



**Office of the Washington State Auditor**  
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**Financial Statements Audit Report**

**Ridgefield School District No. 122**

**Clark County**

**For the period September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017**

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## Office of the Washington State Auditor

**Pat McCarthy**

February 22, 2018

Superintendent and Board of Directors  
Ridgefield School District No. 122  
Ridgefield, Washington

### **Report on Financial Statements**

Please find attached our report on Ridgefield School District No. 122's financial statements.

We are issuing this report in order to provide information on the District's financial condition.

Sincerely,

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Pat McCarthy  
State Auditor  
Olympia, WA

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**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**

**Ridgefield School District No. 122  
Clark County  
September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017**

Superintendent and Board of Directors  
Ridgefield School District No. 122  
Ridgefield, Washington

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 13, 2018.

We issued an unmodified opinion on the fair presentation of the District's financial statements in accordance with its regulatory basis of accounting. We issued an adverse opinion on the fair presentation with regard to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) because, as described in Note 1, the *Accounting Manual for Public School Districts in the State of Washington* does not require the District to prepare the government-wide statements presenting the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities as required by GAAP. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

## **INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

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

internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

## COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of the District's 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 District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However,

this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. It also serves to disseminate information to the public as a reporting tool to help citizens assess government operations.

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Pat McCarthy

State Auditor

Olympia, WA

February 13, 2018

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## **Ridgefield School District No. 122** **Clark County** **September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017**

Superintendent and Board of Directors  
Ridgefield School District No. 122  
Ridgefield, Washington

### **REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's financial statements, as listed on page 11.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Washington State statutes and the *Accounting Manual for Public School Districts in the State of Washington* (Accounting Manual) described in Note 1. This includes determining that the basis of accounting is acceptable for the presentation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

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

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

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

### **Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting (Accounting Manual)**

As described in Note 1, the District has prepared these financial statements to meet the financial reporting requirements of Washington State statutes using accounting practices prescribed by the Accounting Manual. Those accounting practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The difference in these accounting practices is also described in Note 1.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ridgefield School District No. 122, as of August 31, 2017, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

### **Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. GAAP**

Auditing standards issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) require auditors to formally acknowledge when governments do not prepare their financial statements, intended for general use, in accordance with GAAP. GAAP requires presentation of government-wide financial statements to display the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities.

As described in Note 1, the Accounting Manual does not require the District to prepare the government-wide financial statements, and consequently such amounts have not been determined or presented. We are therefore required to issue an adverse opinion on whether the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP.



## **Adverse Opinion on U.S. GAAP**

The financial statements referred to above were not intended to, and in our opinion they do not, present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Ridgefield School District No. 122, as of August 31, 2017, or the changes in financial position or cash flows for the year then ended, due to the significance of the matter discussed in the above “Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. GAAP” paragraph.

## **Other Matters**

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

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities is presented for purposes of additional analysis, as required by the prescribed Accounting Manual. This schedule is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the 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 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 February 13, 2018 on our consideration of the District’s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to

provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Pat McCarthy

State Auditor

Olympia, WA

February 13, 2018

## **FINANCIAL SECTION**

**Ridgefield School District No. 122**  
**Clark County**  
**September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017**

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Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities – 2017

## Balance Sheet

## Governmental Funds

August 31, 2017

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
<b>ASSETS:</b>							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	30,707.88	21,217.84	1,084.07	9,611.49	0.00	0.00	62,621.28
Minus Warrants Outstanding	-653,318.61	-373.02	0.00	-34,478.25	0.00	0.00	-688,169.88
Taxes Receivable	2,604,488.54		1,416,355.18	0.00	0.00		4,020,843.72
Due From Other Funds	177.30	3,510.00	0.00	1,162.80	0.00	0.00	4,850.10
Due From Other Governmental Units	72,110.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72,110.32
Accounts Receivable	195,046.81	4,970.21	0.00	591,373.93	0.00	0.00	791,390.95
interfund Loans Receivable	0.00			0.00			0.00
Accrued interest Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
inventory	0.00	0.00		0.00			0.00
Prepaid items	181,204.26	2,268.00			0.00	0.00	183,472.26
investments	5,145,524.00	250,335.61	2,944,758.14	77,934,060.08	0.00	0.00	86,274,677.83
investments/Cash With Trustee	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
investments-Deferred Compensation	0.00			0.00			0.00
Self-insurance Security Deposit	0.00						0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>7,575,940.50</b>	<b>281,928.64</b>	<b>4,362,197.39</b>	<b>78,501,730.05</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>90,721,796.58</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</b>							
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Other	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>7,575,940.50</b>	<b>281,928.64</b>	<b>4,362,197.39</b>	<b>78,501,730.05</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>90,721,796.58</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>							
Accounts Payable	612,665.64	15,743.14	0.00	5,293,358.25	0.00	0.00	5,921,767.03
Contracts Payable Current	0.00	0.00		493,089.33	0.00	0.00	493,089.33
Accrued interest Payable			0.00				0.00
Accrued Salaries	99,696.79	0.00		0.00			99,696.79
Anticipation Notes Payable	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds

August 31, 2017

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>							
Payroll Deductions and Taxes Payable	30,271.90	0.00		0.00			30,271.90
Due To Other Governmental Units	14,308.22	40.32		630.79	0.00	0.00	14,979.33
Deferred Compensation Payable	0.00			0.00			0.00
Estimated Employee Benefits Payable	0.00						0.00
Due To Other Funds	4,672.80	177.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,850.10
interfund Loans Payable	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Deposits	0.00	0.00		0.00			0.00
Unearned Revenue	60,532.67	28,855.33	0.00	0.00	0.00		89,388.00
Matured Bonds Payable			0.00				0.00
Matured Bond interest Payable			0.00				0.00
Arbitrage Rebate Payable	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>822,148.02</b>	<b>44,816.09</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,787,078.37</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,654,042.48</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</b>							
Unavailable Revenue	39,062.04	4,970.21	0.00	591,373.93	0.00	0.00	635,406.18
Unavailable Revenue - Taxes Receivable	2,604,488.54		1,416,355.18	0.00	0.00		4,020,843.72
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>2,643,550.58</b>	<b>4,970.21</b>	<b>1,416,355.18</b>	<b>591,373.93</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>4,656,249.90</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE:</b>							
Nonspendable Fund Balance	181,204.26	2,268.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	183,472.26
Restricted Fund Balance	77,850.33	229,874.34	2,945,842.21	72,123,277.75	0.00	0.00	75,376,844.63
Committed Fund Balance	750,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	750,000.00
Assigned Fund Balance	1,044,975.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,044,975.57
Unassigned Fund Balance	2,056,211.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,056,211.74
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>4,110,241.90</b>	<b>232,142.34</b>	<b>2,945,842.21</b>	<b>72,123,277.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>79,411,504.20</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>7,575,940.50</b>	<b>281,928.64</b>	<b>4,362,197.39</b>	<b>78,501,730.05</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>90,721,796.58</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

## Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended August 31, 2017

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
<b>REVENUES:</b>							
Local	6,240,562.12	313,595.68	3,239,941.43	2,962,076.43	0.00		12,756,175.66
State	21,578,330.98		0.00	2,024,903.48	0.00		23,603,234.46
Federal	655,577.05		3,609.91	0.00	0.00		659,186.96
Federal Stimulus	0.00						0.00
Other	960,318.41			69,543.64	0.00	0.00	1,029,862.05
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>29,434,788.56</b>	<b>313,595.68</b>	<b>3,243,551.34</b>	<b>5,056,523.55</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>38,048,459.13</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>							
<b>CURRENT:</b>							
Regular Instruction	16,957,176.55						16,957,176.55
Federal Stimulus	0.00						0.00
Special Education	2,271,856.00						2,271,856.00
Vocational Education	979,294.66						979,294.66
Skill Center	0.00						0.00
Compensatory Programs	845,841.28						845,841.28
Other Instructional Programs	154,717.67						154,717.67
Community Services	151,510.75						151,510.75
Support Services	6,411,418.24						6,411,418.24
Student Activities/Other		307,738.03				0.00	307,738.03
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY:</b>							
Sites				0.00			0.00
Building				13,166,190.79			13,166,190.79
Equipment				254,875.28			254,875.28
Instructional Technology				233,147.41			233,147.41
Energy				0.00			0.00
Transportation Equipment					0.00		0.00
Sales and Lease				0.00			0.00
Other	213,274.40						213,274.40
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>							
Principal	0.00		1,447,198.17	0.00	0.00		1,447,198.17
Interest and Other Charges	0.00		1,633,953.20	0.00	0.00		1,633,953.20
Bond/Levy Issuance				426,934.00	0.00		426,934.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>27,985,089.55</b>	<b>307,738.03</b>	<b>3,081,151.37</b>	<b>14,081,147.48</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>45,455,126.43</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended August 31, 2017

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>							
<b>REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	1,449,699.01	5,857.65	162,399.97	-9,024,623.93	0.00	0.00	-7,406,667.30
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :</b>							
Bond Sales & Refunding Bond Sales	0.00		1,504,092.05	78,391,934.00	0.00		79,896,026.05
Long-Term Financing	0.00			0.00	0.00		0.00
Transfers In	0.00		55,862.87	0.00	0.00		55,862.87
Transfers Out (GL 536)	-55,862.87		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-55,862.87
Other Financing Uses (GL 535)	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Other	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>-55,862.87</b>		<b>1,559,954.92</b>	<b>78,391,934.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>79,896,026.05</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES/OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	1,393,836.14	5,857.65	1,722,354.89	69,367,310.07	0.00	0.00	72,489,358.75
<b>BEGINNING TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>2,716,405.76</b>	<b>226,284.69</b>	<b>1,223,487.32</b>	<b>2,755,967.68</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,922,145.45</b>
Prior Year(s) Corrections or Restatements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>ENDING TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>4,110,241.90</b>	<b>232,142.34</b>	<b>2,945,842.21</b>	<b>72,123,277.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>79,411,504.20</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## Statement Of Fiduciary Net Position

## Fiduciary Funds

August 31, 2017

	Private Purpose Trust	Other Trust
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Imprest Cash	0.00	0.00
Cash On Hand	0.00	0.00
Cash On Deposit with Cty Treas	1,510.00	0.00
Minus Warrants Outstanding	-1,000.00	0.00
Due From Other Funds	0.00	0.00
Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	0.00	0.00
Investments	44,857.18	0.00
Investments/Cash With Trustee	0.00	0.00
Other Assets	0.00	
Capital Assets, Land	0.00	
Capital Assets, Buildings	0.00	
Capital Assets, Equipment	0.00	0.00
Accum Depreciation, Buildings	0.00	
Accum Depreciation, Equipment	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>45,367.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts Payable	0.00	0.00
Due To Other Funds	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>NET POSITION:</b>		
<b>Held in trust for:</b>		
Held In Trust For Intact Trust Principal	0.00	0.00
Held In Trust For Private Purposes	45,367.18	
Held In Trust For Pension Or Other Post-Employment Benefits		0.00
Held In Trust For Other Purposes	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>45,367.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.



## Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

## Fiduciary Funds

For the Year Ended August 31, 2017

	Private Purpose Trust	Other Trust
<b>ADDITIONS:</b>		
<b>Contributions:</b>		
Private Donations	510.00	0.00
Employer		0.00
Members		0.00
Other	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>510.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Investment Income:</b>		
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value	0.00	0.00
Interest and Dividends	388.42	0.00
Less Investment Expenses	0.00	0.00
Net Investment Income	388.42	0.00
<b>Other Additions:</b>		
Rent or Lease Revenue	0.00	0.00
Total Other Additions	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>898.42</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>DEDUCTIONS:</b>		
Benefits		0.00
Refund of Contributions	0.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses	0.00	0.00
Scholarships	3,200.00	
Other	574.10	0.00
<b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS</b>	<b>3,774.10</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Net Increase (Decrease)	-2,875.68	0.00
Net Position--Prior Year August Beginning	48,242.86	0.00
Prior Year F-196 Manual Revision	0.00	0.00
Net Position - Total	48,242.86	0.00
Prior Year(s) Corrections or Restatements	0.00	0.00
<b>NET POSITION--ENDING</b>	<b>45,367.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

**Ridgefield School District**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**September 1, 2016 Through August 31, 2017**

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Ridgefield School District (District) is a municipal corporation organized pursuant to Title 28A of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) for the purposes of providing public school services to students in grades K–12. Oversight responsibility for the District's operations is vested with the independently elected board of directors. Management of the District is appointed by and is accountable to the board of directors. Fiscal responsibility, including budget authority and the power to set fees, levy property taxes, and issue debt consistent with provisions of state statutes, also rests with the board of directors.

The District presents governmental fund financial statements and related notes on the modified accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the *Accounting Manual for Public School Districts in the State of Washington*, issued jointly by the State Auditor's Office and the Superintendent of Public Instruction by the authority of RCW 43.09.200, RCW 28A.505.140, RCW 28A.505.010(1) and RCW 28A.505.020. This manual prescribes a financial reporting framework that differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the following manner:

- (1) Districtwide statements, as defined in GAAP, are not presented.
- (2) A Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities is presented as supplementary information.
- (3) Supplementary information required by GAAP is not presented.
- (4) Property Taxes collected after the end of the fiscal period are not considered available for revenue accrual as described below.

**Fund Accounting**

Financial transactions of the District are reported in individual funds. Each fund uses a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures (or expenses) as appropriate. All funds are considered major funds. The various funds in the report are grouped into governmental (and fiduciary) funds as follows:

***Governmental Funds***

**General Fund**

This fund is used to account for all expendable financial resources, except for those that are required to be accounted for in another fund. In keeping with the principle of having as few funds as are necessary, activities such as food services, maintenance, data processing, printing, and student transportation are included in the General Fund.

**Capital Projects Fund**

This fund is used to account for resources set aside for the acquisition and construction of major capital assets such as land and buildings.

### Debt Service Fund

This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for and the payment of matured general long-term debt principal and interest.

### Special Revenue Fund

In Washington state, the only allowable special revenue fund for school districts is the Associated Student Body (ASB) Fund. This fund is accounted for in the District's financial statements as the financial resources legally belong to the District. As a special revenue fund, amounts within the ASB Fund may only be used for those purposes that relate to the operation of the Associated Student Body of the District.

### ***Fiduciary Funds***

Fiduciary funds include pension and other employee benefit trust funds, private-purpose trust funds, and agency funds, and are used to account for assets that are held in trust by the District in a trustee and agency capacity.

### Private-Purpose Trust Fund

This fund is used to account for resources that are legally held in trust by the District. The trust agreement details whether principal and interest may both be spent, or whether only interest may be spent. Money from a Private-Purpose Trust Fund may not be used to support the District's programs, and may be used to benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments. The District's Trust Fund is used to fund ongoing scholarship opportunities for students.

## **Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and fund financial statement presentation**

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are measurable and available. Revenues are considered "measurable" if the amount of the transaction can be readily determined. Revenues are considered "available" when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Categorical program claims and interdistrict billings are measurable and available and are accrued. Property taxes not collected by the fiscal year end are measurable and recorded as a receivable, however the receivable is not considered available of revenue accrual, but is recorded as a deferred inflow of resources.

Expenditures are recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, except for unmatured principal and interest on long-term debt which are recorded when due. Purchases of capital assets are expensed during the year of acquisition. For federal grants, the recognition of expenditures is dependent on the obligation date. (Obligation means a purchase order has been issued, contracts have been awarded, or goods and/or services have been received.)

## **Budgets**

Chapter 28A.505 RCW and Chapter 392-123 Washington Administrative Code (WAC) mandate school district budget policies and procedures. The board adopts annual appropriated budgets for all governmental funds. These budgets are appropriated at the fund level. The budget constitutes the legal authority for expenditures at that level. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal period.

Budgets are adopted on the same modified accrual basis as used for financial reporting. Fund balance is budgeted as available resources and, under statute, may not be negative, unless the District enters into binding conditions with state oversight pursuant to RCW 28A.505.110.

### **The government's policy regarding whether to first apply restricted or unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.**

The District receives state funding for specific categorical education-related programs. Amounts that are received for these programs that are not used in the current fiscal year may be carried forward into the subsequent fiscal year, where they may be used only for the same purpose as they were originally received. When the District has such carryover, those funds are expended before any amounts received in the current year are expended.

Additionally, the District has other restrictions placed on its financial resources. When expenditures are recorded for purposes for which a restriction or commitment of fund balance is available, those funds that are restricted or committed to that purpose are considered first before any unrestricted or unassigned amounts are expended.

### **The government's fund balance classifications policies and procedures.**

The District classifies ending fund balance for its governmental funds into five categories.

**Nonspendable Fund Balance.** The amounts reported as Nonspendable are resources of the District that are not in spendable format. They are either non-liquid resources such as inventory or prepaid items, or the resources are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

**Restricted Fund Balance.** Amounts that are reported as Restricted are those resources of the District that have had a legal restriction placed on their use either from statute, WAC, or other legal requirements that are beyond the control of the board of directors. Restricted fund balance includes anticipated recovery of revenues that have been received but are restricted as to their usage.

**Committed Fund Balance.** Amounts that are reported as Committed are those resources of the District that have had a limitation placed upon their usage by formal action of the District's board of directors. Commitments are made either through a formal adopted board resolution or are related to a school board policy. Commitments may only be changed when the resources are used for the intended purpose or the limitation is removed by a subsequent formal action of the board of directors.

Assigned Fund Balance. In the General Fund, amounts that are reported as Assigned are those resources that the District has set aside for specific purposes. These accounts reflect tentative management plans for future financial resource use such as the replacement of equipment or the assignment of resources for contingencies. Assignments reduce the amount reported as Unassigned Fund Balance, but may not reduce that balance below zero.

In other governmental funds, Assigned fund balance represents a positive ending spendable fund balance once all restrictions and commitments are considered. These resources are only available for expenditure in that fund and may not be used in any other fund without formal action by the District's board of directors and as allowed by statute.

The Superintendent is the only person who has the authority to create Assignments of fund balance.

Unassigned Fund Balance. In the General Fund, amounts that are reported as Unassigned are those net spendable resources of the District that are not otherwise Restricted, Committed, or Assigned, and may be used for any purpose within the General Fund.

In other governmental funds, Unassigned fund balance represents a deficit ending spendable fund balance once all restrictions and commitments are considered.

A negative Unassigned fund balance means that the legal restrictions and formal commitments of the District exceed its currently available resources.

The Board of Directors has established a minimum fund balance policy whereby unassigned fund balance will be at least 7% of total operating expenses. As of the fiscal year ending August 31, 2017, the District has met its minimum fund balance requirements.

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

All of the District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

## **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies Changes for 2016–2017**

Property Taxes – For purposes of revenue recognition, property taxes received after the fiscal year end are not considered available for revenue accrual as defined by GASBS 33 and Interpretation 5. Amounts outstanding are recognized as a deferred inflow of resources on the financial statements.

Tax Abatements – The Ridgefield School District implemented provisions of GASB Statement 77, Tax Abatement Disclosure. Information about tax abatements entered into by other government entities that affect the district's levy rates. The District did not have any abatements effecting the tax rates.

## **NOTE 2: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

The Clark County Treasurer is the *ex officio* treasurer for the District and holds all accounts of the District. The District directs the County Treasurer to invest those financial resources of the District that the District has determined are not needed to meet the current financial obligations of the District.

The district's deposits and certificates of deposit are entirely covered by federal depository insurance (FDIC) or by collateral held in a multiple financial institution collateral pool administered by the Washington Public Deposit Protection Commission (PDPC).

All of the District's investments during the year and at year-end were insured or registered and held by the District or its agent in the District's name.

Washington State statutes authorize the district to invest in the following types of securities:

- Certificates, notes, or bonds of the United States, its agencies, or any corporation wholly owned by the government of the United States,
- Obligations of government-sponsored corporations which are eligible as collateral for advances to member banks as determined by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System,
- Bankers' acceptances purchased on the secondary market,
- Repurchase agreements for securities listed in the three items above, provided that the transaction is structured so that the public treasurer obtains control over the underlying securities,
- Investment deposits with qualified public depositories,
- Washington State Local Government Investment Pool, and
- County Treasurer Investment Pools.

The District's investments as of August 31, 2017, are as follows:

Type of Investment	District's own investments
County Treasurer's Investment Pool	\$86,319,535

The district's participation in the Clark County Investment Pool is voluntary and the pool is not rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization (NRSRO). The fair value of the district's investment in the pool is measured using a net asset value (NAV) as determined by the pool. The pool maintains a (duration/weighted average maturity) of 9.1 months. Investments are presented at fair value.

## **NOTE 3: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

### **Litigation**

The District has no known legal obligations that would materially impact the financial position of the District.

## **Arbitrage Rebate**

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 requires the District to rebate the earnings on the investment of bond and revenue anticipation note proceeds, in excess of their yield, to the federal government. This requirement is effective for the District's 2012 and 2017 bond issues, currently totaling \$110,765,000 as of August 31, 2017. Of the rebate, 90 percent is due and payable five years from the date bonds were issued and at five-year intervals thereafter. The remaining 10 percent is payable 60 days after they are retired. Because positive arbitrage can be offset against negative arbitrage, the rebateable amount fluctuates each year and may or may not be owed at the payment intervals. The District does not have any contingent rebateable arbitrage liability as of August 31, 2017.

## **Noncompliance with Bond Covenants**

Pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, the District is required annually to file its annual financial statements and certain financial information with the Municipal Securities Rule Making Board's EMMA system. This information is due within 9 months of fiscal year end. The District did not file its continuing financial disclosure requirements timely for the 11-12, 12-13 or 13-14 fiscal years due to turnover in District staff responsible for financial reporting. All required information and a notice of the late filings was subsequently filed.

## **NOTE 4: PENSION PLANS**

### **General Information**

The Washington State Department of Retirement Systems (DRS), a department within the primary government of the state of Washington, prepares a stand-alone comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for each pension plan. The pension plan's basic financial statement is accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. The measurement date of the pension plans is June 30. 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.

The school district is reporting the net pension liability in the notes and on the Schedule of Long-term Liabilities calculated as the district's proportionate allocation percentage multiplied by the total plan collective net pension liability.

Detailed information about the pension plans' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued DRS CAFR. Copies of the report may be obtained by contacting the Washington State Department of Retirement Systems, P.O. Box 48380, Olympia, WA 98504-8380; or online at <http://www.drs.wa.gov/administrations/annual-report>.

### **Membership Participation**

Substantially all school district full-time and qualifying part-time employees participate in one of the following three contributory, multi-employer, cost-sharing statewide retirement systems managed by DRS: Teachers' Retirement System (TRS), Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and School Employees' Retirement System (SERS).



Membership participation by retirement plan as of June 30, 2017, was as follows:

Plan	Retirees and Beneficiaries Receiving Benefits	Inactive Plan Members Entitled to but not yet Receiving Benefits	Active Plan Members
PERS 1	48,268	663	2,593
SERS 2	8,229	5,880	27,011
SERS 3	7,735	8,330	33,890
TRS 1	34,225	188	697
TRS 2	5,076	2,532	19,133
TRS 3	10,289	8,568	54,487

### Membership & Plan Benefits

Certificated employees are members of TRS. Classified employees are members of PERS (if Plan 1) or SERS. Plan 1 under the TRS and PERS programs are defined benefit pension plans whose members joined the system on or before September 30, 1977. TRS 1 and PERS 1 are closed to new entrants.

TRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement system comprised of three separate plans for membership purposes: Plans 1 and 2 are defined benefit plans and Plan 3 is a defined benefit plan with a defined contribution component. TRS eligibility for membership requires service as a certificated public school employee working in an instructional, administrative or supervisory capacity.

TRS is comprised of three separate plans for accounting purposes: Plan 1, Plan 2/3, and Plan 3. Plan 1 accounts for the defined benefits of Plan 1 members. Plan 2/3 accounts for the defined benefits of Plan 2 members and the defined benefit portion of benefits for Plan 3 members. Plan 3 accounts for the defined contribution portion of benefits for Plan 3 members. Although members can only be a member of either Plan 2 or Plan 3, the defined benefit portions of Plan 2 and Plan 3 are accounted for in the same pension trust fund. All assets of this Plan 2/3 defined benefit plan may legally be used to pay the defined benefits of any of the Plan 2 or Plan 3 members or beneficiaries, as defined by the terms of the plan. Therefore, Plan 2/3 is considered to be a single plan for accounting purposes.

TRS Plan 1 provides retirement, disability and death benefits. TRS 1 members were vested after the completion of five years of eligible service. Retirement benefits are determined as two percent of the average final compensation (AFC), for each year of service credit, up to a maximum of 60 percent, divided by twelve. The AFC is the total earnable compensation for the two consecutive highest-paid fiscal years, divided by two. Members are eligible for retirement at any age after 30 years of service, or at the age of 60 with five years of service, or at the age of 55 with 25 years of service. Other benefits include temporary and permanent disability payments, an optional cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), and a one-time duty-related death benefit, if found eligible by the Department of Labor and Industries.

TRS Plan 2/3 provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as two percent of the average final compensation (AFC) per year of service for Plan



2 members and one percent of AFC for Plan 3 members. The AFC is the monthly average of the 60 consecutive highest-paid service credit months. There is no cap on years of service credit. Members are eligible for normal retirement at the age of 65 with at least five years of service credit. Retirement before age 65 is considered an early retirement. TRS Plan 2/3 members, who have at least 20 years of service credit and are 55 years of age or older, are eligible for early retirement with a reduced benefit.

The benefit is reduced by a factor that varies according to age, for each year before age 65. TRS Plan 2/3 members who have 30 or more years of service credit, were hired prior to May 1, 2013, and are at least 55 years old, can retire under one of two provisions: With a benefit that is reduced by three percent for each year before age 65; or with a benefit that has a smaller (or no) reduction (depending on age) that imposes stricter return-to-work rules.

TRS Plan 2/3 members hired on or after May 1, 2013 have the option to retire early by accepting a reduction of five percent for each year of retirement before age 65. This option is available only to those who are age 55 or older and have at least 30 years of service. TRS Plan 2/3 retirement benefits are also actuarially reduced to reflect the choice of a survivor benefit.

Other benefits include duty and non-duty disability payments, a cost-of-living allowance (based on the Consumer Price Index), capped at three percent annually and a one-time duty-related death benefit, if found eligible by the Department of Labor and Industries.

PERS Plan 1 provides retirement, disability and death benefits. PERS 1 members were vested after the completion of five years of eligible service. Retirement benefits are determined as two percent of the member's average final compensation (AFC) times the member's years of service. The AFC is the average of the member's 24 highest consecutive service months. Members are eligible for retirement from active status at any age with at least 30 years of service, at age 55 with at least 25 years of service, or at age 60 with at least five years of service.

Members retiring from inactive status prior to the age of 65 may receive actuarially reduced benefits. PERS Plan 1 retirement benefits are actuarially reduced to reflect the choice of a survivor benefit. Other benefits include duty and non-duty disability payments, an optional cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), and a one-time duty-related death benefit, if found eligible by the Department of Labor and Industries.

SERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement system comprised of two separate plans for membership purposes. SERS Plan 2 is a defined benefit plan and SERS Plan 3 is a defined benefit plan with a defined contribution component. SERS members include classified employees of school districts and educational service districts.

SERS is reported as two separate plans for accounting purposes: Plan 2/3 and Plan 3. Plan 2/3 accounts for the defined benefits of Plan 2 members and the defined benefit portion of benefits for Plan 3 members. Plan 3 accounts for the defined contribution portion of benefits for Plan 3 members.

Although members can only be a member of either Plan 2 or Plan 3, the defined benefit portions of Plan 2 and Plan 3 are accounted for in the same pension trust fund. All assets of this Plan 2/3 defined benefit plan may legally be used to pay the defined benefits of any of the Plan 2 or Plan

3 members or beneficiaries. Therefore, Plan 2/3 is considered to be a single plan for accounting purposes.

SERS provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as two percent of the member's average final compensation (AFC) times the member's years of service for Plan 2 and one percent of AFC for Plan 3. The AFC is the monthly average of the member's 60 highest-paid consecutive service months before retirement, termination or death. There is no cap on years of service credit. Members are eligible for retirement with a full benefit at 65 with at least five years of service credit. Retirement before age 65 is considered an early retirement. SERS members, who have at least 20 years of service credit and are 55 years of age or older, are eligible for early retirement with a reduced benefit.

The benefit is reduced by a factor that varies according to age, for each year before age 65. SERS members who have 30 or more years of service credit and are at least 55 years old can retire under one of two provisions, if hired prior to May 2, 2013: With a benefit that is reduced by three percent for each year before age 65; or with a benefit that has a smaller (or no) reduction (depending on age) that imposes stricter return-to-work rules.

SERS members hired on or after May 1, 2013, have the option to retire early by accepting a reduction of five percent for each year of retirement before age 65. This option is available only to those who are age 55 or older and have at least 30 years of service. SERS retirement benefits are also actuarially reduced to reflect the choice of a survivor benefit. Other benefits include duty and non-duty disability payments, a cost-of-living allowance (based on the Consumer Price Index), capped at three percent annually and a one-time duty-related death benefit, if found eligible by the Department of Labor and Industries.

## **Plan Contributions**

The employer contribution rates for PERS, TRS, and SERS (Plans 1, 2, and 3) and the TRS and SERS Plan 2 employee contribution rates are established by the Pension Funding Council based upon the rates set by the Legislature. The methods used to determine the contribution requirements are established under chapters 41.34 and 41.40 RCW for PERS, 41.34 and 41.35 RCW for SERS, and 41.32 and 41.34 RCW for TRS. Employers do not contribute to the defined contribution portions of TRS Plan 3 or SERS Plan 3. Under current law the employer must contribute 100 percent of the employer-required contribution. The employee contribution rate for Plan 1 in PERS and TRS is set by statute at six percent and does not vary from year to year.

The Employer and employee contribution rates for the PERS plan are effective as of July 1. SERS and TRS contribution rates are effective as of September 1. The pension plan contribution rates (expressed as a percentage of covered payroll) for 2017 were as follows:

Pension Rates			
	7/1/17 Rate	7/1/16 Rate	
<b>PERS 1</b>			
Member Contribution Rate	6.00%	6.00%	
Employer Contribution Rate	12.70%	11.18%	
Pension Rates			
	9/1/17 Rate	9/1/16 Rate	
<b>TRS 1</b>			
Member Contribution Rate	6.00%	6.00%	
Employer Contribution Rate	15.20%	13.13%	
<b>TRS 2</b>			
Member Contribution Rate	7.06%	5.95%	
Employer Contribution Rate	15.20%	13.13%	
<b>TRS 3</b>			
Member Contribution Rate	varies*	varies*	
Employer Contribution Rate	15.20%	13.13%	**
<b>SERS 2</b>			
Member Contribution Rate	7.27%	5.63%	
Employer Contribution Rate	13.48%	11.58%	
<b>SERS 3</b>			
Member Contribution Rate	varies*	varies*	
Employer Contribution Rate	13.48%	11.58%	**
<i>Note: The DRS administrative rate of .0018 is included in the employer rate.</i>			
* = Variable from 5% to 15% based on rate selected by the member.			
** = Defined benefit portion only.			

### The Collective Net Pension Liability

The collective net pension liabilities for the pension plans districts participated in are reported in the following tables.

The Net Pension Liability as of June 30, 2017:				
Dollars in Thousands	PERS 1	SERS 2/3	TRS 1	TRS 2/3
Total Pension Liability	\$12,241,998	\$5,357,035	\$8,782,761	\$13,446,531
Plan fiduciary net position	(\$7,496,920)	(\$4,863,560)	(\$5,759,493)	(\$12,523,588)
Participating employers' net pension liability	\$4,745,078	\$493,475	\$3,023,268	\$922,943
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	61.24%	90.79%	65.58%	93.14%

## The School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (NPL)

At June 30, 2017, the school district reported a total liability of \$8,683,945 for its proportionate shares of the individual plans' collective net pension liability. Proportions of net pension liability is based on annual contributions for each of the employers participating in the DRS administered plans. At June 30, 2017, the district's proportionate share of each plan's net pension liability is reported below:

June 30, 2017	PERS 1	SERS 2/3	TRS 1	TRS 2/3
District's Annual Contributions	\$112,532	\$156,413	\$640,646	\$675,282
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$887,696	\$569,859	\$5,534,855	\$1,691,536

At June 30, 2017, the school district's percentage of the proportionate share of the collective net pension liability was as follows and the change in the allocation percentage from the prior period is illustrated below.

Change in Proportionate Shares	PERS 1	SERS 2/3	TRS 1	TRS 2/3
Current year proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	0.018708%	0.115479%	0.183075%	0.183276%
Prior year proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability	0.012801%	0.084601%	0.157223%	0.157009%
Net difference percentage	0.005907%	0.030877%	0.025853%	0.026267%

## Actuarial Assumptions

Capital Market Assumptions (CMAs) and expected rates of return by asset class provided by the Washington State Investment Board. The Office of the State Actuary relied on the CMAs in the selection of the long-term expected rate of return for reporting purposes.

The total pension liabilities for TRS 1, TRS 2/3, PERS 1 and SERS 2/3 were determined by actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2016, with the results rolled forward to June 30, 2017, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all prior periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0% total economic inflation, 3.75% salary inflation
Salary increases	In addition to the base 3.75% salary inflation assumption, salaries are also expected to grow by promotions and longevity.
Investment rate of return	7.50%

## Mortality Rates

Mortality rates used in the plans were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Table and Combined Disabled Table published by the Society of Actuaries. The Office of the State Actuary applied offsets to the base table and recognized future improvements in mortality by projecting the mortality rates using 100 percent Scale BB. Mortality rates are applied on a generational basis, meaning members are assumed to receive additional mortality improvements in each future year, throughout their lifetime. The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation were based on the results of the *2007–2012 Experience Study Report and the 2015 Economic Experience Study*. Additional assumptions for subsequent events and law changes are current as of the 2016 actuarial valuation report.

## Long-term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which a best-estimate of expected future rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense, but including inflation) are developed for each major asset class by the Washington State Investment Board (WSIB). Those expected returns make up one component of WSIB's CMAs. The CMAs contain three pieces of information for each class of assets the WSIB currently invest in:

- Expected annual return
- Standard deviation of the annual return
- Correlations between the annual returns of each asset class with every other asset class

WSIB uses the CMAs and their target asset allocation to simulate future investment returns over various time horizons.

The long-term expected rate of return of 7.50% percent approximately equals the median of the simulated investment returns over a fifty-year time horizon, increased slightly to remove WSIB's implicit and small short-term downward adjustment due to assumed mean reversion. WSIB's implicit short-term adjustment, while small and appropriate over a ten to fifteen-year period, becomes amplified over a fifty-year measurement period.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plans' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2017, are summarized in the following table:

TRS 1, TRS 2/3, PERS 1, and SERS 2/3		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
Fixed Income	20.00%	1.70%
Tangible Assets	5.00%	4.90%
Real Estate	15.00%	5.80%
Global Equity	37.00%	6.30%
Private Equity	23.00%	9.30%

The inflation component used to create the above table is 2.20 percent, and represents WSIB's most recent long-term estimate of broad economic inflation.

## Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50 percent. To determine the discount rate, an asset sufficiency test was completed to test whether the pension plan's fiduciary net position was sufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Consistent with current law, the completed asset sufficiency test included an assumed 7.70 percent long-term discount rate to determine funding liabilities for calculating future contributions rate requirements. Consistent with the long-term expected rate of return, a 7.50 percent future investment rate of return on invested assets was assumed for the test. Contributions from plan members and employers are assumed to continue to be made at contractually required rates. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members.

Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.50 percent on pension plan investments was applied to determine the total pension liability.

## Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the Ridgefield School District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability (NPL) calculated using the discount rate of 7.5 percent, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (6.5 percent) or one percentage-point higher (8.5 percent) than the current rate. Amounts are calculated using the school district's specific allocation percentage, by plan, to determine the proportionate share of the collective net pension liability.

	1% Decrease (6.5%)	Current Discount Rate (7.5%)	1% Increase (8.5%)
<b>PERS 1 NPL</b>	\$5,780,412,000	\$4,745,078,000	\$3,848,257,000
Allocation Percentage	0.018708%	0.018708%	0.018708%
Proportionate Share of Collective NPL	\$1,081,383	\$887,696	\$719,921
<b>SERS 2/3 NPL</b>	\$1,278,921,000	\$493,475,000	\$(153,665,000)
Allocation Percentage	0.115479%	0.115479%	0.115479%
Proportionate Share of Collective NPL	\$1,476,882	\$569,859	\$(177,450)
<b>TRS 1 NPL</b>	\$3,759,368,000	\$3,023,268,000	\$2,386,123,000
Allocation Percentage	0.183075%	0.183075%	0.183075%
Proportionate Share of Collective NPL	\$6,882,472	\$5,534,855	\$4,368,400
<b>TRS 2/3 NPL</b>	\$3,134,647,000	\$922,943,000	\$(873,375,000)
Allocation Percentage	0.183276%	0.183276%	0.183276%
Proportionate Share of Collective NPL	\$5,745,064	\$1,691,536	\$(1,600,689)

## **NOTE 5: ANNUAL OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT COST AND NET OPEB OBLIGATIONS**

The state, through the Health Care Authority (HCA), administers an agent multi-employer other post-employment benefit plan. The Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB), created within the HCA, is authorized to design benefits and determine the terms and conditions of employee and retired employee participation and coverage, including establishment of eligibility criteria for both active and retired employees. Programs include (medical, dental, life insurance and long-term disability insurance.)

Employers participating in the plan include the state of Washington (which includes general government agencies and higher education institutions), 60 of the state's K–12 school districts and educational service districts (ESDs), and 221 political subdivisions and tribal governments. Additionally, the PEBB plan is available to the retirees of the remaining 237 K–12 school districts and ESDs. The District's retirees are eligible to participate in the PEBB plan under this arrangement.

According to state law, the Washington State Treasurer collects a fee from all school district entities which have employees that are not current active members of the state Health Care Authority but participate in the state retirement system. The purpose of this fee is to cover the impact of the subsidized rate of health care benefits for school retirees that elect to purchase their health care benefits through the state Health Care Authority. For the fiscal year 2016–17, the District was required to pay the HCA \$64.39 per month per full-time equivalent employee to support the program, for a total payment of \$147,855.74. This assessment to the District is set forth in the state's operating budget and is subject to change on an annual basis. This amount is not actuarially determined and is not placed in a trust to pay the obligations for post-employment health care benefits.

The District has no control over the benefits offered to retirees, the rates charged to retirees, nor the fee paid to the Health Care Authority. The District does not determine its annual required contribution nor the net other post-employment benefit obligation associated with this plan. Accordingly, these amounts are not shown on the financial statements.

## **NOTE 6: COMMITMENTS UNDER LEASES**

For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017, the District had incurred additional long-term debt as follows:

Lessor	Amount	Annual Installment	Final Installment Date	Interest Rate	Balance
<b>Lease-Purchase Commitments</b>					
US Bank Corp. (copiers)	\$78,753	\$17,094	2017-2020	4.62%- 5.79%	\$44,247

## **NOTE 7: OTHER SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS**

The District has active construction projects as of August 31, 2017:

Project	Project Authorization Amount	Expended as of 8/31/17	Additional Local Funds Committed	Additional State Funds Committed
5-8 Intermediate School	\$72,754,841	\$10,577,313	\$44,393,809	\$17,783,719
RHS Renovation	\$20,924,058	\$33,555	\$20,890,503	0
RORC	\$5,395,469	\$660,918	\$4,734,551	0
2017 Modulares	\$2,666,194	\$2,484,964	\$181,230	0
Total	\$101,740,562	\$13,756,750	\$70,200,093	\$17,783,719



## Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is employed in governmental funds. Purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of moneys are recorded in order to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Encumbrances lapse at the end of the fiscal year and may be re-encumbered the following year. The following encumbrance amounts were re-encumbered by fund on September 1, 2017:

Fund	Amount
General	\$195,441
ASB Fund	\$14,065
Capital Projects Fund	\$11,445,887

## **NOTE 8: REQUIRED DISCLOSURES ABOUT CAPITAL ASSETS**

The District's capital assets are insured in the amount of \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2017. In the opinion of the District's insurance consultant, the amount is sufficient to adequately fund replacement of the District's assets.

## **NOTE 9: REQUIRED DISCLOSURES ABOUT LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

### Long-Term Debt

Bonds payable at August 31, 2017, are comprised of the following individual issues:

Issue Name	Amount Authorized	Annual Installments	Final Maturity	Interest Rate(s)	Amount Outstanding
2012 UTGO Bond	\$43,675,000	\$1,110,000-\$3,770,000	2032	3.0%-4.62%	\$38,815,000
2013 LGO	\$500,000	\$45,000-\$55,153	2023	2.25%	\$361,498
2017 UTGO Bond	\$71,950,000	\$350,000-\$12,030,000	2036	2.564%-3.678%	\$71,950,000
Total General Obligation Bonds	\$116,125,000				\$111,126,498

The following is a summary of general obligation long-term debt transactions of the District for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2017:

Long-Term Debt Payable at 9/1/2016	\$40,623,697
New Issues	\$71,950,000
Debt Retired	\$1,447,199
Long-Term Debt Payable at 8/31/2017	\$111,126,498

The following is a schedule of annual requirements to amortize debt at August 31, 2017:

Years Ending August 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$1,523,260	\$4,770,694	\$6,293,954
2019	\$1,629,346	\$4,647,799	\$6,277,145
2020	\$2,090,456	\$4,591,176	\$6,681,632
2021	\$2,471,592	\$4,526,578	\$6,998,170
2022	\$2,832,752	\$4,439,604	\$7,272,357
2023-2027	\$20,719,092	\$19,821,575	\$40,540,667
2028-2032	\$39,295,000	\$13,411,622	\$52,706,622
2033-2036	\$40,565,000	\$3,792,500	\$44,357,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$111,126,498</b>	<b>\$60,001,548</b>	<b>\$171,128,046</b>

At August 31, 2017, the District had \$2,945,842 available in the Debt Service Fund to service the general obligation bonds.

## **NOTE 10: INTERFUND BALANCES AND TRANSFERS**

The following table depicts interfund transfer activity:

Transferred From (Fund) 535 or 536	Transferred To (Fund) 965 9900	Amount	Description
General	Debt Service	55,863	Debt Service 2013 Bonds

## **NOTE 11: ENTITY RISK MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

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

### **Property and Casualty Insurance**

The district is a member of United Schools Insurance Program. Chapter 48.62 RCW authorizes the governing body of any one or more governmental entities to form together into or join a pool or organization for the joint purchasing of insurance, and/or joint self-insuring, and/or joint hiring or contracting for risk management services to the same extent that they may individually purchase insurance, self-insure, or hire or contract for risk management services. An agreement to form a pooling arrangement was made pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 39.34 RCW, the Interlocal Cooperation Act. The program was formed on September 1, 1985, when 29 school districts in the state of Washington joined together by signing a Joint Purchasing Agreement to pool their self-insured losses and jointly purchase insurance and administrative services. Current membership includes 154 school districts.

The program allows members to jointly purchase insurance coverage and provide related services, such as administration, risk management, claims administration, etc. Coverage for Wrongful Act Liability and Employee Benefit Liability is on a claims-made basis. All other coverages are on an occurrence basis. The program provides the following forms of group purchased insurance coverage for its members: Property, General Liability, Automotive Liability, Wrongful Acts Liability, and Crime.

Liability insurance is subject to a self-insured retention of \$100,000. Members are responsible for a \$1,000 deductible for each claim (member deductibles may vary), while the program is responsible for the \$100,000 self-insured retention (SIR). Insurance carriers cover insured losses over \$101,000 to the limits of each policy. Since the program is a cooperative program, there is a joint liability among the participating members towards the sharing of the \$100,000 SIR. The program also purchases a stop loss policy with an attachment point of \$994,680, as an additional layer of protection for its members.

Property insurance is subject to a per-occurrence deductible of \$100,000. Members are responsible for \$1,000 deductible for each claim (Member deductibles may vary), while the program is responsible for the \$100,000 SIR. Equipment Breakdown insurance is subject to a per-occurrence deductible of \$10,000. Members are responsible for the deductible amount of each claim.

Members contract to remain in the program for a minimum of one year, and must give notice before August 31 to terminate participation the following September 1. The Interlocal Agreement is renewed automatically each year. Even after termination, a member is still responsible for contributions to the program for any unresolved, unreported, and in-process claims for the period they were a signatory to the Joint Purchasing Agreement.

The program is fully funded by its member participants. Claims are filed by members with Clear Risk Solutions, which has been contracted to perform program administration, claims adjustment, and loss prevention for the program. Fees paid by members to the third party administrator under this arrangement for the year ending August 31, 2017, were \$1,675,950.

A board of directors of nine members is selected by the membership from six areas of the state on a staggered term basis and is responsible for conducting the business affairs of the program. The Board of Directors has contracted with Clear Risk Solutions to perform day-to-day administration of the program. This program has no employees.

### **Unemployment Compensation Insurance**

The district is a member of the SW Washington Unemployment Compensation Pool administered by Educational Service District No. 112. The purpose of this pool is to share the risk of unemployment compensation claims arising from previous employees of the members. The Pool is fully funded by its member participants. Member districts pay a percentage of their employee's wages. These contributions plus investment earnings pay for unemployment claims and for the administration of the fund. There is provision that members can be additionally assessed if the Pool needs additional funding. The financial statements of the Pool may be obtained by contacting Educational Service District No. 112.

### **Workers' Compensation Insurance**

The district is a member of the Worker's Compensation Trust administered by Educational Service District No. 112. This Trust provides industrial injury accident insurance coverage for its membership. The Trust is fully funded by its member participants. Member contributions are calculated based on the members' hours worked. The Trust retains responsibility for the payment of claims within specified self-insured retention limits prior to the application of coverage provided by its excess insurance contracts. The Trust acquires insurance from unrelated underwriters. The Trust's per-occurrence retention limit is \$450,000 and the annual aggregate retention is \$5,170,685. Since the Trust is a cooperative program, there is a joint liability among participating members. The financial statements of the Trust may be obtained by contacting Educational Service District No. 112.

## **NOTE 12: PROPERTY TAXES**

Property tax revenues are collected as the result of special levies passed by the voters in the District. Taxes are levied on January 1. The taxpayer has the obligation of paying all taxes on April 30 or one-half then and one-half on October 31. Typically, slightly more than half of the collections are made on the April 30 date. The tax collections occurring after the end of the fiscal period are unavailable for revenue accrual. Therefore, the fall portion of property taxes is not accrued as revenue. Instead, the property taxes due after the end of the fiscal period are recorded as a deferred inflow of resources.

### **Tax Abatements**

The District was not subject to any tax abatements for fiscal year ending August 31, 2017.

## **NOTE 13: JOINT VENTURES AND JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS**

### **K.W.R.L Cooperative**

The Ridgefield School District is a member of the KWRL Transportation Cooperative and has been a member since the inception of the co-op in 1979. All Co-op revenues and expenditures are included in the financial statements of the Woodland School District. The four school districts split all co-op un-funded costs, admin costs and utility costs. Unfunded costs are calculated by comparing total to/from expenditures to state transportation allocation funding and other miscellaneous revenues.

Ridgefield's percentage of ownership of the co-op for the year ended August 31, 2017 is 35.96%. This percentage is used to determine Ridgefield's share of unfunded administrative costs (\$191,536 of \$535,131), total to/from expenditures (\$1,450,099 of \$4,032,532), and total state allocation of revenues (\$1,294,223 of \$3,599,064).

The District has continuing capital commitments related to its participation in the cooperative. During the fiscal year ending August 31, 2017, the District paid \$19,059 towards this obligation for capital improvements to facilities. Total payments made to the cooperative for transportation services and capital contributions during the fiscal year ending August 31, 2017 were \$259,330.

### **KCDA Purchasing Cooperative**

The District is a member of the King County Director's Association (KCDA). KCDA is a purchasing cooperative designed to pool the member districts' purchasing power. The board authorized joining the association on December 14, 1999, and has remained in the joint venture ever since. The District's current equity of \$8,603 is the accumulation of the annual assignment of KCDA's operating surplus based upon the percentage derived from KCDA's total sales to the District compared to all other districts applied against paid administrative fees. The District may withdraw from the joint venture and will receive its equity in ten annual allocations of merchandise or 15 annual payments.

## Ridgefield Outdoor Recreation Complex (RORC)

The District entered into an interlocal agreement with the City of Ridgefield to jointly construct the Ridgefield Outdoor Recreation Complex at the site of the District's new 5-8 Intermediate School. The total estimated costs of construction for the complex is between \$15-20 million, of which \$5.9 million will be constructed directly by the District in conjunction with the 5-8 Intermediate School Project. The City is expected to reimburse the District for these costs.

As of fiscal year end August 31, 2017, the District recorded expenditures of \$660,918 for this project, and has collected revenues from the City for its contributions of \$69,544. The District's financial statements reflect an outstanding receivable owed by the City of \$591,374 which is offset by an Unavailable Revenue Liability of the same amount. This project is expected to be completed in Fall 2018. When the facility opens in Fall 2018, the District will act as the fiscal agent by recording the revenues and expenditures for the operation of the facility in its financial statements. Operating costs not covered by facility revenues will be shared between the City and District, with 40% being covered by the District, and 60% by the City.

## **NOTE 14: FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATION DETAILS**

The District's financial statements include the following amounts presented in the aggregate.

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund
Nonspendable Fund Balance				
Inventory and Prepaid Items	\$181,204	\$2,268		
Restricted Fund Balance				
For Other Items	\$65,876		\$(591,374)	
For Fund Purpose		\$229,874		
For Carryover of Restricted Revenues	\$11,974			
For Debt Service				\$2,945,842
Restricted from Bond Proceeds			\$69,367,527	
Restricted from Impact Fee Proceeds			\$3,347,124	
Committed Fund Balance				
Other Commitments	\$750,000			
Assigned Fund Balance				
Other Purposes	\$1,044,976			
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$2,056,212			

On August 22, 2017, the board of directors took an action through board Resolution 2016-2017-026 to commit a portion of the District's ending balance towards building maintenance. The amount of fund balance that has been set aside may only be used for that purpose. It cannot be used for any other purpose of the District. This amount is reflected in Committed Fund Balance. Use of these funds requires pre-approval by the school board.

## **NOTE 15: POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS OTHER THAN PENSION PLANS—BOTH IN SEPARATELY ISSUED PLAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EMPLOYER STATEMENTS**

### **457 Plan – Deferred Compensation Plan**

(District employees have the option of participating in a deferred compensation plan as defined in §457 of the Internal Revenue Code that is administered by the state deferred compensation plan, or the District.)

### **403(b) Plan – Tax Sheltered Annuity (TSA)**

The District offers a tax deferred annuity plan for its employees. The plan permits participants to defer a portion of their salary until future years under elective deferrals (employee contribution). The District does not utilize non-elective contributions (employer matching).

The District complies with IRS regulations that require school districts to have a written plan to include participating investment companies, types of investments, loans, transfers, and various requirements. The plan is administered by a third party administrator. The plan assets are assets of the District employees, not the school district, and are therefore not reflected on these financial statements.

## **NOTE 16: TERMINATION BENEFITS**

### **Compensated Absences**

Employees earn sick leave at a rate of 12 days per year up to a maximum of one contract year. Under the provisions of RCW 28A.400.210, sick leave accumulated by District employees is reimbursed at death or retirement at the rate of one day for each four days of accrued leave, limited to 180 accrued days. This chapter also provides for an annual buyout of an amount up to the maximum annual accumulation of 12 days. For buyout purposes, employees may accumulate such leave to a maximum of 192 days, including the annual accumulation, as of December 31 of each year.

These expenditures are recorded when paid, except termination sick leave that is accrued upon death, retirement, or upon termination provided the employee is at least 55 years of age and has sufficient years of service. Vested sick leave was computed using the termination payment method.

Vacation pay, including benefits, that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as expenditures and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it.

No unrecorded liability exists for other employee benefits.

Ridgefield School District No. 122  
Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities  
For the Year Ended August 31, 2017

Description	Beginning Outstanding Debt September 1, 2016	Amount Issued / Increased	Amount Redeemed / Decreased	Ending Outstanding Debt August 31, 2017	Amount Due Within One Year
<b>Voted Debt</b>					
Voted Bonds	40,215,000.00	71,950,000.00	1,400,000.00	110,765,000.00	1,475,000.00
LOCAL Program Proceeds Issued in Lieu of Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Non-Voted Debt and Liabilities</b>					
Non-Voted Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LOCAL Program Proceeds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Leases	61,770.95	0.00	17,524.36	44,246.59	17,094.36
Contracts Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Cancellable Operating Leases	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Claims & Judgements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Compensated Absences	211,666.43	135,277.10	0.00	346,943.53	101,919.85
Long-Term Notes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Anticipation Notes Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lines of Credit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Non-Voted Debt	408,696.58	0.00	47,198.17	361,498.41	48,260.13
<b>Other Liabilities</b>					
<b>Non-Voted Notes Not Recorded as Debt</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Pension Liabilities:					
Net Pension Liabilities TRS 1	5,367,955.00	166,900.00	0.00	5,534,855.00	
Net Pension Liabilities TRS 2/3	2,156,204.00	0.00	464,668.00	1,691,536.00	
Net Pension Liabilities SERS 2/3	555,633.00	14,226.00	0.00	569,859.00	
Net Pension Liabilities PERS 1	687,470.00	200,226.00	0.00	887,696.00	
<b>Total Long-Term Liabilities</b>	49,664,395.96	72,466,629.10	1,929,390.53	120,201,634.53	1,642,274.34



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