period of not more than 30 years. If a municipality contributes an amount less than the ARC, a net OPEB obligation will result, which is required to be recorded as a liability on its financial statements.

GASB 75 establishes new standards for recognizing and measuring OPEB liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures to provide more transparent reporting and useful information about the liability and cost of benefits. Municipalities and school districts are required to account for OPEB within the financial statements rather than only noted in the footnotes as previously required by GASB 45. It is measured as of a date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year and no later than the employer's current fiscal year. The discount rate is based on 20-year, tax exempt general obligation municipal bonds. There is no amortization of prior service cost. Those that have more than 200 participants are required to have a full actuarial valuation annually. Plans with fewer than 200 participants are required to have a full valuation every two years.

The District's total OPEB liability at June 30, 2019 is as follows:

<u>Changes in the Total OPEB Liability</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019:</u>
Balance as of June 30, 2018	\$100,753,396
Changes for the year:	
Service Cost	3,230,635
Interest	3,993,166
Changes of benefit terms	(2,734,466)
Differences between actual and expected experience	341,648
Changes in assumptions or other outputs	26,102,906
Benefit payments	(1,618,238)
Total Changes	<u>\$29,315,651</u>
Total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019	<u><u>\$130,069,047</u></u>

The OSC has recently proposed legislation to provide the State and certain local governments with the authority to establish trusts in which to accumulate assets for OPEB and to establish an OPEB investment fund in the sole custody of the State Comptroller for the investment of OPEB assets of the State and participating eligible local governments. The District cannot predict at this time whether such proposed legislation will be enacted into law. At this time, New York State has not developed guidelines for the creation and use of irrevocable trusts for the funding of OPEB. As a result, the District has decided to continue funding the expenditure on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Should the District be required to fund its unfunded actuarial accrued OPEB liability, it could have a material adverse impact upon the District’s finances and could force the District to reduce services, raise taxes or both.

**TAX INFORMATION**

**Real Property Taxes**

The District derives its power to levy an ad valorem real property tax from the State Constitution; methods and procedures to levy, collect and enforce this tax are governed by the Real Property Tax Law. Real property assessment rolls used by the District are prepared by the Towns of Brookhaven, Southampton and Riverhead. Assessment valuations are determined by the Town assessors and the State Board of Real Property Services which is responsible for certain utility and railroad property. In addition, the State Board of Real Property Services annually establishes State Equalization Rates for all localities in the State, which are determined by statistical sampling of market sales/assessment studies. The equalization rates are used in the calculation and distribution of certain State aids and are used by many localities in the calculation or debt contracting and real property taxing limitations. The District is not subject to constitutional real property taxing limitations; however, see “*The Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein for a discussion of certain statutory limitation that have been imposed.

The following table sets forth the percentage of the District’s General Fund revenue (excluding other financing sources) comprised of real property taxes for each of the fiscal years 2015 through 2019, and the amounts budgeted for 2020 and 2021.

Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30:</u>	<u>Total Revenue</u>	Real Property <u>Taxes</u>	Real Property Taxes to <u>Revenues (%)</u>
2015	\$86,841,142	\$43,465,017	50.05
2016	88,422,881	44,471,701	50.29
2017	88,822,512	45,086,331	50.76
2018	91,947,034	46,925,996	51.04
2019	93,745,919	48,039,976	51.24
2020 (Budgeted) <sup>a</sup>	96,551,702	55,679,957	57.67
2021 (Budgeted) <sup>a</sup>	97,108,005	56,904,991	58.60

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the District and Adopted Budgets of the District.

a. Budgeted estimates for total revenues include appropriations of fund balance.

**Tax Collection Procedure**

Property taxes for the District, together with County, Town and Fire District taxes, are collected by the Town Tax Receivers. Such taxes are due and payable in equal installments on December 1 and May 10, but may be paid without penalty by January 10 and May 31, respectively. Penalties on unpaid taxes are 1% per month from the date such taxes are due and 10% after May 31.

The Town Tax Receivers distribute the collected tax money to the Towns, fire and school districts prior to distributing the balance collected to the County. Uncollected amounts are not segregated by the Receivers and any deficiency in tax collection is the County’s liability. The District thereby is assured of full tax collection.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, in certain counties in New York State during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the deadline to pay school district property taxes, without interest or penalty, was extended. No assurance can be given that similar extensions with respect to the deadlines to pay school district property taxes, without interest or penalty, may occur during the 2020 -2021 fiscal year. Any such extensions may result in a delay in the receipt of taxes collected and paid to school districts.

## **The Tax Levy Limit Law**

Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended, (herein referred to as the “Tax Levy Limit Law” or “Law”) modified previous law by imposing a limit on the amount of real property taxes that a school district may levy.

Prior to the enactment of the Law, there was no statutory limitation on the amount of real property taxes that a school district could levy if its budget had been approved by a simple majority of its voters. In the event the budget had been defeated by the voters, the school district was required to adopt a contingency budget. Under a contingency budget, school budget increases were limited to the lesser of four percent (4%) of the prior year’s budget or one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the consumer price index (“CPI”).

Under the Tax Levy Limit Law, there is now a limitation on the amount of tax levy growth from one fiscal year to the next. Such limitation is the lesser of (i) 2% or (ii) the annual percentage increase in the consumer price index, subject to certain exclusions as mentioned below and as described in the Law. A budget with a tax levy that does not exceed such limit will require approval by at least 50% of the voters. Approval by at least 60% of the voters will be required for a budget with a tax levy in excess of the limit. In the event the voters reject the budget, the tax levy for the school district’s budget for the ensuing fiscal year may not exceed the amount of the tax levy for the prior fiscal year. School districts will be permitted to carry forward a certain portion of their unused tax levy limitation from a prior year.

The Law permits certain significant exclusions to the tax levy limit for school districts. These include taxes to pay the local share of debt service on bonds or notes issued to finance voter approved capital expenditures and the refinancing or refunding of such bonds or notes, (such as the Bonds) certain pension cost increases, and other items enumerated in the Law. However, such exclusion does NOT apply to taxes to pay debt service on tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes, budget notes and deficiency notes; and any obligations issued to finance deficits and certain judgments, including tax certiorari refund payments.

## **STAR - School Tax Exemption**

The STAR (School Tax Relief) program provides State-funded exemptions from school property taxes to homeowners for their primary residences. Homeowners over 65 years of age with household adjusted gross incomes, less the taxable amount of total distributions from individual retirement accounts and individual retirement annuities (“STAR Adjusted Gross Income”) of \$86,000 or less, increased annually according to a cost of living adjustment, are eligible for a “full value” exemption of the first \$66,800 for the 2018-19 school year (adjusted annually). Other homeowners with household STAR Adjusted Gross income not in excess of \$500,000 are eligible for a \$30,000 “full value” exemption on their primary residence. School districts receive full reimbursement from the State for real property taxes exempted pursuant to the STAR program by the first business day in January of each year.

Part A of Chapter 60 of the Laws of 2016 of the State of New York (“Chapter 60”) gradually converts the STAR program from a real property tax exemption to a personal income tax credit. Chapter 60 prohibits new STAR exemptions from being granted unless at least one of the applicants held title to the property on the taxable status date of the assessment roll that was used to levy school district taxes for the 2015-2016 school year (generally, March 1, 2015), and the property was granted a STAR exemption on that assessment roll. However, a new homeowner may receive a new personal income tax credit in the form of a check. The dollar benefit to eligible taxpayers will not change. A taxpayer who is eligible for the new credit will receive a check from the State equal to the amount by which the STAR exemption would have reduced his or her school tax bill. A homeowner who owned his or her home on the taxable status date for the assessment roll used to levy taxes for the 2015-2016 school year, and who received a STAR exemption on that roll, may continue to receive a STAR exemption on that home as long as he or she still owns and primarily resides in it. No further action is required (unless the homeowner has been receiving Basic STAR and wants to apply for Enhanced STAR, which is permissible).

The State 2017-18 Enacted Budget included changes to Chapter 60. STAR checks are now expected to be mailed out prior to the date that school taxes are payable. The amount of the check will be based on the previous year’s amount adjusted by the levy growth factor used for the property tax cap. Any changes that must be made based on the final STAR credit compared to the estimate used will be factored into the subsequent year’s STAR credit check or taxpayers also may account for those changes in their State income taxes.

The 2019-20 Enacted State Budget makes several changes to the STAR program, which went into effect immediately. The changes are intended to encourage homeowners to switch from the STAR exemption to the STAR credit. The income limit for the exemption has been lowered to \$250,000, compared with a \$500,000 limit for the Credit. The amount of the STAR exemption will remain the same each year, while the amount of the STAR credit can increase up to two percent annually.

Approximately 13% of the District's 2019-2020 school tax levy was exempted by the STAR program and the District has received full reimbursement of such exempt taxes from the State. Approximately 13% of the District's 2020-2021 school tax levy is expected to be exempted by the STAR program and the District expects to receive full reimbursement of such exempt taxes from the State in January 2021. (See "State Aid" herein).

### Valuations, Rates and Levies

The following table sets forth District's assessed and full valuations, tax rates and levies for each of the years 2016 through 2020.

<u>Town:</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30:</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>State Equal. Rate (%)</u>	<u>Full Valuation</u>	<u>Tax Rate Per \$1,000 Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>
Brookhaven	2016	\$ 17,556,825	0.95	\$1,848,086,842	\$2,593.12	\$38,953,989
	2017	17,647,156	0.91	1,939,247,912	2,667.02	39,707,564
	2018	17,647,156	0.90	1,960,795,111	2,664.35	41,320,698
	2019	17,713,284	0.86	2,059,684,186	2,700.67	42,225,900
	2020	17,842,076	0.79	2,258,490,633	2,779.55	44,665,573
Southampton	2016	\$251,509,197	100.000	\$ 251,509,197	\$ 23.60	\$ 5,372,582
	2017	255,840,297	100.00	255,840,297	24.00	5,241,587
	2018	230,491,740	100.00	230,491,740	23.56	5,432,680
	2019	247,068,997	100.00	247,068,997	22.88	5,652,098
	2020	276,075,981	100.00	276,075,981	19.68	5,432,402
Riverhead	2016	\$ 63,100	14.58	\$ 432,785	\$ 160.97	\$ 10,560
	2017	63,100	14.66	430,423	173.06	10,157
	2018	63,100	13.87	454,939	173.06	10,920
	2019	63,100	13.52	466,716	171.97	10,851
	2020	63,100	12.35	510,931	179.38	11,319
Totals	2016	\$269,129,122		\$2,100,028,824	\$2,777.69	\$44,337,131
	2017	273,550,553		2,195,518,632	2,864.08	44,959,308
	2018	248,201,996		2,191,741,790	2,860.97	46,764,298
	2019	264,845,381		2,307,219,899	2,895.51	47,888,849
	2020	293,981,157		2,535,077,545	2,978.61	50,109,294

Source: Tax Rate Sheets for the Towns of Brookhaven, Southampton and Riverhead.

**Selected Listing of Large Taxable Properties in the District in the Town of Brookhaven<sup>a</sup>**  
2019-2020 Assessment Roll

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Long Island Power Authority	Utility	\$ 640,533
Villas at Pine Hills De LLC	Commercial	473,610
MHC Greenwood Village LLC	Commercial	145,323
Hariri Realty Associates	Real Estate	91,640
Pine Hills Golf Club LLC	Commercial	81,075
Rose Breslin Associates LLC	Commercial	71,725
LI Country Club	Commercial	61,800
Keyspan	Utility	61,005
Sons Eastport LLC	Commercial	51,000
Bauer Associates LLC	Commercial	40,480
Moriches Associates	Commercial	35,985
Verizon	Utility	35,848
Vito & Judith Giambanco	Residential	28,725
Sparrow Mining of Suffolk LLC	Commercial	21,825
Rose Breslin Associates LLC C/O AVR Realty Company	Commercial	21,755
	Total <sup>b</sup>	<u>\$1,862,329</u>

a. Portions of the District are also located in the Towns of Southampton and Riverhead.

b. Represents 0.63% of the Assessed Valuation of the District for 2019-2020.

Source: Town Assessment Roll.

### CYBERSECURITY

The District, like many other public and private entities, relies on technology to conduct its operations. As a recipient and provider of personal, private, or sensitive information, the District faces multiple cyber threats including, but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computer and other sensitive digital networks and systems. To mitigate the risk of business operations impact and/or damage from cyber incidents or cyber-attacks, the District invests in various forms of cybersecurity and operational controls; however, no assurances can be given that such security and operational control measures will be completely successful to guard against cyber threats and attacks. The results of any such attack could impact business operations and/or damage District digital networks and systems and the costs of remedying any such damage could be substantial.

### LITIGATION

In common with other school districts, the District from time to time receives notices of claim and is party to litigation. In the opinion of the District, after consultation with its attorney, unless otherwise set forth herein and apart from matters provided for by applicable insurance coverage, there are no significant claims or actions pending in which the District has not asserted a substantial and adequate defense, nor which, if determined against the District, would have an adverse material effect on the financial condition of the District.

Hickey v. Eastport-South Manor Central School District is a recent case in which Jessica Hickey, a former student at Eastport-South Manor Central School District, filed a complaint under the Child Victim's Act claiming former District teacher/coach engaged in a sexual relationship with her in 2001. The complaint advances several claims, including negligence, sexual abuse/harassment, sexual assault and civil rights violations. Activity on the case has been slow in light of the pandemic. Once discovery is conducted, the District's legal counsel will be able to assess the risk of liability. The District's insurance carrier from that time has disclaimed coverage. Litigation to force coverage has been commenced after which the District expects to know whether there is insurance for the claim.

## BONDHOLDERS RISKS AND MARKET FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCINGS OF THE STATE AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE STATE

There are certain potential risks associated with an investment in the Bonds, and investors should be thoroughly familiar with this Official Statement, including its appendices, in order to make an informed investment decision. Investors should consider, in particular, the following factors:

The District's credit rating could be affected by circumstances beyond the District's control. Economic conditions such as the rate of unemployment and inflation, termination of commercial operations by corporate taxpayers and employers, as well as natural catastrophes, could adversely affect the assessed valuation of District property and its ability to maintain fund balances and other statistical indices commensurate with its current credit rating. Accordingly, a decline in the District's credit rating could adversely affect the market value of the Bonds.

In addition, if and when a holder of any of the Bonds should elect to sell a Bond prior to its maturity, there can be no assurance that a market shall have been established, maintained and be in existence for the purchase and sale of any Bonds. The price or principal value of the Bonds is dependent on the prevailing level of interest rates. If interest rates should increase, the price of a bond or note may decline causing the bond or noteholder to potentially incur a capital loss if such bond or note is sold prior to its maturity.

The financial condition of the District as well as the market for the Bond could be affected by a variety of factors, some of which are beyond the District's control. There can be no assurance that adverse events in the State, including, for example, the seeking by a municipality of remedies pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or otherwise, will not occur which might affect the market price of and the market for the Bonds. If a significant default or other financial crisis should occur in the affairs of the State or at any of its agencies or political subdivisions thereby further impairing the acceptability of obligations issued by borrowers within the State, both the ability of the District to arrange for additional borrowings and the market for and market value of outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds, could be adversely affected.

The District relies in part on State aid to fund its operations. There can be no assurance that the State appropriation for State aid to school districts will be continued in future years, either pursuant to existing formulas or in any form whatsoever. State aid appropriated and apportioned to the District can be paid only if the State has such monies available therefore. The availability of such monies and the timeliness of such payment may also be affected by a delay in the adoption of the State budget, the impact to the State's economy and financial condition due to the COVID-19 outbreak and other circumstances, including State fiscal stress. In any event, State aid appropriated and apportioned to the District can be paid only if the State has such monies available therefore. (See "*State Aid*" and "*Events Affecting New York School Districts*" herein). Should the District fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts or at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies or by a reduction in State aid, the District is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing on account of the uncollected State aid.

An outbreak of disease or similar public health threat, such as the COVID-19 outbreak, or fear of such an event, could have an adverse impact on the District's financial condition and operating results by potentially delaying the receipt of real property taxes or resulting in a delay or reduction by the State in the payment of State aid. Currently, the COVID-19 outbreak has spread globally, including to the United States, and has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. The outbreak of the disease has affected travel, commerce and financial markets globally and is widely expected to continue to affect economic growth worldwide. The outbreak caused the Federal government to declare a national state of emergency, which was followed by the enactment of a variety of stimulus measures designed to address financial stability and liquidity issues caused by the outbreak. The State also declared a state of emergency and the Governor has taken steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, including closing schools and non-essential businesses. Efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 has reduced the spread of the virus in some areas and there have been recent efforts to relax some of the restrictions put in place following the initial outbreak. Nevertheless, the outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the Federal government and State to address it are expected to negatively impact federal and local economies, including the economy of the State. The full impact of COVID-19 on the State's operations and financial condition is not expected to be known for some time. Similarly, the degree of the impact to the District's operations and finances as a result of COVID-19 is extremely difficult to predict due to the uncertainties relating to its (i) duration, and (ii) severity, as well as with regard to what actions have been or may continue to be taken by governmental and other health care authorities, including the State, to contain or mitigate its impact. The spread of the outbreak or resurgence later in the year could have a material adverse effect on the State and municipalities and school districts located in the State, including the District. The District is monitoring the situation and will take such proactive measures as may be required to maintain its operations and meet its obligations. (See "*State Aid*" and "*Events Affecting New York School Districts*" herein).

## **TAX MATTERS**

### **Opinion of Bond Counsel**

In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. The Tax Certificate of the District (the "Tax Certificate"), which will be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds, will contain provisions and procedures relating to compliance with applicable requirements of the Code. In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel has relied on certain representations, certifications of fact, and statements of reasonable expectations made by the District in connection with the Bonds, and Bond Counsel has assumed compliance by the District with certain ongoing provisions and procedures set forth in the Tax Certificate relating to compliance with applicable requirements of the Code to assure the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to the District, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated above. Bond Counsel renders its opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the issue date, and assumes no obligation to update, revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any action thereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may thereafter come to its attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may thereafter occur, or for any other reason. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds.

#### **Certain Ongoing Federal Tax Requirements and Certifications**

The Code establishes certain ongoing requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds in order that interest on the Bonds be and remain excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to use and expenditure of gross proceeds of the Bonds, yield and other restrictions on investments of gross proceeds, and the arbitrage rebate requirement that certain excess earnings on gross proceeds be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to become included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to their issue date, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is discovered. The District, in executing the Tax Certificate, will certify to the effect that the District will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

#### **Certain Collateral Federal Tax Consequences**

The following is a brief discussion of certain collateral federal income tax matters with respect to the Bonds. It does not purport to address all aspects of federal taxation that may be relevant to a particular owner of a Bond. Prospective investors, particularly those who may be subject to special rules, are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding the federal tax consequences of owning and disposing of the Bonds.

Prospective owners of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of such obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to various categories of persons, such as corporations (including S corporations and foreign corporations), financial institutions, property and casualty and life insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security and railroad retirement benefits, individuals otherwise eligible for the earned income tax credit, and taxpayers deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry obligations the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds may be taken into account in determining the tax liability of foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code.

## **Original Issue Discount**

“Original issue discount” (“OID”) is the excess of the sum of all amounts payable at the stated maturity of a Bond (excluding certain “qualified stated interest” that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates) over the issue price of that maturity. In general, the “issue price” of a maturity (a bond with the same maturity date, interest rate, and credit terms) means the first price at which at least 10 percent of such maturity was sold to the public, i.e., a purchaser who is not, directly or indirectly, a signatory to a written contract to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds. In general, the issue price for each maturity of the Bonds is expected to be the initial public offering price set forth in this Official Statement. Bond Counsel further is of the opinion that, for any Bonds having OID (a “Discount Bond”), OID that has accrued and is properly allocable to the owners of the Discount Bonds under Section 1288 of the Code is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent as other interest on the Bonds.

In general, under Section 1288 of the Code, OID on a Discount Bond accrues under a constant yield method, based on periodic compounding of interest over prescribed accrual periods using a compounding rate determined by reference to the yield on that Discount Bond. An owner’s adjusted basis in a Discount Bond is increased by accrued OID for purposes of determining gain or loss on sale, exchange, or other disposition of such Discount Bond. Accrued OID may be taken into account as an increase in the amount of tax-exempt income received or deemed to have been received for purposes of determining various other tax consequences of owning a Discount Bond even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

Owners of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the treatment of original issue discount for federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and the state and local tax consequences of acquiring, holding, and disposing of Discount Bonds.

## **Bond Premium**

In general, if an owner acquires a Bond for a purchase price (excluding accrued interest) or otherwise at a tax basis that reflects a premium over the sum of all amounts payable on the Bond after the acquisition date (excluding certain “qualified stated interest” that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates), that premium constitutes “bond premium” on that Bond (a “Premium Bond”). In general, under Section 171 of the Code, an owner of a Premium Bond must amortize the note premium over the remaining term of the Premium Bond, based on the owner’s yield over the remaining term of the Premium Bond determined based on constant yield principles (in certain cases involving a Premium Bond callable prior to its stated maturity date, 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 such note). An owner of a Premium Bond must amortize the bond premium by offsetting the qualified stated interest allocable to each interest accrual period under the owner’s regular method of accounting against the bond premium allocable to that period. In the case of a tax-exempt Premium Bond, if the bond premium allocable to an accrual period exceeds the qualified stated interest allocable to that accrual period, the excess is a nondeductible loss. Under certain circumstances, the owner of a Premium Bond may realize a taxable gain upon disposition of the Premium Bond even though it is sold or redeemed for an amount less than or equal to the owner’s original acquisition cost. Owners of any Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the treatment of bond premium for federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and state and local tax consequences, in connection with the acquisition, ownership, amortization of bond premium on, sale, exchange, or other disposition of Premium Bonds.

## **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting requirements apply to interest paid on tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds. In general, such requirements are satisfied if the interest recipient completes and provides the payor with a Form W-9, “Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification,” or if the recipient is one of a limited class of exempt recipients. A recipient not otherwise exempt from information reporting who fails to satisfy the information reporting requirements will be subject to “backup withholding,” which means that the payor is required to deduct and withhold a tax from the interest payment, calculated in the manner set forth in the Code. For the foregoing purpose, a “payor” generally refers to the person or entity from whom a recipient receives its payments of interest or who collects such payments on behalf of the recipient.

If an owner purchasing a Bond through a brokerage account has executed a Form W-9 in connection with the establishment of such account, as generally can be expected, no backup withholding should occur. In any event, backup withholding does not affect the excludability of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any amounts withheld pursuant to backup withholding would be allowed as a refund or a credit against the owner’s federal income tax once the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

## **Miscellaneous**

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the federal or state level, could adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds under federal or state law or otherwise prevent beneficial owners of the Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. In addition, such legislation or actions (whether currently proposed, proposed in the future, or enacted) or such decisions could affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds are subject to the approving legal opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, New York, New York, Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel's opinion will be in substantially the form attached hereto in Appendix C.

## **DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING**

In order to assist the purchasers of the Bonds in complying with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Rule 15c2-12"), the District will execute an Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure, the form of which is attached hereto as Appendix D.

## **RATING**

The District has applied to S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") 55 Water Street, New York, New York 10041, Telephone: (877) 299-2569 and Fax: (212) 438-5153, for a rating on the Bonds and such application is pending at this time. The rating will reflect only the view of such rating agency and an explanation of the significance of such rating should be obtained from S&P. Generally, a rating agency bases its ratings on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigation, studies and assumptions by the rating agency. There is no assurance that a particular rating will apply for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely if, in the judgment of the agency originally establishing the rating, circumstances so warrant. Any downward revision or withdrawal of such ratings could have an adverse affect on the market price of the Bonds or the availability of a secondary market for such Bonds.

## **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Munistat Services, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor"), is a Municipal Advisor, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The Municipal Advisor serves as independent municipal advisor to the District on matters relating to debt management. The Municipal Advisor is a municipal advisory and consulting organization and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, marketing, or trading municipal securities or any other negotiated instruments. The Municipal Advisor has provided advice as to the plan of financing and the structuring of the Bonds and has reviewed and commented on certain legal documents, including this Official Statement. The advice on the plan of financing and the structuring of the Bonds was based on materials provided by the District and other sources of information believed to be reliable. The Municipal Advisor has not audited, authenticated, or otherwise verified the information provided by the District or the information set forth in this Official Statement or any other information available to the District with respect to the appropriateness, accuracy, or completeness of disclosure of such information and no guarantee, warranty, or other representation is made by the Municipal Advisor respecting the accuracy and completeness of or any other matter related to such information and this Official Statement.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained from the office of Timothy Laube, Assistant Superintendent for Business, Eastport-South Manor Central School District, 149 Dayton Avenue, Manorville, NY 11949, Phone (631) 801-3001, Fax (631) 874-6743 and email: laubet@esmonline.org or from Munistat Services, Inc., 12 Roosevelt Avenue, Port Jefferson Station, New York 11776, telephone number (631) 331-8888 and website: www.munistat.com.

Statements in the Official Statement, and the documents included by specific reference, that are not historical facts are “forward-looking statements”, within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which involve a number of risks and uncertainties, and which are based on the District’s management’s beliefs as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, the District’s management and staff. Because the statements are based on expectations about future events and economic performance and are not statements of fact, actual results may differ materially from those projected. Important factors that could cause future results to differ include legislative and regulatory changes, changes in the economy, and other factors discussed in this and other documents that the District’s files with the repositories. When used in District’s documents or oral presentation, the words “anticipate”, “believe”, “intend”, “plan”, “foresee”, “likely”, “estimate”, “expect”, “objective”, “projection”, “forecast”, “goal”, “will”, or “should”, or similar words or phrases are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Munistat Services, Inc. may place a copy of this Official Statement on its website at www.munistat.com. Unless this Official Statement specifically indicates otherwise, no statement on such website is included by specific reference or constitutes a part of this Official Statement. Munistat Services, Inc. has prepared such website information for convenience, but no decisions should be made in reliance upon that information. Typographical or other errors may have occurred in converting original source documents to digital format, and neither the District nor Munistat Services, Inc. assumes any liability or responsibility for errors or omissions on such website. Further, Munistat Services, Inc. and the District disclaim any duty or obligation either to update or to maintain that information or any responsibility or liability for any damages caused by viruses in the electronic files on the website. Munistat Services, Inc. and the District also assume no liability or responsibility for any errors or omissions or unauthorized editing or for any updates to dated website information.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact. No representation is made that any of such statements will be, in fact, realized. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the District and the original purchasers or owners of any of the Bonds.

The preparation and distribution of this Official Statement has been authorized by the Refunding Bond Resolution of the District which delegates to the President of the Board of Education the power to sell and issue the Bonds.

By: s/s MICHAEL BYRNES  
President of the Board of Education  
Eastport South Manor Central School District  
Manorville, New York

August , 2020

**APPENDIX A**

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Balance Sheet - General Fund**

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Cash	\$ 11,067,951	\$ 18,515,634
State & Federal Aid Receivable	1,553,143	1,498,710
Due From Other Governments	149,148	75,826
Due From Other Funds	1,077,837	1,294,757
Other	<u>9,737</u>	<u>13,334</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>\$ 13,857,816</u>	 <u>\$ 21,398,261</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 63,860	\$ 280,950
Accrued Liabilities	1,615,451	2,349,665
Due To Other Governments	2,709	37,266
Due to Other Funds	77,046	
Due to Teachers Retirement System,	3,898,591	3,898,470
Due to Employees' Retirement System	241,272	231,455
Compensated Absences Payable	378,455	419,746
Collections in Advance	<u></u>	<u>95,347</u>
 Total Liabilities & Deferred Revenue	 <u>6,277,384</u>	 <u>7,312,899</u>
<b>FUND EQUITY:</b>		
Fund Balances:		
Restricted	3,785,958	8,687,546
Assigned	34,379	1,535,745
Unassigned	<u>3,740,095</u>	<u>3,862,071</u>
 Total Fund Equity and Other Credits	 <u>7,560,432</u>	 <u>14,085,362</u>
 Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	 <u>\$ 13,837,816</u>	 <u>\$ 21,398,261</u>

Source: Audited Annual Financial Report (2018-2019)

NOTE: This table NOT audited

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balances  
General Fund**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Real Property Taxes	\$ 43,465,017	\$ 44,471,701	\$ 45,086,331	\$ 46,925,996	\$ 48,039,976
Other Real Property Tax Items	6,368,809	6,497,948	6,386,712	6,294,541	6,912,509
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	736,741	746,977	769,258	776,574	
Charges for Services	1,726,398	1,517,203	1,302,673	1,267,356	1,185,996
Use of Money and Property	41,723	28,357	32,599	69,442	130,666
Sale of Property and Compensation for Loss					241
State Sources	34,370,517	35,027,340	35,075,504	36,454,252	37,021,612
Medicaid Reimbursement					67,769
Federal Sources	6,934	14,689	29,682	28,730	
Miscellaneous	125,003	118,666	139,753	130,143	387,150
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>86,841,142</u>	<u>88,422,881</u>	<u>88,822,512</u>	<u>91,947,034</u>	<u>93,745,919</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
General Support	8,099,513	8,174,344	8,263,632	8,220,086	7,983,092
Instruction	46,904,698	46,499,292	46,312,618	46,342,277	44,117,383
Pupil Transportation	3,804,292	3,685,991	3,784,693	4,085,118	4,065,613
Employee Benefits	20,176,598	18,310,614	18,309,151	17,456,669	17,454,105
Debt Service	13,023,661	13,586,359	13,152,408	13,343,403	13,433,445
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>92,008,762</u>	<u>90,256,600</u>	<u>89,822,502</u>	<u>89,447,553</u>	<u>87,053,638</u>
<b>Other Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating Transfers In	13,167	90,276			
Operating Transfers Out	(85,613)	(133,638)	(115,941)	(139,005)	(167,351)
<b>Total Other Sources (Uses):</b>	<u>(72,446)</u>	<u>(43,362)</u>	<u>(115,941)</u>	<u>(139,005)</u>	<u>(167,351)</u>
<b>Excess (Deficit) Revenues &amp; Other Sources Over Expenditures &amp; Other Uses</b>	(5,240,066)	(1,877,081)	(1,115,931)	2,360,476	6,524,930
<b>Fund Balances Beg. of Fiscal Year</b>	13,433,034	8,192,968	6,315,887	5,199,956	7,560,432
<b>Prior Period Adjustments</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Fund Balances End of Fiscal Year</b>	<u>\$ 8,192,968</u>	<u>\$ 6,315,887</u>	<u>\$ 5,199,956</u>	<u>\$ 7,560,432</u>	<u>\$ 14,085,362</u>

Source: Audited Annual Financial Reports of the District (2015-2019)

NOTE: This table NOT audited

# EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Budget Summaries

	<u>2019-2020<sup>a</sup></u>	<u>2020-2021<sup>b</sup></u>
Revenues:		
Real Property Taxes	\$ 55,679,957	\$ 56,904,991
State Aid	37,619,123	37,689,758
Other Sources	<u>3,252,622</u>	<u>2,513,256</u>
Total	<u>\$ 96,551,702</u>	<u>\$ 97,108,005</u>
Expenditures:		
General Support	\$ 9,224,941	\$ 10,235,281
Instruction	49,325,857	50,430,799
Pupil Transportation	4,684,938	4,760,123
Employee Benefits	19,672,652	18,217,235
Debt Service	13,484,385	13,326,842
Interfund Transfers	<u>158,930</u>	<u>137,726</u>
Total	<u>\$ 96,551,702</u>	<u>\$ 97,108,005</u>

(1) The adopted budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year was approved by the voters on June 18, 2019.

(2) The adopted budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year was approved by the voters on June 16, 2020.

Sources: Adopted Budgets of the District.

**EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**APPENDIX B**

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

NOTE: SUCH FINANCIAL REPORT AND OPINIONS WERE PREPARED AS OF THE DATE THEREOF AND HAVE NOT BEEN REVIEWED AND/OR UPDATED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PREPARATION AND DISSEMINATION OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT. CONSENT OF THE AUDITORS HAS NOT BEEN REQUESTED OR OBTAINED.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education  
Eastport-South Manor Central School District  
Manorville, New York

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the fiduciary funds of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District'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 from 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 District'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 District'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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the fiduciary funds of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District, as of June 30, 2019, 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.

## ***Other Matters***

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis, schedule of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance – budget and actual – general fund, schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability), schedule of District pension contributions and schedule of changes in the District's total OPEB liability and related ratios on pages 3 through 14 and 51 through 55, respectively, 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 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.

### ***Other Supplementary Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Eastport-South Manor Central School District's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information on pages 56 through 58 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information requested by the New York State Education Department. The other supplementary information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

## ***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 27, 2019 on our consideration of the Eastport-South Manor Central 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 to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Eastport-South Manor Central School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Cullen & Danowski, LLP*

September 27, 2019

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

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The Eastport-South Manor Central School District’s discussion and analysis of the financial performance provides an overall review of the District’s financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 in comparison with the year ended June 30, 2018, with emphasis on the current year. This should be read in conjunction with the financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

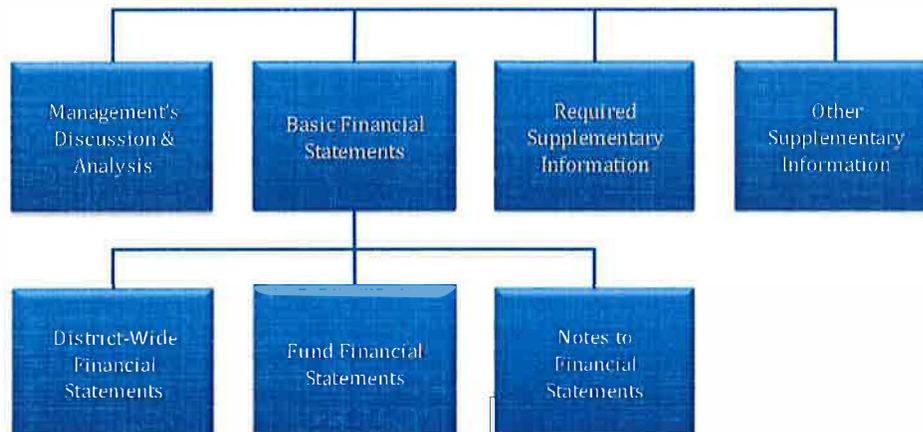
**1. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2019 are as follows:

- The District’s total net position, as reflected in the district-wide financial statements, increased by \$8,673,282. This was due to an excess of revenues over expenses based on the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.
- The District’s expenses for the year, as reflected in the district-wide financial statements, totaled \$88,153,653. Of this amount, \$4,226,061 was offset by program charges for services, operating grants, and capital grants. General revenues of \$92,560,874 amount to 95.6% of total revenues, and were adequate to cover the balance of program expenses.
- The general fund’s total fund balance, as reflected in the fund financial statements, increased by \$6,524,930. This was due to an excess of revenues over expenditures based on the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- The District’s 2019 property tax levy of \$54,191,936 was a 1.83% increase over the 2018 tax levy. The District’s property tax cap was 1.83%.
- The budget for the 2019-2020 school year in the amount of \$96,551,702 was approved by the voters on June 18, 2019.

**2. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This annual report consists of four parts – management’s discussion and analysis (MD&A), the basic financial statements, required supplementary information, and other supplementary information. The basic financial statements consist of district-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to financial statements. A graphic display of the relationship of these statements follows:



**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
(Continued)

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**A. District-Wide Financial Statements**

The district-wide financial statements present the governmental activities of the District and are organized to provide an understanding of the fiscal performance of the District as a whole in a manner similar to a private sector business. There are two district-wide financial statements - the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements provide both an aggregate and long-term view of the District's finances.

These statements utilize the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes the financial effects of events when they occur, without regard to the timing of cash flows related to the events.

The Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities

The Statement of Activities presents information showing the change in net position during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are recorded at the time the underlying financial event occurs. Revenues are recognized in the period when they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period when the liability is incurred. Therefore, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will result in cash flow in future fiscal periods.

**B. Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, not the District as a whole. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District also uses fund accounting to ensure compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The funds of the District are reported in the governmental funds and the fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds

These statements utilize the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the period that they become measurable and available. It recognizes expenditures in the period in which the District incurs the liability, except for certain expenditures such as debt service on general long-term indebtedness, claims and judgments, compensated absences, pension costs and other postemployment benefits, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent the related liabilities mature each period.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the district-wide financial statements. However, the governmental fund financial statements focus on shorter term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year for spending in future years. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's operations and the services it provides.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
(Continued)

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of district-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the district-wide financial statements. By doing so, you may better understand the long-term impact of the District's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The District maintains five individual governmental funds: general fund, special aid fund, school food service fund, debt service fund and capital projects fund, each of which is considered to be a major fund and is presented separately in the fund financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the District in its capacity as agent or trustee and utilize the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate statements. The fiduciary activities have been excluded from the district-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

**3. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE**

**A. Net Position**

The District's total net position increased by \$8,673,282 between fiscal year 2018 and 2019. Certain amounts in the 2018 statement have been reclassified to conform to the 2019 presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on net position for 2018. The increase is due to revenues in excess of expenses based on the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. A summary of the District's Statements of Net Position follows:

	2019	2018	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
<b>Assets</b>				
Current and Other Assets	\$ 23,226,414	\$ 15,509,968	\$ 7,716,446	49.75 %
Capital Assets, Net	163,065,873	166,072,404	(3,006,531)	(1.81)%
Net Pension Asset - Proportionate Share	4,234,978	1,843,103	2,391,875	129.77 %
Total Assets	190,527,265	183,425,475	7,101,790	3.87 %
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	48,374,547	26,996,659	21,377,888	79.19 %
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Current and Other Liabilities	8,297,558	7,569,314	728,244	9.62 %
Long-Term Liabilities	128,720,070	137,845,638	(9,125,568)	(6.62)%
Net Pension Liability - Proportionate Share	1,431,399	662,796	768,603	115.96 %
Total OPEB Obligation	130,069,047	100,753,396	29,315,651	29.10 %
Total Liabilities	268,518,074	246,831,145	21,686,930	8.79 %

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	2019	2018	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	\$ 9,977,476	\$ 11,858,009	\$ (1,880,533)	(15.86)%
<b>Net Position (Deficit)</b>				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	53,645,643	42,020,299	11,625,344	27.67 %
Restricted	10,126,220	3,785,958	6,340,262	167.47 %
Unrestricted (Deficit)	<u>(103,365,601)</u>	<u>(94,073,277)</u>	<u>(9,292,324)</u>	(9.88)%
Total Net Position (Deficit)	<u>\$ (39,593,738)</u>	<u>\$ (48,267,020)</u>	<u>\$ 8,673,282</u>	17.97 %

Current and other assets increased by \$7,716,446, as compared to the prior year. The increase is primarily related to an increase in the District's cash position, as a result of current year operations.

Capital assets, net decreased by \$3,006,531, as compared to the prior year. This decrease is primarily due to depreciation expense in excess of capital asset additions. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 8 "Capital Assets" provides additional information.

Net pension asset – proportionate share increased by \$2,391,875, in the current year. This asset represents the District's share of the New York State Teachers' Retirement System collective net pension asset, at the measurement date.

Deferred outflows of resources represents contributions to the pension plans subsequent to the measurement dates and actuarial adjustments of the pension and OPEB plans that will be amortized in future years.

Current and other liabilities increased by \$728,244, as compared to the prior year. This increase is primarily due to increases in the District's accounts payable of \$232,268 and accrued liabilities of \$330,756.

Long-term liabilities decreased by \$9,125,568, as compared to the prior year. This decrease is primarily the result of scheduled bond and energy performance contract indebtedness payments of \$9,286,544, including amortization of premiums from prior years' advanced refunding of debt.

Net pension liability – proportionate share increased by \$768,603 in the current year. This liability represents the District's share of the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System's collective net pension liability, at the measurement date of the respective year.

Total other postemployment benefits (OPEB) obligation increased by \$29,315,651, as compared to the prior year. This increase is based on the actuarial valuation for the plan. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 14 "Postemployment Healthcare Benefits", provides additional information.

Deferred inflows of resources represents actuarial adjustments of the pension and OPEB plans that will be amortized in future years.

The net investment in capital assets is the investment in capital assets at cost such as land; construction in progress; buildings & building improvements; and, furniture & equipment, net of depreciation and related outstanding debt. This number increased over the prior year by \$11,625,344.

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The restricted amount of \$10,126,220 relates to the District's reserves. This number increased over the prior year by \$6,340,262.

The unrestricted deficit amount of \$103,365,601 relates to the balance of the District's net position. This balance does not include the District's reserves, which are classified as restricted. Additionally, in accordance with state guidelines, the District is only permitted to fund OPEB on a "pay as you go" basis, and is not permitted to accumulate funds for the net OPEB obligation.

**B. Changes in Net Position**

The results of operations as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities in a programmatic format. In the accompanying financial statements STAR (school tax relief) revenue is included in the other tax items line. However, in this MD&A, STAR revenue has been combined with property taxes. A summary of this statement for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$ 1,943,764	\$ 2,068,757	\$ (124,993)	(6.04)%
Operating Grants	2,173,312	2,114,932	58,380	2.76 %
Capital Grants	148,985		148,985	N/A
General Revenues				
Property Taxes and STAR	48,039,976	46,925,996	1,113,980	2.37 %
State Sources	37,021,612	36,454,252	567,360	1.56 %
Other	7,499,286	7,306,800	192,486	2.63 %
Total Revenues	<u>96,826,935</u>	<u>94,870,737</u>	<u>1,956,198</u>	2.06 %
<b>Expenses</b>				
General Support	10,275,418	10,372,578	(97,160)	(0.94)%
Instruction	68,695,463	73,021,168	(4,325,705)	(5.92)%
Pupil Transportation	4,180,262	4,173,433	6,829	0.16 %
Debt Service - Interest	3,743,443	3,994,502	(251,059)	(6.29)%
Food Service Program	1,259,067	1,332,599	(73,532)	(5.52)%
Total Expenses	<u>88,153,653</u>	<u>92,894,280</u>	<u>(4,740,627)</u>	(5.10)%
Change in Net Position	<u>\$ 8,673,282</u>	<u>\$ 1,976,457</u>	<u>\$ 6,696,825</u>	338.83 %

The District's net position increased by \$8,673,282 and \$1,976,457 for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The District's revenues increased by \$1,956,198 or 2.06%. The major factors that contributed to the increase were:

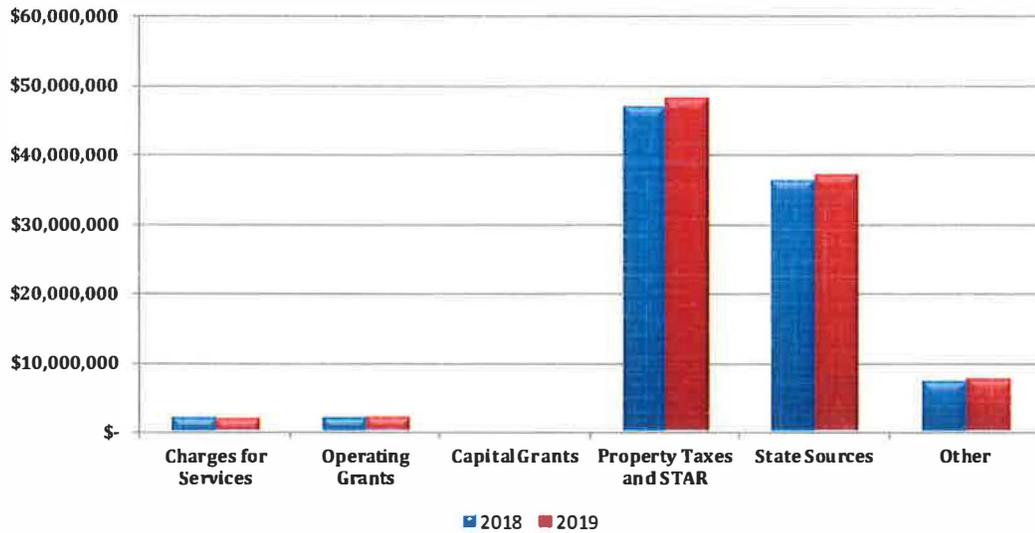
- Property taxes and STAR revenues increased by \$971,509.
- The District received \$567,360 more state aid in the current year than during the prior year.

The District's expenses decreased by \$4,740,627 or 5.10%. In an effort to reduce expenditures the school district budget was reflective of 73.3 less employees, (13.2%) of the total 2017-2018 staff.

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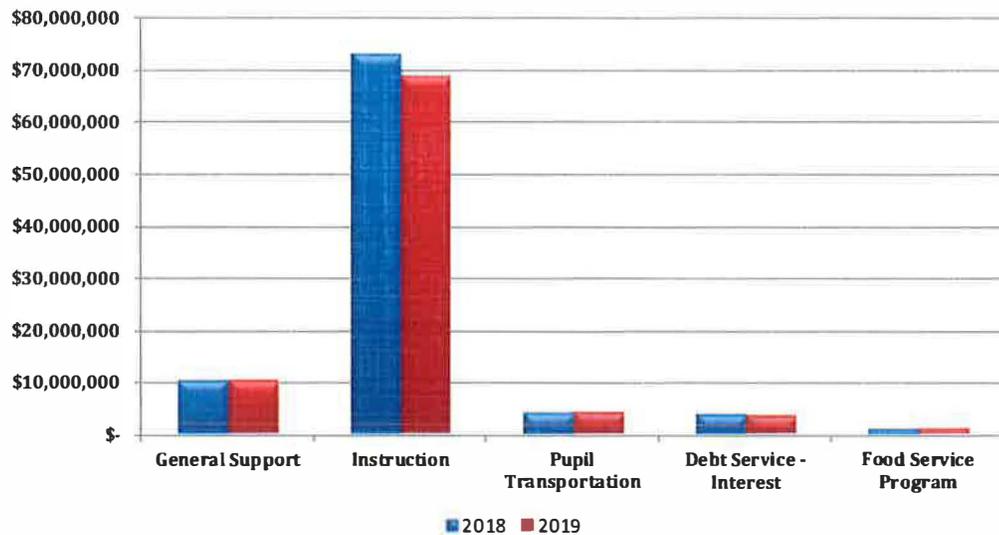
As indicated on the graphs that follow, real property taxes and STAR is the largest component of revenues recognized (i.e., 49.6% and 49.5% of the total for the years 2019 and 2018, respectively). Instruction expenses is the largest category of expenses incurred (i.e., 78.0% and 78.6% of the total for the years 2019 and 2018, respectively).

A graphic display of the distribution of revenues for the two years follows:



	Charges for Services	Operating Grants	Capital Grants	Property Taxes and STAR	State Sources	Other
<b>2018</b>	2.2%	2.2%	0.0%	49.5%	38.4%	7.7%
<b>2019</b>	2.0%	2.2%	0.2%	49.6%	38.2%	7.8%

A graphic display of the distribution of expenses for the two years follows:



	General Support	Instruction	Pupil Transportation	Debt Service - Interest	Food Service Program
<b>2018</b>	11.2%	78.6%	4.5%	4.3%	1.4%
<b>2019</b>	11.7%	78.0%	4.7%	4.2%	1.4%

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**4. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS**

At June 30, 2019, the District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$15,591,667, which is an increase of \$6,352,816 over the prior year. This increase is due to an excess of revenues over expenditures based upon the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. A summary of the change in fund balance by fund is as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
<b>General Fund</b>			
Restricted			
Workers' compensation	\$ 500,000	\$	\$ 500,000
Unemployment insurance	100,000		100,000
Retirement contribution			
Teachers' retirement system	716,520		716,520
Employees' retirement system	520,707		520,707
Employee benefit accrued liability	6,850,319	3,785,958	3,064,361
Assigned:			
Appropriated fund balance	1,308,431		1,308,431
Unappropriated fund balance	227,314	34,379	192,935
Unassigned: Fund balance	<u>3,862,071</u>	<u>3,740,095</u>	<u>121,976</u>
	<u>14,085,362</u>	<u>7,560,432</u>	<u>6,524,930</u>
<b>School Food Service Fund</b>			
Nonspendable: Inventory	3,586	3,156	430
Assigned: Unappropriated fund balance	<u>213,030</u>	<u>212,113</u>	<u>917</u>
	<u>216,616</u>	<u>215,269</u>	<u>1,347</u>
<b>Debt Service Fund</b>			
Restricted for debt service	<u>1,438,674</u>		<u>1,438,674</u>
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>			
Restricted:			
Unspent bond proceeds		1,463,150	(1,463,150)
Unassigned: Fund balance (deficit)	<u>(148,985)</u>		<u>(148,985)</u>
	<u>(148,985)</u>	<u>1,463,150</u>	<u>(1,612,135)</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 15,591,667</u>	<u>\$ 9,238,851</u>	<u>\$ 6,352,816</u>

**A. General Fund**

The net change in the general fund – fund balance is an increase of \$6,524,930. General fund revenues of \$93,745,919 exceeded expenditures and other uses of \$87,220,989.

Revenues increased \$1,798,885 or 1.96% compared to the prior year.

Expenditures and other uses decreased \$2,365,569 or 2.64%. The decrease was primarily the result of planned staffing reductions.

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At the end of the fiscal year, the District used the operating surplus to fund the subsequent year's budget by \$1,308,431 and to fund Board established reserves in the amount of \$4,837,227.

**B. School Food Service Fund**

The net change in the school food service fund – fund balance is an increase of \$1,347, which was the current year operating profit that includes a general fund budget transfer of \$17,276 for uncollectible receivables.

**C. Debt Service Fund**

The debt service fund – fund balance was created with \$1,438,674, a transfer from the capital projects fund of unused bond proceeds from completed projects in the amount of \$1,438,150 and interest earnings of \$524.

**D. Capital Projects Fund**

The net change in the capital projects fund – fund balance is a decrease of \$1,612,135. The decrease is a result of an expenditures from ongoing capital improvement projects of \$173,985 and an interfund transfer to the debt service fund of unused bond proceeds from completed capital improvement projects of \$1,438,150.

**5. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

**A. 2018-2019 Budget**

The District's general fund adopted budget for the year ended June 30, 2019 was \$93,502,384. This amount was increased by encumbrances carried forward from the prior year in the amount of \$34,379 and a budget revision in the amount of \$46,039 for a total final budget of \$93,582,802.

The budget was funded by estimated revenues of which the largest funding source was \$54,191,936 in estimated property taxes and STAR.

**B. Change in General Fund's Unassigned Fund Balance (Budget to Actual)**

The general fund's unassigned fund balance is the component of total fund balance that is the residual of prior years' excess revenues over expenditures, net of transfers to reserves, appropriations to fund the subsequent year's budget and encumbrances. The change in this balance demonstrated through a comparison of the actual revenues and expenditures for the year compared to budget follows:

Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 3,740,095
Revenues Over Budget	197,496
Expenditures and Encumbrances Under Budget	6,134,499
Allocation to Reserves	(4,901,588)
Appropriated to Fund the June 30, 2020 Budget	<u>(1,308,431)</u>
Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance	<u>\$ 3,862,071</u>

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Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance

The \$3,740,095 shown in the table is the portion of the District's June 30, 2018 fund balance that was retained as unassigned. This was 4% of the District's 2018-2019 approved operating budget of \$93,502,384. It is the maximum unassigned fund balance permitted by law.

Revenues Over Budget

The 2018-2019 final budget for revenues was \$93,548,423. Actual revenues received for the year were \$93,745,919. The excess of actual revenue over estimated or budgeted revenue was \$197,496, which contributes directly to the change to the general fund unassigned fund balance from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Expenditures and Encumbrances Under Budget

The 2018-2019 final budget for expenditures was \$93,582,802. Actual expenditures as of June 30, 2019 were \$87,220,989 and outstanding encumbrances were \$227,314. Combined, the expenditures plus encumbrances for 2018-2019 were \$87,448,303. The final budget was under expended by \$6,134,499. This under expenditure contributes directly to the change to the general fund unassigned fund balance from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Allocation to Reserves

Monies transferred into authorized reserves do not affect the total fund balance unless, and until these monies are actually expended. The transfers do, however, reduce the District's discretion regarding the use of these transferred monies, and thus, reduce the unassigned fund balance by the amount of the transfers.

The (\$4,901,588) shown in the above table is made up of transfers: \$500,000 to the workers' compensation reserve; \$100,000 to the unemployment insurance reserve; \$716,520 to the retirement contribution reserve - Teachers' Retirement System; \$520,707 to the retirement contribution reserve - Employees' Retirement System; \$3,000,000 to the employee benefit accrued liability reserve. Additionally, interest earnings of \$64,361 was allocated to the employee benefit accrued liability reserve.

Appropriated Fund Balance

The District has chosen to use \$1,308,431 of the available June 30, 2019 unassigned fund balance to partially fund the 2019-2020 approved operating budget. As such, the June 30, 2019 unassigned fund balance must be reduced by this amount.

Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance

Based upon the summary changes shown in the previous table, the unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2019 was \$3,862,071. This amount equals 4% of the 2018-2019 budget and is equal to statutory limit.

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**6. CAPITAL ASSETS, DEBT ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

**A. Capital Assets**

At June 30, 2019, the District had invested in a broad range of capital assets, as indicated in the table below. The net decrease in capital assets is due to depreciation of \$3,185,511 in excess of capital additions of \$178,980 recorded for the year ended June 30, 2019. A summary of the District's capital assets, net of depreciation at June 30, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

	2019	2018	Increase (Decrease)
Land	\$ 1,395,205	\$ 1,395,205	\$ -
Construction in progress	148,986	50,536,076	(50,387,090)
Buildings & building improvements	161,366,808	113,955,996	47,410,812
Furniture & equipment	154,874	185,127	(30,253)
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 163,065,873</u>	<u>\$ 166,072,404</u>	<u>\$ (3,006,531)</u>

**B. Debt Administration**

At June 30, 2019, the District had total bonds payable of \$105,520,000. The bonds were issued for school building improvements and the refunding of bonds originally issued for school building improvements. The decrease in outstanding debt represents principal payments. There were no new issuances of long-term debt during the year ended June 30, 2019. The District also has debt as a result of improvements made under an energy performance contract. The decrease in the energy performance contract payable represents principal payments. A summary of the outstanding debt at June 30, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

Issue Date	Interest Rate	2019	2018	Increase (Decrease)
<b>Bonds Payable</b>				
11/23/2009	3.0-4.0%	\$	\$ 915,000	\$ (915,000)
9/8/2010	2.0-3.5%	16,615,000	18,445,000	(1,830,000)
8/1/2011	2.0-4.0%	13,455,000	14,740,000	(1,285,000)
10/31/2012	2.0-5.0%	23,240,000	24,840,000	(1,600,000)
8/1/2013	4.0-4.5%	8,275,000	8,465,000	(190,000)
8/18/2014	3.0-3.75%	13,840,000	14,205,000	(365,000)
5/4/2016	2.0-4.0%	30,095,000	32,255,000	(2,160,000)
		<u>\$ 105,520,000</u>	<u>\$ 113,865,000</u>	<u>\$ (8,345,000)</u>
<b>Energy Performance Contract</b>				
10/15/2014	2.93%	\$ 5,338,380	\$ 5,791,712	\$ (453,332)

The District's latest underlying, long-term credit rating from Standard & Poor's Financial Services, LLC is AA-.

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**C. Other Long-Term Liabilities**

Included in the District's long-term liabilities are the estimated amounts due for compensated absences, workers' compensation liability, net pension liability - proportionate share and total other postemployment benefits obligation. The compensated absences liability is based on employment contracts. The workers' compensation liability is based on estimated amounts needed to settle claims incurred through June 30, 2019. The net pension liability - proportionate share and the total other postemployment benefits obligation are based on actuarial valuations.

	2019	2018	Increase (Decrease)
Compensated absences	\$ 11,701,862	\$ 11,530,961	\$ 170,901
Workers' compensation	789,497	799,422	(9,925)
Net pension liability - proportionate share	1,431,399	662,796	768,603
Total OPEB obligation	130,069,047	100,753,396	29,315,651
	<b>\$ 143,991,805</b>	<b>\$ 113,746,575</b>	<b>\$ 30,245,230</b>

**7. ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET**

**A. Subsequent Year's Budget**

The general fund budget, the only fund with a legally adopted budget, as approved by the voters on June 18, 2019, for the year ending June 30, 2020, is \$96,551,702. This is an increase of \$3,049,318 or 3.26% over the previous year's budget. The increase is principally in the teaching - regular school (\$1,012,074), programs for students with disabilities (\$685,335), and contractual transportation (\$354,790) areas of the budget.

The District budgeted revenues other than property taxes and STAR at a \$252,866 increase over the prior year's estimate, which is principally due to an estimated increase in state aid. There is assigned, appropriated fund balance applied to the budget in the amount of \$1,308,431, there was none in the previous year. A property tax increase of \$1,488,021 (2.75%), levy to levy, was needed to meet the funding shortfall and cover the increase in appropriations.

**B. Future Budgets**

Significant increases in costs of health insurance, the property tax cap, and uncertainty in state aid and federal funds will greatly impact the District's future budgets.

**C. Tax Cap**

New York State law limits the increase in the property tax levy of school districts to the lesser of 2% or the rate of inflation. There are additional statutory adjustments in the law. School districts may override the tax levy limit by presenting to the voters a budget that requires a tax levy that exceeds the statutory limit. However, that budget must be approved by 60% of the votes cast. The District's 2019-2020 property tax increase of 2.75% was equal to the tax cap and did not require an override vote.

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**8. CONTACTING THE DISTRICT**

This financial report is designed to provide the reader with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the funds it receives. Requests for additional information can be directed to:

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Eastport-South Manor Central School District  
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Manorville, New York 11949

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
June 30, 2019

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash	
Unrestricted	\$ 10,362,157
Restricted	10,209,164
Receivables	
Accounts receivable	13,961
Due from fiduciary funds	59,371
Due from state and federal	2,502,349
Due from other governments	75,826
Inventory	3,586
Capital assets:	
Not being depreciated	1,544,191
Being depreciated, net of accumulated depreciation	161,521,682
Net pension asset - proportionate share	<u>4,234,978</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>190,527,265</u>
 <b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Pensions	24,133,706
Other postemployment benefit obligation	<u>24,240,841</u>
 Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	 <u>48,374,547</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Payables	
Accounts payable	332,710
Accrued liabilities	3,244,405
Due to other governments	38,137
Due to teachers' retirement system	3,898,470
Due to employees' retirement system	231,455
Compensated absences payable	419,746
Unearned credits	
Collections in advance	132,635
Long-term liabilities	
Due and payable within one year	
Bonds payable, net	9,158,212
Energy performance contract payable	466,711
Compensated absences payable	2,300,108
Due and payable after one year	
Bonds payable, net	101,732,119
Energy performance contract payable	4,871,669
Compensated absences payable	9,401,754
Workers' compensation liabilities	789,497
Net pension liability - proportionate share	1,431,399
Total other postemployment benefits obligation	<u>130,069,047</u>
 Total Liabilities	 <u>268,518,074</u>
 <b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Pensions	5,831,526
Other postemployment benefits obligation	<u>4,145,950</u>
 Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	 <u>9,977,476</u>
 <b>NET POSITION (DEFICIT)</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	<u>53,645,643</u>
Restricted	
Workers' compensation	500,000
Unemployment insurance	100,000
Retirement contribution	
Teachers' retirement system	716,520
Employees' retirement system	520,707
Employee benefit accrued liability	6,850,319
Debt service	<u>1,438,674</u>
	<u>10,126,220</u>
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(103,365,601)</u>
 Total Net Position (Deficit)	 <u>\$ (39,593,738)</u>

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Activities**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants	
<b>FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS</b>				
General support	\$ 10,275,418	\$	\$	\$ (10,275,418)
Instruction	68,695,463	1,185,996	1,791,900	(65,568,582)
Pupil transportation	4,180,262			(4,180,262)
Debt service - interest	3,743,443			(3,743,443)
Food service program	1,259,067	757,768	381,412	(119,887)
<b>Total Functions and Programs</b>	<b>\$ 88,153,653</b>	<b>\$ 1,943,764</b>	<b>\$ 2,173,312</b>	<b>(83,887,592)</b>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES</b>				
Real property taxes				48,039,976
Other tax items				6,912,509
Use of money and property				131,617
Sale of property and compensation for loss				241
Miscellaneous				387,150
State sources				37,021,612
Medicaid reimbursement				67,769
<b>Total General Revenues</b>				<b>92,560,874</b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>				<b>8,673,282</b>
<b>Total Net Position (Deficit) - Beginning of Year</b>				<b>(48,267,020)</b>
<b>Total Net Position (Deficit) - End of Year</b>				<b>\$ (39,593,738)</b>

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds**  
June 30, 2019

	General	Special Aid	School Food Service	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Cash						
Unrestricted	\$ 9,828,088	\$ 252,691	\$ 281,378	\$	\$	\$ 10,362,157
Restricted	8,687,546			1,438,674		10,126,220
Receivables						
Accounts receivable	13,334		627			13,961
Due from other funds	1,294,757					1,294,757
Due from state and federal	1,498,710	832,765	21,889		148,985	2,502,349
Due from other governments	75,826					75,826
Inventory			3,586			3,586
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 21,398,261</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,456</b>	<b>\$ 307,480</b>	<b>\$ 1,438,674</b>	<b>\$ 148,985</b>	<b>\$ 24,378,856</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Payables						
Accounts payable	\$ 280,950	\$	\$ 51,760	\$	\$	\$ 332,710
Accrued liabilities	2,349,665					2,349,665
Due to other funds		1,085,456	945		148,985	1,235,386
Due to other governments	37,266		871			38,137
Due to teachers' retirement system	3,898,470					3,898,470
Due to employees' retirement system	231,455					231,455
Compensated absences payable	419,746					419,746
Unearned credits						
Collections in advance	95,347		37,288			132,635
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>7,312,899</b>	<b>1,085,456</b>	<b>90,864</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>148,985</b>	<b>8,638,204</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>						
Unavailable revenue					148,985	148,985
<b>FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)</b>						
Nonspendable: Inventory						
			3,586			3,586
Restricted:						
Workers' compensation	500,000					500,000
Unemployment insurance	100,000					100,000
Retirement contribution						
Teachers' retirement system	716,520					716,520
Employees' retirement system	520,707					520,707
Employee benefit accrued liability	6,850,319					6,850,319
Debt service				1,438,674		1,438,674
Assigned:						
Appropriated fund balance	1,308,431					1,308,431
Unappropriated fund balance	227,314		213,030			440,344
Unassigned: Fund balance (deficit)	<b>3,862,071</b>				<b>(148,985)</b>	<b>3,713,086</b>
<b>Total Fund Balances (Deficit)</b>	<b>14,085,362</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>216,616</b>	<b>1,438,674</b>	<b>(148,985)</b>	<b>15,591,667</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 21,398,261</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,456</b>	<b>\$ 307,480</b>	<b>\$ 1,438,674</b>	<b>\$ 148,985</b>	<b>\$ 24,378,856</b>

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet**  
**to the Statement of Net Position**

June 30, 2019

Total Governmental Fund Balances (Deficit)		\$ 15,591,667
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Cash held by third-party administrator is treated as a long-term asset and included in net position.	\$ 82,944	
The costs of building and acquiring capital assets (land, buildings & building improvements, furniture & equipment) financed from the governmental funds are reported as expenditures in the year they are incurred, and the assets do not appear on the Balance Sheet. However, the Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets among the assets of the District as a whole, and their original costs are expensed annually over their useful lives.		
Original cost of capital assets	207,435,922	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(44,370,049)</u>	163,148,817
Proportionate share of long-term asset and liability, and deferred outflows and inflows associated with participation in the state retirement systems are not current financial resources or obligations and are not reported in the funds.		
Net pension asset - teachers' retirement system	4,234,978	
Deferred outflows of resources	24,133,706	
Net pension liability - employees' retirement system	(1,431,399)	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(5,831,526)</u>	21,105,759
Total other postemployment benefits obligation and deferred outflows and inflows related to providing benefits in retirement are not current financial resources or obligation and are not reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflows of resources	24,240,841	
Total other postemployment benefits obligation	(130,069,047)	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(4,145,950)</u>	(109,974,156)
Some of the District's revenues will be collected after the year end, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the governmental funds, but are not deferred on the Statement of Net Position.		
		148,985
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:		
Accrued interest on bonds payable	(894,740)	
Bonds payable	(110,890,331)	
Energy performance contract payable	(5,338,380)	
Compensated absences payable	(11,701,862)	
Workers' compensation	<u>(789,497)</u>	(129,614,810)
Total Net Position (Deficit)		<u>\$ (39,593,738)</u>

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures**  
**and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	General	Special Aid	School Food Service	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Real property taxes	\$ 48,039,976	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 48,039,976
Other tax items	6,912,509					6,912,509
Charges for services	1,185,996					1,185,996
Use of money and property	130,666		427	524		131,617
Sale of property and compensation for loss	241					241
Miscellaneous	387,150		3,125			390,275
State sources	37,021,612	759,889	16,239			37,797,740
Medicaid reimbursement	67,769					67,769
Federal sources		1,032,011	365,173			1,397,184
Sales			754,643			754,643
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>93,745,919</b>	<b>1,791,900</b>	<b>1,139,607</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>96,677,950</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
General support	7,983,092					7,983,092
Instruction	44,117,383	1,842,004				45,959,387
Pupil transportation	4,065,613	99,971				4,165,584
Employee benefits	17,454,105					17,454,105
Debt service						
Principal	8,798,332					8,798,332
Interest	4,635,113					4,635,113
Food service program			1,155,536			1,155,536
Capital outlay					173,985	173,985
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>87,053,638</b>	<b>1,941,975</b>	<b>1,155,536</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>173,985</b>	<b>90,325,134</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	6,692,281	(150,075)	(15,929)	524	(173,985)	6,352,816
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND (USES)</b>						
Operating transfers in		150,075	17,276	1,438,150		1,605,501
Operating transfers (out)	(167,351)				(1,438,150)	(1,605,501)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)</b>	<b>(167,351)</b>	<b>150,075</b>	<b>17,276</b>	<b>1,438,150</b>	<b>(1,438,150)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>6,524,930</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,347</b>	<b>1,438,674</b>	<b>(1,612,135)</b>	<b>6,352,816</b>
Fund Balances (Deficit) - Beginning of Year	7,560,432		215,269		1,463,150	9,238,851
<b>End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 14,085,362</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 216,616</b>	<b>\$ 1,438,674</b>	<b>\$ (148,985)</b>	<b>\$ 15,591,667</b>

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

Net Change in Fund Balances \$ 6,352,816

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Long-Term Revenue and Expense Differences

Certain expenditures in the governmental funds requiring the use of current financial resources (amounts paid) are being held by a third-party administrator. This is the amount by which cash held by third-party increased administrator increased in the period. \$ 82,944

In the Statement of Activities, certain operating revenues are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, revenue for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources provided (essentially, the amounts actually received). 148,985

Certain expenditures in the governmental funds requiring the use of current financial resources (amounts paid) may exceed the amounts incurred during the year, resulting in a reduction of the long-term liability and an increase in the net position.

Decrease in workers' compensation liabilities 9,925

Certain operating expenses do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but are expensed in the Statement of Activities.

Increase in compensated absences payable (170,901) 70,953

Capital Related Differences

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are capitalized and shown in the Statement of Net Position and allocated over their useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. This is the amount by which, depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the period.

Capital outlays 178,980  
Depreciation expense (3,185,511) (3,006,531)

Long-Term Debt Transactions Differences

The amortization of the deferred premium on the advance refunding of bonds decreases interest expense in the Statement of Activities. 488,212

Repayment of long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not affect the Statement of Activities.

Repayment of bond principal 8,345,000  
Repayment of energy performance contract payable 453,332

Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. This is the amount by which accrued interest decreased from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2019. 403,458

9,690,002

Pension and Other Postemployment Differences

The change in the proportionate share of the collective pension expense of the state retirement plans and the change in other postemployment benefits expense reported in the Statement of Activities did not affect current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

Teachers' retirement system 253,876  
Employees' retirement system (45,831)  
Other postemployment benefits (4,642,003) (4,433,958)

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 8,673,282

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Fiduciary Net Position -**  
**Fiduciary Funds**  
June 30, 2019

	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Private Purpose Trust</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash		
Unrestricted	\$ 265,864	\$
Restricted		17,147
Accounts receivable		<u>3,550</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 265,864</u>	<u>20,697</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Extraclassroom activity balances	\$ 153,026	
Due to governmental funds	59,371	
Other liabilities	<u>53,467</u>	
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 265,864</u>	<u>-</u>
 <b>NET POSITION</b>		
Restricted for scholarships		<u>\$ 20,697</u>

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position -**  
**Fiduciary Funds**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Private Purpose Trust
<b>ADDITIONS</b>	
Investment earnings - interest	\$ 2,903
 <b>DEDUCTIONS</b>	
Scholarships and awards	-
Change in Net Position	2,903
Net Position - Beginning of Year	17,794
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 20,697

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District (District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Significant accounting principles and policies used by the District are as follows:

**A. Reporting Entity**

The District is governed by the laws of New York State. The District is an independent entity governed by an elected Board of Education consisting of 7 members. The President of the Board serves as the chief fiscal officer and the Superintendent is the chief executive officer. The Board is responsible for, and controls all activities related to public school education within the District. Board members have authority to make decisions, power to appoint management, and primary accountability for all fiscal matters.

The financial reporting entity is based on criteria set forth by GASB. The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of the District. The District is not a component unit of another reporting entity. The decision to include a potential component unit in the District's reporting entity is based on several criteria including legal standing, fiscal dependency, and financial accountability. Based on the application of these criteria, the following entity is included in the District's financial statements:

Extraclassroom Activity Funds

The extraclassroom activity funds of the District represent funds of the students of the District. The Board of Education exercises general oversight of these funds. The extraclassroom activity funds are independent of the District with respect to its financial transactions and the designation of student management. The District reports these assets held by it as agent for the extraclassroom organizations in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Fiduciary Funds. Separate audited financial statements of the extraclassroom activity funds can be found at the District's Business Office.

**B. Joint Venture**

The District is a component district in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Eastern Suffolk (BOCES). A BOCES is a voluntary, cooperative association of school districts in a geographic area that share planning, services, and programs which provide educational and support activities. BOCES are organized under Section §1950 of the Education Law. A BOCES Board is considered a corporate body. Members of a BOCES Board are nominated and elected by their component member boards in accordance with provisions of Section §1950 of the Education Law. All BOCES property is held by the BOCES Board as a corporation under Section §1950(6). In addition, BOCES Boards also are considered municipal corporations to permit them to contract with other municipalities on a cooperative basis under Section §119-n(a) of the General Municipal Law. A BOCES budget is comprised of separate budgets for

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administrative, program, and capital costs. Each component district's share of administrative and capital cost is determined by resident public school district enrollment as defined in Education Law, Section §1950(4)(b)(7). There is no authority or process by which a school district can terminate its status as a BOCES component. In addition, component school districts pay tuition or a service fee for programs in which its students participate.

**C. Basis of Presentation**

District-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present information about the overall governmental financial activities of the District, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of interfund transactions. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, state aid, intergovernmental revenues, and other exchange and nonexchange transactions. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants, while capital grants reflect capital-specific grants, if applicable.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the District at fiscal year end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between program expenses and revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Employee benefits are allocated to functional areas in proportion to the payroll expended for those areas. Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including real property taxes and state aid, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, including fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund type, governmental and fiduciary, are presented. The District's financial statements present the following fund types:

**Governmental Funds** - are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The emphasis of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds as defined by GASB, each displayed in a separate column. The following are the District's major governmental funds:

**General Fund** - is the general operating fund and is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**Special Aid Fund** - is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources such as federal and state grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. These legal restrictions may be imposed by either governments that provide the funds or outside parties.

**School Food Service Fund** - is used to account for the activities of the food service program.

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***Debt Service Fund*** - accounts for the accumulation of resources for the payment of principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of governmental activities.

***Capital Projects Fund*** - is used to account for the financial resources used for acquisition, construction, renovation or major repair of capital facilities and other capital assets, such as equipment.

***Fiduciary Funds*** - are used to account for activities in which the District acts as trustee or agent for resources that belong to others. These activities are not included in the district-wide financial statements, because their resources do not belong to the District, and are not available to be used to finance District operations. The following are the District's fiduciary funds:

***Agency Funds*** - These funds are strictly custodial in nature and do not involve the measurement of results of operations. Assets are held by the District as agent for various student groups or extraclassroom activity funds and for payroll or employee withholding.

***Private Purpose Trust Funds*** - These funds are used to account for trust arrangements in which principal and income benefits annual third party awards and scholarships for students. Established criteria govern the use of the funds and members of the District or representatives of the donors may serve on committees to determine who benefits.

**D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

Accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The district-wide and fiduciary fund 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 transaction takes place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the District gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include real property taxes, state aid, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from real property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from state aid is recognized in the fiscal year it is apportioned by the state. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The governmental fund statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. 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 180 days after the end of the fiscal year, except for real property taxes, which are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, compensated absences, pension costs and other postemployment benefits, 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 debt are reported as other financing sources.

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**E. Real Property Taxes**

Calendar

Real property taxes are levied annually by the Board no later than November 1<sup>st</sup> and become a lien on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Taxes are collected by the town of Brookhaven and remitted to the District from December to June.

Enforcement

Uncollected real property taxes are subsequently enforced by Suffolk County in June.

**F. Restricted Resources**

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net resources are available, the District's policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use, and with associated legal requirements, many of which are described elsewhere in these Notes to Financial Statements.

**G. Interfund Transactions**

The operations of the District include transactions between funds. These transactions may be temporary in nature, such as with interfund borrowings. The District typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of providing cash flow. These interfund receivables and payables are expected to be repaid within one year. Permanent transfers of funds include transfers to provide financing or other services. This includes the transfer of unrestricted general fund revenues to finance various programs that the District must account for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

In the district-wide statements, the amounts reported on the Statement of Net Position for interfund receivables and payables represent amounts due between different fund types (governmental activities and fiduciary funds). Eliminations have been made for all interfund receivables and payables between the funds, with the exception of those due from or to the fiduciary funds.

The governmental funds report all interfund transactions as originally recorded. Interfund receivables and payables are netted on the accompanying governmental funds balance sheet when it is the District's practice to settle these amounts at a net balance based upon the right of legal offset.

A detailed disclosure by individual fund for interfund receivables, payables, transfers in and transfers out activity is provided subsequently in these Notes to Financial Statements.

**H. 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 estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingencies at the date of the financial statements and the reported revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are made in a variety of areas, including compensated absences,

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other postemployment benefits, workers' compensation liabilities, potential contingent liabilities and useful lives of long-lived assets.

**I. Cash and Cash Equivalents/Investments**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, bank deposits and investments with a maturity date of three months or less from date of acquisition.

Certain cash balances are restricted by various legal and contractual obligations, such as legal reserves and debt agreements.

**J. Receivables**

Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles, if any. However, no allowance for uncollectibles has been provided since it is believed that such allowance would not be material.

**K. Inventory**

Inventory of food in the school food service fund is recorded at cost on a first-in, first-out basis or in the case of surplus food donated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, at the Government's assigned value, which approximates market. Inventory is accounted for on the consumption method. Under the consumption method, a current asset for the inventory is recorded at the time of receipt and/or purchase and an expense/expenditure is reported in the year the goods are consumed.

Purchases of inventoriable items in other funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase, and are considered immaterial in amount.

A portion of fund balance has been classified as nonspendable to indicate that inventory does not constitute available spendable resources.

**L. Capital Assets**

Capital assets are reflected in the district-wide financial statements. Capital assets are reported at actual cost, when the information is available, or estimated historical cost based on professional third-party information. Donated assets are reported at acquisition value at the date of donation.

All capital assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives. Capitalization thresholds, the dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts, and estimated useful lives of capital assets as reported in the district-wide statements are as follows:

	<u>Capitalization Threshold</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Life</u>
Buildings and improvements	\$ 2,000	50 years
Furniture and equipment	2,000	5-10 years

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**M. Deferred Outflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows of resources, in the Statement of Net Position, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until that time. The District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. First is related to pensions and consists of the District's proportionate share of changes in the collective net pension asset or liability not included in collective pension expense. The second item is the District's contributions to the pension systems (TRS and ERS) subsequent to the measurement date.

**N. Collections in Advance**

Collections in advance arise when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures or when charges for services monies are received in advance from payers prior to the services being rendered by the District, such as prepaid lunch amounts and summer program fees. These amounts are recorded as liabilities in the financial statements. The liabilities are removed and revenues are recognized in subsequent periods when the District has legal claim to the resources.

**O. Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has three items that qualify for reporting in this category. First is unavailable revenues reported in the governmental funds when potential revenues do not meet the availability criterion for recognition in the current period. This includes receivables of certain state aid allocations related to the SMART Schools Bond Act. In subsequent periods, when the availability criterion is met, unavailable revenues are reclassified as revenues. In the District-wide financial statements, unavailable revenues are treated as revenues. The second item is related to pensions reported in the district-wide Statement of Net Position and consists of the District's proportionate share of changes in the collective net pension asset or liability not included in collective pension expense. The third item is related to OPEB reported in the district-wide Statement of Net Position. This represents the effect of the net changes of assumptions or other inputs.

**P. Employee Benefits – Compensated Absences**

Compensated absences consist of unpaid accumulated sick leave and vacation time.

Sick leave eligibility and accumulation is specified in collective bargaining agreements and in individual employment contracts. Upon retirement, resignation or death, employees may contractually receive a payment based on unused accumulated sick leave.

Vacation eligibility and accumulation is specified in collective bargaining agreements and in individual employment contracts. Some earned benefits may be forfeited if not taken within varying time periods. Employees are compensated for unused accumulated vacation leave through paid time off or cash payment upon retirement, termination or death.

Certain collectively bargained agreements require these payments to be paid in the form of non-elective contributions into the employee's 403(b) plan.

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The liability for compensated absences has been calculated using the vesting method and an accrual for that liability is included in the district-wide financial statements. The compensated absences liability is calculated based on the pay rates in effect at year-end.

In the fund financial statements, a liability is reported only for payments due for unused compensated absences for those employees that have obligated themselves to separate from service with the District by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Q. Other Benefits**

Eligible District employees participate in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System or the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System.

District employees may choose to participate in the District's elective deferred compensation plans established under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 457.

The District provides health insurance coverage for active employees pursuant to collective bargaining agreements and individual employment contracts.

In addition to providing these benefits, the District provides postemployment health insurance coverage and survivor benefits for most retired employees and their survivors. Collective bargaining agreements and individual employment contracts determine if District employees are eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the District. Health care benefits are provided through plans whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. The cost of providing post-retirement benefits is shared between the District and the retired employee. The District recognizes the cost of providing health insurance by recording its share of insurance premiums as an expenditure in the governmental funds as the liabilities for premiums mature (come due for payment). In the district-wide statements, the cost of postemployment health insurance coverage is recognized on the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75.

**R. Short-Term Debt**

The District may issue revenue anticipation notes (RAN) and tax anticipation notes (TAN), in anticipation of the receipt of revenues. These notes are recorded as a liability of the fund that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of the notes. The RANs and TANs represent a liability that will be extinguished by the use of expendable, available resources of the fund.

The District may issue bond anticipation notes (BAN), in anticipation of proceeds from the subsequent sale of bonds. These notes are recorded as current liabilities of the funds that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of bonds. State law requires that BANs issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term financing within five years after the original issue date.

**S. Equity Classifications**

District-Wide Statements

In the district-wide statements there are three classes of net position:

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*Net investment in capital assets* – Consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisitions, construction and improvements of those assets.

*Restricted* – Reports net position when constraints placed on the assets or deferred outflows of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted* – Reports the balance of net position that does not meet the definition of the above two classifications.

### Fund Statements

The fund statements report fund balance classifications according to the relative strength of spending constraints placed on the purpose for which resources can be used, as follows:

*Nonspendable* – Consists of amounts that are inherently nonspendable in the current period either because of their form or because they must be maintained intact. Nonspendable fund balance consists of inventory, which is recorded in the school food service fund.

*Restricted* – Consists of amounts that are subject to externally enforceable legal purpose restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District has established the following restricted fund balances:

#### *Workers' Compensation Reserve*

Workers' Compensation Reserve (GML §6-j) is used to pay for compensation benefits and other expenses authorized by Article 2 of the Workers' Compensation Law, and for payment of expenses of administering this self-insurance program. The reserve may be established by Board action, and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may either be transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

#### *Unemployment Insurance Reserve*

Unemployment Insurance Reserve (GML §6-m) is used to pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund for payments made to claimants where the employer has elected to use the benefit reimbursement method. The reserve may be established by Board action and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may either be transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. If the District elects to convert to tax (contribution) basis, excess resources in the fund over the sum sufficient to pay pending claims may be transferred to any other reserve fund. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

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*Retirement Contribution Reserve*

Retirement Contribution Reserve (GML §6-r) is used for the purpose of financing retirement contributions payable to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System and the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System. The Board, by resolution, may establish the reserve and authorize expenditures from the reserve. The reserve is funded by budgetary appropriations or taxes raised for the reserve, revenues that are not required by law to be paid into any other fund or account, transfers from reserves and other funds that may legally be appropriated. Effective April 1, 2019, a board may adopt a resolution establishing a sub-fund for contributions to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System. During a fiscal year, the Board may authorize payment into the sub-fund of up to 2% of the total covered salaries paid during the preceding fiscal year, with the total amount funded not to exceed 10% of the total covered salaries during the preceding fiscal year. The sub-fund is separately administered, but must comply with all the existing provisions of General Municipal Law §6-r. These reserves are accounted for in the general fund.

*Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve*

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (GML §6-p) is used to reserve funds for the payment of accrued employee benefit primarily based on unused and unpaid sick leave, personal leave, holiday leave or vacation time due an employee upon termination of the employee's service. This reserve may be established by a majority vote of the Board, and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other reserves and funds that may be legally appropriated. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

*Restricted for Debt Service*

Unexpended balances of proceeds of borrowings for capital projects, interest and earnings from investing proceeds of obligations, and premiums and accrued interest on long-term borrowings are recorded in the debt service fund and held until appropriated for debt payments. These restricted amounts are accounted for in the debt service fund.

*Restricted for Scholarships*

Amounts restricted for scholarships are used to account for monies donated for scholarship purposes, including earnings and net of awards. These restricted funds are accounted for in the private purpose trust fund.

*Assigned* – Consists of amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint that represents an intended use established by the District's Board of Education. The purpose of the assignment must be narrower than the purpose of the general fund, and in funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the residual amount of fund balance. Assigned fund balance also includes an amount appropriated to partially fund the subsequent year's budget, as well as encumbrances not classified as restricted at the end of the fiscal year.

*Unassigned* – Represents the residual classification for the District's general fund and could report a surplus or deficit. In funds other than the general fund, the unassigned classification is used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending of available resources. NYS Real Property Tax Law §1318, restricts the unassigned fund balance of the general fund to an amount not greater than 4% of the subsequent year's budget.

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Fund Balance Classification

Any portion of fund balance may be applied or transferred for a specific purpose by law, voter approval if required by law or by formal action of the Board of Education if voter approval is not required. Amendments or modification to the applied or transferred fund balance must also be approved by formal action of the Board of Education.

The Board of Education shall delegate the authority to assign fund balance, for encumbrance purposes, to the person(s) to whom it has delegated the authority to sign purchase orders.

In circumstances where an expenditure is incurred for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications (that is restricted, assigned or unassigned) the expenditure is to be spent first from the restricted fund balance to the extent appropriated by either budget vote or Board approved budget revision and then from the assigned fund balance to the extent that there is an appropriation and then from the unassigned fund balance.

**T. New Accounting Standards**

The District has adopted and implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 88, *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, Including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements*, for the year ended June 30, 2019. This statement improves the information that is disclosed in the notes to financial statements related to debt.

**2. EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS AND THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS**

Due to the differences in the measurement focus and basis of accounting used in the governmental fund statements and the district-wide statements, certain financial transactions are treated differently. The basic financial statements contain a full reconciliation of these items. The differences result primarily from the economic resource measurement focus of the District-wide statements, compared with the current financial resource measurement focus of the governmental funds.

**A. Total Fund Balances of Governmental Funds vs. Net Position of Governmental Activities**

Total fund balances of the District's governmental funds differ from net position of governmental activities reported in the Statement of Net Position. This difference primarily results from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the current financial resources focus of the governmental fund Balance Sheet, as applied to the reporting of capital assets and long-term assets and liabilities.

**B. Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances vs. Statement of Activities**

Differences between the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances and the Statement of Activities fall into any of four broad categories.

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Long-Term Revenue and Expense Differences

Long-term revenue differences arise because governmental funds report revenues only when they are considered "available", whereas the Statement of Activities reports revenues when earned. Differences in long-term expenses arise because governmental funds report on a current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis, whereas the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting is used on the Statement of Activities, thereby affecting expenses such as compensated absences.

Capital Related Differences

Capital related differences include the difference between proceeds from the sale of capital assets reported on fund statements and the gain or loss on the sale of assets as reported on the Statement of Activities, and the difference between recording an expenditure for the purchase of capital items in the fund statements and depreciation expense on those items as recorded in the Statement of Activities.

Long-Term Debt Transaction Differences

Long-term debt transaction differences occur because the issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, but is recorded as a liability in the Statement of Net Position. In addition, both interest and principal are recorded as expenditures in the fund statements when due and payable, whereas interest expense is recorded in the Statement of Activities as it accrues, and principal payments are recorded as a reduction of liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits Differences

Pension differences occur as a result of recognizing pension costs using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expenditure is recognized based on the contractually required contribution as calculated by the plan, versus the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expense is recognized related to the District's proportionate share of the collective pension expense of the plan.

Other postemployment benefit differences occur as a result of recognizing OPEB costs using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expenditure is recognized for premiums and other postemployment benefit costs as they mature (come due for payment), versus the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expense is recognized related to the future cost of benefits in retirement over the term of employment.

**3. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**A. Budgets**

The District administration prepares a proposed budget for approval by the Board of Education for the general fund, the only fund with a legally adopted budget.

The voters of the District approved the proposed appropriation budget for the general fund.

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Appropriations are established by the adoption of the budget, are recorded at the program line item level, and constitute a limitation on expenditures (and encumbrances) that may be incurred. Appropriations authorized for the year are increased by the amount of encumbrances carried forward from the prior year. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year unless expended or encumbered. Encumbrances will lapse if not expended in the subsequent year. Appropriations authorized for the current year can be funded by the planned use of specific reserves, and can be increased by budget amendments approved by the Board of Education as a result of selected new revenue sources not included in the original budget (when permitted by law) and appropriation of fund balances. These supplemental appropriations may occur subject to legal restrictions, if the Board approves them because of a need that exists which was not determined at the time the budget was adopted. The following supplemental appropriations occurred during the year:

Contingent expenses funded by gifts and donations	<u>\$ 46,039</u>
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Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with GAAP.

Budgets are established and used for individual capital projects based on authorized funding. The maximum project amount authorized is based upon the estimated cost of the project. These budgets do not lapse and are carried over to subsequent fiscal years until the completion of the projects.

**B. Encumbrances**

Encumbrance accounting is used for budget control and monitoring purposes and is reported as a part of the governmental funds. Under this method, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded to reserve applicable appropriations. Outstanding encumbrances as of year-end are presented as part of assigned fund balance, unless classified as restricted, and do not represent expenditures or liabilities. These commitments will be honored in the subsequent period. Related expenditures are recognized at that time, as the liability is incurred or the commitment is paid.

**C. Capital Projects Fund**

The capital projects fund has an unassigned fund balance deficit of \$148,985. This will be funded when the District receives reimbursement for amounts expended for capital improvements under the SMART Schools Bond Act.

**4. DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INVESTMENTS**

The District's investment policies are governed by state statutes and District policy. Resources must be deposited in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the state. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements and obligations of New York State or its localities. Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by FDIC insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its Agencies and obligations of New York State and its municipalities. Investments are stated at fair value.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District may be unable to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside agency. GASB directs that deposits be disclosed as exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are as follows:

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- A. Uncollateralized,
- B. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, or
- C. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

The District's aggregate bank balances were covered by FDIC insurance or fully collateralized by securities pledged on the District's behalf at year end.

The District did not have any investments at year-end or during the year. Consequently, the District was not exposed to any material interest rate risk or foreign currency risk.

**5. PARTICIPATION IN BOCES**

During the year ended June 30, 2019, the District was billed \$3,762,143 for BOCES administrative and program costs. The District's share of BOCES aid amounted to \$1,370,092. Financial statements for the BOCES are available from the BOCES administrative offices at 201 Sunrise Highway, Patchogue, New York 11772.

**6. DUE FROM STATE AND FEDERAL**

Due from state and federal at June 30, 2019 consisted of:

General Fund	
New York State - excess cost aid	\$ 828,059
BOCES Aid	616,542
Medicaid	54,109
	1,498,710
Special Aid Fund	
Federal and state grants	832,765
School Food Service Fund	
Federal and state food service program reimbursements	21,889
Capital Fund	
SMART Schools Bond Act grant	148,985
	\$ 2,502,349

**7. DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**

Due from other governments at June 30, 2019 consisted of:

General Fund	
Alternative high school tuition	\$ 6,216
Foster tuition	9,009
Other districts - tuition and health services	60,601
	\$ 75,826

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**8. CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2019 were as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2018	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2019
Governmental activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 1,395,205	\$	\$	\$ 1,395,205
Construction in progress	50,536,076	148,985	(50,536,075)	148,986
Total capital assets not being depreciated	51,931,281	148,985	(50,536,075)	1,544,191
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings & building improvements	152,879,635	50,561,075		203,440,710
Furniture & equipment	2,473,289	4,995	(27,263)	2,451,021
Total capital assets being depreciated	155,352,924	50,566,070	(27,263)	205,891,731
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings & building improvements	38,923,639	3,150,263		42,073,902
Furniture & equipment	2,288,162	35,248	(27,263)	2,296,147
Total accumulated depreciation	41,211,801	3,185,511	(27,263)	44,370,049
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	114,141,123	47,380,559	-	161,521,682
Capital assets, net	\$166,072,404	\$ 47,529,544	\$ (50,536,075)	\$163,065,873

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

General support	\$ 7,654
Instruction	3,176,413
Food service program	1,444
Total depreciation expense	\$ 3,185,511

**9. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

Interfund balances and activities at June 30, 2019, are as follows:

	Interfund			
	Receivable	Payable	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund	\$ 1,294,757	\$	\$	\$ 167,351
Special Aid Fund		1,085,456	150,075	
School Lunch Fund		945	17,276	
Debt Service Fund			1,438,150	
Capital Projects Fund		148,985		1,438,150
Total Governmental Funds	1,294,757	1,235,386	\$ 1,605,501	\$ 1,605,501
Fiduciary Funds		59,371		
Total	\$ 1,294,757	\$ 1,294,757		

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The District typically transfers from the general fund to the special aid fund and school food service fund. The transfer to the special aid fund was for the District's share of the costs for the summer program for students with disabilities and the state-supported Section 4201 schools. The transfer to the school food service fund was to provide support for the program for the amount of uncollectible receivables. The transfer to the debt service fund was the amount of unexpended bond proceeds from completed capital improvement projects.

**10. SHORT-TERM DEBT**

Transactions in short-term debt for the year are summarized below:

	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Stated Interest Rate</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2018</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Redeemed</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2019</u>
TAN	2/6/2019	2.50%	\$	\$ 11,500,000	\$ (11,500,000)	\$
TAN	6/25/2019	1.77%		1,000,000	(1,000,000)	
TAN	6/25/2019	2.75%		9,300,000	(9,300,000)	
			<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 21,800,000</u>	<u>\$ (21,800,000)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Interest on short-term debt for the year was \$330,563. The District received premiums of \$90,462, which are included in miscellaneous revenue in the general fund.

**11. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

**A. Changes**

Long-term liability balances and activity, excluding pension and other postemployment benefits obligations, for the year are summarized below:

	<u>Balance June 30, 2018</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2019</u>	<u>Amounts Due Within One Year</u>
Long-term debt:					
Bonds payable	\$ 113,865,000	\$	\$ (8,345,000)	\$ 105,520,000	\$ 8,670,000
Add: Premium on refunding	5,858,543		(488,212)	5,370,331	488,212
	<u>119,723,543</u>		<u>(8,833,212)</u>	<u>110,890,331</u>	<u>9,158,212</u>
Energy performance contract	5,791,712		(453,332)	5,338,380	466,711
	<u>125,515,255</u>		<u>(9,286,544)</u>	<u>116,228,711</u>	<u>9,624,923</u>
Other long-term liabilities					
Compensated absences	11,530,961	170,901		11,701,862	2,300,108
Workers' compensation	799,422	482,592	(492,517)	789,497	
	<u>12,330,383</u>	<u>653,493</u>	<u>(492,517)</u>	<u>12,491,359</u>	<u>2,300,108</u>
	<u>\$ 137,845,638</u>	<u>\$ 653,493</u>	<u>\$ (9,779,061)</u>	<u>\$ 128,720,070</u>	<u>\$ 11,925,031</u>

The general fund has typically been used to liquidate other long-term liabilities.

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**B. Bonds Payable**

Bonds payable is comprised of the following:

Description	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Interest Rate	Outstanding at June 30, 2019
Serial bond	9/8/2010	9/1/2030	2.0-3.5%	\$ 16,615,000
Serial bond	8/1/2011	8/1/2031	2.0-4.0%	13,455,000
Serial bond - refunding	10/31/2012	6/1/2030	2.0-5.0%	23,240,000
Serial bond	8/1/2013	8/1/2043	4.0-4.5%	8,275,000
Serial bond	8/18/2014	2/15/2043	3.0-3.75%	13,840,000
Serial bond - refunding	5/4/2016	8/1/2029	2.0-4.0%	<u>30,095,000</u>
				<u>\$ 105,520,000</u>

The following is a summary of debt service requirements for bonds payable:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 8,670,000	\$ 3,834,653	\$ 12,504,653
2021	9,015,000	3,518,952	12,533,952
2022	9,380,000	3,190,592	12,570,592
2023	9,710,000	2,831,993	12,541,993
2024	9,655,000	2,466,531	12,121,531
2025 - 2029	37,360,000	7,505,885	44,865,885
2030 - 2034	10,820,000	2,838,888	13,658,888
2035 - 2039	5,345,000	1,724,378	7,069,378
2040 - 2044	<u>5,565,000</u>	<u>580,500</u>	<u>6,145,500</u>
Total	<u>\$105,520,000</u>	<u>\$ 28,492,372</u>	<u>\$134,012,372</u>

**C. Advance Refunding**

In the district-wide statements, the District is amortizing refunding bond premiums as a component of interest expense on a straight-line basis as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Amortization of Premium
2020	\$ 488,212
2021	488,212
2022	488,212
2023	488,212
2024	488,212
2025 - 2029	2,441,060
2030	<u>488,211</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,370,331</u>

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**D. Energy Performance Contract**

Energy performance contract is comprised of the following:

Description	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Interest Rate	Outstanding at June 30, 2019
Energy performance contract	10/15/2014	4/15/2029	2.93%	<u>\$ 5,338,380</u>

The following is a summary of debt service requirements for energy performance contract payable:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 466,711	\$ 153,021	\$ 619,732
2021	480,486	139,246	619,732
2022	494,668	125,065	619,733
2023	509,268	110,465	619,733
2024	524,298	95,434	619,732
2025 - 2029	<u>2,862,949</u>	<u>235,713</u>	<u>3,098,662</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,338,380</u>	<u>\$ 858,944</u>	<u>\$ 6,197,324</u>

**E. Interest Expense**

Interest on long-term debt for the year was composed of:

Interest paid	\$ 4,304,550
Less interest accrued in the prior year	(1,298,198)
Plus interest accrued in the current year	894,740
Less amortization of premium on refunding	<u>(488,212)</u>
Total interest expense on long-term debt	<u>\$ 3,412,880</u>

**12. PENSION PLANS – NEW YORK STATE**

**A. General Information**

The District participates in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) and the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). These are cost-sharing multiple employer, public employee retirement systems. The systems provide retirement, disability, withdrawal and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries related to years of service and final average salary.

**B. Provisions and Administration**

Teachers' Retirement System

The TRS is administered by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board. The TRS provides benefits to plan members and beneficiaries as authorized by the Education Law and the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (NYSRSSL). Membership is mandatory and automatic for all full-time teachers, teaching assistants, guidance counselors and administrators employed in New York Public Schools and BOCES who elected to participate in the TRS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the TRS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a

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contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. Additional information regarding the TRS may be found on the TRS website at [www.nystrs.org](http://www.nystrs.org) or obtained by writing to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, NY 12211-2395.

Employees' Retirement System

Obligations of employers and employees to contribute and benefits to employees are governed by the NYSRSSL. The net position of the ERS is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the ERS. As set forth in the NYSRSSL, the Comptroller of the State of New York (Comptroller) serves as the trustee of the fund and is the administrative head of the ERS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the ERS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The District also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan (GLIP), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The ERS is included in the State's financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided may be found on the NYS Comptroller's website at [www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php](http://www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php) or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

**C. Funding Policies**

Plan members who joined the systems before July 27, 1976, are not required to make contributions. Those joining on or after July 27, 1976, and before January 1, 2010, with less than ten years of credited services are required to contribute 3% of their salary. Those joining on or after January 1, 2010 and before April 1, 2012, are required to contribute 3% of their salary to ERS or 3.5% of their salary to TRS throughout active membership. Those joining on or after April 1, 2012, are required to contribute between 3% and 6% dependent on their salary throughout active membership. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate based on covered salaries paid. For the TRS, the employers' contribution rate is established annually by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board for the TRS' fiscal year ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, and employer contributions are deducted from state aid in the subsequent months of September, October and November. For the ERS, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions for the ERS' fiscal year ended March 31<sup>st</sup>, and employer contributions are either paid by the prior December 15<sup>th</sup> less a 1% discount or by the prior February 1<sup>st</sup>. The District paid 100% of the required contributions as billed by the TRS and ERS for the current year. The District's contribution rate was 9.80% of covered payroll for the TRS' fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. The District's average contribution rate was 14.59% of covered payroll for the ERS' fiscal year ended March 31, 2019.

The District's share of the required contributions, based on covered payroll for the District's year ended June 30, 2019 was \$3,783,971 for TRS and \$903,365 for ERS.

**D. Pension Asset/(Liability), Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

At June 30, 2019, the District reported the following asset/(liability) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) for each of the systems. The net pension asset/(liability) was measured as of June 30, 2018 for TRS and March 31, 2019 for ERS. The total pension asset/(liability) used to calculate the net pension asset/(liability) was determined by an actuarial valuation. The District's proportion of the net

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pension asset/(liability) was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the TRS and the ERS in reports provided to the District.

	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>
Measurement date	June 30, 2018	March 31, 2019
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ 4,234,978	\$ (1,431,399)
District's portion of the Plan's total net pension asset/(liability)	0.2342010%	0.0202024%
Change in proportion since the prior measurement date	(0.0082810)	(0.0003338)

For the year ended June 30, 2019, the District recognized pension expense of \$3,530,095 for TRS and \$948,195 for ERS. At June 30, 2019, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>		<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	
	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>	<u>TRS</u>	<u>ERS</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 3,164,765	\$ 281,872	\$ 573,262	\$ 96,087
Changes of assumptions	14,804,027	359,795		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments			4,701,148	367,376
Changes in proportion and differences between the District's contributions and proportionate share of contributions	1,352,367	155,794	40,754	52,899
District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>3,783,631</u>	<u>231,455</u>		
Total	<u>\$ 23,104,790</u>	<u>\$ 1,028,916</u>	<u>\$ 5,315,164</u>	<u>\$ 516,362</u>

District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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Year Ending June 30,	TRS	ERS
2020	\$ 4,489,804	\$ 327,818
2021	3,126,957	(261,656)
2022	548,882	1,216
2023	3,116,979	213,721
2024	2,158,593	
Thereafter	564,780	
	<u>\$ 14,005,995</u>	<u>\$ 281,099</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

	TRS	ERS
Measurement date	June 30, 2018	March 31, 2019
Actuarial valuation date	June 30, 2017	April 1, 2018
Inflation	2.25%	2.50%
Salary increases	1.90-4.72%	4.20%
Investment rate of return (net of investment expense, including inflation)	7.25%	7.00%
Cost of living adjustments	1.50%	1.30%

For TRS, annuitant mortality rates are based on plan member experience, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale MP-2014, applied on a generational basis. Active member mortality rates are based on plan member experience. For ERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on system experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale MP-2014.

For TRS, the actuarial assumptions were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014. For ERS, the actuarial assumptions were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2010 – March 31, 2015.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice (ASOP) No. 27, *Selection of Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. ASOP No. 27 provides guidance on the selection of an appropriate assumed investment rate of return. Consideration was given to expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class, as well as historical investment data and plan performance.

For ERS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expenses 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.

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The target allocation and best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized below:

	TRS		ERS	
	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return
Measurement date		June 30, 2018		March 31, 2019
Asset type				
Domestic equity	33.0%	5.80%	36.0%	4.55%
International equity	16.0%	7.30%	14.0%	6.35%
Global equity	4.0%	6.70%		
Real estate	11.0%	4.90%	10.0%	5.55%
Private equities	8.0%	8.90%	10.0%	7.50%
Alternatives investments			8.0%	3.75-5.68%
Domestic fixed income securities	16.0%	1.30%		
Global fixed income securities	2.0%	0.90%		
High-yield fixed income securities	1.0%	3.50%		
Bonds and mortgages	8.0%	2.80-6.80%	17.0%	1.31%
Short-term	1.0%	0.30%		
Cash			1.0%	(0.25)%
Inflation indexed bonds			4.0%	1.25%
	100.0%		100.0%	

Real rates of return are net of a long-term inflation assumption of 2.3% for TRS and 2.5% for ERS.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25% for TRS and 7.0% for ERS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based upon the assumptions, the systems' 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.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset/(Liability) to the Discount Rate Assumption

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) calculated using the discount rate of 7.25% for TRS and 7.0% for ERS, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.25% for TRS and 6.0% for ERS) or 1 percentage point higher (8.25% for TRS and 8.0% for ERS) than the current rate:

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TRIS	1% Decrease (6.25)%	Current Assumption (7.25)%	1% Increase (8.25)%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	\$ (29,094,992)	\$ 4,234,978	\$ 32,156,231
ERS	1% Decrease (6.00)%	Current Assumption (7.00)%	1% Increase (8.00)%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	\$ (6,258,304)	\$ (1,431,399)	\$ 2,623,544

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

The components of the current-year net pension liability of the employers as of the respective measurement dates, were as follows:

	TRIS	ERS
	<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>	
Measurement date	June 30, 2018	March 31, 2019
Employers' total pension liability	\$ (118,107,254)	\$ (189,803,429)
Plan fiduciary net position	119,915,518	182,718,124
Employers' net pension asset/(liability)	\$ 1,808,264	\$ (7,085,305)
Ratio of plan fiduciary net position to the employers' total pension liability	101.53%	96.27%

Payables to the Pension Plan

For TRS, employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, are paid to the system in September, October and November 2019 through a state aid intercept. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2019, represent employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, based on paid TRS covered wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate and employee contributions for the fiscal year as reported to the TRS. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2019 amounted to \$3,783,971 of employer contributions and \$114,499 of employee contributions.

For ERS, employer contributions are paid annually based on the system's fiscal year, which ends on March 31st. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2019, represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019 based on paid ERS covered wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2019 amounted to \$231,455 of employer contributions. Employee contributions are remitted monthly.

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**13. PENSION PLANS - OTHER**

**A. Tax Sheltered Annuities**

The District has adopted a 403(b) plan covering all eligible employees. Employees may defer up to 100% of their compensation subject to Internal Revenue Code elective deferral limitations. The District may also make non-elective contributions of certain compensated absence payments based on collectively bargained agreements. Contributions made by the District and the employees for the year ended June 30, 2019, totaled \$415,905 and \$1,991,695, respectively.

**B. Deferred Compensation Plan**

The District has established a deferred compensation plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code §457 for all employees. The District makes no contributions into this Plan. The amount deferred by eligible employees for the year ended June 30, 2019 totaled \$180,005.

**14. POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS**

**A. General Information about the OPEB Plan**

*Plan Description* – The District’s defined benefit OPEB plan, provides OPEB for all permanent full-time employees of the District. The plan is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the District. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 75.

*Benefits Provided* – The District provides healthcare and prescription drug plans for retirees and their dependents. The benefit terms are dependent on which contract each employee falls under. The specifics of each contract are on file at the District offices and are available upon request.

*Employees Covered by Benefit Terms* – At June 30, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	127
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	397
	524

**B. Total OPEB Liability**

The District’s total OPEB liability of \$130,069,047 was measured as of June 30, 2019, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018.

*Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs* – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

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Inflation	3.00%
Salary increases	2.9-10% including inflation
Discount rate	3.51%
Healthcare cost trend rates	5.50% for 2019, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.84 % by 2075
Retirees' share of benefit-related costs	20.00% Teachers 25.00% Administrators 50.00% Nurses , clerical, and custodial

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Index.

Mortality rates were based on Pub-2010 Headcount-Weighted Table (Teachers for TRS group and General Employees for ERS group) projected fully generationally using Society of Actuaries' Scale MP-2018.

**C. Changes in the Total OPEB Liability**

Balance at June 30, 2018	<u>\$ 100,753,396</u>
Changes for the year	
Service cost	3,230,635
Interest	3,993,166
Changes of benefit terms	(2,734,466)
Differences between expected and actual experience	341,648
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	26,102,906
Benefit payments	<u>(1,618,238)</u>
	<u>29,315,651</u>
Balance at June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 130,069,047</u>

Changes of assumptions and other inputs is based on several factors including an increased inflation rate, a lower discount rate, a change in the mortality rates, and termination and retirement rates per the actuarial valuation report.

*Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate* – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.51%) or 1 percentage point higher (4.51%) than the current discount rate:

OPEB	1% Decrease ( 2.51%)	Discount Rate ( 3.51%)	1% Increase ( 4.51%)
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ (166,966,199)</u>	<u>\$ (130,069,047)</u>	<u>\$ (115,970,075)</u>

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*Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates* - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (4.50%) or 1 percentage point higher (6.50%) than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

	1% Decrease (4.50%) decreasing to 2.84%)	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates ( 5.50% decreasing to 3.84%)	1% Increase ( 6.50% decreasing to 4.84%)
OPEB			
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ (110,503,787)</u>	<u>\$ (130,069,047)</u>	<u>\$ (175,813,338)</u>

**D. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended June 30, 2019, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$6,260,241. At June 30, 2019, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred	
	Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 313,177	\$
Changes of assumptions	<u>23,927,664</u>	<u>4,145,950</u>
Total	<u>\$ 24,240,841</u>	<u>\$ 4,145,950</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2020	\$ 1,770,906
2021	1,770,906
2022	1,770,906
2023	1,770,906
2024	1,770,906
Thereafter	<u>11,240,361</u>
	<u>\$ 20,094,891</u>

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**15. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**A. General Information**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by a combination of self-insurance reserves and commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded available reserves and commercial insurance coverage for the past three years.

**B. Public Entity Risk Pool**

The District participates in a risk pool, the East End Workers' Compensation Consortium (EEWCC), to insure workers' compensation claims. This public entity risk pool was created under Article 5 of Workers' Compensation Law, to evaluate, process, administer, and pay workers' compensation claims. The District retains the risk of loss.

The District pays an annual assessment to the pool for its workers' compensation claims coverage and related expenses. The EEWCC has obtained an excess compensation insurance policy to buffer the effect that a single large claim may have on the District's loss experience. The EEWCC established a non-discounted liability for both reported and unreported insured events, which includes estimates of both future payments or losses and related claim adjustment expenses. Claim liabilities are calculated considering the effects of inflation, recent claim settlement trends including frequency and amount of payouts, and other economic and social factors. However, because actual claim costs depend on complex factors, the process used in computing claims liabilities does not necessarily result in an exact amount. Such claims are based on the ultimate cost of claims (including future claim adjustment expenses) that have been reported but not settled, and claims that have been incurred but not reported.

The District's liability for incurred but unpaid claims and incurred but not reported claims at June 30, 2019, as processed by the EEWCC, is \$ 789,497. Claims activity is summarized as follows:

	2018	2019
Unpaid claims at beginning of year	\$ 718,214	\$ 799,422
Incurred claims and claim adjustment expenses	368,397	482,592
Claim payments	(287,189)	(492,517)
Unpaid claims at year end	\$ 799,422	\$ 789,497

The EEWCC is holding \$82,944 of cash on account for the District to satisfy these liabilities at June 30, 2019. In addition, the District has reserved \$500,000 in the general fund for potential supplemental assessments due to catastrophic losses and future claims.

The EEWCC has issued financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2019. Copies of these statements can be obtained from the District's Business Office.

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**16. ASSIGNED: APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE**

The amount of \$1,308,431 has been appropriated to reduce taxes for the year ending June 30, 2020.

**17. TAX ABATEMENTS**

The Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency enters into various property tax abatement programs for the purpose of economic development. The amount by which the Districts property tax revenue was reduced as a result of these abatements was not readily available. The District received payment in lieu of tax (PILOT) revenues of \$725,264 as of June 30, 2019 .

**18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

**A. Encumbrances**

All encumbrances are classified as either restricted or assigned fund balance. At June 30, 2019, the District encumbered the following amounts:

Assigned: Unappropriated Fund Balance:	
General Fund	
General support	<u>\$ 227,314</u>

**B. Grants**

The District has received grants, which are subject to audit by agencies of the state and federal governments. Such audits may result in disallowances and a request for a return of funds. Based on prior audits, the District's administration believes disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

**C. Litigation**

The District is involved in lawsuits arising from the normal conduct of its affairs. The District believes that the outcome of any matters will not have a material effect on these financial statements.

**D. Operating Leases**

The District leases various equipment under non-cancelable operating leases. Rental expense for the year was \$274,802. The minimum remaining operating lease payments are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2020	\$ 274,801
2021	193,037
2022	138,697
2023	23,116
	\$ 629,651

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**19. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The District has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the auditor's report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No significant events were identified that would require adjustment of or disclosure in the financial statements, except for the following:

**A. Issuance of Refunding Bonds**

On August 28, 2019, the District issued refunding bonds in the amount of \$13,055,000 in order to advance refund the 2010 serial bonds in the amount of \$14,720,000. The net present value of the savings in debt service payments over the repayment period is \$1,088,837.

**B. Issuance of TANs**

On August 27, 2019, the District issued tax anticipation notes in the amount of \$16,500,000, which are due March 26, 2020 and bear interest at a stated rate of 2%. The District received a premium of \$75,572 with the borrowing to yield an effective interest rate of 1.21%.

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**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Budget and Actual - General Fund**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Final Budget Variance with Actual
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Local Sources				
Real property taxes	\$ 47,866,936	\$ 48,041,136	\$ 48,039,976	\$ (1,160)
Other tax items	7,067,882	6,893,682	6,912,509	18,827
Charges for services	1,165,000	1,165,000	1,185,996	20,996
Use of money and property	32,300	32,300	130,666	98,366
Sale of property and compensation for loss			241	241
Miscellaneous	60,000	106,039	387,150	281,111
<b>Total Local Sources</b>	<b>56,192,118</b>	<b>56,238,157</b>	<b>56,656,538</b>	<b>418,381</b>
State Sources	37,281,766	37,281,766	37,021,612	(260,154)
Medicaid Reimbursement	28,500	28,500	67,769	39,269
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>93,502,384</b>	<b>93,548,423</b>	<b>93,745,919</b>	<b>\$ 197,496</b>
<b>APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE</b>				
Prior Year's Encumbrances	34,379	34,379		
<b>Total Revenues and and Appropriated Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 93,536,763</b>	<b>\$ 93,582,802</b>		

**Note to Required Supplementary Information**

Budget Basis of Accounting

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Budget and Actual - General Fund (Continued)**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Year End Encumbrances	Final Budget Variance with Actual & Encumbrances
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
General Support					
Board of education	\$ 32,459	\$ 36,284	\$ 31,618	\$	\$ 4,666
Central administration	287,209	342,534	339,836		2,698
Finance	885,744	957,156	910,665	32,340	14,151
Staff	594,413	594,455	506,507		87,948
Central services	6,110,718	6,437,970	5,461,644	194,974	781,352
Special items	762,945	761,878	732,822		29,056
<b>Total General Support</b>	<b>8,673,488</b>	<b>9,130,277</b>	<b>7,983,092</b>	<b>227,314</b>	<b>919,871</b>
Instruction					
Administration & improvement	2,973,122	2,716,022	2,626,940		89,082
Teaching - regular school	22,678,724	23,173,765	22,723,166		450,599
Programs for students with disabilities	14,173,793	13,993,748	12,072,713		1,921,035
Occupational education	1,528,382	1,489,935	1,455,700		34,235
Teaching - special schools	436,051	422,015	294,492		127,523
Instructional media	1,495,560	1,469,620	1,231,042		238,578
Pupil services	3,890,897	3,834,129	3,713,330		120,799
<b>Total Instruction</b>	<b>47,176,529</b>	<b>47,099,234</b>	<b>44,117,383</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,981,851</b>
Pupil Transportation	4,327,048	4,361,859	4,065,613		296,246
Employee Benefits	19,735,665	19,364,838	17,454,105		1,910,733
Debt Service					
Principal	8,798,332	8,798,332	8,798,332		-
Interest	4,664,551	4,649,836	4,635,113		14,723
<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>13,462,883</b>	<b>13,448,168</b>	<b>13,433,445</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,723</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>93,375,613</b>	<b>93,404,376</b>	<b>87,053,638</b>	<b>227,314</b>	<b>6,123,424</b>
<b>OTHER USES</b>					
Operating Transfers Out	161,150	178,426	167,351		11,075
<b>Total Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	<b>\$ 93,536,763</b>	<b>\$ 93,582,802</b>	<b>87,220,989</b>	<b>\$ 227,314</b>	<b>\$ 6,134,499</b>
Net Change in Fund Balance			6,524,930		
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year			7,560,432		
Fund Balance - End of Year			<b>\$ 14,085,362</b>		

**Note to Required Supplementary Information**

**Budget Basis of Accounting**

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset/(Liability)**  
 Last Six Fiscal Years

<i>Teachers' Retirement System</i>						
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability)	0.2342010%	0.2424820%	0.2532240%	0.2590200%	0.2627800%	0.2498070%
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ 4,234,978	\$ 1,843,103	\$ (2,712,131)	\$ 26,903,951	\$ 29,266,268	\$ 1,644,366
District's covered payroll	\$ 38,346,402	\$ 38,584,315	\$ 40,438,968	\$ 40,139,543	\$ 40,161,074	\$ 37,902,373
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) as a percentage of its covered payroll	11.04 %	4.78 %	6.71 %	67.03 %	72.87 %	4.34 %
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	101.53%	100.66%	99.01%	110.46%	111.48%	100.70%
<i>Employees' Retirement System</i>						
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0202024%	0.0205362%	0.0209932%	0.0224217%	0.0219618%	0.0219618%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ (1,431,399)	\$ (662,796)	\$ (1,972,564)	\$ (3,598,745)	\$ (741,922)	\$ (992,421)
District's covered payroll	\$ 6,102,252	\$ 6,285,929	\$ 6,050,307	\$ 6,145,861	\$ 5,993,029	\$ 5,821,976
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	(23.46)%	10.54 %	32.60 %	58.56 %	12.38 %	17.05 %
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	96.27%	98.24%	94.70%	90.68%	97.95%	97.20%

*An additional year of historical information will be added each year, subsequent to the year of implementation until 10 years of historical data is available.*

**Note to Required Supplementary Information**

**Teachers' Retirement System**

The discount rate decreased from 8.0% to 7.5% to 7.25%, as reflected in 2016, 2017 and 2018 above.

**Employees' Retirement System**

The discount rate decreased from 7.5% to 7.0% as reflected in 2015 and 2016 above.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of District Pension Contributions**  
 Last Ten Fiscal Years

*Teachers' Retirement System*

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Contractually required contribution	\$ 3,783,971	\$ 3,738,580	\$ 4,494,842	\$ 5,181,340	\$ 6,820,635	\$ 6,306,467	\$ 4,332,417	\$ 3,796,521	\$ 2,885,279	\$ 2,005,494
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	3,783,971	3,738,580	4,494,842	5,181,340	6,820,635	6,306,467	4,332,417	3,796,521	2,885,279	2,005,494
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered payroll	\$ 35,824,961	\$ 38,346,402	\$ 38,584,315	\$ 40,438,968	\$ 40,139,543	\$ 40,161,074	\$ 37,902,373	\$ 35,342,086	\$ 34,716,028	\$ 33,543,523
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	11%	10%	12%	13%	17%	16%	11%	11%	8%	6%

*Employees' Retirement System*

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Contractually required contribution	\$ 903,365	\$ 857,557	\$ 862,879	\$ 984,328	\$ 969,002	\$ 1,079,200	\$ 1,077,669	\$ 815,150	\$ 614,599	\$ 332,581
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	903,365	857,557	862,879	984,328	969,002	1,079,200	1,077,669	815,150	614,599	332,581
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered payroll	\$ 6,211,119	\$ 6,246,526	\$ 6,159,409	\$ 6,220,018	\$ 6,080,371	\$ 5,857,270	\$ 5,682,252	\$ 5,507,491	\$ 5,119,797	\$ 4,862,467
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15%	14%	14%	16%	16%	18%	19%	15%	12%	7%

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios**  
 Last Two Fiscal Years

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total OPEB liability		
Service cost	\$ 3,230,635	\$ 3,374,538
Interest	3,993,166	3,563,148
Changes in benefit terms	(2,734,466)	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	341,648	-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	26,102,906	(5,011,564)
Benefit payments	<u>(1,618,238)</u>	<u>(1,404,013)</u>
Net change in total OPEB liability	29,315,651	522,109
Total OPEB liability, beginning	<u>100,753,396</u>	<u>100,231,287</u>
Total OPEB liability, ending	<u>\$ 130,069,047</u>	<u>\$ 100,753,396</u>
Covered employee payroll	\$ 38,884,341	\$ 37,798,412
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	334.50%	266.55%

*An additional year of historical information will be added each year, subsequent to the year of implementation until 10 years of historical data is available.*

**Note to Required Supplementary Information**

The discount rate decreased from 3.87% to 3.51% as reflected in 2018 and 2019 above.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedules of Change from Adopted Budget to Final Budget**  
**and the Real Property Tax Limit - General Fund**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET

Adopted Budget		\$ 93,502,384
Additions:		
Prior year's encumbrances		<u>34,379</u>
Original Budget		93,536,763
Budget revision		<u>46,039</u>
Final Budget		<u>\$ 93,582,802</u>

SECTION 1318 OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW LIMIT CALCULATION

2019-2020 voter-approved expenditure budget		<u>\$ 96,551,702</u>
Maximum allowed (4% of 2019-2020 budget)		<u>\$ 3,862,068</u>
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to § 1318 of Real Property Tax Law:		
Unrestricted fund balance:		
Assigned fund balance	\$ 1,535,745	
Unassigned fund balance	<u>3,862,071</u>	
		\$ 5,397,816
Less:		
Appropriated fund balance	1,308,431	
Encumbrances	<u>227,314</u>	
Total adjustments		<u>1,535,745</u>
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to § 1318 of Real Property Tax Law:		<u>\$ 3,862,071</u>
Actual Percentage		4%



**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Net Investment in Capital Assets**  
June 30, 2019

Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 163,065,873</u>
Deduct:	
Short-term portion of bonds payable	8,670,000
Long-term portion of bonds payable	96,850,000
Less: Unspent bond proceeds	(1,438,150)
Short-term portion of energy performance contract	466,711
Long-term portion of energy performance contract	<u>4,871,669</u>
	<u>109,420,230</u>
Net Investment in Capital Assets	<u>\$ 53,645,643</u>

**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***

To the Board of Education  
Eastport-South Manor Central School District  
Manorville, New York

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 fiduciary funds of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 27, 2019.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Eastport-South Manor Central 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 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 the Board of Education, Audit Committee and management of the Eastport-South Manor Central School District in a separate letter dated September 27, 2019.

## **Purpose of this Report**

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

*Cullen & Danowski, LLP*

September 27, 2019

**APPENDIX C**

**FORM OF APPROVING OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL**

Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP  
7 World Trade Center  
250 Greenwich Street, 41<sup>st</sup> floor  
New York, New York 10007

August 26, 2020

The Board of Education of  
the Eastport-South Manor Central School District, in the  
County of Suffolk, New York

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to Eastport-South Manor Central School District (the “School District”), in the County of Suffolk, New York, a school district of the State of New York, in connection with the authorization, sale, and issuance of the \$10,655,000 School District Refunding Serial Bonds-2020 (the “Bonds”), dated and delivered on the date hereof.

We have examined a record of proceedings relating to the Bonds for purposes of this opinion. In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity with originals of all documents submitted to us as copies thereof.

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

1. The Bonds are valid and legally binding general obligations of the School District for which the School District has validly pledged its faith and credit and, unless paid from other sources, all the taxable real property within the School District is subject to the levy of ad valorem real estate taxes to pay the Bonds and interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. The enforceability of rights or remedies with respect to such Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws affecting creditors’ rights or remedies heretofore or hereafter enacted.

2. Under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax certifications described herein, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. Bond Counsel further is of the opinion that, for any Bonds having original issue discount (a “Discount Bond”), original issue discount that has accrued and is properly allocable to the owners of the Discount Bonds under Section 1288 of the Code is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent as other interest on the Bonds.

The Code establishes certain requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest on the Bonds be and remain excludable from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited to, requirements relating to the use and expenditure of proceeds of the Bonds, restrictions on the investment of proceeds of the Bonds prior to expenditure and the requirement that certain earnings be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause the interest on the Bonds to become subject to federal income taxation retroactive to the date of issuance thereof, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is ascertained.

On the date of issuance of the Bonds, the School District will execute a Tax Certificate relating to the Bonds containing provisions and procedures pursuant to which such requirements can be satisfied. In executing the Tax Certificate, the School District represents that it will comply with the provisions and procedures set forth therein and that it will do and perform all acts and things necessary or desirable to assure that the interest on the Bonds will, for federal income tax purposes, be excluded from gross income.

In rendering the opinion in this paragraph 2, we have relied upon and assumed (i) the material accuracy of the School District's representations, statements of intention and reasonable expectations, and certifications of fact contained in the Tax Certificate with respect to matters affecting the status of the interest on the Bonds, and (ii) compliance by the School District with the procedures and representations set forth in the Tax Certificate as to such tax matters.

3. Under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes of New York State and its political subdivisions, including The City of New York.

We express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above. We render our opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the date hereof, and assume no obligation to update, revise or supplement our opinion to reflect any action hereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may hereafter come to our attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may hereafter occur, or for any other reason. We express no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, we express no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds.

We give no assurances as to the adequacy, sufficiency or completeness of the Preliminary Official Statement and/or Official Statement relating to the Bonds or any proceedings, reports, correspondence, financial statements or other documents, containing financial or other information relative to the District, which have been or may hereafter be furnished or disclosed to purchasers of ownership interests in the Bonds.

Very truly yours,

**APPENDIX D**

**FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT**

## UNDERTAKING TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

### Section 1. Definitions

“Annual Information” shall mean the information specified in Section 3 hereof.

“EMMA” shall mean Electronic Municipal Market Access System implemented by the MSRB.

“Financial Obligation” shall mean “financial obligation” as such term is defined in the Rule.

“GAAP” shall mean generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States.

“Holder” shall mean any registered owner of the Securities and any beneficial owner of Securities within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

“Issuer” shall mean Eastport-South Manor Central School District, in the County of Suffolk, a school district of the State of New York.

“MSRB” shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established in accordance with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or any successor thereto or to the functions of the MSRB contemplated by this Agreement.

“Purchaser” shall mean the financial institution referred to in the Certificate of Award, executed by the President of the Board of Education as of August 6, 2020.

“Rule” shall mean Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR Part 240, §240.15c2-12), as amended, as in effect on the date of this Undertaking, including any official interpretations thereof issued either before or after the effective date of this Undertaking which are applicable to this Undertaking.

“Securities” shall mean the Issuer’s **\$10,655,000 School District Refunding Serial Bonds-2020**, dated August 26, 2020, maturing in various principal amounts on February 1 in each of the years 2021 to 2032, inclusive, and delivered on the date hereof.

Section 2. Obligation to Provide Continuing Disclosure. (a) The Issuer hereby undertakes, for the benefit of Holders of the Securities, to provide or cause to be provided either directly or through Munistat Services, Inc., 12 Roosevelt Avenue, Port Jefferson Station, New York, to the EMMA System:

- (i) no later than six (6) months following the end of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Annual Information relating to such fiscal year, together with audited financial statements of the Issuer for such fiscal year if audited financial statements are then available; provided, however, that if audited financial statements are not then available, unaudited financial statements shall be provided with

the Annual Information no later than six (6) months following the end of each fiscal year, and audited financial statements, if any, shall be delivered to the EMMA System within sixty (60) days after they become available and in no event later than one (1) year after the end of each fiscal year; provided, however, that the unaudited financial statement shall be provided for any fiscal year only if the Issuer has made a determination that providing such unaudited financial statement would be compliant with federal securities laws, including Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17 (a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933; and

- (ii) in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, notice of any of the following events with respect to the Securities:
  - (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 of determinations with respect to the tax status of the Securities, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Securities;
  - (7) modifications to rights of Securities holders, if material;
  - (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - (9) defeasances;
  - (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Securities, if material;
  - (11) rating changes;

(12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;

Note to clause (12): For the purposes of the event identified in clause (12) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or government authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, 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 Issuer;

(13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, 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 Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material;

(16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties; and

(iii) in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, notice of a failure to provide by the date set forth in Section 2(a)(i) hereof any Annual Information required by Section 3 hereof.

(b) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information in addition to that required hereby in the manner set forth herein or in any other manner. If the Issuer disseminates any such additional information, the Issuer shall have no obligation to update such information or include it in any future materials disseminated hereunder.

(c) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from providing notice of the occurrence of certain other events, in addition to those listed above, if the Issuer determines that any such other event is material with respect to the Securities; but the Issuer does not undertake to commit to provide any such notice of the occurrence of any material event except those events listed above.

Section 3. Annual Information. (a) The required Annual Information shall consist of the financial information and operating data for the preceding fiscal year, in a form generally consistent with the information contained or cross-referenced in the Issuer's final official statement relating to the Securities under the headings: "THE DISTRICT", "INDEBTEDNESS OF THE DISTRICT", "FINANCES OF THE DISTRICT", "RECENT OPERATING RESULTS," "TAX INFORMATION," "CYBERSECURITY" and "LITIGATION" and in Appendix B.

(b) All or any portion of the Annual Information may be incorporated in the Annual Information by cross reference to any other documents which are (i) available to the public on the EMMA System or (ii) filed with the SEC. If such a document is a final official statement, it also must be available from the EMMA System.

(c) Annual Information for any fiscal year containing any modified operating data or financial information (as contemplated by Section 7(e) hereof) for such fiscal year shall explain, in narrative form, the reasons for such modification and the effect of such modification on the Annual Information being provided for such fiscal year. If a change in accounting principles is included in any such modification, such Annual Information shall present a comparison between the financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the modified accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 4. Financial Statements. The Issuer's annual financial statements for each fiscal year, if prepared, shall be prepared in accordance with GAAP or New York State regulatory requirements as in effect from time to time. Such financial statements, if prepared, shall be audited by an independent accounting firm.

Section 5. Remedies. If the Issuer shall fail to comply with any provision of this Undertaking, then any Holder of Securities may enforce, for the equal benefit and protection of all Holders similarly situated, by mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity, this Undertaking against the Issuer and any of the officers, agents and employees of the Issuer, and may compel the Issuer or any such officers, agents or employees to perform and carry out their duties under this Undertaking; provided that the sole and exclusive remedy for breach of this Undertaking shall be an action to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Issuer hereunder and no person or entity shall be entitled to recover monetary damages hereunder under any circumstances. Failure to comply with any provision of this Undertaking shall not constitute an event of default on the Securities.

Section 6. Parties in Interest. This Undertaking is executed to assist the Purchaser to comply with (b)(5) of the Rule and is delivered for the benefit of the Holders. No other person shall have any right to enforce the provisions hereof or any other rights hereunder.

Section 7. Amendments. Without the consent of any holders of Securities, the Issuer at any time and from time to time may enter into any amendments or changes to this Undertaking for any of the following purposes:

- (a) to comply with or conform to any changes in Rule 15c2-12 (whether required or optional);
- (b) to add a dissemination agent for the information required to be provided hereby and to make any necessary or desirable provisions with respect thereto;
- (c) to evidence the succession of another person to the Issuer and the assumption of any such successor of the duties of the Issuer hereunder;
- (d) to add to the duties of the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Issuer;
- (e) to modify the contents, presentation and format of the Annual Information from time to time to conform to changes in accounting or disclosure principles or practices and legal requirements followed by or applicable to the Issuer or to reflect changes in the identity, nature or status of the Issuer or in the business, structure or operations of the Issuer or any mergers, consolidations, acquisitions or dispositions made by or affecting any such person; provided that any such modifications shall comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such modification; or
- (f) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision hereof which may be inconsistent with any other provision hereof, or to make any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under this Undertaking which, in each case, comply with Rule 15c2-12 or Rule 15c2-12 as in effect at the time of such amendment or change;

provided that no such action pursuant to this Section 7 shall adversely affect the interests of the Holders in any material respect. In making such determination, the Issuer shall rely upon an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel.

Section 8. Termination. This Undertaking shall remain in full force and effect until such time as all principal, redemption premiums, if any, and interest on the Securities shall have been paid in full or the Securities shall have otherwise been paid or legally defeased pursuant to their terms. Upon any such legal defeasance, the Issuer shall provide notice of such defeasance to the EMMA System. Such notice shall state whether the Securities have been defeased to maturity or to redemption and the timing of such maturity or redemption.

In addition, this Agreement, or any provision hereof, shall be null and void in the event that those portions of the Rule which require this Agreement, or such provision, as the case may be, do not or no longer apply to the Securities, whether because such portions of the Rule are invalid, have been repealed, or otherwise.

Section 9. Undertaking to Constitute Written Agreement or Contract. This Undertaking shall constitute the written agreement or contract for the benefit of Holders of Securities, as contemplated under Rule 15c2-12.

Section 10. Governing Law. This Undertaking shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York determined without regard to principles of conflict of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly authorized, executed and delivered this Undertaking as of **August 26, 2020**.

**EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR CENTRAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
President of the Board of Education  
and Chief Fiscal Officer