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Ratings: S&P: "AA" (AGM Insured)
"AA-" (Underlying)

Due: July 15, as shown on inside cover

See "RATINGS" herein

In the opinion of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey ("Bond Counsel"), under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions, and assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants described herein, interest on the Bonds (as herein defined) (i) is not includable in gross income for Federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) is not treated as a preference item under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of computing the Federal alternative minimum tax. Bond Counsel is further of the opinion that, under existing laws of the State of New Jersey, interest on the Bonds and any gain on the sale thereof are not includable in gross income under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, as amended. See "TAX EXEMPTION" herein.

\$10,211,000
SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2022
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK
IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY
(New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended)

CALLABLE

Dated: Date of Delivery

The \$10,211,000 aggregate principal amount of School Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds") of The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) are valid and legally binding general obligations of the Board, and unless paid from other sources, are payable from *ad valorem* taxes levied upon all the taxable real property within the School District for the payment of the Bonds and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. Payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds is also secured under the provisions of the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended.

The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds in book-entry only form (without certificates) in the form of one certificate for the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year and when issued will be registered in the name of and held by Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). Individual purchases may be made in the principal amount of \$1,000 each or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of \$5,000 required, through book-entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. See "BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

The Bonds shall bear interest from their date of delivery, which interest shall be payable semi-annually on the fifteenth day of January and July in each year, commencing July 15, 2023, until maturity or prior redemption. Interest on the Bonds will be credited to the participants of DTC as listed on the records of DTC as of each immediately preceding January 1 and July 1 (the "Record Dates" for the payment of interest on the Bonds).

The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities as set forth herein. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS – Redemption" herein.

The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under an insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by **ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP.** See "BOND INSURANCE" herein.

ASSURED GUARANTY

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued and delivered to the Underwriter, subject to prior sale, to withdrawal or modification of the offer without notice and to approval of legality by the law firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey, Bond Counsel to the Board, and certain other conditions described herein. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Board by Scarinci Hollenbeck, Lyndhurst, New Jersey, General Counsel to the Board. Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Bordentown, New Jersey, served as Municipal Advisor in connection with the Bonds. Delivery of the Bonds in definitive form to DTC in Jersey City, New Jersey, is anticipated to occur on or about July 19, 2022.

\$10,211,000 THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2022

(New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended) CALLABLE

MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INTEREST RATES, YIELDS AND CUSIP NUMBERS

Maturity (July 15)	Principal <u>Amounts</u>	Interest <u>Rates</u>	<u>Yields</u>	CUSIP Numbers*
2023	\$336,000	3.25%	1.75%	534680DC4
2024	385,000	3.50	2.10	534680DD2
2025	395,000	3.50	2.30	534680DE0
2026	410,000	3.50	2.40	534680DF7
2027	425,000	3.50	2.55	534680DG5
2028	440,000	3.50	2.70	534680DH3
2029	450,000	3.50	2.85	534680DJ9
2030	465,000	3.50	3.00**	534680DK6
2031	480,000	3.50	3.10**	534680DL4
2032	500,000	3.50	3.25**	534680DM2
2033	515,000	3.50	3.40**	534680DN0
2034	530,000	4.00	3.55**	534680DP5
2035	545,000	4.00	3.70**	534680DQ3
2036	565,000	4.00	3.80**	534680DR1
2037	580,000	4.00	3.90**	534680DS9
2038	600,000	4.00	4.00	534680DT7
2039	620,000	4.00	4.01	534680DU4
2040	640,000	4.00	4.02	534680DV2
2041	660,000	4.00	4.03	534680DW0
2042	670,000	4.00	4.04	534680DX8

^{*} A registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by CUSIP Global Services, which is managed on behalf of the American Bankers Association by S&P Global Market Intelligence. The CUSIP numbers listed above are being provided solely for the convenience of Bondholders only at the time of issuance of the Bonds and the Board does not make any representation with respect to such numbers or undertake any responsibility for their accuracy now or at any time in the future. The CUSIP number for a specific maturity is subject to being changed after the issuance of the Bonds as a result of procurement of secondary market portfolio insurance or other similar enhancement by investors that is applicable to all or a portion of certain maturities of the Bonds.

^{**} Priced at stated yield to the first optional redemption date of July 15, 2029 at the redemption price of 100%.

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No broker, dealer, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the Board to give any information or to make any representations with respect to the Bonds, other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Board. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for any person to make such an offer, solicitation or sale.

The information contained herein has been provided by the Board, DTC and other sources deemed reliable by the Board; however, such information is not guaranteed as to its accuracy or completeness and such information is not to be construed as a representation or warranty by the Board, as to information from sources other than itself. The Board has not confirmed the accuracy or completeness of information relating to DTC, which information has been provided by DTC.

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement among the Board, the Underwriter and the owners of any of the Bonds. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in any of the information herein since the date hereof, or the date as of which such information is given, if earlier.

References in this Official Statement to the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, laws, rules, regulations, resolutions, agreements, reports and documents do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references to such documents or laws are qualified in their entirety by reference to the particular source, the full text of which may contain qualifications of and exceptions to statements made herein, and copies of which may be inspected at the offices of the Board during normal business hours.

The order and placement of materials in this Official Statement, including the Appendices, are not to be deemed to be a determination of relevance, materiality or importance, and this Official Statement, including the Appendices, must be considered in its entirety.

In order to facilitate the distribution of the Bonds, the Underwriter may engage in transactions intended to stabilize the price of the Bonds at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. Such stabilizing, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM") makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. In addition, AGM has not independently verified, makes no representation regarding, and does not accept any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any information or disclosure contained herein, or omitted herefrom, other than with respect to the accuracy of the information regarding AGM supplied by AGM and presented under the heading "BOND INSURANCE" and "APPENDIX E – Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy."

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT

OF

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

\$10,211,000 SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2022 (NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOND RESERVE ACT, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended)

CALLABLE

INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page and the appendices attached hereto, has been prepared by The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) in connection with the offering, sale and issuance of its \$10,211,000 aggregate principal amount of School Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds"). This Official Statement has been executed by and on behalf of the Board by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and its distribution and use in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds have been authorized by the Board.

This Official Statement contains specific information relating to the Bonds including their general description, certain matters affecting the financing, certain legal matters, historical financial information and other information pertinent to this issue. This Official Statement should be read in its entirety.

All financial and other information presented herein has been provided by the Board from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of information is intended to show recent historic information and, but only to the extent specifically provided herein, certain projections into the immediate future, and is not necessarily indicative of future or continuing trends in the financial position of the Board.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS

The following is a summary of certain provisions of the Bonds. Reference is made to the Bonds themselves for the complete text thereof, and the discussion herein is qualified in its entirety by such reference.

Terms and Interest Payment Dates

The Bonds shall be dated their date of delivery and shall mature on July 15 in each of the years and in the amounts set forth on the inside cover page hereof. The Bonds shall bear interest from their date of delivery which interest shall be payable semi-annually on the fifteenth day of January and July (each an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing on July 15, 2023, in each of the years and at the interest rates set forth on the inside cover page hereof until maturity or prior redemption by check mailed by the Board or a duly appointed paying agent to the registered owners of the Bonds as of each January 1 and July 1 immediately preceding the respective Interest Payment Date (the "Record Dates"). So long as The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), or its nominee is the registered owner of the Bonds, payments of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the Board or a designated paying agent directly to DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., which will in turn remit such payments to DTC participants, which will in turn remit such payments to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See "BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

The Bonds will be issued in fully registered book-entry only form, without certificates. One certificate shall be issued for the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year, and when issued, will be registered in the name of and held by Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. DTC will act as Securities Depository for the Bonds (the "Securities Depository"). The certificates will be on deposit with DTC. DTC will be responsible for maintaining a book-entry system for recording the interests of its participants and transfers of the interests among its participants. The participants will be responsible for maintaining records regarding the beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds on behalf of the individual purchasers. Individual purchases may be made in the principal amount of \$1,000 each, or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of \$5,000 required, through book-entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Individual purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds, but each book-entry owner will receive a credit balance on the books of its nominee, and this credit balance will be confirmed by an initial transaction statement stating the details of the Bonds purchased. See "BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

Redemption

The Bonds of this issue maturing prior to July 15, 2030 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Bonds of this issue maturing on or after July 15, 2030 are redeemable at the option of the Board in whole or in part on any date on or after July 15, 2029 upon notice as required herein at one hundred percent (100%) of the principal amount being redeemed (the "Redemption Price"), plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

Notice of Redemption

Notice of redemption ("Notice of Redemption") shall be given by mailing such notice at least thirty (30) days but not more than sixty (60) days before the date fixed for redemption by first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid to the registered owners of such Bonds at their respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books kept for that purpose by the Board or a duly appointed Bond Registrar. So long as DTC (or any successor thereto) acts as Securities Depository for the Bonds, Notice of Redemption shall be sent to such Securities Depository and shall not be sent to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. Any failure of the Securities Depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to notify any beneficial owner of any Notice of Redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings. If the Board determines to redeem a portion of the Bonds prior to maturity, such Bonds shall be selected by the Board; the Bonds to be redeemed having the same maturity shall be selected by the Securities Depository in accordance with its regulations.

If Notice of Redemption has been given as provided herein, the Bonds or the portion thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption at the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. Interest shall cease to accrue on the Bonds after the date fixed for redemption.

Security for the Bonds

The Bonds are valid and legally binding general obligations of the Board, and the Board has irrevocably pledged its full faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds. Unless paid from other sources, the principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable from *ad valorem* taxes levied upon all the taxable real property within the School District without limitation as to rate or amount. The Bonds are additionally secured by the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, 1980 N.J. Laws c. 72, as amended.

School Bond Reserve Act (1980 N.J. Laws c. 72)

All school bonds are secured by the School Bond Reserve (the "School Bond Reserve") established in the Fund for the Support of Free Public Schools of the State of New Jersey (the "Fund") in accordance with the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, N.J.S.A. 18A:56-17 et seq. (P.L. 1980, c. 72, approved July 16, 1980, as amended by P.L. 2003, c. 118, approved July 1, 2003 (the "Act")). The 2003

amendments to the Act provide that the Fund will be divided into two (2) School Bond Reserve accounts. All bonds issued prior to July 1, 2003 shall be benefited by a School Bond Reserve account funded in an amount equal to one and one-half percent (1.5%) of the aggregate issued and outstanding bonded indebtedness of counties, municipalities or school districts for school purposes (the "Old School Bond Reserve Account") and all bonds, including the Bonds, issued on or after July 1, 2003 shall be benefited by a School Bond Reserve account funded in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the aggregate issued and outstanding bonded indebtedness of counties, municipalities or school districts for school purposes (the "New School Bond Reserve Account"), provided such amounts do not exceed the moneys available in the Fund. If a municipality, county or school district is unable to make payment of principal of or interest on any of its bonds issued for school purposes, the trustees of the Fund will purchase such bonds at par value and will pay to the bondholders the interest due or to become due within the limits of funds available in the applicable School Bond Reserve account in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The Act provides that the School Bond Reserve shall be composed entirely of direct obligations of the United States government or obligations guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States government. Securities representing at least one-third of the minimal market value to be held in the School Bond Reserve shall be due to mature within one year of issuance or purchase. Beginning with the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2003 and continuing on each June 30 thereafter, the State Treasurer shall calculate the amount necessary to fully fund the Old School Bond Reserve Account and the New School Bond Reserve Account as required pursuant to the Act. To the extent moneys are insufficient to maintain each account in the School Bond Reserve at the required levels, the State agrees that the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey (the "State") shall, no later than September 15 of the fiscal year following the June 30 calculation date, pay to the trustees for deposit in the School Bond Reserve such amounts as may be necessary to maintain the Old School Bond Reserve Account and the New School Bond Reserve Account at the levels required by the Act. No moneys may be borrowed from the Fund to provide liquidity to the State unless the Old School Bond Reserve Account and the New School Bond Reserve Account each are at the levels certified as full funding on the most recent June 30 calculation date. The amount of the School Bond Reserve in each account is pledged as security for the prompt payment to holders of bonds benefited by such account of the principal of and the interest on such bonds in the event of the inability of the issuer to make such payments. In the event the amounts in either the Old School Bond Reserve Account or the New School Bond Reserve Account fall below the amount required to make payments on bonds, the amounts in both accounts are available to make payments for bonds secured by the School Bond Reserve.

The Act further provides that the amount of any payment of interest or purchase price of school bonds paid pursuant to the Act shall be deducted from the appropriation or apportionment of State aid, other than certain State aid which may be otherwise restricted pursuant to law, payable to the school district, county or municipality and shall not obligate the State to make, nor entitle the school district, county or municipality to receive, any additional appropriation or apportionment. Any amount so deducted shall be applied by the State Treasurer to satisfy the obligation of the school district, county or municipality arising as a result of the payment of interest or purchase price of bonds pursuant to the Act.

Authorization and Purpose

The Bonds have been authorized and are issued pursuant to (i) Title 18A, Chapter 24 of the New Jersey Statutes, Chapter 271 of the Laws of 1967, as amended and supplemented, (ii) a proposal adopted by the Board pursuant to a resolution adopted on December 21, 2021, and approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the legal voters present and voting at a special School District election held on March 8, 2022 and (iii) a resolution duly adopted by the Board on April 19, 2022 (the "Resolution").

The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance various capital improvements in and for the School District (the "Project") and to pay the costs of issuance associated with the issuance of the Bonds. The State has awarded the School District aid for the Project in the amount of forty percent (40%) of the eligible costs of such Project. As such, the State has agreed to pay forty percent (40%) of the annual debt service on the eligible costs financed by the Bonds each year.

BOND INSURANCE

BOND INSURANCE POLICY

Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM") will issue its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy for the Bonds (the "Policy"). The Policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due as set forth in the form of the Policy included as APPENDIX E to this Official Statement.

The Policy is not covered by any insurance security or guaranty fund established under New York, California, Connecticut or Florida insurance law.

ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP.

AGM is a New York domiciled financial guaranty insurance company and an indirect subsidiary of Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("AGL"), a Bermuda-based holding company whose shares are publicly traded and are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "AGO". AGL, through its operating subsidiaries, provides credit enhancement products to the U.S. and international public finance (including infrastructure) and structured finance markets and asset management services. Neither AGL nor any of its shareholders or affiliates, other than AGM, is obligated to pay any debts of AGM or any claims under any insurance policy issued by AGM.

AGM's financial strength is rated "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P"), "AA+" (stable outlook) by Kroll Bond Rating Agency, Inc. ("KBRA") and "A1" (stable outlook) by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's"). Each rating of AGM should be evaluated independently. An explanation of the significance of the above ratings may be obtained from the applicable rating agency. The above ratings are not recommendations to buy, sell or hold any security, and such ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the rating agencies, including withdrawal initiated at the request of AGM in its sole discretion. In addition, the rating agencies may at any time change AGM's long-term rating outlooks or place such ratings on a watch list for possible downgrade in the near term. Any downward revision or withdrawal of any of the above ratings, the assignment of a negative outlook to such ratings or the placement of such ratings on a negative watch list may have an adverse effect on the market price of any security guaranteed by AGM. AGM only guarantees scheduled principal and scheduled interest payments payable by the issuer of bonds insured by AGM on the date(s) when such amounts were initially scheduled to become due and payable (subject to and in accordance with the terms of the relevant insurance policy), and does not guarantee the market price or liquidity of the securities it insures, nor does it guarantee that the ratings on such securities will not be revised or withdrawn.

Current Financial Strength Ratings

On March 18, 2022, Moody's announced it had upgraded AGM's insurance financial strength rating to "A1" (stable outlook). AGM can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that Moody's may take.

On October 20, 2021, KBRA announced it had affirmed AGM's insurance financial strength rating of "AA+" (stable outlook). AGM can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that KBRA may take

On July 8, 2021, S&P announced it had affirmed AGM's financial strength rating of "AA" (stable outlook). AGM can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that S&P may take.

For more information regarding AGM's financial strength ratings and the risks relating thereto, see AGL's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

Capitalization of AGM

At March 31, 2022:

- The policyholders' surplus of AGM was approximately \$2,909 million.
- The contingency reserve of AGM was approximately \$893 million.
- The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commission income of AGM and its subsidiaries (as described below) were approximately \$2,116 million. Such amount includes (i) 100% of the net unearned premium reserve and deferred ceding commission income of AGM, and (ii) the net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commissions of AGM's wholly owned subsidiaries Assured Guaranty UK Limited ("AGUK") and Assured Guaranty (Europe) SA ("AGE").

The policyholders' surplus of AGM and the contingency reserves, net unearned premium reserves and deferred ceding commission income of AGM were determined in accordance with statutory accounting principles. The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commissions of AGUK and AGE were determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference

Portions of the following documents filed by AGL with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") that relate to AGM are incorporated by reference into this Official Statement and shall be deemed to be a part hereof:

- (i) the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 (filed by AGL with the SEC on February 25, 2022); and
- (ii) The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2022 (filed by AGL with the SEC on May 6, 2022).

All information relating to AGM included in, or as exhibits to, documents filed by AGL with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, excluding Current Reports or portions thereof "furnished" under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K, after the filing of the last document referred to above and before the termination of the offering of the Bonds shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this Official Statement and to be a part hereof from the respective dates of filing such documents. Copies of materials incorporated by reference are available over the http://www.sec.gov, SEC's website at at AGL's http://www.assuredguaranty.com, or will be provided upon request to Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.: 1633 Broadway, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Communications Department (telephone (212) 974-0100). Except for the information referred to above, no information available on or through AGL's website shall be deemed to be part of or incorporated in this Official Statement.

Any information regarding AGM included herein under the caption "BOND INSURANCE – Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp." or included in a document incorporated by reference herein (collectively, the "AGM Information") shall be modified or superseded to the extent that any subsequently included AGM Information (either directly or through incorporation by reference) modifies or supersedes such previously included AGM Information. Any AGM Information so modified or superseded shall not constitute a part of this Official Statement, except as so modified or superseded.

Miscellaneous Matters

AGM makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. In addition, AGM has not independently verified, makes no representation regarding, and does not accept any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any information or disclosure contained herein, or omitted herefrom, other than with respect to the accuracy of the information regarding AGM supplied by AGM and presented under the heading "BOND INSURANCE".

BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM

The description which follows of the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds, payment of principal and interest, and other payments on the Bonds to DTC Participants or Beneficial Owners (as such terms are defined or used herein), confirmation and transfer of beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds and other related transactions by and between DTC, DTC Participants and Beneficial Owners, is based on certain information furnished by DTC to the Board. Accordingly, the Board does not make any representations concerning these matters.

DTC will act as Securities Depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, as set forth on the inside cover hereof, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

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

Purchases of the Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in 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 Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

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

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

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 the Board 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).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend 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 Board or Paying Agent, on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Direct and Indirect 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 Direct and Indirect Participant and not of DTC, nor its nominee, Paying Agent or the Board, 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 Board or Paying Agent, 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 Securities Depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Board or Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor Securities Depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Paying Agent, upon direction of the Board, 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.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Board believes to be reliable, but the Board takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Discontinuance of Book-Entry Only System

In the event that the book-entry-only system is discontinued and the Beneficial Owners become registered owners of the Bonds, the following provisions apply: (i) the Bonds may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of Bonds in other authorized denominations and of the same maturity, upon surrender thereof at the office of the Board or its paying agent; (ii) the transfer of any Bonds may be registered on the books maintained by the registrar for such purposes only upon the surrender thereof to the Board or its paying agent together with the duly executed assignment in form satisfactory to the Board or its paying agent and (iii) for every exchange or registration of transfer of Bonds, the Board or its paying agent may make a charge sufficient to reimburse for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or registration of transfer of the Bonds. Interest on the Bonds will be payable by check or draft mailed on each Interest Payment Date to the registered owners thereof as of the close of business on the Record Dates.

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE BOARD

The Board is a seven (7) member board with members elected for staggered three (3) year terms. The Superintendent of Schools is the chief administrative officer of the School District. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is the chief financial officer of the School District and oversees the Board's business functions. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary reports to the Superintendent of Schools.

The School District is a Type II school district, the geographical boundaries of which are coterminous with the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") and provides a full range of educational services appropriate to grades pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) through eight (8), including regular and special education programs. The School District operates one (1) elementary school and one (1) middle school. Students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) attend Boonton High School as part of a sending/receiving relationship. See "APPENDIX A — Certain Economic and Demographic Information Relating to the School District and the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey."

THE STATE'S ROLE IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

The Constitution of the State of New Jersey provides that the State shall provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient ("T&E") system of free public schools for the instruction of all children between the ages of 5 and 18 years. Case law has expanded the responsibility to include children between the ages of 3 and 21.

The responsibilities of the State with respect to the general supervision and control of public education have been delegated to the New Jersey Department of Education (the "Department"), which is a part of the executive branch of the State government and was created by the State Legislature. The Department is governed and guided by the policies set forth by the New Jersey State Board of Education (the "State Board"). The State Board is responsible for the general supervision and control of public education and is obligated to formulate plans and to make recommendations for the unified, continuous and efficient development of public education of all people of all ages within the State. To fulfill these responsibilities, the State Board has the power, *inter alia*, to adopt rules and regulations that have the effect of law and that are binding upon school districts, to acquire land and other property.

The Commissioner of Education (the "Commissioner") is the chief executive and administrative officer of the Department. The Commissioner is appointed by the Governor of the State with the advice and consent of the State Senate, and serves at the pleasure of the Governor during the Governor's term of office. The Commissioner is Secretary and Chief Executive Officer of the State Board and is responsible for the supervision of all school districts in the State and is obligated to enforce the rules and regulations of the State Board. The Commissioner has the authority to recommend the withholding of State financial aid and the Commissioner's consent is required for authorization to sell school bonds that exceed the debt limit of the municipality in which the school district is located and may also set the

amount to be raised by taxation for a board of education if a school budget has not been approved by a board of school estimate or by the voters.

An Executive County Superintendent of Schools (the "County Superintendent") is appointed for each county in the State by the Governor, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner with the advice and consent of the State Senate. The County Superintendent is the local representative of the Commissioner. The County Superintendent is responsible for the daily supervision of the school districts in the county and is charged with the enforcement of rules pertaining to the certification of teachers, pupil registers and financial reports and the review of budgets. Under the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, P.L. 2007, c. 63, effective April 3, 2007, the role of the County Superintendent was changed to create the post of the Executive County Superintendent with expanded powers for the operation and management of school districts to, among other things, promote administrative and operational efficiencies, eliminate non-operating school districts and recommend a school district consolidation plan to eliminate districts through the establishment or enlargement of regional school districts, subject to voter approval.

STRUCTURE OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN NEW JERSEY

Categories of School Districts

State school districts are characterized by the manner in which the board of education or the governing body takes office. School districts are principally classified in the following categories:

- (1) Type I, in which the mayor or chief executive officer ("CEO") of a municipality appoints the members of a board of education and a board of school estimate. The board of school estimate consists of two (2) members of the board of education, two (2) members of the governing body of the municipality and the mayor or CEO of the municipality comprising the school district, and approves all fiscal matters:
- (2) Type II, in which the registered voters within a school district elect the members of a board of education and either (a) the registered voters also vote upon all fiscal matters with the exception set forth in the new Budget Election Law (as hereinafter defined in "School Budgetary Process"), or (b) a board of school estimate, consisting of two (2) members of the governing body of and the CEO of each municipality within the school district and the president of and one member of the board of education, and approves all fiscal matters;
- (3) Regional and consolidated school districts comprising the territorial boundaries of more than one municipality in which the registered voters within the school district elect members of the board of education and vote upon all fiscal matters with certain exceptions. Regional school districts may be "All Purpose Regional School Districts" or "Limited Purpose Regional School Districts";
- (4) State-operated school districts created by the State Board, pursuant to State law, when a local board of education cannot or will not correct severe educational deficiencies;
- (5) County vocational school districts have boards of education consisting of the County Superintendent and four (4) members unless it is a county of the first class, which adopted an ordinance, in which case it can have a board consisting of seven (7) appointed members which the board of county commissioners of the county appoints. Such vocational school districts shall also have a board of school estimate, consisting of two (2) members appointed by the board of education of the school district, two (2) members appointed by the board of county commissioners and a fifth member being the county executive or the director of the board of county commissioners of the county, which approves all fiscal matters; and
- (6) County special services school districts have boards of education consisting of the County Superintendent and six (6) persons appointed by the board of county commissioners of the county. Such special services school districts shall also have a board of school estimate, consisting of two (2) members appointed by the board of education of the school, two (2) members appointed by the

board of county commissioners and a fifth member being the commissioner-director of the board of county commissioners, which approves all fiscal matters.

There is a procedure whereby a Type I school district or a Type II school district may change from one type to the other after an approving public referendum. Such a public referendum must be held whenever directed by the municipal governing body or board of education in a Type I district, or the board of education in a Type II district, or when petitioned for by fifteen percent (15%) of the voters of any school district. The School District is a Type II school district with a board of school estimate.

School Budgetary Process (N.J.S.A. 18A:22-1 et seq.)

In a Type I school district and a Type II school district with a board of school estimate, a separate body from the school district, known as the board of school estimate, examines the budget requests and fixes the appropriation amounts for the next year's operating budget at or after a public hearing. This board, whose composition is fixed by statute, certifies the budget to the municipal governing body or board of education. If the board of education disagrees with the certified budget of the board of school estimate, then it can appeal to the Commissioner to request changes.

In a Type II school district, the elected board of education develops the budget proposal and, at or after a public hearing, submits it for voter approval unless the Board has moved its annual election to November, as discussed below. Debt service provisions are not subject to public referendum. If approved, the budget goes into effect. If defeated, the governing bodies of the constituent municipalities must develop the school budget by May 19 of each year. Should the governing bodies be unable to do so, the Commissioner establishes the local school budget.

The Budget Election Law, P.L. 2011, c. 202, effective January 17, 2012 (the "Budget Election Law") establishes procedures that allow the date of the annual school election of a Type II school district, without a board of school estimate, to be moved from April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, to be held simultaneously with the general election. Such change in the annual school election date must be authorized by resolution of either the board of education or the governing body of the municipality, or by an affirmative vote of a majority of the voters whenever a petition, signed by at least fifteen percent (15%) of the legally qualified voters, is filed with the board of education. Once the annual school election is moved to November, such election may not be changed back to an April annual school election for four (4) years.

School districts that opt to move the annual school election to November are no longer required to submit the budget to the voters for approval if the budget is at or below the two percent (2%) property tax levy cap as provided in the Tax Levy Cap Law (as hereinafter defined).

The Board conducts its annual election in November.

SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF SCHOOL DEBT

Levy and Collection of Taxes

School districts in the State do not levy or collect taxes to pay those budgeted amounts which are not provided by the State. The municipality within which a school district is situated levies or collects the required taxes and must remit them in full to the school district.

Budgets and Appropriations

School districts in the State must operate on an annual cash basis budget. Each school district must adopt an annual budget in such detail and upon forms as prescribed by the Commissioner, to which must be attached an itemized statement showing revenues, including State and Federal aid, and expenditures. The Commissioner must approve a budget prior to its final adoption and has the power to increase or decrease individual line items in a budget. Any amendments to a school district's budget

must be approved by the board of education or the board of school estimate, as the case may be. Every budget submitted must provide no less than the minimum permissible amount deemed necessary under State law to provide for a thorough and efficient education as mandated by the State Constitution. The Commissioner may not approve any budget unless the Commissioner is satisfied that the school district has adequately implemented within the budget the Core Curriculum Content Standards (as defined herein) required by State law. If necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to order changes in the local school district's budget. The Commissioner will also ensure that other provisions of law are met including the limitations on taxes and spending explained below.

Tax and Spending Limitations

The Public School Education Act of 1975, N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-1 et seq., P.L. 1975, c. 212 (as amended and partially repealed), first limited the amount of funds that could be raised by a local school district. It limited the annual increase of any school district's net current expense budget. The budgetary limitations were known as a "CAP" on expenditures. The "CAP" was intended to control the growth in local property taxes. Subsequently there have been numerous legislative changes as to how the spending limitations would be applied.

The Quality Education Act of 1990, N.J.S.A. 18A:7D-1 et seq., P.L. 1990, c. 52 (the "QEA") (now repealed), also limited the annual increase in the school district's current expense and capital outlay budgets by a statutory formula linked to the annual percentage increase in per capita income. The QEA was amended and revised by chapter 62 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1991, and further amended by chapter 7 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1993.

The Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996, N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-1 et seq., P.L. 1996, c. 138 (the "CEIFA"), as amended by P.L. 2004, c. 732, effective July 1, 2004, also limited the annual increase in a school district's net budget by a spending growth limitation. The CEIFA limited the amount school districts can increase their annual current expense and capital outlay budgets (the "Spending Growth Limitations"). Generally, budgets could increase either by two and one-half percent (2.5%) or the consumer price index, whichever is greater. Amendments to the CEIFA decreased the budget cap to two and one-half percent (2.5%) from three percent (3%). Budgets could also increase because of certain adjustments for enrollment increases, certain capital outlay expenditures, pupil transportation costs, and special education costs that exceeded \$40,000 per pupil. Waivers were available from the Commissioner based on increasing enrollments and other fairly narrow grounds and increases higher than the cap could be approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) at the annual school election.

P.L. 2007, c. 62, effective April 3, 2007, provided additional limitations on school district spending by limiting the amount a school district could raise for school district purposes through the property tax levy by four percent (4%) over the prior budget year's tax levy. P.L. 2007, c. 62 provided for adjustments to the cap for increases in enrollment, reductions in State aid and increased health care costs and for certain other extraordinary cost increases that required approval by the Commissioner. The bill granted discretion to the Commissioner to grant other waivers from the cap for increases in special education costs, capital outlay, and tuition charges. The Commissioner also had the ability to grant extraordinary waivers to the tax levy cap for certain other cost increases beginning in fiscal year 2009 through 2012.

P.L. 2007, c. 62 was deemed to supersede the prior limitations on the amount school districts could increase their annual current expense and capital outlay budgets created by CEIFA (as amended by P.L. 2004, c. 73, effective July 1, 2004). However, chapter 62 was in effect only through fiscal year 2012. Without an extension of chapter 62 by the legislature, the Spending Growth Limitations on the general fund and capital outlay budget would be in effect.

Debt service was not limited either by the Spending Growth Limitations or the four percent (4%) cap on the tax levy increase imposed by chapter 62.

The previous legislation was amended by P.L. 2010, c. 44, effective July 13, 2010 and became applicable to the next local budget year following enactment. This law limits the school district tax levy for

the general fund budget to increases of two percent (2%) over the prior budget year with exceptions only for enrollment increases, increases for certain normal and accrued liability for pension contributions in excess of two percent (2%), certain healthcare increases, and amounts approved by a simple majority of voters voting at a special election (the "Tax Levy Cap Law"). Additionally, also becoming effective in the 2011-2012 fiscal year, a school district that has not been granted approval to exceed the tax levy cap by a separate proposal can bank the unused tax levy for use in any of the next three (3) succeeding budget years. A school district can request a use of "banked cap" only after it has fully exhausted all eligible statute spending authority in the budget year. The process for obtaining waivers from the Commissioner for additional increases over the tax levy cap or Spending Growth Limitations was eliminated under chapter 44. Notwithstanding the foregoing, under P.L. 2018, c. 67, effective July 24, 2018, which increases State school aid to underfunded school districts and decreases state school aid to overfunded school districts, during the 2018-2019 through 2024-2025 fiscal years, SDA Districts, which are certain urban districts formerly referred to as Abbott Districts referred to herein under "SUMMARY OF STATE AID TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS", are permitted increases in the tax levy over the two percent (2%) limit to raise a general fund tax levy to an amount that does not exceed its local share of the adequacy budget.

The restrictions are solely on the tax levy for the general fund and are not applicable to the debt service fund. There are no restrictions on a local school district's ability to raise funds for debt service, and nothing would limit the obligation of a school district to levy ad valorem taxes upon all taxable real property within the school district to pay debt service on its bonds or notes with one exception. School districts are subject to GAAP accounting, and under GAAP interest on obligations maturing within one (1) year must be treated as operating expenses. Accordingly, under the Department of Education's Chart of Accounts, interest on notes is raised in the General Fund of a school district and therefore is counted within its two percent (2%) tax levy cap on spending.

Issuance of Debt

Among the provisions for the issuance of school debt are the following requirements: (i) bonds must mature in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness of the projects being financed but not exceeding forty (40) years, (ii) debt must be authorized by a resolution of a board of education (and approved by a board of school estimate in a Type I school district and a Type II school district with a board of school estimate), and (iii) there must be filed with the State by each municipality comprising a school district a Supplemental Debt Statement and a school debt statement setting forth the amount of bonds and notes authorized but unissued and outstanding for such school district.

Annual Audit (N.J.S.A. 18A:23-1 et seq.)

Every board of education is required to provide an annual audit of the school district's accounts and financial transactions. The audit must be performed by a licensed public school accountant no later than five (5) months after the end of the school fiscal year or by the date extended by statute or by the State of New Jersey Department of Education. The audit, in conformity with statutory requirements, must be filed with the board of education and the Commissioner. Additionally, the audit must be summarized and discussed at a regular public meeting of the local board of education within thirty (30) days following receipt of the annual audit by such board of education.

Temporary Financing (N.J.S.A. 18A:24-3)

Temporary notes may be issued in anticipation of the issuance of permanent bonds for a capital improvement or capital project. Such temporary notes may not exceed in the aggregate the amount of bonds authorized for such improvement or project. A school district's temporary notes may be issued for one (1) year periods, with the final maturity not exceeding five (5) years from the date of original issuance; provided, however, that no such notes shall be renewed beyond the third anniversary date of the original notes unless an amount of such notes, at least equal to the first legally payable installment of the bonds in anticipation of which said notes are issued, is paid and retired subsequent to such third anniversary date from funds other than the proceeds of obligations. School districts must include in each annual budget the amount of interest due and payable in each fiscal year on all outstanding temporary notes.

Capital Lease Financing

School districts are permitted to enter into lease purchase agreements for the acquisition of equipment or for the improvement of school buildings. Generally, lease purchase agreements cannot exceed five (5) years except for certain energy-saving equipment which may be leased for up to fifteen (15) years if paid from energy savings. Lease purchase agreements for a term of five (5) years or less must be approved by the Commissioner. The Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (the "EFCFA"), repealed the authorization to enter into facilities leases in excess of five (5) years. The payment of rent on an equipment lease and on a five (5) year and under facilities lease is treated as a current expense and within the cap on the school district's budget. Under the CEIFA, lease purchase payments on leases in excess of five (5) years issued under prior law are treated as debt service payments and, therefore, will receive debt service aid if the school district is entitled and are outside the school district's tax levy cap.

Debt Limitation (N.J.S.A. 18A:24-19)

Except as provided below, no additional debt shall be authorized if the principal amount, when added to the net debt previously authorized, exceeds a statutory percentage of the average equalized valuation of taxable property in a school district. As a grades pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) through eight (8) school district, the School District can borrow up to three percent (3%) of the average equalized valuation of taxable property in the School District. The School District has not exceeded its three percent (3%) debt limit. See "APPENDIX A — Certain Economic and Demographic Information Relating to the School District and the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey."

Exceptions to Debt Limitation

A Type II school district (other than a regional district) may also utilize its constituent municipality's remaining statutory borrowing power (i.e. the excess of three and one-half percent (3.5%) of the average equalized valuation of taxable property within the constituent municipality over the constituent municipality's net debt). A school district may also authorize debt in excess of this limit with the consent of the Commissioner and the Local Finance Board.

Energy Saving Obligations

Under P.L. 2009, c. 4, approved January 21, 2009 and effective 60 days thereafter, school districts may issue "energy savings obligations" without voter approval to fund certain improvements that result in reduced energy use, facilities for production of renewable energy or water conservation improvements provided that the amount of the savings will cover the cost of the improvements.

SUMMARY OF STATE AID TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

In 1973, the Supreme Court of the State of New Jersey (the "Court") ruled in Robinson v. Cahill that the method then used to finance public education principally through property taxation was unconstitutional. Pursuant to the Court's ruling, the Legislature enacted the Public School Education Act of 1975, N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-1 et seq., P.L. 1975, c. 212 (the "Public School Education Act") (as amended and partially repealed), which required funding of the State's school aid through the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, P.L. 1976, c. 47, as amended and supplemented, enacted for the purpose of providing property tax relief.

On June 5, 1990, the Court ruled in Abbott v. Burke that the school aid formula enacted under the Public School Education Act was unconstitutional as applied. The Court found that poorer urban school districts (previously called "Abbott Districts", now referred to as "SDA Districts") were significantly disadvantaged under that school funding formula because school revenues were derived primarily from property taxes. The Court found that wealthy school districts were able to spend more, yet tax less for educational purposes.

Since that time there has been much litigation and many cases affecting the State's responsibilities to fund public education and many legislative attempts to distribute State aid in accordance with the court cases and the constitutional requirement. The cases addressed not only current operating fund aid but also addressed the requirement to provide facilities aid as well. The legislation has included QEA, CEIFA and EFCFA. For many years aid has simply been determined in the State Budget, which itself is an act of the legislature, based upon amounts provided in prior years. The school funding formula, provided in the School Funding Reform Act of 2008, P.L. 2007, c. 260, effective January 1, 2008, attempts to remove the special status given to certain school districts known as Abbott Districts after the school funding cases and instead has funding follow students with certain needs and provides aid in a way that takes into account the ability of the local school district to raise local funds to support the budget in amounts deemed adequate to provide for a thorough and efficient education as required by the State constitution. This legislation was challenged in the Court, and the Court held that the State's then current plan for school aid was a "constitutionally adequate scheme." However, the State continued to underfund certain school districts and to overfund other school districts in its budgets based on the statutory scheme. In its budget process for fiscal year 2019 and with the enactment of P.L. 2018, c. 67, effective July 24, 2018, the State is moving the school districts toward the intent of the statutory scheme by increasing funding for underfunded school districts and decreasing funding for overfunded school districts over the next seven (7) years and providing cap relief for overfunded school districts to enable them to pick up more of the local share.

Notwithstanding over thirty-five (35) years of litigation, the State provides State aid to school districts of the State in amounts provided in the State budget each year. These now include equalization aid, special education categorical aid, transportation aid, preschool education aid, instructional supplement aid, supplemental core curriculum standards aid, distance learning network aid, bilingual aid, security aid, adjustment aid and other aid determined in the discretion of the Commissioner.

State law requires that the State will provide aid for the construction of school facilities in an amount equal to the greater of the district aid percentage or forty percent (40%) times the eligible costs determined by the Commissioner either in the form of a grant or debt service aid as determined under the EFCFA. The amount of aid to which a school district is entitled is established prior to the authorization of the project. Grant funding is provided by the State upfront and debt service aid must be appropriated annually by the State.

The State reduced debt service aid by fifteen percent (15%) for fiscal years 2011 through 2021. As a result of the debt service aid reduction for those fiscal years, school districts received eighty-five percent (85%) of the debt service aid that they would have otherwise received. In addition, school districts which received grants under the EFCFA, which grants were financed through the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (the "EDA"), were assessed an amount in their fiscal years 2011 through 2021 budgets representing fifteen percent (15%) of the school district's proportionate share of the principal and interest payments on the outstanding EDA bonds issued to fund such grants.

Pursuant to P.L. 2018, c. 67, effective July 24, 2018, the School Funding Reform Act has been modified to adjust the distribution of State aid to school districts in the State ("SFRA Modification Law"). In particular, the SFRA Modification Law revises the School Funding Reform Act so that, after calculating the amount of State aid available per pupil, State aid will be distributed to each school district based on student enrollment. The SFRA Modification Law also eliminates the application of the State aid growth limit and adjustment aid, but includes a transition period for school districts that will receive less State aid. Under the SFRA Modification Law, most school districts that will receive reduced State aid resulting from the revised funding formula will be provided a seven (7) year transition period during which funding will be reduced. For those school districts where State aid will increase under the SFRA Modification Law, the transition period to increase funding will be one (1) year.

SUMMARY OF FEDERAL AID TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Federal funds are available for certain programs approved by the Federal government with allocation decided by the State, which assigns a proportion to each local school district. The Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, enacted December 10, 2015, is a Federal assistance program for which a

school district qualifies to receive aid. A remedial enrichment program for children of low income families is available under Chapter 1 Aid. Such Federal aid is generally received in the form of block grants. Aid is also provided under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act although never in the amounts federal law required.

MUNICIPAL FINANCE FINANCIAL REGULATION OF COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES

Local Bond Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq.)

The Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"), governs the issuance of bonds and notes to finance certain municipal and utility capital expenditures. Among its provisions are requirements that bonds must mature within the statutory period of usefulness of the projects financed and that bonds be retired in serial installments. A five percent (5%) cash down payment is generally required toward the financing of expenditures for municipal purposes. All bonds and notes issued by the Borough are general full faith and credit obligations.

The authorized bonded indebtedness of the Borough is limited by statute, subject to certain exceptions noted below, to an amount equal to three and one-half percent (3.5%) of its average equalized valuation basis. The average for the last three (3) years of the equalized value of all taxable real property and improvements and certain Class II railroad property within the Borough as annually determined by the New Jersey Board of Taxation is set forth in APPENDIX A.

Certain categories of debt are permitted by statute to be deducted for purposes of computing the statutory debt limit.

A municipality may exceed its debt limit with the approval of the Local Finance Board, and as permitted by other statutory exceptions. If all or any part of a proposed debt authorization would exceed its debt limit, a municipality may apply to the Local Finance Board for an extension of credit. If the Local Finance Board determines that a proposed debt authorization would not materially impair the credit of the municipality or substantially reduce the ability of the municipality to meet its obligations or to provide essential public improvements and services, or makes certain other statutory determinations, approval is granted. In addition, debt in excess of the statutory limit may be issued by the municipality to fund certain notes, to provide for self-liquidating purposes, and, in each fiscal year, in an amount not exceeding 2/3 of the amount budgeted in such fiscal year for the retirement of outstanding obligations (exclusive of utility and assessment obligations).

A municipality may sell "bond anticipation notes" to temporarily finance a capital improvement or project in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, if the bond ordinance or subsequent resolution so provides. Bond anticipation notes for capital improvements may be issued in an aggregate amount not exceeding the amount specified in the bond ordinance, as it may be amended and supplemented, creating such capital expenditure. A local unit's bond anticipation notes may be issued for periods not exceeding one (1) year. Generally, bond anticipation notes may not be outstanding for longer than ten (10) years. An additional period may be available following the tenth anniversary date equal to the period from the notes' maturity to the end of the tenth fiscal year in which the notes mature plus four (4) months in the next following fiscal year from the date of original issuance. Beginning in the third year, the amount of notes that may be issued is decreased by the minimum amount required for the first year's principal payment for a bond issue.

Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq.)

The foundation of the State local finance system is the annual cash basis budget. Every local unit must adopt an annual operating budget in the form required by the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the "Division"). Certain items of revenue and appropriation are regulated by law and the proposed budget cannot be finally adopted until it has been certified by the Director of the Division (the "Director"), or in the case of a local unit's examination of its own budget, such budget cannot be finally adopted until a local examination certificate has been

approved by the Chief Financial Officer and governing body of the local unit. The Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq. (the "Local Budget Law") requires each local unit to appropriate sufficient funds for the payment of current debt service, and the Director or, in the case of local examination, the local unit, may review the adequacy of such appropriations.

Tax anticipation notes are limited in amount by law and must be paid off in full within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year in which they were issued.

The Director has no authority over individual operating appropriations, unless a specific amount is required by law, but the budgetary review functions focusing on anticipated revenues serve to protect the solvency of all local units.

The cash basis budgets of local units must be in balance, <u>i.e.</u>, the total of anticipated revenues must equal the total of appropriations. N.J.S.A. 40A:4-22. If in any year a local unit's expenditures exceed its realized revenues for that year, then such excess must be raised in the succeeding year's budget.

A provision in the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-26, provides that: "[n]o miscellaneous revenues from any source shall be included as an anticipated revenue in the budget in an amount in excess of the amount actually realized in cash from the same source during the next preceding fiscal year, unless the director shall determine upon application by the governing body that the facts clearly warrant the expectation that such excess amount will actually be realized in cash during the fiscal year and shall certify such determination, in writing, to the local unit."

No budget or amendment thereof shall be adopted unless the Director shall have previously certified his approval of such anticipated revenues, except that categorical grants-in-aid contracts may be included for their face amount with an offsetting appropriation. The fiscal years for such grants rarely coincide with a municipality's calendar fiscal year. However, grant revenue is generally not realized until received in cash.

The same general principle that revenue cannot be anticipated in a budget in excess of that realized in the preceding year applies to property taxes. The maximum amount of delinquent taxes that may be anticipated is limited by a statutory formula, which allows the local unit to anticipate collection at the same rate realized for the collection of delinquent taxes in the previous year. Also the local unit is required to make an appropriation for a "reserve for uncollected taxes" in accordance with a statutory formula to provide for a tax collection in an amount that does not exceed the percentage of taxes levied and payable in the preceding fiscal year that was received in cash by December 31 of that year. The budget also must provide for any cash deficits of the prior year.

Emergency appropriations (those made after the adoption of the budget and the determination of the tax rate) may be authorized by the governing body. However, with minor exceptions, such appropriations must be included in full in the following year's budget. When such appropriations exceed three percent (3%) of the adopted operating budget, consent of the Director must be obtained.

The exceptions are certain enumerated quasi-capital projects ("special emergencies") such as (i) the repair and reconstruction of streets, roads or bridges damaged by snow, ice, frost, or floods, which may be amortized over three (3) years, and (ii) the repair and reconstruction of streets, roads, bridges or other public property damaged by flood or hurricane, where such expense was unforeseen at the time of budget adoption, the repair and reconstruction of private property damaged by flood or hurricane, tax map preparation, re-evaluation programs, revision and codification of ordinances, master plan preparations, drainage map preparation for flood control purposes, studies and planning associated with the construction and installation of sanitary sewers, authorized expenses of a consolidated commission, contractually required severance liabilities resulting from the layoff or retirement of employees and the preparation of sanitary and storm system maps, all of which projects set forth in this section (ii) may be amortized over five (5) years. N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53, -54, -55, -55.1. Emergency appropriations for capital projects may be financed through the adoption of a bond ordinance and amortized over the useful life of the project as described above.

Budget transfers provide a degree of flexibility and afford a control mechanism. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, transfers between appropriation accounts are prohibited until the last two (2) months of the year. Appropriation reserves may be transferred during the first three (3) months of the year, to the previous year's budget. N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59. Both types of transfers require a 2/3 vote of the full membership of the governing body. Although sub-accounts within an appropriation are not subject to the same year-end transfer restriction, they are subject to internal review and approval. Certain types of appropriations are excluded from the provisions permitting transfers. Generally, transfers cannot be made from the down payment account, interest or debt redemption charges or the capital improvement fund or for contingent expenses.

Municipal public utilities are supported by the revenues generated by the respective operations of the utilities, in addition to the general taxing power upon taxable property. For each utility, there is established a separate budget. The anticipated revenues and appropriations for each utility are set forth in the separate budget. The budget is required to be balanced and to provide fully for debt service. The regulations regarding anticipation of revenues and deferral of charges apply equally to the budgets of the utilities. Deficits or anticipated deficits in utility operations which cannot be provided for from utility surplus, if any, are required to be raised in the "Current" or operating budget.

In accordance with the Local Budget Law, each local unit must adopt and may from time to time amend rules and regulations for capital budgets, which rules and regulations must require a statement of capital undertakings underway or projected for a period not greater than over the next ensuing six (6) years as a general improvement program. The capital budget, when adopted, does not constitute the approval or appropriation of funds, but sets forth a plan of the possible capital expenditures which the local unit may contemplate over the next six (6) years. Expenditures for capital purposes may be made either by ordinances adopted by the governing body setting forth the items and the method of financing or from the annual operating budget if the terms were detailed.

Fiscal Year Adjustment Law (1991 N.J. Laws c. 75)

Chapter 75 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1991, requires certain municipalities and permits all other municipalities to adopt the State fiscal year in place of the existing calendar fiscal year. Municipalities that change fiscal years must adopt a six (6) month transition budget for January 1 through June 30. Since expenditures would be expected to exceed revenues primarily because State aid for the calendar year would not be received by the municipality until after the end of the transition year budget, the act authorizes the issuance of Fiscal Year Adjustment Bonds to fund the one time deficit for the six (6) month transition budget. The law provides that the deficit in the six (6) month transition budget may be funded initially with bond anticipation notes based on the estimated deficit in the six (6) month transition budget. Notes issued in anticipation of Fiscal Year Adjustment Bonds, including renewals, can only be issued for up to one (1) year unless the Local Finance Board permits the municipality to renew them for a longer period of time. The Local Finance Board must confirm the actual deficit experienced by the municipality. The municipality then may issue Fiscal Year Adjustment Bonds to finance the deficit on a permanent basis. The purpose of the act is to assist municipalities that are heavily dependent on State aid and that have had to issue tax anticipation notes to fund operating cash flow deficits each year. While the law does not authorize counties to change their fiscal years, it does provide that counties with cash flow deficits may issue Fiscal Year Adjustment Bonds as well.

State Supervision

State law authorizes State officials to supervise fiscal administration in any municipality which is in default on its obligations; which experiences severe tax collection problems for two (2) successive years; which has a deficit greater than four percent (4%) of its tax levy for two (2) successive years; which has failed to make payments due and owing to the State, county, school district or special district for two (2) consecutive years; which has an appropriation in its annual budget for the liquidation of debt which exceeds twenty-five percent (25%) of its total operating appropriations (except dedicated revenue appropriations) for the previous budget year; or which has been subject to a judicial determination of gross failure to comply with the Local Bond Law, the Local Budget Law, or the Local Fiscal Affairs Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-1 et seq., which substantially jeopardizes its fiscal integrity. State officials are authorized

to continue such supervision for as long as any of the conditions exist and until the municipality operates for a fiscal year without incurring a cash deficit.

Appropriations "Cap"

The New Jersey "Cap Law" (the "Cap Law") (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq.) places limits on municipal tax levies and expenditures. The Cap Law provides that a local unit shall limit any increase in its budget to two and one-half percent (2.5%) or the Cost-Of-Living Adjustment (as defined in the Cap Law), whichever is less, of the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions. The Cost-Of-Living Adjustment is defined as the rate of annual percentage increase, rounded to the nearest half percent, in the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services produced by the United States Department of Commerce for the year preceding the current year as announced by the Director. However, in each year in which the Cost-Of-Living Adjustment is equal to or less than two and one-half percent (2.5%), a local unit may, by ordinance, approved by a majority vote of the full membership of the governing body, provide that the final appropriations of the local unit for such year be increased by a percentage rate that is greater than the Cost-Of-Living Adjustment, but not more than three and one-half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations. In addition, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a restored "cap" banking to the Local Budget Law. Municipalities are permitted to appropriate available "cap bank" in either of the next two (2) succeeding years' final appropriations. Along with the permitted increases for total general appropriations there are certain items that are allowed to increase outside the "cap".

Additionally, P.L. 2010, c. 44, effective July 13, 2010, imposes a two percent (2%) cap on the tax levy of a municipality, county, fire district or solid waste collection district, with certain exceptions and subject to a number of adjustments. The exclusions from the limit include increases required to be raised for capital expenditures, including debt service, increases in pension contributions in excess of two percent (2%), certain increases in health care over two percent (2%), and extraordinary costs incurred by a local unit directly related to a declared emergency. The governing body of a local unit may request approval, through a public question submitted to the legal voters residing in its territory, to increase the amount to be raised by taxation, and voters may approve increases above two percent (2%) not otherwise permitted under the law by an affirmative vote of fifty percent (50%).

The Division has advised that counties and municipalities must comply with both the budget "cap" and the tax levy limitation. Neither the tax levy limitation nor the Cap" Law, however, limits the obligation of the county or municipality to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable property within its boundaries to pay debt service on it bonds and notes.

Tax Assessment and Collection Procedure

Property valuations (assessments) are determined on true values as arrived at by a cost approach, market data approach and capitalization of net income (where appropriate). Current assessments are the result of new assessments on a like basis with established comparable properties for newly assessed or purchased properties. This method assures equitable treatment to like property owners. However, a divergence of the assessment ratio to true value is typically due to changes in market value over time.

Upon the filing of certified adopted budgets by the local unit, the local school district and the county, the tax rate is struck by the county Board of Taxation based on the certified amounts in each of the taxing districts for collection to fund the budgets. The statutory provisions for the assessment of property, the levying of taxes and the collection thereof are set forth in N.J.S.A. 54:4-1 et seq. Special taxing districts are permitted in the State for various special services rendered to the properties located within the special districts.

Generally, tax bills are mailed annually in June of the current fiscal year. The taxes are payable in four quarterly installments on February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. The August and November tax bills are determined as the full tax levied for municipal, county and school purposes for the current municipal fiscal year, less the amount charged for the February and May installments for

municipal, county and school purposes in the current fiscal year. The amounts due for the February and May installments are determined by the municipal governing body as either one-quarter or one-half of the full tax levied for municipal, county and school purposes for the preceding fiscal year.

Tax installments not paid on or before the due date are subject to interest penalties of eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and eighteen percent (18%) per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00. Pursuant to 1991 N.J. Laws c. 75, the governing body may also fix a penalty to be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year. The penalty so fixed shall not exceed six percent (6%) of the amount of the delinquency. These penalties and interest rates are the highest permitted under State statutes. Delinquent taxes open for one (1) year or more are annually included in a tax sale in accordance with State statutes.

Tax Appeals

State statutes provide a taxpayer with remedial procedures for appealing an assessment deemed excessive. The taxpayer has a right to petition the county Board of Taxation on or before April 1 of the current year for review. The county Board of Taxation has the authority after a hearing to decrease or reject the appeal petition. These adjustments are usually concluded within the current tax year and reductions are shown as canceled or remitted taxes for that year. If the taxpayer feels his petition was unsatisfactorily reviewed by the county Board of Taxation, appeal may be made to the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey (the "State Tax Court") for further hearing. Some State Tax Court appeals may take several years prior to settlement and any losses in tax collections from prior years are charged directly to operations.

Local Fiscal Affairs Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:5-1 et seq.)

This law regulates the nonbudgetary financial activities of local governments. The chief financial officer of every local unit must file annually with the Director a verified statement of the financial condition of the local unit and all constituent boards, agencies or commissions.

An independent examination of each local unit's accounts must be performed annually by a licensed registered municipal accountant. The audit, conforming to the Division's "Requirements of Audit," includes recommendations for improvement of the local unit's financial procedures. The audit report must be filed with the Director. A synopsis of the report, together with all recommendations made, must be published in a local newspaper within thirty (30) days of the local unit's receipt of the audit report.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements of the Board as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 together with the notes to the financial statements have been provided by Nisivoccia LLP, Mount Arlington, New Jersey (the "Auditor"), and are presented in <u>APPENDIX B</u> to this Official Statement (the "Financial Statements"). See "<u>APPENDIX B</u> – Financial Statements of The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey.

MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Bordentown, New Jersey, has served as Municipal Advisor to the Board with respect to the issuance of the Bonds (the "Municipal Advisor"). The Municipal Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken, either to make an independent verification of, or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained in this Official Statement and the Appendices hereto. The Municipal Advisor is an independent firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities.

LITIGATION

To the knowledge of the Board Attorney, Scarinci Hollenbeck, Lyndhurst, New Jersey (the "Board Attorney"), there is no litigation of any nature now pending or threatened against the Board, restraining or enjoining the issuance or the delivery of the Bonds, or the levy or the collection of any taxes to pay the principal of or the interest on the Bonds, or in any manner questioning the authority or the proceedings for the issuance of the Bonds or for the levy or the collection of taxes, or contesting the corporate existence or the boundaries of the Board or the School District or the title of any of the present officers. To the knowledge of the Board Attorney, no litigation is presently pending or threatened that, in the opinion of the Board Attorney, would have a materially adverse impact on the financial condition of the Board if adversely decided. A certificate to such effect will be executed by the Board Attorney and delivered to the Underwriter (as hereinafter defined) of the Bonds at the closing.

TAX EXEMPTION

Federal Income Tax Treatment

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), establishes certain requirements which must be met at the time of, and on a continuing basis subsequent to, the issuance of the Bonds in order for the interest thereon to be and remain excluded from gross income for Federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code. Noncompliance with such requirements could cause such interest to be included in gross income for Federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Board has covenanted to comply with the provisions of the Code applicable to the Bonds, and has covenanted not to take any action or fail to take any action that would cause interest on the Bonds to lose the exclusion from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

In the opinion of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Bond Counsel, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions, and assuming continuing compliance by the Board with the requirements of the Code described above, interest on the Bonds is not includable in gross income for Federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Code and is not treated as a preference item under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of computing the Federal alternative minimum tax.

Premium Bonds

The Bonds [maturing on July 15 in the years 2023 through 2037, inclusive (collectively, the "Premium Bonds"), have been sold to the public at a premium. Section 171 of the Code provides rules under which a bond premium may be amortized and a deduction allowed for the amount of the amortizable bond premium for a taxable year. Under Section 171(a)(2) of the Code, however, no deduction is allowable for the amortizable bond premium in the case of bonds, like the Premium Bonds, the interest on which is excludable from gross income. Under Section 1016(a)(5) of the Code, the purchaser's basis in a Premium Bond will be reduced by the amount of the amortizable bond premium disallowable as a deduction under Section 171(2) of the Code. Proceeds received from the sale, exchange, redemption or payment of a Premium Bond in excess of the owner's adjusted basis (as reduced pursuant to Section 1016(a)(5) of the Code), will be treated as a gain from the sale or exchange of such Premium Bonds and not as interest.

Discount Bonds

Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that the difference between the stated principal amount of the Bonds maturing on July 15 in the years 2039 through 2042, inclusive (collectively, the "Discount Bonds") and their respective initial public offering prices to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which prices a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds of the same maturity and interest rate were sold, constitutes original issue discount which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes to the same extent as interest on the Bonds. In the case of any holder of the Discount Bonds, the amount of such original issue discount which is treated as having accrued with respect to the Discount Bonds is added to the cost basis of the holder in determining, for federal income tax purposes, gain or loss upon disposition

(including sale, redemption or payment at maturity). Holders of the Discount Bonds should consult their tax advisors for an explanation of the original issue discount rules.

Additional Federal Income Tax Consequences Relating to Bonds

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that ownership of, accrual or receipt of interest on or disposition of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, may have additional Federal income tax consequences for certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, taxpayers eligible for the earned income credit, recipients of certain Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers that may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, foreign corporations and certain S corporations. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should also consult with their tax advisors with respect to the need to furnish certain taxpayer information in order to avoid backup withholding.

State Taxation

Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds, and any gain on the sale of the Bonds, are not includable in gross income under the existing New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, 1976 N.J. Laws c. 47, as amended. Except as provided above, no opinion is expressed with respect to other State and local tax consequences of owning the Bonds. See "APPENDIX C – Form of Approving Legal Opinion" for the complete text of the proposed form of Bond Counsel's approving legal opinion.

Prospective Tax Law Changes

Federal, state or local legislation, administrative pronouncements or court decisions may affect the Federal and State tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds and the State tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds, gain from the sale or other disposition of the Bonds, the market value of the Bonds or the marketability of the Bonds. The effect of any legislation, administrative pronouncements or court decisions cannot be predicted. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding such matters.

Other Tax Consequences

Except as described above, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion with respect to any Federal, State, local or foreign tax consequences of ownership of the Bonds. Bond Counsel renders its opinion under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions as of the date of issuance of the Bonds and assumes no obligation to update its opinion after such date of issuance to reflect any future action, fact, circumstance, change in law or interpretation, or otherwise. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the effect, if any, on the tax status of the interest on the Bonds paid or to be paid as a result of any action hereafter taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel.

See <u>APPENDIX C</u> for the complete text of the proposed form of Bond Counsel's legal opinion with respect to the Bonds.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE BONDS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO ALL TAX CONSEQUENCES (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE LISTED ABOVE) OF HOLDING THE BONDS.

RISK TO HOLDERS OF BONDS

It is understood that the rights of the holders of the Bonds, and the enforceability thereof, may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable and that their enforcement may also be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

Municipal Bankruptcy

THE BOARD HAS NOT AUTHORIZED THE FILING OF A BANKRUPTCY PETITION. THIS REFERENCE TO THE BANKRUPTCY CODE OR THE STATE STATUTE SHOULD NOT CREATE ANY IMPLICATION THAT THE BOARD EXPECTS TO UTILIZE THE BENEFITS OF ITS PROVISIONS, OR THAT IF UTILIZED, SUCH ACTION WOULD BE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD, OR THAT ANY PROPOSED PLAN WOULD INCLUDE A DILUTION OF THE SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS, OR THAT THE BANKRUPTCY CODE COULD NOT BE AMENDED AFTER THE DATE HEREOF.

The undertakings of the Board should be considered with reference to 11 U.S.C. §101 et seq., as amended and supplemented (the "Bankruptcy Code"), and other bankruptcy laws affecting creditors' rights and municipalities in general. The Bankruptcy Code permits the State or any political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality that is insolvent or unable to meet its debts to commence a voluntary bankruptcy case by filing a petition with a bankruptcy court for the purpose of effecting a plan to adjust its debts; directs such a petitioner to file with the court a list of petitioner's creditors; provides that a petition filed under this chapter shall operate as a stay of the commencement or continuation of any judicial or other proceeding against the petitioner; grants priority to certain debts owed, and provides that the plan must be accepted in writing by or on behalf of creditors holding at least two-thirds in amount and more than one-half in number of the allowed claims of at least one (1) impaired class. The Bankruptcy Code specifically does not limit or impair the power of a state to control, by legislation or otherwise, the procedures that a political subdivision must follow in order to take advantage of the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.

The Bankruptcy Code provides that special revenue acquired by the debtor after the commencement of the case shall remain subject to any lien resulting from any security agreement entered into by such debtor before the commencement of such bankruptcy case. However, special revenues acquired by the debtor after commencement of the case shall continue to be available to pay debt service secured by those revenues. Furthermore, the Bankruptcy Code provides that a transfer of property of a debtor to or for the benefit of any holder of a bond or note, on account of such bond or note, may be avoided pursuant to certain preferential transfer provisions set forth in such act.

Reference should also be made to N.J.S.A. 52:27-40 et seq. which provides that a political subdivision, including the Board, has the power to file a petition in bankruptcy with any United States Court or court in bankruptcy under the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, for the purpose of effecting a plan of readjustment of its debts or for the composition of its debts; provided, however, the approval of the Local Finance Board, as successor to the Municipal Finance Commission, must be obtained.

RECENT HEALTHCARE DEVELOPMENTS

In early March of 2020, the World Health Organization declared a pandemic following the global outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a newly discovered strain of coronavirus. On March 13, 2020, then President Trump declared a national emergency to unlock federal funds and assistance to help states and local governments fight the pandemic. Governor Phil Murphy (the "Governor") of the State of New Jersey declared a state of emergency and a public health emergency on March 9, 2020 due to the outbreak of COVID-19, which had spread throughout the State and to all counties within the State. The Governor also instituted mandatory measures via various executive orders to contain the spread of the virus. These measures, which alter the behavior of businesses and people, have had and may continue to have impacts on regional, state and local economies. The public health emergency was terminated on June 4, 2021, but the state of emergency remained in effect via Executive Order 244. However, on January 11, 2022, the Governor restated the existing state of emergency and reinstated a public health emergency via Executive Order 280, effective immediately, in order to ensure that the State was able to respond to the threat of COVID-19 and the Omicron variant. The public health emergency declaration, which allows existing orders to continue in effect, was set to expire thirty (30) days from January 11, 2022, unless renewed. On February 10, 2022, the Governor signed Executive Order 288 extending the public health emergency declared on January 11, 2022; however, the public health emergency was terminated on March 7, 2022 via Executive Order 292, while the existing state of

emergency remains in effect. See https://covid19.nj.gov for further detail regarding the impact of COVID-19 on the State and the Governor's various executive orders.

In order to provide additional means for local governmental units to address the financial impact of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Governor signed into law P.L. 2020, c, 74 ("Chapter 74") on August 31. 2020. Chapter 74, which took effect immediately, adds two new purposes to the list of special emergency appropriations which may be raised by municipalities or counties over a five year period (either through the issuance of special emergency notes or raised internally without borrowing): Specifically, Chapter 74 authorizes special emergency appropriations for: (1) direct COVID-19 response expenses; and (2) deficits in prior year's operations attributable to COVID-19 (the beginning of the five year repayment schedule is delayed by one year for these new purposes). Upon approval by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, in cases of significant fiscal distress, the five (5) year period may be extended to up to ten (10) years. In addition, the statute permits school districts and public authorities to issue debt with a maximum five (5) year maturity schedule for direct COVID-19 expenses. Chapter 74 provides for State supervision of all local government unit borrowings related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The statute also grants the Director the authority to modify municipal budgeting rules concerning anticipated revenues in order to lessen the impact of revenue reductions due to COVID-19. The Board does not expect to issue temporary notes in order to address any financial impacts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319 (the "Plan"), signed into law by President Biden on March 12, 2021, comprises \$1.9 trillion in relief designed to provide funding to address the COVID-19 pandemic and alleviate the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Plan includes various forms of financial relief including up to a \$1,400 increase in direct stimulus payments and various other forms of economic relief, including extended unemployment benefits, continued eviction and foreclosure moratoriums, an increase in the child tax credit, an increase in food and housing aid, assistance grants to restaurants and bars, and other small business grants and loans. The Plan, in part, provides funding for state and local governments to offset costs to safely reopen schools during the COVID-19 pandemic and to subsidize COVID-19 testing and vaccination programs. In addition, the Plan includes \$350 billion in relief funds to public entities, such as the Board.

The Board received \$878,489 in American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief aid.

APPROVAL OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

All legal matters incident to the authorization, the issuance, the sale and the delivery of the Bonds are subject to the approval of Bond Counsel to the Board, whose approving legal opinion will be delivered with the Bonds substantially in the form set forth as <u>APPENDIX C</u>. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Board by its Board Attorney.

PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Board hereby states that the descriptions and statements herein, including the Financial Statements, are true and correct in all material respects, and it will confirm same to the Underwriter by a certificate signed by the Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary. See "CERTIFICATE WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT" herein.

Bond Counsel has participated in the preparation and review of this Official Statement but has not participated in the collection of financial, statistical or demographic information contained in this Official Statement nor verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness thereof, and, accordingly, expresses no opinion or other assurance with respect thereto.

The Municipal Advisor has participated in the review of this Official Statement but has not verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness thereof, and, accordingly, takes no responsibility and expresses no opinion with respect thereto.

The Auditor takes responsibility for the collection of financial, statistical and demographic information contained in <u>APPENDIX A</u> and for Financial Statements to the extent specified in the Independent Auditors' Report appearing in APPENDIX B hereto.

The Board Attorney has not participated in the preparation of the information contained in this Official Statement, nor has the Board Attorney verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness thereof, and, accordingly, expresses no opinion or other assurance with respect thereto, but has reviewed the section under the caption entitled "LITIGATION" and expresses no opinion or assurance other than that which is specifically set forth therein with respect thereto.

All other information has been obtained from sources which the Board considers to be reliable, but it makes no warranty, guarantee or other representation with respect to the accuracy and completeness of such information.

RATINGS

S&P Global Ratings, acting through Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC (the "Rating Agency"), has assigned an underlying rating of "AA-" to the Bonds based upon the creditworthiness of the School District. The Rating Agency is also expected to assign its rating of "AA" to the Bonds subject to the issuance of the Policy by AGM at the time of the delivery of the Bonds. The Bonds are additionally secured by the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act.

The ratings reflect only the view of the Rating Agency and an explanation of the significance of such ratings may only be obtained from the Rating Agency. The Board forwarded to the Rating Agency certain information and materials concerning the Bonds and the School District. There can be no assurance that the ratings will be maintained for any given period of time or that the ratings will not be raised, lowered or withdrawn entirely if, in the Rating Agency's judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any downward change in or withdrawal of such ratings may have an adverse effect on the marketability or market price of the Bonds.

UNDERWRITING

The Bonds are being purchased from the Board by Roosevelt & Cross, Inc. and Associates (the "Underwriter"), at a price of \$10,211,185.33. The purchase price of the Bonds reflects the par amount of Bonds equal to \$10,211,000.00 plus a bid premium of \$185.33. The Underwriter is obligated to purchase all of the Bonds if any Bonds are so purchased.

The Underwriter intends to offer the Bonds to the public initially at the offering yields set forth on the inside cover page of this Official Statement, which may subsequently change without any requirement of prior notice. The Underwriter reserves the right to join with dealers and other underwriters in offering the Bonds to the public. The Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Bonds into investment trusts) at yields higher than the public offering yields set forth on the inside cover page, and such public offering yields may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriter without prior notice.

SECONDARY MARKET DISCLOSURE

The Board has covenanted for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide certain financial information and operating data relating to the Board by no later than each January 31 after the end of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 (the "Annual Report"), and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events, if material. The Annual Report will be filed by the Board with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") or any other entity designated by the MSRB. The notices of material events will be filed by the Board with the MSRB

through its Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system and with any other entity designated by the MSRB, as applicable. The nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of material events is set forth in "APPENDIX D — Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate." These covenants have been made in order to assist the underwriter in complying with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) (the "SEC Rule").

Within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of this Official Statement, the Board previously failed to file, in accordance with the SEC Rule, in a timely manner, under previous filing requirements: (i) annual audited financial information as required for year-end June 30, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020; (ii) operating data as required for year-end June 30, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020 and (iii) its most current adopted budget as required for year-end June 30, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. Additionally, the Board previously failed to file late filing notices in connection with its untimely filings of: (i) audited financial information; (ii) operating data and (iii) adopted budgets, all as described above. Such notices of late filings have since been filed with EMMA. The Board appointed Phoenix Advisors, LLC in April of 2022 to serve as continuing disclosure agent.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Inquiries regarding this Official Statement, including information additional to that contained herein, may be directed to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Nicole C. Schoening, (973) 696-5000, or to Charles Anthony Solimine, Esq., Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Bond Counsel to the Board, (732) 855-6430.

CERTIFICATE WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

At the time of the original delivery of the Bonds, the Board will deliver a certificate of one or more of its authorized officials to the effect that he/she has examined this Official Statement (including the Appendices) and the financial and other data concerning the School District contained herein and that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, (i) this Official Statement, both as of its date and as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading and (ii) between the date of this Official Statement and the date of delivery of the Bonds, there has been no material adverse change in the affairs (financial or otherwise), financial condition or results or operations of the Board except as set forth in or contemplated by this Official Statement.

MISCELLANEOUS

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement among the Board, the Underwriter and the holders of any of the Bonds. Any statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended merely as opinions and not as representations of fact. The information and expressions of opinion contained herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale of the Bonds made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs (financial or otherwise) of the Board since the date hereof.

The Board has authorized the preparation of this final Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Bonds, and this Official Statement is deemed to be the final Official Statement as required by Rule 15c2-12, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and supplemented. By awarding the Bonds to the Underwriter, the Board agrees that, within the earlier of seven (7) business days following the date of such award or to accompany the purchasers' confirmations requesting payment for the Bonds, it shall provide without cost to the Underwriter, for distribution purposes, copies of this final Official Statement. The underwriter agrees that (i) it shall accept such designation, and (ii) it shall assure the distribution of the final Official Statement.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

/s/ Nicole C. Schoening
NICOLE C. SCHOENING,
Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

DATED: June 28, 2022

APPENDIX A

Certain Economic and Demographic Information Relating to the School District and the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey

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These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the District's current levels of outstanding debt and the District's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

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These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the District's financial activities take place and to help make comparisons over time and with other governments.

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These schedules contain information about the District's operations and resources to help the reader understand how the District's financial information relates to the services the District provides and the activities it performs.

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Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the comprehensive annual financial report for the relevant year.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NET POSITION BY COMPONENT, LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (accrual basis of accounting) UNAUDITED

	(Restated) 2019 2020	\$ 5,793,026 \$ 5,640,057 \$ 5,512,746 2,619,910 2,904,045 1,911,397 (3,150,140) (2,845,936) (1,386,562 \$ 5,262,796 \$ 5,698,166	\$ 60,151 \$ 53,221 \$ 28,694 31,635 \$ 88,845 \$ 84,856 \$	\$ 5,853,177 \$ 5,693,278 \$ 5,563,837 2,619,910 2,904,045 1,911,397 (3,121,446) (2,814,301) (1,349,036 8,5351,641 8,5783,022
	2018	\$ 4,427,581 2,190,395 (3,388,198) \$ 3,229,778	\$ 35,263	\$ 4,462,844 2,190,395 (3,388,198) 8 3,265,041
30,	2017	\$ 5,079,351 1,565,649 (2,467,630) \$ 4,177,370	\$ 40,401 24,367 \$ 64,768	\$ 5,119,752 1,565,649 (2,443,263) \$ 4,242,138
June 30,	2016	\$ 5,409,113 1,673,075 (2,727,233) \$ 4,354,955	\$ 19,722 7,420 \$ 27,142	\$ 5,428,835 1,673,075 (2,719,813) \$ 4 382 097
	2015	\$ 5,572,629 1,546,545 (2,671,310) \$ 4,447,864	\$ 16,396 113,162 \$ 129,558	\$ 5,589,025 1,546,545 (2,558,148) 8 4 577 422
	2014	\$ 4,623,806 2,022,108 (2,571,339) \$ 4,074,575	\$ 8,406 108,743 \$ 117,149	\$ 4,632,212 2,022,108 (2,462,596) 8 4 191 774
	2013	\$ 4,489,839 1,708,356 877,378 \$ 7,075,573	\$ 883 148,407 \$ 149,290	\$ 4,249,159 \$ 4,490,722 1,702,565 1,708,356 1,280,812 1,025,785 \$ 7,237,536 \$ 7,224,863
	2012	\$ 4,246,711 1,702,565 1,140,454 \$ 7,089,730	\$ 2,448 140,358 \$ 142,806	\$ 4,249,159 1,702,565 1,280,812 \$ 7,232,536
		Governmental activities Net investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted/(Deficit) Total governmental activities net position	Business-type activities Investment in capital assets Unrestricted Total business-type activities net position	District-wide Net investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted/(Deficit) Total district net position

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT CHANGES IN NET POSITION, LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (accual basis of accounting) UNAUDITED

						Fiscal Y	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	une 30,						
	2012	2013	2014		2015	2016		2017	2018	.	2019	2020	2021	21
Expenses Governmental activities														
Instruction														
Regular	\$ 5,185,141	\$ 5,852,111	\$ 6,044,460	,460 \$	7,340,354	\$ 8,344,994	\$ \$66	9,220,767	\$ 9,344,543	« «		\$ 8,003,307	\$ 8,7	8,755,690
Special education	1,841,343	1,746,192	1,710,704	,704	1,981,593	2,643,512	512	3,390,433	3,221,994	2	2,615,335	2,820,889	2,6	2,920,297
Other special education	362,561	417,311	368	368,058	481,020	596,896	968	714,916	637,827		659,428	431,428		397,420
Other instruction	105,115	104,384	92	92,178	168,211	104,776	9//	615,631	241,608		153,962	152,227		58,348
Support Services:														
Tuition	6,905,474	6,929,435	6,746,997	766,	6,762,743	6,732,655	555	6,325,135	7,080,889	9	6,909,505	6,773,725	7,5	,930,405
Student & instruction related services	1,351,359	1,296,672	1,303,443	,443	1,408,460	1,410,575	575	1,239,515	2,064,768	2	2,257,250	2,412,695	2,3	2,357,859
General administrative services	547,936	642,893)69	690,516	791,007	826,296	967	874,253	553,837		505,174	489,892	4,	533,072
School administrative services	506,310	395,172	559	659,184	392,568	534,437	137	546,611	828,446		799,071	828,972	(-	702,422
Central services	538,486	682,517	622	622,020	556,431	514,846	346	570,560	783,395		501,487	589,723	7	473,195
Administration Information Technology														117,355
Plant operations and maintenance	1,216,739	1,251,747	1,107,503	,503	1,195,259	1,070,048	948	1,697,758	1,897,849	1	1,720,903	1,495,701	1,3	,345,711
Pupil transportation	1,177,417	1,204,558	1,216,713	,713	1,477,084	1,199,032)32	1,084,694	1,134,783		1,166,681	1,283,323	1,2	,210,017
Capital Outlay	1,735	2,381	6.1	3,671	3,671	3,6	3,671		3,671		3,671	3,671		
Special Schools											21,297	11,118		
Interest on long-term debt	190,939	178,978		41,481	125,410	103,451	151	47,442	40,823		33,906	26,770		21,328
Unallocated depreciation	556,744	556,744	550	556,744	556,744	597,693	593					353,871		
Total governmental activities expenses	20,487,299	21,261,095	21,163,672	,672	23,240,555	24,682,882	382	26,327,715	27,834,433	25	25,673,054	25,677,312	26,8	26,823,119
Business-type activities:														
Food service	320,040	329,456	366	366,934	329,266	430,008	80(334,665	385,318		332,235	274,027		192,281
Total business-type activities expense	320,040	329,456	396	366,934	329,266	430,008	808	334,665	385,318		332,235	274,027		192,281
Total district expenses	20,807,339	21,590,551	21,530,606	909,	23,569,821	25,112,890	390	26,662,380	28,219,751	26	26,005,289	25,951,339	27,0	27,015,400
Program Revenues Governmental activities: Charges for services: Instruction (Tuition)								38,983	72,868		90,960	85,095		58,656
Student & Instruction Related Services Operating grants and contributions	3,240,817	2,555,460	3,188,433	,433	4,412,547	5,423,328	328	6,958,830	7,382,971	9	6,056,022	5,268,761	5,5	6,403 5,938,912
Total governmental activities program revenues	3,240,817	2,555,460	3,188,433	,433	4,412,547	5,423,328	328	6,997,813	7,455,839	9	6,106,982	5,353,856	9,9	6,003,971
Business-type activities: Charges for services														
Food service	210,042	228,807	22(220,881	230,882	217,520	520	236,333	238,084		247,593	175,002		2,198
Operating grants and contributions	88,018	107,105		113,893	110,780	110,027	27	110,041	117,101		107,436	93,854		193,821
Total business type activities program revenues	298,060	335,912	337	334,774	341,662	327,547	547	346,374	355,185		355,029	268,856		196,019
Total district program revenues	3,538,877	2,891,372	3,523,207	,207	4,754,209	5,750,875	875	7,344,187	7,811,024	9	6,462,011	5,622,712	6,1	6,199,990

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT CHANGES IN NET POSITION, LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (accrual basis of accounting) UNAUDITED (Continued)

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS, LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (modified accrual basis of accounting) UNAUDITED

					June 30,	30,				
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	(Restated) 2020	2021
General Fund Restricted	\$ 1 702 523	\$1.708.271	\$ 2 021 983	\$1 995 245	\$2 121 767	\$2 120 827	\$2 190 370	\$2619908	\$2.819.034	\$1.838.829
Assigned Unassigned	1,054,279		362,283	338,956 257,866	300,074	310,708	132,273 132,273 340,864	337,347	368,299	1,281,614 643,132
Total general fund	\$ 2,995,092	\$ 2	\$2,659,580	\$ 2,592,067	\$2,679,885	\$2,703,768	\$2,663,507	\$3,034,644	\$3,519,797	\$3,763,575
All Other Governmental Funds Restricted Committed Unassigned/(Deficit)	\$ 42	\$ 82	\$ 125	\$ 100	\$ 108	\$ 132 117,877	\$ 25 11,669	\$ 2 11,669	\$ 85,011	\$ 72,568
Total All Other Governmental Funds/(Deficit)	\$ 42	\$ 85	\$ 125	\$ (448,700)	\$ (448,692)	\$ 118,009	\$ 11,694	\$ 11,671	\$ 96,680	\$ 72,568
Total Governmental Funds	\$ 2,995,134	\$ 2,995,134 \$ 2,752,758	\$ 2,659,705	\$2,143,367	\$2,231,193	\$2,821,777	\$2,675,201	\$3,046,315	\$3,616,477	\$3,836,143

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS, LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS (modified accrual basis of accounting) UNAUDITED

					Fiscal Year I	Fiscal Year Ending June 30,				
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Revenues Tax levy Tuition charges Rentals Interest earnings Miscellaneous State sources Federal sources	\$ 17,717,477 22,356 214,835 5,499 35,085 2,630,403 674,061	\$ 17,559,246 32,692 221,685 5,947 128,754 2,871,534 427,080	\$ 17,796,067 35,335 230,231 5,001 26,806 2,830,173 421,749	\$ 18,080,191 38,070 236,008 5,165 133,636 3,010,428 374,148	\$ 18,363,650 61,286 243,500 6,895 489,589 3,219,236 3,898,689	\$ 18,184,360 38,983 21,130 1,012,677 3,886,199 351,034	\$ 18,547,649 72,868 259,144 48,108 234,650 3,864,235 424,999	\$ 19,478,641 \$0,960 267,323 60,515 66,731 4,161,468 423,728	\$ 19,965,139 85,095 296,585 68,486 21,580 4,308,446 422,083	\$ 20,363,567 58,656 319,884 2,540 190,115 5,116,167 559,963
Total revenue	21,299,716	21,246,938	21,345,362	21,877,646	22,782,845	23,494,383	23,451,653	24,509,366	25,167,414	26,610,892
Expenditures Instruction Regular Instruction	4,573,884	5,090,460	5,222,643	5,467,693	6,027,992	6,369,597	5,622,385	6,000,959	6,203,517	6,290,955
Special Education Instruction Other Special Instruction	1,690,390 317,479	1,556,502 356,837	1,545,920 323,193	1,426,668 306,510	1,888,996 385,678	2,569,014 410,246	2,075,719 390,514	1,902,863 $434,153$	2,222,784 305,420	2,228,830 260,126
School-Sponsored/Other Instruction	86,439	83,829	75,377	145,887	73,580	115,591	172,164	117,560	111,276	58,299
Support Services: Tuition	6,905,474	6,929,435	6,746,997	6,762,743	6,732,655	6,325,135	7,080,889	6,909,505	6,773,725	7,930,405
Student & instruction related services	1,211,614	1,144,803	1,174,946	1,294,867	1,299,931	1,231,296	1,591,339	1,848,756	2,012,992	2,048,633
General administrative services School Administrative services	493,589 470,174	355,689 535,841	577,910 596,223	368,737 605,224	553,500 566,133	360,398 536,667	424,164 528,951	420,768 518,664	408,941 530,792	445,826 537,764
Central services	527,915	669,559	611,170	419,898	369,462	365,753	352,725	371,397	421,681	421,772
Administrative Information Technology				127,544	138,971	124,370	117,975	122,554	105,415	113,659
Plant operations and maintenance	1,146,410	1,168,692	1,451,855	1,184,568	1,053,036	1,172,928	1,103,125	1,337,516	1,337,941	1,304,713
r upin transportation Unallocated Benefits	987,496	1,225,412	1,208,310	1,476,563	1,678,907	1,705,971	2,199,182	2,533,750	2,690,432	3,256,170
Special Schools								21,297	11,118	
Capital outlay Debt service:	42,038	469,528	3,671	1,148,200	7,284	347,123	618,773	239,106	97,481	117,704
Principal Interest and other charges	580,000 150,639	575,000 131,739	575,000 112,401	570,000 92,308	655,000 71,891	145,000 48,235	155,000 41,671	160,000 34,781	165,000 27,672	175,000 20,234
Total expenditures	20,352,797	21,489,314	21,438,415	22,818,174	22,695,019	22,903,799	23,598,229	24,133,968	24,707,695	26,391,226
Excess/(Deficit) of Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures	946,919	(242,376)	(93,053)	(940,528)	87,826	590,584	(146,576)	375,398	459,719	219,666

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS,
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(modified accrual basis of accounting)
UNAUDITED
(Continued)

								压	Fiscal Year Ending June 30	Iding J	ne 30,								
	2012		2013		2014	2	2015	2	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021
Other Financing Sources/(Uses) Special Item - Reimbursement of Prior Year Tuition Transfers						€	424,190							\$	(4,284)				
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	\$ -0-	æ	-0- \$ -0- \$	S	-0-		424,190	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	8	-0-		(4,284)	S	-0-	æ	-0-
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 946,919	8	\$ 946,919 \$ (242,376)	~	(93,053)	\$	(516,338)	\$	87,826	\$	590,584	\$	(146,576)	\$	371,114	\$	459,719	\$	219,666
Debt Service as a % of Noncapital Expenditures	2.96%		2.83%		2.77%		2.71%		2.98%		0.65%		%89.0		0.82%		0.68%		0.67%

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

GENERAL FUND - OTHER LOCAL REVENUES BY SOURCE LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

(modified accrual basis of accounting)
UNAUDITED LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Total	277,743	389,035	297,334	416,489	801,263	992,709	614,452	436,329	465,914	549,282
	\$									
Other	6,428	128,754	13,952	137,307	242,229	270,735	185,071	57,531	15,748	7,310
	8									
Cancellation of Prior Year Accounts Payable					247,360					
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Prior Year Refunds	28,625		12,854				49,279			160,892
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Rentals- Use of Facilities	214,835	221,685	230,231	236,008	243,500	276,942	259,144	267,323	296,585	319,884
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Tuition	22,356	32,692	35,335	38,070	61,286	38,983	72,868	50,960	85,095	58,656
	8									
Investments	5,499	5,904	4,962	5,104	6,888	21,106	48,090	60,515	68,486	2,540
Int	8									
Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

ASSESSED VALUE AND ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

LAST TEN YEARS

UNAUDITED

Estimated	Actual	(County	Equalized	Value)	\$ 1,545,175,879	1,480,564,104	1,480,564,104	1,340,717,718	1,331,789,820	1,346,706,502	1,365,006,098	1,408,014,253	1,436,479,262	1,468,973,359
Total	Direct	School	Tax	Rate b	\$ 1.11	1.28	1.29	1.32	1.35	1.34	1.37	1.44	1.47	1.50
			Net Valuation	Taxable	\$ 1,561,035,700	1,379,081,500	1,372,290,200	1,372,185,300	1,359,479,100	1,354,928,400	1,354,047,700	1,353,383,300	1,354,169,000	1,356,450,000
			Public	Utilities	-O- \$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-	0	0
		Total	Assessed	Value	\$ 1,561,035,700	1,379,081,500	1,408,729,400	1,372,185,300	1,359,479,100	1,354,928,400	1,354,047,700	1,353,383,300	1,354,169,000	1,356,450,000
				Apartment	\$ 48,109,400	37,896,700	36,083,800	36,896,700	36,896,700	36,896,700	36,896,700	36,896,700	36,996,700	36,996,700
				Industrial	\$ 75,047,100	64,994,600	64,942,600	64,210,500	62,000,500	59,708,400	59,252,400	59,252,400	59,752,400	59,752,400
				Commercial	\$ 120,319,600	109,742,000	109,681,800	114,499,400	114,815,900	114,157,800	113,820,900	113,820,900	113,695,700	112,361,700
			Farm	Qualified	\$ 353,500	355,400	355,400	355,400	355,400	347,900	337,400	322,300	322,600	322,600
			Farm	Regular	\$ 6,581,700	5,879,500	6,234,900	5,879,500	5,879,500	5,132,600	5,132,600	5,132,600	4,777,200	4,777,200
				Residential	\$ 1,302,107,000	1,152,812,300	1,184,170,900	1,143,842,500	1,132,999,600	1,132,273,600	1,131,423,900	1,130,390,700	1,131,929,100	1,134,589,800
			Vacant	Land	\$ 8,517,400	7,401,000	7,260,000	6,501,300	6,531,500	6,411,400	7,183,800	7,567,700	6,695,300	7,649,600
		Year	Ended	Dec. 31,	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020

Note: Real property is required to be assessed at some percentage of true value (fair or market value) established by each county board of taxation. Reassessment occurs when ordered by the County Board of Taxation

Source: Municipal Tax Assessor

a Taxable Value of Machinery, Implements and Equipment of Telephone, Telegraph and Messenger System Companies b Tax rates are per \$100

<u>LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT</u> DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING PROPERTY TAX RATES

LAST TEN YEARS

(rate per \$100 of assessed value) UNAUDITED

	$\underline{}$ Li	incoln Par	k Schoo	l District I	Direct :	Rate		Overlapp:	ing Rat	es		
			Ge	neral							Total	Direct
			Obli	igation							a	ınd
Year Ended			Debt S	Service b			Boro	ough of	M	lorris	Over	lapping
December 31,	Basi	c Rate ^a			Tota	1 Direct	Linco	oln Park	Co	ounty	Tax	Rate
2011	\$	1.07	\$	0.04	\$	1.11	\$	0.79	\$	0.23	\$	2.13
2012	*	1.23	4	0.05	4	1.28	*	0.92	•	0.26	*	2.46
2013		1.24		0.05		1.29		0.94		0.26		2.49
2014		1.27		0.04		1.32		0.95		0.25		2.51
2015		1.30		0.05		1.35		0.97		0.24		2.56
2016		1.33		0.01		1.34		0.99		0.25		2.58
2017		1.36		0.01		1.37		0.99		0.25		2.61
2018		1.43		0.01		1.44		1.02		0.27		2.72
2019		1.46		0.01		1.47		1.02		0.27		2.76
2020		1.49		0.01		1.50		1.06		0.28		2.84

Note:

NJSA 18A:7F-5d limits the amount that the district can submit for a general fund tax levy . The levy when added to other components of the district's net budget may not exceed the prebudget year net budget by more than the spending growth limitation calculation.

Source: Municipal Tax Collector and School Business Administrator

a The district's basic tax rate is calculated from the A4F form which is submitted with the budget and the Net Valuation Taxable.

b Rates for debt service are based on each year's requirements.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAX PAYERS CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO UNAUDITED

	20	2020		(1	2011
Tavnaver	Assessed	% of Total District Net	Tavnaver	Taxable Assessed	% of Total District Net
209 Comly Road	36 183 800	2 67%	INFORMATIC	NEORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE	Tissesson value
499 Pine Brook Road	16.246.900	1.20%			
60 Beaver Brook Road	15,500,000	1.14%			
521 Pine Brook Road	9,958,400	0.73%			
188 Lincoln Boulevard	8,639,800	0.64%			
Ryerson Road	8,098,700	0.60%			
261 Comly Road	7,662,600	0.56%			
600 Ryerson Road	7,100,000	0.52%			
510 Ryerson Road	6,600,000	0.49%			
274 Pine Brook Road	6,516,100	0.48%			
Total	\$ 122,506,300	9.03%			

Source: Municipal Tax Assessor

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

Collected within the Fiscal Year of the

		Lev	y ^a	Collections in
Fiscal Year	Taxes Levied for		Percentage of	Subsequent
Ended June 30,	the Fiscal Year	Amount	Levy	Years
2012	\$ 17,717,477	\$ 17,717,477	100.00%	\$ -0-
2013	17,559,246	17,559,246	100.00%	-0-
2014	18,105,166	18,105,166	100.00%	-0-
2015	18,080,191	18,080,191	100.00%	-0-
2016	18,363,650	18,363,650	100.00%	-0-
2017	18,184,360	18,184,360	100.00%	-0-
2018	18,547,649	18,547,649	100.00%	-0-
2019	19,478,641	19,478,641	100.00%	-0-
2020	19,965,139	19,965,139	100.00%	-0-
2021	20,363,567	20,363,567	100.00%	-0-

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park District records including the Certificate and Report of School Taxes (A4F form)

a. School taxes are collected by the Municipal Tax Collector. Under New Jersey State Statute, a municipality is required to remit to the school district the entire property tax balance, in the amount voted upon or certified, prior to the end of the school year.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

Governmental Activities

Fiscal Year Ended		General			Percentage of		
June 30,	Obli	gation Bonds	Tc	otal District	Personal Income ^a	Per	Capita ^a
2012	\$	3,550,000	\$	3,550,000	0.42%	\$	338
2013		2,975,000		2,975,000	0.35%		285
2014		2,400,000		2,400,000	0.28%		230
2015		1,830,000		1,830,000	0.20%		177
2016		1,175,000		1,175,000	0.13%		113
2017		1,030,000		1,030,000	0.11%		99
2018		875,000		875,000	0.09%		85
2019		715,000		715,000	0.07%		71
2020		550,000		550,000	0.05%		55
2021		375,000		375,000	0.04%		37

Note: Details regarding the district's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

Source: School District Financial Reports

a See Exhibit J-14 for personal income and population data. These ratios are calculated usin personal income and population for the prior calendar year.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT RATIOS OF NET GENERAL BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

General Bonded Debt Outstanding

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	 General Obligation Bonds	De	ductions	В	et General onded Debt outstanding	Percentage of Actual Taxable Value a of Property	Per (Capita ^b
2012	\$ 3,550,000	\$	-0-	\$	3,550,000	0.227%	\$	338
2013	2,975,000		-0-		2,975,000	0.216%		285
2014	2,400,000		-0-		2,400,000	0.175%		230
2015	1,830,000		-0-		1,830,000	0.133%		177
2016	1,175,000		-0-		1,175,000	0.086%		113
2017	1,030,000		-0-		1,030,000	0.076%		99
2018	875,000		-0-		875,000	0.065%		85
2019	715,000		-0-		715,000	0.053%		71
2020	550,000		-0-		550,000	0.041%		55
2021	375,000		-0-		375,000	0.028%		37

Note:

Details regarding the district's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements

Source: School District Financial Reports

a See Exhibit J-6 for property tax data. This ratio is calculated using valuation data for the previous calendar year.

b Population data can be found in Exhibit J-14. This ratio is calculated using population estimate for the previous calendar year.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT RATIOS OF OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DEBT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2020 UNAUDITED

Governmental Unit	Debt Outstanding	Estimated Percentage Applicable ^a	Estimated Share of Overlapping Debt
Debt repaid with property taxes			
Borough of Lincoln Park	\$ 17,684,246	100.00%	\$ 17,684,246
Morris County General Obligation Debt	250,902,245	1.46%	3,665,310
Subtotal, Overlapping Debt			21,349,556
Lincoln Park School District Direct Debt			375,000
Total Direct and Overlapping Debt			\$ 21,724,556

a For debt repaid with property taxes, the percentage of overlapping debt applicable is estimated using taxable equalized property values. Applicable percentages were estimated by determining the portion of another governmental unit's equalized property value that is within the district's boundaries and dividing it by each unit's total equalized property value.

Note:

Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic boundaries of the District. This schedule estimates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the residents and businesses of Lincoln Park. This process recognizes that, when considering the District's ability to issue and repay long-term, the entire debt burden borne by the residents and businesses should be taken into account. However this does not imply that every taxpayer is a resident, and therefore responsible for repaying the debt, of each overlapping unit.

Sources: Assessed value data used to estimate applicable percentages provided by the Morris County Board of Taxation; debt outstanding data provided by each governmental unit.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2021

Year Ended Equalized

											December 31,				•	Value	Valuation Basis
											2020 2019 2018				. "	\$ 1,4 4,1 8 4,3	\$ 1,468,973,359 1,436,479,262 1,408,014,253 \$ 4,313,466,874
										Ave	Average Equalized Valuation of Taxable Property	aluatio	of Taxable Pro	perty		\$ 1,4	\$ 1,437,822,291
										Deb Net	Debt Limit (3% of Average Equalization Value) ^a Net Bonded School Debt	/erage] Jebt	Squalization Val	lue) ^a	·	∞	43,134,669 375,000
										Leg	Legal Debt Margin					⇔	42,759,669
								Fisca	Fiscal Year								
	2012		2013	2014		2015		2016	2017		2018		2019		2020		2021
Debt limit	\$ 46,283,925 \$		44,306,594 \$	\$ 42,172,057	2,057 \$	40,821,385	€	40,259,517	\$ 40,512,563	€	40,949,528	€	41,550,798	€	42,290,004	€	43,134,669
Total Net Debt Applicable to Limit	3,550,000		2,975,000	2,40	2,400,000	1,830,000	ļ	1,175,000	1,030,000		875,000		715,000		550,000		375,000
Legal Debt Margin	\$ 44,596,092	~ 	44,596,093	\$ 44,33	3,481 \$	38,991,385	s s	39,084,517	\$ 39,482,563	~	40,074,528	S	40,835,798	S	41,740,004	S	42,759,669
Total Net Debt Applicable to the Limit as a Percentage of Debt Limit	7.67%	%	6.71%		5.69%	4.48%		2.92%	2.54%		2.14%		1.72%		1.30%		0.87%

a Limit set by NJSA 18A:24-19 for a K through 8 district; other % limits would be applicable for other districts

Source: Equalized valuation bases were obtained from the Annual Report of the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Taxation

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

Year	Population ^a	_	Personal Income ^c		Pe F	erris County er Capital Personal ncome b	,	Borough Unemployment Rate ^d
2012	10,511		\$ 841,163,797		\$	80,027		7.00%
2013	10,425		843,048,900			80,868		6.90%
2014	10,426		872,520,662			83,687		5.90%
2015	10,320		907,086,720			87,896		4.90%
2016	10,353		922,089,945			89,065		4.30%
2017	10,357		976,240,463			94,259		4.00%
2018	10,246		1,012,735,132			98,842		3.80%
2019	10,111		1,027,742,706			101,646		3.20%
2020	10,064		1,022,965,344			101,646	*	9.70%
2021	10,064	**	1,022,965,344	***		101,646	*	N/A

^{* -} Latest Morris County per capita personal income available (2019) was used for calculation purposes.

N/A - Information Unavailable

Source: School District Reports

- a Population information provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development
- b Personal income has been estimated based upon the municipal population and per capita personal income presented
- c Per capita personal income by municipality estimated based upon the 2000 Census published by the US Bureau of Economic Analysis.
- d Unemployment data provided by the NJ Dept of Labor and Workforce Development

^{** -} Latest population data available (2020) was used for calculation purposes.

^{*** -} Latest available population data (2020) and latest available Morris County per capita personal income (2019) was used for calculation purposes.

LINCOLN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS - COUNTY OF MORRIS
CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO
UNAUDITED

	Percentage of Total	Employment	2.44%	2.08%	1.98%	0.92%	0.76%	0.76%	0.73%	0.61%	0.57%	0.55%	11.39%		
		Employees	6,200	5,274	5,013	2,332	1,928	1,924	1,841	1,550	1,440	1,400	28,902	253.719	
2011		Employer	Novartis	U.S. Army Armament Research and Development	Atlantic Health Systems	United Parcel Service	County of Morris	ADP	St. Clare's Health System	AT&T	Chilton Memorial	BASF			
	Percentage of Total	Employment	3.28%	2.58%	2.23%	1.50%	1.10%	1.03%	0.78%	0.73%	0.70%	0.63%	14.56%		
		Employees_	7,642	9000'9	5,200	3,483	2,560	2,400	1,826	1,704	1,638	1,469	33,922	232.958	2 - 1
2020		Employer	Atlantic Health System	Picatinny Arsenal	Novartis	Bayer	Barclays	ADP	Accenture	Honeywell	Saint Clare's Health	County of Morris		Total Employment *	

Note - Information is for Morris County

Source: Morris County Economic Development Corporation.

^{* -} Employment data provided by the NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DISTRICT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM,
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
UNAUDITED

Function/Program	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Instruction Regular Special education	52.6 21.4	56.0 23.4	54.0 20.5	55.0 27.0	56.0 29.5	64.2	64.2 20.4	64.2	64.2	64.2 20.4
Support Services: Student & instruction related services	11.0	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.8	28.0	28.0	28.0	28.0	28.0
School administrative services	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
General and administrative services	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0
Plant operations and maintenance	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
Pupil transportation	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Business and other support services	8.9	6.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Food Service			8.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
Total	105.7	110.1	113.2	120.7	124.2	139.5	139.5	139.4	139.4	139.4

^{* 2017} includes student shadows in student & instructional related services

Source: District Personnel Records

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING STATISTICS LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

Pupil/Teacher Ratio

Student Attendance Percentage	97.94%	97.44%	96.18%	96.22%	97.53%	95.65%	95.63%	95.30%	%1996	96.61%
% Change in Average Daily Enrollment	-1.69%	2.74%	4.78%	1.17%	-2.10%	-1.39%	2.07%	-2.66%	1.86%	-5.05%
Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	857	928	906	917	910	880	868	871	006	854
Average Daily Enrollment (ADE)	875	668	942	953	933	920	939	914	931	884
Middle	1:10	1:09	1:10	1:11	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12
Elementary	1:12	1:11	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12
Teaching Staff ^b	77	62	80	82	85	85	85	85	85	85
Percentage Change	5.27%	0.97%	-2.32%	-1.27%	7.90%	1.83%	1.88%	7.00%	2.35%	10.43%
Cost Per Pupil ^d	\$ 22,377	22,595	22,072	21,792	23,513	23,944	24,393	26,101	26,715	29,500
Operating Expenditures ^a	\$ 19,580,120	20,313,047	20,747,343	21,007,666	21,960,844	22,363,441	22,782,785	23,700,081	24,417,542	26,078,288
Enrollment	875	668	940	964	934	934	934	806	914	884
Fiscal	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021

Note: Enrollment based on annual October district count.

Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay. Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certificated staff.

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Average daily enrollment and average daily attendance are obtained from the School Register Summary (SRS). The cost per pupil calculated above is the sum of operating expenditures divided by enrollment. This cost per pupil may be different from other cost per pupil calculations.

Sources: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BUILDING INFORMATION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
UNAUDITED

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
District Building										
Chapel Hill School (1923)										
Square Feet	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600	53,600
Capacity (students)	N/A									
Enrollment	N/A									
Elementary School (1966)										
Square Feet	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640	66,640
Capacity (students)	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533
Enrollment	516	527	505	268	536	536	536	501	507	483
Middle School (1959)										
Square Feet	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120	79,120
Capacity (students)	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603
Enrollment	359	372	435	396	398	398	398	407	407	401

Number of Schools at June 30, 2021 Elementary = 1 Middle School = 1 Other = 1

Not available or applicable N/A -

Note: Enrollment is based on the annual October district count.

Source: Lincoln Park Borough School District Central Office

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REQUIRED MAINTENANCE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS UNAUDITED

UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES - REQUIRED MAINTENANCE FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES* Account #11-000-261-XXX:

Chapel Hill						
School	Elem	nentary School	Mid	dle School		Total
		_		_	'	_
\$ 2,531	\$	50,630	\$	73,413	\$	126,574
3,409		68,187		98,871		170,467
3,374		67,478		97,842		168,694
3,553		71,055		81,828		156,436
1,500		61,394		73,097		135,991
250		92,074		91,337		183,661
		73,129		99,097		172,226
4,956		111,699		117,077		233,732
1,364		111,842		115,213		228,419
2,574		99,768		144,202		246,544
	\$ 2,531 3,409 3,374 3,553 1,500 250 4,956 1,364	School Elem	School Elementary School \$ 2,531 \$ 50,630 3,409 68,187 3,374 67,478 3,553 71,055 1,500 61,394 250 92,074 73,129 4,956 111,699 1,364 111,842	School Elementary School Mid \$ 2,531 \$ 50,630 \$ 3,409 68,187 3,374 67,478 3,553 71,055 1,500 61,394 250 92,074 73,129 4,956 111,699 1,364 111,842	School Elementary School Middle School \$ 2,531 \$ 50,630 \$ 73,413 3,409 68,187 98,871 3,374 67,478 97,842 3,553 71,055 81,828 1,500 61,394 73,097 250 92,074 91,337 73,129 99,097 4,956 111,699 117,077 1,364 111,842 115,213	School Elementary School Middle School \$ 2,531 \$ 50,630 \$ 73,413 \$ 3,409 68,187 98,871 3,374 67,478 97,842 97,842 3,553 71,055 81,828 1,500 61,394 73,097 250 92,074 91,337 73,129 99,097 4,956 111,699 117,077 1,364 111,842 115,213

^{*} School facilities as defined under EFCFA. (N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:26A-1.3)

Source: Borough of Lincoln Park School District records

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT INSURANCE SCHEDULE JUNE 30, 2021 UNAUDITED

COMMENTS	Surcharge Per Occurrence PTO's & PTA's incl. As Additional Insured	ocentrence			
PREMIUM \$ 61,677	(4)	_		Included in Package	
POLICY NUMBER GPNU-EP-0018353-00				GPNU-EP-0018353-00	
COMPANY National Union Fire Ins. Co.	oi Filtsburgn			National Union Fire Ins. Co. of Pittsburgh	
EXPIRES 7/1/2021				7/1/2021	
TERMS IN <u>YEARS</u> I YEAR				1 YEAR	
LIMITS	53,348,118 250,000 250,000	50,000 25,000 100,000 150,000 5,000,000 5,000,000 5,000,000 5,000,000	250,000 250,000 250,000 250,000 1,000	included included 100,000 included 100,000 250,000 500,000 5,000	25,000 100,000 1,000
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COVERAGE COMMERCIAL PACKAGE POLICY	PROFERIY BLANKET BUILDING & CONTENTS(Per Fund) BUSINESS INCOME & EXTRA EXPENSE VALUABLE PAPERS & RECORDS	FINE ARTS TREES, SHRUBS, PLANTS AND LAWNS IN TRANSIT OR OFF PREMISES OUTDOOR PROPERTY SOFTWARE FLOOD EACH OCCURRENCE DEDUCTIBLE EARTHQUAKE PER OCCURRENCE EARTHQUAKE AGGREGATE DEDUCTIBLES PER OCCURRENCE: REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY	CRIME PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY W/FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE FORGERY OR ALTERATION MONEY ORDERS & COUNTERFEIT COMPUTER FRAUD DEDUCTIBLE	BOILER & MACHINERY Limit per Breakdown Property Damage Expediting Expense Business Income & Extra Expense Spoilage Damage Hazardous Substances Data Restoration Deductible	INLAND MARINE Blanket Tools & Equipment Rented or Borrowed Equipment Deductible

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT INSURANCE SCHEDULE JUNE 30, 2021 UNAUDITED (Continued)

COMMENTS							
PREMIUM		Included in Package		Included in Package	\$ 11,673		
POLICY NUMBER		GPNU-EP-0018353-00		GPNU-EP-0018353-00	GPNU-EP-0018353-00		
COMPANY		National Union Fire Ins. Co. of Pittsburgh		National Union Fire Ins. Co. of Pittsburgh	National Union Fire Ins. Co. of Pittsburgh		
EXPIRES		7/1/2021		7/1/2021	7/1/2021		
TERMS IN YEARS	EACHACT			1 YEAR	1 YEAR	,000 EACH ACTION ,000 AGGREGATE	
LIMITS	1,000,000 1,000,000 10,000 1,000,000 3,000,000 1,000,000 2,000,000 1,000,000 2,000,000	1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 STATUTORY 5,000	1,000	1,000,000 100,000 20,000 100,000	1,000,000 3,000,000 25,000	100,000 I 300,000	5,000 5,000 5,000
COVERAGE COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY	EACH OCCURRENCE DAMAGE TO PREMISES RENTED TO YOU MEDICAL EXPENSE PERSONAL INURY & ADVERTISING Injury GENERAL AGGREGATE PRODUCTS COMPLETED OPERATIONS EMPLOYEE BENEFITS LIABILITY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS LIABILITY ABUSE OR MOLESTATION LIABILITY ABUSE OR MOLESTATION LIABILITY S ABUSE OR MOLESTATION AGGREGATE S	ODILY INJURY ACCIDENT NSURED MOTORIST STOOM SCITION S	COMPREHENSIVE DEDUCTIBLE \$ COLLISION DEDUCTIBLE \$	CYBER LIABILITY EACH EVENT LIMIT PRIVACY CRISIS MGMT EXPENSE CYBER EXTORTION EXPENSE \$ PRIVACY AND CYBER EXTORTION AGGREGATE \$	EDUCATORS LEGAL LIABILITY EACH WONGFUL ACT PROFESSIONAL INCIDENT AGGREGATE \$ DEDUCTIBLE \$	COVERAGE B \$ COVERAGE B	DEDUCTIBLE WRONGFUL ACTS DEDUCTIBLE EMPLOYMENT OFFENSE \$ DEDUCTIBLE INJUNCTIVE OR DECLARATORY \$ RELIEF

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT INSURANCE SCHEDULE JUNE 30, 2021 UNAUDITED (Continued)

COVERAGE UMBRELLA POLICY EACH OCCURRENCE LIMIT AGGREGATE	∞ ∞	LIMITS 10,000,000 10,000,000	TERMS IN <u>YEARS</u> 1 YEAR	EXPIRES 7/1/2021	COMPANY National Union Fire Ins. Co. of Pittsburgh	POLICY NUMBER GPNU-EP-0018353-00	PREMIUM \$	<u>UM</u> 9,447	COMMENTS
PREMISES POLLUTION LIABILITY INS.			1 YEAR	7/1/2021	ACE American Ins. Co.	G71814257 001	\$	11,725	
PER POLLUTION CONDITION OR INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION AGGREGATE ALL POLLUTION CONDITIONS RETENTION	& & &	1,000,000 2,000,000 10,000							
WORKERS COMPENSATION WORKERS COMPENSATION EMPLOYERS LIABILITY SELF INSURED RETENTION PER OCCURRENCE	~ ∻ ∨	STATUTORY 1,000,000 700,000		7/1/2021	POOLED INS. PROGRAM OF NJ		€	60,235	
SUPPLEMENTAL WORKERS COMPENSATION				7/1/2021	FEDERAL INS. CO.		€	3,338	
EXCESS UMBRELLA - NJUEP	≈ ≈	10,000,000 10,000,000 10,000,000	1 YEAR 1 YEAR 1 YEAR	7/1/2021 7/1/2021 7/1/2021	Hudson Excess Ins. Co. Allied World Assur. Co. Evanston Ins. Co.	EPGA 000073-00 0312-3938 MKLV3EUE100572	∻	12,209	
BONDS NICOLE SCHOENING, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR KELLY MEEHAN, TREASURER	≈ ≈	220,000 215,000	1 YEAR	7/1/2021 7/1/2021	TRAVELERS CASUALTY & SUR. TRAVELERS CASUALTY & SUR.	107277760 107277755	⊗ ⊗	770 602	
STUDENT ACCIDENT			1 YEAR	07/01/21	MCCLOSKEY		€9	7,250	
Source: Lincoln Park Borough School District records									

APPENDIX B

Financial Statements of The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey

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INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18:23-1 et seq., every board of education is required to provide an annual audit of the district's accounts and financial transactions. The audit must be performed by a licensed public school accountant within five months of the end of the fiscal year and filed with the State Commissioner of Education in Trenton. The financial statements included in Appendix B are excerpts from the audit performed in accordance with the statute for the school fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The Board represents that the information contained in the excerpts is accurate. Complete copies of the audit are on file with the Board of Education and the State Department of Education in Trenton.





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Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Lincoln Park Borough School District County of Morris, New Jersey

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Lincoln Park Board of Education School District (the "District") in the County of Morris, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, 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.

Auditors' 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, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. 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.

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Lincoln Park Borough School District Page 2

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 19 to the basic financial statements, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

December 15, 2021 Mount Arlington, New Jersey NISIVOCCIA LLP

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Certified Public Accountant

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

L CODETO	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS	¢ 2 (14 500	¢ 27.462	e 2.652.050
Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables from State Government	\$ 2,614,588	\$ 37,462	\$ 2,652,050 273,525
Receivables from Federal Government	272,447	1,078	,
	68,372	10,677	79,049
Other Accounts Receivables	36,319	2.460	36,319
Internal Balances	(2,460)	2,460	2.005
Inventory	1 567 020	3,085	3,085
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,567,020		1,567,020
Capital Assets:	- 10.000		-10.000
Sites (Land)	719,980		719,980
Depreciable Site Improvements, Buildings and Building			
Improvements and Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	5,167,766	51,091	5,218,857
Total Assets	10,444,032	105,853	10,549,885
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions	644,620		644,620
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	395,334	7,270	402,604
Payable to Federal Government	3,992	,,_,,	3,992
Unearned Revenue	476,839	9,966	486,805
Accrued Interest Payable	4,102		4,102
Noncurrent Liabilities:	-,		-,
Due Within One Year	185,000		185,000
Due Beyond One Year	2,587,623		2,587,623
Total Liabilities	3,652,890	17,236	3,670,126
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions	1,398,181		1,398,181
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	5,512,746	51,091	5,563,837
Restricted for:			
Capital Projects	782,668		782,668
Maintenance Reserve	249,351		249,351
Tuition Reserve	427,111		427,111
Unemployment Compensation	35,323		35,323
Excess Surplus	344,376		344,376
Student Activities	72,567		72,567
Debt Service	1		1
Unrestricted/(Deficit)	(1,386,562)	37,526	(1,349,036)
Total Net Position	\$ 6,037,581	\$ 88,617	\$ 6,126,198

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

		Program	Program Revenue	Net	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position	e and tion	
	ı	Charges for	Operating Grants and	Governmental	Business-type		,
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Activities	Activities		Total
Governmental Activities:							
Instruction:							
Regular	\$ 8,755,690	\$ 7,160	\$ 2,470,353	\$ (6,278,177)		S	(6,278,177)
Special Education	2,920,297	51,496	1,747,938	(1,120,863)			(1,120,863)
Other Special Instruction	397,420		130,076	(267,344)			(267,344)
Other Instruction	58,348			(58,348)			(58,348)
Support services:							
Tuition	7,930,405		227,605	(7,702,800)			(7,702,800)
Student & Instruction Related Services	2,357,859	6,403	384,939	(1,966,517)			(1,966,517)
General Administrative Services	533,072		92,593	(440,479)			(440,479)
School Administrative Services	702,422		154,128	(548,294)			(548,294)
Central Services	473,195		71,823	(401,372)			(401,372)
Administration Information Technology	117,355			(117,355)			(117,355)
Plant Operations and Maintenance	1,345,711			(1,345,711)			(1,345,711)
Pupil Transportation	1,210,017		659,457	(550,560)			(550,560)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	21,328			(21,328)			(21,328)
Total Governmental Activities	26,823,119	65,059	5,938,912	(20,819,148)			(20,819,148)
Business-Type Activities:							
Food Service	192,281	2,198	193,821		\$ 3,738		3,738
Total Business-Type Activities	192,281	2,198	193,821		3,738		3,738
Total Primary Government	\$ 27,015,400	\$ 67,257	\$ 6,132,733	(20,819,148)	3,738		(20,815,410)

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

		Program	Program Revenue	Net C	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position	nue and sition	
		Charges for	Operating Grants and	Governmental	Business-type	0	
	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Activities	Activities		Total
General Revenue:							
Taxes:							
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes, Net				\$ 20,231,622		S	20,231,622
Taxes Levied for Debt Service				131,945			131,945
Unrestricted Federal and State Aid				304,370			304,370
Interest Earnings				2,540	\$ 23	3	2,563
Miscellaneous Income				488,086			488,086
Total General Revenue				21,158,563	23	ا _%	21,158,586
Change in Net Position				339,415	3,761	1	343,176
Net Position - Beginning (Restated)				5,698,166	84,856	ا او	5,783,022
Net Position - Ending				\$ 6,037,581	\$ 88,617	2	6,126,198

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2021

		General Fund	Special Revenue Fund		Pro	Capital Projects Fund		Debt Service Fund		Total overnmental Funds
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables From State Government Receivable From Federal Government Other Receivable Interfund Receivable Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	2,614,587 272,447 21,959 42,297 1,494,453	\$	68,372 14,360 72,567			\$	1	\$	2,614,588 272,447 68,372 36,319 42,297 1,567,020
Total Assets	\$	4,445,743	\$	155,299	\$	-0-	\$	1	\$	4,601,043
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts Payable Payable to Federal Government Interfund Payable Unearned Revenue	\$	215,130 2,460 464,578	\$	24,182 3,992 42,297 12,261					\$	239,312 3,992 44,757 476,839
Total Liabilities		682,168		82,732						764,900
Fund Balances: Restricted for: Capital Reserve Account Maintenance Reserve Account Tuition Reserve - Designated for 2022-2023 Tuition Reserve - Designated for 2021-2022 Unemployment Compensation Excess Surplus 2021-2022 Student Activities Debt Service Assigned: Year-end Encumbrances For Subsequent Year's Expenditures Unassigned Total Fund Balances Total Liabilities and Fund Balances		782,668 249,351 307,380 119,731 35,323 344,376 631,614 650,000 643,132 3,763,575 4,445,743		72,567 72,567 155,299		-0-	\$ 	1 1 1		782,668 249,351 307,380 119,731 35,323 344,376 72,567 1 631,614 650,000 643,132 3,836,143
Amounto Danastad for Covernmental Activities in the	States			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not in the Funds.										5,887,746
Interest on Long-Term Debt is not accrued in Government expenditure when due.	nental	Funds, but rat	her is	recognized a	s an					(4,102)
Long-Term Liabilities, including the Net Pension Liab in the current period and therefore are not reported a				Payable are	not due ai	nd payabl	e			(2,772,623)
Certain Amounts Related to the Net Pension Liability of Activities and are not Reported in the Government			ortize	ed in the Stat	ement					(909,583)
Net Position of Governmental Activities									\$	6,037,581

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

$\frac{\text{STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES}}{\text{GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS}}$

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUE:				·	
Local Sources:					
Local Tax Levy	\$ 20,231,622			\$ 131,945	\$ 20,363,567
Tuition from Individuals	7,160				7,160
Tuition from Other LEAs	51,496				51,496
Rents and Royalties	319,884				319,884
Interest on Investments	1,771				1,771
Interest Earned on Maintenance Reserve Funds	191				191
Interest Earned on Capital Reserve Funds	578				578
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	158,313	\$ 15,510			173,823
Restricted Miscellaneous Revenue	9,889	6,403			16,292
Total - Local Sources	20,780,904	21,913		131,945	20,934,762
State Sources	5,052,879	522 105		63,288	5,116,167
Federal Sources	27,858	532,105			559,963
Total Revenue	25,861,641	554,018		195,233	26,610,892
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					,
Regular Instruction	6,109,139	181,816			6,290,955
Special Education Instruction	2,211,291	17,539			2,228,830
Other Special Instruction	260,126				260,126
Other Instruction	58,299				58,299
Support Services and Undistributed Costs: Tuition	7 702 800	227.605			7 020 405
Student & Instruction Related Services	7,702,800	227,605			7,930,405
General Administrative Services	1,909,133 445,826	139,500			2,048,633 445,826
School Administrative Services	537,764				537,764
Central Services	421,772				421,772
Administrative Information Technology	113,659				113,659
Plant Operations and Maintenance	1,304,713				1,304,713
Pupil Transportation	1,181,136				1,181,136
Unallocated Benefits	3,256,170				3,256,170
Capital Outlay	117,704				117,704
Debt Service:	,				,
Principal				175,000	175,000
Interest and Other Charges				20,234	20,234
Total Expenditures	25,629,532	566,460		195,234	26,391,226
Excess/(Deficit) of Revenue Over/(Under)					
Expenditures	232,109	(12,442)		(1)	219,666
Expenditures	232,109	(12,442)		(1)	219,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/(USES):					
Transfers	11,669		\$ (11,669)		
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	11,669		(11,669)	· 	
Excess/(Deficit) of Revenues and Other Financing					
Sources Over/(Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	243,778	(12,442)	(11,669)	(1)	219,666
Ç			,		
Fund Balance - July 1 (Restated)	3,519,797	85,009	11,669	2	3,616,477
Fund Balance - June 30	\$ 3,763,575	\$ 72,567	\$ -0-	\$ 1	\$ 3,836,143

LINCOLN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (from Exhibit B-2)	\$ 219,666
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities (Exhibit A-2) are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in Governmental Funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation differs from capital outlays in the period.	
Depreciation Expense \$ (411,779) Capital Outlays	(302,311)
	(302,311)
In the Statement of Activities, interest on Long-Term Debt in the Statement of Activities is accrued,	
regardless of when due. In the Governmental Funds, interest is reported when due. When accrued interest exceeds the interest paid, the difference is a reduction in the reconciliation (-); when the interest paid exceeds the accrued interest, the difference is an addition to the reconciliation (+).	(1,094)
Repayment of serial bonds is an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduces Long-Term Liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and is not reported in the Statement of Activities.	175,000
In the Statement of Activities, certain operating expenses, e.g., compensated absences are measured	
by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are reported in the amount of financial resources used (paid). When the earned amount exceeds the paid amount, the difference is reduction in the reconciliation (-); when the paid amount exceeds the earned amount the difference is an addition to the reconciliation (+).	80,737
	00,757
The net pension liability reported in the statement of activities does not require the use of current financial resources and is not reported as an expenditure in the Governmental Funds:	
Change in Net Pension Liability	341,613
Changes in Deferred Outflows and Inflows Related to Pensions	 (174,196)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A-2)	\$ 339,415

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds
	Food Service
ASSETS:	
Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 37,462
Intergovernmental Accounts Receivable:	
Federal	10,677
State	1,078
Interfund Receivable	2,460
Inventories	3,085
Total Current Assets	54,762
Non-Current Assets:	
Capital Assets	168,444
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(117,353)
Total Non-Current Assets	51,091
Total Assets	105,853
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	7,270
Unearned Revenue - Donated Commodities	1,187
Unearned Revenue - Prepaid Sales	8,779
Total Liabilities	17,236
NET POSITION:	
Investment in Capital Assets	51,091
Unrestricted	37,526
Total Net Position	\$ 88,617

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds
	Food Service
Operating Revenue:	
Daily Sales:	¢ 2.109
Reimbursable Programs	\$ 2,198
Total Operating Revenue	2,198
Operating Expenses:	
Cost of Sales - Reimbursable Programs	69,548
Salaries	59,742
Benefits & Payroll Taxes	25,205
Purchased Professional Services	3,408
Management Fee	19,540
Supplies and Repairs	1,379
Miscellaneous Expense	6,529
Depreciation Expense	6,930
Total Operating Expenses	192,281
Operating Loss	(190,083)
Non-Operating Revenue:	
State Sources:	
COVID-19 - Seamless Summer Option	5,341
Federal Sources:	
COVID-19 - Seamless Summer Option	165,268
Food Distribution Program	23,212
Local Sources:	
Interest Income	23_
Total Non-Operating Revenue	193,844
Change in Net Position	3,761
Net Position - Beginning of Year	84,856
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 88,617

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

		siness-type ctivities -
		rprise Funds
	Foo	od Service
Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Receipts from Customers	\$	206
Payments to Food Service Contractor	Ψ	(151,662)
Payments to Food Service Vendor		(6,833)
Net Cash (Used for) Operating Activities		(158,289)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities: Interest Income		23
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities		23
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities: Acquisition of Equipment		(4,800)
Net Cash (Used for) Capital and Related Financing Activities		(4,800)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:		
State Sources: Federal Sources:		5,187
rederal Sources:		158,391
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities		163,578
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		512
Cash and Cash Equivalents, July 1		36,950
Cash and Cash Equivalents, June 30	\$	37,462
Adjustment to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash (Used for) Operating Activities:		
Operating Loss	\$	(190,083)
Depreciation		6,930
Federal Food Distribution Program		23,212
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		4.100
Decrease in Inventory		4,190 431
Increase in Accounts Payable (Decrease) in Unearned Revenue - Donated Commodities		(1,137)
(Decrease) in Unearned Revenue - Prepaid Sales		(1,137)
(Secreme) in cheatned revenue Trepaid Suice		(1,032)
Net Cash (Used for) Operating Activities	\$	(158,289)

Noncash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities:

The Food Service Enterprise Fund received U.S.D.A. Commodities through the Food Distribution Program valued at \$22,075 and utilized U.S.D.A. Commodities valued at \$23,212.

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Board of Education (the "Board") of Lincoln Park Borough School District (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Board's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity:

The Board is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an educational institution. The Board consists of elected officials and is responsible for the fiscal control of the District. A superintendent is appointed by the Board and is responsible for the administrative control of the District.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Codification Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity" establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with a primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading. The primary government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and (1) it is able to impose its will on that organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. A legally separate, tax-exempt organization should be reported as a component unit of a reporting entity if all of the following criteria are met: (1) The economic resources received or held by the separate organization are entirely or almost entirely for the direct benefit of the primary government, its component units, or its constituents. (2) The primary government, or its component units, is entitled to, or has the ability to otherwise access, a majority of the economic resources received or held by the separate organization. (3). The economic resources received or held by an individual organization that the specific primary government, or its component units, is entitled to, or has the ability to otherwise access, are significant to that primary government. There were no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity under the criteria as described above, in the current fiscal year. Furthermore, the District is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

B. Basis of Presentation:

District-Wide Financial Statements:

The statement of net position and the statement of activities present financial information about the District's governmental and business-type activities. These statements include the financial activities of the overall District in its entirety. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal transactions. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the District. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenue and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenue for businesstype activities and 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. Indirect expenses are allocated to the functions using an appropriate allocation method or association with the specific function. Indirect expenses include health benefits, employer's share of payroll taxes, compensated absences and tuition,

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

B. Basis of Presentation: (Cont'd)

District-Wide Financial Statements: (Cont'd)

reimbursements. Program revenue includes (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenue that is not classified as program revenue, including all taxes, is presented as general revenue. The comparison of direct expenses in the program revenues identifies the extent to which each government function or business segment is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements:

During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental and proprietary - are presented. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has elected to require New Jersey districts to treat each governmental fund as a major fund in accordance with the option noted in GASB No. 34, paragraph 76. The NJDOE believes that the presentation of all funds as major is important for public interest and to promote consistency among district financial reporting models.

The District reports the following governmental funds:

General Fund: The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District and is used to account for and report all expendable financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for vehicles and movable instructional or noninstructional equipment which are classified in the capital outlay subfund.

As required by the NJDOE, the District includes budgeted capital outlay in this fund. GAAP, as it pertains to governmental entities, states that general fund resources may be used to directly finance capital outlays for long-lived improvements as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenue. Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid, district taxes and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to capital assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to current expense by Board resolution.

<u>Special Revenue Fund:</u> The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for and report on the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. Thus, the Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue from State and Federal Governments (other than major capital projects, debt service or the enterprise funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

B. Basis of Presentation: (Cont'd)

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>: The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets (other than those financed by proprietary funds). The financial resources are derived from temporary notes or serial bonds that are specifically authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election, funds appropriated from the General Fund, and from aid provided by the state to offset the cost of approved capital projects.

<u>Debt Service Fund:</u> The Debt Service Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest.

The District reports the following proprietary fund:

Enterprise (Food Service) Fund: The Enterprise Fund accounts for all revenue and expenses pertaining to the Board's cafeteria program. The food service fund is utilized to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The stated intent is that the cost (i.e. expenses including depreciation and indirect costs) of providing goods or services to the students on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The district-wide financial statements and the proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is 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 property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenue is recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenue reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenue is collected within sixty 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. 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.

It is the District's policy, that when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available, to apply restricted resources first followed by unrestricted resources. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, it is the District's policy to apply committed resources first followed by assigned resources and then unassigned resources when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Cont'd)

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District may fund certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general revenue. Therefore, when program expenses are incurred, both restricted and unrestricted net position may be available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by general revenue.

D. Budgets/Budgetary Control:

Annual appropriated budgets are prepared in the spring of each year for the General, Special Revenue and Debt Service funds. The budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, was submitted to the County office and was approved by a vote of the Board of Education. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the minimum chart of accounts referenced in N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.2(m)1. All budget amendments/transfers must be made by the School Board. All budgetary amounts presented in the accompanying supplementary information reflect the original budget and the amended budget (which have been adjusted for legally authorized revisions of the annual budget during the year).

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For Governmental Funds, there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles, with the exception of the Special Revenue Fund as noted below. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the Governmental Fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

The accounting records of the Special Revenue Fund are maintained on the grant accounting budgetary basis except for student activities. The grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the grant accounting budgetary basis recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenue, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

The General Fund budgetary revenue differs from GAAP revenue due to a difference in recognition of the last two state aid payments for the current year. Since the State is recording the last two state aid payments in the subsequent fiscal year, the District cannot recognize these payments in the GAAP financial statements.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

D. Budgets/Budgetary Control: (Cont'd)

Explanation of Differences between Budgetary Inflows and Outflows and GAAP Revenue and Expenditures:

General		Special Revenue	
Fund		Fund	
Sources/Inflows of Resources:			
Actual Amounts (Budgetary Basis) "Revenue" from the	• •	7.17 60 6	
Budgetary Comparison Schedule \$ 25,855,947	\$	545,606	
Differences - Budgetary to GAAP:			
Grant Accounting Budgetary Basis Differs from GAAP in that the			
Budgetary Basis Recognizes Encumbrances as Expenditures and			
Revenue, Whereas the GAAP Basis does not. Current Year Encumbrances		(990)	
Cancellation of Prior Year Encumbrances		(889)	
Prior Year Encumbrances		(3,920) 13,221	
Prior Year State Aid Payments Recognized for GAAP Purposes, not		13,221	
Recognized for Budgetary Statements 158,347	,		
Current Year State Aid Payments Recognized for Budgetary Purposes,			
not Recognized for GAAP Statements (152,653)	6)		
Total Revenues as Reported on the Statement of Revenues,	/		
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$ 25,861,64	\$	554,018	
	= =		
		Special	
General		Revenue	
Fund		Fund	
Uses/Outflows of Resources:			
Actual Amounts (Budgetary Basis) "Total Outflows" from the			
Budgetary Comparison Schedule \$ 25,629,532	2 \$	558,048	
Differences - Budgetary to GAAP:			
Encumbrances for supplies and equipment ordered but			
not received are reported in the year the order is placed for			
budgetary purposes, but in the year the supplies are received			
for financial reporting purposes.			
Current Year Encumbrances		(889)	
Cancellation of Prior Year Encumbrances		(3,920)	
Prior Year Encumbrances		13,221	
Total Expenditures as Reported on the Statement of Revenue,			
Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$\frac{\$25,629,532}{}\$	<u> </u>	566,460	

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of one year or less.

The District generally records investments at fair value and records the unrealized gains and losses as part of investment income. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an investment in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

New Jersey school districts are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. New Jersey Statute 18A:20-37 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey school districts. Additionally, the District has adopted a cash management plan that requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Act. Public depositories include Savings and Loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and savings banks the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value of at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of Government Units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all the other public depositories, is available to pay the full amount of their deposits to the Governmental Units.

F. Interfund Transactions

Transfers between governmental and business-type activities on the district-wide statements are reported in the same manner as general revenue. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after nonoperating revenue/expenses in the Enterprise Fund. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements. On fund financial statements, short-term interfund loans are classified as interfund receivables/payables. These amounts are eliminated in the statement of net position, except for amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances.

G. Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as all amounts are considered collectible.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

H. Encumbrances:

Under encumbrance accounting purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Open encumbrances in governmental funds other than the special revenue fund are reported as restricted, committed, and/or assigned fund balances at fiscal year end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services.

Open encumbrances in the Special Revenue Fund for which the District has received advances are reflected in the balance sheet as unearned revenue at fiscal year end.

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next fiscal year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next fiscal year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current fiscal year end.

I. Short-term Interfund Receivables/Payables:

Short-term interfund receivables/payables represent amounts that are owed, other than charges for goods or services rendered to/from a particular fund in the District and that are due within one year.

J. Inventories and Prepaid Expenses:

Inventories and prepaid expenses, which benefit future periods, other than those recorded in the enterprise fund, are recorded as an expenditure during the year of purchase.

Enterprise fund inventories are valued at cost, which approximates market, using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. Prepaid expenses in the enterprise fund represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2021.

K. Capital Assets:

During the year ended June 30, 1994, the District established a formal system of accounting for its capital assets. Capital assets acquired or constructed subsequent to June 30, 1994, are recorded at historical cost, including ancillary charges necessary to place the asset into service.

Capital assets acquired or constructed prior to the establishment of the formal system are valued at cost based on historical records or through estimation procedures performed by an independent appraisal company. Land has been recorded at estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are valued at acquisition. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs is not capitalized. The District does not possess any infrastructure. Capital assets have been reviewed for impairment. The capitalization threshold (the dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts) is \$2,000. The depreciation method is straight-line. The estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the district-wide statements and proprietary funds are as follows:

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

K. Capital Assets: (Cont'd)

Site Improvements

Site Improvements

Buildings and Building Improvements

Machinery/Furniture and Equipment

20 years

20 to 50 years

10 to 15 years

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental funds upon acquisition. Capital assets are not capitalized and related depreciation is not reported on the fund financial statements.

L. Long-Term Liabilities:

In the district-wide and enterprise fund statements of net position, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or enterprise funds. Bond premiums and discounts, are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt using the straight-line method of amortization. In the fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses.

M. Accrued Salaries and Wages:

The District does not allow employees who provide services over the ten-month academic year the option to have their salaries evenly distributed during the entire twelve-month year, therefore, there are no accrued salaries and wages as of June 30, 2021.

N. Compensated Absences:

The District accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by (GASB). A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits.

District employees are granted varying amounts of vacation and sick leave in accordance with the District's personnel policy. Upon termination, employees are paid for accrued vacation. The District's policy permits employees to accumulate unused sick leave and carry forward the full amount to subsequent years. Upon retirement, employees shall be paid by the District for the unused sick leave in accordance with the District's agreements with the various employee unions.

In the district-wide *Statement of Net Position*, the liabilities, whose average maturities are greater than one year, should be reported in two components – the amount due within one year and the amount due in more than one year.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

O. Unearned Revenue:

Unearned revenue in the general fund and special revenue fund represents cash which has been received but not yet earned.

P. Fund Balance Appropriated:

General Fund: Of the \$3,763,575 General Fund fund balance at June 30, 2021, \$782,668 is restricted in the capital reserve account; \$249,351 is restricted for the maintenance reserve account; \$307,380 is restricted in the tuition reserve account for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023; \$119,731 is restricted for the tuition reserve account for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; \$35,323 is restricted for unemployment compensation; \$344,376 is restricted for prior year excess surplus and has been appropriated and included as anticipated revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; \$631,614 is assigned for year-end encumbrances; \$650,000 is assigned and included as anticipated budget revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; and \$643,132 is unassigned which is \$152,653 less than the calculated maximum unassigned fund balance, on a GAAP basis, due to the final state aid payments, which are not recognized until the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

Special Revenue Fund: The \$72,567 fund balance in the Special Revenue Fund at June 30, 2021 is restricted for student activities.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u>: The \$1 fund balance in the Debt Service Fund at June 30, 2021 is restricted.

<u>Calculation of Excess Surplus:</u> In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-7, as amended by P.L. 2004, C.73 (S1701) the designation for Restricted Fund Balance-Excess Surplus is a required calculation pursuant to the New Jersey Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996 (CEIFA). New Jersey school districts are required to restrict General Fund fund balance at the fiscal year end of June 30 if they did not appropriate a required minimum amount as budgeted fund balance in their subsequent year's budget. The District has excess surplus as outlined above.

P.L. 2003, C.97 provides that in the event a state school aid payment is not made until the following school budget year, districts must record the state aid payment as revenue, for budget purposes only, in the current school budget year. The bill provides legal authority for school districts to recognize this revenue in the current budget year. For intergovernmental transactions, GASB Statement No. 33 requires that recognition (revenue, expenditure, asset, liability) should be in symmetry, i.e., if one government recognizes an asset, the other government recognizes a liability.

Since the State is recording the last state aid payments in the subsequent fiscal year, the school district cannot recognize the last state aid payments on the GAAP financial statements until the year the State records the payable. The excess surplus calculation is calculated using the fund balance reported on the Budgetary Comparison Schedule, including the final state aid payments and not the fund balance reported on the fund statement which excludes the last state aid payments noted above.

Q. Net Position:

Net Position is the difference between (a) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (b) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

Q. Net Position: (Cont'd)

A deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of net position by the District that is applicable to a future reporting period. A deferred inflow of resources is an acquisition of net position by the District that is applicable to a future reporting period. The District has deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions at June 30, 2021.

Net position is displayed in three components - net investment in capital assets; restricted and unrestricted.

The net investment in capital assets component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt also would be included in this component of net position.

The restricted component of net position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.

The unrestricted component of net position is the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

R. Fund Balance Restrictions, Commitments and Assignments:

The restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined for a formal action of the District's highest level of decision-making authority.

Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the District's General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other funds, the unassigned classifications should be used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts have been restricted, committed or assigned.

Fund balance restrictions have been established for capital reserve, maintenance reserve, tuition reserve, unemployment compensation, student activities, excess surplus and debt service.

The District Board of Education has the responsibility to formally commit resources for specific purposes through a motion or a resolution passed by a majority of the Members of the Board of Education at a public meeting of that governing body. The Board of Education must also utilize a formal motion or a resolution passed by a majority of the Members of the Board of Education at a public meeting of that governing body in order to remove or change the commitment of resources. The District has no committed funds at June 30, 2021.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

R. Fund Balance Restrictions, Commitments and Assignments: (Cont'd)

The assignment of resources is generally made by the District Board of Education through a motion or a resolution passed by a majority of the Members of the Board of Education. These resources are intended to be used for a specific purpose. The process is not as restrictive as the commitment of resources and the Board of Education may allow an official of the District to assign resources through policies adopted by the Board of Education. The District has assigned resources for fiscal year-end encumbrances and amounts designated for subsequent fiscal year's expenditures in the General Fund at June 30, 2021.

S. Deficit Net Position:

The District has a deficit in unrestricted net position of \$1,386,562 in its governmental activities, which is primarily due to deferred inflows, outflows and liabilities related to pensions and compensated absences. The deficit does not indicate that the District is having financial difficulties and is a permitted practice under generally accepted accounting principles.

T. Revenue - Exchange and Nonexchange Transactions:

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On the modified-accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means within sixty days of the fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the School District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On the accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the School District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School District on a reimbursement basis. On the modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year end: property taxes, interest, and tuition.

U. Operating Revenue and Expenses:

Operating revenue is those revenue that are generated directly from the primary activity of the enterprise fund. For the School District, these revenue are sales for food service. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the enterprise fund.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

V. Management Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

W. Pensions:

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the State of New Jersey Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the State of New Jersey Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and additions to/deductions from the PERS's and TPAF's net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the PERS and the TPAF. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Pension Plan investments are reported at fair value.

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

Due to the differences in the measurement focus and basis of accounting used on the government fund statements and district-wide statements, certain financial transactions are treated differently. The basic financial statements contain a full reconciliation of these items.

NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

GASB requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the District in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk - In accordance with its cash management plan, the District ensures that any deposit or investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk - The District limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are those permitted under state statute as detailed in the section of this note on investments.

Custodial Credit Risk – The District's policy with respect to custodial credit risk requires that the District ensures that District funds are only deposited in financial institutions on which NJ school districts are permitted to invest their funds.

Deposits:

New Jersey statutes require that school districts deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories. School districts are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

Deposits: (Cont'd)

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed depository insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal at least 5% of the average daily balance of collected public funds on deposit, and

In addition to the above collateral requirement, if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Investments:

New Jersey statutes permit the Board to purchase the following types of securities:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;
- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor;
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the school district or bonds or other obligations of the local unit or units within which the school district is located.
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, issued by New Jersey school districts, municipalities, counties, and entities subject to the "Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law", P.L. 1983, c.313 (C.40A:5A-1 et seq.). Other bonds or obligations having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase may be approved by the Division of Investment in the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C.52:18A-90.4); or

NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

Investments: (Cont'd)

- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection a. or are bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date of not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, issued by New Jersey school districts, municipalities, counties, and entities subject to the requirements of the "Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law," P.L. 1983, c. 313 (C.40A:5A-1 et seq.).;
 - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.236 (C.17:9-41); and
 - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed; or
- (9) Deposit of funds in accordance with the following conditions:
 - (a) The funds are initially invested through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c. 236 (C.17:9-41) designated by the school district;
 - (b) The designated public depository arranges for the deposit of the funds in deposit accounts in one or more federally insured banks, savings banks or savings and loan associations or credit unions for the account of the school district;
 - (c) 100 percent of the principal and accrued interest of each deposit is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund:
 - (d) The designated public depository acts as custodian for the school district with respect to these deposits; and
 - (e) On the same date that the school district's funds are deposited pursuant to subparagraph (b) of this paragraph, the designated public depository receives an amount of deposits from customers of other financial institutions, wherever located, equal to the amounts of funds initially invested by the school district through the designated public depository.

NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

As of June 30, 2021, cash and cash equivalents of the District consisted of the following:

	Restricted			Cash		
	Cash and Cash		and Cash			
Accounts	Equivalents		Equivalents Equivalents		Equivalents	Total
		_				
Checking and Savings Accounts	\$	1,567,020	\$	2,652,050	\$ 4,219,070	
	\$	1,567,020	\$	2,652,050	\$ 4,219,070	

The carrying amount of the Board's cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2021, was \$4,219,070 and the bank balance was \$4,528,340. During the period ended June 30, 2021, the District did not hold any investments.

NOTE 4. CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT

A capital reserve account was established by the Board resolution during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001 of \$1 for the accumulation of funds for use as capital outlay expenditures in subsequent fiscal years. The capital reserve account is maintained in the general fund and its activity is included in the general fund annual budget.

Funds placed in the capital reserve account are restricted to capital projects in the District's approved Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP). Upon submission of the LRFP to the State Department of Education, a district may increase the balance in the capital reserve by appropriating funds in the annual general fund budget certified for taxes or by transfer by board resolution at year end of any unanticipated revenue or unexpended line item appropriation amounts or both.

A district may also appropriate additional amounts when the express approval of the voters has been obtained either by a separate proposal at budget time or by a special question at one of the four special elections authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A 19:60-2. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23A-14.1(g), the balance in the account cannot at any time exceed the local support costs of uncompleted capital projects in its approved LRFP.

Beginning Balance, July 1, 2020		\$ 1,268,193
Increased by:		
Interest Earned	\$	578
Return of Unexpended Balance from Capital Outlay	197,	391
Return of Unexpended Balance from Capital Projects Fund	11,	669
		209,638
		1,477,831
Decreased by:		
Budgeted Withdrawal	567,	250
Withdrawal by Board Resolution	127,	913
		695,163
Ending Balance, June 30, 2021		\$ 782,668

NOTE 4. CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT (Cont'd)

The balance in the capital reserve account at June 30, 2021 does not exceed the local support costs of uncompleted capital projects in the District's approved LRFP. Withdrawals from the capital reserve were for use in DOE approved facilities projects, consistent with the District's LRFP.

NOTE 5. MAINTENANCE RESERVE ACCOUNT

A maintenance reserve account in the amount of \$150,000 was established by the Lincoln Park Board of Education on June 29, 2010. These funds may be used for specific activities necessary for the purpose of keeping a school facility open and safe for use or in its original condition, and for keeping its constituent buildings systems fully and efficiently functional and for keeping their warranties valid but cannot be used for routine or capital maintenance. The purpose of the reserve is to provide funds for anticipated expenditures required to maintain a building.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26A-4.2 funds may be deposited into the maintenance reserve account at any time by board resolution to meet the required maintenance of the District by transferring unassigned general fund balance or by transferring excess unassigned general fund balance that is anticipated to be deposited during the current year in the advertised recapitulation of balances of the subsequent year's budget that is certified for taxes. Funds may be withdrawn from the maintenance reserve account and appropriated into the required maintenance account lines at budget time or any time during the year by Board resolution for use on required maintenance activities by school facility as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan.

Funds withdrawn from the maintenance reserve account are restricted to required maintenance appropriations and may not be transferred to any other line-item account. In any year that maintenance reserve account funds are withdrawn, unexpended required maintenance appropriations, up to the amount of maintenance reserve account funds withdrawn, shall be restored to the maintenance reserve account at year-end. At no time, shall the maintenance reserve account have a balance that exceeds four percent of the replacement cost of the current year of the District's school facilities. If the account exceeds this maximum amount at June 30, the excess shall be restricted and designated in the subsequent year's budget. The maintenance reserve account is maintained in the general fund and its activity is included in the general fund annual budget.

Beginning Balance		\$ 352,222
Increased by:		
Interest Earned		 191
		352,413
Decreased by:		
Budgeted Withdrawal	\$ 75,000	
Withdrawal by Board Resolution	 28,062	
		 103,062
Ending Balance		\$ 249,351

NOTE 6. TRANSFER TO CAPITAL OUTLAY:

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the District transferred a net \$132,234 to the capital outlay accounts. \$4,321 was transferred to equipment which did not require County Superintendent approval. The remaining \$127,913 transferred to facilities and construction services was a Board approved withdrawal from Capital Reserve and also has County Superintendent approval.

NOTE 7. INTERFUND BALANCES:

Fund	Interfund Receivable	Interfund Payable
General Fund Special Revenue Fund	\$ 42,297	\$ 2,460 42,297
Enterprise Fund: Food Service Fund	2,460	
	\$ 44,757	\$ 44,757

The interfund between the General Fund and the Special Revenue Fund is due to a deficit in cash and cash equivalents in the Special Revenue Fund due to the timing of grant receipts. The interfund between the Food Service Fund and the General Fund consists of federal and state lunch reimbursements collected in the General Fund and due to the Food Service Fund for prior years offset by amounts paid by the General Fund on behalf of the Food Service Fund in the prior year.

NOTE 8. CAPITAL ASSETS:

Capital asset balances and activity for this fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 were as follows:

	Beginning			Ending
Governmental Activities:	Balance	Increases	Deletions	Balance
Capital Assets not Being Depreciated:				
Sites (Land)	\$ 719,980			\$ 719,980
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	719,980			719,980
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Site Improvements	606,249			606,249
Buildings and Building Improvements	13,779,757			13,779,757
Machinery and Equipment	2,020,931	\$ 109,468		2,130,399
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	16,406,937	109,468		16,516,405
Governmental Activities Capital Assets	17,126,917	109,468		17,236,385
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Site Improvements	(499,011)	(11,102)		(510,113)
Buildings and Building Improvements	(8,706,900)	(342,769)		(9,049,669)
Machinery and Equipment	(1,730,949)	(57,908)		(1,788,857)
	(10,936,860)	(411,779)		(11,348,639)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets,				
Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 6,190,057	\$ (302,311)	\$ -0-	\$ 5,887,746

NOTE 8. CAPITAL ASSETS: (Cont'd)

Business Type Activities:	Beginning Balance	In	ncreases	Delet	ions	Ending Balance
Capital Assets Being Depreciated: Furniture and Equipment Less Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 163,644 (110,423)	\$	4,800 (6,930)			\$ 168,444 (117,353)
Business Type Activities Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 53,221	\$	(2,130)	\$	-0-	\$ 51,091

The District expended \$109,468 on various capital projects during the fiscal year. As of June 30, 2021, the District has completed all active construction projects.

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

Regular Instruction	\$ 191,811
Special Education	53,080
Other Special Instruction	7,077
Student and Instruction Related Services	50,971
General Administration	12,620
School Administration	19,492
Central Services	11,040
Administrative Information Technology	3,539
Operations and Maintenance of Plant	33,839
Student Transportation	28,310
	\$ 411,779

NOTE 9. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the following changes occurred in liabilities reported in the district-wide financial statements:

	Balance 6/30/2020	Accrued	Retired	Balance 6/30/2021	Due Within One Year
Serial Bond Payable Net Pension Liability Compensated Absences Payable	\$ 550,000 2,646,129 173,844		\$ 175,000 341,613 80,737	\$ 375,000 2,304,516 93,107	\$ 185,000
	\$ 3,369,973	\$ -0-	\$ 597,350	\$ 2,772,623	\$ 185,000

NOTE 9. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:

A. Bonds Payable:

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Bonds are authorized in accordance with State law by the voters of the school district through referendums. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. Bonds issued by the Board are general obligation bonds and will be liquidated through the debt service fund.

The District had serial bonds outstanding as of June 30, 2021 as follows:

	Final Maturity		
Purpose	Date	Interest Rate	Amount
Renovations to Elementary and Middle Schools and New Construction to Middle School	10/1/2022	4.375%	\$ 375,000

Debt service requirements on serial bonds payable at June 30, 2021 are as follows:

Ending June 30,	Principa	al Interest	Total
2022 2023	\$ 185,0 190,0	, , ,	\$ 197,359 194,157
	\$ 375,0	\$ 16,516	\$ 391,516

B. Bonds Authorized But Not Issued:

As of June 30, 2021, there were no bonds authorized but not issued.

C. Compensated Absence Payable:

The liability for compensated absences of the governmental fund types is recorded as a long-term liability. The current portion of the compensated absences balance of the governmental funds is \$-0-, and the long term portion is \$93,107. Compensated absences will be liquidated by the General Fund.

The liability for compensated absences of the proprietary fund types is recorded with these funds as benefits accrue to the employees. As of June 30, 2021, no liability existed for compensated absences in the Enterprise Fund.

D. Net Pension Liability

The Public Employee's Retirement System (PERS) net pension liability of the governmental fund types is recorded in the current and long-term liabilities and will be liquidated by the General Fund. The current portion of the net pension liability at June 30, 2021 is \$-0- and the long term portion is \$2,304,516. See Note 10 for further information on the PERS.

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS:

Substantially all of the Board's employees participate in one of the two contributory, defined benefit public employee retirement systems: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) or the Public Employee's Retirement System (PERS) of New Jersey; or the Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP), a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 401(a).

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Plan Description

The State of New Jersey, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about the PERS, please refer to the Division's annual financial statements which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml.

Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service. The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28. 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62 and Tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Contributions

The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing members. The local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability.

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

Contributions (Cont'd)

The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability is being paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years, beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets. District contributions to PERS amounted to \$154,594 for 2021.

The employee contribution rate was 7.50% effective July 1, 2018.

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

At June 30, 2021, the District's liability was \$2,304,516 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the District's proportion was 0.014%, which was a decrease of 0.001% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized actual pension benefit in the amount of \$12,836. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Year of Deferral	Amortization Period in Years	Out	eferred flows of esources	In	Deferred flows of esources
Changes in Assumptions	2016	5.57	\$	74,761		
	2017	5.48			\$	218,140
	2018	5.63				214,012
	2019	5.21				169,956
	2020	5.16				362,814
				74,761		964,922
Difference Between Expected	2016	5.57		2,268		
and Actual Experience	2017	5.48		6,487		
-	2018	5.63				8,150
	2019	5.21		12,992		
	2020	5.16		20,214		
				41,961		8,150

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u> (Cont'd)

2017 5.48 84,249 2018 5.63 284,993 2019 5.21 208,857 2020 5.16 100,539			Amortization	Deferred	Deferred
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments 2017 5.00 \$ (28,200) Plan Investments 2019 5.00 (26,154) Plan Investments 2019 5.00 6,329 2020 5.00 126,795 78,770 \$ 39,57 2017 5.48 84,249 2018 5.63 284,99 2019 5.21 208,857 2020 5.16 100,539		Year of	Period	Outflows of	Inflows of
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Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments 2018 2019 5.00 6,329 2020 5.00 126,795 78,770 Changes in Proportion 2016 2017 5.48 84,249 2018 5.63 284,995 2019 5.21 208,857 2020 5.16 100,539	Net Difference Retween Projected and	2017	5.00	\$ (28.200)	
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2018 5.63 284,993 2019 5.21 208,857 2020 5.16 100,539	Changes in Proportion	2016	5.57		\$ 39,577
2019 5.21 208,857 2020 5.16 100,539		2017	5.48	84,249	
2020 5.16 100,539		2018	5.63		284,993
		2019	5.21	208,857	
		2020	5.16		100,539
				293,106	425,109
District Contribution Subsequent to the	District Contribution Subsequent to the				
Measurement Date 2020 1.00 156,022	-	2020	1.00	156,022	
\$ 644,620 \$ 1,398,18				\$ 644,620	\$ 1,398,181

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (excluding employer specific amounts including changes in proportion and the District contribution subsequent to the measurement date) related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Total
2021	\$ (289,175)
2022	(263,639)
2023	(150,663)
2024	(60,926)
2025	(13,177)
	\$ (777,580)

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NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation Rate:

Price 2.75% Wage 3.25%

Salary Increases:

Through 2026 2.00 - 6.00% based on years of service Thereafter 3.00 - 7.00% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return 7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee Mortality Table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and a 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018.

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2020) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the Board of Trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return (Cont'd)

		Long-Term
A word Class	Target	Expected Real Rate of
Asset Class	Allocation	Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Management Strategies	3.00%	3.40%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based upon 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability as of June 30, 2020 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed below, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

June 30	0, 2020	0			
		At 1%	A	At Current	At 1%
		Decrease	Di	scount Rate	Increase
		(6.00%)		(7.00%)	(8.00%)
District's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	\$	2,894,574	\$	2,304,516	\$ 1,794,398

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (Cont'd)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial statements.

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)

Plan Description

The State of New Jersey, Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation, by which the State of New Jersey (the State) is responsible to fund 100% of the employer contributions, excluding any local employer early retirement incentive (ERI) contributions. The TPAF is administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division).

For additional information about the TPAF, please refer to the Division's annual financial statements which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml.

Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66. TPAF provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service. Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested for 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, members' beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the members' accounts.

The following represents the membership tiers for TPAF:

Tier	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28. 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62 and Tier 5 before age 65 with 30 or more years of service credit. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the retirement age for his/her respective tier. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

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NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (Cont'd)

Contributions

The contribution policy for TPAF is set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66 and requires contributions by active members and contributing members. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. For fiscal year 2020, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarial determined amount.

Special Funding Situation

The employer contributions for local participating employers are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18:66-33. Therefore, these local participating employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers, such as the District. This note discloses the portion of the District's total proportionate share of the net pension liability that is associated with the District. During the fiscal year ended 2021, the State of New Jersey contributed \$1,917,759 to the TPAF for normal pension benefits on behalf of the District, which is less than the contractually required contribution of \$2,556,064.

The employee contribution rate was 7.50% effective July 1, 2018.

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

At June 30, 2021, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District was \$41,104,679. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the District's proportion was 0.062%, which was an increase of 0.002% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

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State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the District

41,104,679

Total 41,104,679

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the State recognized pension expense on behalf of the District in the amount of \$2,556,064 and the District recognized pension expense and revenue for that same amount in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 financial statements.

The State reported collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (excluding employer specific amounts) related to pensions from the following sources:

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (Cont'd)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u> (Cont'd)

	Year of Deferral	Amortization Period in Years	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in Assumptions	2014	8.50	\$ 461,324,773	
	2015	8.30	1,638,696,238	
	2016	8.30	4,304,747,820	
	2017	8.30		\$ 6,882,861,832
	2018	8.29		4,349,959,805
	2019	8.04		3,009,143,115
	2020	7.99	1,411,170,422	
			7,815,939,253	14,241,964,752
Difference Between Expected	2014	8.50		4,393,807
and Actual Experience	2015	8.30	101,207,836	
	2016	8.30		53,533,223
	2017	8.30	122,460,660	
	2018	8.29	763,099,015	
	2019	8.04		116,909,940
	2020	7.99		7,520,890
			986,767,511	182,357,860
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual	2017	5.00	(226,008,261)	
Actual Investment Earnings on Pension	2018	5.00	(192,060,744)	
Plan Investments	2019	5.00	108,662,078	
	2020	5.00	965,582,162	
			656,175,235	
			\$ 9,458,881,999	\$ 14,424,322,612

Amounts reported by the State as collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid members contributions as follows:

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NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (Cont'd)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)

Fiscal Year	
Ending June 30,	Total
2021	\$ (262,056,928)
2022	(188,358,995)
2023	(774,174,971)
2024	(1,939,112,462)
2025	(1,466,451,639)
Thereafter	(335,285,618)
	\$ (4,965,440,613)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation Rate

Price 2.75% Wage 3.25%

Salary Increases:

Through 2026 1.55 - 4.45% based on years of service Thereafter 2.75 - 5.65% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return 7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Employee mortality table with a 93.9% adjustment for males and 85.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teachers Above-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 114.7% adjustment for males and a 99.6% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 106.3% adjustment for males and 100.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (Cont'd)

Long Term Expected Rate of Return

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2020) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investment and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the Board of Trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term
		Expected Real
	Target	Rate of
Asset Class	Allocation	Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. Developed Market Equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
High Yield	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Management Strategies	3.00%	3.40%

Discount Rate - TPAF

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.40% as of June 30, 2020. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.21% as of June 30, 2020 based on the Bond Buyer Go 20 Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2062. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2062, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

NOTE 10. PENSION PLANS: (Cont'd)

B. Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (Cont'd)

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District as of June 30, 2020 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the State's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	Jur	ne 30, 2020			
		At 1%	1	At Current	At 1%
		Decrease	D	iscount Rate	Increase
		(4.40%)		(5.40%)	 (6.40%)
Total Net Pension Liability	\$	48,282,259	\$	41,104,679	\$ 35,144,903

C. Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP)

Prudential Financial jointly administers the DCRP investments with the NJ Division of Pensions and Benefits. If an employee is ineligible to enroll in the PERS or TPAF, the employee may be eligible to enroll in the DCRP. DCRP provides eligible members with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting is immediate upon enrollment for members of the DCRP.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the DCRP. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0295.

Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. Employee contributions are based on percentages of 5.50% for DCRP of employees' annual compensation, as defined. The DCRP was established July 1, 2007, under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 and expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2008. Employee contributions for DCRP are matched by a 3% employer contribution.

For DCRP, the District recognized pension expense of \$14,892 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Employee contributions to DCRP amounted to \$20,224 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

NOTE 11. DEFERRED COMPENSATION

The Board offers its employees a choice of the following deferred compensation plans created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The plans, which are administered by the entities listed below, permit participants to defer a portion of their salary until future years. Amounts deferred under the plans are not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency. The plan administrators are:

Equitable Life Insurance Company Lincoln Investments Lincoln National Life Insurance Company Metropolitan Life Insurance Company Copeland Companies Securities First Group

NOTE 12. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Property and Liability

The District maintains insurance coverage for property, liability, student accident and surety bonds. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the Statistical Section of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The District obtains commercial insurance coverage for general liability, property and automobile coverage from National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh and is a member of the Pooled Insurance Program of New Jersey (the "Fund") for workers' compensation insurance. This public entity risk management pool provides workers' compensation for its members. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the Statistical Section of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The Fund is a risk-sharing public entity risk pool that is an insured and self-administered group of school boards established for the purpose of providing low-cost insurance for its respective members in order to keep local property taxes to a minimum. Each member appoints an official to represent their respective entity for the purpose of creating a governing body from which officers for the Fund are elected.

As a member of the Fund, the District could be subject to supplemental assessments in the event of deficiencies. If the assets of the Fund were to be exhausted, members would become responsible for their respective shares of the Fund's liabilities. The Fund can declare and distribute dividends to members upon approval of the State of New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. These distributions are divided among the members in the same ratio as their individual assessment related to the total assessment of the membership body.

The June 30, 2021 audit was not available as of the date of this report. Selected, summarized financial information for the Fund as of June 30, 2020 is as follows:

Total Assets	\$ 20,786,398
Net Position	\$ 8,063,082
Total Revenue	\$ 8,824,359
Total Expenses	\$ 8,681,780
Change in Net Position	\$ (869,746)
Member Dividends	\$ 1,012,325

Financial statements for the Fund are available at the Fund's Executive Director's Office:

Office of the Executive Director 44 Bergen Street P.O. Box 270 Westwood, NJ 07675

NOTE 12. RISK MANAGEMENT (Cont'd)

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance

The District has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method". Under this plan, the District is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The District is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State.

The following is a summary of the District's contributions, employee contributions, interest earnings, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid and the ending balance of the District's Unemployment Compensation Restricted Fund Balance in the General Fund for the current and previous two years:

]	Employee	A	Amount]	Ending
Fiscal Year	Intere	st Co	ontributions	Re	imbursed	I	Balance
2020-2021	\$	10 \$	43,382	\$	33,503	\$	35,323
2019-2020	:	83	38,884		17,124		25,434
2018-2019	2	71	24,403		46,357		3,591

NOTE 13. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

Grant Programs

The School District participates in state and federal assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The School District is potentially liable for expenditures which may be disallowed pursuant to the terms of these grant programs. Management is not aware of any material items of noncompliance which would result in the disallowance of program expenditures.

Litigation

The District is periodically involved in pending lawsuits. The District estimates that the potential claims against it resulting from such litigation and not covered by insurance would not materially affect the financial position of the District.

Encumbrances

At June 30, 2021, there were encumbrances as detailed below in the governmental funds. All of the governmental funds are considered to be major funds:

	Sı	pecial		Total
General	Revenue		Gov	vernmental
Fund	Fund			Funds
\$ 631,614	\$	889	\$	632,503

On the District's Governmental Funds Balance sheet as of June 30, 2021 \$-0- is assigned for year-end encumbrances in the Special Revenue Fund, which is \$889 less than on a budgetary basis. Encumbrances are not recognized on a GAAP basis and are reflected as either a reduction in grant receivables or an increase in unearned revenue.

NOTE 14. TAX CALENDAR

Property taxes are levied as of November 1 on property values assessed as of the previous calendar year. The tax levy is divided into two billings. The first billing is an estimate of the current year's levy based on the prior year's taxes. The second billing reflects adjustments to the current year's actual levy. The final tax bill is usually mailed on or before June 14th, along with the first half estimated tax bills for the subsequent year. The first half estimated taxes are divided into two due dates, February 1 and May 1. The final tax bills are also divided into two due dates, August 1 and November 1. A ten-day grace period is usually granted before the taxes are considered delinquent and there is an imposition of interest charges. A penalty may be assessed for any unpaid taxes in excess of \$10,000 at December 31 of the current year. Unpaid taxes of the current and prior year may be placed in lien at a tax sale held after December 10.

Taxes are collected by the constituent municipality and are remitted to the local school district on a predetermined, agreed-upon schedule.

NOTE 15. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Board of Education receives a substantial amount of its support from federal and state governments. A significant reduction in the level of support, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the Board of Education's programs and activities.

NOTE 16. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts payable recorded in the District's Governmental Activities as of June 30, 2021 consisted of:

						District			Вι	isiness-
	Governmental Funds		Contribution			Type				
			,	Special	Sul	sequent to		Total	Ac	tivities
	(General	R	Revenue	the	Measure-	Gov	vernmental	Pro	prietary
		Fund		Fund	n	nent Date	Α	ctivities	I	Funds
Due to State of New Jersey			\$	24,182	\$	156,022	\$	180,204		
Vendors	\$	190,551						190,551	\$	7,270
Payroll Deductions										
and Withholdings		24,579						24,579		
	\$	215,130	\$	24,182	\$	156,022	\$	395,334	\$	7,270

NOTE 17. TUITION RESERVE ACCOUNT

A tuition reserve account may be established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-3.1(f) for tuition between two Boards of Education that are in a formal sending/receiving relationship. The maximum amount that may be restricted at year end is 10% of the estimated contract year tuition. Upon certification of tuition rates in the second year following the contract year, full appropriation of the applicable year's reserve must be liquidated and any remaining balance related to that year must be restricted and budgeted for tax relief.

As of June 30, 2021 the District has \$427,111 in the tuition reserve of which \$119,731 and \$307,380 will be used to pay for any tuition adjustments for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

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NOTE 18. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)

State Health Benefit Program Fund – Local Education Retired (including Prescription Drug Program Fund)

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The District is in a "special funding situation", as described in GASB Codification Section P50, in that OPEB contributions and expenses are legally required to be made by and are the sole responsibility of the State of New Jersey, not the District.

The State of New Jersey reports a liability as a result of its statutory requirements to pay other post-employment (health) benefits for the State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Education Plan. The State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Employees Plan is a multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan that is administered on a pay-as-you-go basis. Accordingly, no assets are accumulated in a qualifying trust that meets the criteria in GASB Codification Section P50. The State Health Benefits Local Education Retired Employees Plan provides medical, prescription drug, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents of local education employers.

The employer contributions for the participating local education employers are legally required to be funded by the State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32f. According to N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.32f, the State provides employer-paid coverage to employees who retire from a board of education or county college with 25 years or more of service credit in, or retires on a disability pension from, one or more of the following plans: the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS), or the Alternate Benefit Program (ABP). Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 years or more of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

The total nonemployer OPEB liability does not include certain other postemployment benefit obligations that are provided by the local education employers. The reporting of these benefits, if any, is the responsibility of the individual education employers.

For additional information about the State Health Benefit Local Education Retired Education Plan, please refer to the Division's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) which can be found at https://www.state.nj.us/ treasury/pensions/gasb-notices-opeb.shtml.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

At June 30, 2018, the plan membership consisted of the following:

Inactive Plan Members or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefit Payments	148,051
Active Plan Members	216,892
Total	364,943

NOTE 18. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Cont'd)

Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability

The total nonemployer OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2019.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

		TPAF/ABP	PERS
Inflation Rate	2.50%		
Salary Increases: Through 2026		1.55 - 3.05% based on service years	2.00 - 6.00% based on service years
Thereafter		1.55 - 3.05% based on service years	3.00 - 7.00% based on service years

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2018 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies for the periods July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018 and July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2018 for TPAF and PERS, respectively.

Mortality Rates

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Healthy "Teachers" (TPAF/ABP), "General" (PERS), and "Safety" (PFRS) classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019. Disability mortality was based on the Pub-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted disabled mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2019.

Health Care Trend Assumptions

For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend rate is initially 5.7% and decreases to a 4.5% long term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rate for fiscal year 2020 is reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend rate is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.5% and decreases to a 4.5% long term rate after eight years. For the Medicare Part B reimbursement, the trend rate is 5.0%.

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021 (Continued)

NOTE 18. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Cont'd)

Discount Rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2019 was 3.50%. The discount rate for June 30, 2018 was 3.87%, a change of .37%. This represents the municipal bond rate as chosen by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

Changes in the State's Proportionate Share of the Total OPEB Liability Associated with the District

	 Total OPEB Liability	
Balance at June 30, 2018	\$ 28,484,330	
Changes for Year:		
Service Cost	1,006,026	
Interest on the Total OPEB Liability	1,126,616	
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	(4,556,108)	
Changes of Assumptions	382,874	
Contributions from Members	23,366	
Gross Benefit Payments by the State	 (788,264)	
Net Changes	 (2,805,490)	
Balance at June 30, 2019	\$ 25,678,840	

Sensitivity of the Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability Attributable to the District to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB Liability attributable to the District as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed in this note, as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability attributable to the District would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June (30, 2019			
		At 1%		At	At 1%
		Decrease	D	iscount Rate	Increase
		(2.50%)		(3.50%)	 (4.50%)
Total OPEB Liability Attributable to					
the District	\$	30,336,858	\$	25,678,840	\$ 21,978,766

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

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NOTE 18. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Cont'd)

Sensitivity of the Total Nonemployer OPEB Liability Attributable to the District to Changes in the Healthcare Trend Rate

The following presents the total nonemployer OPEB Liability attributable to the District as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the healthcare trend rate as disclosed in this note, as well as what the total nonemployer OPEB liability attributable to the District would be if it were calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is 1-percentagepoint lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June (30, 2019			
		1%]	Healthcare	1%
		Decrease	Co	st Trend Rate	Increase
Total OPEB Liability Attributable to					
the District	\$	21,225,057	\$	25,678,840	\$ 31,569,139

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 the District recognized OPEB expense of \$525,788 as determined by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. This expense and the related offsetting revenue are for benefits provided by the State through a defined benefit OPEB plan that meets the criteria in GASB Codification Section P50, in which there is a special funding situation.

In accordance with GASB Codification Section P50, as the District's proportionate share of the OPEB liability is \$-0-, there is no recognition of the allocation of the proportionate share of the deferred inflows and outflows of resources. At June 30, 2019 the State had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB associated with the District from the following sources:

	Year of Deferral	Original Amortization Period in Years	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in Assumptions	2017	9.54		\$ 2,989,536
	2018	9.51		2,571,406
	2019	9.29	\$ 341,660	
			341,660	5,560,942
Differences Between Expected	2018	9.51		2,430,779
and Actual Experience	2019	9.29		4,021,358
				6,452,137
Changes in Proportion	N/A	N/A		285,207
			\$ 341,660	\$ 12,298,286

N/A - Not Available

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

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NOTE 18. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Cont'd)

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Cont'd)

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

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Total
2020	\$ (1,567,058)
2021	(1,567,058)
2022	(1,567,057)
2023	(1,567,057)
2024	(1,567,057)
Thereafter	(3,836,132)
	\$ (11,671,419)

NOTE 19. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

GASB 84, Fiduciary Activities, was implemented during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. As part of this implementation, the activity for the Unemployment Compensation Insurance Trust Fund which had previously been reported in the Fiduciary Funds is now reported in the General Fund. The Student Activities Fund is now reported in the Special Revenue Fund. The ending balances as of June 30, 2020 were restated due to this implementation as follows.

		ne 30, 2020	D		т	Balance
	as Previously		Retroactive		June 30, 2020	
		Reported	Adjustments		as Restated	
Statement of Net Activities - Governmental Activities: Net Position - Ending	\$	5,587,723	\$	110,443	\$	5,698,166
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in						
Fund Balance - Governmental Funds:						
General Fund:						
Fund Balance - June 30		3,494,363		25,434		3,519,797
Special Revenue Fund:						
Fund Balance - June 30		-0-		85,009		85,009
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position -						
Fiduciary Funds:						
Unemployment Compensation Trust:						
Net Position - End of the Year		25,434		(25,434)		-0-

LINCOLN PARK BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021 (Continued)

NOTE 20: SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The COVID-19 outbreak in the United States and specifically in New Jersey continues to cause disruption of the District's financial operations. Though the impact on the District's operations cannot be reasonably estimated at this date, it is likely that there will be an impact on certain revenue in the General Fund other than state aid and the local tax levy. There have been additional operating expenses in the General Fund due to schools re-opening on a full-time basis.

The District's Food Service Fund has been impacted by COVID-19 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 as the District continues to offer free lunch to all students under the Seamless Summer Option.

APPENDIX C

Form of Bond Counsel's Approving Legal Opinion





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_____, 2022

The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park Lincoln Park, New Jersey

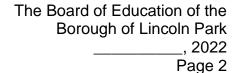
Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as bond counsel in connection with the authorization, sale and issuance of \$10,211,000 aggregate principal amount of School Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds") of The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board).

The Bonds are issued pursuant to: (i) Title 18A, Chapter 24 of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented (the "Education Law"); (ii) a proposal adopted by the Board on December 21, 2021 (the "Proposal") and approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the legal voters present and voting at a special School District election held on March 8, 2022 and (iii) a resolution duly adopted by the Board on April 19, 2022 (the "Resolution").

The Bonds are issued in fully registered book-entry only form, without coupons, initially registered in the name of and held by Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), an automated depository for securities and clearing house for securities transactions. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in bookentry only form in principal amounts of \$1,000 each or any integral multiple thereof with a minimum purchase of \$5,000 required, through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Bonds, payments of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made by the Board directly to Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. Disbursement of such payments to DTC participants is the responsibility of DTC and disbursement of such payments to the beneficial owners of the Bonds is the responsibility of DTC participants.

The Bonds are dated their date of delivery and shall bear interest from such date, which interest shall be payable commencing July 15, 2023 and semi-annually thereafter on the fifteenth day of January and July in each year until maturity or prior redemption, and shall mature on July 15 of the years and in the principal amounts as follows:





	Principal	Interest		Principal	Interest
<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2023	\$336,000	3.25%	2033	\$515,000	3.50%
2024	385,000	3.50	2034	530,000	4.00
2025	395,000	3.50	2035	545,000	4.00
2026	410,000	3.50	2036	565,000	4.00
2027	425,000	3.50	2037	580,000	4.00
2028	440,000	3.50	2038	600,000	4.00
2029	450,000	3.50	2039	620,000	4.00
2030	465,000	3.50	2040	640,000	4.00
2031	480,000	3.50	2041	660,000	4.00
2032	500,000	3.50	2042	670,000	4.00

The Bonds of this issue are subject to optional redemption prior to their stated maturities.

We have examined such matters of law, certified copies of the proceedings, including the bond referendum proceedings, and other documents and proofs relative to the issuance and sale of the Bonds as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purposes of the opinion rendered below. In such examination, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to the original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies. As to any facts material to our opinion we have, when relevant facts were not independently established, relied upon the aforesaid instruments, certificates and documents.

We are of the opinion that: (i) such proceedings and proofs show lawful authority for the sale and issuance of the Bonds pursuant to the Education Law, the Proposal and the Resolution; (ii) the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the Board; and (iii) all the taxable real property within the School District is subject to the levy of *ad valorem* taxes, without limitation as to rate or amount, for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), sets forth certain requirements which must be met subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds for the interest thereon to be and remain excludable from gross income for Federal income tax purposes. Noncompliance with such requirements could cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for Federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of the issuance of the Bonds. The Board has covenanted to maintain the exclusion of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for Federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103(a) of the Code.

In our opinion, under existing law, and assuming continuing compliance by the Board with the aforementioned covenant, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court



decisions, interest on the Bonds is not includable for Federal income tax purposes in the gross income of the owners of the Bonds pursuant to Section 103 of the Code. The Bonds are not "specified private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 57 of the Code and, therefore, the interest on the Bonds will not be treated as a preference item for purposes of computing the Federal alternative minimum tax.

We are also of the opinion that, under existing laws of the State of New Jersey, interest on the Bonds and any gain on the sale thereof is not includable in gross income under the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act, 1976 N.J. Laws c. 47, as amended and supplemented.

The Bonds maturing on July 15 in the years 2023 through 2037, inclusive (the "Premium Bonds"), have been sold to the public at a premium. Section 171 of the Code provides rules under which a bond premium may be amortized and a deduction allowed for the amount of the amortizable bond premium for a taxable year. Under Section 171(a)(2) of the Code, however, no deduction is allowable for the amortizable bond premium in the case of bonds, like the Premium Bonds, the interest on which is excludable from gross income. Under Section 1016(a)(5) of the Code, the purchaser's basis in a Premium Bond will be reduced by the amount of the amortizable bond premium disallowable as a deduction under Section 171(2) of the Code. Proceeds received from the sale, exchange, redemption or payment of a Premium Bond in excess of the owner's adjusted basis (as reduced pursuant to Section 1016(a)(5) of the Code), will be treated as a gain from the sale or exchange of such Premium Bonds and not as interest.

We are also of the opinion that the difference between the stated principal amount of the Bonds maturing on July 15 in the years 2039 through 2042, inclusive (the "Discount Bonds") and their respective initial offering prices to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers), at which price a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds of the same maturity and interest rate were sold, constitutes original issue discount which is excluded from gross income for Federal income tax purposes to the same extent as interest on the Discount Bonds. Further, such original issue discount accrues actuarially on a constant interest rate basis over the term of each Discount Bond and the basis of each Discount Bond acquired at such initial offering price by an initial purchaser thereof will be increased by the amount of such accrued original issue discount.

Except as stated in the preceding paragraphs, we express no opinion as to any Federal, state or local tax consequences of the ownership or disposition of the Bonds. Furthermore, we express no opinion as to any Federal, state or local tax law consequences with respect to the Bonds, or the interest thereon, if any action is taken with respect to the Bonds or the proceeds thereof upon the advice or approval of other bond counsel.

This opinion is qualified to the extent that the enforceability of the rights or remedies with respect to the Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, debt adjustment,



moratorium, reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights or remedies heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable and their enforcement may also be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

We have examined one of the executed Bonds and, in our opinion, its form and execution are regular and proper.

Very truly yours,

WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A.

APPENDIX D

Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate



CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate dated as of July 19, 2022 (the "Disclosure Certificate") is executed and delivered by The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) in connection with the issuance of its \$10,211,000 aggregate principal amount of School Bonds, Series 2022 dated their date of delivery (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are being issued by virtue of a proposal adopted by the Board on December 21, 2021 and approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the legal voters present and voting at a special School District election held on March 8, 2022 and pursuant to a resolution entitled, "RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF \$10.211.000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SCHOOL BONDS. SERIES 2022 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH", duly adopted by the Board on April 19, 2022 (the "Bond Resolution"). The Board covenants and agrees as follows:

SECTION 1. Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Board for the benefit of the Bondholders and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and in order to assist the Participating Underwriter(s) in complying with the Rule (as defined below). The Board acknowledges it is an "Obligated Person" under the Rule (as defined below).

SECTION 2. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the definitions set forth in the Bond Resolution which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Report" shall mean any Annual Report provided by the Board pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Beneficial Owner" shall mean any person which (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of any Bonds, as applicable (including persons holding Bonds, as applicable through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds, as applicable, for Federal income tax purposes.

"Continuing Disclosure Information" shall mean, collectively, (i) each Annual Report, (ii) any notice required to be filed by the Board with the EMMA (as defined herein) pursuant to Section 3 of this Disclosure Agreement, and (iii) any notice of a Listed Event required to be filed by the Board with EMMA pursuant to Section 5 of this Disclosure Agreement.

"Disclosure Representative" shall mean the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board or his/her designee, or such other person as the Board shall designate in writing from time to time for the purposes of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Dissemination Agent" shall mean, initially, the Board or any Dissemination Agent subsequently designated in writing by the Board which has filed with the Board a written acceptance of such designation.

"EMMA" shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access system, a website created by the MSRB (as defined herein) and approved by the SEC (as defined herein) to provide a central location where investors can obtain municipal bond information including disclosure documents. The Board or the Dissemination Agent shall submit disclosure documents to EMMA as a PDF file to www.emma.msrb.org.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean a: (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of (a) or (b) listed hereinabove. The term "*Financial Obligation*" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB (as defined below) consistent with the Rule (as defined below).

"Listed Events" shall mean any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Certificate.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Rule" shall mean Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

"SEC" shall mean the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"SEC Release No. 34-59062" shall mean Release No. 34-59062 of the SEC dated December 5, 2008.

"State" shall mean the State of New Jersey.

"Underwriters" shall mean any of the original underwriters of the Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with the purchase of the Bonds.

SECTION 3. Provision of Annual Reports. (a) The Board shall provide or cause to be provided to the Dissemination Agent not later than December 31 of each year, commencing December 31, 2022 (for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022), an Annual Report which is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate. Each Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided that the audited financial statements of the Board

may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report; and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if the audited financial statements of the Board are not available by December 31, the Board shall include unaudited financial statements with its Annual Report and when such audited financial statements become available to the Board, the same shall be submitted to the Dissemination Agent no later than thirty (30) days after the receipt of the same by the Board.

- (b) Not later than January 31 of each year (commencing January 31, 2023) the Dissemination Agent shall provide to EMMA a copy of the Annual Report received by the Dissemination Agent pursuant to subsection (a) hereof.
- (c) If the Board does not provide or is unable to provide an Annual Report by the applicable date required in subsection (a) above, such that the Dissemination Agent cannot file the Annual Report with EMMA in accordance with subsection (b) above, the Dissemination Agent shall, in a timely manner, send a notice of such event to EMMA in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, with copies to the Board (if the Dissemination Agent is not the Board).
- (d) Each year the Dissemination Agent shall file a report with the Board (if the Dissemination Agent is not the Board), certifying that the Annual Report has been provided to EMMA pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate, stating the date it was provided.
- (e) If the fiscal year of the Board changes, the Board shall give written notice of such change to the Dissemination Agent and the Dissemination Agent shall, within five (5) business days after the receipt thereof from the Board, forward a notice of such change to EMMA in the manner provided in Section 5(e) hereof.
- **SECTION 4.** <u>Content of Annual Reports</u>. The Board's Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the following:
 - (1) The audited financial statements of the Board (or unaudited financial statements if audited financial statements are not then available, which audited financial statements will be delivered when and if available).

The audited financial statements are to be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

(2) The general financial information and operating data of the Board consistent with the information set forth in the Official Statement dated June 28, 2022, prepared in connection with the sale of the Bonds (the "Official Statement") in <u>Appendix A</u> under the sections relating to (1) Board indebtedness; (2) property valuation information; and (3) tax rate, levy and collection data.

Any or all of the items listed above may be incorporated by reference from other documents, including official statements of debt issues with respect to which the Board is an "Obligated Person" (as defined by the Rule), which have been filed with EMMA or the Securities and Exchange Commission. If the document incorporated by reference is a final

official statement, it must be available from the MSRB. The Board shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

SECTION 5. Reporting of Significant Events. (a) This Section 5 shall govern the giving of notices of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds:

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Nonpayment related defaults, if material;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform:
- (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (7) Modifications to rights of Bondholders, if material;
- (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) Defeasances of the Bonds;
- (10) Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (11) Ratings changes rating to the Bonds;
- (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Board;
- (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Board or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Board, 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 for the Bonds or the change of name of a trustee for the Bonds, if material;
- (15) Incurrence of a financial obligation, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation, any of which affect Bondholders, if material; and
- (16) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

The Board shall, in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of any Listed Event, file a notice of the occurrence of such Listed Event with the MSRB in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of this Disclosure Certificate. In determining the materiality of any of the Listed Events specified in this subsection (a) of this section 5, the Board may, but shall not be required to, rely conclusively on an opinion of counsel.

- (b) Whenever the Board has or obtains knowledge of the occurrence of any of the Listed Events, the Board shall, as soon as possible, determine if such event would constitute information material to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.
- (c) If the Board determines that the occurrence of a Listed Event would be material to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, the Board shall promptly notify the Dissemination Agent in writing (if the Board is not the Dissemination Agent) and the Board shall instruct the Dissemination Agent to report such Listed Event and the Dissemination Agent shall report the occurrence of such Listed Event pursuant to subsection (e) hereof.
- (d) If the Board determines that the occurrence of a Listed Event would not be material to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, the Board shall promptly notify the Dissemination Agent in writing (if the Dissemination Agent is not the Board) and the Dissemination Agent (if the Dissemination Agent is not the Board) shall be instructed by the Board not to report the occurrence.
- (e) If the Dissemination Agent has been instructed in writing by the Board to report the occurrence of a Listed Event, the Dissemination Agent shall file a notice of such occurrence with EMMA, with a copy to the Board (if the Dissemination Agent is not the Board). Notwithstanding the foregoing, notice of Listed Events described in subsections (a)(8) and (9) hereof need not be given under this subsection any earlier than the notice (if any) of the underlying event is given to the Beneficial Owner of the affected Bonds pursuant to the Bond Resolution.
- **SECTION 6.** <u>Termination of Reporting Obligation</u>. The Board's obligations under this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds or when the Board is no longer an "Obligated Person" (as defined in the Rule). The Board shall file a notice of the termination of its reporting

obligations pursuant to the provisions hereof with the Dissemination Agent, which notice shall be filed with EMMA in accordance with the provisions of Section 5(e) hereof.

SECTION 7. <u>Dissemination Agent; Compensation</u>. The Board may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be the Board. The Board shall compensate the Dissemination Agent (which shall be appointed) for the performance of its obligations hereunder in accordance with an agreed upon fee structure.

SECTION 8. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Board may amend this Disclosure Certificate and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, if such amendment or waiver (supported by an opinion of counsel expert in Federal securities laws acceptable to the Board to the effect that such amendment or waiver would not, in and of itself, cause the undertakings herein to violate the Rule if such amendment or waiver had been effective on the date hereof) is (a) made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature, or status of the obligated person, or type of business conducted; (b) the undertaking, as amended or waived, would have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the primary offering of the Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and (c) the amendment or waiver does not materially impair the interests of holders, as determined either by parties unaffiliated with the Board or "Obligated Person," or by approving vote of the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, as applicable pursuant to the terms of the Bond Resolution at the time of the amendment. The Board shall give notice of such amendment or waiver to this Disclosure Certificate to the Dissemination Agent, which notice shall be filed in accordance with the provisions of Notwithstanding the above, the addition of or change in the Section 5 hereof. Dissemination Agent shall not be construed to be an amendment under the provisions hereof.

In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Board shall describe such amendment in the next Annual Report, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the Board. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements (i) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as a Listed Event under Section 5 hereof, and (ii) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

SECTION 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Board from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of

communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Board chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Board shall have no obligation under this Disclosure Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

SECTION 10. <u>Default.</u> In the event of a failure of the Board to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Holders of at least 25% aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Bonds or any Beneficial Owner of the Bonds may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the Board to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an Event of Default on the Bonds and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Board to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

SECTION 11. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of the Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and, to the extent permitted by law, the Board agrees to indemnify and hold the Dissemination Agent (if the Dissemination Agent is not the Board) and its respective officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which it may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's gross negligence or willful misconduct. To the extent permitted by law, the Board further releases the Dissemination Agent from any liability for the disclosure of any information required by the Rule and this Disclosure Certificate. The obligations of the Board under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Bonds.

SECTION 12. <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Board, the Dissemination Agent, the Underwriters, and the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, including Bondholders, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

SECTION 13. <u>Notices</u>. All notices and submissions required hereunder shall be given to the following, or their successors, by facsimile transmission (with written confirmation of receipt), followed by hard copy sent by certified or registered mail, personal delivery or recognized overnight delivery:

(a) If to the Board of Education:

The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park 92 Ryerson Road Lincoln Park, New Jersey 07035 Attention: Business Administrator/Board Secretary

(b) Copies of all notices to the Dissemination Agent from time to time with respect to the Bonds, initially:

The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park 92 Ryerson Road Lincoln Park, New Jersey 07035 Attention: Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Each party shall give notice from time to time to the other parties, in the manner specified herein, of any change of the identity or address of anyone listed herein.

SECTION 14. Counterparts. This Disclosure Certificate may be executed in any number of counterparts which shall be executed by authorized signatories of the Board and the Dissemination Agent, as applicable, and all of which together shall be regarded for all purposes as one original and shall constitute and be but one and the same.

SECTION 15. Severability. If any one or more of the covenants or agreements in this Disclosure Certificate to be performed on the part of the Board and the Dissemination Agent should be contrary to law, then such covenant or covenants, agreement or agreements, shall be deemed severable from the remaining covenants and agreements and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this Disclosure Certificate.

SECTION 16. Governing Law. This Disclosure Certificate shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the Laws of the United States of America and the State of New Jersey as applicable.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

Ву:	
	NICOLE C. SCHOENING,
	Rusiness Administrator/Roard Secretary

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE TO EMMA OF FAILURE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT

Name of Issuer:	The Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris, New Jersey
Name of Issue:	\$10,211,000 School Bonds, Series 2022 Dated: July 19, 2022 (CUSIP Number: 534680DX8)
Date of Issuance:	July 19, 2022
Report with respect to the	/EN that the above designated Board has not provided an Annual e above-named Bonds as required by the Bond Resolution and a ertificate for the Bonds dated as of July 19, 2022 executed by the
DATED:	
	DISSEMINATION AGENT (on behalf of the Board)
cc: The Board	



APPENDIX E

Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy





MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

ISSUER: Policy No: -N

BONDS: \$ in aggregate principal amount of Effective Date:

Premium: \$

ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP. ("AGM"), for consideration received, hereby UNCONDITIONALLY AND IRREVOCABLY agrees to pay to the trustee (the "Trustee") or paying agent (the "Paying Agent") (as set forth in the documentation providing for the issuance of and securing the Bonds) for the Bonds, for the benefit of the Owners or, at the election of AGM, directly to each Owner, subject only to the terms of this Policy (which includes each endorsement hereto), that portion of the principal of and interest on the Bonds that shall become Due for Payment but shall be unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer

On the later of the day on which such principal and interest becomes Due for Payment or the Business Day next following the Business Day on which AGM shall have received Notice of Nonpayment, AGM will disburse to or for the benefit of each Owner of a Bond the face amount of principal of and interest on the Bond that is then Due for Payment but is then unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer, but only upon receipt by AGM, in a form reasonably satisfactory to it, of (a) evidence of the Owner's right to receive payment of the principal or interest then Due for Payment and (b) evidence, including any appropriate instruments of assignment, that all of the Owner's rights with respect to payment of such principal or interest that is Due for Payment shall thereupon vest in AGM. A Notice of Nonpayment will be deemed received on a given Business Day if it is received prior to 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on such Business Day; otherwise, it will be deemed received on the next Business Day. If any Notice of Nonpayment received by AGM is incomplete, it shall be deemed not to have been received by AGM for purposes of the preceding sentence and AGM shall promptly so advise the Trustee, Paying Agent or Owner, as appropriate, who may submit an amended Notice of Nonpayment. Upon disbursement in respect of a Bond, AGM shall become the owner of the Bond, any appurtenant coupon to the Bond or right to receipt of payment of principal of or interest on the Bond and shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Owner, including the Owner's right to receive payments under the Bond, to the extent of any payment by AGM hereunder. Payment by AGM to the Trustee or Paying Agent for the benefit of the Owners shall, to the extent thereof, discharge the obligation of AGM under this Policy.

Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, the following terms shall have the meanings specified for all purposes of this Policy. "Business Day" means any day other than (a) a Saturday or Sunday or (b) a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York or the Insurer's Fiscal Agent are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed. "Due for Payment" means (a) when referring to the principal of a Bond, payable on the stated maturity date thereof or the date on which the same shall have been duly called for mandatory sinking fund redemption and does not refer to any earlier date on which payment is due by reason of call for redemption (other than by mandatory sinking fund redemption), acceleration or other advancement of maturity unless AGM shall elect, in its sole discretion, to pay such principal due upon such acceleration together with any accrued interest to the date of acceleration and (b) when referring to interest on a Bond, payable on the stated date for payment of interest. "Nonpayment" means, in respect of a Bond, the failure of the Issuer to have provided sufficient funds to the Trustee or, if there is no Trustee, to the Paying Agent for payment in full of all principal and interest that is Due for Payment on such Bond. "Nonpayment" shall also include, in respect of a Bond, any payment of principal or interest that is Due for Payment made to an Owner by or on behalf of the Issuer which been recovered from such Owner pursuant

United States Bankruptcy Code by a trustee in bankruptcy in accordance with a final, nonappealable order of a court having competent jurisdiction. "Notice" means telephonic or telecopied notice, subsequently confirmed in a signed writing, or written notice by registered or certified mail, from an Owner, the Trustee or the Paying Agent to AGM which notice shall specify (a) the person or entity making the claim, (b) the Policy Number, (c) the claimed amount and (d) the date such claimed amount became Due for Payment. "Owner" means, in respect of a Bond, the person or entity who, at the time of Nonpayment, is entitled under the terms of such Bond to payment thereof, except that "Owner" shall not include the Issuer or any person or entity whose direct or indirect obligation constitutes the underlying security for the Bonds.

AGM may appoint a fiscal agent (the "Insurer's Fiscal Agent") for purposes of this Policy by giving written notice to the Trustee and the Paying Agent specifying the name and notice address of the Insurer's Fiscal Agent. From and after the date of receipt of such notice by the Trustee and the Paying Agent, (a) copies of all notices required to be delivered to AGM pursuant to this Policy shall be simultaneously delivered to the Insurer's Fiscal Agent and to AGM and shall not be deemed received until received by both and (b) all payments required to be made by AGM under this Policy may be made directly by AGM or by the Insurer's Fiscal Agent on behalf of AGM. The Insurer's Fiscal Agent is the agent of AGM only and the Insurer's Fiscal Agent shall in no event be liable to any Owner for any act of the Insurer's Fiscal Agent or any failure of AGM to deposit or cause to be deposited sufficient funds to make payments due under this Policy.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, AGM agrees not to assert, and hereby waives, only for the benefit of each Owner, all rights (whether by counterclaim, setoff or otherwise) and defenses (including, without limitation, the defense of fraud), whether acquired by subrogation, assignment or otherwise, to the extent that such rights and defenses may be available to AGM to avoid payment of its obligations under this Policy in accordance with the express provisions of this Policy.

This Policy sets forth in full the undertaking of AGM, and shall not be modified, altered or affected by any other agreement or instrument, including any modification or amendment thereto. Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, (a) any premium paid in respect of this Policy is nonrefundable for any reason whatspever, including payment, or provision being made for payment, of the Bonds prior to maturity and (b) this Policy may not be canceled or revoked. THIS POLICY IS NOT COVERED BY THE PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE SECURITY FUND SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 76 OF THE NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW.

In witness whereof, ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP. has caused this Policy to be executed on its behalf by its Authorized Officer.



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