

## CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION HOMERVILLE, GEORGIA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013 (Including Independent Auditor's Reports)



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FINANCIAL



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September 15, 2014

Atlanta, Georgia 30334-8400

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

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information (Exhibits A through H) of the Clinch County Board of Education as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express

no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Clinch County Board of Education, as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2013, the Clinch County Board of Education adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position.* Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -Budget and Actual, as presented on page 23, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

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

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

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 15, 2014, on our consideration of the Clinch County Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Clinch County Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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

Respectfully submitted.

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Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

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	_	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	3,420,772.84
Investments		85,153.26
Accounts Receivable, Net		
Taxes		390,703.34
State Government		769,379.62
Federal Government		323,395.89
Other		26,450.43
Inventories		17,144.36
Capitalized Bond Issuance Cost		41,217.70
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable  Capital Assets, Paragoinhle (Not of Assumulated Paragointian)		469,106.16
Capital Assets, Depreciable (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	_	9,270,750.86
Total Assets	\$_	14,814,074.46
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$	120,570.80
Salaries and Benefits Payable	Ψ	1,422,761.85
Payroll Withholdings Payable		1,847.02
Interest Payable		10,647.54
Long-Term Liabilities		20,0
Due Within One Year		648,104.53
Due in More than One Year	_	668,104.53
Total Liabilities	\$_	2,872,036.27
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$	9,669,422.68
Restricted for		
Continuation of Federal Programs		200,311.76
Debt Service		504,046.75
Capital Projects		45,084.45
Unrestricted	_	1,523,172.55
Total Net Position	\$_	11,942,038.19

				PROGRAM REVENUES				NET (EXPENSES)	
			-			OPERATING	•	REVENUES	
				CHARGES FOR		GRANTS AND		AND CHANGES IN	
	_	EXPENSES	_	SERVICES		CONTRIBUTIONS		NET POSITION	
COVEDNIA ENTAL A OTIVITIES									
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES									
Instruction	\$	8,388,835.61			\$	5,080,430.09	\$	-3,308,405.52	
Support Services									
Pupil Services		706,678.92				228,830.82		-477,848.10	
Improvement of Instructional Services		503,260.12				384,499.99		-118,760.13	
Educational Media Services		215,828.51				189,358.06		-26,470.45	
General Administration		690,041.51				460,128.23		-229,913.28	
School Administration		867,701.47				516,486.55		-351,214.92	
Business Administration		171,352.97				15,255.83		-156,097.14	
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		1,107,619.41				477,905.22		-629,714.19	
Student Transportation Services		624,419.52				332,379.01		-292,040.51	
Central Support Services		25,065.00						-25,065.00	
Other Support Services		37,498.91				35,872.63		-1,626.28	
Operations of Non-Instructional Services									
Food Services		767,858.26	\$	114,403.74		598,271.10		-55,183.42	
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Tern Debt		61,428.36						-61,428.36	
	-		-						
Total Governmental Activities	\$_	14,167,588.57	\$_	114,403.74	\$	8,319,417.53	\$	-5,733,767.30	
General Revenues									
Taxes									
Property Taxes									
For Maintenance and Operations							\$	3.779.661.46	
Railroad Cars							Ψ	35.299.30	
Sales Taxes								00,200.00	
Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax									
For Debt Services								719,550.76	
Other Sales Tax								23,932.17	
Grants and Contributions not Restricted								23,332.11	
to Specific Programs								102,553.00	
Investment Earnings								24,734.24	
Miscellaneous									
MISCEIIATIEOUS								295,312.40	
Total General Revenues							\$	4,981,043.33	
Change in Net Position							\$	-752,723.97	
Net Position - Beginning of Year								12,694,762.16	
Net Position - End of Year							\$	11,942,038.19	
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# CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2013

		GENERAL FUND	_	DISTRICT- WIDE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	-	DEBT SERVICE FUND	_	TOTAL
<u>ASSETS</u>								
Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments Accounts Receivable, Net	\$	2,045,926.71 85,153.26	\$	921,003.37	\$	453,842.76	\$	3,420,772.84 85,153.26
Taxes State Government Federal Government Other Inventories	-	329,851.81 769,379.62 323,395.89 26,450.43 17,144.36	_		-	60,851.53	_	390,703.34 769,379.62 323,395.89 26,450.43 17,144.36
Total Assets	\$ <u>-</u>	3,597,302.08	\$_	921,003.37	\$	514,694.29	\$_	5,032,999.74
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES								
Accounts Payable Salaries and Benefits Payable Payroll Withholdings Payable Deposits and Deferred Revenue	\$ 	98,921.34 1,422,761.85 1,847.02 114,490.81	\$	21,649.46	\$	0.00	\$	120,570.80 1,422,761.85 1,847.02 114,490.81
Total Liabilities	\$_	1,638,021.02	\$_	21,649.46	\$	0.00	\$_	1,659,670.48
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable Restricted Assigned Unassigned	\$	17,144.36 183,167.40 126,741.38 1,632,227.92	\$	729,280.80 170,073.11	\$	514,694.29	\$	17,144.36 1,427,142.49 296,814.49 1,632,227.92
Total Fund Balances	\$_	1,959,281.06	\$_	899,353.91	\$	514,694.29	\$_	3,373,329.26
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$_	3,597,302.08	\$_	921,003.37	\$	514,694.29	\$_	5,032,999.74

#### EXHIBIT "D"

## CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2013

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (Exhibit "C")

3,373,329.26

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. These assets consist of:

 Land
 \$ 448,086.00

 Construction in Progress
 21,020.16

 Land Improvements
 2,596,505.55

 Buildings
 10,832,059.08

 Equipment
 2,288,784.00

 Accumulated Depreciation
 -6,446,597.77

Total Capital Assets 9,739,857.02

Taxes that are not available to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the funds.

114,490.81

Other Long-Term Assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore, are deferred on the Statement of Net Position.

Deferred Charges - Capitalized Bond Issuance Costs

41,217.70

Long-Term Liabilities, including Bonds Payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.

Long-Term Liabilities at year-end consist of:

 Bonds Payable
 \$ -1,240,000.00

 Accrued Interest
 -10,647.54

 Unamortized Bond Premium
 -76,209.06

 Total Long-Term Liabilities
 -76,209.06

-1,326,856.60

Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit "A")

11,942,038.19

# CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

	_	GENERAL FUND	_	DISTRICT- WIDE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	-	DEBT SERVICE FUND	_	TOTAL
REVENUES								
Property Taxes Sales Taxes State Funds Federal Funds Charges for Services	\$	3,835,140.61 23,932.17 6,416,723.74 2,005,246.79 114,403.74	•	0.700.00	\$	719,550.76	\$	3,835,140.61 743,482.93 6,416,723.74 2,005,246.79 114,403.74
Investment Earnings Miscellaneous	_	17,527.63 295,312.40	\$	6,788.66	_	417.95	_	24,734.24 295,312.40
Total Revenues	\$_	12,708,287.08	\$	6,788.66	\$	719,968.71	\$_	13,435,044.45
EXPENDITURES								
Current Instruction Support Services	\$	8,046,946.46					\$	8,046,946.46
Pupil Services Improvement of Instructional Services Educational Media Services General Administration School Administration Business Administration Maintenance and Operation of Plant Student Transportation Services Central Support Services Other Support Services		565,409.84 503,260.12 215,828.51 665,841.07 851,724.20 188,848.65 980,845.95 509,265.85 25,065.00 37,498.91	\$	242.00				565,409.84 503,260.12 216,070.51 665,841.07 851,724.20 188,848.65 980,845.95 509,265.85 25,065.00 37,498.91
Food Services Operation Capital Outlay Debt Services		780,484.13		261,515.72				780,484.13 261,515.72
Principal Dues and Fees Interest	-		-	30.00	\$	600,000.00	-	600,000.00 30.00 67,300.00
Total Expenditures	\$_	13,371,018.69	\$	261,787.72	\$_	667,300.00	\$_	14,300,106.41
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	\$_	-662,731.61	\$	-254,999.06	\$_	52,668.71	\$_	-865,061.96
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers In Transfers Out	\$_	-14,878.07	\$	14,878.07	\$	0.00	\$	14,878.07 -14,878.07
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$_	-14,878.07	\$	14,878.07	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$	-677,609.68	\$	-240,120.99	\$	52,668.71	\$	-865,061.96
Fund Balances - Beginning	-	2,636,890.74		1,139,474.90	-	462,025.58	=	4,238,391.22
Fund Balances - Ending	\$_	1,959,281.06	\$	899,353.91	\$	514,694.29	\$_	3,373,329.26

#### EXHIBIT "F"

# CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2013

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (Exhibit "E")

\$ -865,061.96

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

Capital Outlays are reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of Capital Assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:

 Capital Outlay
 \$ 29,617.16

 Depreciation Expense
 -496,272.12

Excess of Capital Outlay over Depreciation Expense -466,654.96

Taxes reported in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.

-20,179.85

The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, donations, and disposals) is to decrease net position.

-24,224.52

Repayment of Long-Term Debt is reported as an expenditure in Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduces Long-Term Liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. In the current year, these amounts consist of Bond Principal Retirements.

600,000.00

Some items reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds. These activities consist of:

Amortization of Bond Issuance Cost \$ -20,608.85

Amortization of Bond Premium 38,104.53

Net Decrease in Accrued Interest 5,901.64

Total Additional Expenditures

23,397.32

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

-752,723.97

#### CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2013

EXHIBIT "G"

	<u>-</u>	AGENCY FUNDS
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>=</u>	52,108.54
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Funds Held for Others	\$	52,108.54

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

#### REPORTING ENTITY

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

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

#### **BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

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

#### **District-wide Statements:**

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the financial activities of the overall School District, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the School District's governmental activities.

- Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses (expenses of the School District related to the administration and support of the School District's programs, such as office and maintenance personnel and accounting) are not allocated to programs.
- Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

#### **Fund Financial Statements:**

The fund financial statements provide information about the School District's funds, including fiduciary funds. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Separate statements for each category (governmental and fiduciary) are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds.

The School District reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
- District-wide Capital Projects Fund accounts for and reports financial resources including Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) and Bond Proceeds that are restricted, committed or assigned to the expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.
- Debt Service Fund accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned including taxes (sales) legally restricted for the payment of general long-term principal and interest.

The School District reports the following fiduciary fund type:

 Agency funds account for assets held by the School District as an agent for various funds, governments or individuals.

#### **BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

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

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

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

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

#### **NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In fiscal year 2013, the School District adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 60, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Service Concession Arrangements*. The provisions of this Statement establish accounting and financial reporting standards for governments who enter into Service Concession Arrangements (SCA) with other governmental or nongovernmental entities. As of June 30, 2013, the School District has not entered into any arrangements that meet the qualifications to be reported as a SCA in accordance with this standard.

In fiscal year 2013, the School District adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 62, *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements.* The provisions of this Statement incorporate certain accounting and financial reporting guidance into authoritative GASB literature.

In fiscal year 2013, the School District adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position.* The provisions of this Statement establish financial reporting standards

for the presentation of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources and their effects on a government's net position. The School District changed its presentation of net assets to net position for fiscal year 2013. There were no other applicable reporting changes for the School District.

#### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

#### **Composition of Deposits**

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

#### **INVESTMENTS**

#### **Composition of Investments**

Investments made by the School District in nonparticipating interest-earning contracts (such as certificates of deposit) and repurchase agreements are reported at cost. Participating interest-earning contracts and money market investments with a maturity at purchase of one year or less are reported at amortized cost. Both participating interest-earning contracts and money market investments with a maturity at purchase greater than one year and equity investments are reported at fair value. The Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 36-83-4 authorizes the School District to invest its funds. In selecting among options for investment or among institutional bids for deposits, the highest rate of return shall be the objective, given equivalent conditions of safety and liquidity. Funds may be invested in the following:

- 1. Obligations issued by the State of Georgia or by other states,
- 2. Obligations issued by the United States government,
- 3. Obligations fully insured or guaranteed by the United States government or a United States government agency,
- 4. Obligations of any corporation of the United States government,
- 5. Prime banker's acceptances,
- 6. The Georgia Fund 1 administered by the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer,
- 7. Repurchase agreements, and
- 8. Obligations of other political subdivisions of the State of Georgia.

The School District does not have a formal policy regarding investment policies that address credit risks, custodial credit risks, concentration of credit risks, interest rate risk or foreign currency risks.

#### **RECEIVABLES**

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

#### **PROPERTY TAXES**

The Clinch County Board of Commissioners fixed the property tax levy for the 2012 tax digest year (calendar year) on August 24, 2012 (levy date) based on property values as of January 1, 2012. Taxes were due on December 20, 2012 (lien date). Taxes collected within the current fiscal year or within 60 days after year-end on the 2012 tax digest are reported as revenue in the governmental funds for fiscal year 2013. The Clinch County Tax Commissioner bills and collects the property taxes for the School District, withholds 2.5% of taxes collected as a fee for tax collection and remits the balance of taxes collected to the School District. Property tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, for maintenance and operations amounted to \$3,748,876.50.

The tax millage rate levied for the 2012 tax year (calendar year) for the Clinch County Board of Education was as follows (a mill equals \$1 per thousand dollars of assessed value):

**School Operations** 

15.682 mills

Additionally, Title Ad Valorem Tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, amounted to \$50,964.81 during fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

#### **SALES TAXES**

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, at the fund reporting level, during the year amounted to \$719,550.76 and is to be used for capital outlay for educational purposes or debt service. This sales tax was authorized by local referendum and the sales tax must be re-authorized at least every five years.

#### **INVENTORIES**

#### **Food Inventories**

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

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

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

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

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

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

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

#### **GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

The School District issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. In the District-wide financial statements, bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the debt.

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

#### **NET POSITION**

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

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

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

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

#### **FUND BALANCES**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fund Balances of the Governmental Funds at June 30, 2013, are as follows:

Nonspendable			
Inventories		\$	17,144.36
Restricted			
Continuation of Federal Programs	\$ 183,167.40		
Capital Projects	729,280.80		
Debt Service	 514,694.29		1,427,142.49
Assigned	 		
School Activity Accounts	\$ 126,741.38		
Local Capital Projects	 170,073.11		296,814.49
Unassigned			1,632,227.92
Fund Balance, June 30, 2013		\$_	3,373,329.26

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

#### **USE OF ESTIMATES**

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

#### **NOTE 3: BUDGETARY DATA**

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

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

The Superintendent is authorized by the Board to approve adjustments of no more than 5 percent of the amount budgeted for expenditures in any budget function for any fund. The Superintendent shall report any such adjustments to the Board. If expenditure of funds in any budget function for any fund is anticipated to be more than 5 percent of the budgeted amount, the Superintendent shall request Board approval for the budget amendment. Under no circumstance is the Superintendent or other staff person authorized to spend funds that exceed the total budget without approval by the Board.

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

#### **NOTE 4: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

#### **COLLATERALIZATION OF DEPOSITS**

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

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

- 1. Surety bond signed by a surety company duly qualified and authorized to transact business within the State of Georgia,
- 2. Insurance on accounts provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
- 3. Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other direct obligations of the United States or of the State of Georgia.
- 4. Bonds, bills, notes, certificates of indebtedness or other obligations of the counties or municipalities of the State of Georgia,

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

#### **CATEGORIZATION OF DEPOSITS**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2013, the bank balances were \$3,820,203.99. The bank balances were entirely covered by Federal depository insurance or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution or its trust department in the School District's name.

#### **CATEGORIZATION OF INVESTMENTS**

At June 30, 2013, the carrying value of the School District's total investments was \$19,040.26, which is materially the same as fair value. This investment consisted entirely of funds invested in the Georgia Fund 1, formerly referred to as LGIP, administered by the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer which is not required to be categorized since the School District did not own any specific identifiable securities in the pool. The investment policy of the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer for the Georgia Fund 1 (Primary Liquidity Portfolio) does not provide for investment in derivatives or similar investments. Additional information on the Georgia Fund 1 is disclosed in the *State of Georgia* Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This audit can be obtained from the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts at http://www.audits.ga.gov/SGD/cafr.html.

The Primary Liquidity Portfolio consists of Georgia Fund 1 which is not registered with the SEC as an investment company but does operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. The investment is valued at the pool's share price, \$1.00 per share. The pool is an AAAf rated investment pool by Standard and Poor's. The weighted average maturity of Georgia Fund 1 may not exceed 60 days. The weighted average maturity for Georgia Fund 1 on June 30, 2013, was 43 days.

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

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

#### **NOTE 6: CAPITAL ASSETS**

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

	_	Balances July 1, 2012	_	Increases	_	Decreases	-	Balances June 30, 2013
Governmental Activities								
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated:								
Land	\$	439,489.00	\$	8,597.00	\$	0.00	\$	448,086.00
Construction in Progress	-	0.00	_	21,020.16	_		-	21,020.16
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	\$_	439,489.00	\$_	29,617.16	\$_	0.00	\$_	469,106.16
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated:								
Buildings and Improvements	\$	10,832,059.08					\$	10,832,059.08
Equipment		2,309,645.00			\$	20,861.00		2,288,784.00
Land Improvements		2,596,505.55						2,596,505.55
Intangible Assets		6,055.02				6,055.02		0.00
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:								
Buildings and Improvements		3,569,675.99	\$	194,374.25				3,764,050.24
Equipment		1,413,466.47		164,757.69		2,086.00		1,576,138.16
Land Improvements		969,269.19		137,140.18				1,106,409.37
Intangible Assets	_	605.50	_		_	605.50	-	0.00
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	\$_	9,791,247.50	\$_	-496,272.12	\$_	24,224.52	\$_	9,270,750.86
Governmental Activity Capital Assets - Net	\$_	10,230,736.50	\$_	-466,654.96	\$_	24,224.52	\$_	9,739,857.02

Current year depreciation expense by function is as follows:

Instruction		\$	150,271.20
Support Services			
Pupil Services	\$ 109,179.87		
General Administration	18,858.34		
School Administration	12,406.80		
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	96,078.28		
Student Transportation Services	89,130.47		325,653.76
Food Services	 _	_	20,347.16
		\$	496.272.12

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

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2013, consisted of the following:

		Transfers
	_	From
	_	General
<u>Transfer to</u>	_	Fund
District-wide Capital Projects	\$_	14,878.07

Transfers are used to move property tax revenues collected by the General Fund to the District-wide Capital Projects Fund as a supplemental funding source for capital construction projects.

#### **NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

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

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

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

	Beginning	Claims and		
	of Year	Changes in	Claims	End of Year
	Liability	Estimates	Paid	Liability
	_			
2012	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,950.00	\$ 4,950.00	\$ 0.00
2013	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,130.00	\$ 2,170.00	\$ 3,960.00

The School District participates in the Georgia Education Workers' Compensation Trust, a public entity risk pool organized on December 1, 1991, to develop, implement and administer a program of workers' compensation self-insurance for its member organizations. The School District pays an annual premium to the Trust for its general worker's compensation insurance coverage. Specific excess of loss insurance coverage is provided through an agreement by the Trust with the Safety National Casualty Company to provide coverage for potential losses sustained by the Trust in excess of \$1,000,000.00 loss per occurrence, up to the statutory limit. Employers' Liability insurance coverage is also provided with limits of \$2,000,000.00. The Trust covers the first \$1,000,000.00 of each Employers liability claim with Safety National providing additional Employers Liability limits up to a \$2,000,000.00 per occurrence maximum. Safety National Casualty Company also provides \$2,000,000.00 in aggregate coverage to the Trust, attaching at 110% of the loss fund and based on the Fund's annual normal premium.

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

Position Covered	_	Amount							
Board Chairperson				\$	2,500.00				
High School and Middle School Principals	\$	10,000.00	-	\$	25,000.00				
Secretaries				\$	25,000.00				

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

#### GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT OUTSTANDING

General Obligation Bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Purpose	Interest Rates	 Amount
General Government - Series 2010	3.00% - 4.00%	\$ 1,240,000.00

The changes in Long-Term Debt during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, were as follows:

	_	Governmental Activities											
	_	Balance						Balance		Due Within			
	-	July 1, 2012	-	Additions	_	Deductions		June 30, 2013		One Year			
G. O. Bonds	\$	1,840,000.00	\$	0.00	\$	600,000.00	\$	1,240,000.00	\$	610,000.00			
Bond Premium Amortized	-	114,313.59	-		-	38,104.53		76,209.06	•	38,104.53			
	\$	1,954,313.59	\$_	0.00	\$_	638,104.53	\$	1,316,209.06	\$	648,104.53			

At June 30, 2013, payments due by fiscal year which includes principal and interest for these items are as follows:

		General O	Unamortized	
		Principal	Interest	Bond Premium
Fiscal Year Ended June 30:		_		_
2014	\$	610,000.00	\$ 43,300.00	\$ 38,104.53
2015	_	630,000.00	18,900.00	38,104.53
Total Principal and Interest	\$_	1,240,000.00	\$ 62,200.00	\$ 76,209.06

#### **NOTE 10: ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS**

The School District has recognized revenues and costs in the amount of \$804,873.00 for health insurance and retirement contributions paid on the School District's behalf by the following State Agencies.

Georgia Department of Education

Paid to the Georgia Department of Community Health For Health Insurance of Certificated Personnel In the amount of \$781,884.00

Office of the State Treasurer

Paid to the Public School Employees' Retirement System
For Public School Employees' Retirement (PSERS) Employer's Cost
In the amount of \$22,989.00

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

#### NOTE 11: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

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

The School District is a defendant in various legal proceedings pertaining to matters incidental to the performance of routine School District operations. The ultimate disposition of these proceedings is not presently determinable, but is not believed to be material to the basic financial statements.

#### **NOTE 12: POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

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

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

Funding Policy. The contribution requirements of plan members and participating employers are established by the Board in accordance with the current Appropriations Act and may be amended by the Board. Contributions of plan members or beneficiaries receiving benefits vary based on plan election, dependent coverage, and Medicare eligibility and election. For members with fewer than five years of service as of January 1, 2013, contributions also vary based on years of service. On average, members with five years or more of service as of January 1, 2013, pay approximately 25 percent of the cost of the health insurance coverage. In accordance with the Board resolution dated December 8, 2011, for members with fewer than five years of service as of January 1, 2013, the State provides a premium subsidy in retirement that ranges from 0% for fewer than 10 years of service to 75% (but no greater than the subsidy percentage offered to active employees) for 30 or more years of service. The subsidy for eligible dependents ranges from 0% to 55% (but no greater than the subsidy percentage offered to dependents of active employees minus 20%). No subsidy is available to Medicare eligible members not enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Option. The Board of Community Health sets all member premiums by resolution and in accordance with the law and applicable revenue and expense projections. Any subsidy policy adopted by the Board may be changed at any time by Board resolution and does not constitute a contract or promise of any amount of subsidy.

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

The combined active and retiree contribution rates established by the Board for employers participating in the School OPEB Fund were as follows for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013:

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

July 2012 - February 2013 \$912.34 per member per month March 2013 - June 2013 \$937.34 per member per month

#### For non-certificated school personnel:

July 2012 - June 2013 \$446.20 per member per month

No additional contribution was required by the Board for fiscal year 2013 nor contributed to the School OPEB Fund to prefund retiree benefits. Such additional contribution amounts are determined annually by the Board in accordance with the School plan for other post-employment benefits and are subject to appropriation.

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

	Percentage	Required		
Fiscal Year	Contributed	_	Contribution	
<u> </u>				
2013	100%	\$	1,374,350.07	
2012	100%	\$	1,275,021.24	
2011	100%	\$	1,163,056.20	

#### **NOTE 13: RETIREMENT PLANS**

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

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

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

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

Normal retirement (pension) benefits paid to members are equal to 2% of the average of the member's two highest paid consecutive years of service, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service up to 40 years. Early retirement benefits are reduced by the lesser of one-twelfth of 7% for each month the member is below age 60 or by 7% for each year or fraction thereof by which the member has less than 30 years of service. It is also assumed that certain cost-of-living adjustments, based on the Consumer Price Index, will be made in future years. Retirement benefits are payable monthly for life. A member may elect to receive a partial lump-sum distribution in addition to a reduced monthly retirement benefit. Death, disability and spousal benefits are also available.

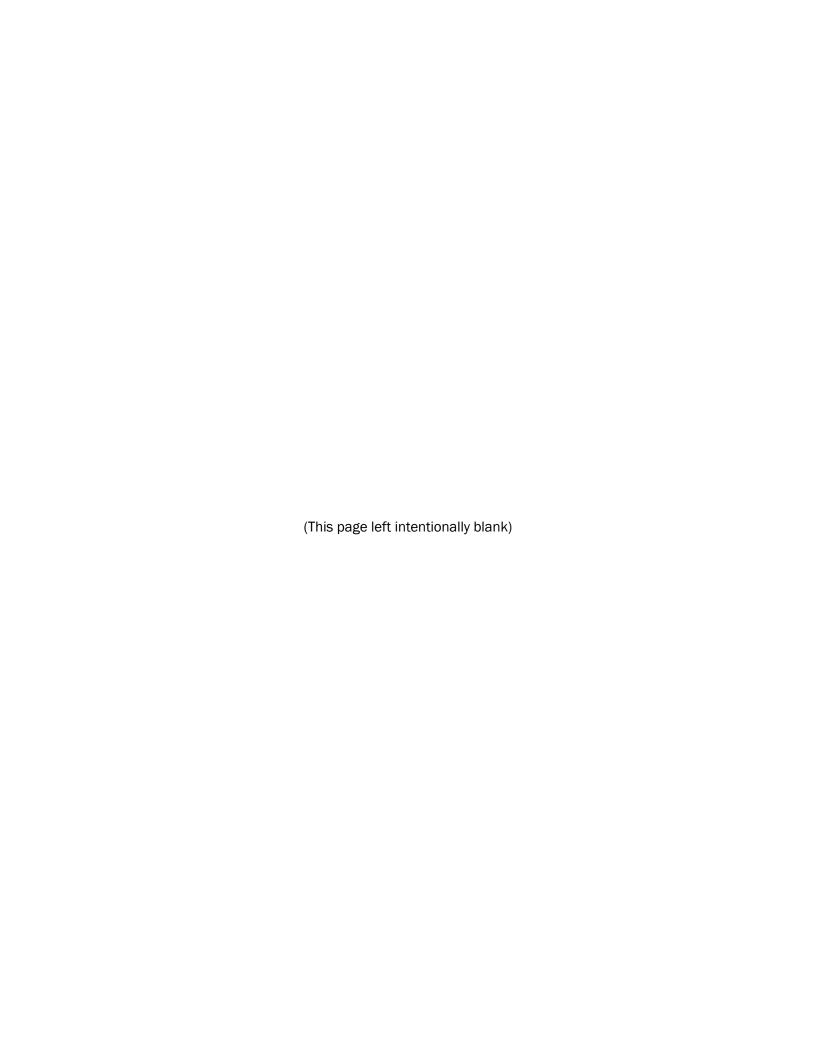
**Funding Policy.** TRS is funded by member and employer contributions as adopted and amended by the Board of Trustees. Members become fully vested after 10 years of service. If a member terminates with less than 10 years of service, no vesting of employer contributions occurs, but the member's contributions may be refunded with interest. Member contributions are limited by State law to not less than 5% or more than 6% of a member's earnable compensation. Member contributions as adopted by the Board of Trustees for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, were 6.00% of annual salary. Employer contributions required for fiscal year 2013 were 11.41% of annual salary as required by the June 30, 2010, actuarial valuation. The employer contribution rate will increase to 12.28% effective July 1, 2013.

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

	Percentage		Required
Fiscal Year	Contributed	_	Contribution
2013	100%	\$	827,653.59
2012	100%	\$	749,601.96
2011	100%	\$	740,792.40

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

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



## CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

		NONAPPROPR	IATE	D BUDGETS		ACTUAL		VARIANCE
	_	ORIGINAL (1)		FINAL (1)	_	AMOUNTS		OVER/UNDER
	_					_		
REVENUES								
Property Taxes			\$	3,776,292.36	\$	3,835,140.61	\$	58,848.25
Sales Taxes				12,000.00		23,932.17		11,932.17
State Funds	\$	443,169.33		4,991,257.61		6,416,723.74		1,425,466.13
Federal Funds		1,263,914.06		2,370,184.40		2,005,246.79		-364,937.61
Charges for Services		120,748.00		120,748.00		114,403.74		-6,344.26
Investment Earnings		75.00		20,075.00		17,527.63		-2,547.37
Miscellaneous	_		_	100,040.37	_	295,312.40	_	195,272.03
Total Revenues	\$	1,827,906.39	\$	11,390,597.74	\$	12,708,287.08	\$	1,317,689.34
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>								
Current								
Instruction	\$	7,280,432.62	¢	8,158,505.58	¢	8,046,946.46	<b>¢</b>	111,559.12
Support Services	Ψ	7,200,432.02	Ψ	0,130,303.30	Ψ	0,040,940.40	Ψ	111,559.12
Pupil Services		651,735.15		697,493.03		565,409.84		132,083.19
Improvement of Instructional Services		176,917.99		582,601.99		503,260.12		79,341.87
Educational Media Services		224,481.26		224,918.81		215,828.51		9,090.30
General Administration		662,262.65		672,863.31		665,841.07		7,022.24
School Administration		989,795.32		983,889.80		851,724.20		132,165.60
Business Administration		203,593.35		204,052.07		188,848.65		15,203.42
Maintenance and Operation of Plant		1,057,010.84		1,066,010.21		980,845.95		85,164.26
Student Transportation Services		582,839.97		628,496.72		509,265.85		119,230.87
Central Support Services		26,000.00		26,000.00		25,065.00		935.00
Other Support Services		200.00		53.276.28		37,498.91		15,777.37
Food Services Operations		736,903.00		734,573.00		780,484.13		-45,911.13
1 000 Services Operations	_	730,903.00	_	734,373.00	-	700,404.13	-	-45,911.15
Total Expenditures	\$_	12,592,172.15	\$_	14,032,680.80	\$_	13,371,018.69	\$_	661,662.11
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	\$	-10,764,265.76	\$	-2,642,083.06	\$	-662,731.61	\$	1,979,351.45
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES								
Operating Transfers To Other Funds	_		_		_	-14,878.07	_	-14,878.07
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	-10,764,265.76	\$	-2,642,083.06	\$	-677,609.68	\$	1,964,473.38
Fund Balances - Beginning		3,079,553.25		3,079,553.25		2,636,890.74		-442,662.51
Adjustments	_	15,561.89	_	10,527.38	_		_	-10,527.38
Fund Balances - Ending	\$_	-7,669,150.62	\$_	447,997.57	\$_	1,959,281.06	\$_	1,511,283.49

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

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

<sup>(1)</sup> Original and Final Budget amounts do not include budgeted revenues or expenditures of the various principal accounts. The actual revenues and expenditures of the various principal accounts are \$174,635.57 and \$199,671.12, respectively.

## CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

FUNDING AGENCY PROGRAM/GRANT		CFDA NUMBER	PASS- THROUGH ENTITY ID NUMBER	_ E	EXPENDITURES IN PERIOD
Agriculture, U. S. Department of					
Child Nutrition Cluster					
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education					
Food Services	*	40.550	N1 / A		(0)
School Breakfast Program National School Lunch Program	*	10.553 10.555	N/A N/A	\$	(2) 760,294.88 (1)
National School Eulen Frogram		10.555	IV/A	Ψ	700,294.00 (1)
Total U. S. Department of Agriculture				\$	760,294.88
Education, U. S. Department of					
Special Education Cluster					
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education					
Special Education					
Grants to States	*	84.027	N/A	\$	411,628.55
Preschool Grants	*	84.173	N/A	_	34,586.11
Total Special Education Cluster				\$	446,214.66
Title I. Part A Cluster					
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education					
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies		84.010	N/A	\$	586,738.40
Other Programs					
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States		84.048	N/A	\$	12.369.05
Education Job Fund		84.410	N/A N/A	Φ	525.00
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants		84.367	N/A		99,088.10
Migrant Education - State Grant Program		84.011	N/A		69,582.45
Rural Education		84.358	N/A		28,118.33
Total Other Programs				\$	209,682.93
Total U. S. Department of Education				\$	1,242,635.99
Health and Human Services, U. S. Department of					
Child Care and Development Fund Cluster					
Pass-Through From Bright From the Start					
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning					
Child Care and Development Block Grant		93.575	N/A	\$	25,996.76
Head Start Cluster					
Pass-Through From Concerted Services, Inc.					
Head Start		93.600	N/A		130,961.29
			7	_	,
Total U. S. Department of Health and Human Services				\$	156,958.05
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				\$	2,159,888.92

N/A = Not Available

#### Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

- (1) Includes the Federally assigned value of donated commodities for the Food Donation Program in the amount of \$28,859.20.
- (2) Expenditures for the funds earned on the School Breakfast Program (\$151,390.76) were not maintained separately and are included in the 2013 National School Lunch Program.

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

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

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

See notes to the basic financial statements.

\$ 6,416,723.74

	G 	OVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE GENERAL
NCY/FUNDING		FUND
		-
RANTS		
Bright From the Start:		
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning		
Pre-Kindergarten Program	\$	312,375.2
Education, Georgia Department of		
Quality Basic Education (1)		
Direct Instructional Cost		
Kindergarten Program		460,763.0
Kindergarten Early Intervention		85,770.0
Primary Grades (1-3) Program		852,465.0
Primary Grades - Early Intervention (1-3) Program		292,863.0
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program		387,467.0
Upper Elementary Grades - Early Intervention (4-5) Program		224,031.0
Middle Grades (6-8) Program		259,574.0
Middle School (6-8) Program		554,599.0
High School General Education (9-12) Program		510,964.0
Vocational Laboratory (9-12) Program		270,940.0
Students with Disabilities		989,558.0
Gifted Student - Category VI		133,128.0
Remedial Education Program		166,811.0
Alternative Education Program		58,857.0
Media Center Program		143,555.0
20 Days Additional Instruction		43,549.0
Staff and Professional Development		27,767.0
Indirect Cost		
Central Administration		339,962.0
School Administration		352,060.0
Facility Maintenance and Operations		336,191.0
Categorical Grants		
Pupil Transportation		
Regular		226,142.0
Sparsity		72,360.0
Nursing Services		41,250.0
Education Equalization Funding Grant		102,553.0
Amended Formula Adjustment		-947,125.0
Other State Programs		0,
Food Services		18,402.0
Math and Science Supplements		27,608.5
Preschool Handicapped Program		36,123.0
Vocational Education		6,141.0
Vocational Supervisors		7,031.0
Office of State Treasurer		
Public School Employees' Retirement		22.989.0

(1) Payments to the Georgia Department of Community Health by the Georgia Department of Education on behalf of the School District in the amount of \$781,884.00 are included as part of the Quality Basic Education revenue allotments above.

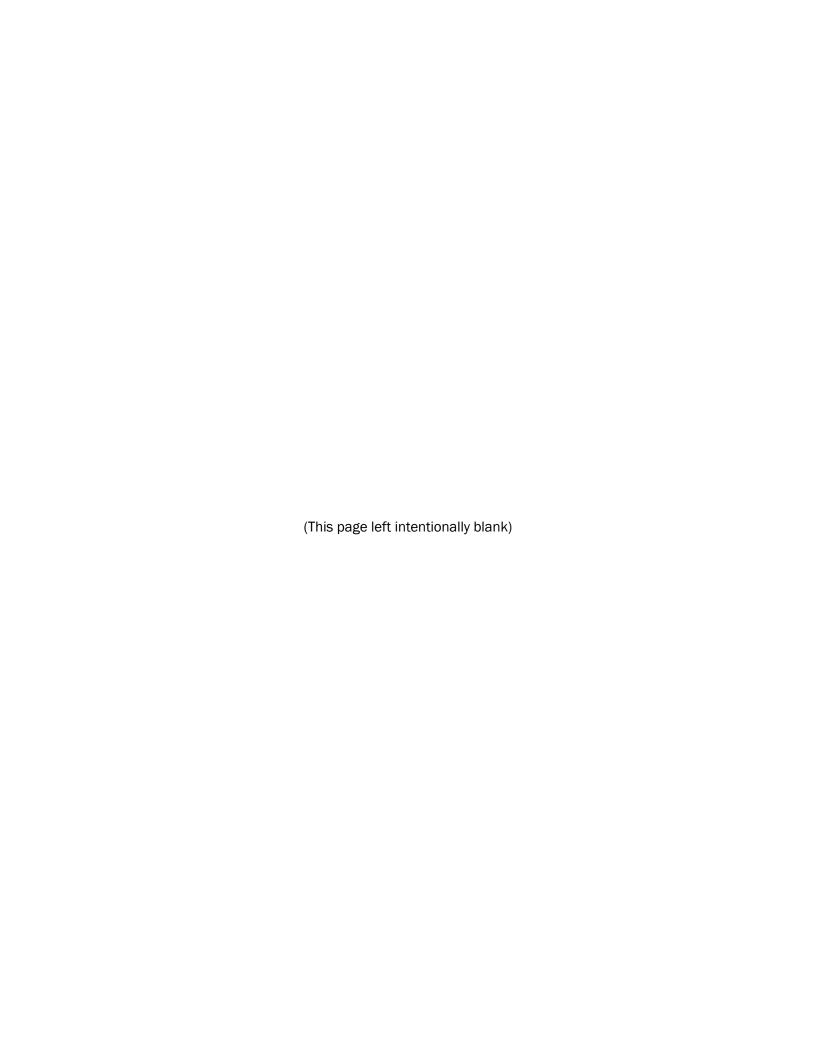
#### CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

<u>PROJECTS</u>	_	ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST (1)	CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS (2)		AMOUNT EXPENDED IN CURRENT YEAR (3) (4)		AMOUNT EXPENDED IN PRIOR YEARS (3) (4)	TOTAL COMPLETION COST	 EXCESS PROCEEDS NOT EXPENDED	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
2005 SPLOST REFERENDUM										
(1) Remodeling, renovating, improving, and equipping science labs, physical education and athletic facilities, instructional, office and support space and grounds at various schools and administrative facilities in the School District, including furnishings, equipment, and fixtures for such schools and other facilities.	\$	1,600,000.00 \$	1,903,278.01	\$	50,526.90	\$	1,852,751.11		\$ 0.00	6/30/2014
(2) Renovation or replacement of electrical, heating and air conditioning systems, ceiling tiles										
and carpeting.	_	170,000.00	881,099.49	_	5,417.00	_	875,682.49	881,099.49	 	6/30/2013
	\$	1,770,000.00 \$	2,784,377.50	\$_	55,943.90	\$	2,728,433.60 \$	881,099.49	\$ 0.00	
2010 SPLOST REFERENDUM										
(1) Constructing, remodeling, renovating, improving, and equipping additional classrooms, physical education and athletic facilities, instructional, office and support space and grounds at various schools and administrative facilities in the School District, including furnishings, equipment, and fixtures for such schools and										
other facilities.	\$	1,310,000.00 \$	1,173,300.00	\$	93,077.93	\$	1,067,365.62 \$	0.00	\$ 0.00	6/30/2015
(2) HVAC Systems		25,000.00	25,000.00		2,386.00		694.19			6/30/2015
(3) Renovations to the gymnasium		200,000.00	100,000.00				64,867.00			6/30/2014
(4) Faculty parking		100,000.00	365,111.97				365,111.97			6/30/2014
(5) Extension of the bus loading and unloading area for Clinch County Primary/Elementary School		155,000.00	270,000.00				203,258.87			6/30/2014
(6) Science labs and improvements for the gymnasium and baseball field for Clinch County High School		1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00				29,683.00			6/30/2015
(7) System-wide safety and security systems and equipment		95,000.00	155,601.68		19,597.25		136,004.43			6/30/2015
(8) Transportation vehicles and equipment		15,000.00	31,209.64				31,209.64			6/30/2015
(9) School buses		75,000.00	75,000.00							6/30/2015
(10) Technology equipment		500,000.00	425,000.00		67,583.54		207,211.06			6/30/2015
(11) Real or personal property in connection with any of the foregoing.	_	25,000.00	25,000.00	_		_				6/30/2015
	\$	4,000,000.00 \$	4,145,223.29	\$_	182,644.72	\$	2,105,405.78 \$	0.00	\$ 0.00	
	\$_	5,770,000.00 \$	6,929,600.79	\$_	238,588.62	\$	4,833,839.38	881,099.49	\$ 0.00	

## CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

- (1) The School District's original cost estimate as specified in the resolution calling for the imposition of the Local Option Sales Tax.
- $(2) \ \ The \ School \ District's \ current \ estimate \ of \ total \ cost \ for \ the \ projects. \ Includes \ all \ cost \ from \ project \ inception \ to \ completion.$
- (3) The voters of Clinch County approved the imposition of a 1% sales tax to fund the above projects and retire associated debt. Amounts expended for these projects may include sales tax proceeds, state, local property taxes and/or other funds over the life of the projects.
- (4) In addition to the expenditures shown above, the School District has incurred interest to provide advance funding for the above projects as follows:

Prior Years	\$ 361,620.65
Current Year	 67,330.00
Total	\$ 428,950.65



## CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GENERAL FUND - QUALITY BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS (QBE) ALLOTMENTS AND EXPENDITURES - BY PROGRAM YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

ALLOTMENTS
FROM GEORGIA

	DEPARTMENT OF			ELIGIBLE QBE PROGRAM COSTS				
<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	-	EDUCATION (1) (2) (3)	_	SALARIES	_	OPERATIONS		TOTAL
Direct Instructional Programs								
Kindergarten Program	\$	543,840.00	\$	669,561.72	\$	13,507.73 \$		683,069.45
Kindergarten Program-Early Intervention Program		90,363.00						
Primary Grades (1-3) Program		1,051,413.00		1,309,267.29		19,359.89		1,328,627.18
Primary Grades-Early Intervention (1-3) Program		303,841.00		170,349.60				170,349.60
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program		484,203.00		669,919.36		6,636.08		676,555.44
Upper Elementary Grades-Early Intervention (4-5)								
Program		233,637.00						
Middle Grades (6-8) Program		305,282.00		341,164.30		4,007.88		345,172.18
Middle School (6-8) Program		661,556.00		634,227.03		5,208.08		639,435.11
High School General Education (9-12) Program		612,925.00		985,410.79		40,465.25		1,025,876.04
Vocational Laboratory (9-12) Program		323,635.00		328,813.70		17,762.68		346,576.38
Students with Disabilities		1,163,985.00						
Category I				493,013.40		75.94		493,089.34
Category II				89,061.07		474.50		89,535.57
Category III				159,902.54		747.15		160,649.69
Category IV				140,759.46		372.73		141,132.19
Category V				68,819.66		275.00		69,094.66
Gifted Student - Category VI		154,806.00		50,500.35		3,251.68		53,752.03
Remedial Education Program		180,744.00						
Alternative Education Program		70,914.00	_	74,552.43	_	864.29		75,416.72
TOTAL DIRECT INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS	\$	6,181,144.00	\$	6,185,322.70	\$	113,008.88 \$		6,298,331.58
Media Center Program		170,001.00		186,215.15		6,617.47		192,832.62
Staff and Professional Development		32,882.00						30,879.00
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TOTAL QBE FORMULA FUNDS	\$	6,384,027.00	\$	6,371,537.85	\$	119,626.35 \$		6,522,043.20

<sup>(1)</sup> Comprised of State Funds plus Local Five Mill Share.

<sup>(2)</sup> Allotments do not include the impact of the State amended formula adjustment.

<sup>(3)</sup> Allotments do not include the State Health payments made by GDOE to the Department of Community Health for the certified employees.

## SECTION II COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL REPORTS



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

September 15, 2014

Atlanta, Georgia 30334-8400

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Clinch County Board of Education as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Clinch County Board of Education's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 15, 2014

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Clinch County Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clinch County Board of Education's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clinch County Board of Education's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness and a significant deficiency.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item FS-6321-13-02 to be a material weakness.

A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item FS-6321-13-01 to be a significant deficiency.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

We noted certain matters that we have reported to management of Clinch County Board of Education in a separate letter dated September 15, 2014.

#### Clinch County Board of Education's Response to Findings

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

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Respectfully submitted,

Greg & Briffin

Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

GSG:as 2013YB-40



### **DEPARTMENT OF AUDITS AND ACCOUNTS**

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

September 15, 2014

Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

We have audited Clinch County Board of Education's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major Federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2013. Clinch County Board of Education's major Federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster

As described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, Clinch County Board of Education did not comply with requirements regarding Special Education Cluster as described in item FA-6321-13-01 for Allowable Costs/Cost Principles. Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for Clinch County Board of Education to comply with requirements applicable to that program.

#### Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the Clinch County Board of Education complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on Special Education Cluster for the year ended June 30, 2013.

#### Unmodified Opinion on the Other Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Clinch County Board of Education complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the other major Federal program identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs for the year ended June 30, 2013.

#### Other Matters

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

#### Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of Clinch County Board of Education is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Clinch County Board of Education's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major Federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major Federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Clinch County Board of Education's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a Federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a Federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item FA-6321-13-01 to be a material weakness.

A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a Federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Breg & Briffin

Greg S. Griffin State Auditor

GSG:as 2013SA-65

### SECTION III

AUDITEE'S RESPONSE TO PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

# CLINCH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITEE'S RESPONSE SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

#### PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### FINDING CONTROL NUMBER AND STATUS

FS-6321-11-01	Further Action Not Warranted (1)
FS-6321-12-01	Partially Resolved - See Corrective Action/Responses
FS-6321-12-02	Partially Resolved - See Corrective Action/Responses

(1) Finding has been repeated in fiscal year 2012 and 2013.

#### **CORRECTIVE ACTION/RESPONSES**

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

Failure to Adequately Maintain Capital Assets Finding Control Number: FS-6321-12-01

The Head Bookkeeper will strengthen controls over capital asset reporting by reviewing the capital assets listing semi-annually for any additions or deletions processed during the year.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTING

Inadequate Controls over Financial Reporting Finding Control Number: FS-6321-12-02

The Head Bookkeeper will implement procedures to review more closely all aspects of financial statement preparation so that oversights or errors do not affect the financial statements for fiscal year 2014. Head Bookkeeper plans to attend future training sessions held by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as time permits.

#### PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### FINDING CONTROL NUMBER AND STATUS

FA-6321-10-01	Further Action Not Warranted	(1)
FA-6321-11-01	Further Action Not Warranted	(1)
FA-6321-12-01	Further Action Not Warranted	(1)

(1) The pass-through entity's management decision closed this finding and did not request a reclaim of funds.

## SECTION IV FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### I SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

#### **Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's report issue:

Governmental Activities; General Fund; Capital Projects Fund; Debt Service Fund; Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness identified?Significant deficiency identified?Yes

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted:

#### **Federal Awards**

Internal Control over major programs:

Material weakness identified?

Yes

No

Significant deficiency identified?

None Reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:

Unmodified for all major programs except for Special Education Cluster, which was qualified.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, Section 510(a)?

Yes

Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Numbers</u> <u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>

10.553, 10.555 Child Nutrition Cluster 84.027, 84.173 Special Education Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$300,000.00

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

No

#### II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### FS-6321-13-01 Failure to Adequately Maintain Capital Assets

Control Category: Capital Assets
Internal Control Impact: Significant Deficiency

#### Description:

This is a repeat finding (FS-6321-12-01) from the year ended June 30, 2012. The School District did not have adequate procedures in place to ensure Capital Assets were being properly maintained.

#### Criteria:

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

#### Condition:

Deficiencies noted during our audit were as follows:

- The School District capitalized four items that did not meet their capitalization thresholds;
- The useful life was doubled on all fiscal year 2012 additions when the assets were added to the listing;
- Depreciation was not properly calculated for several assets for the year under review. The variance noted was \$73.236.11:
- The School District's capital assets listing did not reconcile to their general ledger for several asset categories. A variance, in the amount of \$496,844.78, was noted for total depreciable assets: and
- The School District's capitalization policy contains a contradiction in its capitalization threshold amount for equipment. The policy states \$10,000.00 on page one and \$5,000.00 on page two.

#### Cause:

In discussing the issue with management, they stated these deficiencies were the result of the lack of implementation of adequate internal controls over Capital Assets.

#### **Effect or Potential Effect:**

Without satisfactory accounting controls and procedures in place, the School District could place itself in a position where potential misappropriation of assets could occur. In addition, the lack of controls could impact reporting of the School District's financial position and results of operations.

#### Recommendation:

The School District's management should implement adequate internal controls that provide reasonable assurance Capital Asset transactions are processed according to established policies and procedures.

#### Views of Responsible Officials and Corrective Action Plans:

We concur with this finding, the Financial Specialists will strengthen controls over capital asset reporting by reviewing the capital assets listing semi-annually for any additions or deletions processed during the year.

#### II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

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#### FS-6321-13-02 Inadequate Controls over Financial Reporting

Control Category: Financial Reporting Internal Control Impact: Material Weakness

#### Description:

This is a repeat finding (FS-6321-10-01, FS-6321-11-01 and FS-6321-12-02) from the years ended June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2012, respectively. The School District did not have adequate controls in place to ensure that all required activity was properly reflected in the financial statement information presented for audit.

#### Criteria:

Chapter 22A *Annual Financial Reporting* of the <u>Financial Management for Georgia Local Units of Administration</u> indicates that the School District must prepare their financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Condition:

The Department of Audits and Accounts corrected the financial statements prepared by the School District by significant and material amounts that have been approved by the entity's staff; made corrections to the notes to the financial statements prepared by the School District based on information determined and approved by management.

During the audit, the following correcting entries were proposed and accepted by the client to properly present the entity's financial statements:

- Accounts Receivable QBE (State) revenue was not properly stated on the District-wide Statements and General Fund. An adjustment of \$393,168.00 was made to decrease accounts receivable and revenues;
- Delinquent Property Taxes receivable was not recorded. An adjustment of \$114,490.81 was necessary to record this activity on the District-wide Statements and General Fund;
- Capital Assets, net of accumulated depreciation were not properly stated on the District-wide Statements. An adjustment of \$121,312.64 was necessary to appropriately disclose the account balance: and
- Expenditures were not properly stated in the Capital Projects and Debt Service Funds. An
  adjustment of \$633,650.00 was made to increase expenditures in the Debt Service Fund for
  current year bond payments.

#### II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### Cause:

In discussing the issue with management, they stated that management did not ensure the year-end financial statements presented for audit were complete.

#### Effect or Potential Effect:

The School District did not comply with the requirements of the Georgia Department of Education regarding financial reporting. The lack of supervisory review, coupled with ineffective or insufficient training and proficiency of personnel, could place the School District in a situation where incorrect reporting of financial position could occur. Numerous adjustments, including reclassifications, were necessary in order for the School District's financial statements to be in conformity with general accepted accounting principles.

#### Recommendation:

The School District should develop and implement internal controls over the financial statement reporting process to ensure that activity is properly recorded in the general ledger; to verify that financial statements (including note disclosures) properly reflect activity reported in the general ledger; and to include a monitoring process to evaluate the accuracy of the financials presented for audit.

#### Views of Responsible Officials and Corrective Action Plans:

We concur with this finding, the Financial Specialist will implement procedures to review more closely all aspects of the financial statement preparation process so that oversights or errors do not affect the financial statements for fiscal year 2014. The Financial Specialist plans to attend future training sessions held by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as time allows.

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#### III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Finding Control Number: FA-6321-13-01

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Cost/Cost Principles

Internal Control Impact: Material Weakness
Compliance Impact: Material Noncompliance
Federal Awarding Agency: U. S. Department of Education

Pass-Through Entity: Through Georgia Department of Education

CFDA Number and Title: Special Education Cluster (CFDA 84.027 and 84.173)
Federal Awarding Agency: U. S. Department of Health and Human Services

Pass-Through Entity: Through Concerted Services, Inc. CFDA Number and Title: Head Start (CFDA 93.600)

#### Description:

This is a repeat finding (FA-6321-10-01, FA-6321-11-01 and FA-6321-12-01) from years ending June 30, 2010, June 30, 2011 and June 30, 2012, respectively. We identified deficiencies in internal controls related to employee compensation expenses paid from the Special Education Cluster and the Head Start program.

#### III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### Criteria:

Provisions of the OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments*, require that:

Where employees are expected to work solely on a single Federal award or cost objective, charges for their salaries and wages will be supported by periodic certifications that the employees worked solely on that program for the period covered by the certification. These certifications will be prepared at least semi-annually and will be signed by the employee or supervisory official having first hand knowledge of the work performed by the employee.

Where employees work on multiple activities or cost objectives, a distribution of their salaries or wages will be supported by personnel activity reports or equivalent documentation that meets the following standards:

- a. They must reflect an after-the fact distribution of the actual activity of each employee,
- b. They must account for the total activity for which the employee is compensated,
- c. They must be prepared at least monthly and coincide with one or more pay periods, and
- d. They must be signed by the employee.

Such documentation support will be required where employees work on:

- a. More than one Federal award; or
- b. A Federal award and a non-Federal award.

OMB Circular A-87 also states that budget estimates or other distribution percentages determined before the services are performed do not qualify as support for charges to Federal awards but may be used for interim accounting purposes, provided that:

- a. The governmental unit's system for establishing the estimates produce reasonable approximations of the activity actually performed:
- b. At least quarterly, comparisons of actual costs to budgeted distributions based on the monthly activity reports are made. Costs charged to Federal awards to reflect adjustments made as a result of the activity actually performed may be recorded annually if the quarterly comparisons show the difference between budgeted and actual costs are less than ten percent; and
- c. The budget estimates or other distribution percentages are revised at least quarterly, if necessary, to reflect changed circumstances.

#### Condition:

A review of documentation supporting salaries charged to the Special Education Cluster revealed that an employee was not completing personnel activity reports as required by OMB Circular A-87. Specifically, the personnel activity reports did not adequately report time for activities being charged to two different Federal award programs. Semi-annual certifications were completed prior to the performance of the work.

#### Questioned Cost:

Special Education Cluster: \$17,268.36

Head Start: \$2,828.16

#### III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### Cause:

In discussing the issue with management, they state this deficiency was a result of a lack of policies and procedures in place over the Federal employee compensation process, including the use of personnel activity reports and semi-annual certifications.

#### Effect or Potential Effect:

Failure to adequately monitor compliance related to employee compensation expenses paid from Federal award programs resulted in material noncompliance with the requirements of the Federal grants.

#### Recommendation:

The School District should establish procedures to ensure that salary and wages paid from Federal award programs are properly documented in accordance with OMB Circular A-87. The Georgia Department of Education should review this matter to determine if a reclaim of funds is appropriate.

#### Views of Responsible Officials and Corrective Action Plans:

We concur with this finding. The Financial Specialist will implement a quarterly and annual review of PARs and semi-annual certifications to ensure that all are received from the program managers. The quarterly and annual reviews will compare hours logged to funds paid to the employee, to ensure Federal guidelines are being adhered to.

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