In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions, interest on the Bonds will not be includible in the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes, assuming continuing compliance by the School District with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Interest on the Bonds will not be a specific preference item for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax on individuals. Under laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as enacted and construed on the date hereof, interest on the Bonds is exempt from Pennsylvania personal income tax and Pennsylvania corporate net income tax. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

# \$30,115,000 West Chester Area School District

(Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania) General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022

**Bonds Dated:** Date of Delivery

Interest Due: May 15 and November 15

Principal Due: May 15, as shown on inside cover

First Interest Payment: November 15, 2022

The General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 (the "Bonds"), described herein, will be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$30,115,000, in denominations of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof. Interest on the Bonds is payable initially on November 15, 2022 and thereafter semiannually on May 15 and November 15 of each year, until the principal sum thereof is paid.

All Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the owner and nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, under its book-entry only system maintained through its brokers and dealers who are, or act through, DTC Participants. The purchasers of the Bonds will not receive physical delivery of the Bond certificates. A purchaser of Bonds must maintain an account with a broker or dealer who is, or acts through, a DTC Participant to receive principal and interest payments on the Bonds. If, under the circumstances described herein, Bonds are ever issued in certificated form, such Bonds will be subject to registration or transfer, exchange and payment as described herein. DTC Participants and Indirect Participants will be responsible for remitting interest and principal payments from Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company (the "Paying Agent"), acting as paying agent, registrar and sinking fund depository, to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. See "BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

The Bonds are general obligations of the West Chester Area School District, a public school district located in portions of Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania (the "School District"), payable from its tax and other general revenues. The School District has covenanted that it will provide in its budget in each year, and will appropriate from its general revenues in each such year, the amount of the debt service due on the Bonds for such year and will duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid from the sinking fund established under the Resolution (herein defined) or any other of its revenues or funds the principal of every Bond and the interest thereon on the dates, at the place and in the manner stated in the Bonds, and for such budgeting, appropriation and payment the School District has irrevocably pledged its full faith, credit and taxing power, which taxing power presently includes the power to levy an annual ad valorem tax on all taxable real property within the School District, within the limits provided by law. (See "THE BONDS – "Security" and "TAXING POWERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT" infra).

#### The Bonds are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as described herein.

Proceeds of the Bonds will be used to refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2012, Series AA of 2016, and Series of 2017 and to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds.

The Bonds are an authorized investment for fiduciaries in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to the Pennsylvania Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code, Act of June 30, 1972, No. 164, P.L. 508, as amended and supplemented.

# MATURITIES, AMOUNTS, RATES, YIELDS/PRICES AND CUSIPS [As Shown on Inside Front Cover]

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to withdrawal or modification of the offer without notice, and subject to the approving legal opinion of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, acting as Bond Counsel to the School District, to be furnished upon delivery of the Bonds. Certain other legal matters will be passed upon for the School District by Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, P.C., West Chester, Pennsylvania, as School District Solicitor. PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, will serve as the School District's Financial Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery through DTC, on or about April 5, 2022.



# \$30,115,000

# West Chester Area School District

(Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania) General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022

Bonds Dated: Date of Delivery Principal Due: May 15 (as shown below)
Interest Due: May 15 and November 15
First Interest Payment: November 15, 2022

**Denomination:** Integral multiples of \$5,000 Form: DTC Book-Entry Only

# **BOND MATURITY SCHEDULE:**

Maturity Date					
(May 15)	Principal	Interest	<b>Initial Offering</b>	<b>Initial Offering</b>	
Year	Amounts	Rates	Yields	Prices	CUSIP <sup>(1)</sup>
2023	\$5,000	3.000%	1.000%	102.203%	9520306A7
2024	5,000	3.000	1.300	103.527	9520306B5
2025	5,000	3.000	1.300	105.166	9520306C3
2026	100,000	5.000	1.310	114.720	9520306D1
2027	200,000	5.000	1.380	117.804	9520306E9
2028	4,270,000	5.000	1.440	120.752	9520306F6
2029	6,530,000	5.000	1.500	123.522	9520306G4
2030	6,070,000	5.000	1.610*	122.690*	9520306Н2
2031	6,370,000	3.000	1.760*	108.253*	9520306J8
2032	6,560,000	3.000	1.840*	107.697*	9520306K5

<sup>(1)</sup>The above CUSIP (Committee on Uniform Securities Identification Procedures) numbers have been assigned by an organization not affiliated with the School District or the Underwriter, and such parties are not responsible for the selection or use of the CUSIP numbers. The CUSIP numbers are included solely for the convenience of bondholders and no representation is made as to the correctness of such CUSIP numbers. CUSIP numbers assigned to securities may be changed during the term of such securities based on a number of factors including, but not limited to, the refunding or defeasance of such issue or the use of secondary market financial products. Neither the School District nor the Underwriter has agreed to, and there is no duty or obligation to, update this Official Statement to reflect any change or correction in the CUSIP numbers set forth above.

\*Yield to Optional Redemption Date of May 15, 2029.

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

(Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania)

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# **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

# \$30,115,000

# West Chester Area School District

(Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania)

**General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022** 

# INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, including the cover page and inside cover page hereof, and Appendices hereto, is furnished by the West Chester Area School District, a public school district that consists of portions of Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania (the "School District"), in connection with the offering of its \$30,115,000 aggregate principal amount General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are being issued pursuant to, and are secured by, a Resolution of the Board of School Directors of the School District adopted on February 28, 2022 (the "Resolution"), and in accordance with the Local Government Unit Debt Act, 53 Pa. C.S. Chs. 80-82 (the "Debt Act"), of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "Commonwealth" or "State").

#### PURPOSE OF THE ISSUE

Proceeds of the Bonds will be used to currently refund the School District's \$21,000,000 outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2012 (the "2012A Bonds"), its \$8,480,000 outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series AA of 2016 (the "2016AA Bonds"), and its \$4,780,000 outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2017 (the "2017 Bonds"), and to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. Proceeds of the Bonds will be deposited with T.D. Bank, N.A., as paying agent for the 2012A Bonds, and with Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, as paying agent for the 2016AA Bonds and 2017 Bonds, in amounts sufficient (without investment) to optionally redeem the 2012A Bonds and 2016AA Bonds on May 15, 2022, and the 2017 Bonds on June 15, 2022.

#### Sources and Uses of Bond Proceeds

The following is a summary of the sources and uses of the proceeds from the issuance of the Bonds.

<b>Sources of Funds:</b>	Total
Bonds	\$30,115,000.00
Plus: Original Issue Premium	4,880,892,10
Total	\$34,995,892.10
Uses of Funds:	
Redemption price of 2012A Bonds	\$21,315,000.00
Redemption price of 2016AA Bonds	8,607,157.00
Redemption price of 2017 Bonds	4,829,233.00
Costs of Issuance (1)	244,502.10
Total	\$34,995,892.10

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes legal, financial advisor, printing, rating, total bond discount, CUSIP, paying agent, and miscellaneous costs.

#### THE BONDS

### **Description**

The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 principal amount and integral multiples thereof, in the aggregate principal amount of \$30,115,000. The Bonds will be dated as of the date of the original issuance and delivery thereof (the "Date of Delivery"), and will bear interest at the rates and mature in the amounts and on the dates set forth on the inside front cover of this Official Statement. Interest on each of the Bonds will be payable initially on November 15, 2022, and thereafter, semiannually, on May 15 and November 15 of each year until the maturity date of such Bond or, if such Bond is redeemable and is called for redemption prior to maturity, until the date fixed for redemption thereof, if payment of the redemption price has been duly made or provided for.

When issued, the Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. Purchasers of the Bonds (the "Beneficial Owners") will not receive any physical delivery of Bond certificates, and beneficial ownership of the Bonds will be evidenced only by book entries. See "BOOK – ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

# **Payment of Principal and Interest**

So long as Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, is the registered owner of the Bonds, payments of principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, when due, are to be made to DTC, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to satisfy fully and to discharge the obligations of the School District with respect to, and to the extent of, principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest so paid. If the use of the Book-Entry Only System for the Bonds is discontinued for any reason, bond certificates will be issued and payment of principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds shall be made as described in the following paragraphs:

The principal of any certificated Bonds, when due upon maturity or upon any earlier redemption, will be paid to the registered owners of the Bonds, or registered assigns, upon surrender of such Bonds to Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company (the "Paying Agent"), acting as paying agent and sinking fund depositary for the Bonds, at its designated corporate trust offices (or to any successor paying agent at its designated office(s)).

Interest on any certificated Bonds will be payable to the registered owner of such Bond from the interest payment date next preceding the date of registration and authentication of such Bond, unless: (a) such Bond is registered and authenticated as of an interest payment date, in which event such Bond shall bear interest from said interest payment date, or (b) such Bond is registered and authenticated after a Record Date (hereinafter defined) and before the next succeeding interest payment date, in which event such Bond shall bear interest from such interest payment date, or (c) such Bond is registered and authenticated on or prior to the Record Date preceding November 15, 2022, in which event such Bond shall bear interest from the Date of Delivery, or (d) as shown by the records of the Paying Agent, interest on such Bond shall be in default, in which event such Bond shall bear interest from the date to which interest was last paid on such Bond. Interest on a certificated Bond will be payable by check drawn on the Paying Agent, which shall be mailed to the registered owner whose name and address shall appear, at the close of business on the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day (whether or not a day on which the Paying Agent is open for business) next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"), on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent, irrespective of any transfer or exchange of each Bond subsequent to such Record Date and prior to such interest payment date, unless the School District shall be in default in payment of interest due on such interest payment date. In the event of any such default, such defaulted interest shall be payable to the person in whose name the certificated Bond is registered at the close of business on a special record date for the payment of such defaulted interest established by notice mailed by the Paying Agent to the registered owner of such Bond not less than fifteen (15) days preceding such special record date. Such notice shall be mailed to the person in whose name such Bond is registered at the close of business on the fifth (5th) day preceding the date of mailing.

If the date for payment of the principal of or interest on any Bonds shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in the Commonwealth are authorized or required by law or executive order to close, then the date for payment of such principal or interest shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized or required to close, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date established for such payment.

#### Transfer, Exchange and Registration of Bonds

Subject to the provisions described below under "Book-Entry Only System," any certificated Bonds are transferable or exchangeable by the registered owner, thereof upon surrender of such Bonds to the Paying Agent, accompanied by a written instrument or instruments in form, with instructions, and with guaranty of signature satisfactory to the Paying Agent, duly executed by the registered owner of such Bonds or his attorney-in-fact or legal representative. The Paying Agent shall enter any transfer of ownership of certificated Bonds in the registration books and shall authenticate and deliver at the earliest practicable time in the name of the transferee or transferees a new fully registered Bond or Bonds of authorized denominations of the same maturity and interest rate for the aggregate principal amount which the registered owner is entitled to receive. The School District and the Paying Agent may deem and treat the registered owner of any Bond as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not such Bond shall be overdue) for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of principal and interest and for all other purposes, and the School District and the Paying Agent shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The School District and the Paying Agent shall not be required (a) to register the transfer or exchange any Bonds then considered for redemption during a period beginning at the close of business on the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day next preceding any date of selection of Bonds to be redeemed and ending at the close of business on the day on which the applicable notice of redemption is mailed or (b) to register the transfer of or exchange any portion of any Bond selected for redemption until after the redemption date. Bonds may be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds of other authorized denominations of the same maturity and interest rate.

#### **Security for the Bonds**

The Bonds will be general obligations of the School District, payable on a parity basis with all existing and future general obligation debt of the School District, from its tax and other general revenues. The School District has covenanted that it will provide in its budget for each year, and will appropriate from its general revenues in each such year, the amount of the debt service on the Bonds for such year, and will duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid from its Sinking Fund, as hereinafter defined, or any other of its revenues or funds, the principal of each of the Bonds and the interest thereon at the dates and place and in the manner stated on the Bonds, and for such budgeting, appropriation and payment the School District irrevocably has pledged its full faith, credit and taxing power, which taxing power includes the power to levy an annual ad valorem tax on all taxable property within the School District, within the limits provided by law (see "TAXING POWERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT" herein). The Debt Act presently provides procedures and remedies for the enforcement of debt service payments as hereinafter described (see "DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES" herein), and the Public School Code presently provides for the withholding and application of subsidies in the event of failure to pay debt service (See "Commonwealth Enforcement of Debt Service Payments" below).

### **Commonwealth Enforcement of Debt Service Payments**

Section 633 of the Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, as amended by Act 150 of 1975, and as further amended and supplemented (the "Public School Code"), presently provides that in all cases where the board of school directors of any school district fails to pay or to provide for the payment of any indebtedness on the date of maturity or date of mandatory redemption or on any sinking fund deposit date, or any interest due on such indebtedness on any interest payment date or on any sinking fund deposit date, in accordance with the schedule under which the Bonds were issued, the Secretary of Education shall notify such board of school directors of its obligation and shall withhold out of any Commonwealth appropriation due such school district an amount equal to the sum of the principal amount maturing or subject to mandatory redemption and interest owing by such school district, or sinking fund deposit due by such school district, and shall pay over the amount so withheld to the bank or other person acting as sinking fund depositary for such Bond issue. These withholding provisions are not part of any contract with the holders of the Bonds, and may be amended or repealed by future legislation.

The effectiveness of Section 633 of the Public School Code may be limited by the application of other withholding provisions contained in the Public School Code, such as provisions for withholding and paying over of appropriations for payment of unpaid teachers' salaries. Enforcement may also be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, or other laws or equitable principles affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally. See "Pennsylvania Budget Adoption" hereinafter.

#### Past Delays in Pennsylvania Budget Adoptions

Over the past several years the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has, from time to time, started its fiscal year without a fully adopted state budget. For example, the state's 2015-16 fiscal year budget did not become law until March 27, 2016, 270 days after the start of the state's 2015-2016 fiscal year, when the Governor did not sign or veto the state budget that was adopted by the General Assembly.

For the 2016-17 fiscal year, a state expenditure budget became law, known as Act 16A of 2016, on July 12, 2016 when the Governor failed to sign or veto the state budget that was adopted by the General Assembly on July 1, 2016. On July 13, 2016, the General Assembly adopted and Governor signed into law an additional tax and revenue package, known as Act 85 of 2016, which was needed to balance the 2016-17 state budget.

For the 2017-18 fiscal year, the state budget became law on July 11, 2017, known as Act 1A of 2017, when the Governor failed to sign or veto the state budget that was adopted by the General Assembly on June 30, 2017, which did not contain sufficient revenue to fully fund the 2017-18 budget. On October 25, 2017, the state General Assembly adopted a revenue bill which balanced the previously budget, which the Governor approved on October 30, 2017.

For the 2018-19 and 2019-20 fiscal years, the state budgets were adopted on a timely basis.

Due to the uncertainty of funding and expenditures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, on May 29, 2020, the governor passed a five-month stopgap budget for the fiscal year 2020-21. This budget provided five months of flat funding for most state programs and a full twelve months of flat funding for public education. On November 20, 2020, the General Assembly passed Senate Bill 1350 and House Bill 2536, which included the 2020-21 supplemental budget to fund the Commonwealth through the remaining seven-months of fiscal year 2020-21. On November 23, 2020, the Governor approved the 2020-21 supplemental budget, that included mostly flat funding for public education similar to stopgap budget adopted for the first five months of the 2020-21 fiscal year.

The 2021-22 state budget was adopted on a timely basis.

During a state budget impasse, school districts in Pennsylvania cannot be certain when state subsidies and revenues owed them from the Commonwealth will become available. This includes many of the major state subsidies, and overall revenues, that a Pennsylvania school district receives including basic education funding, special education funding, PlanCon reimbursements, and certain block grants, among many others. Future budget impasses may affect the timeliness or amount of payments by the Commonwealth under the subsidy withholding provisions for debt service under Section 633 of the Public School Code, however Act 85 of 2016 sought to address this issue (described below).

#### Act 85 of 2016 - State Enforcement of Debt Service During Budget Impasses

On July 13, 2016, the Governor of the Commonwealth signed into law Act No. 85 of 2016, (P.L. 664, No. 85) ("Act 85 of 2016"), an amendment to the Act of April 9, 1929 (P.L. 343, No. 176), known as the Fiscal Code ("Fiscal Code"). Act 85 of 2016 adds to the Fiscal Code Article XV1-E.4, entitled "School District Intercepts for the Payment of Debt Service During Budget Impasse", which provides for intercept of subsidies payable by the Pennsylvania Department of Education ("PDE") to a school district subject to an "intercept statute" or an "intercept agreement", including Section 633 of the Public School Code that applies to the School District.

Act 85 of 2016 provides that the amounts that may be necessary for PDE to comply with the provisions of the applicable intercept statute or intercept agreement "shall be appropriated" to PDE from the General Fund of the Commonwealth after PDE submits justification to the majority and minority chairs of the appropriations committees of the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives allowing ten (10) calendar days for their review and comment, if, in any fiscal year:

- (1) annual appropriations for payment of Commonwealth money to school districts have not been enacted by July 1 and continue not to be enacted when a payment is due;
- (2) the conditions under which PDE is required to comply with an intercept statute or intercept agreement have occurred, thereby requiring PDE to withhold payments which would otherwise be due to school districts; and
- (3) the Secretary of PDE, in consultation with the Secretary of the Budget, determines that there are no payments or allocations due to be paid to the applicable school districts from which PDE may withhold money as required by the applicable intercept statute or intercept agreement.

The necessary amounts shall be appropriated on the expiration of the tenth (10th) day following submission of the justification described above to the majority and minority chairs of the appropriations committees, who may comment on the justification but cannot prevent the effectiveness of the appropriation.

The total of all intercept payments under Article XV11-E.4 for a school district may not exceed 50% of the total nonfederal general fund subsidy payments made to that school district in the prior fiscal year.

Act 85 of 2016 requires that each school district with bonds or notes subject to an intercept statute or intercept agreement must deliver to PDE, in such format as PDE may direct, a copy of the final Official Statement for the relevant bonds or notes or the loan documents relating to the obligations, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the proceeds of the obligations. The School District intends on submitting this information with respect to the Bonds to PDE within the prescribed timeframe following the issuance of the Bonds. Act 85 of 2016 provides that any obligation for which PDE does not receive the required documents shall not be subject to the applicable intercept statute or intercept agreement.

The provisions of Act 85 of 2016 are not part of any contract with the holders of the Bonds and may be amended or repealed by future legislation.

# Sinking Fund

The sinking fund for the payment of debt service on the Bonds, designated "General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 - Sinking Fund" (the "Sinking Fund"), created under the Resolution shall be held by the Paying Agent as the Bonds' sinking fund depository. The School District shall deposit in the Sinking Fund a sufficient sum not later than the date when interest and/or principal is to become due on the Bonds so that on each payment date the Sinking Fund will contain an amount which, together with any other funds available therein, is sufficient to pay in full interest and/or principal then due on the Bonds.

The Sinking Fund shall be held by the Paying Agent, as sinking fund depository, and funds deposited therein will be invested by the Paying Agent in such securities or shall be deposited in such funds or accounts as are authorized by law, upon direction of the School District. Such deposits and securities shall be in the name of the School District, but subject to withdrawal or collection only by the Paying Agent, as sinking fund depository, and such deposits and securities, together with the interest thereon, shall be a part of the Sinking Fund.

The Paying Agent, as sinking fund depository, is authorized without further order from the School District to pay from the Sinking Funds the principal of and interest on the Bonds, as and when due and payable.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM**

The information in this section has been obtained from materials provided by DTC for such purpose. The School District (herein referred to as the "Issuer") and the Underwriter do not guaranty the accuracy or completeness of such information, and such information is not to be construed as a representation of the School District or the Underwriter.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Payments of Principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, on the Bonds, will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Issuer or the Paying Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Issuer or the Paying Agent, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payments of Principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, on the Bonds, to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Issuer or the Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

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

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

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

NEITHER THE ISSUER NOR THE PAYING AGENT WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO ANY DTC PARTICIPANT, INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OR ANY OTHER PERSON WITH RESPECT TO: (1) THE BONDS; (2) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT; (3) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER IN RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPAL OR REDEMPTION PRICE OF OR INTEREST ON THE BONDS; (4) THE DELIVERY TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY NOTICE WHICH IS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE ORDINANCE TO BE GIVEN TO BONDHOLDERS; (5) THE SELECTION OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF ANY PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS; OR (6) ANY OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS BONDHOLDER.

The Issuer and the Paying Agent cannot give any assurances that DTC or the Participants will distribute payments of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Bonds paid to DTC or its nominee, as the registered owner of the Bonds, or any redemption or other notices, to the Beneficial Owners or that they will do so on a timely basis, or that DTC will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement.

#### REDEMPTION OF BONDS

### **Optional Redemption**

The Bonds stated to mature on or after May 15, 2030, shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the School District, as a whole or on any date thereafter, or from time to time, in part (and if in part, in any order of maturities designated by the School District and within a maturity by lot) on May 15, 2029, or on any date thereafter, in either case upon payment of a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, together with accrued interest to the redemption date.

#### **Notice of Redemption**

So long as Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, is the registered owner of the Bonds, the School District and the Paying Agent shall send redemption notices only to Cede & Co. See "BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein for further information regarding conveyance of notices to Beneficial Owners.

Notice of redemption of any certificated Bonds shall be given by depositing a copy of a redemption notice in first class mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, addressed to the registered owners of each of the Bonds to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the addresses shown on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent as of the day such Bonds are selected for redemption; provided, however, that failure to give such notice by mailing, or any defect therein or in the mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity of any proceeding for redemption of other Bonds called for redemption as to which proper notice has been given.

On the date designated for redemption, after notice was provided and money for the payment of the principal and accrued interest being held by the Paying Agent, interest on the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall cease to accrue and such Bonds or portions thereof shall cease to be entitled to any benefit or security under the Resolution, and registered owners of such Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall have no rights with respect thereto, except to receive payment of the principal thereof and accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption.

If at the time of mailing of a notice of redemption the School District shall not have deposited with the Paying Agent, as sinking fund depository, money sufficient to redeem all Bonds or portions thereof called for redemption, the notice of redemption may state that it is conditional, *i.e.*, that it is subject to the deposit of sufficient redemption money with the Paying Agent not later than the redemption date, and such notice shall be of no effect unless such money is so deposited. If the Bonds to be called for redemption shall have been refunded, money sufficient to redeem such Bonds shall be deemed to be on deposit with the Paying Agent for the purposes of this paragraph and the notice of redemption need not state that it is conditional, if the redemption money has been deposited irrevocably with another bank or bank and trust company which shall have been given irrevocable instructions to transfer the same to the Paying Agent not later than the redemption date. If sufficient funds are not received, such notice of redemption shall be of no effect.

#### **Manner of Redemption**

So long as Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, is the registered owner of the Bonds, payment of the redemption price shall be made to Cede & Co. in accordance with the existing arrangements by and among the School District, the Paying Agent and DTC and, if less than all Bonds of any particular maturity of a series are to be redeemed, the amount of the interest of each DTC Participant, Indirect Participant and Beneficial Owner in such Bonds to be redeemed shall be determined by the governing arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. See "BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM" herein for further information regarding redemption of Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co.

If a Bond is of a denomination larger than \$5,000, a portion of such Bond may be redeemed. For the purposes of redemption, a Bond shall be treated as representing the number of Bonds that is equal to the principal amount thereof divided by \$5,000, each \$5,000 portion of such Bond being subject to redemption. In the case of partial redemption of a Bond, payment of the redemption price shall be made only upon surrender of such Bond in exchange for Bonds of the same maturity and in authorized denominations of the same series, maturity and interest rate in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the principal amount thereof.

If the redemption date for any Bonds shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in the Commonwealth are authorized or required by law or executive order to close, then the date for payment of the principal, premium, if any, and interest upon such redemption shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized or required to close, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of redemption.

#### THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Introduction

The School District consists of the Borough of West Chester and surrounding municipalities in central Chester County and one municipality in western Delaware County and covers an area of approximately 75 square miles. The School District's boundaries are coterminous with those of the Borough of West Chester and the Townships of East Bradford, East Goshen, Thornbury, West Goshen, Westtown and West Whiteland, all located in Chester County, and the Township of Thornbury in Delaware County. The Borough of West Chester, located in the geographic center of the School District and county seat of Chester County, is approximately 25 miles west of metropolitan Philadelphia, 15 miles north of Wilmington, Delaware, and 15 miles south of King of Prussia and Valley Forge. Many well-known unincorporated communities are located within the School District and these include: Exton in West Whiteland Township, Goshenville in East Goshen Township, Chatwood in West Goshen Township, Cheyney and Glen Mills in Thornbury Township, Delaware County, and Darlington Corners in Westtown Township.

West Chester Area School District is characterized by rolling hills and fertile valleys flanking the east branch of the Brandywine Creek and the tributaries of the Chester Creek. The Borough of West Chester is the financial and professional center for the surrounding area. The Townships encompassed within the School District are principally residential in character, with regional shopping centers and industrial parks. Four major public institutions are within the School District: West Chester University; Cheyney University; Chester County Courthouse; and Chester County Hospital.

#### Administration

The School District is governed by a nine member Board of School Directors (the "School Board") who are elected for four-year terms. The Superintendent is the chief administrative officer of the School District, with overall responsibility for all aspects of operations, including education. The Director of Business Affairs is responsible for budget and financial operations. Both of these officials are hired by the School Board.

#### **School District Facilities**

The School District operates ten elementary schools, three middle schools and three high schools an administration building and athletic and support facilities, all as described on the following table. Students at the secondary level also attend the Central Chester County Area Vocational Technical School.

TABLE 1
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES

	Original Construction	Addition and/or Renovation		2021-22
Building	<u>Date</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
High Schools				
B. Rustin High School	2003-06	-	9-12	1,216
East High School	1973	1976/92/93/04	9-12	1,226
Henderson High School	1951	1956/64/76/94/98/04	9-12	1,433
Middle Schools				
E. N. Peirce Middle School	1963	1998/01/03	6-8	1038
G. A. Stetson Middle School	1959	1961/98/03/07	6-8	869
J. R. Fugett Middle School	1969	2009	6-8	912
Elementary Schools				
East Bradford Elementary	1958	1966/70/89/14	K-5	456
East Goshen Elementary	1955	1960/64/67/95/01/20	K-5	504
Exton Elementary	1940	1953/57/91/92/93/00/19	K-5	447
Fern Hill Elementary	1955	1960/89/2016	K-5	401
Glen Acres Elementary	1966	1997	K-5	474
Greystone Elementary*	2021	=	K-5	490
Hillsdale Elementary	1976	2007	K-5	554
Mary C. Howse Elementary	1962	1965/97	K-5	481
Penn Wood Elementary	1966	1970/89/01/13	K-5	490
Sarah W. Starkweather Elementary	1991	1998	K-5	557
Westtown-Thornbury Elementary	1954	1956/89/13	K-5	545
<u>Other</u>				
Facilities & Operations Center	1999	-	-	
Spellman Administration**	1924	1952/55/77/99	Admin	
Spellman Education Center	1988	2017	Admin	
East/Fugett Athletic Fields	2004	-	-	
Henderson-North Campus Athletics	2006	-	-	
402 North Penn Street	2020***			
			Totals	12,093

<sup>\*</sup>School building opened fall of 2021.

Source: School District Officials. Enrollments do not include vo-tech students or students attending facilities not operated by the School District.

# **Enrollment Trends**

The following table presents recent trends in School District enrollment and projections of enrollment for the next 5 years, as prepared by the School District's administrative officials.

TABLE 2
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT ENROLLMENT TRENDS

	Actual Enrollments					Project	ed Enrolln	nents	
School					School				
<u>Year</u>	<u>K-5</u>	<u>6-8</u>	<u>9-12</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>K-5</u>	<u>6-8</u>	<u>9-12</u>	<u>Total</u>
2017-18	5,340	2,824	3,764	11,928	2022-23	5,477	2,803	3,881	12,161
2018-19	5,352	2,766	3,845	11,963	2023-24	5,514	2,779	3,936	12,229
2019-20	5,388	2,824	3,866	12,078	2024-25	5,486	2,872	3,902	12,260
2020-21	5,225	2,843	3,900	11,968	2025-26	5,448	2,919	3,911	12,278
2021-22	5,399	2,819	3,875	12,093	2026-27	5,408	2,954	3,907	12,269

Source: School District officials.

<sup>\*\*</sup>On November 27, 2017 the School Board entered into an agreement of sale to sell the property. There have been several addendums to extend the date for settlement. The school district has now received Court approval for the sale which is contingent upon the buyer receiving land plan approval from West Goshen Township, which the buyer is in the process of obtaining. Final land development approval was obtained the West Goshen Township Board of Supervisors on Wednesday, February 16, 2022.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The School District purchased the building on April 28, 2020 for special education use.

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCES

#### Introduction

The School District budgets and expends funds according to procedures mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. An annual operating budget is prepared by the Superintendent and Director of Business Affairs and submitted to the School Board for approval prior to the beginning of each fiscal year ("FY") on July 1.

#### **Financial Reporting**

The School District keeps the books and prepares the financial reports for its General Fund according to a modified accrual basis of accounting. Major accrual items are payrolls, payroll taxes and pension fund contributions payable, loans receivable from other funds, and revenues receivable from other governmental units. Taxes are credited when received.

As of July 1, 2001, the School District adopted provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis - For State and Local Governments, Statement No. 37, Basic Financial Statements – and Management Discussion and Analysis - For State and Local Governments: Omnibus, and Interpretation No. 6, Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Balance Statements.

The School District financial statements are audited annually by an independent certified public accountant, as required by Commonwealth law. The firm of Barbacane, Thornton & Company LLP, Wilmington, Delaware, currently serves as the School District's auditor.

The School District's auditor has not been engaged to perform, and has not performed, since the date of its report included in an Appendix to this Official Statement, any procedure on the financial statements addressed in that report. Such auditor also has not performed any procedures relating to this Official Statement.

#### Budgeting Process as modified by Act 1 of 2006 (Taxpayer Relief Act)

<u>In General</u>. School districts budget and expend funds according to procedures mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education ("PDE"). An annual operating budget is prepared by school district administrative officials on a uniform form furnished by PDE and submitted to the board of school directors for approval prior to the beginning of the fiscal year on July 1.

Procedures for Adoption of the Annual Budget. Under Pennsylvania Act No. 1 of the Special Session of 2006, as amended by Act 25 of 2011 (the "Taxpayer Relief Act" or "Act 1"), all school districts of the first class A, second class, third class and fourth class (except as described below) must adopt a preliminary budget proposal (which must include estimated revenues and expenditures and proposed tax rates) no later than 90 days prior to the date of the election immediately preceding the fiscal year. The preliminary budget proposal must be printed and made available for public inspection at least 20 days prior to its adoption; the board of school directors may hold a public hearing on the budget; and the board must give at least 10 days public notice of its intent to adopt the final budget.

If the adopted preliminary budget includes an increase in the rate of any tax levy, the preliminary budget must be submitted to PDE no later than 85 days prior to the date of the election immediately preceding the fiscal year. PDE is to compare the proposed percentage increase in the rate of any tax with the school district's Index (see "The Taxpayer Relief Act" herein) and within 10 days, but not later than 75 days prior to the upcoming election, inform the school district whether the proposed percentage increase is less than or equal to the Index. If PDE determines that a proposed tax increase will exceed the Index, the school district must reduce the proposed tax increase, seek voter approval for the tax increase at the upcoming election, or seek approval to utilize one of the referendum exceptions authorized under The Taxpayer Relief Act.

With respect to the utilization of any of the Taxpayer Relief Act referendum exceptions for which PDE approval is required (see "The Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1)" herein), the school district must publish notice of its intent to seek PDE approval not less than one week before submitting its request for approval to PDE and, if PDE determines to schedule a public hearing on the request, a notice of the date, time and place of such hearing. PDE is required by the Taxpayer Relief Act to rule on the school district's request and inform the school district of its decision no later than 55 days prior to the upcoming election so that, if PDE denies the school district's request, the school district may submit a referendum question to the local election officials at least 50 days before the upcoming election, if it so chooses.

If a school district seeks voter approval to increase taxes at a rate higher than the applicable Index, whether or not it first seeks approval to utilize one of the referendum exceptions available under the Taxpayer Relief Act, and the referendum question is not approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question, the board of school directors may not approve an increase in the tax rate greater than the applicable Index.

Simplified Procedures in Certain Cases. The above budgetary procedures will not apply to a school district if its board of school directors adopts a resolution no later than 110 days prior to the election immediately preceding the upcoming fiscal year declaring that it will not increase taxes at a rate that exceeds the Index, and that a tax increase at or below the rate of the Index will be sufficient to balance its budget. In that case, the Taxpayer Relief Act requires only that the proposed annual budget be prepared at least 30 days, and made available for public inspection at least 20 days, prior to its adoption, and that at least ten (10) days' public notice be given of the board's intent to adopt the annual budget. No referendum exceptions are available to a school district adopting such a resolution.

Status of FY 2021-22 Budget Under Act 1. On May 26, 2021, at its regular monthly meeting the School Board of the School District adopted a FY 2021-22 Final Budget, which calls for a tax millage rate increase of 1.84% to 22.0604 for Chester County residents and a tax millage rate increase of 0.0% for Delaware County residents due to a county-wide reassessment. This budget relies heavily on School District spending reductions and the use of approximately \$14.8 million of the School District's accumulated fund balance. Property tax millage rates in the School District will remain one of the lowest of any school district in Chester County or Delaware County, Pennsylvania.

# **Summary and Discussion of Financial Results**

A summary of the comparative governmental fund balance sheets is presented in Table 3 and Table 4 shows historic changes in the general fund balances of the School District. Table 5 summarizes revenues and expenditures for the past five years and the 2021-22 budget.

TABLE 3
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUMMARY OF COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
(Fiscal Years Ending June 30)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
ASSETS	<u>2017</u>	2010	2015	<u>2020</u>	2021
Current:					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$21,543,609	\$21,987,478	\$22,670,285	\$25,548,566	\$25,884,217
Investments	44,994,605	46,406,465	44,928,397	87,046,824	112,768,222
Internal Balances	(4,933)	(10,892)	(3,152)	91,859	71,600
Property Taxes Receivable, Net	3,856,980	3,280,667	3,117,633	3,586,978	3,683,216
Due from other Governments	6,881,636	7,509,937	7,696,457	8,288,183	7,856,799
Other Receivables	1,207,413	1,038,135	1,153,422	1,454,032	1,401,002
Prepaid Expenditures	3,046,271	2,957,388	3,381,404	3,499,326	3,243,482
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$81,525,581	\$83,169,178	\$82,944,446	\$129,515,768	\$154,908,538
Noncurrent Assets					
Capital Assets:					
Investments	\$0	\$1,458,629	\$5,194,434	\$497,497	\$5,655,289
Land	28,289,916	28,289,916	28,289,916	28,289,916	28,289,916
Land Improvements	16,416,508	16,416,508	16,416,508	16,416,508	16,502,403
Buildings	417,377,413	422,006,008	424,119,730	426,266,132	428,617,821
Construction in Progress	10,856,578	16,123,716	31,507,788	44,337,846	63,813,485
Furniture and Equipment	36,659,286	38,915,013	39,850,208	43,349,091	49,661,778
NET OF DEPRECIATION	\$509,599,701	\$523,209,790	\$545,378,584	\$559,156,990	\$592,540,692
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(\$211,334,325)	(\$223,354,041)	(\$235,498,846)	(\$248,116,393)	(\$261,975,935)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$379,790,957	\$383,024,927	\$392,824,184	\$440,556,365	\$485,473,295
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<b>DEFFERED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>					
Deferred amount on refunding	\$6,569,895	\$5,581,512	\$4,459,433	\$3,422,433	\$2,267,669
Deferred Pension Contributions	26,330,342	55,472,159	46,364,774	39,469,196	53,622,239
Deferred Pension	39,493,958	0	0	0	0
Deferred OPEB	0	2,801,019	3,422,816	3,243,222	4,243,207
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	\$72,394,195	\$63,854,690	\$54,247,023	\$46,134,851	\$60,133,115
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED					
OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$452,185,152	\$446,879,617	\$447,071,207	\$486,691,216	\$545,606,410
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LIABILITIES					
Current:					
Accounts Payable and other current liabilities	\$23,961,822	\$23,634,731	\$28,164,656	\$26,769,956	\$28,147,215
Bond and Notes Payable Due Within One Year	17,515,062	18,412,234	19,001,187	19,974,941	20,839,036
Accrued Interest	1,756,088	1,661,431	1,584,209	1,639,225	1,628,691
Deferred Revenues	83,608	85,184	56,516	235,320	177,622
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$43,316,580	\$43,793,580	\$48,806,568	\$48,619,442	\$50,792,564
Long-Term: Bonds and Notes Payable Due After One Year	\$264,195,316	\$255,590,148	\$246,444,265	\$266,661,598	\$282,433,599
Accrued Severance and Compensated Absences	4,752,023	4,955,912			6,117,856
Other post-employment benefits	669,256	30,031,236	5,155,067	5,440,155 28,809,834	
Net pension liability	337,581,000	335,940,000	29,410,267 329,698,000	320,414,000	29,066,162 341,620,000
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TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	\$607,197,595	\$626,517,296	\$610,707,599	\$621,325,587	\$659,237,617
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$650,514,175	\$670,310,876	\$659,514,167	\$669,945,029	\$710,030,181
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DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES					
Deferred pension	\$2,812,000	\$2,393,000	\$5,376,000	\$12,393,000	\$8,728,000
Deferred OPEB	\$0	\$663,000	\$1,541,353	\$1,672,040	\$2,386,273
	\$2,812,000	\$3,056,000	\$6,917,353	\$14,065,040	\$11,114,273
NET POSITION (DEFICIT)					
Net investment in capital assets	\$23,124,893	\$29,976,250	\$43,699,285	\$49,714,318	\$63,045,948
Restricted for Capital Projects	22,444,089	22,461,479	20,557,393	21,345,455	23,571,239
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(\$246,710,005)	(\$278,924,988)	(\$283,616,991)	(\$268,378,626)	(\$262,155,231)
TOTAL FUND EQUITIES	(\$201,141,023)	(\$226,487,259)	(\$219,360,313)	(\$197,318,853)	(\$175,538,044)
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND					
FUND EQUITIES/NET ASSETS	\$452,185,152	\$446,879,617	\$447,071,207	\$486,691,216	\$545,606,410

Source: School District's Annual Financial Reports.

# TABLE 4 WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FUND BALANCE\*

(Fiscal Years Ending June 30)

		Actual					
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	2022(1)	
<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	\$28,760,978	\$28,780,193	\$31,906,389	\$38,868,824	\$55,455,485	\$69,152,527	
Revenues over (under) Expenditure	\$19,217	\$3,126,196	\$6,962,435	\$16,586,661	\$13,697,042	(\$25,482,130)	
Ending Fund Balance	\$28,780,195	\$31,906,389	\$38,868,824	\$55,455,485	\$69,152,527	\$43,670,397	

<sup>\*</sup>Totals may not add due to rounding.

Source: School District Annual Financial Reports and Budget.

# **General Fund Revenue**

The School District received \$261,224,019 in total revenue in FY 2020-21, and has budgeted total revenue of \$253,994,666 in FY 2021-22. Local sources decreased as a share of total revenue in the past five years, from 81.68% in FY 2016-17 to 81.30% in FY 2020-21. Revenue from Commonwealth sources decreased slightly as a share of the total revenue from 17.48% to 16.70% over this period. Federal and other revenue increased slightly as a share of the total revenue from 0.83% to 2.00% over this period.

# **TABLE 5** WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMARY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND **REVENUES\***

(Fiscal Years Ending June 30)

REVENUE:			Actual			Budgeted
Local Sources:	2017	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	2020	2021	2022(1)
Real Estate Taxes (Current)	\$156,989,628	\$163,169,638	\$169,592,595	\$173,636,758	\$174,260,525	\$175,639,470
Interim Real Estate Taxes	695,464	1,065,856	1,091,954	984,090	1,997,620	823,430
Total Act 511 Taxes	27,451,544	26,105,252	25,931,136	26,240,881	30,440,986	23,694,164
Public Utility Realty Tax	196,738	183,280	192,821	177,571	195,012	180,000
Delinquencies on Taxes Levied	3,479,843	2,708,709	2,477,181	3,160,170	3,264,401	2,858,800
Earnings from Temporary Deposits & Investments	731,944	1,402,283	2,656,955	2,179,046	220,923	357,500
Fed. Rev. Rec'dOther Intermediate/PA Sources	1,328,361	1,314,410	1,326,870	1,334,850	1,545,191	1,572,087
Tuition from Patrons	161,773	116,998	72,768	42,389	13,604	118,510
Rentals	509,869	481,072	444,124	270,577	212,546	245,000
Contributions and Donations	17,602	27,126	18,271	9,557	0	0
Receipts from Other LEAs	350,622	305,084	287,250	302,217	89,407	196,500
Refund of Prior Years' Expenditures	34,677	40,726	999	5,666	20,080	380,490
All Other Local Revenues Not Specified	276,995	368,449	353,765	302,605	1,575	0
Other Sources	62,497	84,591	58,464	97,425	119,487	0
Total Local Sources	\$192,287,557	\$197,373,473	\$204,505,151	\$208,743,801	\$212,381,357	\$206,065,951
State Sources:						
Total State Sources	\$41,156,644	\$42,747,951	\$42,679,137	44,089,036	43,625,782	\$45,962,693
Federal Sources:						
Total Federal Sources	\$1,957,139	\$2,053,577	\$2,337,351	2,275,583	5,216,880	\$1,966,022
Other Sources:						
Total Other Sources	\$0					
TOTAL REVENUE	\$235,401,340	\$242,175,000	\$249,521,640	\$255,108,420	\$261,224,019	\$253,994,666

<sup>\*</sup>Totals may not add due to rounding.

Source: School District Annual Financial Reports and Budget.

<sup>(1)</sup>Budget, as adopted May 26, 2021.

<sup>(1)</sup>Budget, as adopted May 26, 2021.

# TABLE 5 WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMARY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES\*

(Fiscal Years Ending June 30)

			Actual			Budgeted
EXPENDITURES:	2017	<u>2018</u>	2019	<u>2020</u>	2021	2022(1)
Instruction	\$137,794,289	\$140,801,561	\$142,088,011	\$139,156,059	\$144,653,283	\$157,477,298
Pupil Personnel	8,686,873	8,967,198	9,290,791	9,151,408	9,591,075	10,925,754
Instructional Staff	5,481,670	5,207,701	5,383,710	5,668,075	5,753,212	6,578,807
Support Services - Administration	11,040,270	11,215,067	11,781,308	11,293,929	11,643,066	13,898,933
Support Services - Pupil Health	2,256,872	2,348,603	2,311,864	2,395,807	2,585,826	2,975,305
Business	1,790,607	1,827,625	1,853,750	1,787,151	1,813,374	2,068,847
Operation & Maintenance	15,996,618	16,215,303	16,493,245	16,068,868	17,085,115	20,367,515
Pupil Transportation	13,606,727	13,365,718	13,472,758	12,409,575	12,015,030	15,745,719
Central Support Services	3,354,191	3,456,610	3,608,038	3,595,539	4,138,486	4,255,729
Support Services - Other	229,674	613,696	265,872	147,771	269,364	231,221
Non-instructional Services	4,865,617	5,038,436	5,180,293	4,854,313	4,928,997	5,748,494
Debt Service	24,085,387	24,855,902	25,571,842	26,541,652	25,416,626	28,560,032
Budgetary Reserves & Transfers	6,193,328	5,135,385	5,257,722	5,451,612	7,633,522	10,643,142
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$235,382,124	\$239,048,804	\$242,559,205	\$238,521,759	\$247,526,976	\$279,476,796
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES	\$19,217	\$3,126,196	\$6,962,435	\$16,586,661	\$13,697,042	(\$25,482,130)

<sup>\*</sup>Totals may not add due to rounding.

Source: School District Annual Financial Reports and Budget.

# TAXING POWERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

# In General

Subject to statutory limitations imposed by the Taxpayer Relief Act, Act No. 1 of the Special Session of 2006, as amended (see "The Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1)" herein), the School District is empowered by the School Code and other statutes to levy the following taxes:

- 1. A basic annual tax on all real property taxable for school purposes, not to exceed 25 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation, to be used for general school purposes.
- 2. An unlimited ad valorem tax on the property taxable for school purposes to provide funds:
  - a. for minimum salaries and increments of the teaching and supervisory staff;
  - to pay rentals due any municipality authority or non-profit corporation or due the State Public School Building Authority;
  - c. to pay interest and principal on any indebtedness incurred pursuant to the Local Government Unit Debt Act, or any prior or subsequent act governing the incurrence of indebtedness of the school district; and
  - d. to pay for the amortization of a bond or note issue which provided a school building prior to the first Monday of July, 1959.
- 3. An annual per capita tax on each resident or inhabitant over 18 years of age of not more than \$5.00.
- 4. Additional taxes subject to division with other political subdivisions authorized to levy similar taxes on the same person, subject, business, transaction or privilege, under Act No. 511, enacted December 31, 1965, as amended ("The Local Tax Enabling Act"). These taxes, which may include, among others, an additional per capita tax, a wage and other earned income tax, a real estate transfer tax, a gross receipts tax, a local services tax and an occupation tax, shall not exceed, in the aggregate, an amount equal to the product of the market valuation of real estate in the School District (as certified by the State Tax Equalization Board of the Commonwealth "STEB") multiplied by twelve mills. All local taxing authorities are required by the Local Tax Enabling Act to exempt disabled veterans and members of the armed forces reserve who are called to active duty at any time during the tax year from any local services tax and to

<sup>(1)</sup>Budget, as adopted May 26, 2021.

exempt from any local services tax levied at a rate in excess of \$10 those persons whose total income and net profits from all sources within the political subdivision is less than \$12,000 for the tax year. The Local Tax Enabling Act also authorizes, but does not require, taxing authorities to exempt from per capita, occupation, and earned income taxes and any local services tax levied at a rate of \$10 or less per year, any person whose total income from all sources is less than \$12,000 per year.

# Pennsylvania Law Limiting Annual School District Tax Increases - Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1)

Under Act 1, a school district may not levy any new tax for the support of the public schools which was not levied in the previous fiscal year, raise the rate of any earned income and net profits tax if already imposed under the authority of the Local Tax Enabling Act (Act 511), or increase the rate of any tax for school purposes by more than the Index (defined below), unless in each case either (a) such increase is approved by the voters in the school district at a public referendum or (b) one of the exceptions summarized below is applicable and the use of such exception is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE):

- 1. to pay interest and principal on indebtedness approved ("incurred" as defined by Act 1) (i) prior to September 4, 2004, in the case of a school district which had elected to become subject to the provisions of the prior Homeowner Tax Relief Act, Act 72 of 2004, or (ii) prior to June 27, 2006, in the case of a school district which had not elected to become subject to Act 72 of 2004; to pay interest and principal on any indebtedness approved by the voters at referendum (electoral debt); and to pay interest and principal on debt refunding or refinancing debt for which one of the above exceptions is permitted, as long as the refunding or refinancing incurs no additional debt other than for costs and expenses related to the refunding or refinancing and the funding of appropriate debt service reserves;
- 2. to pay costs incurred in providing special education programs and services to students with disabilities, under specified circumstances; and
- 3. to make payments into the State Public School Employees' Retirement System when the increase in the estimated payments between the current year and the upcoming year is greater than the Index, as determined by PDE in accordance with the provisions of Act 1.

Any revenue derived from an increase in the rate of any tax allowed under the exception numbered 1 above may not exceed the anticipated dollar amount of the expenditure, and any revenue derived from an increase in the rate of any tax allowed pursuant to any other exception enumerated above may not exceed the rate increase required, as determined by PDE. If a school district's petition or request to increase taxes by more than the Index pursuant to one or more of the allowable exceptions is not approved, the school district may submit the proposed tax increase to a referendum.

The Index (to be determined and reported by PDE by September of each year for application to the following fiscal year) is the average of the percentage increase in the statewide average weekly wage, as determined by the State Department of Labor and Industry for the preceding calendar year, and the employment cost index for elementary and secondary schools, as reported by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics for the preceding 12-month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30. If and when a school district has a Market Value/Income Aid Ratio greater than 0.40 for the prior school year, however, the Index is adjusted upward by multiplying the unadjusted Index by the sum of 0.75 and such Aid Ratio.

The Act 1 Index applicable to the School District in the next, current and prior fiscal years are as follows:

Fiscal Year	<u>Index %</u>
2022-23	3.4%
2021-22	3.0
2020-21	2.6
2019-20	2.3
2018-19	2.4
2017-18	2.5

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Education website.

In accordance with Act 1, the School District put a referendum question on the ballot at the May, 15, 2007, primary election seeking voter approval to levy (or increase the rate of) an earned income and net profits tax ("EIT") or a personal income tax ("PIT") and use the proceeds to reduce local real estate taxes by a homestead and farmstead exclusion. This referendum question was not approved by the voters. A board of school directors may submit, but is not required to submit, a referendum question to the voters at the municipal election in any later year seeking approval to levy or increase the rate of an EIT or a PIT for the purpose of funding homestead and farmstead exclusions, but the proposed rate of the EIT or PIT shall not exceed the rate that is required to provide the maximum homestead and farmstead exclusions allowable under law.

SET FORTH ABOVE IS A SUMMARY OF PORTIONS OF ACT 1. THIS SUMMARY IS NOT INTENDED TO BE AN EXHAUSTIVE DISCUSSION OF THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 1 NOR A LEGAL INTERPRETATION OF ANY PROVISION OF ACT 1, AND A PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER OF THE BONDS SHOULD REVIEW THE FULL TEXT OF ACT 1 AS A PART OF ANY DECISION TO PURCHASE THE BONDS.

#### Status of the Bonds Under Act 1

No exceptions to the Act 1 index and taxing limits are expected to apply to the Bonds.

# **Legislation Limiting Unreserved School District Fund Balances**

Pennsylvania Act No. 2003-48 (enacted December 23, 2003) prohibits a school district from increasing real property taxes, unless the school district has adopted a budget for such school year that includes an estimated ending unreserved undesignated fund balance which is not more than a specified percentage of the total budgeted expenditures, as set forth below:

Total Budgeted Expenditures	Estimated Ending Unreserved Undesignated Fund Balance as a Percentage of Total Budgeted Expenditures
Less than or equal to \$11,999,999	12.0%
Between \$12,000,000 and \$12,999,999	11.5%
Between \$13,000,000 and \$13,999,999	11.0%
Between \$14,000,000 and \$14,999,999	10.5%
Between \$15,000,000 and \$15,999,999	10.0%
Between \$16,000,000 and \$16,999,999	9.5%
Between \$17,000,000 and \$17,999,999	9.0%
Between \$18,000,000 and \$18,999,999	8.5%
Greater than or equal to \$19,000,000	8.0%*

"Estimated ending unreserved fund balance" is defined in Act 2003-48 as that portion of the fund balance which is appropriable for expenditure or not legally or otherwise segregated for a specific or tentative future use, projected for the close of the school year for which a school district's budget was adopted and held in the general fund accounts of the school district.

<sup>\*</sup>Applicable to the School District.

# **Tax Levy Trends**

Table 6 which follows shows the recent trend of tax rates levied by the School District. Table 7 shows the comparative trend of real property tax rates for the School District, the Borough, Townships, and the County.

TABLE 6
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX RATES

	Chester	Delaware	Real Estate	Wage and
	County	County	Transfer(1)	Income <sup>(1)</sup>
	(mills)	(mills)	<u>(%)</u>	<u>(%)</u>
2017-18	20.6841	15.2086	1.00	1.00
2018-19	21.2723	16.0761	1.00	1.00
2019-20	21.6622	16.2597	1.00	1.00
2020-21	21.6622	16.6626	1.00	1.00
2021-22	22.0604	9.5164	1.00	1.00

<sup>(1)</sup>Subject to sharing providing the municipality levies the tax.

Source: School District officials.

TABLE 7
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMPARATIVE REAL PROPERTY TAX RATES
(Mills on Assessed Value)

	2015 10	2010 10	2010.20	2020 21	2021 22
~	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
School District					
Chester County	20.0982	21.2723	21.6622	21.6622	22.0604
Delaware County	15.2086	16.0761	16.2597	16.6626	9.5164
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
East Bradford Township	1.0000	1.0000	1.5000	1.5000	1.7500
East Goshen Township	1.2500	1.2500	1.2500	1.2500	1.2500
Thornbury Township	0.9950	0.9950	0.9950	0.9950	0.9950
Thornbury Township (Delaware County)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
West Chester Borough	6.9600	6.9600	6.9600	7.4000	7.7000
West Goshen Township	2.0000	2.0000	2.0000	2.0000	2.0000
West Whiteland Township	0.7190	0.7190	0.7140	0.7140	0.7140
Westtown Township	3.5000	3.5000	3.5000	3.5000	3.5000
Chester County	4.3690	4.3690	4.3690	4.5510	4.5510

Source: Chester County and Delaware County websites.

# **Real Property Tax**

The real property tax including interim collections (excluding delinquent collections) produced \$177,830,871 in FY 2020-21, approximately 68.1% of overall revenue.

The following tables summarize trends of assessed and market valuations of real property. For the FY 2008-09 fiscal year, eligible taxpayers could opt into the installment method of payment for their school taxes. Installment payments are based upon three (3) one-third payments of the base tax amount.

Table 8 shows real property assessment data for the School District, Table 9 shows assessment by municipality and Table 10 shows assessment by land use. Table 11 summarizes recent trends in real property tax collection. The last countywide reassessment in Chester County was in 1998 and for Delaware County it was in 2021.

TABLE 8
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT DATA

Year	Market Value	Assessed Value	Ratio
2020-21	\$15,025,213,325	\$8,613,242,229	77.59%
2019-20	14,366,083,784	8,569,423,385	59.65%
2018-19	14,207,175,901	8,491,497,863	59.77%
2017-18	13,559,785,462	8,471,217,579	62.47%
2016-17	13,370,341,642	8,376,073,418	62.64%

Source: PA State Tax Equalization Board (STEB)/Tax Equalization Division (TED)

TABLE 9
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT DATA BY MUNICIPALITY

	2019	2019	2020	2020
	Market Value	<b>Assessed Value</b>	Market Value	<b>Assessed Value</b>
School District	\$14,366,083,784	\$8,569,423,385	\$15,025,213,325	\$8,613,242,229
Chester County	62,413,143,030	38,392,565,940	65,352,580,378	38,707,244,780
East Bradford Township	1,294,533,277	808,208,294	1,347,334,764	807,526,574
East Goshen Township	2,643,517,739	1,659,847,054	2,738,983,395	1,657,957,694
Thornbury Township	479,248,412	313,923,339	508,454,713	319,253,809
Thornbury Township (Del County)	840,051,487	647,545,414	895,233,989	651,090,353
West Chester Borough	1,663,001,634	754,285,085	1,755,500,600	760,203,305
West Goshen Township	3,302,388,273	1,874,654,913	3,411,440,888	1,886,454,213
West Whiteland Township	2,776,318,198	1,717,107,186	2,917,624,596	1,722,203,871
Westtown Township	1,367,024,764	793,852,100	1,450,640,380	808,552,410

Source: PA State Tax Equalization Board (STEB)/Tax Equalization Division (TED)

TABLE 10 WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT BY LAND USE

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	2020
Residential	\$6,332,365,407	\$6,346,077,548	\$6,371,243,079	\$6,407,158,423	\$6,444,006,872
Lots	23,518,106	25,250,126	26,377,666	27,024,966	38,674,826
Industrial	146,853,645	147,018,855	146,817,485	147,770,765	144,455,395
Commercial	1,847,331,000	1,924,988,410	1,919,867,803	1,961,867,841	1,960,283,726
Agriculture	22,730,390	23,544,790	23,886,590	22,327,250	22,616,460
Trailers	1,471,450	1,471,450	1,471,450	1,379,200	1,371,350
Land	1,801,420	2,866,400	1,833,790	1,894,940	1,833,600
Total	\$8,376,071,418	\$8,471,217,579	\$8,491,497,863	\$8,569,423,385	\$8,613,242,229

Source: PA State Tax Equalization Board (STEB)/Tax Equalization Division (TED)

# TABLE 11 WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT REAL PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION DATA

<u>Year</u>	Assessed Valuation	Chester Co. <u>Mills</u>	Delaware Co. <u>Mills</u>	Adjusted <u>Levied<sup>(1)</sup></u>	Current Collections <u>Amount</u>	Current Year Collections as Percent	Total Collections Amount <sup>(2)</sup>	Total Collections as Percent
<del>2016</del> -17	\$8,438,369,400	$2\overline{0.098}2$	$1\overline{4.711}3$	\$166,104,714	\$160,634,511	96.71%	\$164,114,354	98.80%
2017-18	8,477,054,324	20.6841	15.2086	171,795,817	166,613,977	96.98%	169,322,685	98.56%
2018-19	8,490,151,093	21.2723	16.0761	178,032,911	173,060,736	97.21%	175,537,917	98.60%
2019-20	8,569,659,150	21.6622	16.2597	182,704,077	177,235,011	97.01%	180,395,181	98.74%
2020-21	8,613,242,229	21.6622	16.6626	184,489,773	177,830,871	96.39%	181,095,272	98.16%

<sup>(1)</sup>Plus penalties, less discounts and exonerations.

Source: School District officials.

The ten taxpayers owning real property having the highest assessed values in the School District, together with the 2020-21 assessed values, are shown on Table 12 which follows. These ten assessed values total approximately 4.0% of the total assessed value of all taxed property in the School District.

TABLE 12 WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT TEN LARGEST REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS, 2021-22

		2021-22
Owner	Property	Assessed Value
Main Street At Exton LP	Shopping Center	\$75,944,590
NWHAN Exton PA Development*	Apartment Complex	37,166,670
BRE Rook SH Bellingham LP	Bellingham Senior Living	34,450,000
Exton Square Inc.	Shopping Mall	33,826,715
Keva Flats LP*	Apartment Complex	31,676,040
SPUS8 West Chester LP	Apartment Complex	27,976,000
ARHC WHWCHPA01 LLC	Wellington Senior Living	27,000,000
JAG/OAK Parkview Apartments	Apartment Complex	25,037,760
Westtown Apartments	Apartment Complex	24,367,500
QVC Inc.	Industrial Bldg./TV Shopping	23,400,800
Total		\$340,846,075

<sup>\*</sup>Taxpayer assessment appeal pending.

# Other Taxes

Under Act 511, the School District collected \$30,440,986 in taxes in FY 2020-21. Among the taxes authorized by Act 511, the Real Estate Transfer Tax and Wage and Income Taxes are levied by the School District. The Act 511 limit, equal to 12 mills on the market value of real property, was approximately \$180,302,560.

Real Estate Transfer. The School District levies a tax of 0.5% of the value of real estate transfers. In FY 2020-21 the School District's collected portion of this tax yielded \$6,227,575 of total revenue.

Wage and Income Tax. The School District levies a tax of 0.5% of the earned income of residents. In FY 2020-21 the School District's collected portion of this tax yielded \$24,213,411 of total revenue.

<sup>(2)</sup>Includes real property assessments plus delinquent collections.

#### COMMONWEALTH AID TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Pennsylvania school districts receive financial assistance from the Commonwealth in a number of forms, all subject to statutory provisions and annual appropriation by the Pennsylvania General Assembly.

Basic education funding is allocated to all school districts in an amount equal to: (1) a fixed sum equal to the school district's Fiscal Year 2014-15 basic educational funding; plus (2) an additional increment determined annually pursuant to statutory formula which adjusts a school district's average daily membership by a number of factors specific to the composition of the student population as well as the school district's median household income, local tax effort and capacity to generate local revenue. The additional increment as calculated above for any individual school district may be zero.

Information concerning the calculation of the School District's basic education funding can be found on the Pennsylvania Department of Education's website at <a href="https://www.education.pa.gov">https://www.education.pa.gov</a>

School districts may also receive state aid for special education, pupil transportation, vocational education, and health services, among other things.

# **Current Lack of State Appropriations for Debt Service Subsidies**

Commonwealth law presently provides that the School District will receive, subject to annual state legislative appropriations, reimbursement from the Commonwealth for a portion of debt service paid on the Bonds following final approval by PDE. Commonwealth reimbursement is calculated based on the "Reimbursable Percentage" assigned to the Bonds by the PDE and the School District's permanent Capital Account Reimbursement Fraction ("CARF") (27.54%) or its wealth based Market Value Aid Ratio ("MVAR") currently (10.00%), whichever is higher. The Reimbursable Percentage is determined through a process known as the Planning and Construction Workbook or "PlanCon".

Under the existing PlanCon program, School District officials have estimated that the Reimbursable Percentage of the Bonds will be 30.08% (there has been no determination by the PDE). The School District's CARF (which is higher than the MVAR) is 27.54%. The product of these two factors is 8.28%, which is the estimated percentage of debt service which may be reimbursed by the Commonwealth, subject to annual appropriation. In future years, this percentage may change as the School District's MVAR changes, or as a result of future legislation regarding changes to, or even elimination of, the PlanCon program.

In May of 2016, the Commonwealth enacted appropriation legislation known as Act 25 ("Act 25"), which contains authorization for the Commonwealth Finance Authority ("CFA") to issue up to \$2.5 billion of debt to fund PlanCon reimbursements to school districts. Act 25 also instituted a moratorium on any new projects entering the PlanCon process while an advisory committee established under Act 25 considers amendments to the PlanCon reimbursement program. This moratorium went into effect on May 15, 2016 and expired on June 30, 2017. On November 6, 2017, House Bill 178 became law without the signature of the Governor and became known as Act 55 of 2017. Contained in Act 55 of 2017 was an extension of the PlanCon moratorium through the end of the 2017-18 fiscal year and a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2017. Subsequently, the Commonwealth enacted Act 42 of 2018, which permitted PlanCon applications submitted between July 1, 2017 and November 6, 2017, and whose school district votes to proceed with construction and award bids on their construction contracts no later than July 1, 2021, to receive PlanCon funding as permitted by law, if made available by the Commonwealth. On June 22, 2018, the Governor approved and signed House Bill 1448, known as Act 39 of 2018, extending the PlanCon moratorium through the end of the 2018-2019 fiscal year. On June 28, 2019, the Governor approved and signed House Bill 1615, known as Act 16 of 2019, that included a continuation of the moratorium on new PlanCon Part A submittals through the end of the 2020-21 fiscal year. On Jun 30, 2021, the Governor approved and signed Senate Bill 381, known as School Code or Act 26 of 2021, which extended the moratorium on new PlanCon Part A submittals through the end of the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

To date, the CFA has issued \$1,903,065,000, to provide for PlanCon reimbursements owed to school districts, including the issuance of its Revenue Bonds, Series A of 2016 (Federally Taxable) in the principal amount of \$758,185,000 issued on October 31, 2016, its Revenue Bonds, Series A of 2018 (Federally Taxable) in the total amount of \$412,520,000 issued on January 18, 2018, its Revenues Bonds (Federally Taxable), Series A of 2019 in the total amount of \$388,975,000 issued on May 9, 2019, as well as its Revenue Bonds (Federally Taxable), Series A of 2021 in the total amount of \$343,385,000 issued on June 23, 2021. It is expected that proceeds of these issues have been and will continue to be used to provide PlanCon reimbursement that is owed to the School District for past and current fiscal years. However, the School District cannot be certain that any future PlanCon reimbursement will be received by PDE as the ability for CFA to issue additional bonds in the future to fund future PlanCon reimbursements owed to school districts may impact the availability of PlanCon reimbursements payable to the School District. Any failure by the Commonwealth to adopt a timely budget and enact necessary spending authorizations could have a material adverse effect upon the School District's anticipated receipt of PlanCon reimbursements.

Legislation has been introduced from time to time in the Pennsylvania legislature containing language that would revise or even abolish the debt service reimbursement program for Pennsylvania school districts. As of the date hereof, and except as described above, none of these proposals have been signed into law. To the extent that any future legislation contains material changes to the PlanCon program as it is structured currently, the amount of PlanCon reimbursement to the School District may be positively or negatively affected, which could materially impact the amount of local funds needed to be raised by the School District to pay debt service on its debt obligations.

# **DEBT AND DEBT LIMITS**

# **Debt Statement**

Table 13 which follows shows the debt of the West Chester Area School District as of March 1, 2022 and includes the new issuance of the Bonds.

# TABLE 13

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT DEBT STATEMENT (As of March 1, 2022)\*

	Gross
NONELECTORAL DEBT	Outstanding
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 (last maturity 2032)	\$30,115,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2021 (last maturity 2041)	29,250,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2020 (last maturity 2032)	14,540,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2019 (last maturity 2040)	34,745,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2018 (last maturity 2039)	9,980,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2017 (last maturity 2032)	9,735,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2016 (last maturity 2027)	32,000,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2016 (last maturity 2024)	6,400,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series AA of 2014 (last maturity 2030)	55,875,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series A of 2014 (last maturity 2024)	24,500,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2014 (last maturity 2032)	12,000,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series AA of 2012 (last maturity 2022)	7,620,000
General Obligation Note, Series of 2009 (last maturity 2027)	8,650,000
NONELECTORAL DEBT	\$275,410,000
LEASE RENTAL DEBT	
NET LEASE RENTAL DEBT	\$0
TOTAL NET NONELECTORAL AND LEASE RENTAL DEBT	\$275,410,000

<sup>\*</sup>Includes the principal amount of the Bonds offered through this Official Statement. Does not include the 2012A Bond, 2016AA Bonds and 2017 Bonds being refunded herein.

Table 14 presents the overlapping indebtedness and debt ratios of the School District. After the issuance of the Bonds, the principal of direct debt of the School District will total \$275,410,000. After adjustment for available funds and estimated Commonwealth aid, the local effort of direct debt will total \$267,778,582.

# TABLE 14

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT OVERLAPPING INDEBTEDNESS AND DEBT RATIOS\* (As of March 1, 2022)\*

DIRECT DEBT	Gross Outstanding	Local Effort or Net of Available Funds and Estimated Commonwealth Aid <sup>(1)</sup>
Nonelectoral Debt	\$275,410,000	\$267,778,582
Lease Rental Debt	0	0
TOTAL DIRECT DEBT	\$275,410,000	\$267,778,582
OVERLAPPING DEBT	_	
Chester County, General Obligation <sup>(2)</sup>	\$110,160,540	\$110,160,540
Delaware County, General Obligation <sup>(3)</sup>	3,900,356	3,900,356
Municipal Debt	113,615,992	113,615,992
TOTAL OVERLAPPING DEBT	\$227,676,888	\$227,676,888
TOTAL DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING DEBT	\$503,086,888	\$495,455,470
DEBT RATIOS	_	
Per Capita	\$4,519.00	\$4,450.45
Percent 2020-21 Assessed Value	5.84%	5.75%
Percent 2020-21 Market Value	3.35%	3.30%

<sup>\*</sup>Includes the Bonds offered through this Official Statement. Does not include the 2012A Bond, 2016AA Bonds and 2017 Bonds being refunded herein.

<sup>(1)</sup>Gives effect to expected future Commonwealth Reimbursement of School District sinking fund payments based on current CARF. See "Commonwealth Aid to School Districts".

<sup>(2)</sup>Pro rata 20.57% share of \$535,535,000 principal outstanding, including self-supporting debt of the County or local municipalities.

<sup>(3)</sup> Pro rata 1.37% share of \$284,432,000 principal outstanding, including self-supporting debt of the County or local municipalities.

# **Debt Limit and Remaining Borrowing Capacity**

The statutory borrowing limit of the School District under the Debt Act is computed as a percentage of the School District's "Borrowing Base". The "Borrowing Base" is defined as the annual arithmetic average of "Total Revenues" (as defined by the Debt Act), for the three full fiscal years ended next preceding the date of incurring debt. The School District calculates its present borrowing base and borrowing capacity as follows:

Total Revenues for FY 2018-19	\$248,357,806
Total Revenues for FY 2019-20	253,987,326
Total Revenues for FY 2020-21	260,172,376
Total Revenues, All Three Fiscal Years	\$762,517,508
Annual Arithmetic Average (Borrowing Base)	\$254,172,502

Under the Debt Act as presently in effect, no school district shall incur any nonelectoral debt or lease rental debt, if the aggregate net principal amount of such new debt together with any other net nonelectoral debt and lease rental debt then outstanding, would cause the net nonelectoral debt plus net lease rental debt to exceed 225% of the Borrowing Base. The application of the aforesaid percentage to the School District's Borrowing Base produces the following product:

	Legal <u>Limit</u>	Net Debt <u>Outstanding*</u>	Remaining Borrowing <u>Capacity</u>
Net Nonelectoral and Lease Rental Debt Limit:			
225% of Borrowing Base	\$571,888,130	\$275,410,000	\$296,478,130

<sup>\*</sup>Includes the Bonds described herein, and does not reflect credits against gross indebtedness that may be claimed for a portion of principal of any debt to be reimbursed by Commonwealth aid.

# **Debt Service Requirements**

Table 15 presents the debt service requirements on the School District's outstanding general obligation indebtedness including debt service on the Bonds.

The School District has never defaulted on the payment of debt service.

TABLE 15
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS\*

	Other General Obligation		Series of 2022		Total
<u>Year</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Principal</u>	Interest	Subtotal	<b>Requirements</b>
2021-22	\$27,841,560	<del></del> \$0	<del></del>	<del></del> \$0	\$27,841,560
2022-23	26,608,033	5,000	1,385,389	1,390,389	27,998,421
2023-24	26,023,378	5,000	1,246,700	1,251,700	27,275,078
2024-25	25,962,665	5,000	1,246,550	1,251,550	27,214,215
2025-26	25,964,565	100,000	1,246,400	1,346,400	27,310,965
2026-27	25,848,790	200,000	1,241,400	1,441,400	27,290,190
2027-28	22,169,990	4,270,000	1,231,400	5,501,400	27,671,390
2028-29	19,052,478	6,530,000	1,017,900	7,547,900	26,600,378
2029-30	19,060,403	6,070,000	691,400	6,761,400	25,821,803
2030-31	13,433,278	6,370,000	387,900	6,757,900	20,191,178
2031-32	13,440,583	6,560,000	196,800	6,756,800	20,197,383
2032-33	9,767,740				9,767,740
2033-34	9,766,380				9,766,380
2034-35	9,768,200				9,768,200
2035-36	9,771,475				9,771,475
2036-37	9,772,750				9,772,750
2037-38	9,771,625				9,771,625
2038-39	9,772,700				9,772,700
2039-40	8,635,400				8,635,400
2040-41	3,333,200				3,333,200
2041-42					, ,
Total	\$325,765,190	\$30,115,000	\$9,891,839	\$40,006,839	\$365,772,029

<sup>\*</sup>Totals may not add due to rounding.

Table 16 presents data on the extent to which Commonwealth Aid provides coverage for debt service requirements.

TABLE 16

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT COVERAGE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS BY COMMONWEALTH AID\*

2020-21 Commonwealth Aid Received	\$43,625,782
2020-21 Debt Service Requirements	\$25,416,626
Maximum Future Debt Service Requirements after Issuance of Bonds	\$27,998,421
2020-21 Coverage of Debt Service Requirements	1.72 times
Coverage of Maximum Future Debt Service Requirements after Issuance of Bonds	1.56 times

<sup>\*</sup>Assumes current Commonwealth Aid Ratio. See "Commonwealth Aid to School Districts."

#### **Future Financing**

The School District does not anticipate issuing additional long-term (non-refunding) debt during the next 1-2 years.

#### LABOR RELATIONS

# **School District Employees**

There are approximately 1,494 employees of the School District.

The West Chester Area Education Association (the "Association"), which is affiliated with the Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA), covering the professional employees of the School District other than administrators is under a contract which expires June 30, 2027. Secretarial and clerical personnel are represented by the Pennsylvania Education Association (ESPA-PSEA-NEA) under a contract which expires June 30, 2024. Custodial and maintenance personnel are represented by ESPA-PSEA under a contract which expires June 30, 2024.

# **Pension Program**

Currently, all Pennsylvania school districts and intermediate units participate in a pension program administrated by the Commonwealth. The program is formally known as the Public School Employees' Retirement System ("PSERS"), and a percentage of each eligible employee's salary is contributed by the employee, the School District and the Commonwealth. All full-time employees, part-time employees salaried over eighty days per year and hourly employees with over five hundred hours per year participate in the program.

Contributions are required by active members, School Districts, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as established by the Public School Employees' Retirement Code. Members who enrolled prior to January 1, 2002 range from 5.28% to 7.5% of compensation, depending upon the date of commencement of employment and elections made by each employee member. Members who enrolled in the pension plan on or after January 1, 2002 and before July 1, 2011 is 7.5% of compensation. The contribution rate for PSERS members who enrolled on or after July 1, 2011 is 7.5% or 10.3%, depending upon elections made by each employee member. As of July 1, 2021, the risk-sharing provision increased the contribution rates from 7.5% to 8.0% and 10.3% to 10.8%. The PSERS Board of Trustees certified an annual employer contribution rate of 35.26% for the fiscal year 2022-23. Current financial projections indicate the possibility of increases in the contribution rate in the next five years.

The Commonwealth will reimburse the School District at the rate of 50% of its total contributions with respect to all employees who were hired prior to July 1, 1994. With respect to employees hired after July 1, 1994, and who were not previously employed by another public school system in the Commonwealth, the School District will be reimbursed by the Commonwealth at the rate of the higher of 50% of contributions made by the School District or the current Market Value/Personal Income Aid Ratio. The School District is reimbursed on a quarterly basis.

Under Act 5 of 2017 ("Act 5") PSERS will transition from a traditional defined benefit system and begin to offer defined contribution plans as well. Beginning July 1, 2019, in addition to other transaction rules and options based on members' classifications, certain classes of active members may choose to switch from the current defined benefit plan to one of three new retirement benefit plan options which will be available. Additionally, all active members newly hired on or after July 1, 2019 will be required to select one of those three new retirement benefit plan options and will not be eligible to participate in the current defined benefit plan. The three new plans consist of two hybrid plans, with defined benefit and defined contribution components, along with a stand-alone defined contribution plan.

In addition to its comprehensive change in available plans for active members, Act 5 also made certain changes to the PSERS Board of Trustees and administrative protocols and created the Public Pension Management and Asset Investment Review Commission to study and make recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor regarding investment performance and strategies.

According to the Independent Fiscal Office, Act 5 is not expected to reduce school district and state contributions to PSERS over the first fifteen years. However, beginning in fiscal 2034-35 through fiscal 2049-50, employer contribution rates are expected to begin to decline due to the lower long-term employer costs of the new benefit plans and will be lower, in the aggregate, over the study period.

Annual School District contributions have been as follows:

2016-17	\$27,068,705
2017-18	30,058,231
2018-19	31,584,667
2019-20	33,218,932
2020-21	34,674,324
2021-22 (budgeted)	37,630,160

At June 30, 2021, the School District reported a liability of \$341,620,000 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by rolling forward the PSERS total pension liability as of June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was calculated utilizing its one-year reported covered payroll as it relates to the total one-year reported covered payroll of all school districts. At June 30, 2020, the School District's proportion as 0.6938% which was an increase of 0.0089% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

As of June 30, 2020, the PSERS plan was 59.2% funded, with an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of approximately \$44.0 billion. PSERS' rate of return for fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 was 1.11%. The Fund had plan net assets of \$59.0 billion at June 30, 2020. For more information, visit the PSERS website at www.psers.pa.gov, which is not incorporated by specific reference into this Official Statement.

Source: School District Administrative Officials and PSERS.

# Other Post-Employment Benefits ("OPEB")

The School District's OPEB costs include benefits from both a Multiple Employer OPEB Plan as well as a Single Employer OPEB Plan.

The Multiple Employer OPEB Plan, known as the Health Insurance Premium Assistance Program, is provided by PSERS to all eligible retirees who qualify and elect to participate. At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$14,935,000 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The School District recognized OPEB expense of \$792,555 for June 30, 2021.

The Single Employer OPEB Plan, in accordance with the PA School Code of 1949, as amended, medical coverage is provided to eligible retirees and spouses with the retiree paying the full active premium rate for coverage until the age of 65. The District's total OPEB liability under the Single Employer OPEB Plan was \$14,131,162, measured as of July 1, 2020. The District recognized OPEB expense of \$845,522 for year ended June 30, 2021.

In June 2015, GASB issued GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension Plans. GASB 75 establishes new accounting and financial reporting requirements for governments whose employees are provided with OPEB, as well as for certain nonemployer governments that have a legal obligation to provide financial support for OPEB provided to the employees of other entities. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2017.

For further information on the effects of GASB Statement No.75, the School District's OPEB and other vested employee benefits, including valuation and sick pay, see "Appendix D – Audited Financial Statements".

#### LITIGATION

At the time of settlement, the President or Vice-President of the Board of School Directors of the School District will deliver a certificate on the Date of Delivery, certifying that there is no litigation pending which challenges the validity or enforceability of the Bonds.

#### **DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES**

In the event of the failure of the School District to pay or cause to be paid the interest on or principal of the Bonds, the holders of the Bonds shall be entitled to certain remedies provided by the Debt Act. Among the remedies, if the failure to pay shall continue for 30 days, holders of the Bonds shall have the right to recover the amount due by bringing actions in assumpsit (contract) in the Court of Common Pleas of Chester or Delaware Counties. The Debt Act provides that any judgment shall have an appropriate priority upon the funds next coming into the treasury of the School District. The Debt Act also provides that upon a default of at least 30 days, holders of at least 25% of the Bonds may appoint a trustee to represent them. The Debt Act provides certain other remedies in the event of default, and further qualifies the remedies hereinbefore described.

#### TAX MATTERS

#### **Federal**

#### Exclusion of Interest from Gross Income

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions, interest on the Bonds, including interest in the form of original issue discount, will not be includible in gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes assuming continuing compliance by the School District with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Interest on the Bonds will not be a specific preference item for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax on individuals.

In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel has assumed compliance by the School District with its covenants contained in the Resolution and its representations in the Tax Compliance Certificate executed by the School District on the date of issuance of the Bonds (the "Tax Compliance Certificate") relating to actions to be taken by the School District after issuance of the Bonds necessary to effect or maintain the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes. These covenants and representations relate to, inter alia, the use and investment of proceeds of the Bonds, and the rebate to the United States Department of Treasury of specified arbitrage earnings, if any. Failure to comply with such covenants could result in interest on the Bonds becoming includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes from the date of issuance of the Bonds.

#### Other Federal Tax Matters

Ownership or disposition of the Bonds may result in other federal tax consequences to certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, certain S corporations, foreign corporations with branches in the United States, holders of an interest in a financial asset securitization investment trust property and casualty insurance companies, individuals who otherwise qualify for the earned income credit and taxpayers who have an initial basis in the Bonds greater or less than the principal amount thereof, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits and taxpayers, including banks, thrift institutions and other financial institutions, subject to Code Section 265, who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or to carry the Bonds.

Bond Counsel is not rendering any opinion regarding any federal tax matters other than as described under the caption "Exclusion of Interest from Gross Income" above and expressly stated in the form of Bond Counsel opinion included as Appendix B hereto. Purchasers of the Bonds should consult their independent tax advisors with regard to all federal tax matters.

#### Pennsylvania

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under the laws of the Commonwealth as enacted and construed on the date hereof, interest on the Bonds is exempt from Pennsylvania personal income tax and Pennsylvania corporate net income tax; however, under the laws of the Commonwealth, as enacted and construed on the date hereof, any profits, gains or income derived from the sale, exchange or other disposition of the Bonds will be subject to Pennsylvania taxes and local taxes within the Commonwealth.

Bond Counsel is not rendering any opinion as to any Commonwealth of Pennsylvania tax matters other than those described under the caption "Pennsylvania" above and expressly stated in the form of the opinion of Bond Counsel included as Appendix B hereto.

#### Other

The Bonds and the interest thereon may be subject to state and local taxes in jurisdictions other than the Commonwealth under applicable state or local tax laws.

Purchasers of the Bonds should consult their independent tax advisors with regard to all state and local tax matters that may affect them.

# INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAK - COVID-19

The outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus, has been characterized as a pandemic (the "Pandemic") by the World Health Organization and is currently affecting many parts of the world, including the United States and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the United States Health and Human Services Department declared a public health emergency for the United States and on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the outbreak of COVID-19 in the United States a national emergency. Subsequently, the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the United States.

Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf ordered all non-life-sustaining businesses in Pennsylvania to close their physical locations as of 8:00 p.m. March 19, 2020 to slow the spread of COVID-19. On March 23, 2020, the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE)

announced that all schools in the Commonwealth would be required to remain closed through at least April 6 as a result of the COVID-19 response efforts. On April 9, 2020, the closure order was extended by the Governor through the remainder of the 2019-20 academic year, On April 1, 2020, the Governor issued a Stay at Home order effective for all Pennsylvania counties, including Chester County, On May 15, 2020 Governor Wolf announced the beginning of the phased reopening of businesses and easing of restrictions in certain Pennsylvania counties. On Friday, June 5, 2020, Chester County began a measured reopening process in which some restrictions on work and social interaction will ease while others, such as closures of schools, gyms, and other indoor recreation centers, hair and nail salons, as well as limitations around large gatherings, remain in place. On June 19, 2020, Governor Wolf announced that Chester County was one of the counties that was cleared to move into the green reopening phase beginning on Friday, June 26, 2020. Chester County and all neighboring counties are now green. On December 10, 2020, Governor Wolf announced additional temporary COVID-19 protective mitigation measures throughout the Commonwealth, including the prohibition of all in-person indoor dining, indoor gatherings and events of more than 10 persons (excluding churches, synagogues, temples, mosques, and other places of congregate worship), outdoor gatherings and events of more than 50 persons, indoor operations at gyms and fitness facilities, as well as many other restrictions or prohibitions aimed at reducing the spread of COVID-19. These orders went into effect at 12:01 am on December 12, 2020 and remained in effect until 8:00 am on January 4, 2021. On March 15, 2021, Governor Wolf announced the lifting of some targeted restrictions on restaurants and other businesses, as well as increased gathering limits. These restrictions were effective April 4, 2021. On May 4, 2021, the Governor announced effective May 31, 2021, all COVID mitigation orders would be lifted. The Pennsylvania Legislature terminated Governor Wolf's COVID-19 Disaster Declaration through the passage of House Resolution 106 on June 10, 2021. The masking order was lifted on June 28, 2021. Effective September 7, 2021, the Governor mandated that masks be worn in schools in the Commonwealth. On December 10, 2021, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court affirmed the Order issued by the Commonwealth Court which vacated the Face Covering Order issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

Prior to reopening schools for in-person learning, health and safety plans must be approved by each school entity's governing body (i.e. board of directors). School entities must submit their approved health and safety plans (and any questions) to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The plans must also be posted on the school entity's publicly available website prior to the reopening of the school and providing services to students. On August 3, 2020 the School District approved its original health and safety plan for the 2020-2021 academic year. On June 28, 2021 the School District approved a health and safety plan, which most recently was amended on August 23, 2021, for the 2021-22 academic year.

On March 27, 2020, Act No. 13 of 2020 was signed into law by the Governor to amend the School Code concerning the Pandemic. Act No. 13 permitted the Pennsylvania Secretary of Education to further order the closure of all school entities until the threat to health and safety caused by the Pandemic ended. Act No. 13 also waived the requirement that school entities be open for at least 180 days of instruction and provided for, inter alia, compensation of school entity employees, school subsidies and reimbursements from the Commonwealth as a result of actions taken by the Secretary of Education pursuant to Act No. 13, and continued payments to charter schools, intermediate units, career and technical centers, and approved private schools and residential rehabilitative institutions where public schools had placed students.

Act No. 13 required each school entity to make a good faith effort to develop a plan to offer continuity of education using alternative means during the closure period. To assist schools during the extended closure, the Commonwealth's 29 intermediate units provided technical assistance to help develop continuity of education plans for all students. The School District employed remote instructional resources and virtual education for its students from the ordered closure of schools until the end of the 2019-2020 school year. For the 2020-21 school year, the School District has offered a combination of virtual and in person learning. For the current 2021-22 academic year, the School District offers mainly in person instruction with limited virtual options. The School District is continuing to monitor the Pandemic and will make the necessary changes to the model of instructional delivery as needed.

The Pandemic has negatively affected travel, commerce, and financial markets globally, and is widely expected to continue negatively affecting economic growth and financial markets worldwide. These negative impacts may reduce or negatively affect property values within the School District. To secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, the School District has pledged its full faith, credit and all available taxing power, which taxing power presently includes the power to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable real property within the School District, within the limits provided by law as to rate or amount for such purpose. A reduction in property values may require an increase in the ad valorem tax rate required to pay the Bonds as well as the School District's share of operations and maintenance expenses payable from ad valorem taxes. See "TAXING POWERS AND LIMITS-The Taxpayer Relief Act)" herein for a discussion of the limitations on the School District's ability to increase the *ad valorem* tax rate.

Despite any taxing initiatives taken by the School District, however, there is also a risk that some taxpayers within the School District will not be able to timely pay such taxes due to employment disruption across the country. On April 28, 2020, the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials released a study which predicted that the reduction in total local revenue to Pennsylvania School Districts could be more than \$1.04 billion for 2020-21 if the economic recovery from the COVID-19 crisis lags. Currently, school districts collect about \$18 billion in total local revenue so the projected decline represents a loss of 4-5% in total local revenue. Moreover, it is currently unknown at this time what, if any, measures that the Commonwealth may take that could complicate the School District's ability to either levy new taxes or collect any taxes that would otherwise be due and owing if current tax deadlines are extended.

Because of the evolving nature of the outbreak and federal, state and local responses thereto, the School District cannot predict how the outbreak will impact the financial condition or operations of the School District, or if there will be any impact on the assessed values of property within the School District or deferral of tax payments to School District. The School District cannot predict

costs associated with this or any other potential infectious disease outbreak, including whether there will be any reduction in Commonwealth funding or an increase in operational costs incurred to implement strategies to clean, sanitize and maintain its facility either before or after an outbreak of an infectious disease. The School District received or anticipates receiving \$8,878,656 of federal relief funding under the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and address its economic effects.

The financial and operating data contained herein are the latest available, but are as of the dates and for periods prior to the economic impact of the Pandemic and measures instituted to slow it. Accordingly, they may not be indicative of the current financial condition or future prospects of the School District.

The School District continues to monitor the spread of COVID-19 and is working with federal, state, and local agencies to address the potential impact of the Pandemic upon the School District and its employees. While the potential impact of the Pandemic on the School District cannot be quantified at this time, the continued outbreak of COVID-19 could have an adverse effect on the School District's operations and financial condition, and the effect could be material.

Additional information with respect to events surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19 and responses thereto can be found on Commonwealth websites, including but not limited to the Governor's office (http://www.pa.gov/), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (http://www.health.pa.gov/). The School District has not incorporated by reference the information on such websites and the School District does not assume any responsibility for the accuracy of the information on such websites.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

In accordance with Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), the School District (being an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds, within the meaning of the Rule), will agree to provide certain financial and operating information to the Municipal Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, either directly, or indirectly through a designated agent, in accordance with a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, to be signed by the School District, substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix C.

With respect to the filing of annual financial and operating information, the School District reserves the right to modify from time to time the specific types of information provided or the format of the presentation of such information to the extent necessary or appropriate as a result of a change in legal requirements or a change in the nature of the School District or it operations or financial reporting, but the School District will agree that any such modification will be done in a manner consistent with the Rule.

The School District is required to give notice of certain events as set forth in Section 6 the Continuing Disclosure Certificate (not all of which will be relevant to the School District). The School District may from time to time choose to file notice of other events in addition to those specified in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, but does not commit to provide notice of the occurrence of any events except those specifically listed in Section 6 of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

The School District acknowledges that its undertaking pursuant to the Rule described herein and in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate is intended to be for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds and shall be enforceable by the older and beneficial owner of the Bonds, but the right of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds to enforce the provisions of the School District's continuing disclosure undertaking shall be limited to a right to obtain specific enforcement, and any failure by the School District to comply with the provisions of the undertaking shall not be an event of default with respect to the Bonds.

The School District's obligations with respect to continuing disclosure described herein shall terminate upon the prior defeasance, redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds or if and when the School District is no longer an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds, within the meaning of the Rule.

The MSRB has been designated by the SEC to be the central and sole repository for continuing disclosure information filed by issuers of municipal securities since July 1, 2009. Information and notices filed by municipal issuers (and other defined "obligated persons") with respect to municipal securities issues) are made available through the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) System, which may be access on the internet at http://www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Continuing Disclosure Filing History**

The School District has entered into prior undertakings to provide information pursuant to previous continuing disclosure certificates for other outstanding bond issues. The following table provides information regarding annual filing deadlines and history of filings for the financial information, operating data and material event notices specified in previous continuing disclosure undertakings during the past five years:

	_	
Fiscal Year		Filing
Ending		Deadline [1]
6/30/2017		12/27/2017
6/30/2018		12/27/2018
6/30/2019		12/27/2019
6/30/2020	Ī	12/27/2020
6/30/2021		12/27/2021

Financial Statements		
Filing Date	EMMA ID [2]	
12/12/2017	ER862938	
12/19/2018	ES944363	
12/18/2019	ER991085	
12/21/2020	P11106409	
12/20/2021	P21161679	

Budget		
Filing Date	EMMA ID [2]	
12/12/2017	ER862925	
12/19/2018	ES944363	
12/18/2019	ER991085	
12/20/2020	P11106409	
12/20/2021	P21161679	

Operating Data		
Filing Date	EMMA ID [2]	
12/12/2017	ER862931	
12/19/2018	ES944363	
12/18/2019	ER991085	
12/20/2020	P11106409	
12/20/2021	P21161679	

# Notes:

As outlined in the table above, the School District filed annual financial information in a timely manner during the past five (5) years.

#### **Future Continuing Disclosure Compliance**

As detailed above, the School District has reviewed its continuing disclosure obligations and corresponding submissions. Upon discovering any omissions with respect to these filings, the School District acted to bring its continuing disclosure information current, and disclose those omissions as described above. Currently, the School District is not aware of any other outstanding past-due continuing disclosure filings.

In an effort to augment the School District's procedures and policies intended to maintain future compliance, the School District has adopted steps intended to facilitate future compliance with its Continuing Disclosure Certificates. These procedures include implementing the MSRB's EMMA's internal notification system whereby the School District has set-up email reminders a month in advance for all of the School District's annual disclosure filings and coordinating filing and event information with the School District's financial advisor.

A member of the School District's Director of Business Affairs has been designated as the "compliance officer" responsible for overseeing ongoing continuing disclosure compliance. Members of the School District's business office will seek to participate in ongoing continuing education regarding continuing disclosure undertaking if offered by local groups or affiliated organizations such as PASBO, etc. The School District may communicate with its financial advisor, underwriter(s), bond counsel, or solicitor regarding any questions or concerns regarding ongoing continuing disclosure compliance. The School District will also communicate with its local auditor and advise of the School District's need for financial statements in a timely manner. In the event audited financial statements are not available by the filing deadline, the School District will file with EMMA, if available, its PDE-2057 Annual Financial Report as an interim filing until such audited financial statements are available. Some of the operating data requirements may be found contained within the School District's financial statements or budget filing and may not be filed separately.

#### RATING

Moody's Investors Service has assigned an underlying municipal Bond rating of "Aaa" (Stable Outlook) to the Bonds. Such rating reflects only the view of such organization and any desired explanation of the significance of such rating should be obtained from the rating agency furnishing the same, at the following address: Moody's Investors Service, 7 World Trade Center, 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007. Generally, a rating agency bases its rating on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigations, studies and assumptions of its own. There is no assurance that any such rating will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency, if circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

<sup>[1]</sup> For these purposes, assumes the shortest filing deadline of the School District's previous Continuing Disclosure Agreements in effect during the past five years.

<sup>[2]</sup> Submission ID is the EMMA Submission ID for each filing. To access a filing, insert the Submission ID to the end of the web address below: http://emma.msrb.org/ContinuingDisclosureView/ContinuingDisclosureDetails.aspx?submissionId=

#### UNDERWRITING

The Underwriter has agreed to purchase the Bonds for a purchase price of \$34,890,489.60, equal to the par value of the Bonds less an underwriters' discount of \$105,402.50, plus an original issue premium of \$4,880,892.10.

#### **LEGAL OPINIONS**

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to withdrawal or modification of the offer without notice, and subject to the approving legal opinion of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Bond Counsel to the School District, to be furnished upon delivery of the Bonds. Certain other legal matters will be passed upon for the School District by Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, P.C, of West Chester, Pennsylvania, School District Solicitor.

Neither the Bond Counsel nor the Solicitor has been engaged to verify, and has not independently verified, the accuracy, completeness or truthfulness of any statements, certifications or financial information set forth in this Official Statement, or otherwise used in connection with the offer and sale of the Bonds set forth in or delivered by the School District officials, except where specifically referred to. They express no opinion with respect to whether the School District in connection with the sale of the Bonds or preparation of this Official Statement has made any untrue statement of a material fact necessary in order to make any statement made therein not misleading.

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

#### FINANCIAL ADVISOR

The School District has retained PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor") in connection with the preparation, authorization and issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken to make, an independent verification or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained in the Official Statement. PFM Financial Advisors LLC is an independent advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

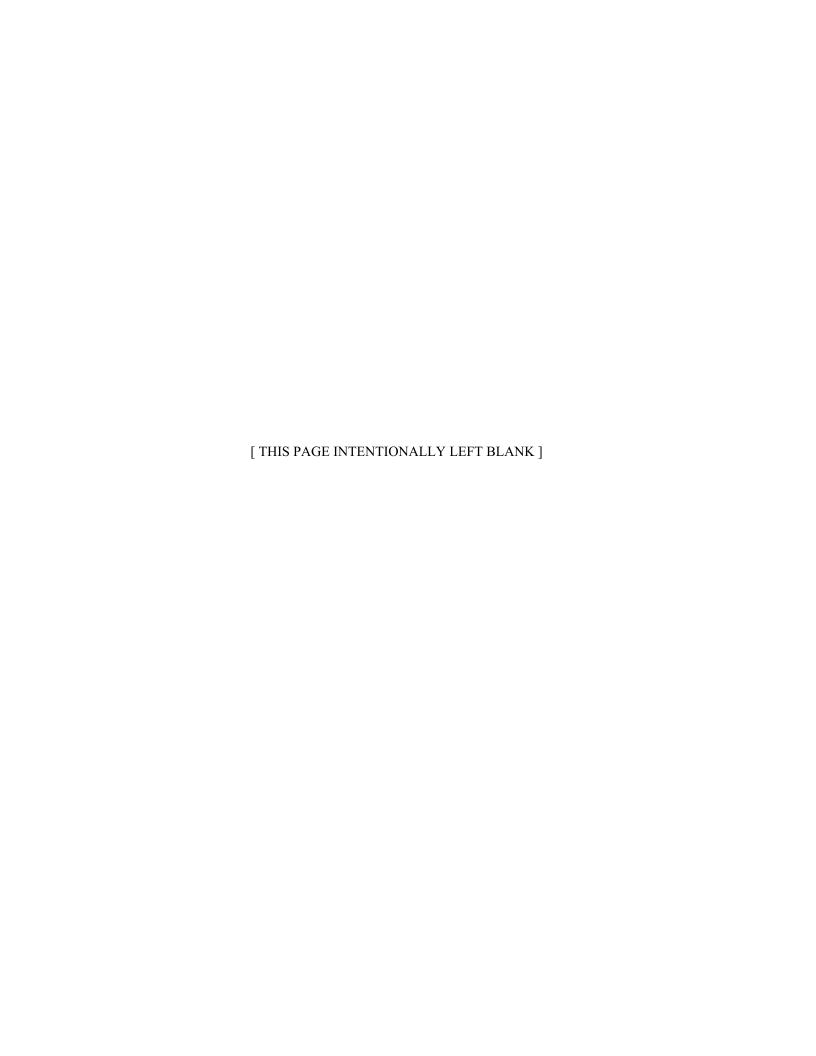
This Official Statement has been prepared under the direction of the School District by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in its capacity as Financial Advisor to the School District. The information set forth in this Official Statement has been obtained from the School District and from other sources believed to be reliable. Insofar as any statement herein includes matters of opinion or estimates about future conditions, it is not intended as representation of fact, and there is no guarantee that it is, or will be, realized. Summaries or descriptions of provisions of the Bonds, the Resolution, and all references to other materials not purporting to be quoted in full are only brief outlines of some of the provisions thereof. Reference is hereby made to the complete documents, copies of which will be furnished by the School District or the Financial Advisor upon request. The information assembled in this Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract with holders of the Bonds.

The School District has authorized the distribution of this Official Statement.

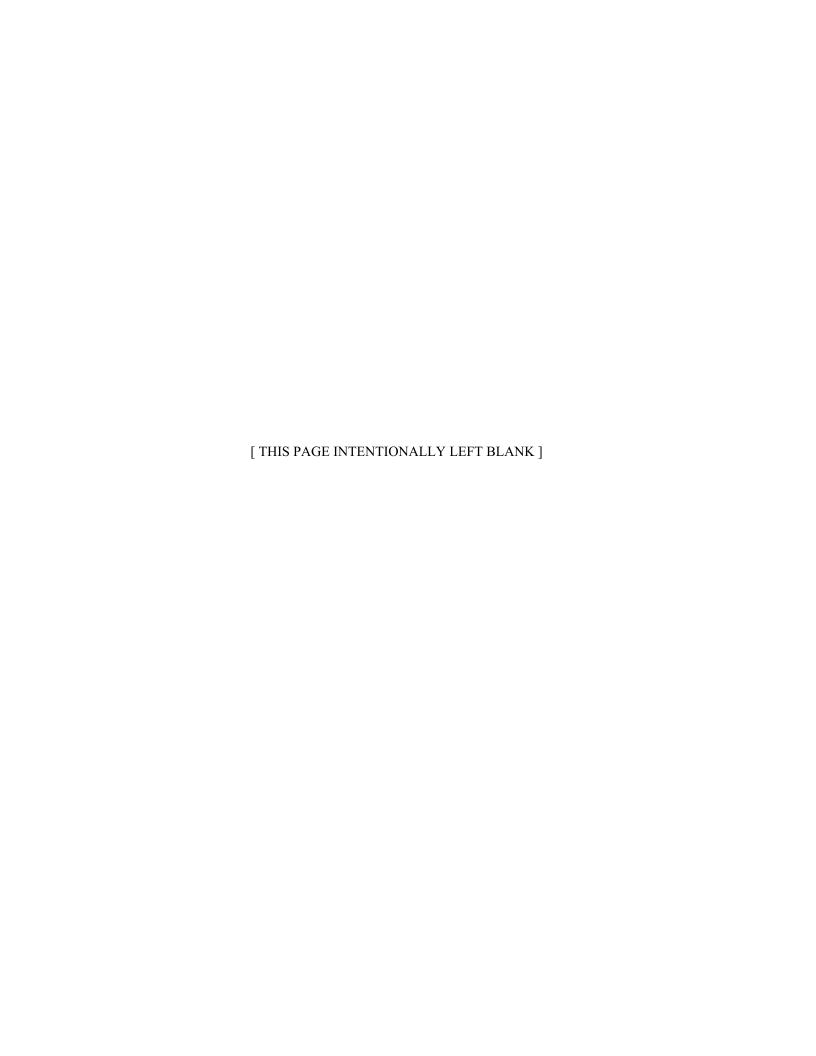
WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania

By:/s/ Sue Tiernan

President, Board of School Directors



# APPENDIX A Demographic and Economic Information Relating to the West Chester Area School District



### Introduction

The School District encompasses several communities in central Chester County and one municipality in western Delaware County and covers an area of approximately 75 square miles. The School District's boundaries are coterminous with those of the Borough of West Chester and the Townships of East Bradford, East Goshen, Thornbury, West Goshen, Westtown and West Whiteland, all located in Chester County, and the Township of Thornbury in Delaware County. The Borough of West Chester, located in the geographic center of the School District and county seat of Chester County, is approximately 25 miles west of metropolitan Philadelphia, 15 miles north of Wilmington, Delaware and 15 miles south of King of Prussia and Valley Forge. Many well-known unincorporated communities are located within the School District and these include: Exton in West Whiteland Township, Goshenville in East Goshen Township, Chatwood in West Goshen Township, Cheyney and Glen Mills in Thornbury Township, Delaware County and Darlington Corners in Westtown Township.

West Chester Area School District is characterized by rolling hills and fertile valleys flanking the east branch of the Brandywine Creek and the tributaries of the Chester Creek. The Borough of West Chester is the financial and professional center for the surrounding area. The Townships are principally residential in character, with regional shopping centers and industrial parks. Four major public institutions are within the School District: West Chester University; Cheyney University; Chester County Courthouse; and Chester County Hospital.

Table A-1 which follows shows recent population trends for the School District, Chester County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Table A-2 shows 2019 age composition for the School District, Chester County and for the Commonwealth.

TABLE A-1
RECENT POPULATION TRENDS

<u>Area</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>	Compound Average Annual Percentage Change <u>2010-2020</u>
School District	108,441	111,327	0.26%
Chester County	498,886	534,413	0.69%
Pennsylvania	12,281,054	13,002,700	0.57%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010 & 2020 Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File and the Pennsylvania State Data Center.

TABLE A-2
AGE COMPOSITION

	0-17	65+
	<b>Years</b>	<b>Years</b>
School District	17.6%	15.1%
Chester County	22.5%	16.6%
Pennsylvania	20.6%	18.7%

Source: American Community Survey- 2019 1 year estimates.

### **Employment**

Overall employment data are not compiled for the School District, but such data are compiled for the Montgomery-Bucks-Chester, PA Metropolitan Division (an area which includes the School District) as shown on Table A-3.

# DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY MONTGOMERY-BUCKS-CHESTER, PA METROPOLITAN DIVISION (Bucks, Chester, and Montgomery – PA Counties)

TABLE A-3 NONFARM JOBS - NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

		Industry E	mployment		Net Change From:		
Establishment Data	Aug 2021	Jul 2021	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	Jul 2021	Aug 2020	
TOTAL NONFARM	1,047,700	1,049,200	1,002,700	1,089,900	-1,500	45,000	
TOTAL PRIVATE	975,700	977,300	929,600	1,013,000	-1,600	46,100	
GOODS PRODUCING	145,400	145,700	142,100	149,700	-300	3,300	
Construction, Natural Resources, and Mining	56,800	56,600	54,800	57,600	200	2,000	
Manufacturing	88,600	89,100	87,300	92,100	-500	1,300	
Durable Goods	44,800	45,300	44,200	47,000	-500	600	
Non-Durable Goods	43,800	43,800	43,100	45,100	0	700	
Chemical Manufacturing	20,200	20,100	19,900	20,500	100	300	
SERVICE-PROVIDING	902,300	903,500	860,600	940,200	-1,200	41,700	
PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING	830,300	831,600	787,500	863,300	-1,300	42,800	
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	192,900	193,500	185,100	198,800	-600	7,800	
Wholesale Trade	54,700	54,900	53,000	55,800	-200	1,700	
Retail Trade	107,000	108,000	104,500	114,200	-1,000	2,500	
General merchandise stores	15,500	15,600	14,600	16,600	-100	900	
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	31,200	30,600	27,600	28,800	600	3,600	
Information	25,800	25,600	23,500	24,600	200	2,300	
Financial Activities	88,700	88,400	85,800	85,900	300	2,900	
Finance and insurance	74,000	73,800	72,200	71,500	200	1,800	
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	18,400	18,300	18,000	17,200	100	400	
Depository Credit Intermediation	9,300	9,200	9,700	9,400	100	-400	
Insurance carriers and related activities	29,300	29,200	28,700	29,400	100	600	
Real estate and rental and leasing	14,700	14,600	13,600	14,400	100	1,100	
Professional and Business Services	203,200	202,700	194,500	207,000	500	8,700	
Professional and technical services	109,900	108,900	106,000	109,100	1,000	3,900	
Scientific research and development services	22,300	22,100	21,000	20,300	200	1,300	
Management of companies and enterprises	26,400	26,000	26,800	27,300	400	-400	
Administrative and waste services	66,900	67,800	61,700	70,600	-900	5,200	
Education and Health Services	193,300	193,000	186,400	198,100	300	6,900	
Education and Health Services  Educational services	24,100	24,100	22,100	24,200	0	2,000	
Health care and social assistance	169,200	168,900	164,300	173,900	300	4,900	
Ambulatory health care services	61,900	61,500	59,800	62,900	400	2,100	
Hospitals	31,500	31,600	31,200	31,900	-100	300	
Nursing and residential care facilities	34,900	34,900	34,100	37,600	-100	800	
Social assistance	40,900	40,900	39,200	41,500	0	1,700	
	83,400	85,200	71,800	99,600	-1,800	11,600	
Leisure and Hospitality  Accommodation and food services	65,000		55,100	74,900	-1,800 -1,100	9,900	
		66,100			-1,100 -200		
Other Services	43,000	43,200	40,400	49,300		2,600	
Government  Federal Covernment	72,000	71,900	73,100	76,900	100 0	-1,100	
Federal Government	5,800	5,800	7,000	6,100		-1,200	
State Government	8,700 57,500	8,800	8,800	9,300	-100 200	-100	
Local Government	57,500	57,300	57,300	61,500	200	200	
Local Government educational services	37,300	36,900	37,500	39,400	400	-200	
Local Government excluding educational services	20,200	20,400	19,800	22,100	-200	400	
Data benchmarked to March 2019	***Data cha	nges of 100 m	nay be due to r	ounding***			

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, Center for Workforce Information & Analysis.

### Chester County Top 10 Employers 2nd Quarter 2021

Federal and State Government Entities Aggregated

- 1. Vanguard Group Inc
- 2. QVC Network Inc
- 3. The Chester County Hospital
- 4. County of Chester
- 5. Federal Government
- 6. Giant Food Stores LLC
- 7. Main Line Hospitals Inc
- 8. Downingtown Area School District
- 9. The Devereux Foundation
- 10. Chester County Intermediate Unit

Source: Center for Workforce Information & Analysis

Table A-4 shows recent trends in labor force, employment and unemployment for Chester County and the Commonwealth.

TABLE A-4
TRENDS IN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

							Compound Average Annual %
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	2021 <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Rate</u>
Chester County							
Civilian Labor Force (000)	281.1	281.1	281.6	286.5	280.1	282.6	-0.07%
Employment (000)	270.1	271.1	272.6	277.3	262.1	269.2	-0.60%
Unemployment (000)	11.0	10.1	8.9	9.1	18	13.4	10.35%
Unemployment Rate	3.90%	3.60%	3.20%	3.20%	6.40%	4.80%	
Pennsylvania							
Civilian Labor Force (000)	6,472.0	6,427.0	6,424.0	6,492.0	6,388.0	6,325.0	-0.26%
Employment (000)	6,120.0	6,112.0	6,149.0	6,208.0	5,808.0	5,902.0	-1.04%
Unemployment (000)	352.0	316.0	276.0	284.0	580.0	423.0	10.50%
Unemployment Rate	5.40%	4.90%	4.30%	4.40%	9.10%	6.70%	

<sup>(1)</sup>As of August 2021.

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry, Center for Workforce Information and Analysis website.

### Income

The data on Table A-5 shows recent trends in per capita income for the School District, Chester County and the Commonwealth over the 2010-2019 period.

TABLE A-5

RECENT TRENDS IN PER CAPITA INCOME\*

			Percentage Change
	<u>2010</u>	<u> 2019</u>	2010-2019
School District	\$41,435	\$58,018	3.81%
Chester County	40,138	54,791	3.52%
Pennsylvania	26,374	35,804	3.45%

<sup>\*</sup>Income is defined by the Bureau of the Census as the sum of wage and salary income, non-farm self-employment income, net self-employment income, Social Security and Railroad retirement income, public assistance income, interest, dividends, pensions, etc. before deductions for personal income taxes, Social Security, etc. School District income is the population-weighted average for political subdivisions.

Source: 2010 & 2019 American Community Survey – 1 year estimates.

### **Commercial Activity**

Commercial activity within the School District is centered in the Borough of West Chester and in large shopping centers, including Exton Square and the West Goshen Shopping Center.

Exton Square, a large shopping mall, includes many major shops and the Chester County Library centered around three anchored major retail stores. The enclosed mall is situated four miles north of the Borough of West Chester at the intersection of U.S. Route 30 and 100. Other large shopping centers include: Fairfield Place and Whiteland Towne Center.

Table A-6 shows retail sales for the 2015-2019 period for the County and the Commonwealth.

TABLE A-6
TOTAL RETAIL SALES
(000)

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Chester County	\$ 12,869,709	\$ 11,499,691	\$ 13,969,322	8,763,893	\$ 16,149,514
Pennsylvania	198,215,135	207,887,941	213,005,475	188,389,810	244,709,540

Source: The Nielsen Company.

# Housing

Housing construction has progressed in an orderly fashion during the past decade as former agricultural land has been developed in accordance with strict zoning guidelines. The School District contains some of the finest single-family residential housing in the greater Delaware Valley area. Most new home construction taking place in the School District is in the \$555,000 median price range. The median selling price of all housing within the School District during 2017 was \$325,000, as compared with Chester County as a whole of \$299,000, according to the Chester County Planning Commission.

### **Educational Institutions**

West Chester University and Cheyney University are located within the School District. Both universities are run by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. West Chester University, which is located in the Borough of West Chester and West Goshen Township, is a multi-purpose university. Cheyney University is located in Thornbury Township, Delaware and Chester Counties. Both universities provide a liberal arts education.

### **Medical Facilities**

Medical care facilities are provided by Chester County Hospital (the "Hospital") in West Chester. The Hospital provides complete professional, medical and surgical treatment to the central and eastern portions of Chester County. Paoli Memorial Hospital, while outside the School District, is within easy reach.

### **Transportation**

The School District's economic position has been bolstered by a network of federal and state highways and has realized further growth due to the opening of the Exton Bypass. The School District is served by over eighty motor freight companies. U.S. 202 passes through the School District in a north-south direction connecting the area with Valley Forge to the north and Wilmington, Delaware to the south. U.S. 30 crosses the area in an east-west direction connecting the area with Lancaster via Coatesville to the west and Philadelphia via Paoli to the east. State Route 100 connects the School District with the Pennsylvania Turnpike (Downingtown Interchange) which is approximately 2 miles north of the School District. Other major highways include: U.S. 1 and 322 and State Routes 3 (West Chester Pike), 29, 52, 162, 352, 842, and 926.

Passenger railroad service is provided by one line, Main Line, by Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA). Freight services are provided by two branch lines of Conrail.

Bus service to Philadelphia and Wilmington is provided by SEPTA. Light plane air service is available at West Chester Airport, established in 1959, which has single and multiple engine aircraft available for charter flights with licensed pilots, and student flight training.

### Recreation

School District residents have access to a variety of recreational facilities through public, private and quasi-public agencies. There are four private and several public golf courses located in the School District. The Borough of West Chester, East Bradford, East Goshen, West Goshen and West Whiteland Townships provide recreational parks throughout the area for use by their residents.

### Utilities

Sewer: Residential portions of East Goshen Township, portions of East Bradford Township portions of West Goshen Township, portions of West Whiteland Township, West Chester Borough and portions of Westtown Township are provided with sewer service by either various municipal authorities or the municipality. Some of the less developed portions of these areas are served by on-site systems.

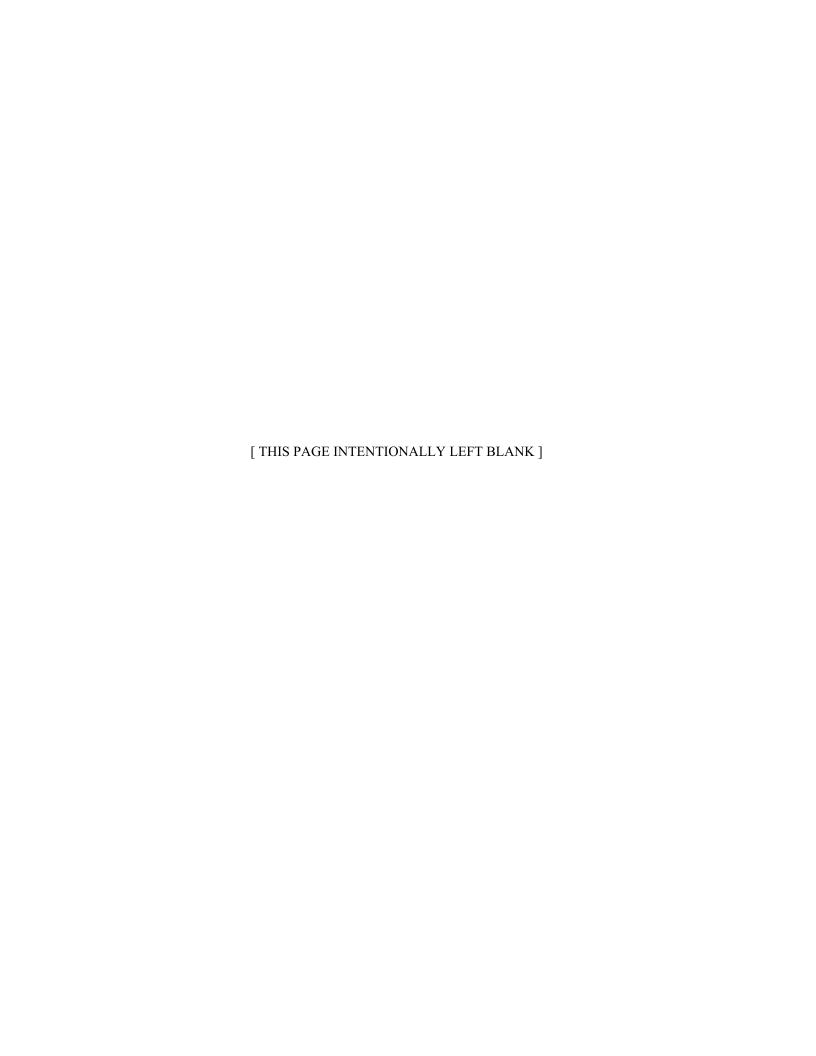
Water: Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc. and other private water companies supply water service to the Borough and developed portions of the surrounding Townships. Other residents of the Townships are served by on-site wells.

Electricity and Gas: PECO provides both electricity and natural gas to users within the School District.

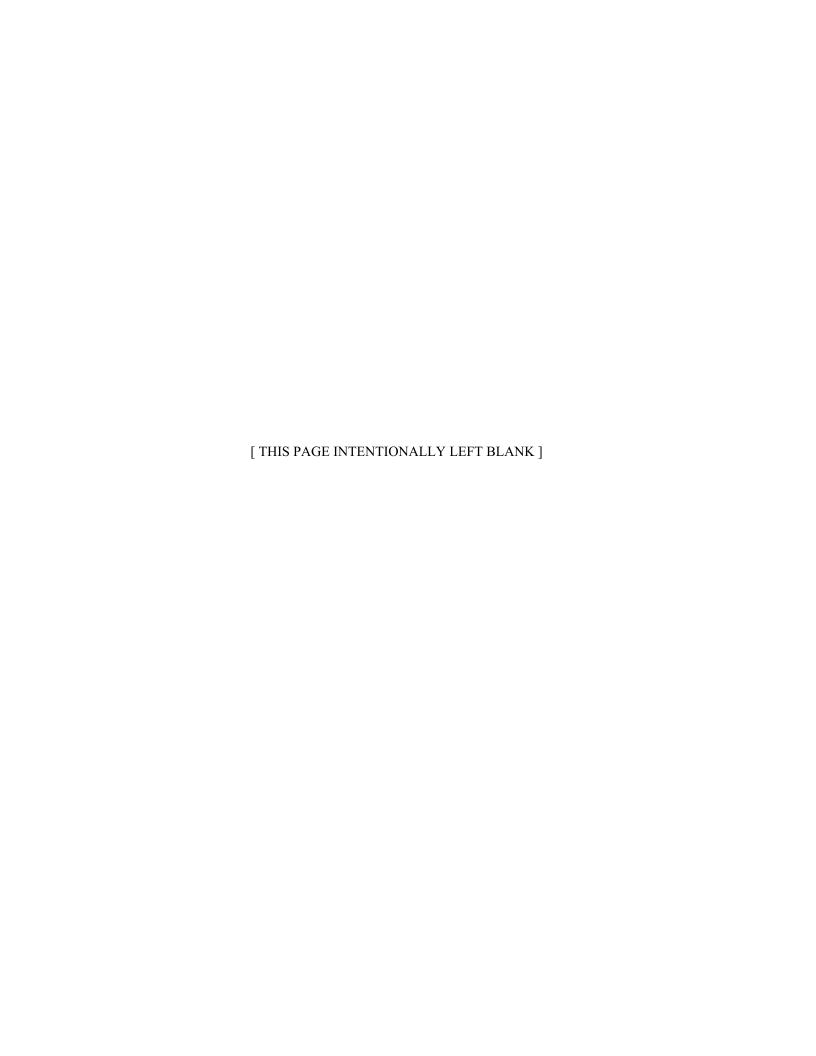
Cable: Verizon and Comcast supplies cable, including internet and telephone service to residents of the School District.

### **Municipal Services**

All Townships and the Borough have full-time protection from either the state police or local police departments. The Embreeville State Police is located just outside the School District. All communities support their local volunteer fire companies.



APPENDIX B
Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel



# [FORM OF BOND COUNSEL OPINION]

# [Date of Delivery]

Re: \$30,115,000 aggregate principal amount
West Chester Area School District, Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022

To the Purchasers of the Within-Described Bonds:

We have served as Bond Counsel to the West Chester Area School District, in Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania ("Issuer"), in connection with the issuance of its \$30,115,000 aggregate principal amount General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are issued pursuant to, and are secured by, the Pennsylvania Local Government Unit Debt Act, 53 Pa. C.S. Chs. 80-82 ("Act"), and a Resolution ("Resolution") adopted on February 28, 2022, by the Board of School Directors of the Issuer.

The proceeds of the Bonds will fund refunding projects described in the Resolution, and pay the costs of issuing the Bonds.

As Bond Counsel for the Issuer, we have examined: (a) the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Commonwealth"); (b) the Act; (c) the relevant provisions of the Public School Code of 1949; (d) the Resolution and the Debt Statement of the Issuer filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development ("Department"); (e) the proceedings of the Issuer with respect to the authorization, sale and issuance of the Bonds; (f) a Certificate of Approval issued by the Department in respect of the proceedings authorizing the issuance of the Bonds; and (g) certain statements, certifications, affidavits and other documents and matters of law which we have considered relevant, including, without limitation, a certificate dated the date hereof ("Tax Compliance Certificate") of officials of the Issuer having responsibility for issuing or paying the Bonds, given pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder ("Code"), an opinion of the Solicitor to the Issuer as to various matters, and the other documents, certifications and instruments listed in the Closing Index filed with the Paying Agent (hereinafter defined) on the date of original delivery of the Bonds. We have also examined a fully executed and authenticated Bond, or a true copy thereof, and assume all other Bonds are in such form and are similarly executed and authenticated.

In rendering the opinion set forth below, we have relied upon the genuineness, accuracy and completeness of all documents, records, certifications and other instruments we have examined, including, without limitation, the authenticity of all signatures appearing thereon. We have also relied, in the opinion set forth below, upon the opinion of the Solicitor of the Issuer as to all matters of fact and law set forth therein.

Except with respect to paragraph 6 below, our opinion is given only with respect to the internal laws of the Commonwealth as enacted and construed on the date hereof.

Based on the foregoing, we are of the opinion that:

- 1. The Issuer is authorized under the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth to issue the Bonds.
- 2. The Issuer has established, in accordance with the Debt Act, a sinking fund for the Bonds (the "Sinking Fund") with the financial institution named in the Resolution, as paying agent, registrar and sinking fund depository ("Paying Agent"), and has covenanted in the Resolution to deposit in the Sinking Fund amounts sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same becomes due and payable and to apply the amounts so deposited to the payment of such principal and interest.
- 3. The Issuer has effectively covenanted: (i) to include the amount of debt service on the Bonds in each fiscal year of the Issuer in which such sums are due and payable in its budget for that fiscal year; (ii) to appropriate such amounts from its general revenues for the payment of such debt service; and (iii) to duly and punctually pay, or cause to be paid, from the Sinking Fund or any other of its general revenues or funds, the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Bonds on the dates and in the place and in the manner stated in the Bonds according to the true intent and meaning thereof. For such budgeting, appropriation and payment the Issuer has pledged, with respect to the Bonds, its full faith, credit and taxing power, within the limits established by law.
- 4. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed, authenticated, issued and delivered, and are the legal, valid and binding general obligations of the Issuer, and are enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof, except to the extent that enforcement thereof may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws or legal or equitable principles affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights.
- 5. Under the laws of the Commonwealth as enacted and construed on the date hereof, interest on the Bonds is exempt from Pennsylvania personal income tax and Pennsylvania corporate net income tax; however, under the laws of the Commonwealth as enacted and construed on the date hereof, any profits, gains or income derived from the sale, exchange or other disposition of the Bonds will be subject to Commonwealth taxes and local taxes within the Commonwealth.
- 6. Under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions, interest on the Bonds, including any interest accruing in the form of original issue discount, will not be includible in gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes, assuming continuing compliance by the Issuer with the requirements of the Code. Interest on the Bonds will not be a specific preference item for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax on individuals.

In rendering this opinion, we have assumed compliance by the Issuer with the covenants contained in the Resolution and the representations of the Issuer in the Tax Compliance

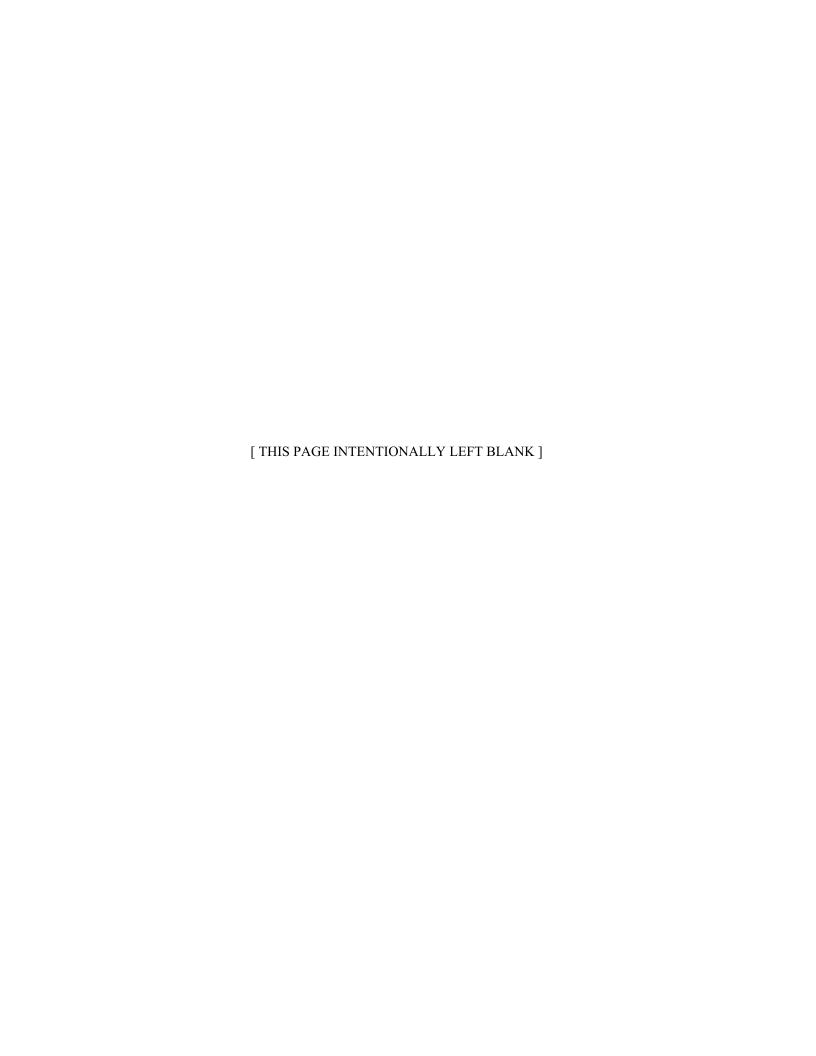
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Certificate relating to actions to be taken by the Issuer after the issuance of the Bonds necessary to effect or maintain the exclusion from gross income of the interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes. These covenants and representations relate to the use and investment of proceeds of the Bonds, and the rebate to the United States Department of Treasury of specified arbitrage earnings, if any. Failure to comply with such covenants could result in the interest on the Bonds becoming includible in gross income for federal income tax purposes from the date of issuance of the Bonds.

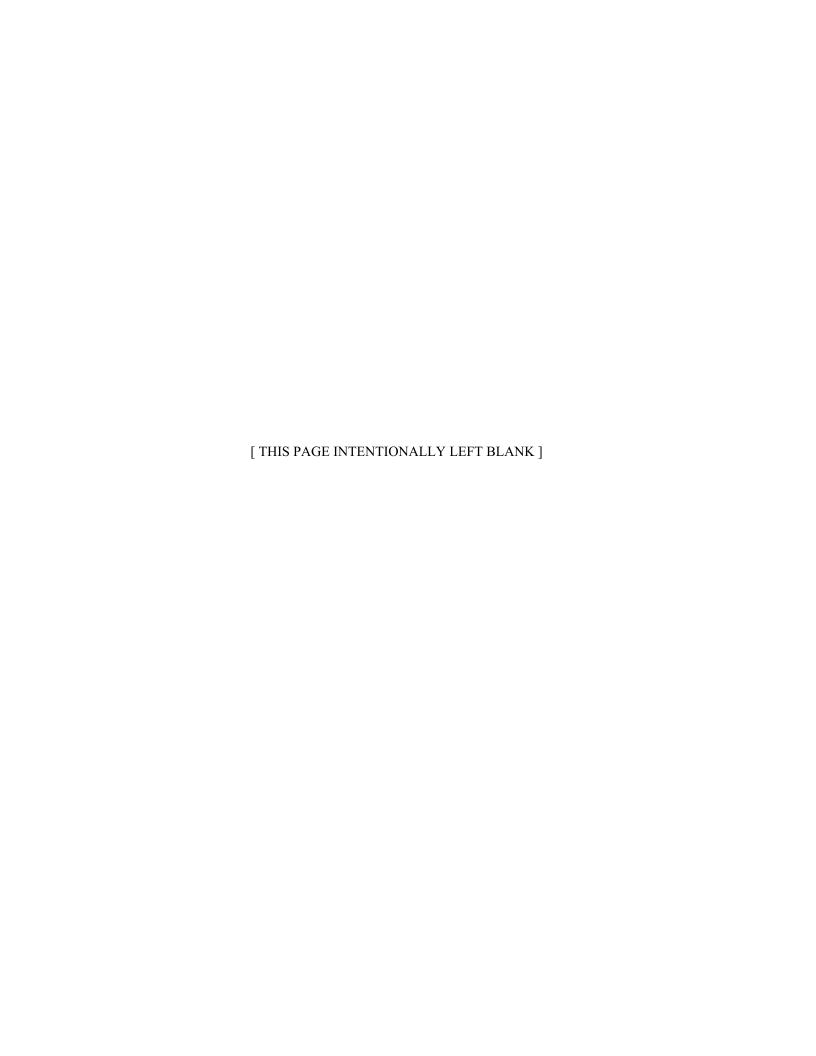
We express no opinion as to any matter not set forth in the numbered paragraphs herein. This opinion is rendered on the basis of federal law and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as enacted and construed on the date hereof. This opinion is given as of the date hereof and we assume no obligation to supplement this opinion to reflect changes in law that may hereafter occur or changes in facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, we express no opinion with respect to, and assume no responsibility for, the accuracy, adequacy or completeness of the preliminary official statement or the official statement prepared in respect of the Bonds, and make no representation that we have independently verified the contents thereof.

Very truly yours,

ECKERT SEAMANS CHERIN & MELLOTT, LLC



# APPENDIX C Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate



## CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

Re: WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania \$30,115,000 Aggregate Principal Amount General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 Dated [Date of Delivery]

[Date of Delivery]

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Disclosure Certificate") is executed and delivered by West Chester Area School District, in Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania (the "School District"), in connection with the issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 (the "Bonds"), dated the date of delivery of the Bonds. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board of School Directors of the School District (the "Resolution"). The School District makes the following certifications and representations as an inducement to the Participating Underwriter and others to purchase the Bonds:

SECTION 1. <u>Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate</u>. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the School District for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds and in order to assist the Participating Underwriters in complying with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(5).

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

"Annual Report" shall mean any Annual Report filed by the School District pursuant to, and as described in, Section 3 of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Bondholder" shall mean any registered owner of the Bonds or any person who (i) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any of the Bonds (including persons holding through any nominee, securities depository or other intermediary) or (ii) is treated as the holder of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

"Business Day" shall mean a day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, or a day on which the New York Stock Exchange is closed or a day on which banks located in the Commonwealth are authorized or required by law or executive order to close.

"Commonwealth" shall mean the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

"EMMA" shall mean the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access System at <a href="http://emma.msrb.org">http://emma.msrb.org</a>.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean (i) a debt obligation; (ii) a derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) a guarantee of either (i) or (ii) above. The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

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

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. As of the date of this Disclosure Certificate, the rules of the MSRB require all filings described herein shall be made using EMMA.

"Obligated Person" shall mean, for purposes of this Disclosure Certificate, the School District.

"Official Statement" shall mean the final official statement relating to the Bonds prepared by or on behalf of the School District and distributed in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds by the Participating Underwriters.

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

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

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

SECTION 3. Filing of Annual Reports. The School District shall file annually with the MSRB, on or before **April 1**, **2023**, and on or before **April 1** of each year thereafter, an Annual Report that is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

The Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided, however, that if the audited financial statements of the School District for the most recent completed fiscal year are not available to be included in the Annual Report when filed, such audited financial statements may be filed separately from the balance of the Annual Report, as provided in the following paragraph.

If the audited financial statements of the School District for the most recent fiscal year are not available as of the date on which the Annual Report is to be filed, the audited financial statements shall be filed with the MSRB as soon as they are available, and the Annual Report, when filed, shall contain a statement to that effect and a statement of the date by which the School District reasonably expects the audited financial statements to become available and to be filed with the MSRB.

SECTION 4. <u>Content of Annual Reports</u>. The School District's Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the following financial information and operating data with respect to the School District:

- (a) financial statements for the most recent fiscal year, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local government units;
- (b) a summary of the budget for the then current fiscal year;
- (c) the total assessed value and aggregate market value of all taxable real estate for the then current fiscal year;
- (d) the taxes and millage rates imposed for the then current fiscal year; and
- (e) the real property tax collection results for the most recent fiscal year, including (a) the real estate levy imposed (expressed both as a millage rate and an aggregate dollar amount), (b) the dollar amount of real estate taxes collected that represented current collections (expressed as an aggregate dollar amount), (c) the amount of real estate taxes collected that represented taxes levied in prior years (expressed as an aggregate dollar amount), and (d) the total amount of real estate taxes collected (expressed as an aggregate dollar amount).

The School District reserves the right to modify from time to time the specific types of information provided or the format of the presentation of such information to the extent necessary or appropriate as a result of a change in legal requirements or a change in the nature of the School District or its operations or financial reporting, but the School District will agree that any such modification will be done in a manner consistent with the Rule.

SECTION 5. <u>Notices of Late Filing of Annual Information</u>. If the School District has failed to file, or is unable to file, an Annual Report with the MSRB within the time set forth in Section 3 above, the School District will file, in a timely manner, a notice with the MSRB stating such fact and, if appropriate, the date by which the School District expects to file the Annual Report.

SECTION 6. <u>Reporting of Listed Events</u>. In a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) Business Days after the occurrence of the event, the School District will file with the MSRB notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds:

- (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax-exempt status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Bonds;
- (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material;

- (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) defeasances;
- (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (11) rating changes;
- (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the School District;
- (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the School District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the School District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- appointment of a successor or additional trustee, or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Obligated Person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Obligated Person, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Obligated Person, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

(*Note*: The events listed above are those specified in the Rule, not all of which may be relevant to the Bonds.)

The School District may from time to time choose to provide notice of the occurrence of certain other events affecting the Bonds or the School District, in addition to those listed above, if, in the judgment of the School District, such other event is material with respect to the Bonds, but the School District does not undertake to commit to provide any such notice of the occurrence of any material event except those events listed above.

SECTION 7. <u>Manner of Filing.</u> All filings to be made with the MSRB in accordance with this Disclosure Certificate are to be filed in such electronic format as is prescribed by the MSRB and accompanied by such identifying information as is prescribed by the MSRB.

As of the date of this Disclosure Certificate, the rules of the MSRB require all such filings to be made using EMMA.

SECTION 8. <u>Dissemination Agent</u>. The School District may, at any time and from time to time, appoint or engage another person (the "Dissemination Agent") to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge such Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor and without notice to Bondholders.

SECTION 9. <u>Termination of Disclosure Obligation</u>. The School District's obligations under this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the prior redemption, defeasance or payment in full of all of the Bonds or if and when the School District no longer remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds, within the meaning of the Rule.

SECTION 10. <u>Default</u>. In the event of a failure of the School District to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, any Bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the School District to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default with respect to the Bonds, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the School District to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

SECTION 11. <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the School District, the Participating Underwriters and Bondholders, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

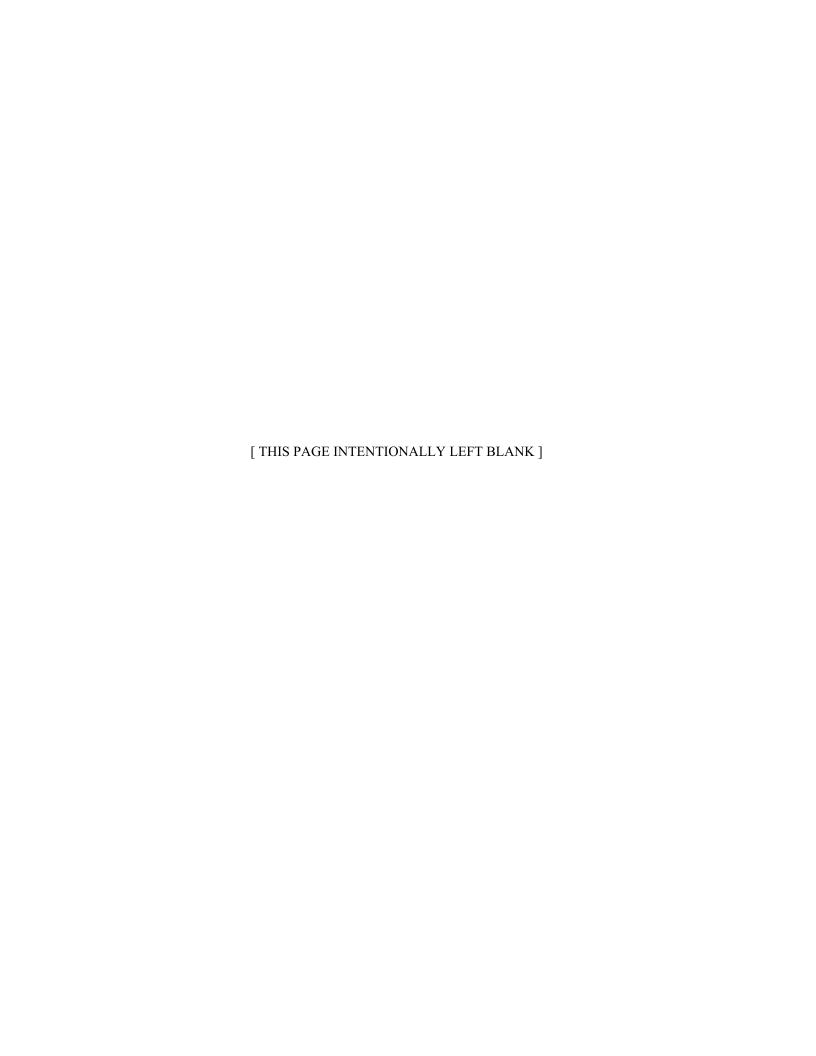
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The School District causes this Continuing Disclosure Certificate to be executed on its behalf by the President of the Board of School Directors all as of the date set forth above.

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By:		
•	President of the Board of	
	School Directors	

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania

APPENDIX D
Financial Statements
West Chester Area School District
West Chester, Pennsylvania
June 30, 2021

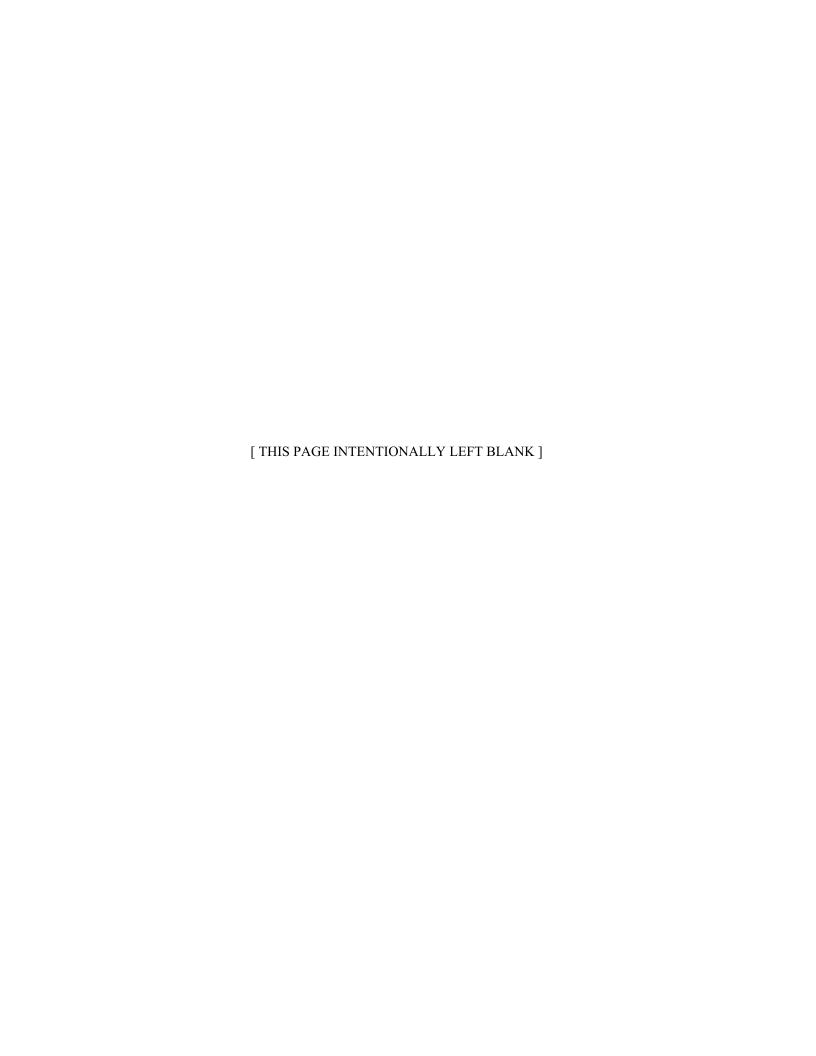


# COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

# For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021



West Chester Area School District 782 Springdale Drive Exton, Pennsylvania 19341



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# For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021



Prepared by the
West Chester Area School District
Business Office

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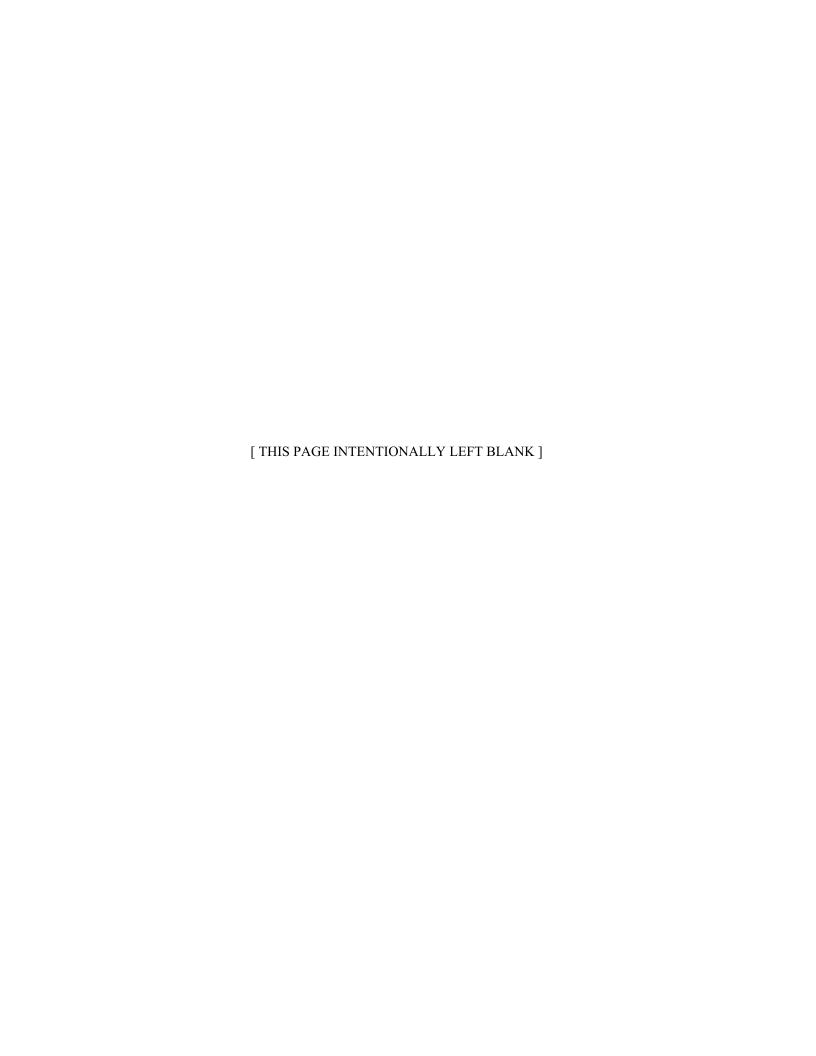


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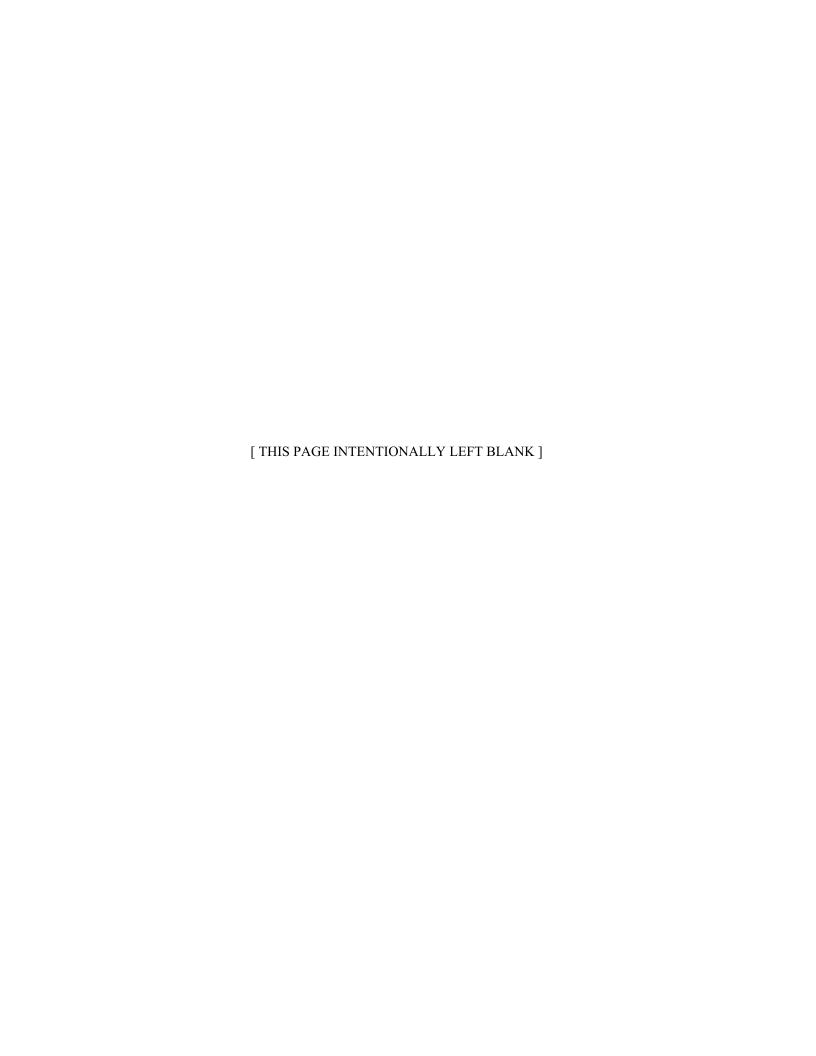
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# INTRODUCTORY SECTION





December 10, 2021

# Dear Community Member,

We are pleased to present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR") of the West Chester Area School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. This District's Business Office prepared this report.

The CAFR is published to present complete and accurate financial information on all the funds and financial activities of the District for the 2020 - 2021 fiscal year. The Business Office staff and management are responsible for the accuracy of the statements, notes, schedules, and statistical tables. We believe that the information in the report is a fair presentation of the financial position and the results of operations of the District based upon a comprehensive framework of internal controls that have been established for this purpose. The report is prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting and financial reporting principles applicable to governmental entities in the United States of America. Most importantly, this report will provide the reader with a comprehensive understanding of the District's financial affairs.

Barbacane Thornton & Company LLP, Certified Public Accountants, have audited the District's financial statements. They have issued unmodified opinions on the West Chester Area School District's financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2021. Their report is located at the beginning of the Financial Section of the CAFR.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A), which follows the independent auditor's report, provides an overview of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. It should be read in conjunction with this transmittal letter and the District's basic financial statements.

### Reporting Entity

The West Chester Area School District is an independent reporting entity and a primary government as defined in the criteria established in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's ("GASB") Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting. The basic criteria for determining the inclusion in the reporting entity is financial accountability and the nature and significance of the relationship.

### Profile of the District

The West Chester Area School District was formed by Pennsylvania state law and began operations on July 1, 1966. The population of the District is approximately 108,000. The District encompasses several communities in Chester County and one in western Delaware County. The District covers an area of approximately 75-square-miles. The District's boundaries are coterminous with those of the Borough of

West Chester and the Townships of East Bradford, East Goshen, Thornbury, West Goshen, Westtown, and West Whiteland in Chester County and the Township of Thornbury in Delaware County. The Borough of West Chester, located in the geographic center of the District and is the county seat for Chester County, is approximately 25 miles west of Philadelphia. The Borough of West Chester is the financial and professional center for the surrounding area. The Townships are principally residential in character, with regional shopping centers and industrial parks.

The District is governed by a nine-member Board of School Directors ("the School Board") who are elected for four-year terms. The Superintendent is the chief administrative officer of the District, with overall responsibility for all aspects of operations including education. The Director of Business Affairs is responsible for budget and financial operations. Both of these officials are appointed by the School Board.

The purpose of the District is to provide an education system Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, including regular instruction, special instruction, vocational education, and support services to the approximately 15,500 students that live within the District boundaries. To accomplish this goal, the District operates ten (10) elementary schools, three (3) middle schools, and three (3) high schools. The District maintains sixteen (16) school buildings that were initially built in the years spanning 1940 through 2006 (For additional information, please see the District facilities page in the statistical section of this report.) Additionally, the District is required to pay the tuition for the 473 children that live within the District boundaries that attend charter schools. During the year ending June 30, 2021, the District paid \$7,868,650 in tuition to Charter Schools.

### **Budget Process**

The Board considers preparation of an annual budget to be one of its most important responsibilities because the budget is the financial reflection of the District's educational plan. The budget shall be designed to carry out that plan in a thorough and efficient manner, to maintain the facilities and to honor District obligations. Budget planning for the District is an integral part of program planning so that the annual operating budget may effectively express and implement all programs and activities of the District. Budget planning is a year-round process involving active participation by administrators, Board members, and appropriate District personnel. The District maintains budgetary controls to ensure compliance with legal provisions incorporated within the annual appropriated budget. The annual appropriated budget is adopted by the School Board by June 30 of each year. Legal budgetary control is maintained at the sub-function major object level.

The District follows the Pennsylvania Public School Code requirements, the procedures mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and the District policies for annual general fund budget approval. Pennsylvania State code requires that each Pennsylvania school district prepare and adopt an annual appropriation budget for the general fund. The District's annual general fund budget sets forth District expenditures and revenues and establishes the tax levy prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The total amount of the budget may not exceed expected revenue plus a prudent and reasonable contingency and reserve. At least 30 days prior to adoption of the final budget, the Board prepares and presents a proposed budget, which is set forth in detail using the forms required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The Board holds one or more public hearings on the annual budget prior to the meeting at which it is formally adopted.

During the course of the year, the Pennsylvania School Code prohibits spending to exceed the approved budget. To adjust for price changes and other changes to the original budget assumptions, the District allows for the transfer of funds among budget line items upon the recommendation of the

Superintendent and the Director of Business Affairs. By law, such transfers may only be made during the last nine months of the fiscal year, and all transfers require Board approval.

### Internal Controls

The objective of a system of internal controls is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the District assets are properly protected and to ensure that financial transactions, which are relied on in the preparation of financial reports, are accurately recorded. The concept of reasonable assurances recognizes that the cost of the system of internal controls should not exceed the benefits likely to be realized, and that the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management. The District has established policies and procedures to effectively implement and maintain a system of internal accounting controls. Management and independent auditors continually evaluate these policies and procedures to ensure the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control structure.

### **Economic Condition and Outlook**

The area's economy remains healthy, with Chester County economic indicators surpassing state-wide data. The county has one of the lowest unemployment rates among the Commonwealth's 67 counties. Moody's Investors Service reaffirmed the District's Triple-A ratings based on the sizeable and affluent residential tax base, solid financial position that is expected to remain stable, and manageable debt burden.

That having been said, the District has been impacted by a number of factors. In 2006, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed into law Act 1 of 2006. This law places restrictions on the amount that school districts can raise property taxes to within a cost-of-living increase. The law does allow for exceptions to Act 1 tax increase above the index for Special Education and State Retirement purposes. In 2020 - 2021, the index allowed for a 2.6 percent increase in property taxes; and the School Board opted to not increase property tax, and the tax rates in Chester County and Delaware County were 21.6622 and 16.6626, respectively.

As the District continues to navigate under the budgetary constraints of Act 1 funding restrictions, other school districts throughout Pennsylvania incurred a number of unfavorable budgetary impacts. The Pennsylvania economy, which has a direct effect on the District's earned income tax and other local revenues, has seen a slight growth over the past few years. The District pension program, which is administered by the State, continues to show increases in pension rates through 2022 - 2023. The District contribution rate has increased from the 2019 - 2020 contribution rate of 34.29 percent to a rate of 34.51 percent in 2020 - 2021. State revenue remains relatively flat over the past few years, and the District anticipates minimal increases in the upcoming years. Due to the increase in CARES COVID funds, federal revenues have increased during the 2020 - 2021 fiscal year and should remain elevated through the 2022 - 2023 school year.

As a result of the above noted economic conditions, the District's Comprehensive Plan has incorporated a financial goal of funding priorities based on fiscal realities. Part of the goal requires the District to control debt spending and fund balance limits. The District continues to closely manage economic indicators that will impact the next few budget cycles.

### Long-term Financial Planning and Financial Policies

As stated earlier, the District budgeting process is a year-round process. As part of that process, the Business Office aggressively forecasts revenues and expenditures going five years into the future. This

long-term financial planning is essential to absorbing the anticipated changes to mandated expenditure patterns and revenue streams. To assist with this management, the District has many policies in place which include, but are not limited to, fund balance policies and debt policies.

### **Major Initiatives**

The District is in the middle of a multiyear elementary school renovation project. The most recent elementary school master plan projects renovating all of the District's existing ten (10) elementary schools between 2011 - 2026. In 2020 - 2021, the District completed a majority of the final phase of construction of East Goshen Elementary School. The original construction and renovation of the District buildings is included in the statistical section of the CAFR under Operating Information.

Over the past several years, the District has seen a great deal of rapid and recently approved residential development in the school district, including about 2,800 new units. The District believes the strength of our educational programming is attractive to new families, and we expect to see about 750 new students from these homes, 500 of which will attend elementary schools. To accommodate the additional influx of students, the District has completed the majority of the construction of an additional eleventh Elementary school, slated to open for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

In light of the current economic outlooks, the District is cautiously planning the funding of these projects. The District has always exercised caution and a conservative approach to borrowing.

For the 2020 - 2021 school year, the District developed and implemented a West Chester Cyber program; and as a result of the pandemic, the District was able to offer the program to all grades K-12 in year one.

### Independent Audit

The District engages an independent certified public accounting firm to audit the District's annual financial statements. The auditor's report on the Fiscal 2020 - 2021 financial statements is included in the Financial Section of this report and complies with applicable guidelines.

#### **Awards**

The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) awarded the Certificate of Excellence ("COE") in Financial Reporting to the West Chester Area School District for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. This award recognizes the school business officials' commitment to financial accountability and transparency. Recognition through the COE program can help strengthen a district's presentation for bond issuance statements and promotes a high level of financial reporting.

### **Acknowledgements**

The preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report on a timely basis was made possible by the dedicated service of the entire staff of the Business Office. Each member has our sincere appreciation for contributions made in the preparation of this report.

Respectfully,

John Scully

**Director of Business Affairs** 

### **2020-2021 School Board Members**

Chris McCune School Board President

Sue Tiernan School Board Vice President

Gary Bevilacqua Member

Joyce Chester Member

Daryl Durnell Member

Brian Gallen Member

Karen Herrmann Member

Kate Shaw Member

Randell Spackman Member

### **District Administrators**

Dr. Jim Scanlon Superintendent

Dr. Robert Sokolowski Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Tammi Florio Director of Teaching and Learning

Dr. Sara Missett Director of Elementary Education

Kevin Campbell Director of Facilities and Operations

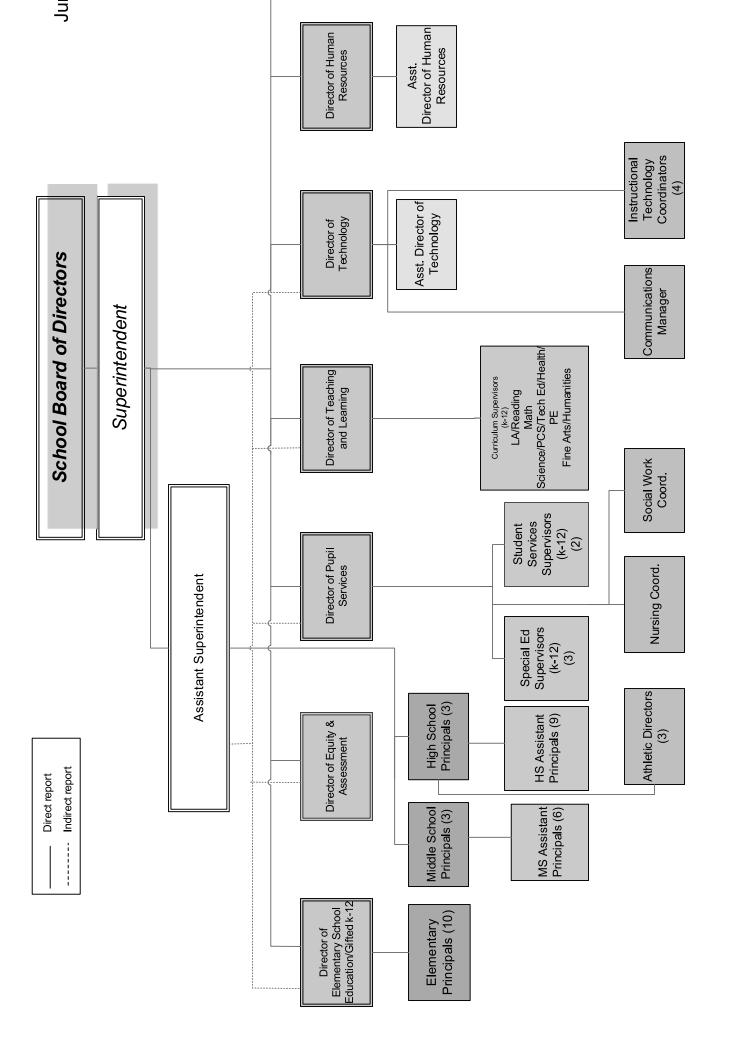
Michael Wagman Director of Information Technology

Dr. Jeff Ulmer Director of Human Resources

John Scully Director of Business Affairs

Dr. Leigh Ann Ranieri Director of Pupil Services

Dawn Mader Director of Equity and Assessment





### The Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting is presented to

### **West Chester Area School District**

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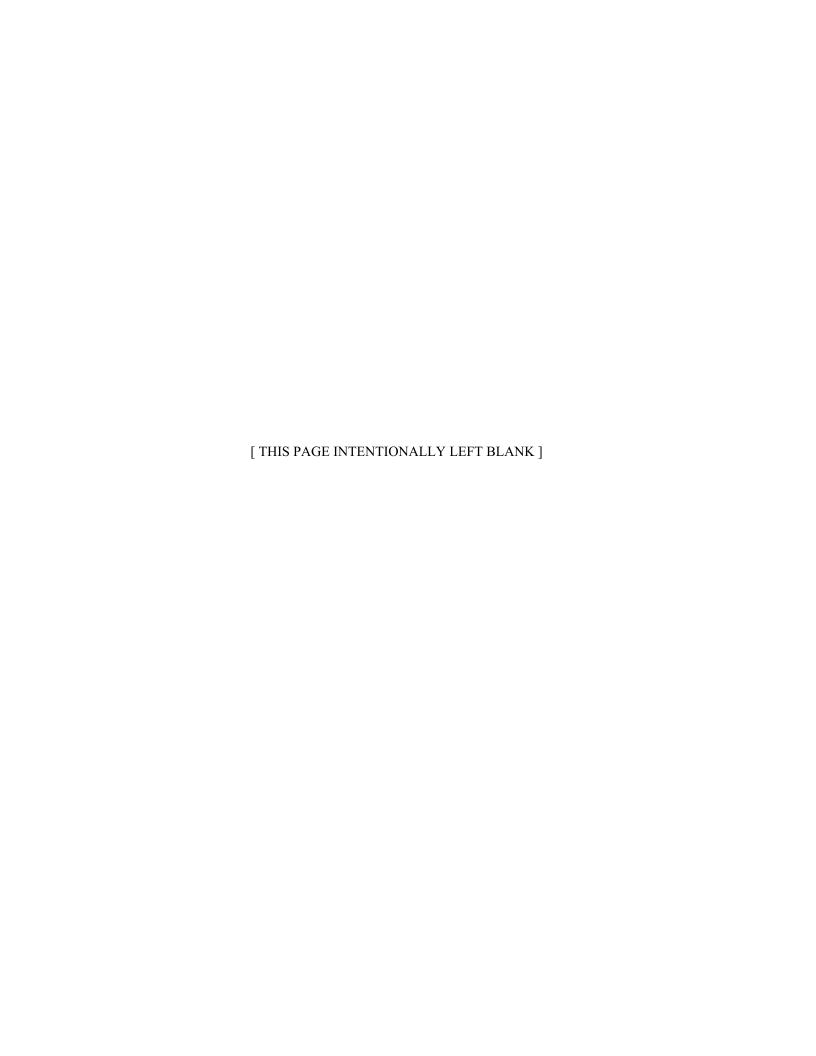
The district report meets the criteria established for ASBO International's Certificate of Excellence.



W. Edward Chabal President

W. Edward Chabal

David J. Lewis
Executive Director



### FINANCIAL SECTION





#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 10, 2021

Board of School Directors West Chester Area School District Exton, Pennsylvania

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the West Chester Area School District ("the District"), Exton, Pennsylvania, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or

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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 above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the West Chester Area School District, Exton, Pennsylvania, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, and the budgetary comparison statement of the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Emphasis of a Matter

As discussed in Notes 1 and 21 to the financial statements, the District has adopted the requirements of GASB Statement No. 84, "Fiduciary Activities." The statement provides additional guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. As a result, the District now presents a statement of changes in fiduciary net position for its custodial funds. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### **Other Matters**

### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 11 through 21 and the schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability - PSERS, schedule of District pension contributions - PSERS, schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability - PSERS, schedule of District OPEB contributions - PSERS, and schedule of changes in the District's net OPEB liability - single employer plan on pages 70 through 74 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for

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West Chester Area School District

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 District's basic financial statements. The introductory and statistical sections are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("Uniform Guidance"), and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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 schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 10, 2021, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Barbacane, Thornton & Company LLP
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### INTRODUCTION

The discussion and analysis of the financial performance of the West Chester Area School District ("the District") provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole. Readers also should review the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

### DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The District's mission is to educate and inspire our students to achieve their personal best.

### **DISTRICT PROFILE**

The District consists of ten elementary schools, three middle schools, and three high schools, serving 12,100 students. The District serves a 75 square-mile suburban, urban, and rural area in Chester County, Pennsylvania and is comprised of West Chester Borough and the surrounding townships of East Goshen, West Goshen, East Bradford, West Whiteland, Westlown, and Thornbury in Chester County, and Thornbury Township in Delaware County. The staff, headed by Superintendent Dr. Jim Scanlon, includes more than 980 teachers, 60 administrators, and 400 support staff. More than 70 percent of our certified teaching staff and 100 percent of our administrative staff hold advanced degrees. Student achievement is the primary focus in the District as it is consistently ranked among the best in the state and nation. In 2021, recognition includes U.S. News and World Report and Newsweek's Best Public High Schools in the nation. Niche, a national database of public schools, rated the District as 26 out of 495 Pennsylvania school districts, and The National Music Merchants recognized the District as one of the best communities for music education. In 2020, 35 District students were named national merit scholars, and 376 students were named AP scholars.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The largest District revenue stream is local property tax. In 2020 2021, the School Board did not raise property taxes to balance the budget. The taxpayers in Chester County continued to be assessed for property taxes at 21.6622 mills. (Please note that one mill is equal to one-tenth of a cent or \$0.001 of assessed value.) The Delaware County tax rate was assessed based upon the equalized millage calculation, which resulted in an increase in tax rate from 16.2597 mills in 2019 2020 to 16.6626 mills in 2020 2021.
- The statement of net position reflects the actuarially determined net pension liability of \$341,620,000; deferred outflows of resources of \$53,622,239 comprising contributions made by the District made after the measurement date of June 30, 2020, contribution made in excess of the required contribution made in the year of the measurement date, and charges in the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability; deferred inflows of resources of \$8,728,000 comprised of investment returns on pension assets over projected returns and differences between the actuarially expected and actual experience to be recognized as a future reduction in pension expense; and a decrease in the liability until fully recognized.

- On an entity-wide basis, the District's total net position was negative \$174,208,771 at June 30, 2021. This represented an increase of 11 percent from the prior year.
- On a fund level reporting basis, compared to the prior year, the District's General Fund total revenues, excluding other financing sources, increased by 2.39 percent or \$6,101,186. This increase was driven by property tax revenue growth, earned income tax revenue growth, real estate transfer tax revenue growth, and CARES federal grant revenue.
- On a fund level reporting basis, compared to the prior year, the District's General Fund expenditures increased by \$6,819,609 or 2.93 percent. This increase was the result of planned contract increases for salaries for the professional staff, retirement costs, and medical benefits costs. Salary expense increased by \$3,872,583 or 4.0 percent.

### **OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34 and present both entity-wide and fund level financial statements using both the accrual basis and modified accrual basis of accounting, respectively.

### **Entity-Wide Financial Statements**

The first two statements are entity-wide financial statements — the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These provide both long-term and short-term information about the District's overall financial status.

The entity-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two entity-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position, the difference between the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indication of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.

To assess the overall health of the District, the reader needs to consider additional nonfinancial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the performance of the students.

The entity-wide financial statements of the District are divided into two categories:

 Governmental Activities – All of the District's basic services are included here, such as instruction, administration, and community services. Property taxes and state and federal subsidies and grants finance most of these activities.

• **Business-type Activities** — The District operates a food service operation and charges fees to staff and students to cover the costs of the food service operation.

#### **Fund Level Financial Statements**

The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the District's operations in more detail than the entity-wide statements. The governmental funds statements tell how the District's general services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Proprietary fund statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about the activities that the District operates like a business. For this District, this is our Food Service Fund. Fiduciary fund statements provide information about financial relationships for which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others.

- Governmental Funds Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on the determination of financial position and change in financial position, not on income determination. The District's major governmental funds are the General Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, and the Capital Reserve Fund. Governmental funds are reported using the modified accrual accounting method, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's operations and the services it provides. Governmental fund information helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.
- Proprietary Funds These funds are used to account for District activities that are similar to
  business operations in the private sector; or where the reporting is on determining net income,
  financial position, changes in financial position, and a significant portion of funding through
  user charges. When the District charges customers for services it provides whether to outside
  customers or to other units in the District these services generally are reported in proprietary
  funds. The Food Service Fund is the District's proprietary fund and is the same as the businesstype activities reported in the entity-wide statements.
- Fiduciary Funds The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for some scholarship funds. All of the
  District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and
  Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. These activities are excluded from the District's
  other financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT — ENTITY-WIDE STATEMENTS

The District's total net position was negative \$174,208,771 at June 30, 2021. This represents an increase of \$21,732,215 over the prior year. The following table presents condensed financial information for the net position of the District as of June 30, 2021 and 2020.

### Statement of Net Position June 30, 2021 and 2020

	Government	al Activities	Business-ty	pe Activities	Tot	als
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
ASSETS:						
Current and other assets	\$ 160,563,827	\$ 130,013,265	\$1,151,525	\$1,078,780	\$ 161,715,352	\$ 131,092,045
Capital assets	324,909,468	310,543,100	651,983	657,609	325,561,451	311,200,709
TOTAL ASSETS	485,473,295	440,556,365	1,803,508	1,736,389	487,276,803	442,292,754
Defferred outflows of						
resources	60,133,115	46,134,851			60,133,115	46,134,851
LIABILITIES:						
Current liabilities	50,792,564	48,619,442	474,235	358,522	51,266,799	48,977,964
Noncurrent liabilities	659,237,617	621,325,587	-	· <u>-</u>	659,237,617	621,325,587
TOTAL LIABILITIES	710,030,181	669,945,029	474,235	358,522	710,504,416	670,303,551
Deferred inflows of						
resources	11,114,273	14,065,040			11,114,273	14,065,040
NET POSITION (DEFICIT): Net investment in capital						
assets	63,045,948	49,714,318	651,983	657,609	63,697,931	50,371,927
Restricted for capital projects	23,571,239	21,345,455	-	_	23,571,239	21,345,455
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(262,155,231)	(268,378,626)	677,290	720,258	(261,477,941)	(267,658,368)
TOTAL NET POSITION						
(DEFICIT)	\$ (175,538,044)	\$ (197,318,853)	\$1,329,273	\$1,377,867	\$ (174,208,771)	\$ (195,940,986)

The governmental activities restricted net position in the amount of \$23,571,239 are set aside to fund capital improvements, the replacement of and additions to public works, and deferred maintenance. The total unrestricted net position in the amount of negative \$261,477,941 included \$677,290 which could be used for capital and other expenditures within the District's food service program.

The results of this year's operations as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities. All expenses are reported in the first column. Specific charges, grants, revenues, and subsidies that relate directly to specific expense categories are presented to determine the final amount of the District's activities that are supported by other general revenues. The largest revenues are property taxes, local taxes, and the state basic education subsidy.

The following table presents condensed financial information for the Statement of Activities in a different format so that the reader can see the total revenues for the year. Compared to the prior year, the District's total revenues increased by \$5,335,285 or 2.1 percent. The largest changes in revenue occurred in other taxes and operating grants and contributions. Other taxes increased by \$4,132,229 or 15.6 percent related to increases in earned income tax revenues and real estate transfer tax revenue. Operating grants and contributions increased by \$4,580,260 or 12.7 percent due to increases in CARES federal grant funding and food service federal and state funding. Property taxes revenue increased by \$1,741,528 or 1.0 percent mostly related to an increase in interim real estate tax revenue. The

revenue growth was offset by decreases in other revenue by \$2,736,007 or 87.2 percent related to a decreased investment earnings and a decrease in charges for services of \$2,354,802 related to the reduction in food services fee revenue.

Expenses increased by \$5,383,231 or 2.3 percent. The largest drivers of this decrease were instruction, administrative/financial support, and operation and maintenance of plant and services spending. The main driving factors for the increase were related to contracted salaries increase, medical benefit expense, and retirement expense.

### Statement of Activities For the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	Governmen	tal Activities	Business-typ	oe Activities	Tot	als
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
REVENUES				_		
Program services:						
Charges for services	\$ 310,684	\$ 855,698	\$ 74,148	\$1,883,936	\$ 384,832	\$ 2,739,634
Operating grants and						
contributions	38,013,762	35,297,106	2,643,238	779,634	40,657,000	36,076,740
General revenues:						
Property taxes	179,522,546	177,781,018	-	-	179,522,546	177,781,018
Other taxes	30,598,582	26,466,353	-	-	30,598,582	26,466,353
Grants, subsidies, and contri-						
butions not restricted	12,380,541	12,408,464	-	-	12,380,541	12,408,464
Other revenue	402,438	3,117,463	877	21,859	403,315	3,139,322
TOTAL REVENUES	261,228,553	255,926,102	2,718,263	2,685,429	263,946,816	258,611,531
EXPENSES						
Instruction	151,333,413	148,865,697	_	-	151,333,413	148,865,697
Instructional student support	19,348,969	18,695,408	-	-	19,348,969	18,695,408
Administrative/financial support	22,950,358	20,927,142	-	=	22,950,358	20,927,142
Operation and maintenance						
of plant services	19,623,304	18,228,580	=	-	19,623,304	18,228,580
Pupil transportation	12,724,832	13,120,151	=	=	12,724,832	13,120,151
Student activities	5,186,177	5,117,896	-	-	5,186,177	5,117,896
Communityservices	97,214	110,805	-	-	97,214	110,805
Interest on long-term debt	8,183,477	8,818,963	-	-	8,183,477	8,818,963
Food service			2,766,857	2,946,728	2,766,857	2,946,728
TOTAL EXPENSES	239,447,744	233,884,642	2,766,857	2,946,728	242,214,601	236,831,370
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	21,780,809	22,041,460	(48,594)	(261,299)	21,732,215	21,780,161
BEGINNING NET POSITION (DEFICIT)	(197,318,853)	(219,360,313)	1,377,867	1,639,166	(195,940,986)	(217,721,147)
ENDING NET POSITION (DEFICIT)	\$ (175,538,044)	\$ (197,318,853)	\$1,329,273	\$1,377,867	\$ (174,208,771)	\$ (195,940,986)

### **EXPENSES**

The table below presents condensed financial information on the expenses of the District by function. The table illustrates both the gross and net costs of services. Unrestricted grants, subsidies, and contributions are deducted to reflect the amount needed to be funded by other revenue sources. The amount needed to be funded by other revenue sources increased by \$3,419,383 or 1.8 percent more than the prior year. The table for business-type activity reflects condensed financial activities of the food service program, the only business-type activity of the District.

	Total Cost of	f Services	Net Cost of	Services
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Governmental-type Activities				
Expenses - Governmental Activities:				
Instruction	\$ 151,333,413	\$ 148,865,697	\$ 125,190,676	\$ 125,267,992
Instructional student support	19,348,969	18,695,408	15,776,602	15,319,359
Administrative and financial support	22,950,358	20,927,142	20,942,717	18,972,007
Operation and maintenance of plant services	19,623,304	18,228,580	16,724,741	15,339,227
Pupil transportation	12,724,832	13,120,151	9,603,388	9,816,690
Student activities	5,186,177	5,117,896	4,604,735	4,087,098
Community services	97,214	110,805	96,962	110,502
Interest on long-term debt	8,183,477	8,818,963	8,183,477	8,818,963
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 239,447,744	\$ 233,884,642	201,123,298	197,731,838
Less: Grants, subsidies, and contributions not restricted			(12,380,541)	(12,408,464)
AMOUNT NEEDED TO BE FUNDED BY OTHER REV	ENUE SOURCES		\$ 188,742,757	\$ 185,323,374
	Total Cost o	of Services	Net Cost of	Services
Business-type Activities	2021	2020	2021	2020
Food services	\$ 2,766,857	\$ 2,946,728	\$ 49,471	\$ 283,158

### THE DISTRICT FUNDS

#### **General Fund**

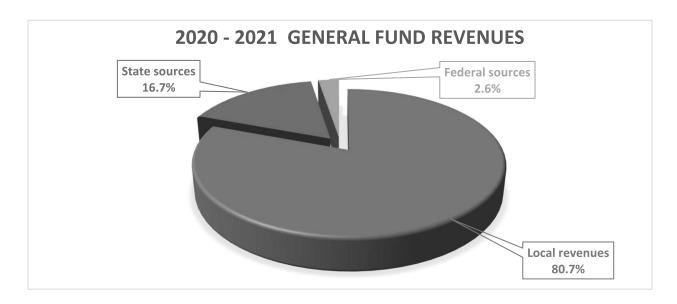
At June 30, 2021, the District reported a General fund balance of \$69,152,529, which represents 28.8 percent of total expenditures and was an increase of \$13,697,043 over the prior year. Of this amount, the District committed \$4,159,909 for the purpose of healthcare rate stabilization. Due to the nature of self-insuring health insurance claims, the District experiences volatility in annual health insurance costs. To smooth these expenditures, in 2011 the District established a health insurance rate stabilization fund, and for the current year, the District maintained a balance consistent with the prior year of \$4,159,909. The District assigned \$38,183,867 of the fund balance towards Tax Rate Stabilization. These funds will be used to offset the 2021 - 2022 budget gaps and eliminate the need for future tax increases. The School Board of West Chester Area School District manages the fund balance to respond to unforeseen contingencies and economic conditions. This philosophy was established during a healthy and growing economy within the District and accurate and timely forecasting which allows the District to constantly monitor economic trends within our community. This philosophy conforms to the Board's belief that the tax burden should be aligned with the current funding needs of the District. In 2017, to help fund fluctuations in alternative education cost, the District established an Alternative Education fund, and for the current year, the District's assigned balance was \$2,000,000, which is an increase of \$1,000,000 for the prior year. During 2019, the District established an enrollment growth fund to plan for the costs associated with opening a new elementary school that will meet the needs of the student growth within

the District. For the current year, the District assigned \$4,500,000 for the enrollment growth fund. For the 2021 fiscal year, the District assigned \$1,000,000 to help minimize the property assessment fluctuation assigned. Also in 2021, the District assigned \$500,000 for Technology/Distance learning expenditures. The remaining assigned fund balance of \$128,904 is assigned for athletic activities.

### **REVENUE**

General Fund Revenues, excluding other financing sources, total \$261,203,939, which is an increase from the collections in the prior year. The table below reflects a comparison of current year revenues to prior year revenues:

	General Fund Revenue 2021	Percentage of Total	([	ncrease/ Decrease) rom 2020	Variance Over/(Under) Final Budget
Local revenues State sources Federal sources	\$ 210,809,638 43,625,782 6,768,519	80.7% 16.7% 2.6%	\$	3,412,453 (463,254) 3,151,987	9,600,883 (242,152) 3,357,178
TOTAL	\$ 261,203,939	100.00%	\$	6,101,186	\$ 12,715,909



Local revenues increased by \$3,412,453. The District's earned income tax revenues increased by \$2,629,837, or 12.2 percent, from the prior year. Additionally, real estate transfer tax revenue increased by \$1,570,267, and real estate tax revenue increased by \$1,013,529 due to interim receipts. The increases were offset by decreases in investment income in the amounts of \$1,958,123.

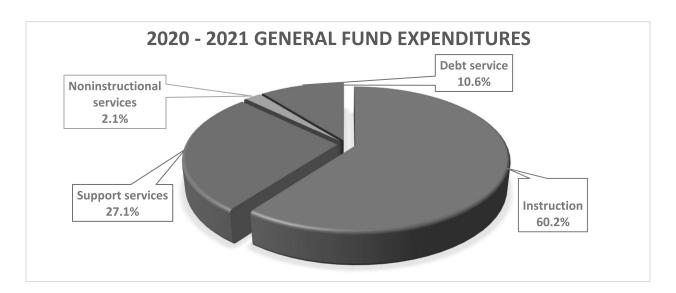
The decrease in state revenues is due to a decrease in special education funding. Special education funding decreased by \$1,047,931 and was offset by an increase of \$762,162 in state pension subsidy. The state reimburses the District for 50 percent of the District's pension cost. In addition to the decrease in special education subsidy and the increase in retirement subsidy, the District had a decreases transportation subsidy in the amount of \$172,506.

Federal revenues increased by 87.2 percent, which is the result of additional Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) and Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Funding \$3,075,267.

### **EXPENDITURES**

General Fund expenditures, excluding transfers to other governmental funds, totaled \$239,889,754. This was an increase of \$6,819,609 or 2.93 percent over the prior year, and it was \$22,292,391 under the approved budget. The expenditures were segregated into various programs depending on the functions of the activity. These programs and the costs associated with each, as well as comparison to the costs incurred in the prior year and the final 2020 - 2021 budget, are as follows:

	General Fund Expenditures 2021	Percentage of Total	Increase/ (Decrease) from 2020	Variance Over/(Under) Final Budget
Instruction Support services Noninstructional services Debt service	\$ 144,653,284 64,894,548 4,928,997 25,412,925	60.2% 27.1% 2.1% 10.6%	\$ 5,497,227 2,376,425 74,684 (1,128,727)	\$ (11,197,448) (8,508,726) (708,936) (1,877,281)
TOTAL	\$ 239,889,754	100.0%	\$ 6,819,609	\$ (22,292,391)



The driving factors for the 2020 - 2021 increases in expenses were contracted salary increases, higher than anticipated medical claims, and supply expenses. Salary, medical benefits, and supplies expense increases drove instructional expense, non-instructional support services expense, and support services increases. There was a decrease in debt service expenses due to a refunding during the fiscal year.

### **Capital Projects Fund**

Fiscal 2020 - 2021 represented the eleventh year of the District's elementary school master plan renovations. By the completion of this plan, all 10 existing elementary schools will have been renovated. In 2019, the District identified the need for an eleventh elementary school due to the student growth within the District. During 2019 - 2020, construction began on the new Greystone Elementary School, which is scheduled to be completed and open in August 2021. As of June 30, 2021, the District had a capital projects fund balance of \$37,703,387. This was an increase of \$13,345,590 from the prior year. The District reported net cash inflows of \$29,250,000 which represented the new bond funds secured to fund the latest elementary school renovations and complete the new elementary school. The District also reported expenditures of \$22,015,041 in 2020 - 2021. These expenditures were primarily related to the design and renovation of the elementary schools.

### **Capital Reserve Fund**

The Capital Reserve Fund had a fund balance of \$23,571,239 at June 30, 2021. This was a \$2,225,784 increase from the prior year. The Capital Reserve Fund is funded by transfers from the General Fund. In 2020 - 2021, the capital outflows from the Capital Reserve Fund were spent on technology replacements and maintenance projects. The Capital Reserve Fund received a transfer in of \$7,633,522 from the General Fund. This transfer represented general fund maintenance projects and debt service savings achieved through refinancing an existing bond issue.

### **Food Service Fund**

The Food Service Fund ended the year with a net position of \$1,329,273, a decrease of \$48,594 from the prior year.

### GENERAL FUND BUDGET

During the fiscal year, the Board of School Directors authorizes revisions to the original budget to accommodate differences from the original budget to the actual expenditures of the District. All adjustments are confirmed again at the time the annual audit is accepted. This is done after the end of the fiscal year in accordance with state law. A schedule showing the District's original and final budget amounts compared with amounts actually paid and received is provided in the financial statements. There were significant increases from original to final budgeted amounts in the expenditure areas of instructional regular programs and instructional special programs to account for additional unplanned COVID grant funds received and expended during the year.

Due to legislative restrictions, the District must adopt a preliminary budget six months before the start of the fiscal year. Subsequent to the start of the fiscal year, the District's projections indicated that future budget years would experience a budgetary shortfall due to rising pension rates and limited local

revenue increases. In reaction to this anticipated gap, the District has been conservative with spending. This is evident when reviewing the District's actual expenditures versus the approved budget. Total revenues were collected above budgeted amounts at \$12,715,909 over budget or 5.1 percent. Total expenditures were under the amended budget by \$22,292,391 or 8.5 percent.

### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

At June 30, 2021, the District had \$325,561,451 invested in a broad range of governmental capital assets, including land, buildings, furniture, and equipment. This amount represents a net increase (including additions, deletions, and depreciation) of \$14,360,742 or 4.6 percent from the prior year. Additionally, the District's construction-in-progress balance increased by \$19,475,639 from the prior year.

The following schedule depicts the capital assets for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. More detailed information about capital assets is included in the notes to the financial statements.

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total Assets
Capital assets:	·		
Land	\$ 28,289,916	\$ -	\$ 28,289,916
Land improvements	16,502,403	-	16,502,403
Buildings	428,617,821	-	428,617,821
Construction-in-progress	63,813,485	-	63,813,485
Furniture and equipment	49,661,778	1,625,341	51,287,119
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	586,885,403	1,625,341	588,510,744
TOTAL ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	<u>261,975,935</u>	973,358	262,949,293
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET	\$ 324,909,468	\$ 651,983	\$ 325,561,451

### **DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

As of June 30, 2021, the District had total outstanding bonds and related charges of \$303,272,635, an increase of \$16,636,096 from the prior year. Based upon a projection of future debt margins, the retirement of principal on current issues and estimated future borrowing, the District is certain that it will not exceed its debt limit.

### Debt Service Schedule June 30, 2021

	Principal			Principal
	Outstanding	Maturities/	Additions	Outstanding
	June 30, 2020	Refinancing	Additions	June 30, 2021
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES	\$ 268.885.000	\$ 33.330.000	\$ 46.050.000	\$ 281,605,000
Deferred amounts:	Ψ 200,000,000	Ψ 00,000,000	Ψ 40,000,000	Ψ 201,000,000
	17,751,539	3,367,146	7,283,242	21,667,635
Net issuance premium	17,731,339	3,307,140	7,203,242	21,007,033
LONG-TERM DEBT	\$ 286,636,539	\$ 36,697,146	\$ 53,333,242	\$ 303,272,635
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### OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Other obligations include accrued vacation pay and severance for specific employees of the District. More detailed information about long-term liabilities is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE

The District forecasts budgetary impacts five years forward. Looking forward, the District is currently forecasting expenses to outpace revenues, creating a budgetary gap. Local revenue, the Districts largest budgetary stream, has shown signs over the past year of moderate growth. Interim real estate tax, earned income tax, growth in real estate tax base, and transfer tax collections all follow local economic trends. While state funding has increased recently, increases were driven by pension and social security subsidy increases that are mirrored by the cost and do not assist in addressing budgetary gaps. Expense growth in the future will continue to be driven by pension, staffing salary, and benefit costs. The District's employer pension contribution rate rose to 34.51 percent in 2020 - 2021 and will continue to increase going forward. The District also projects an annual increase of 7.57 percent per year in health benefits.

In response, the District continues to budget conservatively. The District uses fund balance management techniques to reserve funds for future enrollment growth, potential healthcare costs, alternative education costs, and reduce millage impact. The District has changed healthcare plans for all its labor groups in an attempt to limit healthcare expenses. While currently the District is showing a deficit, the District School Board and staff are working hard to develop methods to address the District's long-term financial needs.

During the past year, the District has seen a large number of residential development projects approved within the District's boundaries. In anticipation of the future influx of additional new student enrollment, the District has adjusted its long-term elementary school master plan to include a new eleventh elementary school. The District will continue the renovations and/or additions to each of its existing 10 elementary schools. This project was the continuation of the District's secondary school renovation program that was completed. The District has completed five building renovations, is in progress with both the sixth and seventh renovations, and is almost complete with construction of Greystone Elementary School. As for the balance of the plan, the District has always exercised caution in a conservative approach to borrowing, including waiting until long-term bonds (20-year notes) were capable of being sold at advantageous, fixed rates of interest.

### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Our financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, parents, students, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or wish to request additional financial information, please contact Mr. John Scully, Director of Business Affairs at the West Chester Area School District, 782 Springdale Drive, Exton, PA 19341, (484) 266-1020.

### WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 25,884,217	\$ 117,771	\$ 26,001,988
Investments	112,768,222	435,611	113,203,833
Internal balances	71,600 7,856,799	(71,600)	9 E04 12E
Due from other governments Other receivables	1,401,002	647,336 11,913	8,504,135 1,412,915
Taxes receivable	3,683,216	-	3,683,216
Prepaid expenses	3,243,482	=	3,243,482
Inventories	<del></del> _	10,494	10,494
Total Current Assets Noncurrent Assets:	154,908,538_	1,151,525	156,060,063_
Investments	5,655,289	<del>-</del>	5,655,289
Capital assets:	0,000,200		0,000,200
Land	28,289,916	<del>-</del>	28,289,916
Construction-in-progress	63,813,485	-	63,813,485
Land improvements	16,502,403 428,617,821	-	16,502,403 428,617,821
Buildings Furniture and equipment	49,661,778	1,625,341	51,287,119
Less: accumulated depreciation	(261,975,935)	(973,358)	(262,949,293)
Total Noncurrent Assets	330,564,757	651,983	331,216,740
TOTAL ASSETS	495 472 205	1.803,508	407 276 902
	485,473,295	1,003,300	487,276,803
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred amount on refunding	2,267,669	-	2,267,669
Deferred outflows relating to OPEB Deferred outflows relating to pension	4,243,207 53,622,239	<del>-</del>	4,243,207 53,622,239
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	60,133,115	<del></del>	60,133,115
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>\$ 545,606,410</u>	<u>\$ 1,803,508</u>	<u>\$ 547,409,918</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES,			
AND NET POSITION (DEFICIT)			
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities: Accounts payable and other current liabilities	\$ 28,147,215	\$ 239,212	\$ 28,386,427
Accrued interest	1,628,691	Ψ 255,212	1,628,691
Unearned revenues	177,622	235,023	412,645
Bonds and notes payable, net	20,839,036	<u> </u>	20,839,036
Total Current Liabilities	50,792,564	474,235	51,266,799
Noncurrent Liabilities: Bonds and notes payable, net	282,433,599	_	282,433,599
Accrued severance and compensated absences	6,117,856	<del>-</del>	6,117,856
Net OPEB liability	29,066,162	-	29,066,162
Net pension liability	341,620,000	<u> </u>	341,620,000
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	659,237,617		659,237,617
TOTAL LIABILITIES	710,030,181	474,235	710,504,416
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows relating to OPEB	2,386,273	-	2,386,273
Deferred inflows relating to pension	8,728,000	<u> </u>	8,728,000
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	11,114,273	<del>-</del>	11,114,273
NET POSITION (DEFICIT)			
Net investment in capital assets	63,045,948	651,983	63,697,931
Restricted for capital projects	23,571,239	677 200	23,571,239
Unrestricted (deficit) TOTAL NET POSITION (DEFICIT)	<u>(262,155,231)</u> (175,538,044)	677,290 1,329,273	(261,477,941) (174,208,771)
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TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF			
RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION (DEFICIT)	<u>\$ 545,606,410</u>	<u>\$ 1,803,508</u>	<u>\$ 547,409,918</u>

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

			Program Revenues		Net (	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position (Deficit)	and veficit)
	7 D	Charges for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants and	Governmental	Business- type	Totals
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:	LApellada	000000000000000000000000000000000000000			ACIIVIIGO	Activities	0.00
Instruction Instructional student support	\$ 151,333,413 19,348,969	\$ 96,563	\$ 26,046,174 3,572,367	 ↔	\$(125,190,676) (15,776,602)	· · ·	\$(125,190,676) (15,776,602)
Administrative and infancial support services Operation and maintenance of plant services	72,950,358 19,623,304	212,546	2,007,641 2,686,017	1 1	(20,942,717) (16,724,741)	1 1	(20,942,717) (16,724,741)
Pupil transportation Student activities	12,724,832	- 1 575	3,121,444	ı	(9,603,388)	1	(9,603,388)
Community services	97,214	5	252		(96,962)	i i	(96,962)
Interest on long-term debt TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	8,183,477	310,684	38,013,762	1 1	(8,183,477) (201,123,298)	1 1	(8,183,477) (201,123,298)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES: Food service	2,766,857	74,148	2,643,238	'	'	(49,471)	(49,471)
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	\$ 242,214,601	\$ 384,832	\$ 40,657,000	\$	(201,123,298)	(49,471)	(201,172,769)
		GENERAL REVENUES	inues				
		Property taxes, le Taxes levied for s	Property taxes, levied for general purposes  Taxes levied for specific purposes  Grants, outillaments, and contributions	oses	179,522,546 30,598,582	1 1	179,522,546 30,598,582
		not restricted to	not restricted to specific programs	٥	12,380,541	- 10	12,380,541
		Investment earnings Other	ngs S		262,834 139.604	110	263,711 139 604
		TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES	L REVENUES		222,904,107	877	222,904,984
		CHANGE IN NET	CHANGE IN NET POSITION (DEFICIT)	(_	21,780,809	(48,594)	21,732,215
		NET POSITION (	NET POSITION (DEFICIT), BEGINNING OF YEAR	IG OF YEAR	(197,318,853)	1,377,867	(195,940,986)
		NET POSITION (	NET POSITION (DEFICIT), END OF YEAR	EAR	\$(175,538,044)	\$ 1,329,273	\$(174,208,771)

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2021

Totals	\$ 25,884,217 118,423,511 3,683,216 71,600 7,856,799 1,401,002 3,243,482	\$160,563,827		\$ 11,056,646 177,622	17,090,569 28,324,837	1,811,835	3,243,482 60,849,576 4,159,909 46,312,771	15,861,417 130,427,155	\$160,563,827
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 4,431,180 19,596,458 - - 44,757 425,050	\$ 24,497,445		\$ 926,206	926,206		425,050 23,146,189 -	23,571,239	\$ 24,497,445
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 2,672,129 39,141,446	\$ 41,813,575		\$ 4,110,188	4,110,188		37,703,387	37,703,387	\$ 41,813,575
General Fund	\$ 18,780,908 59,685,607 3,683,216 71,600 7,856,799 1,356,245 2,818,432	\$ 94,252,807		\$ 6,020,252 177,622	17,090,569 23,288,443	1,811,835 1,811,835	2,818,432 - 4,159,909 46,312,771	15,861,417 69,152,529	\$ 94,252,807
A S S C T T S	ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Taxes receivable Due from other governments Other receivables Prepaid expenditures	TOTAL ASSETS	LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES:	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Unearned revenue	Payroll accruals and withholdings TOTAL LIABILITIES	DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES: Unavailable revenue - property taxes TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	FUND BALANCES: Nonspendable Restricted Committed Assigned	Unassigned TOTAL FUND BALANCES	TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

TOTAL FUND BALANCES FOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS		\$ 130,427,155
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds. The cost of assets was \$586,885,403, and accumulated depreciation was \$261,975,935.		324,909,468
Some of the District's revenues will be collected after year end but are not available soon enough to pay the current year's expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue - property taxes in the governmental funds.		1,811,835
Governmental funds report deferred amounts on bond refundings as other financing sources. However, these amounts are reported on the statement of net position as deferred outflows of resources and amortized over the life of the		2,267,669
Long-term liabilities applicable to the governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		
Accrued interest Bonds and notes payable in future years, net Accumulated compensated absences Net pension liability Net OPEB liability	\$ (1,628,691) (303,272,635) (6,117,856) (341,620,000) (29,066,162)	(681,705,344)
Deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to the District's net pension and OPEB liabilities are based on the differences between actuarially determined expected and actual investment returns, changes in the actuarially determined proportion of the District's amount of the total pension and OPEB liabilities, differences between actual and expected experience, and pension and OPEB contributions made after the measurement date of the net pension and OPEB liabilities. These amounts will be amortized over the estimated remaining average service life of the employees.		
Deferred outflows of resources:  Deferred outflows - OPEB  Deferred outflows - pension  Deferred inflows of resources:	4,243,207 53,622,239	
Deferred inflows - OPEB Deferred inflows - pension	(2,386,273) (8,728,000)	46,751,173

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOTAL NET DEFICIT OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$(175,538,044)

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Totals	\$ 210,851,588 43,625,782 6,768,519 261,245,889	144,653,284 69,251,877 4,928,997	15,830,000 9,582,925 498,947 22,756,543 267,502,573	(6,256,684)	20,080 (3,700) 16,800,000 29,250,000 (17,824,521) 7,283,242 7,635,789 (7,635,789) 35,525,101	29,268,417	101,158,738 \$ 130,427,155
Other Governmental Fund	ω	1 1 1	148,129	(148,129)	16,800,000 (17,824,521) 1,174,917 - (2,267) 148,129	1	ı
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 41,911	4,357,329	- 1,092,320 5,449,649	(5,407,738)	7,633,522	2,225,784	21,345,455 \$ 23,571,239
Capital Projects Fund	68 - 68	1 1 1	350,818 21,664,223 22,015,041	(22,015,002)	29,250,000 6,108,325 2,267 35,360,592	13,345,590	24,357,797
General Fund	\$ 210,809,638 43,625,782 6,768,519 261,203,939	144,653,284 64,894,548 4,928,997	15,830,000 9,582,925 - 239,889,754	21,314,185	20,080 (3,700) - - (7,633,522) (7,617,142)	13,697,043	55,455,486 \$ 69,152,529
	KEVENUES Local sources State sources Federal sources TOTAL REVENUES	EXPENDITURES Current:     Instruction     Support services     Operation of noninstructional services	Period service. Principal Interest Bond issuance costs Capital outlays TOTAL EXPENDITURES	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Refund of prior year expenditures Refund of prior year revenue Bonds issued for refunding Bonds issued for capital projects Payment to refund bonds Premium on bonds issued Transfers in Transfers out TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR FUND BALANCES, END OF YEAR

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
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\$ 29,268,417

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

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is capitalized and allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In addition, disposal of assets before they are fully depreciated results in a loss that is not reported in the governmental funds. In the current period, these amounts are:

Capital outlays	\$ 28,302,130	
Depreciation expense	(13,931,184)	
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(4,578)	14,366,368

Because some amounts will not be collected for several months after the District's fiscal year ends, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the governmental funds. Unavailable revenue decreased by this amount during the year.

(37,416)

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items. Repayment of note principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

(16,636,096)

Governmental funds report deferred amounts on bond refundings as other financing sources. However, these amounts are reported on the statement of net position as deferred outflows of resources and amortized over the life of the refunding debt.

(1,154,764)

In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses – compensated absences (vacations and sick leave) and severance benefits (early retirement) – are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This is the amount by which current period amounts paid exceeded current period compensated absences earned.

(677,701)

OPEB expenses in the statement of activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because OPEB expenses are recognized in the statement of activities based on the District's proportionate share of the expenses of the cost-sharing OPEB plan and expenses of the single employer, whereas OPEB expenditures are recognized in the governmental funds when a requirement to remit contributions to the plan exists.

29,424

Interest on long-term debt in the statement of activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due and, thus, requires the use of current financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.

10,534

Pension expense in the statement of activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because pension expense is recognized in the statement of activities based on the District's proportionate share of the expenses of the cost-sharing pension plan, whereas pension expenditures are recognized in the governmental funds when a requirement to remit contributions to the plan exists.

(3,387,957)

CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 21,780,809

### WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGETARY COMPARISON STATEMENT - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Pudgatas	I Amounts		Variance With Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES	Original			(Negative)
Local sources	\$ 201,208,755	\$ 201,208,755	\$ 210,809,638	\$ 9,600,883
State sources	43,867,934	43,867,934	43,625,782	(242,152)
Federal sources	3,411,341	3,411,341	6,768,519	3,357,178
TOTAL REVENUES	248,488,030	248,488,030	261,203,939	12,715,909
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Instruction				
Regular programs, elementary/secondary	101,431,808	104,374,314	101,895,831	2,478,483
Special programs, elementary/secondary	42,413,230	44,028,280	35,677,168	8,351,112
Vocational education programs	6,587,725	6,532,372	6,285,505	246,867
Other instructional programs	840,435	840,435	719,449	120,986
Nonpublic school programs	75,328	75,331	75,331	-
Total Instruction	151,348,526	155,850,732	144,653,284	11,197,448
Support services		<del></del>	<del></del>	<del></del>
Pupil personnel	10,166,734	10,156,616	9,591,075	565,541
Instructional staff	6,220,847	6,335,371	5,753,212	582,159
Administration	13,142,894	13,085,663	11,643,066	1,442,597
Pupil health	2,710,797	2,709,570	2,585,826	123,744
Business	2.005.031	2,005,031	1,813,374	191,657
Operation and maintenance of plant services	19,330,543	19,193,218	17,085,115	2,108,103
Student transportation services	14,982,392	14,982,392	12,015,030	2,967,362
Central	4,056,507	4,666,049	4,138,486	527,563
Other support services	226,867	269,364	269,364	027,000
Total Support Services	72,842,612	73,403,274	64,894,548	8,508,726
Operation of noninstructional services	72,042,012	13,403,214	04,034,340	0,300,720
Student activities	5,558,654	5,486,021	4,837,123	648,898
Community services	151,912	151,912	91,874	60,038
Total Operation of Noninstructional Services	5,710,566	5,637,933	4,928,997	708,936
Debt service	5,710,566	3,037,933	4,920,991	100,930
	27,290,206	27,290,206	25,412,925	1 077 001
Principal, interest, and fiscal agent fees TOTAL EXPENDITURES				1,877,281
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	257,191,910	262,182,145	239,889,754	22,292,391
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(8,703,880)	(13,694,115)	21,314,185	35,008,300
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Refund of prior year expenditures	_	_	20,080	20,080
Refund of prior year receipts			(3,700)	(3,700)
Budgetary reserve	(6,456,216)	<del>-</del>	(3,700)	(3,700)
Interfund transfer out	(6,167,541)	(7,633,522)	(7,633,522)	=
				40.000
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING USES	(12,623,757)	(7,633,522)	(7,617,142)	16,380
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(21,327,637)	(21,327,637)	13,697,043	35,024,680
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	55,455,486	55,455,486	55,455,486	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 34,127,849	\$ 34,127,849	\$ 69,152,529	\$ 35,024,680

### WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUND JUNE 30, 2021

	Se	Food ervice Fund
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:	Φ	447 774
Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	117,771 435,611
Due from other governments		647,336
Other receivables		11,913
Inventories, donated commodities		10,494
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,223,125
CAPITAL ASSETS:		
Furniture and equipment, net		651,983
TOTAL ASSETS	Ф	1,875,108
101AL A33L13	Ψ	1,073,100
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	239,212
Due to other funds		71,600
Unearned revenue		235,023
TOTAL LIABILITIES		545,835
NET POSITION:		054.000
Investment in capital assets		651,983
Unrestricted TOTAL NET POSITION		677,290
TOTAL NET POSITION		1,329,273
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$	1,875,108

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

		Food vice Fund
OPERATING REVENUES		<u> </u>
Food service revenues	\$	74,148
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		74,148
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Professional and contract services	2	2,636,696
Depreciation		129,617
Other operating costs		544
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		2,766,857
OPERATING LOSS	(2	2,692,709)
NONOPERATING REVENUES		
State sources		98,293
Federal sources	2	2,544,945
Interest income		877
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES		2,644,115
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		(48,594)
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR		1,377,867
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$	1,329,273

### WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Food Service Fund
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers	\$ 60,368 (2,411,615)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(2,351,247)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES: State sources	74,786
Federal sources NET CASH PROVIDED BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	1,828,101 1,902,887
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Purchase of capital assets	(123,991)
NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(123,991)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Sale of investment securities and deposits to investment pools	661,335
Interest income NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	877 662,212
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	89,861
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	27,910
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 117,771
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used by operating activities:	\$ (2,692,709)
Depreciation Commodities usage	129,617 124,049
Changes in assets and liabilities: Increase in other receivables Increase in inventory	(170) (7,489)
Decrease in due to other funds	(20,258)
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities  Decrease in unearned revenue	129,323 (13,610)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (2,351,247)
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE	
NONCASH NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITY: USDA donated commodities	\$ 124,049

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2021

Private- Purpose Trust	\$ 599,050	\$ 602,021	₩	602,021	\$ 602,021
Total Custodial Funds	\$ 589,896	\$ 589,903	\$ 85,454 85,454	504,449	\$ 589,903
Funds Other Custodial Fund	\$ 258,124	\$ 258,131	\$ 83,730	174,401	\$ 258,131
Custodial Funds Student Activity Funds Cus	\$ 331,772	\$ 331,772	\$ 1,724	330,048 330,048	\$ 331,772
	ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Other receivables	TOTAL ASSETS	LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION LIABILITIES: Other current liabilities TOTAL LIABILITIES	NET POSITION: Restricted TOTAL NET POSITION	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Custodial Funds	Funds		
	Student	Other	Total	Private-
	Activity	Custodial	Custodial	Purpose
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Trust
ADDITIONS				
Gifts and contributions	\$ 165,436	\$ 301,192	\$ 466,628	\$ 136,947
TOTAL ADDITIONS	165,436	301,192	466,628	136,947
DEDUCTIONS				
Activity expense	274,701	207,123	481,824	134,691
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	274,701	207,123	481,824	134,691
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(109,265)	94,069	(15,196)	2,256
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR, RESTATED	439,313	80,332	519,645	599,765
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 330,048	\$ 174,401	\$ 504,449	\$ 602,021

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The West Chester Area School District's ("the District") financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the District are discussed below.

### Reporting Entity

The District is governed by an elected Board of Directors. GAAP requires that the financial statements present the District and its component units, entities for which the District is considered to be financially accountable. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the District's operations and, therefore, data from these units are required to be combined with data of the primary school district. Each discretely presented component unit, on the other hand, is required to be reported in a separate column in the entity-wide financial statements to emphasize it is legally separate from the District. Based on the application of these principles, there are no component units presented in the District's financial statements.

### **Entity-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The entity-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds even though the latter are excluded from the entity-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The entity-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and, therefore, have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only a portion of special assessment receivables due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

- **General Fund** The General Fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- Capital Projects Fund The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital assets other than those financed by enterprise operations.
- Capital Reserve Fund The Capital Reserve Fund is used for funds set aside that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

The District reports one nonmajor fund (debt service) which is used to record certain debt activity.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

The District reports the following major proprietary fund:

Food Service Fund — The Food Service Fund (an enterprise fund) is used to account for
the operations of the District's school cafeterias that are financed and operated in a
manner similar to a private business enterprise wherein the intent of the governing body
is that the cost of providing goods or services to the school population on a continuing
basis will be recovered or financed primarily through user charges.

These funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary funds' principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of the District's enterprise fund is food service charges. Operating expenses for the District's enterprise fund includes food production costs, supplies, and administrative costs. All revenues or expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows of proprietary funds, cash equivalents include all highly liquid debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Additionally, the District reports the following fund types:

**Fiduciary Funds** – Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, or other governments. These include private-purpose trust funds and custodial funds. Private-purpose trust funds account for resources, including both principal and earnings, which must be expended in accordance with a trust agreement. Custodial funds are purely custodial in nature.

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

### Deposits and Investments

Under Section 440-1 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, the District is permitted to invest funds consistent with sound business practices in the following types of investments:

 Obligations of (a) the United States of America or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America; (b) the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth; or (c) any political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the political subdivision.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 1 <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (cont'd)

Deposits in savings accounts or time deposits or share accounts of institutions insured
by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or the Federal Savings and Loan
Insurance Corporation ("FSLIC") to the extent that such accounts are so insured and, for
any amounts above the insured maximum, provided that approved collateral as
provided by law therefore shall be pledged by the depository.

In 2016, permitted investments were expanded to include highly rated commercial paper, bankers' acceptances, and negotiable certificates of deposit.

Investments are reported at fair value, except for repurchase agreements and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit which are reported at cost. In establishing the fair value of investments, the District uses the following hierarchy. The lowest level of valuation available is used for all investments.

- Level 1 Valuations based on quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices of similar products in active markets or identical products in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

#### Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the noncurrent portion of interfund loans). Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the entity-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of any allowance for uncollectibles. There are no allowances at June 30, 2021.

Property taxes are levied on July 1 and payable in the following periods:

Discount Period - July 1 to August 31 - 2% of gross levy

Flat Period - September 1 to October 31

Penalty Period - November 1 to collection - 10% of gross levy

Lien Date - January 15

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

# Prepaid items

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are reported as prepaid items in both entity-wide and fund financial statements.

# Inventory

All inventories are valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market. Inventories reported in the governmental funds consist of expendable materials and supplies, which are recorded as expenditures when purchased. Inventories in the proprietary fund consist of food and related supplies, and are recorded as expenses when consumed.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the entity-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Donated capital assets, donated works of art, historical treasures and similar assets, and capital assets that are received in a service concession arrangement will be measured at acquisition value.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during construction is not capitalized.

Property, plant, and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings 20 - 40 years
Land improvements 20 years
Furniture and 3 - 10 years

#### Compensated Absences

It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. The liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave is accounted for in the accrued severance pay. This time is paid out only through severance pay calculations.

District employees who are required to work on a 12-month schedule are credited with vacation at rates which vary with length of service or job classification. Vacation must be taken in the year subsequent to when it was earned. If separation of service occurs in the year

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

subsequent to earning, then the unused balance of the amount earned in the prior year is paid at separation. The liability at June 30 represents vacation earned at the date.

#### Accrued Severance Pay

Administrative personnel who have completed at least 12 years of credited District service and retire under normal PSERS guidelines receive severance pay in the form of compensation. Instructional, secretarial, and support personnel who have completed at least 15 years of credited District service and retire under the normal PSERS guidelines receive severance pay in the form of compensation. Administrative personnel receive \$45 - \$80 per day for every day of accumulated sick and personal days at retirement. Instructional personnel receive \$45 - \$80 per day. Secretarial and support personnel receive \$65 per day for every day of accumulated sick and personal days at retirement to a maximum \$10,000 of compensation. Severance pay generally is liquidated by the General Fund.

# **Long-term Obligations**

In the entity-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are netted against outstanding principal balances and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred. Deferred amounts on refunding are recorded as deferred inflows or outflows of resources and amortized over the life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter. All amortized amounts are amortized using the straight-line method which approximates the effective interest method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. 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.

# **Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets and liabilities, the statement of net position includes separate sections for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. These separate financial statement elements represent an addition to or consumption of net position that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) or inflow of resources (revenue) until then. The District has various items that are reported in these categories.

The first deferred outflow is the deferred charge on refunding reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.

The second deferred outflow of resources relates to certain changes to the net pension and OPEB liabilities which are required to be amortized over a period of years; the unamortized portions of these changes are reflected as deferred outflows of resources in the statement of net position. In the statement of net position, a deferred inflow of resources is recorded for differences related to changes in the net pension and OPEB liabilities which will be amortized over future periods. See Notes 13 through 15 for further analysis of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to the net pension and OPEB liabilities.

Governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, deferred inflows of resources reported in the general fund resulted from delinquent property taxes receivable.

#### Fund Equity

Fund balance will be displayed in the following classification (if applicable) depicting the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- Nonspendable that portion of the fund balance that cannot be spent because it is
  either in a nonspendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained
  intact.
- Restricted that portion of the fund balance that is constrained to be used for a specific purpose as per an external party or law.
- Committed that portion of the balance that is to be used for a specific purpose as
  per School Board motion. These constraints can be removed or changed by equal
  level action. Action to constrain resources should occur prior to the fiscal year end.
  Direction from the School Board can commit specific dollar amounts, percentages, or
  funds related to a specific activity.
- Assigned that portion of the fund balance that is intended to be used for specific purposes. The Property and Finance Committee, the Superintendent, or the Director of Business Affairs may assign amounts for specific purposes.
- Unassigned that portion of the fund balance that represents expendable available financial resources. It is the residual after the nonspendable, restricted, committed, and assigned portions are deducted from the total fund balance. A negative

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

unassigned fund balance may be reported in the other governmental funds (not general fund) if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds and, finally, unassigned funds, as needed, unless the School Board, Property and Finance Committee, Superintendent, or Director of Business Affairs has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

The District is committed to maintaining a prudent level of financial resources to protect against the needs to reduce service levels because of temporary revenue shortfalls or unpredicted expenditures. The District's minimum fund balance policy requires that the unassigned fund balance equal or exceed five percent of the subsequent year's general fund operating expenditures.

#### **Net Position**

The entity-wide financial statements report net position in one of three components. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding balances of borrowings attributable to acquiring, constructing, or improving those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Those restrictions affect net position arising from the capital projects fund. Unrestricted net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of "net investment in capital assets" or "restricted."

#### Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with GAAP 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.

#### <u>Implementation of GASB Statement</u>

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 84, "Fiduciary Activities." This Statement provides additional guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. As a result, the District now presents a statement of changes in fiduciary net position for its custodial funds.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 2 BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with GAAP. An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Project-length financial plans are adopted for all capital projects funds.

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. The Director of Business Affairs submits to the School Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- 2. Public hearings are conducted at the District offices to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 3. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.
- 4. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the general fund.
- 5. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the School Board.

# NOTE 3 DEPOSITS

# **Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned. The District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk but operates under the provisions of Commonwealth laws (Act 72). At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$27,190,934, and the bank balance was \$27,894,184. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance. The remaining balance was fully collateralized. This collateral was held by the depository's agent on a pooled basis not in the District's name and, therefore, subject to custodial credit risk.

# NOTE 4 <u>INVESTMENTS</u>

The District purchases money market holdings, certificates of deposit ("CDs") and government agency securities through Fulton Financial Advisors. The money market is a federal money market fund and maintains a stable net asset value of \$1 per share, is rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and is subject to an independent annual audit. As of June 30, 2021, it was rated AAA by a nationally recognized statistical rating agency. Fulton

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 4 <u>INVESTMENTS</u> (cont'd)

Financial Advisors is a registered member of the Securities and Exchange Commission and subject to the Commission's oversight. These investments are held by a third party. Investments are in short-term securities in accordance with the District's investment policy and school district code. All agency securities purchased are highly rated by a nationally recognized rating agency. All CDs are purchased at values to stay within the FDIC insurance limits.

The District also invests in the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust ("PLGIT"), the Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund ("PSDLAF"), and the Pennsylvania Treasurer's Investment Program for Local Governments ("PTIP"). Although not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and not subject to regulatory oversight, PLGIT, PSDLAF, and PTIP act like money market mutual funds in that their objective is to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1 per share, are rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and are subject to an independent annual audit. These external investment pools are considered 2a7-like pools and are recorded at amortized cost. The amortized cost, which approximates fair value of the pool, is determined by the pool's share price. As of June 30, 2021, PLGIT, PSDLAF, and PTIP were rated as AAAm by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. As of June 30, 2021, the District had \$66,586,873 invested in PLGIT, PSDLAF, and PTIP (\$26,632,269 in the General Fund, \$39,141,446 in the Capital Projects Fund, \$377,547 in the Capital Reserve Fund, and \$435,611 in the Food Service Fund.)

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The District has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2021:

				Maturity in	Maturity in
				Less Than	Greater than
	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	One Year	One year
General Fund:					
CRIMS - Agencies	\$21,309,063	\$ -	\$21,309,063	\$21,309,063	\$ -
CRIMS - Certificates of deposit	980,747	-	980,747	980,747	=
CRIMS - Commercial paper	6,295,718	-	6,295,718	6,295,718	=
CRIMS - Money market	1,467,009	1,467,009	-	1,467,009	=
CRIMS - U.S. Treasuries	3,000,801		3,000,801	3,000,801	<u> </u>
Total General Fund	33,053,338	1,467,009	31,586,329	33,053,338	
Capital Reserve Fund Account:					
CRIMS - Agencies	3,231,908	-	3,231,908	3,231,908	-
CRIMS - Certificates of deposit	3,156,501	-	3,156,501	492,982	2,663,519
CRIMS - Commercial paper	7,556,788	-	7,556,788	7,556,788	=
CRIMS - Money market	2,281,944	2,281,944	=	2,281,944	-
CRIMS - Municipal bonds	468,320	=	468,320	-	468,320
CRIMS - U.S. Treasuries	2,523,450		2,523,450		2,523,450
Total Capital Reserve Fund Account	19,218,911	2,281,944	16,936,967	13,563,622	5,655,289
TOTALS	\$52,272,249	\$ 3,748,953	\$48,523,296	\$46,616,960	\$ 5,655,289

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 4 <u>INVESTMENTS</u> (cont'd)

#### **Concentration Risk**

Investments shall be diversified by avoiding concentration in obligations of a specific issuer (excluding U.S. Treasury securities) and continuously investing a portion of the portfolio in readily available funds such as local government investment pools, money market mutual funds, or bank accounts subject to immediate withdrawal.

# Interest Rate Risk

Investment maturities shall be based on a review of cash flow forecasts. Maturities will be scheduled so as to permit the District to meet all projected obligations. For operating funds, the maximum weighted average maturity will be no more than six months at any point in time, and the maximum maturity of any individual investment will be 397 days from purchase date to maturity date. For reserve funds, the maximum weighted average maturity will be no more than two and one-half years from at any point in time and the maximum maturity of any individual investment will be five years from purchase date to maturity date. Scholarship and other similarly designated funds shall be invested such that the final maturity will be suitable to the expected life of the designated fund.

# NOTE 5 TAXES RECEIVABLE

Taxes receivable as of year-end for the District, in the aggregate, are as follows:

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Real estate taxes Transfer taxes	\$ 2,109,245 630,306
Earned income taxes	 943,665
Total Taxes Receivable	\$ 3,683,216

The District's evaluation of taxes resulted in no allowance for uncollectible accounts.

Governmental funds report unearned revenue in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. At the end of the current fiscal year, unavailable revenue of \$1,811,835 reported in the governmental funds resulted from delinquent property taxes receivable which was not collected within 60 days of fiscal year end.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 6 <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities	Balarioo	morodooo	Booroaccc	Transfere	Balarico
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 28,289,916	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,289,916
Construction-in-progress	44,337,846	22,665,376	_	(3,189,737)	63,813,485
Total Capital Assets Not Being					
Depreciated	72,627,762	22,665,376		(3,189,737)	92,103,401
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Land improvements	16,416,508	=	_	85,895	16,502,403
Buildings	426,266,132	-	-	2,351,689	428,617,821
Furniture and equipment	43,349,091	5,636,754	76,220	752,153	49,661,778
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	486,031,731	5,636,754	76,220	3,189,737	494,782,002
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Land improvements	9,465,821	642,868			10,108,689
Buildings	201,836,115	10,812,289	-	-	212,648,404
Furniture and equipment	36,814,457	2,476,027	71,642	-	39,218,842
Furniture and equipment	30,614,437	2,470,027	7 1,042		39,210,042
Total accumulated depreciation	248,116,393	13,931,184	71,642		261,975,935
Total Capital Assets Being					
Depreciated, Net.	237,915,338	(8,294,430)	4,578	3,189,737	232,806,067
Governmental Activities Assets, Net	\$ 310,543,100	\$14,370,946	\$ 4,578	\$ -	\$ 324,909,468
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Business-type Activities					
Capital assets being depreciated:	Ф 4 COO COZ	Ф 400 004	Φ.	œ.	Ф 4.7E4.050
Furniture and equipment	\$ 1,630,967	\$ 123,991	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,754,958
Less accumulated depreciation	973,358	129,617			1,102,975
Business-type Capital Assets, Net	\$ 657,609	\$ (5,626)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 651,983

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the District as follows:

# Governmental activities:

Instruction	\$ 8,341,346
Instructional student support	1,033,929
Administrative and financial support services	1,281,396
Operation and maintenance of plant services	2,297,445
Pupil transportation	692,840
Student activities	278,930
Community services	5,298
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ 13,931,184
Business-type Activities - Food Service	\$ 129,617

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 7 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 is as follows:

Receivable to	Amou		
General Fund	Food Service Fund	\$	71,600

Interfund receivables and payables exist as a result of a time lag between dates when goods and services were provided and payments between funds were made. All will be paid within one year. The general fund transferred \$7,633,522 to the capital reserve fund for the year ended June 30, 2021 to fund future planned capital expenditures. The nonmajor governmental fund transferred excess funds in the amount of \$2,267 related to the bond refunding to the capital projects fund.

# NOTE 8 LONG-TERM DEBT

The following summarizes the changes in the long-term liabilities of governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2020	Repayments	Additions	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2021	Due in One Year
General Obligation Note,					
Series of 2009	\$ 9,950,000	\$ 650,000	\$ -	\$ 9,300,000	\$ 650,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Refunding Series AA of 2010	7,830,000	7,830,000	-	-	-
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series A of 2012	21,000,000	-	=	21,000,000	=
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series AA of 2012	14,980,000	7,360,000	=	7,620,000	7,620,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2013	850,000	850,000	-	-	-
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2014	12,000,000	-	-	12,000,000	-
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series A of 2014	25,585,000	1,085,000	-	24,500,000	1,185,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series AA of 2014	56,170,000	295,000	-	55,875,000	305,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series A of 2015	9,670,000	9,670,000	-	-	-
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series AA of 2015	1,525,000	755,000	-	770,000	770,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2016	8,335,000	1,935,000	=	6,400,000	2,035,000

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 8 LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)

	Principal			Principal	D in
	Outstanding June 30, 2020	Ponovmente	Additions	Outstanding June 30, 2021	Due in One Year
	June 30, 2020	Repayments	Additions	Julie 30, 2021	One real
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series A of 2016	32,010,000	5,000	=	32,005,000	5,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series AA of 2016	8,485,000	5,000	=	8,480,000	5,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2017	6,020,000	615,000	=	5,405,000	625,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series A of 2017	9,740,000	5,000	-	9,735,000	5,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2018	9,985,000	5,000	-	9,980,000	5,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2019	34,750,000	5,000	-	34,745,000	5,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2020	-	2,260,000	16,800,000	14,540,000	4,495,000
General Obligation Bonds,					
Series of 2021			29,250,000	29,250,000	5,000
	268,885,000	33,330,000	46,050,000	281,605,000	17,715,000
Deferred amounts:					
Issuance premium	17,751,539	3,367,146	7,283,242	21,667,635	3,124,036
LONG-TERM DEBT	\$ 286,636,539	\$36,697,146	\$53,333,242	\$ 303,272,635	\$20,839,036

# General Obligation Bonds

Series A of 2012, original principal amount of \$21,000,000, maturing May 15, 2014 through May 15, 2032, bearing interest of 3.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	\$ 21,000,000
Refunding Series AA of 2012, original principal amount of \$39,330,000, maturing May 15, 2014 through May 15, 2022, bearing interest ranging from 4.00% to 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	7,620,000
Series of 2014, original principal amount of \$12,000,000, maturing May 15, 2025 through May 15, 2032, bearing interest ranging from 3.75% to 4.25%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	12,000,000
Refunding Series A of 2014, original principal amount of \$30,890,000, maturing May 15, 2015 through May 15, 2024, bearing interest ranging from 2.50% to 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	24,500,000

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 8 LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)

LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)	
Refunding Series AA of 2014, original principal amount of \$57,635,000, maturing May 15, 2016 through May 15, 2030, bearing interest ranging from 3.00% to 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	55,875,000
Refunding Series AA of 2015, original principal amount of \$4,880,000, maturing May 15, 2016 through November 15, 2021, bearing interest ranging from 2.00% to 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	770,000
Refunding Series of 2016, original principal amount of \$15,300,000, maturing April 15, 2016 through April 15, 2024, bearing interest ranging from 1.50% to 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on April 15 and October 15.	6,400,000
Refunding Series A of 2016, original principal amount of \$32,030,000, maturing February 15, 2017 through February 15, 2027, bearing interest ranging from 1.35% to 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on February 15 and August 15.	32,005,000
Series AA of 2016, original principal amount of \$8,500,000, maturing May 15, 2018 through May 15, 2032, bearing interest ranging from 2.00% to 3.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	8,480,000
Refunding Series of 2017, original principal amount of \$7,495,000, maturing December 15, 2017 through December 15, 2028, bearing interest ranging from 2.00% to 2.25%, interest payable semi-annually on June 15 and December 15.	5,405,000
Series A of 2017, original principal amount of \$9,750,000, maturing May 15, 2019 through May 15, 2032, bearing interest ranging from 1.75% to 2.50%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	9,735,000
Series of 2018, original principal amount of \$9,990,000, maturing May 15, 2020 through May 15, 2039, bearing interest ranging from 2.50% to 3.50%, interest payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.	9,980,000
Series of 2019, original principal amount of \$34,750,000, maturing May	

34,745,000

15, 2021 through May 15, 2040, bearing interest at 4.00%, interest

payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 8 LONG-TERM DEBT (cont'd)

Series of 2020, original principal amount of \$16,750,000, maturing March 15, 2021 through March 15, 2032, bearing interest ranging from 2.00% to 5.00%, interest payable semi-annually on March 15 and September 15. The refunding resulted in a cash flow savings of \$1,493,033 and an economic gain of \$1,473,396.

14,540,000

Series of 2021, original principal amount of \$29,250,000, maturing May 1, 2022 through May 1, 2041, bearing interest ranging from 1.50% to 4.00%, interest payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1.

29,250,000

**TOTAL BONDS** 

272,305,000

# **General Obligation Notes**

Series of 2009, original principal amount of \$10,000,000, maturing October 1, 2010 through October 1, 2027, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 25%. Interest to be paid monthly.

9,300,000

**TOTAL NOTES** 

9,300,000

**TOTAL BONDS AND NOTES** 

\$281,605,000

Payments of long-term debt are expected to be funded by the General Fund.

Presented below is a summary of the bonds and notes debt service requirements to maturity by year:

Year Ending June 30	Principal Maturities	Interest Maturities	Total Maturities
2022	\$ 17,715,000	\$ 10,578,617	\$ 28,293,617
2023	18,620,000	9,932,757	28,552,757
2024	18,570,000	9,047,832	27,617,832
2025	19,045,000	8,151,856	27,196,856
2026	20,350,000	7,208,427	27,558,427
2027 - 2031	102,760,000	25,256,594	128,016,594
2032 - 2036	47,270,000	12,093,878	59,363,878
2037 - 2041	37,275,000	4,010,675	41,285,675
	\$ 281,605,000	\$ 86,280,636	\$ 367,885,636

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# NOTE 9 CHANGES IN OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Other long-term liabilities are summarized as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2020	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2021	Due in One Year
Accrued compensated absences	\$ 2.046.990	\$ 919.505	\$ 795.637	\$ 2.170.858	\$ -
Accrued severance	3,393,165	1,255,245	701,412	3,946,998	-
Subtotal	5,440,155	2,174,750	1,497,049	6,117,856	-
Net OPEB liability	28,809,834	256,328	-	29,066,162	-
Net pension liability	320,414,000	21,206,000	-	341,620,000	-
Bonds and notes					
payable, net	286,636,539	53,333,242	36,697,146	303,272,635	20,839,036
Total	\$ 641,300,528	\$76,970,321	\$38,194,196	\$ 680,076,653	\$20,839,036

# NOTE 10 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally, the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

# NOTE 11 CONSTRUCTION COMMITMENTS

As of June 30, 2021, the District had construction projects yet to be completed. The commitments and amounts completed to date are as follows:

	Contract Amount	Completed as of 06/30/2021	Commitments	
Renovations	\$ 70,566,893	\$ 60,101,810	\$ 10,465,083	

In addition, the District has incurred costs totaling \$3,711,675 for project costs that were not under a formal contract as of June 30, 2021.

# NOTE 12 RISK MANAGEMENT

The District self-insures worker's compensation through its Insurance Consortium. The District's Insurance Consortium is an association consisting of school districts, intermediate units, and

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 12 RISK MANAGEMENT (cont'd)

vocational-technical schools of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The District obtained a self-insurance exemption from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Labor and Industry, Bureau of Worker's Compensation, which allows the District to self-insure workers' compensation.

Each year the District is required to deposit funds into the central fund. The District then is billed monthly for actual claims for the current year paid during the previous month up to the level of retention. After the level of retention is reached, claim payments are made from the central fund. At the end of each fiscal year, reserves are established or adjusted on all outstanding claims. Funds in the central fund at the end of the fiscal year are not refunded. Total claims paid for the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$157,247.

Additionally, the District self-insures group medical, dental, vision, and prescription coverage. The District has accrued a two-month value for potential claims under medical, dental, vision and prescription coverage. Total claims paid for the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$20,868,170.

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, and natural disasters. The District has purchased various insurance policies to safeguard its assets from risk of loss. There was no change in the level of the District's insurance coverage and no settlements exceeding insurance coverage during the year ended June 30, 2021 and the three previous fiscal years.

#### **Change in Aggregate Claim Liabilities**

Insurance claim liabilities reported at June 30 are historically paid within one year. Changes in the District's claims liability amount in fiscal years 2021 and 2020 were:

	Year Ended June 30, 2021	Year Ended June 30, 2020	
Claims liability at July 1 Current year claims and changes in estimates Claim payments	\$ 4,010,121 20,650,810 (20,868,170)	\$ 4,010,121 18,031,877 (18,031,877)	
Claims liability at June 30	\$ 3,792,761	\$ 4,010,121	

# NOTE 13 PENSION PLAN

The District contributes to the Public School Employees' Retirement System ("PSERS"), a governmental cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to public school employees of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 13 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

members eligible to participate in the system include all full-time public school employees, part-time hourly public school employees who render at least 500 hours of service in the school year, and part-time per diem public school employees who render at least 80 days of service in the school year in any of the reporting entities in Pennsylvania. The PSERS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. A copy of this report may be obtained by writing to the Public School Employees' Retirement System, P.O. Box 125, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108-0125, or by visiting the PSERS website at www.psers.pa.gov.

#### **Benefits Provided**

The PSERS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Members are eligible for monthly retirement benefits upon reaching (a) age 62 with at least one year of credited service, (b) age 60 with 30 or more years of credited service, or (c) 35 or more years of service regardless of age. Act 120 of 2010 ("Act 120") preserves the benefits of existing members and introduced benefit reductions for individuals who became new members on or after July 1, 2011. Act 120 created two new membership classes, Membership Class T-E ("Class T-E"), and Membership Class T-F ("Class T-F"). To qualify for normal retirement, Class T-E and Class T-F members must work until age 65 with a minimum of three years of service, or attain a total combination and age and service that is equal to or greater than 92, with a minimum of 35 years of service. Benefits are generally equal to two percent or two and one-half percent, depending upon the membership class, of the member's final average salary as defined in the Code, multiplied by the number of years of credited service. For members whose membership started prior to July 1, 2011, after completion of five years of service, a member's right to the defined benefits is vested, and early retirement may be elected.

For Class T-E and Class T-F members, the right to benefits is vested after 10 years of service. Benefit terms may be amended by passing bills in the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives and sending them to the Governor for approval.

Participants are eligible for disability retirement benefits after completion of five years of credited service. Such benefits are generally equal to two percent or two and one-half percent, depending upon the membership class, of the member's final average salary as defined in the Code, multiplied by the number of years of credited service, but not less than one-third of such salary nor greater than the benefit the member would have had at normal retirement age. Members over normal retirement age may apply for disability benefits.

Death benefits are payable upon the death of an active member who has reached age 62 with at least one year of credited service (age 65 with at least three years of credited service for Class T-E and Class T-F members, or who has at least five years of credited service for Class T-E and Class T-F members). Such benefits are actuarially equivalent to the benefit that would have been effective if the member had retired on the day before death.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 13 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

#### Member Contributions

Active members who joined the system prior to July 22, 1983 contributed at 5.25 percent (Membership Class T-C), or at 6.50 percent (Membership Class T-D) of the member's qualifying compensation.

Members who joined the system on or after July 22, 1983, and who were active or inactive as of July 1, 2001, contribute at 6.25 percent (Membership Class T-C), or at 7.50 percent (Membership Class T-D) of the member's qualifying compensation.

Members who joined the system after June 30, 2001 and before July 1, 2011 contribute at 7.50 percent (automatic Membership Class T-D). For all new hires and for members who elected Membership Class T-D, the higher contribution rates began with service rendered on or after January 1, 2002.

Members who joined the system after June 30, 2011 automatically contribute at the Class T-E rate of 7.50 percent (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. All new hires after June 30, 2011, who elect Class T-F membership, contribute at 10.30 percent (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. Class T-E and T-F are affected by a "shared risk" provision in Act 120 that in future fiscal years could cause the Class T-E contribution rate to fluctuate between 7.50 percent and 9.50 percent, and Class T-F contribution rate to fluctuate between 10.30 percent and 12.30 percent.

The contribution policy is governed by the applicable provisions of the Retirement Code.

#### **Employer Contributions**

The District's contractually required annual contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount that, when combined with the employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the rate of the employer contribution was 34.51 percent of covered payroll, allocated 33.51 percent to pensions, 0.82 percent to health insurance assistance, and 0.18 percent to the defined contribution plan. The District's contribution to PSERS for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$34,647,233, of which \$33,643,257 was related to pension contributions.

The contribution policy is governed by the applicable provisions of the Retirement Code.

#### Pension Liability and Expense, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$341,620,000 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 13 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by rolling forward the system's total pension liability as of June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was calculated utilizing the employer's one-year reported covered payroll as it relates to the total one-year reported covered payroll.

At June 30, 2020, the District's proportion was 0.6938 percent, which was an increase of 0.0089 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized pension expense of \$37,031,214. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Net difference between projected and		
actual investment earnings	\$ 15,014,000	\$ -
Changes in proportions	3,958,000	540,000
Difference between employer contributions and		
proportionate share of total contributions	112,982	=
Contributions subsequent to the date of measurement	33,643,257	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	894,000	8,188,000
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	\$ 53,622,239	\$ 8,728,000

Deferred outflows of resources in the amount of \$33,643,257 resulted from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date, which will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts will be reported as deferred outflows and resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	
2022	\$ (175,683)
2023	1,481,649
2024	5,509,546
2025	4,435,470
	\$ 11,250,982

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 13 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability at June 30, 2020 was determined by rolling forward the system's total pension liability at June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- Actuarial cost method entry age normal, level percentage of pay
- Investment return 7.25 percent, including inflation of 2.75 percent
- Salary increases effective average of 5.00 percent, which reflects an allowance for inflation of 2.75 percent, and 2.25 percent for real wage growth and for merit or seniority increases
- Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Mortality Tables for Males and Females, adjusted to reflect PSERS' experience and projected using a modified version of the MP-2015 Mortality Improvement Scale.
- Experience rates were based on a study from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using the building-block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The pension plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested plan assets is established and may be amended by the PSERS Board of Directors. Plan assets are managed with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the pension.

A schedule of plan investments by asset class, target allocations, and long-term expected real rate of return is as follows:

		Long-term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Global public equity	15.0%	5.2%
Private equity	15.0%	7.2%
Fixed income	36.0%	1.1%
Commodities	8.0%	1.8%
Absolute return	10.0%	2.5%
MLPs/infrastructure	6.0%	5.7%
Real estate	10.0%	5.5%

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 13 PENSION PLAN (cont'd)

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
(cont'd)		
Risk parity	8.0%	3.3%
Cash	6.0%	(1.0%)
Financing (LIBOR)	(14.0%)	(0.7%)
	100.0%	

The above was the PSERS Board's adopted asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2020.

# **Discount Rate**

The discount used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at contractually required rates which are actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

# <u>Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u>

The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.25 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate.

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	6.25%	7.25%	8.25%
District's proportionate share of			
the net pension liability	\$ 422,656,000	\$ 341,620,000	\$ 272,971,000

## Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the PSERS' fiduciary net position is available in the PSERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which can be found on the system's website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 14 POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE PLAN

#### Plan Description

The District administers a single employer defined benefit healthcare plan to eligible retirees and their spouses. The District has three bargaining units which participate in this plan: the West Chester Education Support Professionals, West Chester Service Support Professionals, and West Chester Area Education Association (teachers). In addition, the administrators and the non-bargaining staff members participate in the plan. Members of the Education Support Professionals and the Service Support Professionals who were at least 50 years old as of July 1, 2012 and had 20 years of service upon retirement are eligible to receive a health reimbursement account ("HRA") of \$2,000 per year towards the PSERS Health Options Program for a maximum of four years.

Teachers that reached age 50 as of July 1, 2014 and had 20 years of service in the District and retired prior to July 1, 2021 were eligible to receive an HRA of \$20,000 and cannot elect coverage under a medical plan provide by the District. Teachers retiring on or after July 1, 2021 may continue the medical benefits by paying the full COBRA premium.

Administrators that reach age 50 with 12 years of service and five years as an administrator receive benefits for administrator and spouse for 10 years or until Medicare eligible. Administrators receiving this benefit are required to cost share for administrator coverage at a rate equal to the higher of the maximum reimbursement provided by PSERS (currently \$100 per month) or active employee contribution and up to 50 percent of the cost of the spousal coverage cost.

Non-bargaining employees that reach age 50 with 15 years of service receive single coverage benefits until Medicare eligible. Non-bargaining staff receiving this benefit are required to cost share for non-bargaining employee coverage at a rate equal to the higher of the maximum reimbursement provided by the PSERS (currently \$100 per month) or active employee contribution. The employee must retire from service to receive the post-employee benefits and not work for another school district.

The health insurance plan is a single employer, defined benefit OPEB plan. The medical, prescription drug, dental, and vision benefits are self-insured. Only the PC-65 product is fully insured. The medical benefits are administered through Blue Cross, and the prescription drug benefits through Caremark. Separate financial statements are not issued for the plan.

# <u>Participants</u>

As of June 30, 2021, the Plan had 1,395 participants, consisting of 1,336 active participants, zero vested former participants, and 59 retired participants. Participant data is based on census information as of July 2020.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 14 POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE PLAN (cont'd)

## **Funding Policy**

The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the Board of School Directors. The District has no assets accumulated in a trust or equivalent arrangement for the purpose of administering the OPEB plan. The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements, with any additional amount to prefund as determined annually by the Board of School Directors. For fiscal year 2021, the District paid \$845,522 to plan members eligible for receiving benefits.

# **Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs**

The total OPEB liability was measured as of July 1, 2020, which was the same date of the most recent actuarial valuation.

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate was 1.86 percent based on the S&P Municipal Bond 20-year High Grade Rate Index at July 1, 2020 and decrease from the prior measurement date (44.64 percent).

#### Withdrawal

Rates of withdrawal vary by age, gender, and years of service. Sample rates for employees with more than 10 years of service are shown below. Rates for new employees start at 22.9 percent for both men and women and decrease with age and service.

Age	Male Rate	Female Rate	Age	Male Rate	Female Rate
25	2.5700%	5.0200%	45	1.3700%	1.6500%
30	2.5700%	4.0200%	50	1.9200%	2.0600%
35	1.5000%	2.8500%	55	3.3800%	3.1100%
40	1.3400%	1.6000%	60	5.5700%	6.4000%

#### **Mortality**

Separate rates are assumed preretirement and postretirement using the PSERS defined benefit pension plan actuarial valuation.

Incorporated into the table are rates projected generationally by the Buck Modified 2016 projection scale to reflect mortality improvement.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 14 POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE PLAN (cont'd)

#### Disability

No disability was assumed.

# **Retirement**

Assumed retirement rates are based on PSERS plan experience and vary by age, service, and gender.

	Age 55 and 25 Years of Service		Superai	nnuation
Age	Male	Female	Male	Female
55	19%	19%	27%	10%
56	17%	17%	32%	30%
57	17%	17%	32%	30%
58	17%	17%	32%	35%
59	22%	21%	31%	36%
60	14%	17%	31%	36%
61	29%	30%	29%	31%
62	51%	61%	51%	61%
63	26%	26%	26%	26%
64	21%	22%	21%	22%
65	100%	100%	100%	100%

## <u>Salary</u>

An assumption for salary increases is used only for spreading contributions over future pay under the entry age normal cost method. For this purpose, salary increases are composed of 2.5 percent cost of living adjustment, 1.0 percent real wage growth, and for teachers and administrators, a merit increase which varies by age from 0.00 to 2.75 percent.

#### Percent of Eligible Retirees Electing Coverage in Plan

One hundred percent of employees eligible for an HRA account are assumed to elect it. Ninety percent of employees eligible for subsidized coverage, fifty percent of teachers, and twenty-five percent of all other employees only eligible for self-paid coverage are assumed to elect coverage. One hundred percent of administrators and forty percent of all other employees are assumed to elect group life insurance.

#### Percent Married at Retirement

Ninety percent of administrators and fifteen percent of all other employees are assumed to be married and have a spouse covered by the plan at retirement. Non-spouse dependents are deemed to be immaterial.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 14 POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE PLAN (cont'd)

#### Spouse Age

Wives are assumed to be two years younger than their husbands.

# Per Capita Claims Cost

The per capita claims cost for medical and prescription drug is based on the expected portion of the group's overall cost attributed to individuals in the specified age and gender brackets.

Dental and vision costs are assumed to not vary with age or gender. The resulting costs are as follows:

	 Med	dical			Prescript	ion Drug	1
Age	Male	F	emale		Male	F	emale
45 - 49	\$ 6,591	\$	9,518	\$	1,266	\$	1,771
50 - 54	\$ 8,729	\$	10,757	\$	1,624	\$	2,001
55 - 59	\$ 10,631	\$	11,256	\$	1,978	\$	2,094
60 - 64	\$ 13,873	\$	12,931	\$	2,581	\$	2,405
65+	\$ 10,156	\$	11,156	N	/A - included	l with Me	edical

#### Life Insurance

It is assumed that the annual cost to provide life insurance varies by age and gender. The assumed cost is equal to the amount of coverage times the applicable mortality factor contained in the valuation mortality table. Retiree contributions are \$0.095 per month per \$1,000 of coverage and are assumed to not increase.

# **Retiree Contributions**

Retiree contributions are assumed to increase at the same rate as the healthcare cost trend rate.

# **Healthcare Cost Trend Rate**

The healthcare cost trend rate was 5.5 percent in 2020 through 2023. Rates gradually decrease from 5.4 percent in 2024 to 4.0 percent in 2075 and later based on the Society of Actuaries Long-Run Medical Cost Trend Model.

# <u>Actuarial Cost Method – Entry Age Normal</u>

Under the entry age normal cost method, the normal cost is the present value of benefits allocated to the year following the valuation date. Benefits are allocated on a level basis over

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 14 POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE PLAN (cont'd)

the earnings of an individual between the date of hire and the assumed retirement age. The accrued liability as of the valuation date is the excess of the present value of future benefits over the present value of future normal cost. The unfunded accrued liability is the excess of the accrued liability over the actuarial value of assets. Actuarial gains and losses serve to reduce or increase the unfunded accrued liability.

# **Sensitivity Analysis**

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the valuation discount rate, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate.

	1%	Current	1%	
	Decrease 0.86%	Discount Rate 1.86%	Increase 2.86%	
Total OPEB liability	\$ 15,029,678	\$ 14,131,162	\$13,266,8752	

The following presents the net OPEB liability, calculated using the valuation healthcare cost trend rate, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a trend rate that is one percentage point lower each year or one percentage point higher each year than the current rate.

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB liability	\$ 12,630,333	\$ 14,131,162	\$ 15,901,962
Changes in Total OPEB Liability			
Total OPEB liability as of July 1, 201	19	\$ 14,242,834	
Service cost		735,880	
Interest on OPEB obligation		479,114	
Change of benefit terms		(336,349)	
Difference between expected and	b		
actual experience		(1,006,275)	
Effect of assumption changes or in	puts	1,343,955	
Benefit payments		(1,327,997)	
Total OPEB liability as of July 1, 202	20	\$ 14,131,162	

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 14 POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE PLAN (cont'd)

The amount of OPEB expense for the single employer plan recognized by the District was \$846,804 for the year ended June 30, 2021. An amount of \$845,522 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources relating to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred inflows of Resources
Change in assumptions Benefit payment subsequent to the	\$ 1,606,910	\$ 266,414
July 1, 2020 measurement date  Difference between expected and	845,522	-
actual experience	<del>-</del>	1,753,859
Total	\$ 2,452,432	\$ 2,020,273

Change in Assumptions: The discount rate changed from 3.36 percent to 1.86 percent.

Deferred outflows of resources due to the change in assumptions will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June	· 30,
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2022 2023 2024	\$ (31,841) (31,841) (31,841)
2025 2026 Thereafter	(31,841) (31,841) (254,158)
	\$ (413,363)

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN

#### Health Insurance Premium Assistance Program

The PSERS provides premium assistance, which is a governmental cost sharing, multipleemployer other postemployment benefits plan ("OPEB") for all eligible retirees who qualify and elect to participate. Employer contribution rates for premium assistance are established to

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

provide reserves in the health insurance account that are sufficient for the payment of premium assistance benefits for each succeeding year. Effective January 1, 2002, under the provisions of Act 9 of 2001, participating eligible retirees are entitled to receive premium assistance payments equal to the lesser of \$100 per month or their out-of-pocket monthly health insurance premium. To receive premium assistance, eligible retirees must obtain their health insurance through either their school employer or the PSERS' Health Options Program. As of June 30, 2020, there were no assumed future benefit increases to participating eligible retirees.

#### Premium Assistance Eligibility Criteria

Retirees of the system can participate in the premium assistance program if they satisfy the following criteria:

- Have 24½ or more years of service, or
- Are a disability retiree, or
- Have 15 or more years of service and retired after reaching superannuation age, and
- Participate in the HOP or employer-sponsored health insurance program.

#### **OPEB Plan Description**

The District contributes to the Public School Employees' Retirement System ("PSERS"), a governmental cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan that provides postemployment benefits to public school employees of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The members eligible to participate in the PSERS plan include all full-time public school employees, part-time hourly public school employees who render at least 500 hours of service in the school year, and part-time per diem public school employees who render at least 80 days of service in the school year in any of the reporting entities in Pennsylvania. The PSERS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. A copy of this report may be obtained by writing to the Public School Employees' Retirement System, P.O. Box 125, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17108-0125, or by visiting the PSERS website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

#### **Benefits Provided**

Participating eligible retirees are entitled to receive premium assistance payments equal to the lesser of \$100 per month or their out-of-pocket monthly health insurance premium. To receive premium assistance, eligible retirees must obtain their health insurance through either their school employer or the PSERS' Health Options Program. As of June 30, 2020, there were no assumed future benefit increases to participating eligible retirees. Benefit terms may be amended by passing bills in the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives and sending them to the Governor for approval.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

#### **Employer Contributions**

The District's contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 was 0.82 percent of covered payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Contributions to the OPEB plan from the District were \$823,261 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

The contribution policy is governed by the applicable provisions of the Retirement Code.

# OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2021, the District reported a liability of \$14,935,000 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by rolling forward the system's total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was calculated utilizing the employer's one-year reported covered payroll as it relates to the total one-year reported covered payroll. At June 30, 2020, the District's proportion was 0.6912 percent, which was an increase of 0.0063 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$792,555. At June 30, 2021, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources relating to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Difference between expected and		
actual experience	\$ 137,000	\$ -
Net difference between projected and		
actual investment earnings	26,000	-
Change in proportionate share of the net		
pension liability	194,000	38,000
Change in assumptions	609,000	328,000
Difference between employer contributions and		
proportionate share of total contributions	1,514	-
Contributions subsequent to the date of measurement	823,261	
	\$1,790,775	\$ 366,000

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

An amount of \$823,261 is reported as deferred outflows of resources resulting from the District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts will be reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources relating to OPEB and will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

# Year Ending June 30,

2022		Ş	83,555
2023			79,555
2024			76,554
2025			186,045
2026			110,943
Thereafter			64,862
	_	\$	601,514
	-		

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined by rolling forward the system's total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2020 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- Actuarial cost method entry age normal level percent of pay
- Investment return 2.66 percent S&P 20-year Municipal Bond Rate
- Salary growth effective average of 5.00 percent, comprised of inflation of 2.75 percent and 2.25 percent for real wage growth and for merit or seniority increases
- Premium assistance reimbursement is capped at \$1,200 per year.
- Assumed healthcare cost trends were applied to retirees with less than \$1,200 in premium assistance per year.
- Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Mortality Tables for Males and Females, adjusted to reflect PSERS' experience and projected using a modified version of the MP-2015 Mortality Improvement Scale.
- Experience rates were based on a study from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015.
- Participation rate:
  - Eligible retirees will elect to participate pre-age 65 at 50 percent.
  - Eligible retirees will elect to participate post-age 65 at 70 percent.

The following assumptions were used to determine the contribution rate:

 The results of the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018 determined the employer contribution rate for fiscal year 2020.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

- Cost method amount necessary to assure solvency of premium assistance through the third fiscal year after the valuation date
- Asset valuation method market value
- Participation rate 63 percent of eligible retirees are assumed to elect premium assistance.
- Mortality rates and retirement ages were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Annuitant Tables with age set back three years for both males and females for healthy annuitants and for dependent beneficiaries. For disabled annuitants, the RP-2000 Combined Disabled Tables with age set back seven years for males and three years for females for disabled annuitants. (A unisex table based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Annuitant Tables with age set back three years for both genders assuming the population consists of 25 percent males and 75 percent females is used to determine actuarial equivalent benefits.)

Investments consist primarily of short-term assets designed to protect the principal of the plan assets. The expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was determined using the OPEB asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each asset class.

The OPEB plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested plan assets is established and may be amended by the Board. Under the program, as defined in the retirement code, employer contribution rates for premium assistance are established to provide reserves in the health insurance account that are sufficient for the payment of premium assistance benefits for each succeeding year.

Change in Assumptions: The discount rate changed from 2.79 percent to 2.66 percent.

Asset Class	TargetAllocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	50.3%	(1.0%)
U.S. core fixed income	46.5%	(0.1%)
Non-U.S. developed fixed	3.2%	(0.1%)
	100.0%	

The above was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2020.

# Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 2.66 percent. Under the plan's funding policy, contributions are structured for short-term funding of premium assistance. The

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

funding policy sets contribution rates necessary to assure solvency of premium assistance through the third fiscal year after the actuarial valuation date.

The premium assistance account is funded to establish reserves that are sufficient for the payment of premium assistance benefits for each succeeding year. Due to the short-term funding policy, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was not projected to be sufficient to meet projected future benefit payments; therefore, the plan is considered a "pay-as-you-go" plan. A discount rate of 2.66 percent, which represents the S&P 20-year Municipal Bond Rate at June 30, 2020, was applied to all projected benefit payments to measure the total OPEB liability.

#### Sensitivity of the System's Net OPEB Liability to Change in Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

Healthcare cost trends were applied to retirees receiving less than \$1,200 in annual premium assistance. As of June 30, 2020, retirees' premium assistance benefits are not subject to future healthcare cost increases. The annual premium assistance reimbursement for qualifying retirees is capped at a maximum of \$1,200. As of June 30, 2020, 93,693 retirees were receiving the maximum amount allowed of \$1,200 per year. As of June 30, 2020, 688 members were receiving less than the maximum amount allowed of \$1,200 per year. The actual number of retirees receiving less than the \$1,200 per year cap is a small percentage of the total population and has a minimal impact on healthcare cost trends as depicted below.

The following presents the system's net OPEB liability for June 30, 2020, calculated using current healthcare cost trends, as well as what the system's net OPEB liability would be if its healthcare cost trends were one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Trend Rate	Increase
District's proportionate share of			
the net OPEB liability	\$ 14,933,000	\$ 14,935,000	\$ 14,936,000

<u>Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u>

The following presents the net OPEB liability for June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate of 2.66 percent, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (1.66 percent) or one percentage-point higher (3.66 percent) than the current rate.

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	1.66%	2.66%	3.66%
District's proportionate share of			
the net OPEB liability	\$ 17,028,000	\$ 14,935,000	\$ 13,201,000

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 15 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (cont'd)

# **OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the PSERS' fiduciary net position is available in the PSERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which can be found on the system's website at www.psers.pa.gov.

# NOTE 16 NET OPEB LIABILITY AND DEFERRED INFLOWS AND OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

The District's aggregate net OPEB liability and deferred inflows and outflows of resources are as follows:

	Net OPEB Liability	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
District Plan (See Note 14) PSERS Plan (See Note 15)	\$ 14,131,162 14,935,000	\$ 2,452,432 1,790,775	\$ 2,020,273 366,000
Total	\$ 29,066,162	\$ 4,243,207	\$ 2,386,273

# NOTE 17 FUND BALANCES

As of June 30, 2021, fund balances are composed of the following:

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Nonspendable:				
Prepaid expenditures	\$ 2,818,432	\$ -	\$ 425,050	\$ 3,243,482
Restricted:				
Capital projects	-	37,703,387	23,146,189	60,849,576
Committed:				
Healthcare	4,159,909	-	-	4,159,909
Assigned:				
Tax stabilization	38,183,867	-	-	38,183,867
Alternative education	2,000,000	-	-	2,000,000
Enrollment growth	4,500,000	-	-	4,500,000
Property assessment				
fluctuations	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Technology/Distance learning	500,000	=	=	500,000
Gate receipts	128,904	=	=	128,904
Unassigned	15,861,417			15,861,417
Total Fund Balances	\$69,152,529	\$37,703,387	\$23,571,239	\$130,427,155

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTE 18 ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS FOR FRINGE BENEFITS

The District recognizes contributions made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as revenue and expenses to be used for District employees' social security and pension contributions. Onbehalf payments to the District totaled \$3,586,749 and \$17,365,094 for social security and retirement contributions for the year ended June 30, 2021, respectively. These contributions are recorded in the General Fund as revenue and expenditures.

# NOTE 19 <u>UNCERTAINTIES</u>

#### COVID-19 Pandemic

As a result of the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus which was ongoing at June 30 2021, economic and operational uncertainties have arisen which may impact the District in fiscal year 2022. The extent of the potential impact is unknown as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to develop.

#### NOTE 20 DEFICIT NET POSITION

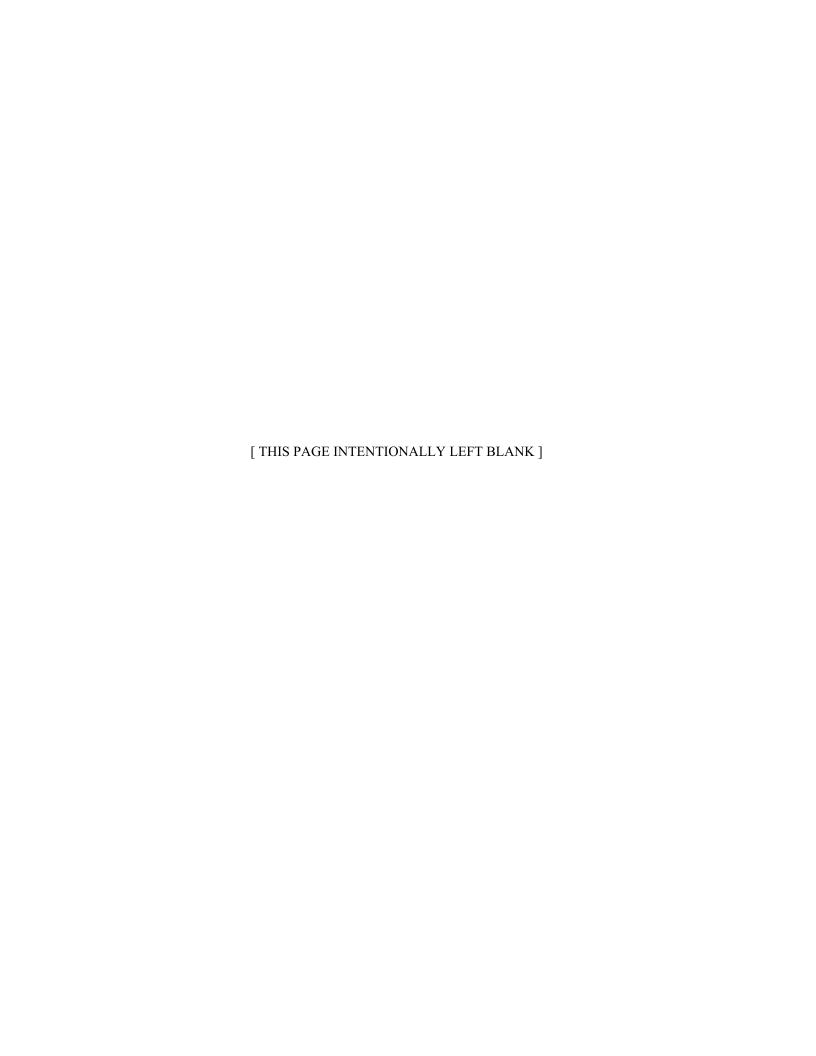
For governmental activities, the unrestricted net deficit amount of \$262,155,231 includes the effect of deferring the recognition of pension and OPEB contributions made subsequent to the measurement date of the net pension and OPEB liabilities, the unamortized portion of contributions made in excess of the District's share of its proportionate contributions to its pension and OPEB plans, the differences between projected and actual investment earnings, and the deferred outflows resulting from the change in the District's share of the net pension and OPEB liabilities. This is offset by the District's actuarially determined net pension and OPEB liabilities and the deferred inflow resulting from the difference between actual and expected experience.

#### NOTE 21 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

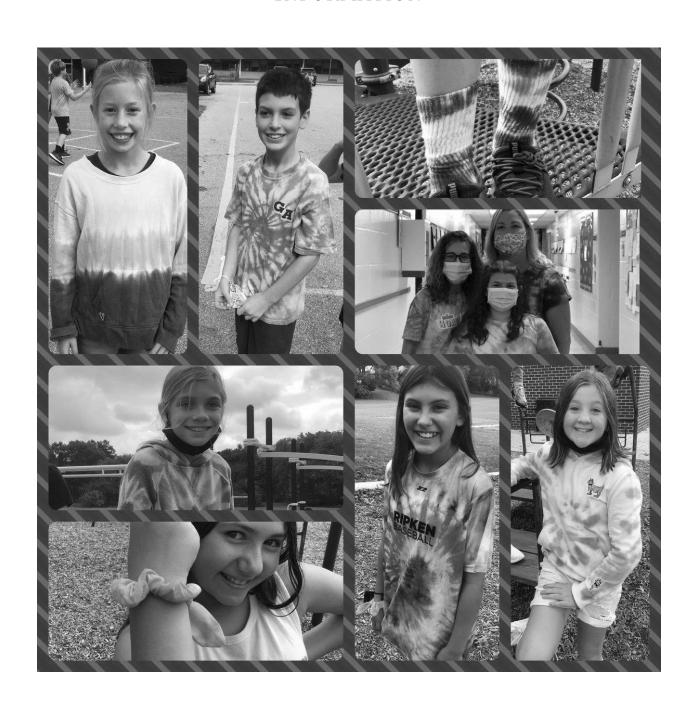
The District has increased its July 1, 2020 net position in the custodial fund by \$519,645 due to the effects of implementing GASB Statement No. 84, "Fiduciary Activities." Amounts previously recorded as liabilities are now recognized as net position.

# NOTE 22 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District has evaluated all subsequent events through December 10, 2021, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY Pennsylvania Public Schools Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)

	JUNE 30, 2014	0.6629%	\$ 262,381,000	\$ 83,621,635	313.77%	57.24%
	JUNE 30, 2015	0.6766%	\$ 293,071,000	\$ 87,061,277	336.63%	54.36%
	JUNE 30, 2016	0.6812%	\$ 337,581,000	\$ 88,217,090	382.67%	50.14%
MEASUREMENT DATE	JUNE 30, 2017	0.6802%	\$ 335,940,000	\$ 90,557,920	370.97%	51.84%
ME	JUNE 30, 2018	0.6868%	\$ 329,698,000	\$ 92,486,543	356.48%	54.00%
	JUNE 30, 2019	0.6849%	\$ 320,414,000	\$ 94,513,405	339.01%	25.66%
	JUNE 30, 2020	0.6938%	\$ 341,620,000	\$ 96,792,641	352.94%	54.32%
		District's proportion of the net pension liability	District's proportion of the net pension liability - dollar value	District's covered employee payroll	District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS Pennsylvania Public Schools Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)

	JUNE 30, 2021	JUNE 30, 2020	JUNE 30, 2019	JUNE 30, 2018	JUNE 30, 2017	JUNE 30, 2016	JUNE 30, 2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 33,643,257	\$ 32,290,025	\$ 30,811,370	\$ 29,303,512	\$ 26,330,342	\$ 22,053,155	\$ 17,854,136
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	33,643,257	32,290,025	30,811,370	29,303,512	26,330,342	22,053,155	17,854,136
Contribution excess	₩	ı ∳	ا ج	· ₩	- ↔	- &	₽
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 100,397,683	\$ 96,792,641	\$ 94,513,405	\$ 92,486,543	\$ 90,557,920	\$ 88,217,090	\$ 87,061,277
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	33.51%	33.36%	32.60%	31.68%	29.08%	25.00%	20.51%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY Pennsylvania Public Schools Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)

		MEASUREI	MENT DATE	
	JUNE 30, 2020	JUNE 30, 2019	JUNE 30, 2018	JUNE 30, 2017
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.6912%	0.6849%	0.6868%	0.6802%
District's proportion of the net OPEB liability - dollar value	\$ 14,935,000	\$ 14,567,000	\$ 14,319,000	\$ 13,858,000
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 96,792,641	\$ 94,513,405	\$ 92,486,543	\$ 90,557,920
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	15.43%	15.41%	15.48%	15.30%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	5.69%	5.56%	5.56%	5.73%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS Pennsylvania Public Schools Employees' Retirement System (PSERS)

	JUNE 30, 2021	JUNE 30, 2020	JUNE 30, 2019	JUNE 30, 2018
Contractually required contribution	\$ 823,261	\$ 813,058	\$ 784,461	\$ 766,286
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	823,261	813,058	784,461	766,286
Contribution excess	\$ -	<u> </u>	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered employee payroll	\$ 100,397,683	\$ 96,792,641	\$ 94,513,373	\$ 92,486,543
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	0.82%	0.84%	0.83%	0.83%

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S NET OPEB LIABILITY Single Employer Plan

		MEASUREM	MENT DATE	
	JULY 1, 2020	JULY 1, 2019	JULY 1, 2018	JULY 1, 2017
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY Service cost Interest on total OPEB liability Changes of benefit terms	\$ 735,880 479,114 (336,349)	\$ 739,219 444,034 -	\$ 878,395 507,610 104,435	\$ 836,027 399,221
Differences between expected and actual experience	(1,006,275)	-	(1,065,299)	-
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	1,343,955	(314,852)	32,607	524,653
Benefit payments	(1,327,997)	(1,716,834)	(1,539,717)	(1,709,852)
NET CHANGE IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY	(111,672)	(848,433)	(1,081,969)	50,049
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, BEGINNING OF YEAR	14,242,834	15,091,267	16,173,236	16,123,187
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, END OF YEAR	\$ 14,131,162	\$ 14,242,834	\$ 15,091,267	\$ 16,173,236
<u>PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION</u> PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ -	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ -
DISTRICT'S NET OPEB LIABILITY	\$ 14,131,162	\$ 14,242,834	\$ 15,091,267	\$ 16,173,236
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 92,399,865	\$ 91,742,174	\$ 91,742,174	\$ 86,476,720
District's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll	15.29%	15.52%	16.45%	18.70%
Expected average remaining service years of all participants	10	10	10	10

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, this schedule has been prepared prospectively as the above information for the preceding years is not readily available. This schedule will accumulate each year until sufficient information to present a ten-year trend is available.

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

# STATISTICAL SECTION













### STATISTICAL SECTION

The Statistical Section of the West Chester Area School District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) presents other detailed information to allow the reader a better understanding of the Government's overall financial health in conjunction with the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information.

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Financial TrendsThese schedules contain selected information from current and prefinancial statements to allow users to assess financial trends.	
Revenue Capacity  These schedules contain information useful in assessing the Distric raise own-source revenue.	
Debt CapacityThese schedules contain information useful in assessing the District afford the existing debt as well as the District's ability to issue new o	ct's ability to
Demographic and Economic Information	
Operating Information	's workforce,

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

# FINANCIAL TRENDS



# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NET POSITION BY COMPONENT UNIT (Full Accrual Method of Accounting)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	2012	2013	2014	2015 *	2016 *	2017 *	2018 *	2019 *	2020 *	2021 *
Governmental Activities Net investment in capital assets Restricted: Capital Projects Unrestricted	8,057,190 14,329,759 21,770,088	5,876,233 15,646,701 30,867,282	7,710,407 17,672,551 34,101,596	20,989,220 22,203,300 (234,457,232)	11,063,839 27,440,218 (235,432,024)	23,124,893 22,444,089 (246,710,005)	29,976,250 22,461,479 (278,924,988)	43,699,285 20,557,393 (283,616,991)	49,714,318 21,345,455 (268,378,626)	63,045,948 23,571,239 (262,155,231)
Net Position Governmental Activities	44,157,037	52,390,216	59,484,554	(191,264,712)	(196,927,967)	(201,141,023)	(226,487,259)	(219,360,313)	(197,318,853)	(175,538,044)
Business-Type Activities Net investment in capital assets	171,996	169,778	224,324	297,638	402,386	590,353	682,070	702,071	627,609	651,983
Unrestricted	1,155,906	1,179,940	1,088,267	1,110,539	1,042,569	877,036	849,539	937,095	720,258	677,290
Net Position Business Type Activities	1,327,902	1,349,718	1,312,591	1,408,177	1,444,955	1,467,389	1,531,609	1,639,166	1,377,867	1,329,273
Total Primary Government Net investment in capital assets	8,229,186	6,046,011	7,934,731	21,286,858	11,466,225	23,715,246	30,658,320	44,401,356	50,371,927	63,697,931
Restricted: Capital Projects	14,329,759	15,646,701	17,672,551	22,203,300	27,440,218	22,444,089	22,461,479	20,557,393	21,345,455	23,571,239
Unrestricted	22,925,994	32,047,222	35,189,863	(233,346,693)	(234,389,455)	(245,832,969)	(278,075,449)	(282,679,896)	(267,658,368)	(261,477,941)
Net Position Primary Government	45,484,939	53,739,934	60,797,145	(189,856,535)	(195,483,012)	(199,673,634)	(224,955,650)	(217,721,147)	(195,940,986)	(174,208,771)

<sup>\*</sup> Note: Starting in 2014-15, the District booked their share of the PSERS multiple employer pension plan liability to comply with GASB 67/68.

\* Note: Starting in 2017-18, the District booked their net OPEB liabilities to comply with GASB 75. 2017 data was restated.

Source: District Audited Financial Statements

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT (Full Accrual Method of Accounting) **CHANGES IN NET POSITION**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	2012	2013	2014	2015 *	2016 *	2017 *	2018 *	2019 *	2020 *	2021 *
EXPENSES Governmental Activities Instruction	119,941,565	121,882,872	121,627,033	133,218,154	144,772,158	155,262,037	156,086,694	153,646,716	148,865,697	151,333,413
Instructional Student Support	14,597,033	14,429,547	15,311,671	16,718,808	17,710,876	18,519,607	18,314,954	18,205,681	18,695,408	19,348,969
Administrative and Financial Support Services	14,211,207	14,417,208	15,643,360	17,552,768	18,127,334	19,342,370	19,943,338	24,435,957	20,927,142	22,950,358
Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	15,529,375	16,984,316	18,309,057	17,447,190	17,439,654	18,039,504	17,457,046	18,774,548	18,228,580	19,623,304
rupii Halisportation Student Δctivities	4 095 132	4 147 431	4377 690	13,630,307	14,042,317	14,429,27 I 5,214,620	14,133,742	14,219,229 5,444,746	5,120,131	5 186 177
Community Services	115.730	145,929	116.354	140,742	142.350	171.227	151.336	148.357	110.805	97.214
Interest on Long-Term Debt	11,156,020	9,722,107	10,397,433	8,566,732	8,945,807	8,679,619	8,454,782	8,246,501	8,818,963	8,183,477
Total Governmental Activities	193,011,915	194,937,411	199,203,141	212,350,217	226,313,561	239,658,255	239,909,284	243,121,735	233,884,642	239,447,744
Business-Type Activities Food Service	3 313 442	3 390 811	3 493 078	3 182 033	3 229 852	3 294 375	3 465 882	3 482 919	2 946 728	2 766 857
TOTAL BEIMABY GOVEDNMENT ACTIVITIES	106 325 357	108 328 222	202 696 219	215 532 250	229 5/13 //13	242 052 630	243 375 166	246 604 654	236 831 370	242 244 604
IOIAL PRIMART GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES	190,525,337		202,090,219	0.02,266,612	229,343,413	242,932,630	243,373,100	240,004,034	730,831,370	242,214,601
PROGRAM REVENUE Governmental Activities Charges for Service			!		;	;		!		;
Instruction Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	846,715 220,596	726,912 298.044	437,675 332.728	362,760 347.233	542,986 402.308	280,006 509,869	205,288 481,072	128,16 <i>/</i> 444,124	120,608 270,577	96,563 212,546
Student Activities	123,369	413,737	419,389	423,407	430,050	437,573	515,614	516,532	464,513	1,575
Operating Grants and Contributions Total Governmental Program Revenue	23,428,949	24,546,002	24,917,019	27,443,174 27,443,174	29,118,540	32,894,525 34,121,973	35,575,865	35,546,903	35,297,106	38,324,446
Business-Type Activities Charges for Services	2,604,560		2,549,726	2,335,418	2,293,122	2,493,463	2,605,888	2,627,303	1,883,936	74,148
Operating Grants and Contributions	832,383	861,272	904,898	940,701	973,508	823,346	908,238	921,644	779,634	2,643,238
Total Business-Type Program Revenues	3,436,943	3,410,856	3,454,624	3,276,119	3,266,630	3,316,809	3,514,126	3,548,947	2,663,570	2,717,386
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT REVENUES	26,865,892	27,956,858	28,371,643	30,719,293	32,385,170	37,438,782	39,089,991	39,095,850	38,816,374	41,041,832
NET REVENUES (EXPENSES) Governmental Activities Business Type Activities	(169,582,966) 123,501	(170,391,409) 20,045	(174,286,122) (38,454)	(184,907,043) 94,086	(197,195,021) 36,778	(205,536,282) 22,434	(204,333,419) 48,244	(207,574,832) 66,028	(197,731,838) (283,158)	(201,123,298) (49,471)
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT NET REVENUES	(169,459,465)	(170,371,364)	(174,324,576)	(184,812,957)	(197,158,243)	(205,513,848)	(204,285,175)	(207,508,804)	(198,014,996)	(201,172,769)
GENERAL REVENUES Property Taxes, Levied for General Purpose Taxes Levied for Specific Purpose Grants Entitlements and Contributions	144,010,689 21,581,847	147,198,156 22,388,938	147,270,504 23,154,723	151,649,702 23,565,368	155,710,300 24,321,396	161,164,936 27,524,533	166,944,204 26,082,351	173,161,730 26,230,460	177,781,018 26,466,353	179,522,546 30,598,582
Not Restricted to Specific Programs Investment Earnings	10,654,228 196,339	10,472,277 155,424	10,652,411 137,174	10,859,971 258,288	10,928,639 392,047	11,552,814 889,980	11,745,770 1,685,449	11,889,779 3,309,319	12,408,464 2,970,687	12,380,541 263,711
Gain on Sale of Asset Other	9,929	5,300	20,608	70,058	179 384	9,572	(4,313) 218 346	- 152 019	168 635	139 604
Total General Revenues	176,546,970		181,381,787	186,535,674	191,531,766	201,323,226	206,671,807	214,743,307	219,795,157	222,904,984
Change in Net Position	7,087,505	10,344,768	7,057,211	1,722,717	(5,626,477)	(4,190,622)	2,386,632	7,234,503	21,780,161	21,732,215
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<sup>\*</sup> Note: Beginning in 2014-15, the District booked their share of the PSERS multiple employer pension plan liability to comply with GASB 67/68.

\* Note: Starting in 2017-18, the District booked their net OPEB liabilities to comply with GASB 75. 2017 data was restated.

Source: District Audited Financial Statements

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT FUND BALANCE, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Modified Accrual Method of Accounting)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
General Fund										
*Non-Spendable	1,277,682	1,918,300	3,482,456	4,128,770	2,066,625	2,688,371	2,649,038	2,748,654	2,912,426	2,818,432
*Restricted	1,892,658	1,894,735	1	•	i	i	ı	•	i	•
*Committed										
Pension	3,700,000	5,000,000	4,500,000	2,117,000	2,117,000	1,117,000	•	•	i	•
Healthcare	2,677,700	4,171,100	4,856,190	4,899,442	4,159,909	4,159,909	4,159,909	4,159,909	4,159,909	4,159,909
*Assigned										
Gate Receipts	124,160	102,739	119,782	115,700	89,487	79,324	69,756	83,577	128,904	128,904
Alternative Education	i		•	•	ı	200,000	676,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000
Enrollment Growth	•	Ī	1	•	i	i	ı	2,500,000	3,500,000	4,500,000
Property Assessment Fluctuations	i		•	•	ı	1	•	•	i	1,000,000
Technology/Distance Learning	i	•	•	•	ı	i	•	•	i	200,000
Tax Stabilization	3,349,200	6,830,500	5,951,300	5,646,426	5,471,005	7,227,366	11,304,138	13,945,496	29,486,832	38,183,867
*Unassigned	12,354,604	12,454,515	14,441,344	14,758,221	14,856,952	13,008,223	13,047,547	14,431,188	14,267,415	15,861,417
Total General Fund Fund Balance	25,376,004	32,371,889	33,351,072	31,665,559	28,760,978	28,780,193	31,906,388	38,868,824	55,455,486	69,152,529
All other funds										
*Non-Spendable - Capital Projects Fund	i		•		ı	ı	3,500	•	3,500	•
*Non-Spendable - Capital Reserve Fund	i	•	•	•	ı	ı	304,850	632,750	583,400	425,050
*Restricted - Capital Projects Fund	793,496	7,119,899	8,376,597	•	4,038,838	4,354,841	4,841,678	•	24,354,297	37,703,387
*Restricted - Capital Reserve Fund	14,329,759	15,646,701	17,672,551	22,203,300	27,440,218	22,444,089	22,156,629	19,924,643	20,762,055	23,146,189
*Unassigned - Capital Projects Fund	i		•	(3,451,176)	ı	ı	•	(1,309,859)	i	•
Total Other Funds	15,123,255	22,766,600	26,049,148	18,752,124	31,479,056	26,798,930	27,306,657	19,247,534	45,703,252	61,274,626
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	40,499,259	55,138,489	59,400,220	50,417,683	60,240,034	55,579,123	59,213,045	58,116,358	101,158,738	130,427,155

\* Note: In 2010-11, the District changed their fund balance designations to comply with GASB 54. Source: Districts Audited Financial Statements

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Modified Accrual Method of Accounting)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Governmental Fund Revenue										
Local Source	167,600,895	171,550,034	172,123,685	176,877,190	182,144,526	191,077,358	196,281,802	203,793,322	208,166,967	210,851,588
State Source	28,615,828	29,530,022	31,717,857	34,209,926	35,806,499	41,156,644	42,747,951	42,679,137	44,089,036	43,625,782
Federal Source	4,271,701	4,048,275	2,661,783	2,959,820	2,865,335	3,290,697	3,371,711	3,668,721	3,616,532	6,768,519
Total Governmental Revenues	200,488,424	205,128,331	206,503,325	214,046,936	220,816,360	235,524,699	242,401,464	250,141,180	255,872,535	261,245,889
Governmental Expenditures										
Instruction	110,622,632	114,302,116	117,342,618	124,056,139	132,490,382	139,655,181	143,132,798	142,088,010	139,156,057	144,653,284
Support Services	54,893,514	56,041,159	57,581,176	59,939,165	61,755,726	63,322,354	64,116,200	70,070,279	65,817,409	69,251,877
Noninstructional Services	4,050,198	4,159,666	4,237,967	4,610,182	4,803,105	4,865,617	5,038,435	5,180,293	4,854,313	4,928,997
Facilities Acquisition Construction and Improvement	5,725,834	15,543,569	11,335,852	13,509,139	8,309,294	16,627,237	11,251,782	18,141,710	16,472,182	22,756,543
Debt Service Principal	12,194,000	11,137,000	12,602,000	11,620,000	8,176,000	14,160,000	14,695,000	15,690,000	16,290,000	15,830,000
Debt Service Interest	11,591,540	10,759,024	11,051,792	9,543,869	10,174,433	9,925,387	10,160,902	9,881,842	10,251,652	9,582,925
DOING ISSUALICE COSES				20,100	507,404	321,100	103,130	170,132	200,000	100,001
Total Governmental Expenditures	199,077,718	211,942,534	214,151,405	223,334,660	226,173,193	248,883,564	248,558,267	261,228,866	253,229,661	267,502,573
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues										
Over (Under) Expenditures	1,410,706	(6,814,203)	(7,648,080)	(9,287,724)	(5,356,833)	(13,358,865)	(6,156,803)	(11,087,686)	2,642,874	(6,256,684)
Governmental Other Financing Sources										
Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	9,585,000	68,545,000	42,890,000	65,485,000	61,900,000	15,995,000	9,750,000	000'066'6	34,750,000	46,050,000
Premium on bonds issued	•	ı	•	•	i	•	•	•	5,643,840	7,283,242
Interfund Transfers In	1,500,000	3,806,560	4,599,268	8,645,910	9,125,784	6,205,679	5,135,385	5,257,722	5,451,612	7,635,789
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	76,310	8,688,471	4,519,556	5,861,632	8,300,311	97,083	•	•	•	•
Debt Service Refunded	(9,484,197)	(56,196,858)	(35,443,421)	(71,069,921)	(60,135,702)	(7,438,378)	•	•	•	(17,824,521)
Sale of Assets	9,929	5,300	26,540	94,983	5,077,718	9,572	•	•	•	•
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	(36,146)	Ī	(97,744)	(82,898)	İ	•	•	•	•	(3,700)
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	35,552	411,520	14,880	16,391	36,857	34,677	40,726	666	2,666	20,080
Interfund Transfers Out	(1,500,000)	(3,806,560)	(4,599,268)	(8,645,910)	(9,125,784)	(6,205,679)	(5, 135, 385)	(5,257,722)	(5,451,612)	(7,635,789)
Total Governmental Other Financing Sources	186,448	21,453,433	11,909,811	305,187	15,179,184	8,697,954	9,790,726	666'066'6	40,399,506	35,525,101
NET CHANGE IN GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE	1,597,154	14,639,230	4,261,731	(8,982,537)	9,822,351	(4,660,911)	3,633,923	(1,096,687)	43,042,380	29,268,417
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	38,902,104	40,499,258	55,138,488	59,400,219	50,417,682	60,240,033	55,579,122	59,213,045	58,116,358	101,158,738
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	40,499,258	55,138,488	59,400,219	50,417,682	60,240,033	55,579,122	59,213,045	58,116,358	101,158,738	130,427,155
Debt Service as % of Expenditures	11.9%	10.3%	11.0%	%5'6	8.3%	%8'6	10.1%	%6'6	10.6%	%2'6

Source: District's Audited Financial Statements

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND REVENUES BY SOURCE - MODIFIED ACCRUAL METHOD OF ACCOUNTING (Unaudited) (Thousands)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	<u>2015-16</u>	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Local	167,580.4	171,524.8	172,073.7	176,800.8	•	190,954.0	196,055.3	203,173.8	207,402.9	210,829.7
Real Estate	140,718.6	143,413.1	143,904.6	148,403.7	٠.	157,685.1	164,235.5	170,684.5	174,620.8	176,258.1
Current	139,648.0	141,839.9	143,225 1	147,447 7	•	156,989.6	163,169.6	169,592.6	173,636.8	174,260.5
Interim	1,070.6	1,573.2	679.5	956.0		695.5	1,065.9	1.092.0	984.1	1,997 6
Earned Income	18.095.8	18.691.5	19,460.5	19.360.0		21.336.5	21.121.8	21,510.4	21.583.6	24.213.4
Real Estate Transfer	3,260 7	3,473.6	3,724.7	4,145.2		6,115.0	4,983.5	4,420.7	4,657.3	6,227.6
Other Taxes PURTA	225.3	223.8	210.8	214 7		196.7	183.3	192.8	177.6	195.0
Delinquent Taxes	3,816.1	4,069.9	3,365.9	3,246.0		3,479.8	2,708.7	2,477.2	3,160.2	3,264.4
Investment Earnings	173.6	129.8	71.0	165.5		731.9	1,402.3	2,657.0	2,179.0	220.9
Gate Receipts	123.4	122.9	130.7	136.3	152.9	160.6	150.9	162.8	161.9	1
Other	1,166.8	1,400.2	1,205.5	1,129.4		1,248.3	1,269.4	1,068.4	862.4	450.3
State	28,615.9	29,520.4	31,717.8	34,209.9	35,806.5	41,156.6	42,748.0	42,679.1	44,089.0	43,625.8
Student Subsidies	21,754.7	21,204.2	21,371.8	21,729.3	21,234.5	24,125.8	24,332.1	23,436.2	23,988.4	22,673.9
Basic Instruction	7,050.1	7,047.0	7,247.3	7,239.7	7,573.2	8,012.2	8,202.4	8,421.6	8,810.2	8,810.2
Special Education	5,146.9	5,355.9	5,311.1	5,413.4	5,801.6	5,902.9	6,454.1	6,128.9	6,125.2	5,077.2
Tuition Private Home Placement	17.6	121.7	113.9	111.5	179.4	236.2	191.4	231.1	173.7	92.8
Transportation	4,295.1	3,710.0	3,750.5	3,637.2	3,671.8	3,674.1	3,736.8	3,313.9	3,260.1	3,087.6
Medical, Dental, and Nurse	273.9	261.5	256.8	222.3	253.9	256.4	250.3	255.3	252.5	253.6
Rent	1,224.8	1,151.2	1,160.4	1,181.7	Ì	2,104.1	1,554.5	1,163.8	1,121.1	1,051.6
Charter Schools	1	1	ĺ	ĺ	ĺ	ı	İ	ı	ĺ	ı
Ready To Learn Block Grants / Accountability Grants	126.6	126.7	126.7	303.2	399.1	399.1	399.1	399.1	399.1	399.1
Property Tax Relief	3,604.0	3,425.3	3,405.1	3,620.3	3,355.4	3,540.6	3,543.4	3,468.1	3,598.3	3,570.3
Other	15.7	4.9	Ì	ı	Ì	I	ı	54.2	248.3	328.4
Teacher Subsidies	6,861.2	8,316.2	10,346.1	12,480.7	14,572.0	17,030.9	18,415.8	19,243.0	20,100.6	20,951.8
Social Security	3,173.0	3,084.5	3,148.8	3,163.7	3,194.0	3,450.6	3,337.5	3,415.4	3,497.6	3,586.7
Retirement	3,688.2	5,231.7	7,197.3	9,317.0	11,378.0	13,580.3	15,078.3	15,827.6	16,602.9	17,365.1
Federal	4,121.7	4,059.2	2,661.8	2,959.8	2,865.3	3,290.7	3,371.7	3,668.7	3,616.5	6,768.6
Title	1,341.4	1,752.2	459.6	818.0	828.9	1,013.2	9'298	704.5	598.8	574.7
Title II	311.2	249.0	199.4	293.9	374.0	384.1	247.2	207.9	267.5	313.2
Ed Jobs - ARRA	7.3	0.4	1	İ	İ	1	1	1	İ	1
Title I - ARRA	249.3	1	1	Ī	Ì	ı	ı	1	Ì	1
IDEA	1,310.3	1,282.4	1,154.7	1,215.8	1,199.7	1,333.6	1,318.1	1,331.4	1,341.0	1,551.6
MA Direct Services/Time Study	773.4	659.4	722.7	516.0	305.5	467.1	803.0	1,251.2	1,021.7	1,030.3
Other	128.8	115.8	125.5	116.0	157.2	92.7	135.8	173.8	387.6	223.5
COVID Related Grants	ı	ı	ı	į	İ	i	į	ļ	İ	3,075.3
Local Taxes and Subsidies	200,318.0	205,104.4	206,453.4	213,970.5	220,793.4	235,401.3	242,175.0	249,521.6	255,108.4	261,224.1

Source: District Budget Control Forecast Model

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES BY TYPE - MODIFIED ACCRUAL METHOD OF ACCOUNTING (Unaudited) (Thousands)

Staff	2011-12 119,821.3	2012-13 122,215.9	2013-14 128,483.3	2014-15 134,876.4	2015-16 141,123.7	2016-17 145,153.0	2017-18 149,824.5	2018-19 153,661.8	2019-20 153,376.6	2020-21 160,538.7
Total Salaries	85,915.5	84,930.4	86,263.3	87,846.4	88,923.5	91,156.6	93,554.7	95,606.4	98,130.0	102,002.8
Administration Regular Salaries	6,903.0	7,328.4	7,337.7	7,644.7	8,027.5	8,029.5	8,235.3	8,541.5	9,042.3	9,227.4
Teachers	0,903.0	7,320.4	7,337.7	7,044.7	0,027.3	0,029.5	0,233.3	0,341.3	9,042.3	5,221.4
Regular Salaries	61.569.9	60,035.7	60,830.1	61,479,2	61,938.5	64,701.3	66,792.4	68,446.8	70,120.6	73,524.6
Extra Duty Payments	840.2	992.6	1,007.6	1,059.6	1,161.3	950.6	979.6	878.6	896.7	1,727.1
Sabbatical Payments	88.4	179.1	35.2	125.0	304.5	209.9	181.9	255.9	294.7	530.3
Subject Chair Payments	389.4	348.5	346.7	365.9	365.4	363.7	355.5	367.5	358.3	380.1
Severance Payments	158.5	144.4	380.6	209.1	142.1	79.9	353.1	205.6	220.1	192.3
Supplemental Contracts	1,938.0	1,899.8	1,948.3	2,028.1	2,051.4	2,017.0	2,019.0	2,110.8	1,993.0	2,085.1
Total Teachers Technical	64,984.4	63,600.1	64,548.5	65,267.0	65,963.1	68,322.4	70,681.6	72,265.2	73,883.5	78,439.4
Regular Salaries  Office Clerical	2,842.4	2,928.1	3,022.6	3,502.0	3,679.7	3,694.7	3,569.3	3,659.6	3,783.4	3,589.1
Regular Salaries	6,068.4	5,860.8	5,932.0	6,179.8	6,058.3	5,983.9	5,745.7	5,778.3	5,958.6	5,495.4
Crafts and Trades										
Regular Salaries	5,117.3	5,213.0	5,422.6	5,252.9	5,194.9	5,126.1	5,322.9	5,361.8	5,462.2	5,251.4
Benefits										
Medical	15,607.6	16,558.1	17,768.2	17,621.6	18,953.6	17,331.7	16,627.9	17,224.8	13,444.7	15,228.1
Dental	1,306.8	1,236.8	1,108.5	1,180.2	1,259.4	1,103.1	1,184.1	1,180.5	978.2	1,194.2
Vision	140.4	168.0	113.1	195.9	176.7	180.6	178.1	195.0	149.4	164.8
Prescription	4,100.2	4,037.1	4,060.6	5,593.9	5,041.2	4,694.0	4,476.0	4,076.1	3,459.6	3,438.3
Social Security	6,369.0	6,239.8	6,322.0	6,387.7	6,451.4	6,609.1	6,733.9	6,891.7	7,057.1	7,313.9
Retirement	7,345.7	10,373.6	14,359.6	18,603.4	22,726.1	27,068.7	30,058.2	31,584.7	33,218.9	34,674.3
Tuition Reimbursement	728.0	733.3	610.0	360.4	196.9	442.4	443.2	427.9	370.6	410.2
Life and Disability	397.0	263.1	307.0	417.8	321.1	331.1	361.6	540.4	550.0	531.8
Wrkrs Comp/Unemply/Other	720.5	654.3	800.6	823.2	1,461.8	1,307.1	1,344.7	1,079.2	965.8	1,114.6
Total Benefits	36,715.2	40,264.1	45,449.6	51,184.0	56,588.2	59,068.0	61,407.8	63,200.4	60,194.3	64,070.3
(Less) cost sharing Net Benefits	(2,809.4) <b>33,905.8</b>	(2,978.7) <b>37,285.4</b>	(3,229.5) <b>42,220.0</b>	(4,154.0) <b>47,030.0</b>	(4,387.9) <b>52,200.2</b>	(5,071.6) <b>53,996.4</b>	(5,138.0) <b>56,269.8</b>	(5,145.1) <b>58,055.4</b>	(4,947.7) <b>55,246.6</b>	(5,534.4) <b>58,535.9</b>
Prof. and Tech. Services	11,987.6	13,149.7	13,396.4	14,064.2	16,811.9	18,965.1	18,183.6	17,678.1	15,768.5	14,079.1
Substitute Service	1,500.1	1,447.7	1,350.9	1,365.9	1,926.4	1,933.7	2,034.1	2,219.1	1,953.2	1,708.6
Contracted Therapeutic Staff	620.8	666.7	860.2	1,299.2	1,571.8	1,736.1	1,850.3	1,668.8	1,328.2	1,502.3
Contracted Aides - Special Ed.	679.2	831.6	1,123.4	1,138.8	1,496.2	2,213.6	2,194.2 392.3	2,046.5	1,228.8 136.8	667.1
Contracted Aides - Other CCIU - Special Ed Programs	3,235.6	3,208.9	3,455.2	3,249.5	3,603.2	126.7 3,887.2	3,787.5	315.9 3,319.0	2,825.6	117.0 2,519.0
Occupation/Physical Therapy	975.0	1,087.4	1,004.4	982.0	1,060.0	1,156.0	1,178.4	1,050.1	979.0	982.7
Due Process Hearings	694.8	738.2	603.3	496.1	948.7	1,130.0	823.3	645.2	915.5	809.6
Early Intervention	263.1	353.7	260.5	276.5	365.8	348.7	242.5	267.3	231.4	356.8
Extended School Year	447.2	564.7	573.1	502.4	735.9	669.5	695.2	774.0	605.9	412.4
Alternative Ed - Special Ed	949.2	1,378.6	1,212.5	1,412.1	1,585.5	2,044.2	1,744.3	1,790.5	2,004.6	1,847.7
Alternative Education - Reg	410.1	419.4	426.5	745.9	727.5	797.2	830.4	1,120.7	1,093.1	515.7
Tax Collection	535.9	627.7	669.7	646.0	672.8	725.4	624.8	593.9	683.8	732.4
Legal	308.4	416.2	441.0	365.2	354.2	396.4	311.8	303.6	246.1	309.7
Other	1,368.2	1,408.9	1,415.8	1,584.6	1,763.9	1,586.1	1,474.4	1,563.5	1,536.6	1,598.1
Purchased Property Services	3,535.9	3,616.2	3,365.5	3,299.2	3,447.5	4,002.5	3,675.1	3,558.8	3,600.2	3,096.2
Electricity	1,875.7	1,983.2	1,696.4	1,544.9	1,621.8	1,787.6	1,671.6	1,571.0	1,573.9	1,487.3
Water/Sewer	473.7	511.6	505.4	521.0	502.9	534.1	517.0	581.9	587.2	538.4
Trash Removal	122.0	91.8	95.2	89.8	85.8	90.9	81.7	82.9	78.0	88.9
Office Rental	121.3	123.9	103.3	134.5	137.6	164.0	185.1	187.4	267.8	266.4
Other	943.2	905.7	965.1	1,009.0	1,099.3	1,425.8	1,219.7	1,135.6	1,093.3	715.2
Other Services	26,532.5	27,473.0	26,284.5	27,466.0	29,050.4	30,952.7	30,751.7	30,128.1	27,847.9	27,060.7
Charter Schools	7,069.2	8,031.7	8,114.0	8,079.9	9,455.1	9,818.8	9,574.3	8,277.9	7,775.7	7,868.6
Tuition: Special Education	2,645.8	2,548.0	2,376.4	2,651.9	2,462.8	3,530.1	3,674.9	4,317.8	3,828.3	3,598.9
Tuition: CAT	1,683.4	1,658.3	1,828.8	2,262.4	2,597.2	2,722.4	2,755.7	2,738.8	2,557.8	2,489.5
Tuition: Other	443.4	419.5	200.7	152.5	130.7	96.0	172.3	294.1	144.3	151.8
Bussing: Public Schools	4,470.0	4,519.8	4,413.3	4,637.8	4,905.4	4,898.1	4,700.3	5,071.3	4,825.6	4,814.6
Bussing: Non-Public	4,465.9	4,395.9	4,530.5	4,358.6	4,424.3	4,422.4	4,409.5	4,116.7	3,727.9	3,860.0
Bussing: Special Ed	3,579.6	3,570.3	3,370.2	3,675.5	3,495.5	3,848.1	3,855.9	3,867.3	3,503.4	3,062.1
Bussing: Extracurricular	274.3	291.1	284.6	325.5	316.3	327.4	318.0	297.0	216.2	92.8
Insurance	381.8	416.9	478.5	462.6	492.8	501.6	497.4	500.5	519.2	519.0
Telephone/Postage	497.1	462.1	390.2	501.0	489.4	492.5	517.2	374.8	495.9	508.8
Other Services - Glen Mills	714.3	866.0	-	-	<u>-</u>			-	-	-
Other	307.7	293.4	297.3	358.3	280.9	295.4	276.2	272.0	253.5	94.4

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES BY TYPE - MODIFIED ACCRUAL METHOD OF ACCOUNTING (Unaudited) (Thousands)

	<u>2011-12</u>	2012-13	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	2019-20	2020-21
(continued)										
Supplies	4,708.2	4,758.0	4,724.8	5,066.2	4,717.5	4,797.8	5,393.6	5,889.2	5,209.7	8,614.2
Heating Fuel	780.8	695.0	978.8	876.5	620.2	605.3	646.7	756.0	568.2	804.6
Other Operations/Maint Supplies	670.3	735.4	777.4	648.7	652.5	714.6	696.2	845.5	701.4	1,214.5
Educational	2,295.0	2,078.2	1,651.5	1,881.1	1,925.2	1,828.6	1,870.3	2,046.1	2,024.9	3,274.6
Curriculum Proposals	455.0	793.5	885.1	1,230.0	1,123.3	881.4	1,123.1	1,062.3	777.0	843.3
Educational/Admin Software	410.3	356.9	327.0	409.9	394.3	680.8	1,006.0	1,082.5	1,115.4	2,421.4
Administration/Business	77.1	99.0	104.9	20.1	2.1	87.1	51.3	96.8	22.7	55.8
Other	19.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Objects	344.7	(126.6)	359.6	534.1	367.2	411.3	773.7	403.7	337.3	337.3
Dues and Fees - Athletics	94.8	144.3	113.7	140.4	179.1	170.7	160.5	148.9	116.6	-
Property	1,117,4	1,313,7	511,4	455,8	542,9	650.3	294.8	261.0	271.8	754.3
G/F Maint Projects	531.7	650.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Equipment	585.7	663.4	511.4	455.8	542.9	650.3	294.8	261.0	271.8	754.3
Debt Service	23,773.0	21,896.0	23,653.8	21,163.9	18,350.4	24,085.4	24,855.9	25,571.8	26,541.7	25,412.9
Bond payments	23,773.0	21,896.0	23,653.8	21,163.9	18,350.4	24,085.4	24,855.9	25,571.8	26,541.7	25,412.9
TOTAL EXPENSE	191,915.4	194,440.2	200,892.9	207,066.3	214,590.7	229,188.8	233,913.4	237,301.5	233,070.2	239,893.5

Source: District Budget Control Forecast Model

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

# REVENUE CAPACITY



# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - MOST SIGNIFICANT OWN-SOURCE REVENUES (Modified Accrual Method of Accounting)

Fiscal Year	Chester County Millage Rate	Delaware County Millage Rate	Current Real Estate Taxes	Interim Real Estate Taxes	Delinquent Real Estate Taxes	Act 511 Taxes *	Other Local Revenues	Total Local Revenues
2011-12	18.36	14.22	139,648,021	1,070,637	3,816,141	21,356,508	1,689,127	167,580,434
2012-13	18.67	13.78	141,839,871	1,573,196	4,069,877	22,165,152	1,878,001	171,526,098
2013-14	18.67	13.62	143,225,113	679,486	3,365,905	23,185,205	1,603,099	172,058,808
2014-15	19.21	13.65	147,447,717	955,973	3,246,013	23,505,223	1,629,472	176,784,398
2015-16	19.5779	13.9059	151,929,043	780,930	3,000,329	24,325,967	2,048,424	182,084,693
2016-17	20.0982	14.7113	156,989,628	695,464	3,479,843	27,451,544	2,302,843	190,919,322
2017-18	20.6841	15.2086	163,169,638	1,065,856	2,708,709	26,105,252	2,965,157	196,014,612
2018-19	21.2723	16.0761	169,592,595	1,091,954	2,477,181	25,931,136	4,079,916	203,172,782
2019-20	21.6622	16.2597	173,636,758	984,090	3,160,170	26,240,881	3,375,286	207,397,185
2020-21	21.6622	16.6626	174,260,525	1,997,620	3,264,401	30,440,986	846,107	210,809,638

\* Act 511 Taxes include Earned Income and Real Estate Transfer Taxes Source: District Annual Financial Report (AFR)

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT ANALYSIS OF ASSESSED VALUE FOR TAXABLE REAL ESTATE (Unaudited)

	2011-12#	2011-12 # Assessment	2012-13#	Assessment	2013-14#	Assessment	2014-15#	Assessment	2015-16#	Assessment
LAND USE DESCRIPTION	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total
CHESTER COUNTY										
Commercial Properties	1,659	1,365,477,339	1,677	1,391,810,649	1,714	1,369,224,799	1,712	1,365,713,429	1,709	1,367,742,137
Farm Properties	70	22,838,800	70	22,769,440	89	22,066,740	89	22,066,740	69	22,703,280
Industrial Properties	88	150,689,470	88	148,943,570	88	146,750,180	88	145,936,270	87	145,405,235
Residential Properties	29,917	6,015,067,375	30,033	6,012,449,332	30,145	6,044,809,459	30,250	6,063,262,560	30,365	6,115,048,985
Vacant Land	1,044	69,623,000	1,308	55,913,330	1,162	50,755,900	1,163	49,319,210	1,090	47,541,320
TOTAL CHESTER COUNTY	32,779	32,779 7,623,695,984	33,177	7,631,886,321	33,177	7,633,607,078	33,281	7,646,298,209	33,320	7,698,440,957
DELAWARE COUNTY										
Commercial/Industrial	14	8,533,463	4	8,533,463	41	8,533,463	4	8,533,463	41	8,533,463
Residential/Farms/Vacant Land	2,190	628,332,131	2,189	629,392,646	2,193	629,105,934	2,192	633,891,761	2,194	638,801,396
TOTAL DELAWARE COUNTY	2,204	636,865,594	2,203	637,926,109	2,207	637,639,397	2,206	642,425,224	2,208	647,334,859
GRAND TOTAL	34,983	34,983 8,260,561,578	35,380	8,269,812,430	35,384	8,271,246,475	35,487	8,288,723,433	35,528	8,345,775,816

	2016-17 #	Assessment	2017-18#	Assessment	2018-19#	Assessment	2019-20#	Assessment	2020-21#	Assessment
LAND USE DESCRIPTION	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total	of Parcels	Total
CHESTER COUNTY										
Commercial Properties	1,714	1,382,831,647	1,722	1,393,879,547	1,724	1,386,487,480	1,730	1,419,240,638	1,732	1,409,206,133
Farm Properties	69	22,730,390	69	23,544,790	70	23,886,590	29	22,327,250	89	22,616,460
Industrial Properties	87	145,188,555	87	145,353,765	98	145,152,395	98	146,105,675	98	142,070,645
Residential Properties	30,410	6,132,798,573	30,433	6,213,361,838	30,490	6,239,593,971	30,571	6,286,518,818	30,681	6,333,174,618
Vacant Land	1,068	45,006,370	1,039	47,346,930	1,089	46,914,600	1,135	47,370,590	1,464	55,803,640
TOTAL CHESTER COUNTY	33,348	7,728,555,535	33,350	7,823,486,870	33,459	7,842,035,036	33,589	7,921,562,971	34,031	7,962,871,496
DELAWARE COUNTY										
Commercial/Industrial	14	8,533,463	14	8,008,833	14	8,008,833	14	8,008,833	16	9,157,733
Residential/Farms/Vacant Land	2,199	638,865,520	2,198	639,278,166	2,199	640,107,224	2,210	640,087,346	2,227	643,408,747
TOTAL DELAWARE COUNTY	2,213	647,398,983	2,212	647,286,999	2,213	648,116,057	2,224	648,096,179	2,243	652,566,480
GRAND TOTAL	35,561	35,561 8,375,954,518	35,562	8,470,773,869	35,672	8,490,151,093	35,813	8,569,659,150	36,274	8,615,437,976

Source: County Land Use Code Report

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT MARKET VALUE VERSUS ASSESSED VALUE OF TAXABLE REAL ESTATE

As of June	Market Value Chester County (000)	Market Value Delaware County (000)	Total Market Value (000)	Assessed Value (000)	Ratio of Market Value to Assessed Value
2010	11,334,739	690,551	12,025,290	8,260,562	146%
2011	11,311,170	682,225	11,993,395	8,269,812	145%
2012	11,830,153	706,388	12,536,541	8,271,246	152%
2013	11,841,643	705,298	12,546,941	8,288,723	151%
2014	12,049,694	736,705	12,786,399	8,345,776	153%
2015	12,149,938	741,885	12,891,823	8,375,955	154%
2016	12,584,089	786,253	13,370,342	8,470,774	158%
2017	12,774,058	785,727	13,559,785	8,490,151	160%
2018	13,366,030	841,146	14,207,176	8,569,659	166%
2019	13,526,033	840,051	14,366,084	8,615,438	167%

Source: State Tax Equalization Board

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX RATES - ALL DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS (Mills)

		<b>Borough of</b>	West Chester	96.9	96'9	96.9	96.9	96'9	96.9	96.9	96'9	96.9	96.9	
		Township of	Westtown M	2.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	
	Township of	West T	Whiteland	09'0	0.719	0.719	0.719	0.719	0.719	0.719	0.719	0.719	0.714	
		Township of	West Goshen	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	
		Township of Township of	Thornbury V	0.84	0.84	0.995	0.995	0.995	0.995	0.995	0.995	0.995	0.995	
		Township of	East Goshen	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	
	Township of	East	Bradford	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.50	
		Chester	County	3.970	4.163	4.163	4.163	4.163	4.163	4.369	4.369	4.369	4.369	site
unty	West Chester	Area School	District	18.36	18.67	18.67	19.21	19.5779	20.0982	20.6841	21.2723	21.6622	21.6622	source: Chester County website
Chester County		Fiscal	Year	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Source: Ch

Delaware County

Township of 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Thornbury Delaware 5.300 5.452 5.180 5.604 5.604 5.604 5.604 5.604 5.461 5.461 County 13.78 13.62 West Chester 13.65 14.22 13.9059 14.7113 15.2086 16,6626 16.0761 16.2597 Area School District 2014-15 2015-16 2012-13 2013-14 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2011-12 2016-17 2020-21 Fiscal Year

Source: Delaware County website

Note: Effective June 30, 2007, Pennsylvania law has imposed restrictions on a school district's ability to increase tax rates. The State restricts increases to tax rates to no more than a pre-calculated index. A district may apply for exceptions with the State to increase the tax rate above the

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT TEN LARGEST REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS (Unaudited)

			200	2020-21		201	2011-12	
Name	Township	Type of Property	Percent of Taxable District's Assessed Value Total Value	Percent of District's Total Value	Rank	Taxable Assessed Value	Percent of District's Total Value	Rank
ARHC WCCCHPA01 LLC	East Goshen	Senior Living/ Assisted Living	41,434,200	0.48%	_			
Exton Square Inc.	West Whiteland	Shopping Mall	38,442,700	0.45%	7	87,654,710	1.06%	_
Main Street At Exton	West Whiteland	Shopping Center	33,532,420	0.39%	က	28,553,560	0.35%	က
Keva Flats	West Whiteland	Apartment Complex	31,676,040	0.37%	4			
Bre Rook SH Bellingham LP	East Goshen	Senior Living Community	30,740,000	0.36%	2			
QVC Realty	West Goshen	Indust. Bldg/ TV Shopping	30,435,870	0.35%	9	48,669,780	0.59%	7
SPUS8 West Chester LP	West Goshen	Apartment Complex	27,976,000	0.32%	7			
Westtown Apartments	Westtown	Apartment Complex	24,367,500	0.28%	80	16,636,690	0.20%	∞
Pembrooke Tom VC LLC	West Whiteland	Business Complex	23,388,088	0.27%	6			
Exton Gardens LLC	West Whiteland	Apartment Complex	21,023,480	0.24%	10			
TRC Valley Creek Assoc.	West Whiteland	Business Complex				27,524,200	0.33%	4
Exton Crossing Apts	West Whiteland	Apartment Complex				21,023,480	0.25%	2
Whiteland Investors LP	West Whiteland	Shopping Center				19,320,000	0.23%	9
Comcast Cable	East Goshen	Commercial Buildings				17,636,080	0.21%	7
Fern Hill LLC	West Goshen	Medical Complex				16,617,370	0.20%	6
Hankin Group	East Goshen	Apartment Complex				16,216,110	0.20%	10
Total Assessed ValueTen Largest Taxpayers	axpayers		303,016,298			299,851,980		
Total District Assessed Value			8,615,437,976			8,260,561,578		

Source: District Fact Books

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTION AS A RATIO OF LEVY

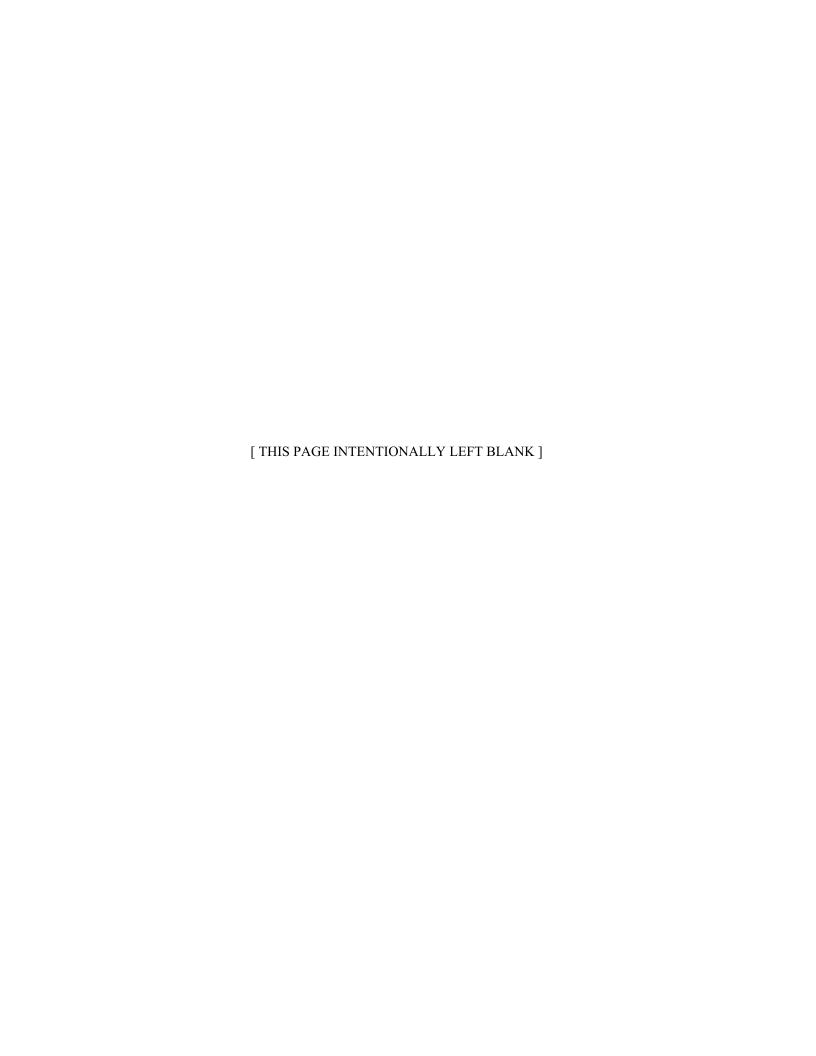
				CURRENT CO	DLLECTION
FISCAL YEAR	ASSESSED VALUATION	MILLS (2)	ADJUSTED LEVY	<b>AMOUNT</b> (1), (3)	PERCENT
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2011-12	8,260,561,578	18.36	149,159,276	143,252,119	96.0%
2012-13	8,269,812,430	18.67	150,508,760	145,191,207	96.5%
2013-14	8,271,246,475	18.67	151,204,093	146,630,222	97.0%
2014-15	8,288,723,433	19.21	155,654,493	151,068,019	97.1%
2015-16	8,345,775,816	19.5779	159,721,081	155,284,474	97.2%
2016-17	8,375,954,518	20.0982	164,854,136	160,530,248	97.4%
2017-18	8,470,773,869	20.6841	171,450,694	166,713,031	97.2%
2018-19	8,490,151,093	21.2723	177,237,300	173,060,736	97.6%
2019-20	8,569,659,150	21.6622	182,136,331	177,235,011	97.3%
2020-21	8,615,437,976	21.6622	183,366,769	177,830,871	97.0%

Source: District Tax Records

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes revenue received from State designated for school district property tax reduction. Special Section Act 1 of 2006 was passed to ease the financial burden of home ownership by providing school districts the means to lower property taxes to homeoweners via this funding to districts provided by gaming revenue.

<sup>(2)</sup> One mill of tax is equal to \$1.00 for every \$1,000 of assessed valuation of real estate property

<sup>(3)</sup> Does not include delinquent or interim taxes collected.



# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

# **DEBT CAPACITY**



# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPUTATION OF NON-ELECTORAL DEBT MARGIN

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Total General Fund Revenues*	200,328,038	205,516,382	206,453,328	213,970,535	220,793,385	235,401,340	242,175,000	249,521,639	255,108,419	261,224,019
Less Required Deductions if included in total										
Rental and Sinking Fund Reimbursement	1,224,820	1,151,153	1,160,377	1,181,706	ı	2,104,117	1,554,549	1,163,834	1,121,094	1,051,643
Sale of Property and Non-recurring revenue	ı	973	ı	ı	1	ı	ı	ı	1	ı
Fund Transfer	1	1	1	1	ı	1	1	1	,	1
Net Revenues	199,103,218	199,103,218 204,364,256	205,292,951	212,788,829	212,788,829 220,793,385	233,297,223 240,620,451	240,620,451	248,357,805	253,987,325	260,172,376
Annual Arithmetic Average (Borrowing Base)** 197,832,567	197,832,567	200,862,211	202,920,142	207,482,012	212,958,388	222,293,146	231,570,353	240,758,493	247,655,194	254,172,502
Multiplier	225%	225%	225%	225%	225%	225%	225%	225%	225%	225%
Total Nonelectoral Debt Limit	445,123,276	445,123,276 451,939,975	456,570,320	466,834,527	479,156,373	500,159,579	521,033,294	521,033,294 541,706,609	557,224,187	571,888,130
Less Amount Debt Applicable to Debt Limit	279.630.000	279.630.000 287.443.000	285.016.000	271.826.000	266.615.000	261.070.000	256.125.000	256.125.000 250.425.000	268.885.000	281.605.000
Total Debt Margin	165,493,276 164,4	164,496,975		171,554,320 195,008,527	212,541,373	239,089,579	264,908,294	291,281,609	288,339,187	290,283,130
Ratio of Debt Limit to Debt Margin	37%	%9E	38%	42%	44%	48%	51%	54%	97%	51%

Source: District Annual Financial Statements PDE 2057 \* Includes other financing sources

<sup>\*\*</sup> Borrowing Base is average of net revenues for three year period

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT GROSS PRINCIPAL DEBT OUTSTANDING

Total	17,715,000	18,260,000	18,570,000	19,405,000	20,350,000	102,760,000	47,270,000	37,275,000	281,605,000	
Series 2021 GOB	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	2,185,000	12,200,000	14,840,000	29,250,000	
Series 2018 Series 2019 Series 2021 GOB GOB GOB GOB	4,495,000	50,000	55,000	55,000	60,000	7,795,000	2,030,000		14,540,000	
Series 2019 GOB	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	25,000	15,910,000	18,785,000	34,745,000 14,540,000	
Series 2018 GOB	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	000'066	5,315,000	3,650,000	9,980,000	
Series A 2017 GOB	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	7,195,000	2,515,000	ı	9,735,000	
Series 2017 GOR	625,000	640,000	000'099	670,000	680,000	2,130,000		1	5,405,000	
Series AA 2016 GOB	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	6,250,000	2,205,000	1	8,480,000	
Series A 2016 GOR	5,000	5,000	5,875,000	12,270,000	12,850,000	1,000,000	1	1	6,400,000 32,005,000	
Series 2016 GOR	2,035,000	2,130,000	2,235,000	1	1	1	1	1	6,400,000	
Series AA 2015 GOR	770,000	Ī	Ī	Ī	Ī	Ī	ı	ı	770,000	
Series AA 2014 GOR	305,000	315,000	325,000	5,700,000	6,025,000	43,205,000	1	ı	55,875,000	
Series A 2014 GOR	1,185,000	- 14,570,000	8,745,000	ı	ı	ı	ı	ı		
Series 2014 GOB	1	ı	ı	5,000	5,000	9,340,000	2,650,000	ı	9,300,000 21,000,000 7,620,000 12,000,000 24,500,000	
Series AA of 2012 GOR	7,620,000	ı	ı	ı	ı	ı	1	ı	7,620,000	
Series A of 2012 GOB	•	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	16,535,000	4,445,000	1	21,000,000	chedules
Emmaus Note 2009	650,000	520,000	645,000	675,000	700,000	6,110,000 16,535,000	Ĭ	ı		Jebt Service St
Fiscal Year	2021- 2022	2022- 2023	2023- 2024	2024- 2025	2025- 2026	2026- 2031	2031- 2036	2036- 2041	Total Principal	Source: District Debt Service Schedules

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING DEBT

			Percentage Applicable to this		
		Gross Debt Outstanding	Governmental Unit	Net Share of Debt	
Chester County Direct Debt					_
	West Chester Area School District	272,305,000	100%	272,305,000	
Overlapping De	bt				
	Township of East Bradford	11,678,000	100%	11,678,000	(1), (2)
	Township of East Goshen	9,388,778	100%	9,388,778	(1), (2)
	Township of Thornbury	-	100%	-	(1), (2)
	Township of West Goshen	4,095,000	100%	4,095,000	(1), (2)
	Township of West Whiteland	15,521,440	100%	15,521,440	(1), (2)
	Township of Westtown	10,599,995	100%	10,599,995	(1), (2)
	Borough of West Chester	-	100%	-	(1), (2) (1),
	Chester County	572,384,689	20%	111,842,576	` ''
Total Direct and	Overlapping Chester County Debt			435,430,789	•
Delaware Count Direct Debt	у				
	West Chester Area School District	272,305,000	100%	272,305,000	
Overlapping De	bt				
	Township of Thornbury	-	100%	-	(1), (4)
	Delaware County	280,109,133	1%	3,352,588	(3),
Total Direct and	Overlapping Delaware County Debt			275,657,588	

<sup>(1)</sup> As of December 31, 2020

<sup>(2)</sup> Source: County of Chester

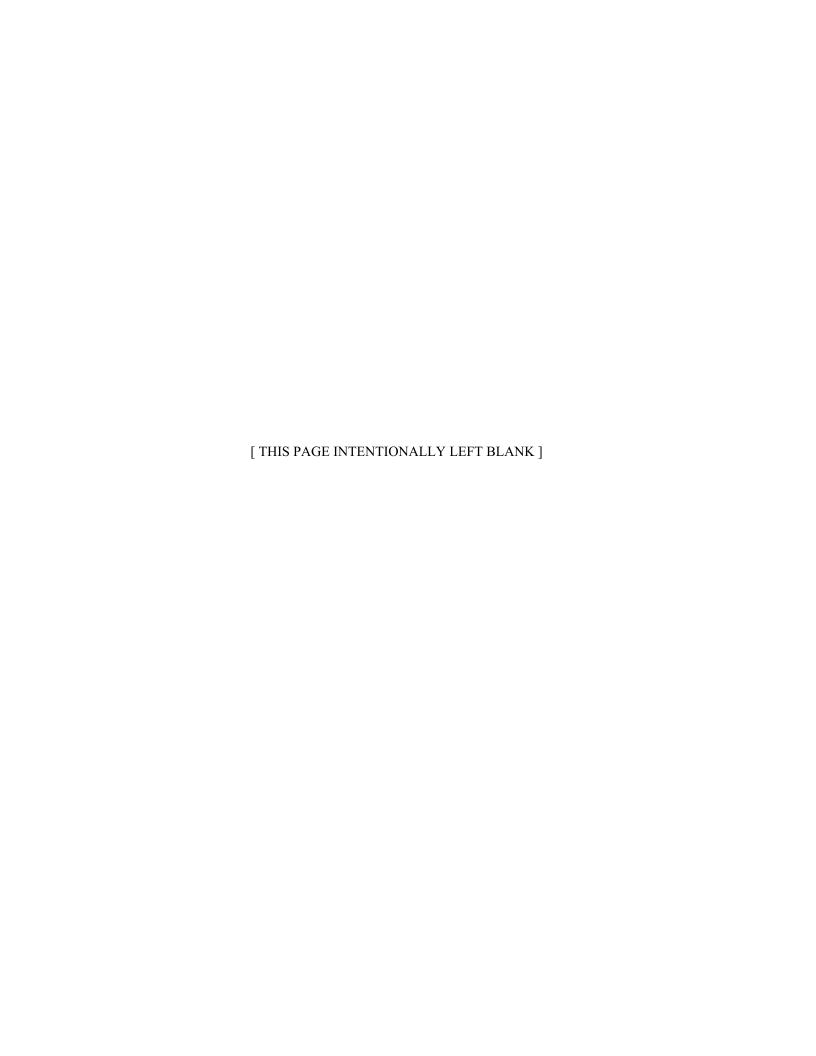
<sup>(3)</sup> Percentage of County Debt was derived by taking WCASD population as a Percentage of County

<sup>(4)</sup> Source: County of Delaware CAFR

# RATIO OF NET GENERAL DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE AND DEBT PER CAPITA WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT (Unaudited)

Percent of Personal Income	2.4%	2.5%	2.5%	2.4%	2.3%	2.5%	2.4%	2.3%	2.5%	2.6%
Estimated P. Personal F. Income (4)	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,062,717,056	11,357,135,232
Net Bonded Debt per Capita	2,444	2,526	2,514	2,403	2,367	2,506	2,435	2,356	2,551	2,641
	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(3)
Population	108,441 (2)	108,441	108,441	108,441	108,441	108,441	108,441	108,441	108,441	111,327 (3)
Ratio of Net Bonded Debt to Assessed	3.2%	3.3%	3.3%	3.1%	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%
Net Bonded Debt	265,010,000	273,900,000	272,605,000	260,605,000	256,645,000	271,745,378	264,042,382	255,490,452	276,686,539	293,972,635
Debt Service Monies Available	•	,	•	ı	ı	,	ı	•	ı	ı
Gross Bonded Debt (5)	265,010,000	273,900,000	272,605,000	260,605,000	256,645,000	271,745,378	264,042,382	255,490,452	276,686,539	293,972,635
Assessed Value (1)	8,260,561,578	8,269,812,430	8,271,246,475	8,288,723,433	8,345,775,816	8,375,954,518	8,470,773,869	8,490,151,093	8,569,659,150	8,615,437,976
Fiscal Year	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21

Source: District Fact Book
 Source: 2010 Census
 Source: 2020 Census
 Uses 2019 Household Median Income from Chester County Planning Commission
 Source: District Audit Report



### WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

# DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC INFORMATION



# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT TRENDS IN POPULATION, MARKET VALUE, AND PERSONAL INCOME

	West Chartes							
	School District		Chester County		Pennsylvania		United States	
	Population	Ξ	Population	$\Xi$	Population	£)	Population	£)
1970	Not Available		278,311		11,758,458		203,302,031	
1980	68,170		316,660		11,855,687		226,542,199	
1990	81,172		376,396		11,881,643		248,709,873	
2000	94,114		433,501		12,281,054		281,421,906	
2010	100,413		498,886		12,702,379		308,745,538	
2011 *	101,943		503,652		12,744,293		311,663,358	
2012 *	102,353		506,278		12,771,854		313,998,379	
2013 *	102,688		509,396		12,781,338		316,204,908	
2014 *	103,423		512,899		12,790,565		318,563,456	
2015 *	103,890		515,253		12,791,904		320,896,618	
2016 *	103,647		516,312		12,784,227		323,127,513	
2017 *	103,601		519,293		12,805,537		325,719,178	
2018 *	103,711		522,046		12,807,060		327,167,434	
2019 *	104,948		524,989		12,801,989		328,239,523	
2020	104,423		534,413		13,002,700		331,449,281	

\* As estimated by US Census Bureau

	West Chester Area School District Market Value	West Chester Area School District Adjusted Personal Income	Pennsylvania Market Value	Pennsylvania Adjusted Personal Income (2)
2011	\$11,993,394,605	\$4,245,577,671	\$756,045,821,766	\$295,345,108,406
2012	\$12,536,540,440	\$4,698,094,232	\$776,736,893,311	\$312,219,585,188
2013	\$12,546,941,355	\$4,502,829,867	\$781,362,158,748	\$311,032,689,690
2014	\$12,786,398,938	\$4,980,850,893	\$801,633,782,130	\$328,242,656,054
2015	\$12,891,822,543	\$5,035,785,968	\$810,805,701,762	\$342,030,707,410
2016	\$13,370,341,641	\$5,106,608,693	\$839,594,528,100	\$339,831,330,362
2017	\$13,559,785,462	\$5,105,520,049	\$847,630,312,124	\$352,789,390,440
2018	\$14,207,175,901	\$5,558,936,430	\$877,385,372,915	\$378,234,703,027
2019	\$14,366,083,784	\$5,616,886,135	\$922,018,498,396	\$395,548,185,123
2020	\$15,025,213,325	Not Available	\$966,037,072,558	Not Available

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Source: US Census Source: PA Dept of Education

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT KEY ECONOMIC AND HOUSING INDICIES

### **Household Income**

	Hous	ehold Income,	2019		_
Total households 2019	less than \$50,000	\$50,000 to \$100,000	\$100,000 or more	Median Household Income, 2019	(1)
190,980	44,880	50,228	95,872	100,214	
39,947	10,266	9,871	19,810		

Chester County West Chester Area (2)

Labor Force and Emplo	yment .	Civilia	ın Labor Force	, 2019		
	Population 16					1
	years and					
	over, 2019	Total	<b>Employed</b>	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate, 2019	(1)
Pennsylvania					2.8%	
Chester County	414,735	414,735	284,859	129,876	2.3%	
West Chester Area (2)	86,822	86,822	59,404	27,418	N/A	

**Housing Value** 

			nousing value			_
Total Owner						
Occupied	Less than	\$150,000 to	\$300,001 to	\$400,001 to	\$500,001 or	
Units, 2019	\$150,000	\$300,000	\$400,000	\$500,000	more	(1)
143,192	9,260	44,599	31,059	22,809	35,465	
26,934	812	5,964	6,551	5,661	7,946	

Chester County 143,192 West Chester Area (2) 26,934

### West Chester Area Median Home Value in 2020 = \$206,420

- (1) Source: U S Census Bureau American Community Survey 2015-2019
- (2) West Chester Area is comprised of all Chester County West Chester Area municipalities

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT LARGEST EMPLOYERS WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT Unaudited

		2020-21			2011-12		
Name	Product or Service	Approximate Employment	Rank	% of Total	Approximate Employment	Rank	% of Total
West Chester University	Education	2,687	~	4.5%	2,059	က	4.0%
Penn Medicine Chester County Hospital	Health Care Services	2,561	5	4.3%	2,015	4	3.9%
QVC Network, Inc.	Home Shopping Network	2,437	က	4.1%	2,730	~	5.3%
Chester County	County Government	1,773	4	3.0%	2,569	5	2.0%
United Parcel Service, Inc.	Delivery Services	1,526	2	2.6%	1,025	9	2.0%
West Chester Area School District	Education	1,522	9	2.6%	1,713	2	3.4%
Giant Food Stores LLC	Grocery	1,114	7	1.9%			
Johnson & Johnson Services Inc.	Drug Research and Testing	914	∞	1.5%			
The Arc of Chester County	Advocacy Organization	845	6	1.4%			
Communications Test Design, Inc.	Communication Engineering	830	10	1.4%	780	10	1.5%
Synthes USA	Medical Supplies				1,364	7	2.7%
A. Duie Pyle Inc.	Trucking				894	œ	1.7%
Comcast Cable Communications	Telecommunication				854	6	1.7%
Total		16,209			16,003		

Note: 2020-21 % of Total Employment uses 2019 Total West Chester Community employed population of 59,404. 2011-12 % of Total Employment uses 2010 Total West Chester Community employed population of 51,129

Source: District EIT Collection records, District Fact Book Chester County Planning Commission

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

# **OPERATING INFORMATION**



# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STAFFING RATIOS FOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Fiscal Year	Number of School Staff *	Number of Students	Ratio Students/Staff
2011-12	976.10	11,822	12.1
2012-13	972.40	11,687	12.0
2013-14	971.80	11,666	12.0
2014-15	971.60	11,624	12.0
2015-16	971.30	11,483	11.8
2016-17	973.30	11,589	11.9
2017-18	979.80	11,928	12.2
2018-19	992.80	11,963	12.0
2019-20	1,002.60	12,078	12.0
2020-21	1,032.35	11,968	11.6

<sup>\*</sup> Includes: teachers, librarians, guidance counselors, nurses, supervisors, school administrators and social workers.

Source: District Fact Book

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRICT FACILITIES

Building	Original Construction Date	Addition and/or Renovation Date	Grades	Site Area (Acres)	Building Sq. Ft.	Sept. 30 <sup>th</sup> 2020 Enrollment
B. Rustin High School	2003-06		9-12	123.20	283,000	1,280
East High School	1973	1976/92/93/04	9-12	62.60	314,453	1,239
East/Fugett Athletic Fields	2004		ı	43.35	ı	į
Henderson High School	1951	1956/64/76/94/98/04	9-12	30.56	287,351	1,381
Henderson-North Campus Athletics	2006		•	28.40	ı	!
E. N. Peirce Middle School	1963	1998/01/03	8-9	26.70	136,250	1,107
G. A. Stetson Middle School	1959	1961/98/03/07	8-9	38.40	134,857	861
J. R. Fugett Middle School	1969	2009	8-9	*	163,340	875
East Bradford Elementary	1958	1966/70/89/13	K-5	18.20	58,367	377
East Goshen Elementary	1955	1960/64/67/95/01/20	K-5	20.80	77,465	431
Exton Elementary	1940	1953/57/91/92/93/00/19	K-5	13.10	66,265	558
Fern Hill Elementary	1955	1960/89/16	K-5	20.00	64,555	566
Glen Acres Elementary	1966	1997	K-5	11.70	59,931	555
Hillsdale Elementary	1976	2007	K-5	19.10	70,631	536
Mary C. Howse Elementary	1962	1965/97	K-5	15.24	65,287	909
Penn Wood Elementary	1966	1970/89/01/12	K-5	18.60	64,350	486
Sarah W. Starkweather Elementary	1991	1998	K-5	37.90	75,094	568
Westtown-Thornbury Elementary	1954	1956/89/12	K-5	11.70	55,556	542
Facilities & Operations Center	1999		1	3.20	24,588	İ
Spellman Education Center	1988	2017	Admin	3.32	42,000	ļ
Spellman Administration	1924	1952/55/77/99	Admin	17.60	42,845	i

<sup>\*</sup> Fugett acreage included in East HS site area

11,967

2,086,185

563.67

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION For the 2020-21 Fiscal Year

Functions	Elementary	Middle	High	Other	Total
1100 Regular	338.60	175.85	224.35	21.00	759.80
1200 Special	54.00	32.90	34.00	125.00	245.90
1300 Vocational	ı	14.25	16.80	ı	31.05
2100 Support Services - Students	19.80	15.50	33.50	13.00	81.80
2200 Support Services - Instructional	15.00	4.00	7.60	15.00	41.60
2300 Support Services - Administration	30.00	15.00	21.00	9.95	75.95
2400 Support Services - Pupil Health	12.20	4.00	00.9	00.9	28.20
2500 Support Services - Business Office	ı	1	ı	13.00	13.00
2600 Operating and Maintenance of Plant Services	34.00	18.50	34.00	46.00	132.50
2700 Student Transportation Services	I	ı	ı	3.50	3.50
2800 Support Services- Central	ı	1	ı	25.05	25.05
3000 Operation of Non-Instructional Services	ı	1	9.00	1	9.00
Total 2020-21 FTEs	503.60	280.00	386.25	277.50	1,447.35

Source: District Personnel Budget Documentation

# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT ENROLLMENT SUMMARY

School Year:		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Kindergarten (half-time)	At September 30 End of Year	630 646	616 609	557 539	584 604	525 532	599 617	1 1	1 1		1 1
**Kindergarten (full-time)	At September 30 End of Year	76 72	76 76	90	79 51	98	73 81	891 893	857 859	887 902	807
Grades 1-5	At September 30 End of Year	4,379 4,385	4,377 4,327	4,431 4,434	4,363 4,339	4,328 4,324	4,355 4,376	4,449 4,458	4,495 4,498	4,501 4,513	4,418 4,430
Grades 6-8	At September 30 End of Year	2,790	2,763 2,728	2,687 2,670	2,790 2,767	2,782 2,780	2,809	2,824 2,822	2,766 2,769	2,824 2,817	2,843
Grades 9-12	At September 30 End of Year	3,947 3,896	3,855 3,815	3,901 3,853	3,808	3,758 3,753	3,753 3,740	3,764 3,749	3,845	3,866	3,900
TOTAL - September 30 TOTAL - End of Year		11,822	11,687	11,666	11,624	11,483	11,589	11,928	11,963	12,078	11,968
Increase/Decrease at September 30		(3)	(135)	(21)	(42)	(141)	106	339	35	115	(110)

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT MARKET SHARE ANALYSIS

% of Totals         26.8%         27.0%         25.9%         25.8%         25.8%         25.8%         23.8%         21.8%         21.7%         21.003         21.7%         22.6%         26.8%		2011-12	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	<u>2017-18</u>	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Total Molecular 18,822 11,687 11,686 11,824 11,483 11,889 11,928 11,981 12,078 11 7,000 11 13,000 11											3,503
Work   Total   T3.2%   T3.0%   T4.1%   T4.2%   T3.4%   T4.4%   T6.2%   T7.4%   T8.2%   T7.4%   T6.2%   T7.4%   T7.4%   T6.2%   T7.4%											22.6%
State Students											11,968 77.4%
WGASD											15,471
Elementary						,				,	-1.21%
% of Total Elementary         61.1%         61.2%         62.8%         62.8%         61.4%         63.3%         66.7%         66.8%         69.4%         6           Secondary         67.37         66.18         6.588         6.598         65.40         65.52         65.8%         66.1%         66.90         6           Wof Total Secondary         86.0%         85.7%         86.1%         86.5%         86.0%         86.2%         86.2%         86.5%         86.7%         86.7%         86.0%         86.7%         86.5%         86.0%         86.7%         86.5%         86.0%         86.7%         86.5%         86.7%         86.5%         86.7%         86.5%         86.7%         86.5%         87.3%         8           Out-Of-District         4.334         4.322         4.073         4.084         4.164         3.978         3.722         3.484         3.347         3           Private         1.880         1.880         1.880         1.881         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818         1.818 <th>WCASD</th> <th>11,822</th> <th>11,687</th> <th>11,666</th> <th>11,624</th> <th>11,483</th> <th>11,589</th> <th>11,928</th> <th>11,963</th> <th>12,078</th> <th>11,968</th>	WCASD	11,822	11,687	11,666	11,624	11,483	11,589	11,928	11,963	12,078	11,968
Secondary	Elementary	5,085	5,069	5,078	5,026	4,943	5,027	5,340	5,352	5,388	5,225
Secondary   Seco	% of Total Elementary	61.1%	61.2%	62.8%	62.6%	61.4%	63.3%	66.7%	68.6%	69.4%	67.0%
Out-Of-District	Secondary	6,737	6,618	6,588	6,598	6,540	6,562	6,588	6,611	6,690	6,743
Elementary   3,233   3,216   3,005   3,007   3,103   2,918   2,670   2,455   2,372   2 Private   185   188   181   227   229   193   193   201   205	% of Total Secondary	86.0%	85.7%	86.1%	86.5%	86.0%	86.1%	86.2%	86.5%	87.3%	87.9%
Private	Out-Of-District	4,334	4,322	4,073	4,034	4,164	3,978	3,722	3,484	3,347	3,503
Montfortal   1,1%   1,2%   1,2%   1,4%   1,5%   1,2%   1,2%   1,3%   1,3%   1,3%   1,816   1											2,576
Religious - Catholic											209 1.4%
% of Total Religious - Other         11.5%         11.3%         10.7%         10.3%         10.3%         9.5%         8.5%         7.9%         7.5%         7.5%         1.7%         10.3%         10.3%         19.3%         19.3%         7.7%         7.5%         7.5%         1.7%         2.1%         2.1%         1.9%         1.9%         2.0%         2.0%         1.7%         1.7%         2.1%         2.1%         1.9%         1.9%         2.0%         2.0%         1.7%         2.1%         2.1%         1.9%         1.9%         2.0%         2.0%         1.0%         1.0%         2.0%         6.0         70         70         76         67         62         63         60         0.0%         1.0%         0.0											1,242
% of Total Charter         6.10 656 670 706 717 768 615 510 482           % of Total         3.8% 4.1% 4.3% 4.5% 4.6% 4.6% 4.4% 3.9% 3.3% 3.1% 5.50 56 36 50 67 62 63 60           % of Total         0.3% 0.3% 0.3% 0.4% 0.2% 0.3% 0.4% 0.4% 0.4% 0.4% 0.4% 0.4% 0.4% 0.4											8.0%
Charter         610         656         670         706         717         678         615         510         482           x of Total         3.8%         4.1%         4.4%         4.4%         3.9%         3.3%         3.1%         3.6%         4.6%         4.4%         3.9%         3.3%         3.1%         3.6%         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.6         6.0<											317
% of Total \$3.8% \$4.1% \$4.3% \$4.5% \$4.6% \$4.4% \$3.9% \$3.3% \$3.1% \$7.00 \$1.00 \$											2.0%
Special Education   48   55   56   36   50   67   62   63   60											473 3.1%
% of Total CCIU         0.3%         0.3%         0.4%         0.2%         0.3%         0.4%         0.0%											48
% of Total Alternative         0.0%         0.0	% of Total										0.3%
% of Total Home School         0.0% 165         0.0% 176         0.0% 168         0.0% 168         0.0% 169         0.0% 108         0.0% 108         0.0% 108         0.0% 108         0.0% 108         0.0% 1.0% 1.0%         0.0% 1.1%         0.0% 1.1%         0.0% 1.1%         0.0% 1.0%         0.0% 1.1%         0.0% 1.1%         1.1% 1.1%	% of Total	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Home School		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% of Total         1.0%         1.1%         1.4%         1.4%         2.2         97         2.2         2.2         1.2%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.1%         1.4%         2.2         75         7.2         2.2         2.2         2.2         1.2         1.2%         4.8%         4.6%         5.2%         5.0%         4.9%         4.7%         4.5%         4.6%         6.7%         0.6%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5%         0.5%         0.5%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5% </th <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th>0.0%</th>											0.0%
Secondary											287 1.9%
Private         39         46         35         40         38         36         40         44         48           % of Total         0.2%         0.3%         0.2%         0.2%         0.2%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.2%         0.2%         0.2%         0.2%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.2%         0.2%         0.2%         0.3%         0.3%         0.3%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5%         5.0%         4.9%         4.7%         4.5%         4.8%         4.6%         5.2%         5.0%         4.9%         4.7%         4.5%         4.8%         6.6%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5%         0.0%         0.0%         0.0%         0.0%         0.0%											927
Religious - Catholic         803         819         762         725         812         784         768         727         700           % of Total         5.0%         5.1%         4.8%         4.6%         5.2%         5.0%         4.9%         4.7%         4.5%         -7           % of Total         0.8%         0.6%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5%         0.0%	•										48
% of Total Religious - Other 123 98 84 93 82 75 77 73 76 % of Total 0.8% 0.6% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5% 0.5	% of Total	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Religious - Other         123         98         84         93         82         75         77         73         76           % of Total         0.8%         0.6%         0.5%         0.6%         0.5%         0.0%	•										663
% of Total Charter											4.3%
% of Total       0.0%	•										72 0.5%
Special Education			- 0.0%		- 0.0%	- 0.0%	- 0.0%			- 0.0%	0.0%
CCIU         97         84         125         106         94         107         136         146         129           % of Total         0.6%         0.5%         0.8%         0.7%         0.6%         0.7%         0.9%         0.9%         0.8%           Alternative         39         59         62         63         35         58         31         39         22           % of Total         0.2%         0.4%         0.4%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.3%         0.1%         0.1%           Home School         - <th></th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th> <th></th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th> <th>-</th>		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% of Total Alternative         0.6% 39         0.5% 59         0.8% 62         0.7% 63         0.6% 35         0.7% 58         0.9% 31         0.9% 39         0.8% 59         0.2% 62         63 63         35 58         58         31 39         39 22         22 0.3% 0.1%         0.0% 0.0%         0.0% 0.0%         0.2% 0.4%         0.4% 0.2%         0.2% 0.3%         0.1% 0.0%         0.1% 0.0%         0.0% 0.0%         0.0% 0.0% 0.0%         0.0% 0.0% 0.0%											0.0%
Alternative         39         59         62         63         35         58         31         39         22           % of Total         0.2%         0.4%         0.4%         0.4%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.3%         0.1%         0.1%         0.1%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.3%         0.1%         0.1%         0.1%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.3%         0.1%         0.1%         0.1%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.4%         0.2%         0.3%         0.1%         0.1%         0.1%         0.0% <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th></th> <th>131</th>											131
% of Total Home School       0.2%       0.4%       0.4%       0.4%       0.2%       0.4%       0.2%       0.3%       0.1%       0.1%       0.1%       0.2%       0.4%       0.2%       0.3%       0.1%       0.1%       0.0%       <											0.8%
Home School   -   -   -   -   -   -   -   -   -											13 0.1%
TOTAL NO. STUDENTS         16,156         16,009         15,739         15,658         15,647         15,567         15,650         15,447         15,425         15         Elementary         8,318         8,285         8,083         8,033         8,046         7,945         8,010         7,807         7,760         7         7         Secondary         7,838         7,724         7,656         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7           TOTAL NO OF BIRTHS (AGE 5)         1,150         1,155         1,123         1,177         1,035         1,049         1,001         1,032         990         1           TOTAL NO. STUDENTS         16,156         16,009         15,739         15,658         15,647         15,567         15,650         15,447         15,425         15           Elementary         8,318         8,285         8,083         8,033         8,046         7,945         8,010         7,807         7,760         7           Secondary         7,838         7,724         7,656         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elementary Secondary         8,318         8,285         8,083         8,033         8,046         7,945         8,010         7,807         7,760         7,807         7,760         7,807         7,760         7,760         7,807         7,760         7,760         7,807         7,760 </th <th></th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th> <th>0.0%</th>		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Elementary Secondary         8,318         8,285         8,083         8,033         8,046         7,945         8,010         7,807         7,760         7,807         7,760         7,807         7,760         7,760         7,807         7,760         7,760         7,807         7,760 </th <th>TOTAL NO. STUDENTS</th> <th>16.156</th> <th>16.009</th> <th>15.739</th> <th>15.658</th> <th>15.647</th> <th>15.567</th> <th>15.650</th> <th>15.447</th> <th>15.425</th> <th>15,471</th>	TOTAL NO. STUDENTS	16.156	16.009	15.739	15.658	15.647	15.567	15.650	15.447	15.425	15,471
Secondary         7,838         7,724         7,656         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,621         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,670         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,670         7,760         7,760         7,838         7,724         7,656         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,665         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,640         7,640         7,640											7,801
TOTAL NO. STUDENTS         16,156         16,009         15,739         15,658         15,647         15,567         15,650         15,447         15,425         15           Elementary         8,318         8,285         8,083         8,033         8,046         7,945         8,010         7,807         7,760         7           Secondary         7,838         7,724         7,656         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7           Facility Breakdown	•										7,670
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Secondary         7,838         7,724         7,656         7,625         7,601         7,622         7,640         7,640         7,665         7,655           Facility Breakdown											7,801
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## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SINGLE AUDIT





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

December 10, 2021

Board of School Directors West Chester Area School District Exton, Pennsylvania

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the West Chester Area School District ("the District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 10, 2021.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

## 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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON
COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND
ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

December 10, 2021

Board of School Directors West Chester Area School District Exton, Pennsylvania

## Report on Compliance for the Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the West Chester Area School District's ("the District") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and recommendations.

## Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

## **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the District'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 the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance"). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance 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 District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Board of School Directors West Chester Area School District

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 the District's compliance.

## Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

## Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the District 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 the District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance on each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

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

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

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

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# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Source	Federal CFDA Number	Pass- Through Grantor's Number	Grant Period Beginning - Ending	Program or Award Amount	Total Received for Year	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 07/01/20	Revenue Recognized	Expenditures	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 06/30/21	Amount Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Education Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Education Title I Grant to Education Agencies Title I Grant to Education Agencies Total CFDA #84.010		84.010	013-210470	07/01/20-09/30/21 07/01/19-09/30/20	\$ 574,668 598,796	\$ 574,668 79,839 654,507	\$ 79,839 79,839	\$ 574,668	\$ 574,668	₩	ω ι ι ι ι
Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient (LEP) Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient (LEP) Total CFDA #84.365		84.365	010-210470 010-200470	07/01/20-09/30/21 07/01/19-09/30/20	97,027 91,336	33,167 54,801 87,968	(16,883) (16,883)	55,046 77,773 132,819	55,046 77,773 132,819	21,879 6,089 27,968	1 1 1
Improving Teacher Quality State Grant Improving Teacher Quality State Grant Total CFDA #84.367		84.367	020-210470 020-200470	07/01/20-09/30/21 07/01/19-09/30/20	246,440 237,878	246,367 127,116 373,483	35,115 35,115	221,162 92,001 313,163	221,162 92,001 313,163	(25,205)	1 1 1
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant Total CFDA #84.424		84.424 84.424	144-210470 144-200470	07/01/20-09/30/21 07/01/19-09/30/20	45,412 52,725	21,192 3,515 24,707	(10,794) (10,794)	44,733 45,944 90,677	44,733 45,944 90,677	23,541 31,635 55,176	1 1 1
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II ARP - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund Special Education COVID-19 Impact Mitigation Grant Subtotal		84.425D 84.425D 84.425D 84.425U	200-200470 200-210470 223-210470 363-200470	03/13/20-09/30/21 03/13/20-09/30/23 03/13/20-09/30/24 03/13/20-09/30/21	491,818 2,122,072 4,292,337 101,799	440,048 151,101 26,789 617,938	209,984	208,419 1,035,135 161,573 14,006 1,419,133	208,419 1,035,135 161,573 14,006 1,419,133	(21,645) 884,034 161,573 (12,783) 1,011,179	1 1 1 1 1
Passed through Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Supporting Students While Reducing Virus Spread	-	84.425D	2020-ES-01 34997	03/13/20-09/30/22	377,181	54,840	"	257,209	257,209	202,369	'
Passed through Intermediate Unit 13 A ACHIEVE	_	84.027	C189-9035	07/01/18-09/30/21	2,000	1	(2,000)	1	1	(2,000)	•
Passed through Chester County I.U. IDEA Special Education - Grants to States IDEA Special Education - Grants to States Total CFDA #84.027		84.027	62-2100024 62-2000024	07/01/20-09/30/21 07/01/19-09/30/20	1,565,639	735,954	647,368	1,456,605 88,586 1,545,191	1,456,605 88,586 1,545,191	1,456,605	1 1 1
IDEA 619 funds IDEA 619 funds Total CFDA #84.173		84 173 84 173	131-210024B 131-200024B	07/01/20-06/30/21 07/01/19-06/30/20	6,448	6,100	6,100	6,448	6,448	6,448	
Total U.S. Department of Education						2,555,497	948,729	4,339,308	4,339,308	2,732,540	1

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# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Amount Passed Through to Subrecipients	1	1	'	1			1 1 1	1 1 1	1	±	w w w w
Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 06/30/21	1		'	1		(10,494)	464,337	158,261	612,104	\$ 3,344,644	\$ 1,213,548 \$ 1,461,053 \$ 612,104
Expenditures	34,375	34,375	531,007	867,918	1,398,925	121,044 3,005 124,049	1,705,999	714,897	2,544,945	\$ 8,317,553	\$ 1,398,925 \$ 1,676,342 \$ 1,551,639 \$ 2,544,945
Revenue Recognized	34,375	34,375	531,007	867,918	1,398,925	121,044 3,005 124,049	1,705,999	714,897	2,544,945	\$ 8,317,553	\$ 1,398,925 \$ 1,676,342 \$ 1,551,639 \$ 2,544,945
Accrued (Deferred) Revenue 07/01/20	1	1	53,861	ı	53,861	(3,005)	- 19,495 19,495	10,308	26,798	\$ 1,029,388	\$ 53,861 \$ 209,984 \$ 651,468 \$ 26,798
Total Received for Year	34,375	34,375	584,868	867,918	1,452,786	131,538	1,241,662 19,495 1,261,157	556,636 10,308 566,944	1,959,639	\$ 6,002,297	\$ 1,452,786 \$ 672,778 \$ 742,054 \$ 1,959,639
Program or Award Amount	34,375		584,868	867,918		A/N A/N	N/A N/A	N/A N/A			
Grant Period Beginning - Ending	07/01/20-06/30/21		07/01/20-10/30/20	03/01/20-12/30/21		07/01/20-06/30/21 07/01/19-06/30/20	07/01/20-06/30/21 07/01/19-06/30/20	07/01/20-06/30/21 07/01/19-06/30/20			
Pass- Through Grantor's Number	N/A		2020-CS-01-33726	19947		N/A A/N	362 362	365 365			
Federal CFDA Number	93.778		21.019	21.019		10.555	10.555	10.553			
Source	-		-	_							(25U) #84.173)
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Title XIX Medical Assistance Program	Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	U.S. Department of the Treasury Passed through Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Maintaining a Healthy Learning Environment	Passed through Chester County I.U. County of Chester CARES	Total U.S. Department of the Treasury	U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed through Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture National School Lunch Program National School Lunch Program Subtotal	rassea inrough remisyratia Department of Education National School Lunch Program National School Lunch Program Total CFDA #10.555	National School Breakfast Program National School Breakfast Program Total CFDA #10.553	Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS	CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (CFDA #21.019) EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUND (CFDA #84.425D and #84.425U) SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUSTER (IDEA) (CFDAS #84.027 AND #84.173) CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER (CFDAS #10.553 AND #10.555)

## Source Code:

I - Indirect Funding

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

## NOTE A BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards reflects federal expenditures for all individual grants which were active during the fiscal year.

## NOTE B BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The District uses the modified accrual method of recording transactions except as noted for the accounting of donated commodities in Note C. Revenues are recorded when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when incurred.

## NOTE C NONMONETARY FEDERAL AWARDS - DONATED FOOD

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania distributes federal surplus food to institutions (schools, hospitals, and prisons) and to the needy. Expenditures reported in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards under CFDA #10.555 includes surplus food consumed by the District during the 2020 - 2021 fiscal year. The District has food commodities totaling \$10,494 in inventory as of June 30, 2021.

## NOTE D ACCESS PROGRAM

The ACCESS Program is a medical assistance program that reimburses local educational agencies for direct eligible health-related services provided to enrolled special needs students. Reimbursements are federal source revenues but are classified as fee-for-service and are not considered federal financial assistance. The amount of ACCESS funding recognized for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$995,911.

## NOTE E <u>INDIRECT COST</u>

The District has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance. For the year ended June 30, 2021, there were no indirect costs included in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## PART A - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements		
Type of auditor's report issued [unmodified, quality	ified, adverse, or disclair	mer]:
Unmodified		
<ul> <li>Internal control over financial reporting:</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified?</li> <li>Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?</li> </ul>	Yes Yes Yes	X No X None reported X No
Federal Awards		
<ul><li>Internal control over major program:</li><li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li><li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified?</li></ul>	Yes Yes	X No X None reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance fo disclaimer]:	or major programs [ <i>unmo</i>	odified, qualified, adverse, or
<u>Unmodified</u>		
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance?	Yes	X No
Identification of major programs:		
CFDA Numbers	Name of Federal	Program or Cluster
21.019 84.425D and 84.425U	Coronavirus Relief Education Stabilize	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	<u>\$ 75</u> 1	<u>0,000</u>
Auditee auglified as low-risk auditee?	Y Vos	No

## WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONT'D)

## PART B - FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
None.	
CURR	PENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
None.	
PART C - FINDINGS RELATED	TO FEDERAL AWARDS
	STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
None.	
CURR	RENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
None.	