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Financial Statements and Federal Single Audit Report

Snohomish School District No. 201

For the period September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

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Board of Directors
Snohomish School District No. 201
Snohomish, Washington

Report on Financial Statements and Federal Single Audit

Please find attached our report on Snohomish School District No. 201's financial statements and compliance with federal laws and regulations.

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

Sincerely,

Pat McCarthy, State Auditor
Olympia, WA

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS

The results of our audit of Snohomish School District No. 201 are summarized below in accordance with Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

Financial Statements

We issued an unmodified opinion on the fair presentation of the District’s financial statements in accordance with its regulatory basis of accounting. Separately, we issued an adverse opinion on the fair presentation with regard to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) because the financial statements are prepared using a basis of accounting other than GAAP.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting:

- *Significant Deficiencies:* We reported no deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.
- *Material Weaknesses:* We identified no deficiencies that we consider to be material weaknesses.

We noted no instances of noncompliance that were material to the financial statements of the District.

Federal Awards

Internal Control over Major Programs:

- *Significant Deficiencies:* We reported no deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control over major federal programs that we consider to be significant deficiencies.
- *Material Weaknesses:* We identified deficiencies that we consider to be material weaknesses.

We issued an unmodified opinion on the District’s compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major federal programs.

We reported findings that are required to be disclosed in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a).

Identification of Major Federal Programs

The following programs were selected as major programs in our audit of compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

<u>ALN</u>	<u>Program or Cluster Title</u>
10.553	Child Nutrition Cluster – School Breakfast Program
10.555	Child Nutrition Cluster – National School Lunch Program
10.559	Child Nutrition Cluster – Summer Food Service Program for Children
21.027	COVID-19 – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs, as prescribed by the Uniform Guidance, was \$750,000.

The District did not qualify as a low-risk auditee under the Uniform Guidance.

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None reported.

SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

See Findings 2023-001 and 2023-002.

SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

2023-001 The District charged unallowable costs to the Supply Chain Assistance award of the Child Nutrition Cluster.

Assistance Listing Number and Title:	10.553 – School Breakfast Program 10.555 – National School Lunch Program 10.559 – Summer Food Service Program for Children
Federal Grantor Name:	U.S. Department of Agriculture
Federal Award/Contract Number:	N/A
Pass-through Entity Name:	Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction
Pass-through Award/Contract Number:	N/A
Known Questioned Cost Amount:	\$25,938
Prior Year Audit Finding:	N/A

Background

The District participates in the Child Nutrition Cluster, which includes the School Breakfast Program, National School Lunch Program and Summer Food Service Program for Children. These programs provide free or reduced-price meals to students from families with low incomes. In the 2022–2023 school year, the District received \$1,571,422 in federal funding, including \$287,371 in Supply Chain Assistance awards, to administer these programs.

Federal regulations require school districts to comply with allowable uses of the funds. Specifically, for the Supply Chain Assistance awards, district must use funds exclusively to purchase domestic, unprocessed or minimally processed food products for the school meal programs.

Description of Condition

The District had adequate internal controls for ensuring it materially complied with activities allowed and allowable cost requirements. While the District had a process to track all food items it claimed under the Supply Chain Assistance award, our audit found the District charged unallowable and unsupported food items to the award.

Cause of Condition

The Supply Chain Assistance award was new for the Child Nutrition Cluster in the 2022–2023 school year. The District did not perform sufficient monitoring and relied on one staff member to ensure allowable costs were applied to the program. Staff were unfamiliar with the restrictive requirements for the award and claimed all food-related expenditures as allowable.

Effect of Condition and Questioned Costs

We determined the District received reimbursement for 17 unallowed food purchases of processed food products totaling \$25,938. We are questioning these costs.

Federal regulations require the Office of the Washington State Auditor to report known questioned costs that are more than \$25,000 for each type of compliance requirement. Failure to comply with federal requirements may jeopardize the District's eligibility for future federal assistance.

Recommendation

We recommend the District monitor to ensure staff understand program requirements and only charge allowable costs to federal programs in compliance with federal allowable cost requirements.

District's Response

The district concurs with the auditors regarding claiming processed items under the Supply Chain Assistance award. Although the district was aware of the restrictions on this award and sought input from others regarding the allowability of the claimed items, there were several processed food products that slipped into the final claim. The disallowed items cost a total of \$25,938. The district had an additional list of fruits and vegetables for 2022-23 totaling \$75,059.71 that were not included in the original claim, an amount far exceeding the disallowed total.

For 2023-2024, the district has made multiple checks for processed vs unprocessed foods claimed in the Supply Chain Assistance award. This includes multiple staff reviewing the claimed items and cross-checking against the 2022-2023 claim. All items deemed processed have been removed from the 2023-2024 claim.

Auditor's Remarks

We thank the District for its cooperation throughout the audit and the steps it is taking to address these concerns. We will review the status of the District's corrective action during our next audit.

Applicable Laws and Regulations

Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), section 516, Audit findings, establishes reporting requirements for audit findings.

Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Guidance, Subpart E, Cost Principles, establishes requirements for determining allowable costs and supporting costs allocated to federal programs.

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) Bulletin 029-22, Child Nutrition Services, establishes requirements for allowable use of Supply Chain Assistance funds.

SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

2023-002 The District's internal controls were inadequate for ensuring compliance with federal procurement requirements.

Assistance Listing Number and Title:	21.027 – COVID 19 – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
Federal Grantor Name:	U.S. Department of the Treasury
Federal Award/Contract Number:	N/A
Pass-through Entity Name:	City of Snohomish, Snohomish County
Pass-through Award/Contract Number:	BH-22-AR-03-242, EL-22-AR-26-034
Known Questioned Cost Amount:	\$0
Prior Year Audit Finding:	N/A

Background

During fiscal year 2023, the District spent \$292,149 in federal funds from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program to provide mental health counseling, community resource navigation and early learning services. The objective of the program is to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic's negative effects on public health and the economy, provide premium pay to essential workers during the pandemic, provide government services to the extent COVID-19 caused a reduction in revenues collected and make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure.

Federal regulations require recipients to establish and maintain internal controls that ensure compliance with program requirements. These controls include understanding program requirements and monitoring the effectiveness of established program controls.

When using federal funds to purchase services, governments must apply the most restrictive of federal requirements, state laws or local policies by obtaining quotes or following a competitive bidding process, depending on the estimated cost of the purchase. District policy conforms to the most restrictive laws and requires that it must obtain price or rate quotations from a reasonable number (for example, more than one) of qualified sources for personal services costing between \$10,000 and \$250,000.

Description of Condition

The District contracted with an external staffing agency to obtain three mental health counselors' services. The District entered into three separate contracts with the staffing agency for these services. The District paid the staffing agency, which then paid the counselors for their work.

The District's internal controls were not effective for ensuring it complied with federal procurement requirements. Specifically, the District did not follow its policy for procuring and awarding the contracts to the staffing agency. The District paid the external staffing agency \$184,680 for mental health counselor services and charged these costs to the federal program. We consider this internal control deficiency to be a material weakness that led to material noncompliance.

Cause of Condition

District staff misunderstood federal procurement requirements and believed that these services were for unique staffing situations and therefore exempt from competitive procurement. As a result, the District did not obtain more than one quote for staffing agency services as required.

Effect of Condition

Without soliciting more than one quote as required, the District cannot demonstrate that it complied with its policy and federal regulations and received the best price for the staffing agency services or selected the most qualified contractor.

Recommendation

We recommend the District strengthen internal controls to ensure staff responsible for procuring services understand and follow federal procurement requirements and the District's own procurement policies and procedures.

District's Response

The District agrees that it should have followed policy 6220, which requires the District to obtain price or rate quotations from a reasonable number of qualified sources for personal services costing between \$10,000 and \$250,000. The District will follow its policy for services purchased with Federal Funds in the future.

Auditor's Remarks

We thank the District for its cooperation throughout the audit and the steps it is taking to address these concerns. We will review the status of the District's corrective action during our next audit.

Applicable Laws and Regulations

Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), section 516, Audit findings, establishes reporting requirements for audit findings.

Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Guidance, section 303, Internal controls, describes the requirements for auditees to maintain internal controls over federal programs and comply with federal program requirements.

The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants defines significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in its *Codification of Statements on Auditing Standards*, section 935, Compliance Audits, paragraph 11.

Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Guidance, section 318, General procurement standards, establishes requirements for written procedures and requirements for maintaining records sufficient to detail the history of procurement.

Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Guidance, section 320, Methods of procurement to be followed, establishes requirements for procuring with Federal funds by nonfederal entities.



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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

Snohomish School District No. 201

September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

This schedule presents the status of findings reported in prior audit periods.

Audit Period: 2022	Report Reference No.: 1032822	Finding Ref. No.: 2022-001	ALN(s): 32.009
Federal Program Name and Granting Agency: COVID-19 –Emergency Connectivity Fund Program – Federal Communications Commission		Pass-Through Agency Name: N/A	
Finding Caption: <p>The District did not have adequate internal controls for ensuring compliance with allowable activities and costs, procurement, and restricted purpose requirements.</p>			
Background: <p>The District purchased \$971,697 in laptops based on its estimate of unmet need. However, when the District requested grant reimbursement, it did not maintain documentation showing the District provided each laptop paid with program funds to a student and staff member with unmet need and only provided each student and staff member with one device. Lastly, the District could not demonstrate it followed state law and its own policy when procurement equipment and services that was/were charged to the ECF program.</p> <p>As a result, the District was unable to demonstrate compliance with program requirements.</p>			
Status of Corrective Action: (check one) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Corrected </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Partially Corrected </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Corrected </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Finding is considered no longer valid </div> </div>			
Corrective Action Taken: <p><i>The District will collaborate more closely between the Business Office and the Technology Department on computer purchases and which purchasing cooperative is used. The Business Office will verify cooperatives are government agencies or groups of governments. In addition, the district will have multiple people between the Business Office and the Technology Department review federal grant requirements to make sure that we are properly claiming grants and following all of the requirements as presented. The District is awaiting final determination from the granting agency (Federal Communications Commission).</i></p>			

Audit Period: 2022	Report Reference No.: 1032822	Finding Ref. No.: 2022-002	ALN(s): 84.425
Federal Program Name and Granting Agency: COVID-19 – Education Stabilization Fund		Pass-Through Agency Name: Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction	
Finding Caption: The District did not have adequate internal controls for ensuring compliance with wage rate requirements.			
Background: The District spent \$622,303 of its Education Stabilization Fund (ESF) program during the period. Of this amount, the District paid \$329,379 from its ESSER III award to one contractor for three projects to update the heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems to improve air quality and circulation to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Our audit found the District did not have adequate internal controls for ensuring compliance with federal prevailing wage rate requirements. Specifically, the District did not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include the required prevailing wage provision in the contract • Collect weekly certified payroll reports from the contractor to confirm it paid laborers proper prevailing wages 			
Status of Corrective Action: (check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fully Corrected <input type="checkbox"/> Partially Corrected <input type="checkbox"/> Not Corrected <input type="checkbox"/> Finding is considered no longer valid			
Corrective Action Taken: <i>Before entering into contracts, the District will identify projects which are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act. This includes any project financed with Federal funds, costing more than \$2,000, for actual construction, alteration, or repairs of any District building or work. For any project subject to the provisions of the Davis Bacon Act ("Act"), the District will do the following:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All contracts will contain a clause requiring the contractor to follow all labor standard provisions of the Act, including:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Minimum wages</i> • <i>Withholding</i> • <i>Payroll and basic records</i> • <i>Apprentices and trainees</i> • <i>Every week that work is performed, the District will receive from the contractor a copy of all payroll records, including those of subcontractors, which will contain the following:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Employee's full name and last four digits of their social security number</i> • <i>Birth date, if younger than 19</i> 			

- *Sex and occupation*
- *Time and day of week when employee's workweek begins*
- *Hours worked for each day*
- *Total hours worked for each work week*
- *Basis on which hours are paid (\$/hour, \$'s per week, etc.)*
- *Regular hourly pay rate*
- *Total daily or weekly straight time earnings*
- *Total overtime earnings for the work week*
- *All additions to or deductions from the employee's wages*
- *Total wages paid for each pay period*
- *Date of payment and the pay period covered by the payment*
- *For each weekly payroll record submitted, the contractor will also submit a Statement of Compliance that shall certify:*
 - *That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be provided under the Act*
 - *That each worker employed has been paid the full weekly wages earned according to the Act, other than permissible deductions*
 - *That each worker has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed*

The District will review the weekly payroll records to verify that the information in the records submitted conforms to the requirements of the Act. The person reviewing the records will sign the records assuring they have reviewed the records and they do conform to the Act.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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*

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

Board of Directors
Snohomish School District No. 201
Snohomish, 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 Snohomish School District No. 201, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 28, 2024.

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.

REPORT ON 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) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the 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 above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. 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

October 28, 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

Board of Directors
Snohomish School District No. 201
Snohomish, Washington

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the compliance of Snohomish School District No. 201, with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. *Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2023. The District's major federal programs are identified in the auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); 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)* are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance will always detect a material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

Performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance includes the following responsibilities:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit;
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances;
- Obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances 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 the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed; and
- We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs as Findings 2023-001 and 2023-002. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

REPORT ON 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 audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed. Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

However, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs as Finding 2023-002, that we consider to be a material weakness.

District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

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. 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

October 28, 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

Board of Directors
Snohomish School District No. 201
Snohomish, Washington

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unmodified and Adverse Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of Snohomish School District No. 201, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the financial section of our report.

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 state law and the accounting practices prescribed by the *Accounting Manual for Public School Districts in the State of Washington* (Accounting Manual). Those accounting practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The differences in these accounting practices are also described in Note 1.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the regulatory basis financial position of Snohomish School District No. 201, as of the year ended August 31, 2023, and the regulatory basis of changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting as described in Note 1.

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 Snohomish School District No. 201, as of August 31, 2023, or the changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended, because of the significance of the matter discussed below.

Basis for Unmodified and Adverse Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and *Governmental Auditing Standards*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our unmodified and adverse audit opinions.

Matter Giving Rise to 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. As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the government-wide financial statements are prepared by the District in accordance with state law using accounting practices prescribed by the Accounting Manual, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory 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 and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of state law and the 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and

Government Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* includes the following responsibilities:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit;
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements;
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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, no such opinion is expressed;
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements;
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time; and
- We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). The Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities is also presented for purposes of additional analysis, as required by the prescribed Accounting Manual. These schedules are 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 as a whole.

OTHER REPORTING REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 28, 2024 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 effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat McCarthy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pat McCarthy, State Auditor

Olympia, WA

October 28, 2024

FINANCIAL SECTION

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

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Snohomish School District No. 201
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
August 31, 2023

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
Assets							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,414,538.70	455,066.48	103,611.45	722,047.87	5,128.43	0.00	4,700,392.93
Minus Warrants Outstanding	-2,931,420.68	-63,589.36	0.00	-676,044.30	0.00	0.00	-3,671,054.34
Taxes Receivable	11,731,315.88		13,432,631.76	3,905,875.36	94.22		29,069,917.22
Due From Other Funds	248,442.60	0.00	0.00	357.61	0.00	0.00	248,800.21
Due From Other Governmental Units	1,048,602.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,048,602.18
Accounts Receivable	244,515.76	24,977.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	269,493.72
Interfund Loans Receivable	0.00						0.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	8,151.17	0.00	10,431.21	2,831.80	3,052.44	0.00	24,466.62
Inventory	110,008.22	0.00		0.00			110,008.22
Prepaid Items	1,558,853.83	47,026.54			0.00	0.00	1,605,880.37
Investments	14,757,500.97	1,946,666.98	16,322,649.45	7,865,027.47	3,766,986.59	0.00	44,658,831.46
Investments/Cash With Trustee	0.00		18,974,241.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,974,241.60
Investments-Deferred Compensation	0.00			0.00			0.00
Self-Insurance Security Deposit	0.00						0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	30,190,508.63	2,410,148.60	48,843,565.47	11,820,095.81	3,775,261.68	0.00	97,039,580.19
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:							
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	30,190,508.63	2,410,148.60	48,843,565.47	11,820,095.81	3,775,261.68	0.00	97,039,580.19
LIABILITIES							
Accounts Payable	1,975,840.59	11,233.75	0.00	1,761,464.61	0.00	0.00	3,748,538.95
Contracts Payable Current	8,414.45	0.00		127,176.03	0.00	0.00	135,590.48
Accrued Interest Payable			0.00				0.00

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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
August 31, 2023

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
Accrued Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00
Anticipation Notes Payable	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
LIABILITIES:							
Payroll Deductions and Taxes Payable	117,261.06	1,199.89		0.00			118,460.95
Due To Other Governmental Units	2,336.71	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	2,336.71
Deferred Compensation Payable	0.00			0.00			0.00
Estimated Employee Benefits Payable	0.00						0.00
Due To Other Funds	357.61	42,484.63	0.00	205,957.97	0.00	0.00	248,800.21
Interfund Loans Payable	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Deposits	0.00	0.00		0.00			0.00
Unearned Revenue	341,551.58	369,591.70	0.00	0.00	0.00		711,143.28
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	0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,445,762.00	424,509.97	0.00	2,094,598.61	0.00	0.00	4,964,870.58
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Unavailable Revenue	-173,991.08	0.00	-222,659.90	0.00	-65,156.04	0.00	-461,807.02
Unavailable Revenue - Taxes Receivable	11,731,315.88		13,432,631.76	3,905,875.36	94.22		29,069,917.22
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	11,557,324.80	0.00	13,209,971.86	3,905,875.36	-65,061.82	0.00	28,608,110.20
FUND BALANCE:							
Nonspendable Fund Balance	1,668,862.05	47,026.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,715,888.59
Restricted Fund Balance	1,040,122.86	1,938,612.09	35,633,593.61	100,491.13	3,840,323.50	0.00	42,553,143.19
Committed Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,648,771.26	0.00	0.00	4,648,771.26
Assigned Fund Balance	5,105,623.07	0.00	0.00	1,070,359.45	0.00	0.00	6,175,982.52

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

Snohomish School District No. 201
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
August 31, 2023

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
Unassigned Fund Balance	8,372,813.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,372,813.85
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	16,187,421.83	1,985,638.63	35,633,593.61	5,819,621.84	3,840,323.50	0.00	63,466,599.41
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE	30,190,508.63	2,410,148.60	48,843,565.47	11,820,095.81	3,775,261.68	0.00	97,039,580.19

Snohomish School District No. 201

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
REVENUES:							
Local	27,928,200.10	2,067,038.00	28,921,954.43	8,233,742.53	103,522.58		67,254,457.64
State	121,660,029.57		12,055.51	77,044.77	1,034,234.04		122,783,363.89
Federal	5,962,866.52		829,099.72	0.00	0.00		6,791,966.24
Other	779,498.67			0.00	0.00	0.00	779,498.67
TOTAL REVENUES	156,330,594.86	2,067,038.00	29,763,109.66	8,310,787.30	1,137,756.62	0.00	197,609,286.44
EXPENDITURES:							
CURRENT:							
Regular Instruction	93,127,592.02						93,127,592.02
Special Education	25,074,060.14						25,074,060.14
Vocational Education	5,614,274.74						5,614,274.74
Skill Center	0.00						0.00
Compensatory Programs	3,538,382.44						3,538,382.44
Other Instructional Programs	1,176,855.70						1,176,855.70
Federal Stimulus COVID-19	1,610,727.63						1,610,727.63
Community Services	3,789,223.27						3,789,223.27
Support Services	28,615,551.00						28,615,551.00
Student Activities/Other		1,935,575.27				0.00	1,935,575.27
CAPITAL OUTLAY:							
Sites				138,958.78			138,958.78
Building				3,783,865.02			3,783,865.02
Equipment				63,742.33			63,742.33
Instructional Technology				0.00		0.00	0.00
Energy				0.00	0.00		0.00
Transportation Equipment					883,255.20		883,255.20
Sales and Lease				0.00			0.00
Other	2,354,657.11						2,354,657.11
DEBT SERVICE:							
Principal	1,452,201.64		18,457,787.62	0.00	0.00		19,909,989.26

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

Snohomish School District No. 201

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

	General Fund	ASB Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Transportation Vehicle Fund	Permanent Fund	Total
Interest and Other Charges	102,751.27		9,775,912.73	0.00	0.00		9,878,664.00
Bond/Levy Issuance				0.00	0.00		0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	166,456,276.96	1,935,575.27	28,233,700.35	3,986,566.13	883,255.20	0.00	201,495,373.91
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	-10,125,682.10	131,462.73	1,529,409.31	4,324,221.17	254,501.42	0.00	-3,886,087.47
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :							
Bond Sales & Refunding Bond Sales	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Long-Term Financing	1,971,081.38		0.00	0.00	0.00		1,971,081.38
Transfers In	5,309,832.35		0.00	1,105,857.22	0.00		6,415,689.57
Transfers Out (GL 536)	-1,000,000.00		-105,857.22	-5,309,832.35	0.00	0.00	-6,415,689.57
Other Financing Uses (GL 535)	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Other	16,131.80		0.00	0.00	57,005.02		73,136.82
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	6,297,045.53		-105,857.22	-4,203,975.13	57,005.02	0.00	2,044,218.20
EXCESS OF REVENUES/OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	-3,828,636.57	131,462.73	1,423,552.09	120,246.04	311,506.44	0.00	-1,841,869.27
BEGINNING TOTAL FUND BALANCE	20,016,058.40	1,854,175.90	34,210,041.52	5,699,375.80	3,528,817.06	0.00	65,308,468.68
Prior Year(s) Corrections or Restatements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ENDING TOTAL FUND BALANCE	16,187,421.83	1,985,638.63	35,633,593.61	5,819,621.84	3,840,323.50	0.00	63,466,599.41

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

Snohomish School District No. 201
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
August 31, 2023

	Custodial Funds	Private Purpose Trust
ASSETS:		
Imprest Cash	0.00	0.00
Cash On Hand	0.00	0.00
Cash On Deposit with Cty Treas	0.00	1,084.11
Minus Warrants Outstanding	0.00	0.00
Due From Other Governmental Units	0.00	0.00
Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	35,963.70
Investments/Cash With Trustee	0.00	0.00
Other Assets	0.00	0.00
Capital Assets, Land	0.00	0.00
Capital Assets, Buildings	0.00	0.00
Capital Assets, Equipment	0.00	0.00
Accum Depreciation, Buildings	0.00	0.00
Accum Depreciation, Equipment	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	0.00	37,047.81
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts Payable	0.00	0.00
Due To Other Governmental Units	0.00	0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0.00	0.00
NET POSITION:		
Restricted for:		
Restricted For Intact Trust Principal	0.00	5,867.84
Restricted for Individuals, Organizations, and Other Governments - CF	0.00	
Restricted for Individuals, Organizations, and Other Governments - PPT		0.00
Restricted For Other Purposes	0.00	31,179.97
TOTAL NET POSITION	0.00	37,047.81

Snohomish School District No. 201
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

	Custodial Funds	Private Purpose Trust
ADDITIONS:		
Contributions:		
Private Donations	0.00	0.00
Employer		0.00
Members		0.00
Other	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	0.00	0.00
Investment Income:		
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value	0.00	0.00
Interest and Dividends	0.00	1,478.08
Less Investment Expenses	0.00	0.00
Net Investment Income	0.00	1,478.08
Other Additions:		
Rent or Lease Revenue	0.00	0.00
Total Other Additions	0.00	0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONS	0.00	1,478.08
DEDUCTIONS:		
Benefits		0.00
Refund of Contributions	0.00	0.00
Administrative Expenses	0.00	0.00
Scholarships	0.00	
Other	0.00	93.93
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	0.00	93.93
Net Increase (Decrease)	0.00	1,384.15
Net Position - Beginning Balance	0.00	35,663.66
Prior Year (s) Corrections or Restatements	0.00	0.00
NET POSITION--ENDING	0.00	37,047.81

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

SNOHOMISH SCHOOL DISTRICT #201

Notes to the Financial Statements

September 1, 2022 Through August 31, 2023

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Snohomish 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 Funds

These funds account for financial resources that are to be used for the construction or acquisition of major capital assets. There are two funds that are considered to be of the capital projects fund type: the Capital Projects Fund and the Transportation Vehicle 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.

Transportation Vehicle Fund. This fund is used to account for the purchase, major repair, rebuilding, and debt service expenditures that relate to pupil transportation equipment.

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.

Permanent Funds

These funds are used to report resources that are legally restricted such that only earnings, and not principal, may be expended. Amounts in the Permanent Fund may only be spent in support of the District's programs and may not be used to the benefit of any individual.

Fiduciary Funds

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

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 revenue and 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 or Executive Director of Business Services are the only person (persons) who have 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.

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.

Capitalization Threshold for Leases and Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs)

The District follows the modified accrual basis of accounting in its treatment of leases and SBITAs. Agreements are evaluated regarding the lease term, payments, and discount rates as well as materiality to the District's financial position. The District's capitalization threshold for recognition of leases and SBITAs is \$50,000. Arrangements that are considered short term or do not meet capitalization thresholds are treated as revenues and expenditures in the current year.

Inventory

Inventory is valued at cost using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. The consumption method of inventory is used, which charges inventory as an expenditure when it is consumed. A portion of fund balance, representing inventory, is considered Nonspendable. Such reserves for inventory indicate that a portion of net current assets is set aside to replace or increase the inventory. USDA commodity inventory consists of food donated by the United States Department of Agriculture. It is valued at the prices paid by the USDA for the commodities.

Accounting and Reporting Changes

Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA)

For the year ended August 31, 2023, the district implemented guidance for the presentation and disclosures of Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA), as required by the School District Accounting Manual. These changes were in response to the provisions of GASB Statement No. 96.

As a result, beginning balances for SBITA liabilities presented on the Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities have been restated to reflect implementation of these requirements.

Information regarding the District's SBITAs are presented in the subsequent note, as applicable.

NOTE 2: DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

All of the District's bank balances are insured by the Federal Depositary Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or by collateral held in a multiple financial institution collateral pool administered by the Washington Public Deposit Protection Commission (PDPC).

Statutes authorize the District to invest in (1) securities, certificates, notes, bonds, short-term securities, or other obligations of the United States, and (2) deposits in any state bank or trust company, national banking association, stock savings bank, mutual savings bank, savings and loan association, and any branch bank engaged in banking in the state in accordance with RCW 30.04.300 if the institution has been approved by the Public Deposit Protection Commission to hold public deposits and has segregated eligible collateral having a value of not less than its maximum liability.

The Snohomish 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 mostly 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).

The district's participation in the Snohomish County Investment Pool is voluntary and the pool does not have a credit rating. The district reports its investment in the pool at the fair value amount, which is [not] the same as the value of the pool per share. 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 1.62 years.

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, 2023, are as follows:

Type of Investment	(District's) own investments	Investments held by (district) as an agent for other organizations	Total
State Treasurer's Investment Pool	\$34,489,075	\$35,964	\$34,525,039
Snohomish County Investment Pool	\$10,169,756		\$10,169,756
U.S. Bank (Treasury Notes)	\$18,974,242		\$18,974,242
Total	\$63,633,073	\$35,964	\$63,669,037

The District is a participant in the Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP). The LGIP was authorized by Chapter 294, Laws of 1986, and is managed and operated by the Washington State Treasurer. The State Finance Committee is the administrator of the statute that created the LGIP and adopts rules. The State Treasurer is responsible for establishing the investment policy for the LGIP and reviews the policy annually; proposed changes are reviewed by the LGIP Advisory Committee.

The LGIP is an unrated external investment pool. Investments in the Pool are reported at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. The Pool is invested in manner that meets the

maturity, quality, diversification, and liquidity requirements set forth by generally accepted accounting principles for external investment pools that elect to measure, for financial reporting purposes, investments at amortized cost. The Pool does not have any legally binding guarantees of share values.

The Pool does not impose liquidity fees or redemption gates on participant withdrawals. It is the policy of the Pool to permit participants to withdraw their investments on a daily basis; therefore, the District's investment balance in the Pool is equal to fair value. Fair value is measured using quoted prices in active markets for identical assets that the pool can access at the measurement date (Level 1 Inputs). Observable markets include exchange markets, dealer markets, brokered markets and principal-to-principal markets.

The Office of the State Treasurer prepares a stand-alone LGIP financial report. A copy of the report is available from the Office of the State Treasurer, PO Box 40200, Olympia, Washington 98504-0200, online at <http://www.tre.wa.gov>.

The district's participation in the Snohomish County Investment Pool is voluntary and the pool does not have a credit rating. The district reports its investments in the pool at the fair market value amount, which is not the same as the value of the pool per share. 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 1.99.

The following risks are disclosed for our investments in U.S. Bank.

- Credit Risk: There is no credit risk as the investments for the U.S. Bank are AAA securities guaranteed by the U.S. Government.
- Custodial Credit Risk: The funds are held with U.S. Bank in a sinking fund in the name of Snohomish School District and will not be released until maturity in 2025 and 2029.
- Interest Rate Risk: Interest rate risk is the risk the County and U.S. Bank may face should interest rate variances affect the fair value of investments. In accordance with its' investment policy, the County manages its exposure to investments that are highly sensitive to changes in fair value due to interest rate change by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investments.

NOTE 3: SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Litigation

The district currently has no active claims.

On July 27, 2022, a suit was filed against the district regarding a student-to-student sexual assault that occurred in the early 1980's. This claim was settled on 9/18/2023 for \$25,000, paid through our insurer at the time of the incident.

A law firm has notified the district that they have a pending claim regarding an injury a student received as a result of a student fight on 5/4/2023. No claim has yet been filed.

Another law firm has filed records requests and done some preliminary investigations relating to an injury suffered on a playground by an elementary student on 10/3/2023. No claim has yet been filed.

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 bond issue(s) after September 1, 1986, currently totaling \$209,780,009 million as of August 31. 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 rebatable amount fluctuates each year and may or may not be owed at the payment intervals. The District currently does not have any contingent rebatable arbitrage.

Emergency Connectivity Funds 2021-22 Audit Findings

The Snohomish School District received audit findings for the Emergency Connectivity Funds Grant, which was administered by the Federal Communications Commission. We are awaiting their final decision if they will request repayment of funds.

The amount of revenue received from the ECF grant are listed below by fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	ECF Grant Revenue	Notes
2021-22	\$971,697	
2022-23	\$130,935	*
2023-24	\$727,612	*Revenue as of 12-7-23
Total	\$1,830,244	

*Fiscal year has not yet been audited.

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 annual comprehensive financial report 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. The DRS total collective net pension liabilities for the pension plans school districts participate in are shown here.

The Collective Net Pension Liability (Asset)

The collective net pension liability or asset for the pension plans districts participated in are reported in the following tables.

The Collective Net Pension Liability or (Asset) as of June 30, 2023				
	Total Pension Liability	Plan fiduciary net position	Participating employers' net pension liability or (Asset)	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability
PERS 1	11,508,253,000	9,225,521,000	2,282,732,000	80.16%
SERS 2/3	9,283,864,000	9,427,008,000	(143,144,000)	101.54%
TRS 1	8,491,576,000	7,225,059,000	1,266,517,000	85.09%
TRS 2/3	24,937,867,000	25,060,682,000	(122,815,000)	100.49%

Detailed information about the pension plans' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued DRS report. 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 [Annual Comprehensive Financial Report](#) or <http://www.drs.wa.gov>.

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 & 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 Plan Information

TRS was established in 1938, and its retirement provisions are contained in Chapters 41.32 and 41.34 RCW. TRS eligibility for membership requires service as a certificated, public-school employee working in an instructional, administrative, or supervisory capacity. TRS is a cost-sharing multi-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 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 a single plan for accounting purposes.

TRS Plan 1 provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Retirement benefits are calculated using 2% of the member's Average Final Compensation (AFC) times the member's years of service – up to a maximum of 60%. AFC is the average of the member's two consecutive highest-paid fiscal years.

Members are eligible for retirement at any age after 30 years of service, 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).

TRS Plan 2/3 provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits for Plan 2 are calculated using 2% of the member's Average Final Compensation (AFC) times the member's years of service. Retirement defined benefits for Plan 3 are calculated using 1% of AFC times the member's years of service. AFC is the monthly average of the member's 60 consecutive highest-paid service credit months. TRS Plan 2/3 has no cap on years of service credit.

Members are eligible for retirement with a full benefit at age 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 retirement benefits are actuarially reduced to reflect the choice of a survivor benefit.

Other TRS Plan 2/3 benefits include a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) based on the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3% annually.

Annuities purchased with plan 3 defined contributions that are invested within the WSIB TAP are considered defined benefits. Plan 3 WSIB TAP annuities are actuarially reduced if a survivor benefit is chosen and TAP annuities include a COLA of 3% annually.

TRS Plan 3 defined contribution benefits are totally dependent on employee contributions and investment earnings on those contributions. Members are eligible to withdraw their defined contribution upon separation. Members have multiple withdrawal options, including purchase of an annuity.

PERS Plan Information

PERS was established in 1947, and its retirement benefit provisions are contained in Chapters 41.34 and 41.40 RCW. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement system. PERS Plan 1 provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 2% times the member's Average Final Compensation (AFC) times the member's years of services. 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.

PERS Plan 1 retirement benefits are actuarially reduced if a survivor benefit is chosen. Members retiring from inactive status before age 65 may also receive actuarially reduced benefits. Other benefits include an optional Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA).

SERS Plan Information

SERS was established by the legislature in 1998, and the plan became effective in 2000. SERS retirement benefit provisions are established in Chapters 41.34 and 41.35 RCW. SERS members include classified employees of school districts and educational service districts. SERS is a cost-sharing, multiemployer 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.

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 a single plan for accounting purposes.

SERS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Retirement benefits for Plan 2 are calculated as 2% times the member's Average Final Compensation (AFC) times the member's years of service. Defined benefits for Plan 3 are calculated using 1% times the member's AFC times the member's years of service. AFC is the monthly average of the member's 60 consecutive highest-paid service credit months.

Members are eligible for retirement with a full benefit at age 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 Plan 2/3 retirement benefits are actuarially reduced if a survivor benefit is chosen.

Other SERS Plan 2/3 benefits include a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) based on the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3% annually.

SERS 3 defined contributions benefits are totally dependent on employee contributions and the investment earnings on those contributions. Annuities purchased with plan 3 defined contributions that are invested within the WSIB TAP are considered defined benefits. Plan 3 WSIB TAP annuities are actuarially reduced if a survivor benefit is chosen and TAP annuities include a 3% annually.

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 state statute in accordance with Chapters 41.40 and 41.45 RCW for PERS, Chapters 41.35 and 41.45 RCW for SERS, and Chapters 41.32 and 41.45 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 all plans were effective as of September 1, 2022. PERS contribution rates changed on July 1, 2023. The pension plan contribution rates (expressed as a percentage of covered payroll) for fiscal year 2023 are listed below:

	From this date	Through this date	Member rate	Employer rate	
PERS 1	7/1/2022	6/30/2023	6.00%	10.39%	
PERS 1	7/1/2023	8/31/2023	6.00%	9.39%	
SERS 2	9/1/2022	8/31/2023	7.76%	11.79%	
SERS 3	9/1/2022	8/31/2023	*	11.79%	**
TRS 1	9/1/2022	8/31/2023	6.00%	14.69%	
TRS 2	9/1/2022	8/31/2023	8.05%	14.69%	
TRS 3	9/1/2022	8/31/2023	*	14.69%	**
<i>Note: The Employer rates include .0018 DRS administrative expense.</i>					
* – TRS and SERS Plan 3 Employee Contribution Variable from 5% to 15% based on rate selected by the employee member.					
** – TRS and SERS Plan 2/3 Employer Contributions for defined benefit portion only.					

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

At June 30, 2023, the school district reported a total liability of **\$13,931,285** for its proportionate shares of the individual plans' collective net pension liability and **\$2,061,851** for its proportionate shares of net pension assets. Proportions of net pension amounts are based on annual contributions for each of the employers participating in the DRS administered plans. At June 30, 2023 the district's proportionate share of each plan's net pension liability is reported below:

June 30, 2023	PERS 1	SERS 2/3	TRS 1	TRS 2/3
District's Annual Contributions	\$841,866	\$1,681,591	\$4,734,966	\$5,922,076
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$2,820,167	(\$986,995)	\$11,111,118	(\$1,074,856)

At June 30, 2023, the school district's percentage of the proportionate share of the collective net pension amount 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	0.123544%	0.689512%	0.877297%	0.875183%
Prior year proportionate share	0.122911%	0.670351%	0.873628%	0.879918%
Net difference percentage	0.000633%	0.019161%	0.003669%	-0.004735%

Actuarial Assumptions

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, 2022, with the results rolled forward to June 30, 2023, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all prior periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75% total economic inflation, 3.25% salary inflation
Salary increases	In addition to the base 3.25% salary inflation assumption, salaries are also expected to grow by promotions and longevity.
Investment rate of return	7.00%

Mortality Rates

Mortality rates used in the plans were developed using the Society of Actuaries' Pub.H-2010 Mortality rates, which vary by member status as the base table. OSA applies age offsets for each system to better tailor the mortality rates to the demographics of each plan. OSA applied the long-term MP-2017 generational improvement scale to project mortality rates for every year after the 2010 base table. The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2022, valuation were based on the results of the *2013–2018 Demographic Experience Study Report and the 2021 Economic Experience Study*. Additional assumptions for subsequent events and law changes are current as of the 2022 actuarial valuation report.

Long-term Expected Rate of Return

OSA selected a 7.00% long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments using a building-block method. In selecting the assumptions, OSA reviewed the historical experience data, considered the historical conditions that produced past annual investment returns, and considered Capital Market Assumptions (CMAs) and simulated expected investment returns the Washington State Investment Board (WSIB) provided.

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 expected future rates of return are developed by the WSIB for each major asset class.

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, 2021, 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%	1.50%
Tangible Assets	7.00%	4.70%
Real Estate	18.00%	5.40%
Global Equity	32.00%	5.90%
Private Equity	23.00%	8.90%

The inflation component used to create the above table was 2.20% and represents WSIB's long-term estimate of broad economic inflation consistent with their 2021 CMAs.

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. 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.

Based on the assumptions described in the DRS Certification Letter, 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, a 7.00% on pension plan investments was applied to determine the total pension liability or (asset).

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table presents the Snohomish School District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability or asset calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the net pension liability or asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1 percentage-point higher (8.00%) 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 or asset.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability or Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate			
	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
PERS 1	\$3,189,149,000	\$2,282,732,000	\$1,491,643,000
Allocation Percentage	0.123544%	0.123544%	0.123544%
Proportionate Share	\$3,939,986	\$2,820,167	\$1,842,828
SERS 2/3	\$1,168,408,000	(\$143,144,000)	(\$1,224,160,000)
Allocation Percentage	0.689512%	0.689512%	0.689512%
Proportionate Share	\$8,056,314	(\$986,995)	(\$8,440,730)
TRS 1	\$1,927,853,000	\$1,266,517,000	\$688,424,000
Allocation Percentage	0.877297%	0.877297%	0.877297%
Proportionate Share	\$16,913,000	\$11,111,118	\$6,039,524
TRS 2/3	3,965,509,000	(122,815,000)	(3,446,561,000)
Allocation Percentage	0.875183%	0.875183%	0.875183%
Proportionate Share	\$34,705,466	(\$1,074,856)	(\$30,163,721)

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

The state, through the Health Care Authority (HCA), administers a defined benefit other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan that is not administered through a qualifying trust. 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. Benefits purchased by PEBB include medical, dental, life insurance and long-term disability insurance.⁽⁵⁾

The relationship between the PEBB OPEB plan and its member employers and their employees and retirees is not formalized in a contract or plan document. Rather, the benefits are provided

in accordance with a substantive plan. A substantive plan is one, which the employers and plan members understand the plan terms. This understanding is based on communications between the HCA, employers and plan members, and historical pattern of practice with regards to sharing of benefit costs.

Employers participating in the plan include the state of Washington (which includes general government agencies and higher education institutions), political subdivisions and tribal governments. Additionally, the PEBB plan is available to the retirees of the K–12 school districts and ESDs. The District’s retirees (approximately 544) are eligible to participate in the PEBB plan under this arrangement.

Eligibility

District members are eligible for retiree medical benefits after becoming eligible for service retirement pension benefits (either reduced or full pension benefits) Under PERS 1, 2, 3; TRS 1, 2, or 3; or SERS 2 and 3 plans.

Former members who are entitled to a deferred vested pension benefit are not eligible to receive medical and life insurance benefits after pension benefit commencement. Survivors of covered members who die are eligible for medical benefits.

Medical Benefits

Upon retirement, members are permitted to receive medical benefits. Retirees pay the following monthly rates for pre-65 medical coverage for 2023.

Members not eligible for Medicare			
(or enrolled in Part A only)	Type of Coverage		
Descriptions	Employee	Employee & Spouse	Full Family
Kaiser Permanente NW Classic	\$841.77	\$1,678.60	\$2,306.22
Kaiser Permanente NW CDHP	\$700.40	\$1,394.80	\$1,870.59
Kaiser Permanente WA Classic	\$836.57	\$1,668.20	\$2,291.92
Kaiser Permanente WA CDHP	\$699.88	\$1,393.04	\$1,869.16
Kaiser Permanente WA Sound Choice	\$715.63	\$1,426.32	\$1,959.34
Kaiser Permanente WA Value	\$764.09	\$1,523.24	\$2,092.60
UMP Classic	\$805.36	\$1,605.78	\$2,206.10
UMP Select	\$729.13	\$1,453.32	\$1,996.46
UMP CDHP	\$704.42	\$1,402.12	\$1,881.65
UMP Plus-Puget Sound High Value Network	\$766.95	\$1,528.96	\$2,100.47

UMP Plus-UW Medicine Accountable Care Network	\$766.95	\$1,528.96	\$2,100.47
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Retirees enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B receive an explicit subsidy in the form of reduced premiums on Medicare supplemental plans. Retirees pay the following monthly rates.

Members enrolled in Part A and B of Medicare	Type of Coverage		
Descriptions	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Employee & Spouse¹</u>	<u>Full Family¹</u>
Kaiser Permanente NW Senior Advantage	\$176.13	\$347.32	\$974.94
Kaiser Permanente WA Medicare Plan	\$174.59	\$344.24	N/A
Kaiser Permanente WA Classic	N/A	N/A	\$967.96
Kaiser Permanente WA Sound Choice	N/A	N/A	\$877.26
Kaiser Permanente WA Value	N/A	N/A	\$913.60
UMP Classic	\$438.34	\$871.74	\$1,472.06
Note 1: Employee-Spouse and Full Family with two Medicare eligible subscribers.			

Funding Policy

The School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) Program administers health insurance and other benefits to all employees in school districts and charter schools, and union-represented employees of educational service districts in Washington. The SEBB studies, designs, and approves comprehensive and cost-effective insurance benefit plans for school employees and establishes eligibility criteria for participation in these plans. The SEB Board is separate and independent from the Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB).

The funding policy is based upon pay-as-you go financing.

The SEBB collects benefit premiums from all school district entities for covered employees. The premium includes a fee, established in state law. The purpose of this fee is to cover the impact of the subsidized rate of health care benefits for school retirees who elect to purchase their health care benefits through the state Health Care Authority PEBB plan. The amount collected 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.

For the fiscal year 2022-23, the Snohomish School District paid \$15,481,942 in total to HCA-SEBB.

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. These amounts are not shown on the financial statements.

For further information on the results of the actuarial valuation of the employer provided subsidies associated with the state's PEBB plan, refer to the [Office of the State Actuary](#). The plan does not issue a separate report; however, additional information is included in the State of Washington Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which is available on the [OFM](#) website

NOTE 6: LEASES

The District is committed under various leases for computers and utility poles. The leasing arrangements for the computers are annual payments with various year terms. The leasing arrangement for the utility poles are bi-annually for a ten-year term. The district recognized lease principal and interest expenditures and lease liabilities to implement GASB Statement No. 87.

As of August 31, 2023, the principal and interest requirements to maturity are as follows:

Year ended August 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$440,075	\$96,948	\$537,023
2025	\$240,608	\$76,207	\$316,815
2026	\$162,411	\$57,067	\$219,478
2027	\$194,583	\$26,859	\$221,442
2028	\$35,963	\$2,085	\$38,048
2029-2033	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$1,073,640	\$259,166	\$1,332,806

Changes in lease liabilities are presented in the accompanying Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities.

NOTE 7: SUBSCRIPTION BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS

The district is committed to some SBITA's, or Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements for our district's learning management system, assessments, and management of technology equipment and network services. The SBITA arrangements are for multiple years from 2 to 5-year agreements. The District recognized SBITA principal and interest expenditures to implement GASB Statement No. 96.

As of August 31, 2023, the principal and interest requirements to maturity are as follows:

Year ended August 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$351,416	\$26,865	\$378,281
2025	\$349,464	\$28,818	\$378,282
2026	\$217,761	\$17,150	\$234,912
2027	\$145,358	\$9,405	\$154,763
2028	\$149,984	\$4,779	\$154,763
Total	\$1,213,984	\$87,017	\$1,301,001

Changes in SBITA liabilities are presented in the accompanying Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities.

NOTE 8: OTHER SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

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, 2023:

Fund	Amount
General	\$272,969.27
Capital Projects Fund	\$615,307.77

NOTE 9: REQUIRED DISCLOSURES ABOUT CAPITAL ASSETS

The District's capital assets are insured in the amount of \$462,701,876.13 for fiscal year 2022-23. In the opinion of the District's insurance consultant, the amount is sufficient to adequately fund replacement of the District's assets.

The district currently leases an office space at Parkway Campus to the Public-School Employees of Washington/SEIU Local 1948, a non-profit. The lease is month to month for \$150.00 per month.

NOTE 10: LONG-TERM DEBT

Bonds payable at August 31, 2023, are comprised of the following individual issues:

General Obligation Bonds	Amount Authorized	Annual Installments	Final Maturity	Interest Rate(s)	Amount Outstanding
2009 Qualified School Construction Bonds (1)	\$17,445,000	Varies	12/15/25	1.57	\$17,445,000
2010A Qualified School Construction Bond (2)	\$17,500,000	Varies	06/15/29	5.00	\$17,500,000
2014 UTGO Refunding Bonds	\$21,000,000	Varies	12/1/25	5.00	\$21,000,000
2016 UTGO & Refunding Bonds	\$90,470,000	Varies	12/1/30	5.00	\$75,240,000
2020 Refunding Bonds	\$83,360,000	Varies	12/1/29	4.00-5.00	\$72,470,000
2021 Refunding Bonds	\$15,548,520	Varies	12/1/23	.80	\$6,125,009
Total General Obligation Bonds	\$245,323,520				\$209,780,009

(1) Tax Credit Qualified School Construction Bond

(2) Direct Pay Qualified School Construction Bond

The following is a summary of general obligation long-term debt transactions of the District for the fiscal year(s) ended August 31, 2023:

Long-Term Debt Payable at 9/1/2022	\$228,237,797
New Issues	\$0
Debt Retired	\$18,457,788
Long-Term Debt Payable at 8/31/2023	\$209,780,009

The following is a schedule of annual requirements to amortize debt at August 31, 2023:

Years Ending August 31	Principal	Interest (1)	Total
2024	15,900,009	9,268,387	25,168,396
2025	18,460,000	8,560,412	27,020,412
2026	39,115,000	7,432,343	46,547,343
2027	24,420,000	6,164,750	30,584,750
2028	26,895,000	4,912,675	31,807,675
2029-2031	84,990,000	4,745,500	89,735,500
Total	209,780,009	41,084,067	250,864,076

(1) Does not take into consideration anticipated federal reimbursement payments on the 2010 Qualified School Construction Bonds. See "Sinking Fund" below.

At August 31, 2023, the District had \$35,633,593.61 available in the Debt Service Fund to service the general obligation bonds, including sinking funds for 2009 and 2010 Qualified School Construction Bonds. See "Sinking Fund" below.

Bonds Authorized But Unissued

The district has no bonds authorized but unissued as of August 31, 2023.

Sinking Fund

In 2009, the District issued \$17,445,000 worth of Taxable Qualified School Construction Bonds – Tax Credit. As a condition of selling the bonds, the District is required to maintain a sinking fund with the Snohomish County Treasurer. The District is required to make regular payments into the sinking fund as shown in the following schedule.

			Dec 31	Annual
	Beginning	District	Ending	Supplemental
	Balance	Contribution (1)	Balance	Coupon
				Interest
12/15/2013	-	1,341,923.08	1,341,923.08	273,886.50
12/15/2014	1,341,923.08	1,341,923.07	2,683,846.15	273,886.50
12/15/2015	2,683,846.15	1,341,923.08	4,025,769.23	273,886.50
12/15/2016	4,025,769.23	1,341,923.08	5,367,692.31	273,886.50
12/15/2017	5,367,692.31	1,341,923.07	6,709,615.38	273,886.50
12/15/2018	6,709,615.38	1,341,923.08	8,051,538.46	273,886.50
12/15/2019	8,051,538.46	1,341,923.08	9,393,461.54	273,886.50
12/15/2020	9,393,461.54	1,341,923.08	10,735,384.62	273,886.50
12/15/2021	10,735,384.62	1,341,923.07	12,077,307.69	273,886.50
12/15/2022	12,077,307.69	1,341,923.08	13,419,230.77	273,886.50
12/15/2023	13,419,230.77	1,341,923.08	14,761,153.85	273,886.50
12/15/2024	14,761,153.85	1,341,923.07	16,103,076.92	273,886.50
12/15/2025	16,103,076.92	1,341,923.08	17,445,000.00	273,886.50

(1) District contribution consists of U.S. Treasury securities maturing to this value on or before the QSCB maturity date of 12/15/2025.

The District is current with sinking fund deposit requirements as of August 31, 2023.

In 2010, the District issued \$17,500,000 Taxable Qualified School Construction Bonds – Direct Payment. As a condition of selling the bonds, the District is required to maintain a sinking fund with the Snohomish County Treasurer, and is required to make regular payments into the sinking fund as shown in the following schedule. The District is expected to receive Federal reimbursement for a portion of the annual coupon interest paid as detailed below.

	Beginning	Sinking Fund	Ending	Fiscal Year	Federal	Net Interest
	Balance	Contribution (1)	Balance	Interest	Reimbursement(2)	Interest
6/15/2018	-	1,458,333.33	1,458,333.33	875,000.00	(817,250.00)	57,750.00
6/15/2019	1,458,333.33	1,458,333.33	2,916,666.66	875,000.00	(820,750.00)	54,250.00
6/15/2020	2,916,666.66	1,458,333.33	4,375,000.00	875,000.00	(827,387.30)	47,612.70
6/15/2021	4,375,000.00	1,458,333.33	5,833,333.33	875,000.00	(827,124.93)	47,875.07
6/15/2022	5,833,333.33	1,458,333.33	7,291,666.66	875,000.00	(827,937.55)	47,062.45
6/15/2023	7,291,666.66	1,458,333.33	8,750,000.00	875,000.00	(829,100.00)	45,900.00
6/15/2024	8,750,000.00	1,458,333.33	10,208,333.33	875,000.00	(825,125.00)	49,875.00
6/15/2025	10,208,333.33	1,458,333.33	11,666,666.66	875,000.00	(825,125.00)	49,875.00
6/15/2026	11,666,666.66	1,458,333.33	13,125,000.00	875,000.00	(825,125.00)	49,875.00
6/15/2027	13,125,000.00	1,458,333.33	14,583,333.33	875,000.00	(825,125.00)	49,875.00
6/15/2028	14,583,333.33	1,458,333.33	16,041,666.66	875,000.00	(825,125.00)	49,875.00
6/15/2029	16,041,666.66	1,458,333.33	17,500,000.00	875,000.00	(825,125.00)	49,875.00

(1) District contribution consists of U.S. Treasury securities maturing to this value on or before the QSCB maturity date of 6/15/2029.

(2) Interest reimbursement is actual through 2023 and net of the Federal Sequestration cuts of 5.70% thereafter.

The District is current with sinking fund deposit requirements as of August 31, 2023.

NOTE 11: INTERFUND BALANCES AND TRANSFERS

The following table depicts interfund transfer activity:

Transferred From (Fund) 535 or 536	Transferred To (Fund) 965 9900 or 9901	Amount	Description
Capital Projects Fund	General Fund	\$5,309,832	Tech-Levy Transfer
Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	\$105,857	Investment Transfer
General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	\$1,000,000	Maintenance/Operations Building

Per OSPI Policies and procedures and Snohomish School District's 2022-23 budget, approved on August 24, 2022, \$1,000,000 was transferred from General Fund to Capital Projects Fund for the purchase of a new Maintenance/Operations building.

NOTE 12: ENTITY RISK MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

The Snohomish School District is a member of the Schools Insurance Association of Washington (SIAW). Chapter 48.62 RCW authorizes the governing body of any one or more governmental entities to form together into or join a program 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, 1995, when seven mid-sized school districts in the State of Washington joined together by signing an Interlocal Agreement to pool their self-insured losses and jointly purchase insurance and administrative services. Membership as of August 31, 2023, includes 37 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, Earthquake, Liability, Automobile Liability, Equipment Breakdown, Crime, and Wrongful Act Liability.

The program acquires liability insurance through their Administrator, Clear Risk Solutions, which is subject to a per-occurrence self-insured retention (SIR) of \$500,000. Members are responsible for a standard deductible of \$5,000 for each claim (some member deductibles vary), while the program is responsible for the \$500,000 SIR. Insurance carriers cover insured losses over \$505,000 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 \$500,000 SIR. The program also purchases a Stop Loss Policy with an attachment point of \$9,695,600, which it fully funds in its annual budget.

Property insurance is subject to a per-occurrence self-insured retention of \$500,000. Members are responsible for a \$10,000 deductible amount for each claim. The program is responsible for the remaining \$500,000 self-insured retention. Equipment breakdown insurance is subject to a per-occurrence deductible of \$10,000. Members are responsible for the deductible amount of each claim.

Privacy, Security, and Technology (Cyber) insurance is subject to a per-occurrence SIR of \$250,000. Members are responsible for a \$25,000 deductible for each claim, while the program is responsible for the remaining \$225,000 SIR.

Members contract to remain in the program for one year and must give notice before December 31 to terminate participation the following September 1. Renewal of the Interlocal Agreement occurs 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 Interlocal 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 administration, and loss prevention for the program. Fees paid to the third-party administrator under this arrangement for the year ended August 31, 2023, were \$3,297,083.

A Board of Directors of eight members is selected by the membership from the east and west side of the state 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.

NOTE 13 : 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.

NOTE 14: JOINT VENTURES AND JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

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 July 9, 1974 and has remained in the joint venture ever since. The District's current equity of \$107,103.47 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.

NOTE 15: 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	Transportation Vehicle Fund
Nonspendable Fund Balance					
Inventory and Prepaid Items	\$1,668,862	\$47,027			
Restricted Fund Balance					
For Fund Purpose		\$1,938,612			\$3,840,323
For Carryover of Restricted Revenues	\$386,338				
For Carryover of Food Service Revenue	\$653,785				
For Debt Service				\$35,633,594	
Restricted from Bond Proceeds			\$7		
Restricted from Impact Fee Proceeds			\$100,484		
Committed Fund Balance					
Committed from Levy Proceeds			\$4,648,771		
Assigned Fund Balance					
Other Purposes	\$5,105,623				
Fund Purposes			\$1,070,359		
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$8,372,814				

In addition, the Capital Projects Fund has the following amounts in Restricted and Committed Fund Balance, based on the source of the revenues:

Restricted from Bond Proceeds	\$7
Restricted from Impact Fee Proceeds	\$100,484
Committed from Levy Proceeds	\$4,648,771

The Capital Projects Fund has a Committed Fund Balance of \$4,648,771. Of this total, \$3,559,690 is from the Technology Levy collections which are reserved for Technology Levy uses.

The board of directors has established a minimum fund balance policy for the general fund to provide for financial stability and contingencies within the District. The District policy is that the Unassigned fund balance account will be targeted at a fiscal year-end fund balance of 4-6% of General Fund expenditures.

NOTE 16: DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION AND OPEB PLANS

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. The District does not make employer contributions to the plan.

See below for additional required disclosures if the district makes employer contributions to the plan.

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 two types of deferrals: elective deferrals (employee contribution) and non-elective contribution (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. Plan assets are assets of the District employees, not the school district, and are therefore not reflected on the financial statements.

HealthInvest HRA

HealthInvest HRA is an employer funded Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) provided by Gallagher Benefits Services (Gallagher). HRAs are primarily defined under IRS Notice 2002-45 and Revenue Ruling 2002-41 as well as multiple pieces of subsequent guidance. Contributions and withdrawals from a properly structured HRA are exempt from gross income under Internal Revenue Code § 106 and 105. HealthInvest HRA plan assets are held in an Internal Revenue Code §115 governmental integral part trust. Benefits paid to participants under this plan are solely for qualified post-separation (retirement) medical, dental, vision, and tax-qualified long term care premiums. The terms of the collective bargaining arrangements specify the district's employer contribution rate of the following:

- Deputy Superintendent \$460.00 per month
- Executive Directors \$405.00 per month
- Directors \$350.00 per month
- Principals \$204.50 per month
- Supervisors & Managers \$100.00 per month

Plan assets are assets of the District employees, not the school district, and are therefore not reflected on the financial statements. For the year ended August 31, 2023, the District made \$183,731.32 in employer contributions to the plan.

NOTE 17: 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 vesting method.

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Schedule of Long-Term Liabilities
For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Description	Beginning Outstanding Debt September 1, 2022	Amount Issued / Increased	Amount Redeemed / Decreased	Ending Outstanding Debt August 31, 2023	Amount Due Within One Year
Voted Debt					
Voted Bonds	228,237,797.00	0.00	18,457,788.00	209,780,009.00	15,900,009.00
LOCAL Program Proceeds Issued in Lieu of Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Voted Debt and Liabilities					
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
Leases	1,432,823.96	2,084,602.89	1,460,116.46	2,057,310.39	1,513,534.15
Contracts Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Claims & Judgements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Compensated Absences	4,595,285.88	298,146.21	0.00	4,893,432.09	418,900.24
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	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Liabilities					
Non-Voted Notes Not Recorded as Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Pension Liabilities:					
Net Pension Liabilities TRS 1	16,614,920.00	0.00	5,503,802.00	11,111,118.00	
Net Pension Liabilities TRS 2/3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Net Pension Liabilities SERS 2/3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Net Pension Liabilities PERS 1	3,422,280.00	0.00	602,113.00	2,820,167.00	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	254,303,106.84	2,382,749.10	26,023,819.46	230,662,036.48	17,832,443.39

Other postemployment benefits other than pensions (OPEB) liabilities are not presented in the Schedule of Long Term Liabilities.

Snohomish School District No. 201
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Federal Agency (Pass-Through Agency)	Federal Program	ALN Number	Other Award Number	Expenditures			Passed through to Subrecipients	Note
				From Pass- Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total		
Child Nutrition Cluster								
FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE, AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	School Breakfast Program	10.553	N/A	126,332	-	126,332	-	9
FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE, AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	286,842	-	286,842	-	9
FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE, AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	953,316	-	953,316	-	9
FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE, AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	National School Lunch Program	10.555	N/A	179,445	-	179,445	-	5 & 9
			Total ALN 10.555:	1,419,603	-	1,419,603	-	
FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE, AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	N/A	25,487	-	25,487	-	9
			Total Child Nutrition Cluster:	1,571,422	-	1,571,422	-	
Forest Service Schools and Roads Cluster								
FOREST SERVICE, AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Schools and Roads - Grants to States	10.665	N/A	21,905	-	21,905	-	9
			Total Forest Service Schools and Roads Cluster:	21,905	-	21,905	-	
Department of Defense	USMC JROTC	12-U01	-	-	94,370	94,370	-	9

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For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Federal Agency (Pass-Through Agency)	Federal Program	ALN Number	Other Award Number	Expenditures			Passed through to Subrecipients	Note
				From Pass- Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total		
DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES, TREASURY, DEPARTMENT OF THE (via City of Snohomish)	COVID 19 - CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS	21.027	BH-22-AR-03- 242	218,889	-	218,889	-	
DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES, TREASURY, DEPARTMENT OF THE (via Snohomish County)	COVID 19 - CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS	21.027	EL-22-AR-26- 034	73,260	-	73,260	-	2
			Total ALN 21.027:	292,149	-	292,149	-	
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION	COVID 19 - Emergency Connectivity Fund Program	32.009		-	130,935	130,935	-	
THE INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES, THE INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES (via IMLS)	Grants to States	45.310	LS-252490-OLS -22	5,402	-	5,402	-	
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	GT--00214	394,322	-	394,322	-	2&6
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Migrant Education State Grant Program	84.011	GT--00214	67,438	-	67,438	-	2&6
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)								

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For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Expenditures					Passed through to Subrecipients	Note
Federal Agency (Pass-Through Agency)	Federal Program	ALN Number	Other Award Number	From Pass-Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Special Education Grants to States	84.027	84.027X-312387	393,231	-	393,231
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Special Education Grants to States	84.027	84.027A-307828	1,730,902	-	1,730,902
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Special Education Grants to States	84.027	GT--00551	148,758	-	148,758
Total ALN 84.027:				2,272,891	-	2,272,891
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	84.173X-371336	33,071	-	33,071
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	84.173A-367220	71,741	-	71,741
Total ALN 84.173:				104,812	-	104,812
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA):				2,377,703	-	2,377,703

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For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Federal Agency (Pass-Through Agency)	Federal Program	ALN Number	Other Award Number	Expenditures			Passed through to Subrecipients	Note
				From Pass- Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total		
Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Career and Technical Education -- Basic Grants to States	84.048	176097	39,274	-	39,274	-	2
Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Career and Technical Education -- Basic Grants to States	84.048	178302	2,591	-	2,591	-	
		Total ALN 84.048:		41,865	-	41,865	-	
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	GT--00214	56,358	-	56,358	-	2
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	84.365A-410585	20,000	-	20,000	-	2
		Total ALN 84.365:		76,358	-	76,358	-	
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants (formerly Improving Teacher Quality State Grants)	84.367	GT--00214	85,985	-	85,985	-	2
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	GT--00214	41,160	-	41,160	-	2
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425D-143120	5,502	-	5,502	-	

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

Federal Agency (Pass-Through Agency)	Federal Program	ALN Number	Other Award Number	Expenditures			Passed through to Subrecipients	Note
				From Pass- Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total		
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425W- 459606	15,938	-	15,938	-	
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425U- 140670	921	-	921	-	
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425U- 138184	91,011	-	91,011	-	
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425D	7,625	-	7,625	-	
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425D	30,520	-	30,520	-	
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF, EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425	84.425D	517	-	517	-	
Total ALN 84.425:				152,034	-	152,034	-	
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF (via OSPI)	COVID 19 - Public Health Emergency Response: Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response: Public Health Crisis Response	93.354	790034	59,476	-	59,476	-	2

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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For the Year Ended August 31, 2023

					Expenditures				
					Other Award Number	From Pass-Through Awards	From Direct Awards	Total	Passed through to Subrecipients
Federal Agency (Pass-Through Agency)	Federal Program	ALN Number							Note
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, HOMELAND SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF	COVID 19 - Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036			-	-	57,964	57,964	10
Total Federal Awards Expended:					5,187,219	283,269	5,470,488	-	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

NOTE 1—BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is prepared on the same basis of accounting as Snohomish School District's financial statements. Snohomish School District uses the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures represent only the federally funded portions of the program. District records should be consulted to determine amounts expended or matched from non-federal sources.

NOTE 2—FEDERAL INDIRECT RATE

Snohomish School District used the federal restricted rate of 5.51%

The district has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 4—PROGRAM COSTS/MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS

The amounts shown as current year expenses represent only the federal grant portion of the program costs. Entire program costs, including Snohomish School District's local matching share, may be more than shown.

Such Expenditures are recognized following, as applicable, either the cost principles in the 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.

NOTE 5—NONCASH AWARDS

The amount of commodities reported on the schedule is the value of commodities distributed by Snohomish School District during the current year and priced as prescribed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

NOTE 6—SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAMS

Snohomish School District operates a "schoolwide program" in two elementary buildings. Using federal funding, schoolwide programs are designed to upgrade an entire educational program within a school for all students, rather than limit services to certain targeted students. The following federal program amounts were expended by Snohomish School District in its schoolwide program: Title I (84.010) (\$307,226.90).

NOTE 9—MISSING IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

The district was unable to obtain an identification number.

NOTE 10—EXPENDITURES IN PRIOR FISCAL YEAR

\$57,964.04 is included on the 2022/23 SEFA but expenditures were incurred in the previous fiscal year.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR FINDINGS REPORTED UNDER UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Snohomish School District No. 201 September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023

This schedule presents the corrective action planned by the District for findings reported in this report in accordance with Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance).

Finding ref number: 2023-001	Finding caption: The District charged unallowable costs to the Supply Chain Assistance award of the Child Nutrition Cluster.
Name, address, and telephone of District contact person: Tom Laufmann, Executive Director of Business Services 1601 Avenue D Snohomish, WA 98290 360-563-7239	
Corrective action the auditee plans to take in response to the finding: <i>The district is making multiple checks for processed vs unprocessed foods claimed in the Supply Chain Assistance award. This includes multiple staff reviewing the claimed items and cross-checking against the 2022-23 claim. All items deemed processed are removed from the claim.</i>	
Anticipated date to complete the corrective action: 8/31/2024	

Finding ref number: 2023-002	Finding caption: The District's internal controls were inadequate for ensuring compliance with federal procurement requirements.
Name, address, and telephone of District contact person: Tom Laufmann, Executive Director of Business Services 1601 Avenue D Snohomish, WA 98290 360-563-7239	
Corrective action the auditee plans to take in response to the finding: <i>For future contracts, the district will make sure to follow all policies and procedures. In particular, the district will ensure that multiple quotes will be obtained before entering any contract and that all staff involved in contract awards are re-educated and aware of this requirement.</i>	
Anticipated date to complete the corrective action: 8/31/24	

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