



**CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA
BOARD OF EDUCATION
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY
OF CHICKAMAUGA, GEORGIA**

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2017

(Including Independent Auditor's Reports)



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SECTION I
FINANCIAL



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Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia
Members of the State Board of Education
and
Superintendent and Members of the
City of Chickamauga Board of Education

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education (School District), a component unit of the City of Chickamauga, Georgia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements. We were not engaged to audit the financial statements of the Gordon Lee Charitable Trust. These financial statements collectively comprise the School 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. Because of the matter described in the "Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on the Discretely Presented Component Unit" paragraph, however, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the discretely presented component unit.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Except for the matter described in the "Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on the Discretely Presented Component Unit" paragraph, we believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Summary of Opinions

<u>Opinion Unit</u>	<u>Type of Opinion</u>
Governmental Activities	Unmodified
Discretely Presented Component Unit	Disclaimer
General Fund	Unmodified
Capital Projects Fund	Unmodified
Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unmodified

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on the Discretely Presented Component Unit

The financial statements of the Gordon Lee Charitable Trust (Trust) have not been audited, and we were not engaged to audit the Trust's financial statements as part of our audit of the School District's basic financial statements. The Trust's financial activities are included in the School District's basic financial statements as a discretely presented component unit.

Disclaimer of Opinion

Because of the significance of the matter described in the "Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on the Discretely Presented Component Unit" paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the financial statements of the aggregate discretely presented component unit of the School District. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on these financial statements.

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the School District as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2017, the School District adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) *Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures*, GASB *Statement 78, Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*, GASB *Statement No. 80, Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units*, and GASB *Statement No. 82, Pension Issues*. Our opinions are not modified with respect to these matters.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedules of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, Schedule of Contributions to Retirement Systems, Notes to the Required Supplementary Information and the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual as presented on pages i through ix and pages 31 through 35, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is 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, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 22, 2018 on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 the School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg S. Griffin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line at the end.

Greg S. Griffin
State Auditor

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CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION – WALKER COUNTY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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INTRODUCTION

The discussion and analysis of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education's (the School District) financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's financial performance as a whole. Readers should also review the financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for the fiscal years 2017 and 2016 are as follows:

- On the government-wide financial statements, the assets and deferred outflow of resources of the School District exceeded liabilities and deferred inflow of resources by \$19.5 million and \$7.9 million, respectively, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. Of these amounts, \$1,238,807 and \$1,365,345 respectively, for fiscal years 2017 and 2016 are available for spending at the School District's discretion.
- General revenues net of transfers to City Government accounts for \$3.8 million in revenue or 15.4% of all revenues. Proceeds and premium on bonds sold by City Government accounts for \$5.9 million in revenue or 24.2% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and sales, grants and contributions accounted for \$14.7 million or 60.4% of total revenues of \$24.4 million.
- The School District had \$12.8 million in expenses related to governmental activities; all these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants or contributions.
- The current ratio, which measures the School District's ability to transform current assets into cash and pay its short-term liabilities, was 3.7 and 3.0 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016, respectively. Generally, a ratio greater than 2.0 is considered very financially stable.
- The City of Chickamauga (City) and Walker County voters passed on November 3, 2015 a one percent sales tax for educational purposes (ESPLOST) for another five years, beginning July 1, 2017. The voters also approved the issuance of \$2.9 million general obligation sales tax school bonds which were issued by the City on August 11, 2016.
- The City of Chickamauga (City) voters passed a referendum on May 24, 2016 approving the issuance of general obligation school bonds to provide the funds necessary for demolition, site work and upgrades in conjunction with the constructing and equipping of a new high school to replace the existing high school. The \$2.5 million general obligation school bonds were issued by the City on August 11, 2016.

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OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts; management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements and supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two levels of statements that present different views of the School District. These include the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements include the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities. These statements provide information about the activities of the School District presenting both short-term and long-term information about the overall financial status.

The fund financial statements focus on individual parts, reporting the School District's operation in more detail. The governmental funds statements disclose how basic services are financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fiduciary funds statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the School District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others.

The fund financial statements reflect the School District's most significant funds. For the years ending June 30, 2017 and 2016, the general fund and the capital projects fund represent the most significant funds.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements. Additionally, other supplementary information (not required) is also presented that further supplements understanding of the financial statements.

Government-wide Statements

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

The two government-wide statements report the School District's net position and how it has changed. Net position, the difference between the School District's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, are one way to measure the School District's overall financial health or position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position are an indication of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. Changes may be the result of many factors, including those not under the School District's control, such as the property tax base, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the School District has one distinct-type of activity:

- **Governmental Activities** – All of the School District's programs and services are reported here including instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation, food service, student activity accounts and various others.

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Fund Financial Statements

The School District's fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not the School District as a whole. Some funds are required by State law and some by bond requirements. The School District's major governmental funds are the general fund and the capital projects fund.

Governmental Funds - Most of the School 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. These funds are reported using the modified accrual method of accounting, 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 School District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance educational programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds are reconciled in the financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds - The School District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others, such as school clubs and organizations within the principals' accounts. The School District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The School District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the School District as a whole. Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's net position for fiscal years 2017 and 2016.

**Table 1
Net Position**

	Governmental Activities	
	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016
Assets		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 10,197,673	\$ 3,493,085
Capital Assets, Net	20,702,327	13,980,217
Total Assets	30,900,000	17,473,302
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plan	2,673,369	819,130
Liabilities		
Current and Other Liabilities	2,760,711	1,156,652
Long-Term Liabilities	10,993,413	8,377,747
Total Liabilities	13,754,124	9,534,399
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plan	281,911	859,021
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,007,515	13,745,182
Restricted	7,696,024	971,088
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(7,166,205)	(6,817,258)
Total Net Position	\$ 19,537,334	\$ 7,899,012

Net position increased \$11.6 million in fiscal year 2017. This increase is primarily due to increases in cash and cash equivalents and net capital assets.

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Table 2 shows the changes in net position for fiscal years ending June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

Table 2
Change in Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016
Revenues		
Program Revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$ 1,074,449	\$ 1,047,217
Operating Grants and Contributions	7,299,326	7,374,501
Capital Grants and Contributions	6,376,110	359,543
Total Program Revenues	<u>14,749,885</u>	<u>8,781,261</u>
General Revenues:		
Taxes		
Property Taxes		
For Maintenance and Operations	1,669,122	1,643,182
Sales Taxes		
Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax		
For Capital Projects	644,431	652,990
Other Taxes	10,274	11,222
Grants and Contributions not		
Restricted to Specific Programs	1,002,323	789,086
Investment Earnings	29,836	2,340
Miscellaneous	1,121,559	1,568,352
Special Items		
Proceeds for Sale of Bonds by City Government	5,400,000	-
Premium on Bonds Sold by City Government	518,358	-
Transfers		
To City Government	(726,156)	(636,862)
Total General Revenues, Special items and Transfers to City Govern	<u>9,669,747</u>	<u>4,030,310</u>
Total Revenues	<u>24,419,632</u>	<u>12,811,571</u>
Program Expenses		
Instruction	8,503,927	7,427,456
Support Services		
Pupil Services	300,255	284,353
Improvement of Instructional Services	91,650	97,848
Educational Media Services	230,982	209,216
General Administration	561,566	519,190
School Administration	806,002	733,678
Business Administration	367,701	192,628
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	1,109,665	1,026,900
Student Transportation Services	96,157	117,475
Central Support Services	5,200	5,218
Other Support Services	11,571	7,990
Operations of Non-Instructional Services		
Enterprise Operations	47,299	45,647
Food Services	643,459	623,258
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Term Debt	5,876	6,805
Total Expenses	<u>12,781,310</u>	<u>11,297,662</u>
Increase in Net Position	<u>\$ 11,638,322</u>	<u>\$ 1,513,909</u>

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Program revenues, in the form of charges for services, operating grants and contributions and capital grants and contributions increased \$5,968,624 for governmental activities during fiscal year 2017. This increase is largely due to an increase in GSFIC capital outlay grants.

General revenues, special items and transfers to City Government increased by \$5,639,437 during fiscal year 2017 due to proceeds from sale of bonds by City and premium on bonds sold by City.

Governmental Activities

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services. Net cost of services can be defined as the total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental revenue provided for specific programs. The net cost reflects the financial burden on the School District's taxpayers by each activity.

**Table 3
Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016
Instruction	\$ 8,503,927	\$ 7,427,456	\$ (3,204,426)	\$ 914,567
Support Services:				
Pupil Services	300,255	284,353	196,513	159,874
Improvement of Instructional Services	91,650	97,848	11,555	16,860
Educational Media Services	230,982	209,216	66,637	35,876
General Administration	561,566	519,190	(52,994)	99,054
School Administration	806,002	733,678	369,256	291,371
Business Administration	367,701	192,628	367,701	189,909
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	1,109,665	1,026,900	328,178	575,099
Student Transportation Services	96,157	117,475	96,157	117,475
Central Support Services	5,200	5,218	5,200	5,218
Other Support Services	11,571	7,990	(32,512)	5,725
Operations of Non-Instructional Services:				
Enterprise Operations	47,299	45,647	47,299	45,647
Food Services	643,459	623,258	(173,015)	52,921
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Term Debt	5,876	6,805	5,876	6,805
Total Expenses	\$ 12,781,310	\$ 11,297,662	\$ (1,968,575)	\$ 2,516,401

Although program revenues make up a majority of the funding, the School District may still be dependent upon tax revenues for governmental activities. For 2017, program revenue was sufficient for instruction and support activities. However, for 2016, 22.7% of instruction and support activities were supplemented by taxes and other general revenues.

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FUNDS

The School District's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The governmental funds had total revenues, special items and other financing sources of \$25.5 million and total expenses and other financing uses of \$20.4 million. There was an increase in the fund balance totaling \$5.1 million for the governmental funds as a whole primarily resulting from an increase in GSFIC capital outlay grants and the proceeds from the sale of bonds by the City Government.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The School District's budget is prepared according to Georgia Law. The most significant budgeted fund is the general fund, funded primarily through state revenue and local property tax revenue. During the course of fiscal years 2017 and 2016, the School District amended its general fund budget as needed.

For the general fund, the final budgeted revenues and other financing sources of \$12.4 million exceeded the final actual revenues by \$0.2 million. The difference of an increase in property taxes was offset by larger decreases in federal funds, charges for services, and miscellaneous revenues.

The actual expenditures and other financing uses of \$12.2 million was \$0.4 million less than final budget. The majority of the variances between the final budgeted expenditures and actual are due to lower than anticipated expenditures in instruction and maintenance and operation of plant.

CAPITAL ASSETS

At the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016, the School District had \$20.7 and \$14.0 million, respectively, invested in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. These assets are made up of a broad range of capital assets, including land; buildings; transportation, food service and maintenance equipment. Table 4 reflects a summary of these balances, by class, net of accumulated depreciation.

**Table 4
Capital Assets
(Net of Depreciation)**

	Governmental Activities	
	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016
Land	\$ 183,344	\$ 183,344
Construction In Progress	7,686,768	445,178
Building and Improvements	10,608,768	10,915,869
Equipment	940,029	1,032,692
Land Improvements	1,283,418	1,403,134
Total	\$ 20,702,327	\$ 13,980,217

The overall capital assets increased in fiscal year 2017 by \$6,722,110 primarily due to increase in construction in progress related to construction of new high school and middle school renovations.

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DEBT

At the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 the School District had \$0.2 million in capital leases. Table 5 summarizes the School District’s debt for capital leases.

**Table 5
Debt at June 30**

	Governmental Activities	
	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2016
Capital Leases	\$ 196,944	\$ 235,035

CURRENT ISSUES

The School District is financially challenged by reduction of state revenue appropriations to local School Districts known as “austerity reductions”. The School District has suffered from these “austerity reductions” in state funding of \$0.1 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, in fiscal year 2017 and 2016. Since the austerity began in fiscal year 2003, the School District’s funding has been reduced a total of \$8.2 million as of fiscal year 2017. Though the austerity reduction amounts are decreasing, this is still lost funding that will not be recouped. A reduction of approximately \$0.1 million is expected in fiscal year 2018 and has been included in budgetary projections.

Approximately 80% of general fund expenses, the main operating fund for the School District, were related to salaries and employee benefits for the year ended June 30, 2017. With such personnel heavy expenses, it is difficult to offset mandated expense increases such as TRS and health insurance premium expenses. As part of the Governor’s directive in fiscal year 2017, the Board authorized the issuance of a one time pay adjustment of 3% to all permanent employees, meeting and calculated based on certain criteria, paid in November 2016. For fiscal year 2018, the Board approved a 2% increase to the salary schedules. The School District consistently evaluates how funds can be spent smarter and more effectively to ensure that students receive a quality education from effective personnel.

The School District’s millage rate for fiscal year 2017 was 14.25. The net digest for fiscal year 2017 was \$109.3 million, which produced approximately \$109,324 per mill. Reassessment of property in Chickamauga resulted in the School District holding three public hearings prior to recommending a millage rate to the City for 2016 calendar year property taxes. The Board was unable to recommend the rollback millage rate due to recent changes to O.C.G.A. §20-2-165 which requires a minimum effective millage rate in order for the School District to qualify for equalization purposes. The School District received \$1,002,323 in equalization funding for fiscal year 2017. The School District’s millage rate for fiscal year 2018 will remain at 14.25. It is anticipated pressure will continue to provide local monies to meet mandated educational requirements and operational costs.

The School District entered into a "Strategic Waivers School System (SWSS/IE²) Partnership Contract" with the State Board of Education with performance accountability provisions of this contract becoming effective fiscal year 2017. The School District intends to use the flexibility provided by the contract to maximize all resources available to provide a quality education to the students of Chickamauga City Schools.

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The Georgia Department of Education created the Financial Efficiency Star Ratings to provide a measure of a school district's per-pupil spending in relation to the academic achievements of its students. Specifically, the rating is based on a three-year average of per-pupil spending, which is then associated with the School District's CCRPI score. Each school district receives a rating ranging from one-half star to five stars; a five-star district can be described as having strong academic outcomes and lower levels of expenditures in comparison with other districts. The Board was pleased to receive a 4.5 rating in the initial year of fiscal year 2015. The School District maintained the 4.5 rating in fiscal year 2016 with Chickamauga Elementary School and Gordon Lee High School receiving a 4.5 rating for their schools and Gordon Lee Middle School receiving a 4.0 rating. Ratings are not yet available for fiscal year 2017, however the School District remains confident in the ability to be good stewards of resources to ensure the tradition of excellence continues for all our students.

Fiscal year 2017 began with the selection of a contractor to begin construction on the new high school to replace the existing original three buildings and modifications to the middle school. The architect's original estimate was \$15.2 million with \$11.6 million provided by state funds. The School District's local share, owner's cost, and owner's upgrades will be funded by the recently passed ESPLOST, general obligation bonds recently issued by the City Government, and local committed funds. The School District has pledged ESPLOST funds and future ad valorem taxes to reimburse the City Government for general obligation bonds. The project is on schedule with completion anticipated in fiscal year 2018.

The most significant challenge facing the School District is the relative uncertainty regarding how School Districts will be funded moving forward. The General Assembly is in the process of exploring new funding formulas that would likely cement in the austerity reductions received annually and change the way personnel salaries are calculated. It is uncertain at this point what type of financial impact these changes might have on the School District's finances.

The School District believes that it is currently financially sound and by maintaining a healthy general fund reserve that it has positioned itself to face the upcoming challenges and concerns.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the School District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact City of Chickamauga Board of Education, Attention: Finance Director, 402 Cove Road, Chickamauga, Georgia 30707.

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION – WALKER COUNTY

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "A"

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	COMPONENT UNIT
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	GORDON LEE CHARITABLE TRUST DECEMBER 31, 2016
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 7,027,952.20	\$ -
Receivables, Net		
Taxes	152,132.45	-
State Government	2,931,239.89	-
Federal Government	55,832.25	-
Other	20,180.81	-
Inventories	10,335.52	-
Restricted Assets		
Cash and Investments with Fiscal Agent or Trustee	-	4,406,554.59
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable	7,870,112.37	-
Capital Assets, Depreciable (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	12,832,214.76	-
 Total Assets	 30,900,000.25	 4,406,554.59
<u>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>		
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plan	2,673,368.64	-
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Accounts Payable	13,223.36	-
Salaries and Benefits Payable	1,228,619.66	-
Contracts Payable	868,553.85	-
Retainages Payable	629,314.00	-
Deposits and Unearned Revenues	21,000.00	-
Net Pension Liability	10,796,469.00	-
Long-Term Liabilities		
Due Within One Year	39,043.40	-
Due in More Than One Year	157,900.73	-
 Total Liabilities	 13,754,124.00	 -
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>		
Related to Defined Benefit Pension Plan	281,911.00	-
<u>NET POSITION</u>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,007,515.15	-
Restricted for		
Continuation of Federal Programs	188,244.01	-
Capital Projects	7,327,361.56	-
Gordon Lee Charitable Trust	180,417.90	4,406,554.59
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(7,166,204.73)	-
 Total Net Position	 \$ 19,537,333.89	 \$ 4,406,554.59

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES
<u>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</u>		
Instruction	\$ 8,503,926.40	\$ 726,299.85
Support Services		
Pupil Services	300,255.16	-
Improvement of Instructional Services	91,650.03	-
Educational Media Services	230,981.73	-
General Administration	561,566.27	-
School Administration	806,001.61	-
Business Administration	367,700.50	-
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	1,109,665.34	-
Student Transportation Services	96,157.22	-
Central Support Services	5,200.40	-
Other Support Services	11,570.87	-
Operations of Non-Instructional Services		
Enterprise Operations	47,299.33	-
Food Services	643,459.37	348,149.07
Interest on Short-Term and Long-Term Debt	5,875.88	-
	<u>\$ 12,781,310.11</u>	<u>\$ 1,074,448.92</u>
Component Unit		
Gordon Lee Charitable Trust	\$ 207,552.16	
General Revenues		
Taxes		
Property Taxes		
For Maintenance and Operations		
Sales Taxes		
Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax		
For Capital Projects		
Other Sales Tax		
Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Specific Programs		
Investment Earnings		
Miscellaneous		
Special Items		
Proceeds from Sale of Bonds by City Government		
Premium on Bonds Sold by City Government		
Transfers to City Government		
Total General Revenues, Special Items and Transfers to City Government		
Change in Net Position		
Net Position - Beginning of Year		
Net Position - End of Year		

EXHIBIT "B"

PROGRAM REVENUES		NET (EXPENSES) REVENUES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION	
		PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	COMPONENT UNIT
OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	GORDON LEE CHARITABLE TRUST YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016
\$ 5,499,217.47	\$ 5,482,835.06	\$ 3,204,425.98	
103,741.71	-	(196,513.45)	
80,094.77	-	(11,555.26)	
164,345.00	-	(66,636.73)	
403,177.32	211,383.77	52,994.82	
436,452.00	294.00	(369,255.61)	
-	-	(367,700.50)	
418,714.83	362,772.22	(328,178.29)	
-	-	(96,157.22)	
-	-	(5,200.40)	
-	44,083.02	32,512.15	
-	-	(47,299.33)	
193,583.10	274,742.07	173,014.87	
-	-	(5,875.88)	
<u>\$ 7,299,326.20</u>	<u>\$ 6,376,110.14</u>	<u>1,968,575.15</u>	
			\$ <u>207,552.16</u>
		1,669,121.69	
		644,430.68	
		10,274.14	
		1,002,323.00	
		29,836.22	463,663.59
		1,121,559.19	
		5,400,000.00	
		518,358.55	
		<u>(726,156.45)</u>	
		<u>9,669,747.02</u>	<u>463,663.59</u>
		11,638,322.17	256,111.43
		<u>7,899,011.72</u>	<u>4,150,443.16</u>
		<u>\$ 19,537,333.89</u>	<u>\$ 4,406,554.59</u>

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 BALANCE SHEET
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "C"

	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,769,275.23	\$ 5,258,676.97	\$ 7,027,952.20
Receivables, Net			
Taxes	96,584.16	55,548.29	152,132.45
State Government	913,449.79	2,017,790.10	2,931,239.89
Federal Government	55,832.25	-	55,832.25
Other	20,180.81	-	20,180.81
Inventories	10,335.52	-	10,335.52
 Total Assets	 \$ 2,865,657.76	 \$ 7,332,015.36	 \$ 10,197,673.12
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 8,569.56	\$ 4,653.80	\$ 13,223.36
Salaries and Benefits Payable	1,228,619.66	-	1,228,619.66
Contracts Payable	-	868,553.85	868,553.85
Retainages Payable	-	629,314.00	629,314.00
Deposits and Unearned Revenue	21,000.00	-	21,000.00
 Total Liabilities	 1,258,189.22	 1,502,521.65	 2,760,710.87
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes	14,995.20	-	14,995.20
<u>FUND BALANCES</u>			
Nonspendable	10,335.52	-	10,335.52
Restricted	358,326.39	5,829,493.71	6,187,820.10
Committed	475,063.29	-	475,063.29
Unassigned	748,748.14	-	748,748.14
 Total Fund Balances	 1,592,473.34	 5,829,493.71	 7,421,967.05
 Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	 \$ 2,865,657.76	 \$ 7,332,015.36	 \$ 10,197,673.12

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
 TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "D"

Total fund balances - governmental funds (Exhibit "C") \$ 7,421,967.05

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.

Land	\$	183,343.93	
Construction in progress		7,686,768.44	
Buildings and improvements		14,692,421.32	
Equipment		2,243,116.98	
Land improvements		2,171,704.15	
Accumulated depreciation		<u>(6,275,027.69)</u>	20,702,327.13

Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Net pension liability (10,796,469.00)

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. 2,391,457.64

Taxes that are not available to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the funds. 14,995.20

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Capital leases payable (196,944.13)

Net position of governmental activities (Exhibit "A") \$ 19,537,333.89

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "E"

	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	TOTAL
REVENUES			
Property Taxes	\$ 1,689,874.03	\$ -	\$ 1,689,874.03
Sales Taxes	10,274.14	644,430.68	654,704.82
State Funds	7,797,413.07	6,376,110.14	14,173,523.21
Federal Funds	481,319.40	-	481,319.40
Charges for Services	1,074,448.92	-	1,074,448.92
Investment Earnings	2,546.32	27,289.90	29,836.22
Miscellaneous	1,120,645.19	914.00	1,121,559.19
Total Revenues	12,176,521.07	7,048,744.72	19,225,265.79
EXPENDITURES			
Current			
Instruction	7,883,249.01	-	7,883,249.01
Support Services			
Pupil Services	292,270.70	-	292,270.70
Improvement of Instructional Services	91,383.13	-	91,383.13
Educational Media Services	225,532.72	-	225,532.72
General Administration	556,625.84	-	556,625.84
School Administration	787,363.79	-	787,363.79
Business Administration	199,391.08	200.92	199,592.00
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	1,074,528.01	1,981.71	1,076,509.72
Student Transportation Services	70,760.59	-	70,760.59
Central Support Services	5,200.40	-	5,200.40
Other Support Services	7,425.00	-	7,425.00
Enterprise Operations	47,299.33	-	47,299.33
Food Services Operation	606,308.37	-	606,308.37
Capital Outlay	-	7,239,883.54	7,239,883.54
Debt Services			
Principal	38,091.12	-	38,091.12
Dues and Fees	-	162,815.18	162,815.18
Interest	5,875.88	-	5,875.88
Total Expenditures	11,891,304.97	7,404,881.35	19,296,186.32
Revenues over (under) Expenditures	285,216.10	(356,136.63)	(70,920.53)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers In	-	278,116.10	278,116.10
Transfers Out	(278,116.10)	726,156.45	1,004,272.55
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(278,116.10)	448,040.35	726,156.45
SPECIAL ITEMS			
Proceeds from Sale of Bonds by City	-	5,400,000.00	5,400,000.00
Premiums on Bonds Sold	-	518,358.55	518,358.55
Total Special Items	-	5,918,358.55	5,918,358.55
Net Change in Fund Balances	7,100.00	5,114,181.57	5,121,281.57
Fund Balances - Beginning	1,585,373.34	715,312.14	2,300,685.48
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 1,592,473.34	\$ 5,829,493.71	\$ 7,421,967.05

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF
 REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "F"

Net change in fund balances total governmental funds (Exhibit "E") \$ 5,121,281.57

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

Capital outlay	\$ 7,343,917.16	
Depreciation expense	<u>(618,055.18)</u>	6,725,861.98

The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins, donations, and disposals) is to decrease net position. (3,751.80)

Taxes reported in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. (20,752.34)

The issuance of long-term debt 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.

Capital lease payments		38,091.12
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District pension contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when made. However, they are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported net pension liability is measured a year before the District's report date. Pension expense, which is the change in the net pension liability adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, is reported in the Statement of Activities.

Pension expense		<u>(222,408.36)</u>
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Change in net position of governmental activities (Exhibit "B") \$ 11,638,322.17

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "G"

	<u>AGENCY FUNDS</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ <u>33,194.50</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Funds Held for Others	\$ <u>33,194.50</u>

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NOTE 1: DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

REPORTING ENTITY

The City of Chickamauga Board of Education (School District) was established under the laws of the State of Georgia and operates under the guidance of a board elected by the voters and a Superintendent appointed by the Board. The School District is not organized as a separate legal entity and does not have the power to levy taxes or issue bonds. Its budget is subject to approval by the City of Chickamauga, Georgia. Accordingly, the School District is determined to be a component unit of the City of Chickamauga, Georgia, which is the primary government.

DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT

The Gordon Lee Charitable Trust (Trust) was created for the benefit of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education with four separate charitable purposes identified as follows: (1) the Gordon Lee book fund; (2) Gordon Lee Librarian's salary fund; (3) the Gordon Lee High School building fund; and (4) the Gordon Lee High School endowment fund. The financial statements of the Gordon Lee Charitable Trust have not been audited and we were not engaged to audit their financial statements as part of our audit of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education. The Trust's financial activities are included in the School District's financial statements as a discretely presented component unit. See Note 14 – Component Unit.

NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the School District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the School District's accounting policies are described below.

BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The School District's basic financial statements are collectively comprised of the government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements. The government-wide statements focus on the School District as a whole, while the fund financial statements focus on major funds. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared between years and between governments to enhance the information's usefulness.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS:

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

The Statement of Net Position presents the School District's non-fiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories as follows:

1. **Net investment in capital assets** consists of the School District's total investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.
2. **Restricted net position** consists of resources for which the School District is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

3. **Unrestricted net position** consists of resources not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

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

Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expenses (expenses of the School District related to the administration and support of the School District's programs, such as office and maintenance personnel and accounting) are not allocated to programs.

Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

The School District reports the following major governmental funds:

- The general fund is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.
- The capital projects fund accounts for and reports financial resources including Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), bond proceeds from the City Government and grants from Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission that are restricted, committed or assigned for capital outlay expenditures, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

The School District reports the following fiduciary fund type:

- Agency funds are used to report resources held by the School District in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

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

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

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

NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In fiscal year 2017, the School District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*. This statement requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose the following information; (1) brief descriptive information, such as the tax being abated, the authority under which tax abatements are provided, eligibility criteria, the mechanism by which taxes are abated, provisions for recapturing abated taxes, and the types of commitments made by tax abatement recipients; (2) the gross dollar amount of taxes abated during the period; and (3) commitments made by a government, other than to abate taxes, as part of a tax abatement agreement. The adoption of this statement does not have a significant impact on the School District's financial statements.

In fiscal year 2017, the School District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*. This statement amends the blending requirements for the financial statement presentation of component units of all state and local governments. The additional criterion requires blending of a component unit incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. The additional criterion does apply to component units included in the financial reporting entity pursuant to the provisions of Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organization Are Component Units*. The adoption of this statement does not have a significant impact on the School District's financial statements.

In fiscal year 2017, the School District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 82, *Pension Issues – an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68 and No. 73*. This statement addresses certain issues that have been raised with respect to Statements No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans*, No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, and No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement No. 68*, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements No. 67 and No. 68. Specifically, this statement addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The adoption of this statement does not have a significant impact on the School District's financial statements.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, investments in the State of Georgia local government investment pool (Georgia Fund 1) and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition in authorized financial institutions.

Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) §45-8-14 authorizes the School District to deposit its funds in one or more solvent banks, insured Federal savings and loan associations or insured chartered building and loan associations.

RECEIVABLES

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

INVENTORIES

Food Inventories

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

CAPITAL ASSETS

On the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are recorded at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value on the date donated. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of assets or materially extend the useful lives of the assets is not capitalized. The School District does not capitalize book collections or works of art.

Capital acquisition and construction are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund financial statements at the time of purchase (including ancillary charges), and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line for all assets, except land, and is used to allocate the actual or estimated historical cost of capital assets over estimated useful lives.

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

	Capitalization Policy	Estimated Useful Life
Land	All	N/A
Land Improvements	\$ 5,000.00	15 to 80 years
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 5,000.00	15 to 80 years
Equipment	\$ 5,000.00	5 to 25 years
Intangible Assets	\$ 100,000.00	15 to 80 years

DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, represents a consumption of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of resources that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

PENSIONS

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

FUND BALANCES

Fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

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

Nonspendable consists of resources that cannot be spent either because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted consists of resources that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant constraints either (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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

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

Unassigned consists of resources within the general fund not meeting the definition of any aforementioned category. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

USE OF ESTIMATES

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

PROPERTY TAXES

The City of Chickamauga adopted the property tax levy for the 2016 tax digest year (calendar year) on October 3, 2016 (levy date) based on property values as of January 1, 2016. Taxes were due on December 20, 2016 (lien date). Taxes collected within the current fiscal year or within 60 days after year-end on the 2016 tax digest are reported as revenue in the governmental funds for fiscal year 2017. The Chickamauga City Clerk bills and collects the property taxes for the School District and remits the balance of taxes collected to the School District. Property tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, for maintenance and operations amounted to \$1,626,650.74.

The tax millage rate levied for the 2016 tax year (calendar year) for the School District was as follows (a mill equals \$1 per thousand dollars of assessed value):

School Operations	<u>14.25</u> mills
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Additionally, Title Ad Valorem Tax revenues, at the fund reporting level, amounted to \$63,223.29 during fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

SALES TAXES

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), at the fund reporting level, during the year amounted to \$644,430.68 and is to be used for capital outlay for educational purposes or debt service. This sales tax was authorized by local referendum and the sales tax must be re-authorized at least every five years. The most recent authorization of ESPLOST expires June 30, 2022.

The City of Chickamauga (City Government) sold general obligation bonds to provide advance funding for capital outlay projects associated with issuance of Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST). In fiscal year 2017, the School District provided \$674,227.48 of ESPLOST proceeds to the City Government for debt services on the general obligation school bonds, series 2011 and 2016A.

NOTE 3: BUDGETARY DATA

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

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

The Superintendent is authorized by the Board to approve adjustments of no more than 5% of the amount budgeted for expenditures in any budget function for any fund. The Superintendent shall report any such adjustments to the Board. If expenditure of funds in any budget function for any fund is anticipated to be more than 5% of the budgeted amount, the Superintendent shall request Board approval for the budget amendment. Any position or expenditure not previously approved in the annual budget that exceeds \$5,000.00 shall require Board approval unless the Superintendent deems the

position or purchase an emergency. In such case, the expenditure shall be reported to the Board at its regularly scheduled meeting. Under no circumstance is the Superintendent or other staff person authorized to spend funds that exceed the total budget without approval by the Board.

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

NOTE 4: DEPOSITS AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

COLLATERALIZATION OF DEPOSITS

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

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

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

CATEGORIZATION OF DEPOSITS

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2017, the School District had deposits with a carrying amount of \$2,563,093.44, and a bank balance of \$4,191,431.16. The bank balances insured by Federal depository insurance were \$250,000.00 and the bank balances collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the School District's name were \$3,941,431.16.

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Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents balances to carrying value of deposits:

Statement of Net Position		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	7,027,952.20
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position		
Cash and cash equivalents		33,194.50
 Total cash and cash equivalents		 7,061,146.70
Less:		
Investment pools reported as cash and cash equivalents		
Georgia Fund 1		4,498,053.26
 Total carrying value of deposits - June 30, 2017	 \$	 <u>2,563,093.44</u>

CATEGORIZATION OF CASH EQUIVALENTS

The School District reported cash equivalents of \$4,498,053.26 in Georgia Fund 1, a local government investment pool, which is included in the cash balances above. Georgia Fund 1 is not registered with the SEC as an investment company and does not operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. The investment is valued at the pool's share price, \$1.00 per share, which approximates fair value. The pool is an AAf rated investment pool by Standard and Poor's. The weighted average maturity of Georgia Fund 1 may not exceed 60 days. The weighted average maturity for Georgia Fund 1 on June 30, 2017, was 56 days.

Georgia Fund 1, administered by the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer, is not required to be categorized since the School District did not own any specific identifiable securities in the pool. The investment policy of the State of Georgia, Office of the State Treasurer for the Georgia Fund 1, does not provide for investment in derivatives or similar investments. Additional information on the Georgia Fund 1 is disclosed in the *State of Georgia* Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This audit can be obtained from the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts at www.audits.ga.gov/SGD/CAFR.html.

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NOTE 5: CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in the capital assets for governmental activities during the fiscal year:

	Balances July 1, 2016	Increases	Decreases	Balances June 30, 2017
Governmental Activities				
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 183,343.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 183,343.93
Construction in Progress	445,178.00	7,241,590.44	-	7,686,768.44
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	628,521.93	7,241,590.44	-	7,870,112.37
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Buildings and Improvements	14,708,324.46	-	15,903.14	14,692,421.32
Equipment	2,167,049.26	102,326.72	26,259.00	2,243,116.98
Land Improvements	2,171,704.15	-	-	2,171,704.15
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings and Improvements	3,792,455.43	307,101.02	15,903.14	4,083,653.31
Equipment	1,134,357.38	191,238.04	22,507.20	1,303,088.22
Land Improvements	768,570.04	119,716.12	-	888,286.16
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	13,351,695.02	(515,728.46)	3,751.80	12,832,214.76
Governmental Activity Capital Assets - Net	\$ 13,980,216.95	\$ 6,725,861.98	\$ 3,751.80	\$ 20,702,327.13

Current year depreciation expense by function is as follows:

Instruction		\$ 476,922.66
Support Services		
General Administration	\$ 20,566.43	
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	35,107.73	
Student Transportation Services	54,727.90	
Other Support Services	4,243.19	114,645.25
Food Services		26,487.27
		\$ 618,055.18

NOTE 6: TRANSFERS

TRANSFERS

Transfers for the year ended June 30, 2017, consisted of the following:

Transfers to	Transfers From	
	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund
Capital Projects	\$ 278,116.10	\$ -
City of Chickamauga (City Government)	-	726,156.45
 Total	\$ 278,116.10	\$ 726,156.45

Transfers are used to move property tax revenues collected by the general fund to the capital projects fund as a supplemental funding source for capital construction projects.

The City of Chickamauga (City Government) sold general obligation bonds to provide advance funding for capital outlay projects. Payment of the principal and interest on the series 2011 and series 2016A bonds will be secured by and payable first from the Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) and then, if and to the extent necessary, from the general funds of the City Government or the School District or from ad valorem taxes to be levied by the City Government. Payment of the principal and interest on the series 2016B bonds will be secured by and payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied by the City Government. In fiscal year 2017, the School District transferred \$674,227.48 of ESPLOST proceeds and \$51,928.97 of tax proceeds to the City Government for debt services on said general obligation debt.

The School District has pledged the following estimated proceeds in the future years to the City Government for debt service on said general obligation debt:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30:	
2018	\$ 768,200.00
2019	705,650.00
2020	704,450.00
2021	705,100.00
2022	697,550.00
2023 - 2027	1,887,000.00
2028 - 2032	1,457,640.00
2033	289,988.00
Total	\$ 7,215,578.00

NOTE 7: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The changes in long-term liabilities during the fiscal year for governmental activities, were as follows:

	Governmental Activities				
	Balance July 1, 2016	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2017	Due Within One Year
Capital Leases	\$ 235,035.25	\$ -	\$ 38,091.12	\$ 196,944.13	\$ 39,043.40

CAPITAL LEASES

The School District has acquired buses under the provisions of various long-term lease agreements classified as capital leases for accounting purposes because they provide for a bargain purchase option or a transfer of ownership by the end of the lease term.

The following assets were acquired through capital leases and are reflected in the capital asset note at fiscal year-end:

	Governmental Funds
Equipment	\$ 345,216.00
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	86,304.00
	<u>\$ 258,912.00</u>

The following is a schedule of total capital lease payments:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30:	Principal	Interest
2018	\$ 39,043.40	\$ 4,923.60
2019	40,019.48	3,947.52
2020	<u>117,881.25</u>	<u>2,946.75</u>
Total Principal and Interest	<u>\$ 196,944.13</u>	<u>\$ 11,817.87</u>

NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

INSURANCE

Commercial Insurance

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors or omissions; job related illness or injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Except as described below, the School District carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceed commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Georgia School Boards Association Risk and Insurance Management System

The School District participates in the Georgia School Boards Association Risk and Insurance Management System (the System), a public entity risk pool organized on July 1, 1994, to develop and administer a plan to reduce risk of loss on account of general liability, motor vehicle liability, or property damage, including safety engineering and other loss prevention and control techniques, and to administer one or more groups of self-insurance funds, including the processing and defense of claims brought against members of the system. The School District pays an annual premium to the System for its general insurance coverage. Additional coverage is provided through agreements by the System with other companies according to their specialty for property, boiler and machinery (including

coverage for flood and earthquake), general liability (including coverage for sexual harassment, molestation and abuse), errors and omissions, crime and automobile risks. Payment of excess insurance for the System varies by line of coverage.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Georgia School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Fund

The School District participates in the Georgia School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Fund (the Fund), a public entity risk pool organized on July 1, 1992, to develop, implement, and administer a program of workers' compensation self-insurance for its member organizations. The School District pays an annual premium to the Fund for its Workers' Compensation insurance coverage. Excess insurance coverage is provided through an agreement by the Fund with the Safety National Casualty Corporation to provide coverage for potential losses sustained by the Fund in excess of \$550 thousand loss per occurrence, up to the statutory limit. Employers' Liability insurance coverage is also provided by Safety National Casualty Corporation to provide coverage for potential losses sustained by the Fund in excess of \$550 thousand loss per occurrence, up to \$2.0 million. In addition to the \$550 thousand per occurrence retention, the Fund also retains an additional \$200 thousand per year corridor retention.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

The School District is self-insured with regard to unemployment compensation claims. The School District accounts for claims within the general fund with expenses/expenditures and liability being reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred, and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated. The School District has not incurred any liabilities for unemployment compensation during the past two fiscal years.

SURETY BOND

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

Position Covered	Amount
Superintendent	\$ 10,000.00
Driver Education School	\$ 10,000.00

NOTE 9: FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

The School District's financial statements include the following amounts presented in the aggregate at June 30, 2017:

Nonspendable		
Inventories		\$ 10,335.52
Restricted		
Continuation of Federal programs	\$ 177,908.49	
Capital projects	5,829,493.71	
Gordon Lee Charitable Trust	180,417.90	6,187,820.10
Committed		
School activity accounts	\$ 225,171.11	
Future lease payments	249,892.18	475,063.29
Unassigned		748,748.14
Fund Balance, June 30, 2017		\$ 7,421,967.05

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

NOTE 10: SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

COMMITMENTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

The following is an analysis of significant outstanding construction or renovation contracts executed by the School District as of June 30, 2017, together with funding available:

Project	Unearned Executed Contracts (1)	Payments through June 30, 2017 (2)	Funding Available From State (1)
Gordon Lee Middle/High Facility	\$ <u>5,953,386.11</u>	\$ <u>7,586,165.26</u>	\$ <u>5,232,207.86</u>

- (1) The amounts described are not reflected in the basic financial statements.
- (2) Payments include contracts and retainages payable at year-end.

OPERATING LEASES

The School District leases copiers, computers, and projectors under the provisions of one or more long-term lease agreements classified as operating leases for accounting purposes. Rental expenditures under the terms of the operating leases totaled \$116,507.05 for governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2017. The following future minimum lease payments were required under operating leases at June 30, 2017:

Year Ending	Governmental Funds
2018	\$ 53,986.06
2019	53,986.06
2020	<u>53,986.06</u>
Total	<u>\$ 161,958.18</u>

NOTE 11: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

FEDERAL GRANTS

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

NOTE 12: POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

GEORGIA SCHOOL PERSONNEL POST-EMPLOYMENT HEALTH BENEFIT FUND

Plan Description. The Georgia School Personnel Post-Employment Health Benefit Fund (School OPEB Fund) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan that covers eligible former employees of public school systems, libraries and regional educational service agencies. The School OPEB Fund provides health insurance benefits to eligible former employees and their qualified beneficiaries through the State Employees Health Benefit Plan administered by the Department of Community Health. The Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions of the group health plans, including benefits for retirees, to the Board of Community Health (Board). Additional information about the School OPEB Fund is disclosed in the *State of Georgia* Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This report can be obtained from the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts at www.audits.ga.gov/SGD/CAFR.html.

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

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

The combined active and retiree contribution rates established by the Board for employers participating in the School OPEB Fund were as follows for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017:

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

July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 \$945.00 per member per month

For non-certificated school personnel:

July 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 \$746.20 per member per month

January 1, 2017 – June 30, 2017 \$846.20 per member per month

No additional contribution was required by the Board for fiscal year 2017 nor contributed to the School OPEB Fund to prefund retiree benefits. Such additional contribution amounts are determined annually by the Board in accordance with the School plan for other post-employment benefits and are subject to appropriation.

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

Fiscal Year	Percentage Contributed	Required Contribution
2017	100%	\$ 1,171,180.80
2016	100%	\$ 1,086,162.00
2015	100%	\$ 1,036,542.60

NOTE 13: RETIREMENT PLANS

The School District participates in various retirement plans administered by the State of Georgia, as further explained below.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA (TRS)

Plan Description: All teachers of the School District as defined in O.C.G.A. §47-3-60 and certain other support personnel as defined by §47-3-63 are provided a pension through the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS). TRS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, is administered by the TRS Board of Trustees (TRS Board). Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. The Teachers Retirement System of Georgia issues a publicly available separate financial audit report that can be obtained at www.trsga.com/publications.

Benefits Provided: TRS provides service retirement, disability retirement, and death benefits. Normal retirement benefits are determined as 2% of the average of the employee's two highest paid consecutive years of service, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service up to 40 years. An employee is eligible for normal service retirement after 30 years of creditable service, regardless of age, or after 10 years of service and attainment of age 60. Ten years of service is required for disability and death benefits eligibility. Disability benefits are based on the employee's creditable service and compensation up to the time of disability. Death benefits equal the amount that would be payable to the employee's beneficiary had the employee retired on the date of death. Death benefits are based on the employee's creditable service and compensation up to the date of death.

Contributions: Per Title 47 of the O.C.G.A., contribution requirements of active employees and participating employers, as actuarially determined, are established and may be amended by the TRS Board. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §47-3-63, the employer contributions for certain full-time public school support personnel are funded on behalf of the employer by the State of Georgia. Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Employees were required to contribute 6% of their annual pay during fiscal year 2017. The School District's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2017 was 14.27% of annual School District payroll, of which 14.11% of payroll was required from the School District and 0.16% of payroll was required from the State. For the current fiscal year, employer contributions to the pension plan were \$866,902.64 and \$8,700.27 from the School District and the State, respectively.

PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PSERS)

Plan description: PSERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by the Georgia General Assembly in 1969 for the purpose of providing retirement allowances for public school employees who are not eligible for membership in the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia. The ERS Board of Trustees, plus two additional trustees, administers PSERS. Title 47 of the O.C.G.A. assigns the authority to establish and amend the benefit provisions to the State Legislature. PSERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.ers.ga.gov/formspubs/formspubs.

Benefits provided: A member may retire and elect to receive normal monthly retirement benefits after completion of ten years of creditable service and attainment of age 65. A member may choose to receive reduced benefits after age 60 and upon completion of ten years of service.

Upon retirement, the member will receive a monthly benefit of \$14.75, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Death and disability benefits are also available through PSERS. Additionally, PSERS may make periodic cost-of-living adjustments to the monthly benefits. Upon termination of employment, member contributions with accumulated interest are refundable upon request by the member. However, if an otherwise vested member terminates and withdraws his/her member contribution, the member forfeits all rights to retirement benefits.

Contributions: The general assembly makes an annual appropriation to cover the employer contribution to PSERS on behalf of local school employees (bus drivers, cafeteria workers, and maintenance staff). The annual employer contribution required by statute is actuarially determined and paid directly to PSERS by the State Treasurer in accordance with O.C.G.A. §47-4-29(a) and 60(b). Contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Individuals who became members prior to July 1, 2012 contribute \$4 per month for nine months each fiscal year. Individuals who became members on or after July 1, 2012 contribute \$10 per month for nine months each fiscal year. The State of Georgia, although not the employer of PSERS members, is required by statute to make employer contributions actuarially determined and approved and certified by the PSERS Board of Trustees. The current fiscal year contribution was \$16,015.00.

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

At June 30, 2017, the School District reported a liability of \$10,796,469.00 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS.

The TRS net pension liability reflected a reduction for support provided to the School District by the State of Georgia for certain public school support personnel. The amount recognized by the School District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State of Georgia support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School District were as follows:

School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 10,796,469.00
State of Georgia's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District	<u>125,643.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 10,922,112.00</u>

The net pension liability for TRS was measured as of June 30, 2016. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2015. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2016 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on contributions to TRS during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016.

At June 30, 2016, the School District's TRS proportion was 0.052331%, which was a decrease of 0.001155% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

At June 30, 2017, the School District did not have a PSERS liability for a proportionate share of the net pension liability because of a Special Funding Situation with the State of Georgia, which is responsible for the net pension liability of the plan. The amount of the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District is \$124,359.00.

The PSERS net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2015. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2016 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The State's proportion of the net pension liability associated with the School District was based on actuarially determined contributions paid by the State during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the School District recognized pension expense of \$1,116,557.00 for TRS and \$20,387.00 for PSERS and revenue of \$27,245.00 for TRS and \$20,387.00 for PSERS. The revenue is support provided by the State of Georgia. For TRS the State of Georgia support is provided only for certain support personnel.

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At June 30, 2017, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	TRS	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 160,838.00	\$ 53,389.00
Changes of assumptions	279,830.00	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	1,365,798.00	-
Changes in proportion and differences between School District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	228,522.00
School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	866,902.64	-
Total	\$ 2,673,368.64	\$ 281,911.00

The School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$866,902.64 for TRS are reported as deferred outflows of resources and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	TRS
2018	\$ 143,369.00
2019	\$ 143,369.00
2020	\$ 730,114.00
2021	\$ 494,111.00
2022	\$ 13,592.00

Actuarial assumptions: The total pension liability as of June 30, 2016 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2015, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Teachers Retirement System:

Inflation	2.75%
Salary increases	3.25% – 9.00%, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 White Collar Mortality Table with future mortality improvement projected to 2025 with the Society of Actuaries' projection scale BB (set forward one year for males) for service requirements and dependent beneficiaries. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality table with future mortality improvement projected to 2025 with Society of Actuaries'

projection scale BB (set forward two years for males and four years for females) was used for the death after disability retirement. Rates of mortality in active service were based on the RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014.

Public School Employees Retirement System:

Inflation	2.75%
Salary increases	N/A
Investment rate of return	7.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Blue-Collar Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 3 years for males and 2 years for females) for the period after service retirements and for dependent beneficiaries. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 5 years for both males and females) was used for death after disability retirement. There is a margin for future mortality improvement in the tables used by the System. Based on the results of the most recent experience study adopted by the Board on December 17, 2015, the numbers of expected future deaths are 9-11% less than the actual number of deaths that occurred during the study period for healthy retirees and 9-11% less than expected under the selected table for disabled retirees. Rates of mortality in active service were based on the RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2014.

The long-term expected rate of return on TRS and PSERS pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis 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 target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset class	TRS Target allocation	PSERS Target allocation	Long-term expected real rate of return*
Fixed income	30.00%	30.00%	(0.50)%
Domestic large stocks	39.80%	37.20%	9.00%
Domestic mid stocks	3.70%	3.40%	12.00%
Domestic small stocks	1.50%	1.40%	13.50%
International developed market stocks	19.40%	17.80%	8.00%
International emerging market stocks	5.60%	5.20%	12.00%
Alternative	-	5.00%	10.50%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	

* Rates shown are net of the 2.75% assumed rate of inflation

Discount rate: The discount rate used to measure the total TRS and PSERS pension liability was 7.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer and nonemployer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the TRS and PSERS 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.

Sensitivity of the School District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate: The following presents the School District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the School District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.50%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.50%) than the current rate:

Teachers Retirement System:	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Current Discount Rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
School District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 16,804,837.00	\$ 10,796,469.00	\$ 5,849,568.00

Pension plan fiduciary net position: Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS and PSERS financial report which is publically available at www.trsga.com/publications and <http://www.ers.ga.gov/formspubs/formspubs.html>.

NOTE 14: COMPONENT UNIT

The Gordon Lee Charitable Trust (Trust) is a legally separate tax-exempt component unit of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education (School District). It originated from the last will and testament of Gordon Lee, a citizen of City of Chickamauga that died in 1927. First Tennessee Bank serves as the trustee for the Trust. Mr. Lee’s will set forth four separate bequests providing for distribution of specific amounts for charitable purposes, all for the benefit of Gordon Lee High School. The four separate trusts are as follows, Gordon Lee - Book Fund, Gordon Lee - Librarian’s Salary Fund, Gordon Lee - High School Building Fund and Gordon Lee - High School Endowment Fund. The School District receives quarterly distributions based on five percent of the December 31st fair market value. These distributions are allocated in the following manner:

- Book Fund - 0.535%
- Librarian’s Salary Fund – 0.435%
- Building Fund – 14.7%
- Endowment Fund – 84.33%

Although the School District does not control the timing or amount of the receipts from the Trust, the Trust’s resources and income are restricted for the benefit of Gordon Lee High School. Consequently, the Trust is considered a component unit of the School District and is discretely presented in the School District’s financial statements. The Trust is operated on a calendar year basis. The balance sheet and trust activity are reported on the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Trust distributed \$207,522.16 to the School District.

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION – WALKER COUNTY
 NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 JUNE 30, 2017

EXHIBIT "H"

Component Unit Restricted Assets consist of the following:

	Fair Market Value December 31, 2016
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 94,191.75
Fixed Income Mutual Funds	2,097,562.84
Equity Investments	2,214,800.00
	\$ 4,406,554.59

The Trust was not audited and did not prepare official financial statements. The Trust follows Internal Revenue Code Section 509 for tax filings. Any Inquiries or information about the Trust can be obtained from City of Chickamauga Board of Education, Attention: Finance Director, 402 Cove Road, Chickamauga, Georgia 30707.

NOTE 14: SPECIAL ITEMS

The School District received \$2,900,000.00 from proceeds and \$205,071.75 from the premium on the City of Chickamauga’s (City Government) sale of Series 2016A General Obligation Sales Tax School Bonds to advance fund voter approved capital projects for the School District.

The School District received \$2,500,000.00 from proceeds and \$313,286.80 from the premium on the City of Chickamauga’s (City Government) sale of Series 2016B General Obligation Sales Tax School Bonds to provide the necessary funds for the demolition, site work, and upgrades in conjunction with the construction and equipping of the new high school.

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CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
 TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30

SCHEDULE "1"

Year Ended	School District's proportion of the net pension liability	School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	State of Georgia's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District		School District's covered payroll	School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability
			District	Total			
2017	0.052331%	\$ 10,796,469.00	\$ 125,643.00	\$ 10,922,112.00	\$ 5,807,063.88	185.92%	76.06%
2016	0.053486%	\$ 8,142,712.00	\$ 95,150.00	\$ 8,237,862.00	\$ 5,711,698.44	142.56%	81.44%
2015	0.053783%	\$ 6,794,773.00	\$ 54,198.00	\$ 6,848,971.00	\$ 5,530,641.43	122.86%	84.03%

CITY OF CHICKAMAGUA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 SCHEDULE OF PORPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
 EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30

SCHEDULE "2"

Year Ended	School District's proportion of the net pension liability	School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	State of Georgia's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the School District	Total	School District's covered payroll	School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability
2017	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 124,359.00	\$ 124,359.00	\$ 297,155.02	N/A	81.00%
2016	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 79,756.00	\$ 79,756.00	\$ 287,438.33	N/A	87.00%
2015	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 65,897.00	\$ 65,897.00	\$ 275,204.77	N/A	88.29%

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS
 TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30

SCHEDULE "3"

Year Ended	Contractually required contribution	Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	Contribution deficiency (excess)	School District's covered payroll	Contribution as a percentage of covered payroll
2017	\$ 866,902.64	\$ 866,902.64	\$ -	\$ 6,143,523.50	14.11%
2016	\$ 819,130.00	\$ 819,130.00	\$ -	\$ 5,807,063.88	14.11%
2015	\$ 742,415.82	\$ 742,415.82	\$ -	\$ 5,711,698.44	13.00%
2014	\$ 671,571.47	\$ 671,571.47	\$ -	\$ 5,530,641.43	12.14%
2013	\$ 618,476.49	\$ 618,476.49	\$ -	\$ 5,482,377.36	11.28%
2012	\$ 557,755.57	\$ 557,755.57	\$ -	\$ 5,483,868.24	10.17%
2011	\$ 557,278.23	\$ 557,278.23	\$ -	\$ 5,479,016.37	10.17%
2010	\$ 552,516.23	\$ 552,516.23	\$ -	\$ 5,716,111.71	9.67%

Teachers Retirement System

Changes of assumptions: In 2010 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP 2000 Mortality Tables rather than the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2010. In 2010, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2010, assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.

On November 18, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement, disability, withdrawal and salary increases. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to RP 2000 White Collar Mortality Table with future mortality improvement projected to 2025 with the Society of Actuaries' projection scale BB (set forward one year for males).

Public School Employees Retirement System

Changes of assumptions: In 2010 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP 2000 Mortality Tables rather than the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2010. In 2010, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

On December 17, 2015, the Board adopted recommended changes to the economic and demographic assumptions utilized by the System. Primary among the changes were the updates to rates of mortality, retirement and withdrawal. The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP 2000 Blue Collar Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB (set forward 3 years for males and 2 years for females).

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 GENERAL FUND
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

SCHEDULE "5"

	NONAPPROPRIATED BUDGETS		ACTUAL AMOUNTS	VARIANCE OVER/UNDER
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		
REVENUES				
Property Taxes	\$ 1,601,000.00	\$ 1,605,000.00	\$ 1,689,874.03	\$ 84,874.03
Sales Taxes	-	-	10,274.14	10,274.14
State Funds	7,772,602.00	7,765,635.00	7,797,413.07	31,778.07
Federal Funds	547,581.00	596,102.00	481,319.40	(114,782.60)
Charges for Services	1,183,859.00	1,145,460.00	1,074,448.92	(71,011.08)
Investment Earnings	940.00	2,265.00	2,546.32	281.32
Miscellaneous	1,214,539.00	1,251,924.00	1,120,645.19	(131,278.81)
Total Revenues	12,320,521.00	12,366,386.00	12,176,521.07	(189,864.93)
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Instruction	8,105,287.00	8,019,094.00	7,883,249.01	135,844.99
Support Services				
Pupil Services	295,245.00	295,035.00	292,270.70	2,764.30
Improvement of Instructional Services	117,231.00	118,358.00	91,383.13	26,974.87
Educational Media Services	244,566.00	228,160.00	225,532.72	2,627.28
General Administration	555,735.00	569,263.00	556,625.84	12,637.16
School Administration	776,560.00	790,706.00	787,363.79	3,342.21
Business Administration	209,228.00	215,175.00	199,391.08	15,783.92
Maintenance and Operation of Plant	1,135,565.00	1,189,378.00	1,074,528.01	114,849.99
Student Transportation Services	85,472.00	159,131.00	70,760.59	88,370.41
Central Support Services	5,200.00	5,200.00	5,200.40	(0.40)
Other Support Services	5,600.00	7,425.00	7,425.00	-
Enterprise Operations	47,300.00	47,300.00	47,299.33	0.67
Food Services Operation	655,000.00	655,000.00	606,308.37	48,691.63
Debt Service				
Principal	-	-	38,091.12	(38,091.12)
Interest	-	-	5,875.88	(5,875.88)
Total Expenditures	12,237,989.00	12,299,225.00	11,891,304.97	407,920.03
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	82,532.00	67,161.00	285,216.10	218,055.10
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Other Sources	-	-	28,853.88	28,853.88
Other Uses	(459,512.00)	(251,888.00)	(306,969.98)	(55,081.98)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(459,512.00)	(251,888.00)	(278,116.10)	(26,228.10)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(376,980.00)	(184,727.00)	7,100.00	191,827.00
Fund Balances - Beginning	1,603,818.61	1,603,818.61	1,585,373.34	(18,445.27)
Adjustments	-	(576.24)	-	576.24
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 1,226,838.61	\$ 1,418,515.37	\$ 1,592,473.34	\$ 173,957.97

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

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

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

SCHEDULE "6"

FUNDING AGENCY PROGRAM/GRANT	<u>CFDA NUMBER</u>	<u>PASS- THROUGH ENTITY ID NUMBER</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES IN PERIOD</u>
Agriculture, U. S. Department of			
Child Nutrition Cluster			
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education			
Food Services			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	17175GA324N1099	\$ 20,516.19
National School Lunch Program	10.555	17175GA324N1100	<u>560,189.18</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>580,705.37</u>
Education, U. S. Department of			
Special Education Cluster			
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education			
Special Education			
Grants to States	84.027	H027A150073	187,677.00
Preschool Grants	84.173	H173A150081	<u>3,866.00</u>
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>191,543.00</u>
Other Programs			
Pass-Through From Georgia Department of Education			
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	V048A150010	19,540.00
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	S367A150001	5,520.00
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	S367A160001	23,196.90
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	S010A150010	3,604.00
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	S010A160010	<u>79,073.57</u>
Total Other Programs			<u>130,934.47</u>
Total U. S. Department of Education			<u>322,477.47</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$ 903,182.84</u>

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education (the "Board") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Board, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net assets of the Board.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following, as applicable, either the cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments*, or the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. The Board has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF STATE REVENUE
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

SCHEDULE "7"

AGENCY/FUNDING	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTAL
	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	
Education, Georgia Department of			
Quality Basic Education			
Direct Instructional Cost			
Kindergarten Program	\$ 359,094.00	\$ -	\$ 359,094.00
Kindergarten Program - Early Intervention Program	19,628.00	-	19,628.00
Primary Grades (1-3) Program	906,938.00	-	906,938.00
Primary Grades - Early Intervention (1-3) Program	89,073.00	-	89,073.00
Upper Elementary Grades (4-5) Program	501,444.00	-	501,444.00
Upper Elementary Grades - Early Intervention (4-5) Program	47,582.00	-	47,582.00
Middle School (6-8) Program	1,001,693.00	-	1,001,693.00
High School General Education (9-12) Program	843,844.00	-	843,844.00
Vocational Laboratory (9-12) Program	313,796.00	-	313,796.00
Students with Disabilities	525,543.00	-	525,543.00
Gifted Student - Category VI	576,210.00	-	576,210.00
Remedial Education Program	24,878.00	-	24,878.00
Alternative Education Program	70,049.00	-	70,049.00
English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	(1,466.00)	-	(1,466.00)
Media Center Program	150,683.00	-	150,683.00
20 Days Additional Instruction	47,206.00	-	47,206.00
Staff and Professional Development	24,592.00	-	24,592.00
Principal Staff and Professional Development	827.00	-	827.00
Indirect Cost			
Central Administration	369,591.00	-	369,591.00
School Administration	400,209.00	-	400,209.00
Facility Maintenance and Operations	358,811.00	-	358,811.00
Mid-term Adjustment Hold-Harmless	144,949.00	-	144,949.00
Amended Formula Adjustment	(100,022.00)	-	(100,022.00)
Categorical Grants			
Nursing Services	45,000.00	-	45,000.00
Education Equalization Funding Grant	1,002,323.00	-	1,002,323.00
Other State Programs			
Food Services	14,550.00	-	14,550.00
Math and Science Supplements	4,628.80	-	4,628.80
Teachers Retirement	8,700.27	-	8,700.27
Vocational Education	31,044.00	-	31,044.00
Georgia State Financing and Investment			
Commission			
Reimbursement on Construction Projects	-	6,376,110.14	6,376,110.14
Office of the State Treasurer			
Public School Employees Retirement	16,015.00	-	16,015.00
	<u>\$ 7,797,413.07</u>	<u>\$ 6,376,110.14</u>	<u>\$ 14,173,523.21</u>

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CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION - WALKER COUNTY
 SCHEDULE OF APPROVED LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX PROJECTS
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

SCHEDULE "B"

PROJECT	ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST (1)	CURRENT ESTIMATED COSTS (2)	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN CURRENT YEAR (3) (4)	AMOUNT EXPENDED IN PRIOR YEARS (3) (4)	TOTAL COMPLETION COST	EXCESS PROCEEDS NOT EXPENDED	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
2012 ESPLOST							
Acquisition of band equipment, school buses, textbooks, desks, rolling science labs, and driver education simulators;	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 29,799.40	\$ -	\$ 29,799.40	\$ 29,799.40	\$ -	Completed
Adding to, remodeling, renovating, improving, and equipping existing educational buildings, properties, and facilities of the School District, including athletic facilities and sites, and acquiring any property, both real and personal; and	2,018,850.00	1,777,825.00	18,577.96	1,733,613.55	-	-	January 2018
System-wide security and safety improvements and upgrade of technology and equipment.	100,000.00	128,533.00	-	-	-	-	July 2017
2012 ESPLOST Total	2,318,850.00	1,936,157.40	18,577.96	1,763,412.95	29,799.40	-	
2017 ESPLOST							
Acquisition, construction, and equipping of new educational buildings and facilities;	2,000,000.00	14,322,451.00	7,215,089.86	-	-	-	March 2019
Acquisition and installation of system-wide security and safety equipment;	25,000.00	25,000.00	-	-	-	-	June 2019
Acquisition, installation, and upgrading of system-wide technology and equipment, including computers, text books, and e-books;	50,000.00	96,444.00	-	-	-	-	June 2020
Renovations, improvements, and equipping of existing educational buildings, properties, and facilities;	500,000.00	2,750,000.00	8,197.43	-	-	-	June 2020
Acquisition of any property, both real and personal, and equipment necessary in connection with the above described capital outlay projects, including energy management systems, heating and air conditioning systems, lighting, and similar equipment; and	125,000.00	125,000.00	-	-	-	-	June 2020
Acquisition of real property for future schools, facilities, administrative offices, support services, and other purposes of the City of Chickamauga School System.	200,000.00	200,000.00	-	-	-	-	June 2020
The issuance cost of general obligation debt for the purpose of financing the costs of the capital outlay projects described above.	-	84,528.38	84,528.38	-	84,528.38	-	Completed
2017 ESPLOST Total	2,900,000.00	17,603,423.38	7,307,815.67	-	84,528.38	-	
ESPLOST Total	\$ 5,218,850.00	\$ 19,539,580.78	\$ 7,326,393.63	\$ 1,763,412.95	\$ 114,327.78	\$ -	

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

Prior Years	\$ 377,366.39
Current Year	<u>84,227.78</u>
Total	<u>\$ 461,594.17</u>

SECTION II

COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL REPORTS



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March 22, 2018

The Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor of Georgia
Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia
Members of the State Board of Education
and
Superintendent and Members of the
City of Chickamauga Board of Education

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

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Chickamauga Board of Education (School District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 22, 2018. The report was modified for a scope limitation as identified in the auditor's report on the basic financial statements and described below.

The financial statements of the Gordon Lee Charitable Trust (Trust) have not been audited, and we were not engaged to audit the Trust's financial statements as part of our audit of the School District's basic financial statements. The Trust's financial activities are included in the School District's basic financial statements as a discretely presented component unit. We do not express an opinion on the discretely presented component unit.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or 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.

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

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 School District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg S. Griffin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Greg S. Griffin
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The Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor of Georgia
Members of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia
Members of the State Board of Education
and
Superintendent and Members of the
City of Chickamauga Board of Education

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the City of Chickamauga Board of Education's (School 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 its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. The School District's major federal programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with 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 School 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 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 School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the School 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, 2017.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the School 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 School District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with 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 School 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.

Respectfully submitted,



Greg S. Griffin
State Auditor

SECTION III

AUDITEE'S RESPONSE TO PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION – WALKER COUNTY
AUDITEE'S RESPONSE
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

SECTION IV
FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA BOARD OF EDUCATION – WALKER COUNTY
 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

I SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issue: Governmental Activities; General Fund; Capital Projects Fund; Aggregate Remaining Fund Information Discretely Presented Component Unit	Unmodified Disclaimer
Internal control over financial reporting:	
▪ Material weakness identified?	No
▪ Significant deficiency identified?	None Reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted:	No

Federal Awards

Internal Control over major programs:	
▪ Material weakness identified?	No
▪ Significant deficiency identified?	None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: All major programs	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	No
Identification of major programs:	
<u>CFDA Numbers</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
10.553, 10.555	Child Nutrition Cluster
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000.00
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	Yes

II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

III FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.